



4-H HAPPENINGS

York Berries & Bees

The York County Berries and Bees 4-H Club held its monthly meeting on May 9.

During the meeting, the club announced that June 6 will be the strawberry round-up. Club members received their 4-H strawberry third year project books.

The club also announced that the herb festival is Saturday, June 24, at the York Fair from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The club decided to put an advertisement in this year's fair book.

Two trips are scheduled for June. A tour of Brown's Orchard is scheduled for June 3 at 10 a.m. On June 14, the club will travel to Walnut Acres.

Lebanon Beef

The Lebanon County 4-H Beef Club, under the leadership of Brian Kreider, recently held a "hands-on" beef cattle veterinary clinic.

The clinic was held at MAP farm, owned by Michael and Martene Firestone. Dr. Brummel from Fifth Avenue Animal Hospital instructed the 4-H'ers in proper handling, proper area to give shots, parasite control vaccines, and various methods of castration.

Brummel demonstrated the scalpel method of castration. He prefers this method to branding and pinching because the area has an opportunity to drain. When castration is performed by the banding and pinching method, the area doesn't drain, leaving an opportunity for infection.

Brummel gave all 22 4-H'ers in attendance the opportunity to administer shots and apply dewormer. He explained that there are subcutaneous and intramuscular shots. He also stressed the proper area to administer shots is in the neck area. He explained that the neck area is not a prime source of meat. And, since abscesses can form where shots are given, the hindquarters where prime cuts of meat are should not be abscessed.

Different types of dewormers and application methods were discussed. There are dewormers

that are given orally by an applicator gun, applied by feed, or by lickblocks. Other dewormers available are pour ons and injectables. At the demonstration, a pour on and a paste dewormer were demonstrated.

Brummel explained why breeding cows receive annual shots of a nine way vaccination and why cows receive selenium shots. The nine way vaccine is used to prevent bovine viral diarrhea and respiratory diseases, as well as leptosporosis. He explained that this area is selenium deficient, and beef cattle need the selenium to prevent white muscle disease.

He performed a pregnancy check on two cows, and explained why he used a plastic sleeve and what he was doing while he performed the procedure.

The "Hands-On" experience provided by Brummel and Kreider was both educational and provided an insight on proper health procedures through actual practice.

4-H Photography Club

A new photography club for youth ages 8-19 will begin this summer in the Greenridge section of Scranton. Leader Michael Straub of Scranton will teach members photography skills, including getting to know your camera, types of film, and choosing good photography subjects.

For more information about the club or to register, contact Karen Thomas, Penn State Cooperative Extension agent, at (570) 963-4761.

Cumberland Co. Sheep Club
Conodoguinet 4-H Sheep Club of Cumberland County met on May 18. The Club discussed new and old business, as well as worked on the sheep club poster display for the summer fair.

The next meeting will be held on June 10 at 10 a.m. at the Myers Farm for the annual workshop. Members will be shown how to prepare the sheep for show.

Visitors and new members are always welcomed. Please call

Mrs. Richard Myers at (717) 258-3850 for more information.

East Rush Club

The East Rush Community 4-H Club elected officers at its last meeting. New officers are Ben Hardic, president; Jonathan Ochse, vice president; Brittany Hollister, news reporter/secretary; Alyssa Jones, treasurer; and Macky Wright, song and game leader.

This year the club's treasury is \$706.41. Member are deciding what type of shirts to get. The prices are anywhere from \$7 to \$10. Hollister moved and Ochse seconded to get both colors, green and white.

Dues will stay at 50 cents for this year. Other business included asking for volunteers to manage the food stands, passing out membership cards, and handing out pins for the blue ribbon club. Certificates were also handed out to the people who took part in the club.

Creatures & Creations Club

The Creatures and Creations 4-H Club held two meetings. At the first meeting held at the McDonalds House, the club helped shear sheep with Roger Thomas. While enjoying beverages, the club discussed fund-raisers and decided to hold a tag sale. Dues were also discussed. It was decided that dues were a dollar at every meeting, and if any member misses a meeting, they will still be responsible to pay their dollar.

The second meeting was held at Dennis Wilson's house in Nicholson. The group docked tails of two lambs and made a small obstacle course for practicing with the llamas. The club plans to design an obstacle course for the Harford Fair. They will also participate in Wool Day at Old Mill Village.

Acre Lake Club

The Acre Lake 4-H Club in Susquehanna County recently held its May meeting. During the meeting, the club elected



Jack Gardner, organizational leader for the Penn Manor 4-H Community Club, represented Lancaster County 4-H at the Pa. State 4-H Leaders Forum, State College. The two-day event brought together 100 volunteers from across the state for project and youth relationship workshops. Shown with Gardner is Marilyn Corbin, 4-H state program leader for children, youth, and families.

New officers.

New officers are Danielle Bonham, president; Raven Matulevich, vice president; Kelly Diaz, secretary; Tegan Aherne, treasurer; Catie Durren, news reporter; and Chris Davis and Cody Jones, song and game leaders.

The club had a discussion about doing ugly quilts and doing a community service in Scranton or Montrose. Acre Lake's next meeting will be a picnic at Salt Springs.

Green Grove Club

The Green Grove Community Club in Susquehanna County held its meeting in the 4-H room of Rev. and Mrs. Sherman's home. The meeting began with Mr. Sherman telling club members which family members and friends provided the wildlife decorations for the 4-H room.

A special guest, Charles Arcovitch, wildlife conservation officer, passed around antlers, pelts, and skulls of various animals. He gave members infor-

mation about Pennsylvania's wildlife. He also shared what you need to become a wildlife conservation officer. He also showed club members what he wears when on duty.

Arcovitch captured the group's attention and did a lot of hands on. He also entertained many questions and answers. After Arcovitch finished, refreshments were served. 20 members were presented, with a total of 48 people at the meeting.

Sizzlin' Steak Club

The Sizzlin' Steak 4-H Club in Susquehanna County held its meeting on May 7 at Mitchells' home. President Amy Paolucci opened the meeting with pledges. The treasurer's report was given, and the jacket committee gave a report. Members discussed the livestock dinner for buyers at the livestock sale at the Fair. They also discussed their plant beautification spot at the fair.

The club's next meeting will be on June 4 at 8 p.m. at Paolucci's.



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