**4-H Blast**

August 21, 2015

**August 21:** Lamb and Goat Tag Order Deadline

**August 25:** Broilers: pick-up, 5-7pm, New Salem Bldg., Rockdale

**September 1:** Tickets Due back to the Office

**September 1:** Consumer Project Orientation, 7pm, Yoe High School FCS Room

***Attention All 4-H Families-GIVE-A-WAY TICKETS NOW AVAILABLE:***

Please sell Give-A-Way Tickets from now until **September 1, 2015**. This is the annual 4-H Council fund raiser to provide funding for the county opportunities!!! 4-H Give-a-Way Tickets are now available. Contact your club managers (or fund raising leaders) for you to get proper credit. The drawing will be on September 13th during the 4-H County Celebration in Cameron. The club that sells the most tickets will have their representatives named Mr. & Miss 4-H and the club that sells the second highest amount of tickets will have their representatives named Prince and Princess.

Items up for the give-a-away:

1. YETI Cooler-65 QT - PLUS $100 Gift Card (value $500)

2. Henry Golden Boy .22 Lever Action RIFLE - PLUS Gift Card (value $500)

3. $ 300 Gift Card

4. $ 250 Gift Card

5. $ 200 Gift Card donated by Cheryl & James Walker

6. Horseshoe Cross donated by Tiny & Susan Dean

Top three Raffle ticket sellers will be given prizes.

* $50 Walmart Gift Certificate to Top Seller
* $30 Walmart Gift Certificate to Second Place Seller
* $20 Walmart Gift Certificate to Third Place Seller

***Annual 4-H Enrollment:***

4-H Connect on-line Enrollment: https//texas.4honline.com

All 4-Hers and Leaders Need To Update Enrollment Annually– ENROLLMENT STARTS **SEPTEMBER 1, 2015**

***2 Meeting Requirement:***

As per 4-H Council and the Parents and Leaders; a new rule will be enforced this year. To be an **ACTIVE MEMBER** in Milam County 4-H and be able to participate in the 2016 Milam County Junior Livestock Show, **all members will be required to attend a minimum of TWO Club meetings**. This rule will start September 1, 2015 and all members have from **September 1, 2015-March 1, 2016** to attend their 2 meetings. 4-Hers must attend 2 meetings of their primary club (the club you registered for as primary on 4-H connect) and you MUST sign in on the attendance sheet when you arrive at the meeting. This is so your attendance is documented and that all members are accounted for when the Club Managers keep track of attendance.

REMEMBER:

* You much enroll on 4-H Connect for the current year starting September 1st
* You can ONLY attend your primary club to count for the TWO meetings
* Attend TWO meetings from September 1, 2015-March 1, 2016
* Make sure you SIGN the sign in/attendance sheet when you first arrive at the meeting

***Lamb & Goat Tag Order Deadline-August 21, 2015***

If you plan on showing a Lamb, Goat, breeding goat, or breeding sheep in any 2016 Major shows you will need to order tags before **August 21**. Tags can be purchased at the County Extension Office.

Market Lambs, Market Goats, Wether Dams, and Wether Does will be $12.00

Registered Sheep and Registered Goats will be $10.00

Lambs and goats validated for the 2015 State Fair of Texas will have to be revalidated for the 2016 Spring Majors. TLBA (Texas Lamb Breeders Assn.) tag numbers MUST be in the lamb’s ear and recorded on the validation form at validation. NO TLBA tag numbers will be added to the validation forms after the forms are submitted. Market lambs must have a TBLA tag to be eligible to compete in the San Angelo Stock Show or Receive TBLA Recognition at other major shows. Lamb/Goat validation for spring shows will be in late October.

***Rockdale Fair***

HE Rules and Entry Forms are POSTED online! <http://counties.agrilife.org/mc4h/rockdale-fair/>

Ownership and Tag-in dates are as follows:

* Broilers: pick-up **August 25**, New Salem Building, Rockdale (NEW DATE!!)
* Rabbits: **September 9, 2015**, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., New Salem Building, Rockdale
* Commercial Heifers: Palpation: **Oct. 3, 2015**, 8:00 to 10:00 a.m.

***Milam County 4-H Information!***

For information about any 4-H related activity, please go to the website or facebook page! [www.Join4-h.com](http://www.Join4-h.com) or [www.facebook.com/milamcountyfourH](http://www.facebook.com/milamcountyfourH)