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MOBILE COUNTY 4-H ANIMAL SCIENCE CLUB NEWS

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- Dates to Remember:**
- **June 17**—Lucedale Stockyard Tour
 - **June 25**—Animal Science Mtg. 6:30 pm
 - **June 25**—Deadline to enter Mock Show
 - **June 29**—Deadline to enter AJCA Round-up
 - **July 11**—Mock Show Workshop
 - **July 24-26**—AL Jr. Cattlemen Round-Up
 - **August 27**—Animal Science Mtg. 6:30 pm
Deadline for Market Steer Ear Tag Info
 - **Sept. 1**—Market Steer Ear Tag Order Deadline
 - **Sept. 26**—Market Steer Weigh-In, Evan's Farm in Wilmer
 - **Oct. 1**—Market Steer Ownership & Weigh-In
 - **Oct. 15**—Market Steer Entry
 - **Oct. 23-Nov. 1**—Greater Gulf State Fair Dates
 - **Oct. 23**—Steer Show Weigh-in
 - **Oct. 24**—Steer Show & Sale
 - **Dec. 1**—Steer Show Recognition Program

4-H ANIMAL SCIENCE CLUB NEWS

Last month we listed our 2009 Show Exhibitors. The following is a list of our 4-H members that participate in our club, but do not necessarily show cattle:

- Lex & Zoe Shields
- Emily & Trip Volnoff
- Hunter Hudson
- Austin & Jessica Edmonds
- Brandon Finch
- Josh Pickering
- Chase Rachel
- Cody Skelton
- Lance Stanley
- Anniston Weeks
- Dalton & Dillon Woodyard
- Stacy Woodyard

Anyone can join and for those who don't show animals you can learn a lot by attending our club meetings, helping with ring set-up, contest participation and attending field trips and events.

You can also contribute a lot to our club by your continued participation.

All members and exhibitors must attend at least 3 events during our club year to remain an active, bona-fide 4-H member.

Please call 251-574-8445 and speak with Kay if your name was left off any list

SUMMER FIELD TRIP—JUNE 17

By the time you get this letter, it will be time for our field trip to the Lucedale Livestock Producers Stockyard. Courtney, Catherine and their Dad, Mr. Bryson, have planned an educational trip to learn about the final process of a beef or swine project.

We will meet at the Jon Archer Agricultural Center and leave for the stockyard no later than 9:45 a.m. We want to arrive in time to view the last part of a swine sell at 10:45 a.m. Immediately following the swine sell, we'll take a picnic break, (*don't forget your sack lunch*) then watch a beef sell at 12:00 noon. We will return to the Jon Archer Agricultural Center by 3:00 p.m.

Wear close-toed shoes, and last year's show shirt if you have one. (**No Flip-Flops allowed.**)

Please contact Myra at 574-8445 if you are planning to attend!



2ND ANNUAL MOBILE COUNTY MOCK SHOW

WHEN: Saturday, July 11

WHERE: AgriEd Pavilion—Behind Jon Archer Agricultural Center at 1070 Schillinger Road, No.

TIME: Check-In from 8:30 am till 9:00 am



This “mock” show was formed to provide Mobile County 4-H steer show exhibitors as well as members of our Mobile County Animal Science Club the opportunity to experience life in the ring without the competitive and highly stressful components of a real show. Exhibitors old and new will learn tips to help them with showmanship and get advice on ways to improve their steers before our annual show at the Greater Gulf State Fair. This workshop will provide families with some of the stresses of a real show, But will be based in a learning and non-competitive atmosphere where helpful hands will be there to guide each exhibitor through the show process. This workshop will give exhibitors and their steers much needed experience in the showing. This educational program is sure to be a fun filled and rewarding day for every exhibitor.

Guidelines:

1. Each person planning to participate in the mock show must have the official mock show entry form either post-marked or personally delivered to Sarah Dickinson by June 25, 2009. This will provide exhibitors with the responsibility of returning entry forms on time as well as aid the show coordinators in breaking down and assigning classes. Mail entries to: Sarah Dickinson 17591—B Celeste Road, Citronelle, AL 36522.
2. Showmanship classes will be broken down as uniformly as possibly with there being no more than five exhibitors in the ring at one time. This will allow one-on-one time between each exhibitor and the judge. Showmanship classes will have to be placed in order for the judge to better explain what each young person excels in and what they need to work on. The judge will provide an example before the showmanship classes begin and will spend in depth time with each participant to help them fully understand what they need to do to improve.
3. In an effort to make the mock show as realistic as possible, each exhibitor will be responsible for washing and blow-drying their steer before the show. Steers will be shown clean and dry which means that you will not be putting any adhesives on your steer for this event. Fitting will be covered at other workshops this summer.
4. We will, however, be showing the steers in show halters and dressing accordingly for the showmanship section of the show. This means that before you enter the ring, you will change into your show attire of a clean button/snap down long sleeve western style shirt, clean jeans, belt, and boots. I know that it is going to be hot, but your whole appearance and presence are a big part of showmanship. After the showmanship section we will break for lunch and you will be allowed to change back into your work clothes for the remainder of the show so you won't have to sweat it out for the rest of the day.
5. The show will begin promptly at 10:00 am on the morning of July 11, 2009. Check-in will be from 8:30 am till 9:00 am with the exhibitor numbers begin drawn at 9:00 am, so don't be late. After the showmanship section, we will break for lunch. There is no entry fee for the show. Pizza & drinks will be provided, \$1.00 donation will be appreciated.

This workshop will provide you with an opportunity to get your steer out and accustomed to the noises and stress of a show, as well as allow you to learn helpful tips on what you should be working on with showmanship. This will also allow you extra time and practice in the showing. Please consider participating in this event.

A Mock Show Entry Form is attached.



2009 ALABAMA JUNIOR CATTLEMEN'S ASSOCIATION ROUND-UP

The deadline for entering the **Alabama Junior Cattlemen's Association Round-Up** is July 1. It will be held at the Garrett Coliseum in Montgomery from **July 24 through 26**. I must have your enclosed **entry form no later than June 25** to send in a count from Mobile County.

Please call your friends and get on a team for the Team Events. Also, plan to enter any and all of the individual contests. This is great practice and good lessons in experience and character building.

Note that the **Team Events** are comprised of 3 Contestants—one from **EACH** of the 3 age categories:

Juniors—age 9-12

Intermediate—age 13-15

Seniors—Age 16-21

Compete by age as of January 1, 2010.

For AJCA Round-Up rules or additional information email: rblossom@bamabeef.org



2009 AJCA ROUND-UP SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

THURSDAY, JULY 23, 2009

8 a.m.—Barns Open for Receiving Cattle—Stall assignments will be made by county & posted outside the Teague Arena.

FRIDAY, JULY 24, 2009

8-10 a.m.—Photography Contest
Poster Contest
Record Book
Video Contest

Entries due to Teague Arena office by 10 a.m.

8:30 a.m.—Public Speaking Contest—Participants will meet contest officials outside the Teague Arena office to determine order of participants.

10 A.M.—ALL CATTLE MUST BE IN PLACE IN BARNs

10 a.m.—Cattle Judging Contest—Participants will meet in the bleachers of the Teague Arena

1:30-3:30 p.m.—Cattle Check-In—Purebred cattle papers will be checked inside the Teague Arena. All steers, market heifers, and commercial heifers will check in and be weighed at the scales between the Homer Lewis Barn and the Creative Living Building.

4 p.m.—Team Grooming Contest—Teams may begin setting up in the designated area inside the Lewis barn anytime after noon on Friday.

6:15 p.m.—Awards Announcements—Winners from the day's contests will have their pictures taken before the start of the Volleyball Tournament.

6:45 p.m.—Cook-Out & Volleyball Tournament—Grill burgers outside and eat/play in the Teague Arena.

SATURDAY, JULY 25, 2009

9:30 a.m.—Team Salesmanship Contest—Teams will meet with contest officials inside the Teague Arena office to determine order of teams.

Noon—Build a Better Burger Contest—Teams will meet with contest officials outside the Teague Office to receive their raw burger patties and review contest rules.

2 p.m.—Awards Announcements—Winners from the day's contests will have their pictures taken before the start of showmanship.

2:30 p.m.—Showmanship Contests—Full show program and show order will be posted Friday evening.

SUNDAY, JULY 26, 2009

7 a.m.—Devotional Service—Teague Arena

8 a.m.—AJCA Round-Up Cattle Show—Full show program and show order will be posted Friday Evening.



Our club will stay as a group again at the Comfort Inn, 2 miles from the coliseum. 4-H rooms will be paid for with club funds.

SOUTHERN LIVESTOCK JUDGING CLINIC—JUNE 29-30, 2009

Produced by current Collegiate Livestock Judging Team Members

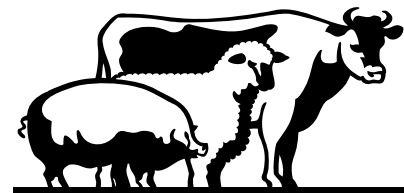
Where: Berrien County Ag Center 516A County Farm Road Nashville, Georgia

What: Livestock Judging Instructional Clinic on Swine, Sheep, & Cattle

Who: All FFA & 4-H Members

Why: Improve placing and reasons scores and be more competitive in contests.

Costs: \$30 per participant (*includes T-shirt, lunch on Tuesday, plus an instructional manual*). **OPTIONAL:** Cookout meal, recreation and fellowship on Monday evening with \$10 additional costs. (*Enrollment Form enclosed*)



Lodging is not provided but nearby accommodations include:

Days-Inn

1200 West 4th Street
Adel, GA 31620
229-896-4574

Hampton Inn

1500 West 4th Street
Adel, GA 31620
229-896-3099

Super 8 Motel

1103 West 4th Street
Adel, GA 31620
229-896-2244

Nashville Inn

600 S Jefferson Street
Nashville, GA 31639
229-686-9445

For more information call:

Jary Douglas
706-583-8921
jaryd@uga.edu

Patrick Willis
229-686-5431
pwillis@uga.edu

Parrish Akins
229-356-3656
parrishakins@hotmail.com

This is **NOT** a Mobile county club event, but for your information only.

Dear 4-H Animal Science Club Members:

I understand that our Club was represented well at the Pike County Invitational Steer & Heifer Show on June 5 in Troy, Alabama. Ten 4-H'ers from Mobile County attended.

Please plan on sharing your experiences with us at our next club meeting on Thursday, June 25. It will be held at the Jon Archer Agricultural Center at 6:30 pm.

This a very important meeting. Lisa Kriese-Anderson, Extension Specialist Associate Professor of Animal Science & Forages from Auburn University, will speak to our club and parents about marketing yourself and your steers for new buyers. We will also handout the 4-H Animal Science Market Steer Video DVDs and other information.

You can watch this video by going to: www.aces.edu/Counties/Mobile/

If you need additional entry/enrollment forms please call Kay at 574-8445.

Sincerely,

Maranda J. Marks

Maranda Marks
County Extension Agent Assistant



Alabama A&M and Auburn Universities

Mock Show Entry Form

Saturday, July 11, 2009

AgriEd Pavilion behind the Jon Archer Agricultural Center

Check In: 8:30 am—9:00 am

Exhibitor Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Birth Date: _____ Age: _____

Parents' Names: _____

Telephone #'s: _____

Email Address: _____

I wish to be notified of shows
throughout the year at our state
level through email and/or phone calls: Yes: _____ No: _____

Steer (1) Weight on April 25, 2009: _____

Steer (2) Weight on April 25, 2009: _____

Mail or personally deliver by June 25, 2009 to: Sarah Dickinson
17591B Celeste Road
Citronelle, AL 36522

AJCA

ROUND-UP

July 24-26, 2009 • Garrett Coliseum Grounds • Montgomery, AL

NAME: _____

Age: _____ (as of January 1, 2010)

Birthday: _____

Please check the events you plan to enter: I have to send these to Montgomery by the end of June!!!

_____ Photography Contest

_____ Poster Contest

_____ Record Book

_____ Video Contest

_____ Public Speaking Contest

_____ Cattle Judging Contest

_____ Team Grooming (team-mates are _____ & _____)

_____ Team Volleyball (team-mates are: _____ & _____)

_____ Build-a-Better-Burger (team-mates are: _____ & _____)

_____ Team Salesmanship (team-mates are: _____ & _____)

TEAMS will be comprised of three contestants; one from *each* of the three **AGE** categories:

Juniors—Age 9-12 Intermediates—Age 13-15 Seniors—Age 16-21

Youth will compete by age as of January 1, 2010

Turn in at our June 25th meeting or fax to 251-574-3245

Additional Information Contact: rblossom@bama.beef.org

South Georgia Livestock Judging Clinic Enrollment Form

held at Berrien County Ag Center • 516A County Farm Road
June 29 & 30, 2009
(Please Print)

Name: _____
First
Mid Int
Last

Address: _____ City: _____

Home Phone: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

E-Mail: _____ Cell #: _____

Age: _____ Class this Fall: _____ Sex: _____

County or Chapter: _____

Coach or Instructor: _____

Coach's Cell Number: _____

Any Special Needs: _____

Please Circle T-Shirt Size:

Youth: S M L XL **Adult:** S M L XL XXL XXXL

Mail by June 15, 2009 to avoid late fee. Shirts not guaranteed with late enrollment. _____

Schedule:	Monday June 29	1:00 pm	Complete enrollment form at site
		1:30 pm	Conclude for day
		6:00 pm	Optional fund night at Akins'
	Tuesday	8:30 am	Start on Swine Judging
		12:00 noon	Lunch included in clinic costs
		12:45 pm	Start on Cattle
		5:00 pm	Recognize outstanding participants

Lodging is the responsibility of clinic participant or group.

Make checks payable to: ADS Livestock Team • 425 River Road • Athens, GA 30602

Duplicate if needed.

