



MOBILE COUNTY 4-H ANIMAL SCIENCE CLUB NEWS

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Dates to Remember:

- **June 5-6**—Pike County Invitational Steer & Heifer Show
- **June 17**—Lucedale Stockyard Tour
- **June 25**—Animal Science Mtg. 6:30 pm
- **July 11**—Mock Show Workshop
- **July 24-26**—AL Jr. Cattlemen Round-Up
- **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

DEDICATION

This first issue of the new format of the Mobile County 4-H Animal Science Club Newsletter is dedicated to Mr. Darrell Pritchett for his service and longtime dedication as a member of the 4-H Steer Project Rules Committee, and Youth Volunteer for 4-H and the Mobile County Cattlemen's Association. Mr. Pritchett is greatly appreciated!

2009 STEER WEIGH-IN

This year's weigh-in was the best one yet!

Thanks to everyone for your cooperation and having most of your paperwork ready beforehand.



Twenty-five out of thirty-eight 4-H Animal Science Club members are exhibiting forty-one steers. (Remember, you don't have to show a steer to participate in our 4-H Animal Science Club.)

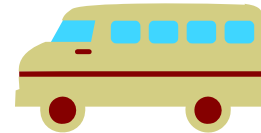
At the 2008 Steer Show the Grand Champion sold for \$6,699 dollars and the money made from 34 steers shown came to an approximate \$74,000 into the Mobile County Beef Revenue.

Thanks to all of our dedicated volunteers for helping Scott Skelton and Ken Kelley with the job of weighing in, tattooing and tagging steers! The club could not exist without volunteers.

Our 2009 Steer Show Exhibitors are:

- Abbi Bedgood
- Brooke Bedgood
- Wyatt Bedgood
- Catherine Bryson
- Courtney Bryson
- Madison Bufkin
- Mica Bufkin
- Mackenzie Caylor
- Sarah Dickinson
- Jacob Evans
- Taylor Evans
- Tyler Graham
- Abbie Gail Holland
- Carley Hopkins
- Jason Jarvis
- Madison Miller
- Brittany Mims
- Jordan Nocon
- Ellis Paul Rodgers
- Hunter Sheppard
- Bryce Stagner
- Blake Williams
- Whitney Williams
- Justice Williamson
- Mariah Wilson

SUMMER FIELD TRIP



WHEN: June 17th, Wednesday

WHERE: Lucedale Stockyard Tour—A workshop visit with Mr. Moley Herring

WHY: Demonstration and education of the final process of a Beef or Swine project.

We will meet at the Jon Archer Agricultural Center at 9:45 am. Parent Volunteers are needed to help with transportation. I can transport six 4-H'ers in the County Van. Please contact Myra at 574-8445 if you need a ride or can help with transportation.

Please Bring a sack lunch—we will have a picnic.

4-H ANIMAL SCIENCE CLUB MEETING



Our next 4-H Animal Science Club Meeting will be Thursday, June 25, at 6:30 pm and will be held in the Jon Archer Agricultural Center's small auditorium.

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 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/

ALABAMA CATTLEMEN'S MAGAZINE

"May we have your autograph?"

Congratulations go out to those famous club members who got their pictures printed in the April 2009 issue of the Alabama Cattlemen' Magazine.

Pictured on page 40 you will see Ellis Paul Rodgers, Josh Pickering, Jordan Nocon, and Zoe Shields as the 16th Annual Beef Quiz Bowl State winners!

Page 43, Sarah Dickinson was pictured winning 5th place in Showmanship at the SLE 2009 Alabama Junior Beef Expo; on page 44, winning the Champion Brangus Heifer Show and page 45 winning the Champion Simmental Heifer. Way to go Sarah! You are a great role model and leader for our younger members!

Scott Skelton was recognized with being the longest Volunteer Leader serving the Mobile cattle industry in youth education for his 15 years of service to 4-H. Thanks for donating your time, funds and tireless efforts to the youth of Mobile County.

4-H'ers, the Alabama Cattlemen's magazine is provided to members, including youth members, of the Mobile County Cattlemen's Association and the Alabama Junior Cattlemen's Association.

Contact Sarah Dickinson, President of Mobile County 4-H Animal Science Club, or Mr. Doug Earle, President of Mobile County Cattlemen's Association, for more information.



3RD ANNUAL PIKE COUNTY INVITATIONAL STEER AND HEIFER SHOW

WHEN: Friday—June 5

Saturday—June 6

TIME: 3:00—5:00 pm: Weigh-in/Heifer check-in
7:00 Showmanship

8:00 am Heifer Classes, followed by Steer Classes

WHERE: Pike County Cattleman's Park, Highway 231 South, Troy, Alabama 36081

JUDGE: Andrew McPeake, Arnoldsville, Georgia



Entry feed is \$25 per animal and must be received by May 29. (Entry Form is attached.)

\$500 Awards to Champion Steer and Supreme Heifer. \$250 Awarded to Reserve Champion Steer and Reserve Supreme Heifer.

Show Information and Rules

1. Open to in and out of state exhibitors that are in 4-H and FFA still in high school.
2. All registration papers must be in the exhibitors name and be shown by the exhibitor.
3. Generators are required.
4. Not responsible for accidents or stolen property.
5. **Entry Fee \$25.00** if postmarked by May 29, 2009 . Late entry is \$40.00.
6. Heifers must be born on or after January 1, 2008.
7. Steers shown by weight—Prospect Steers must weigh 900 lbs. and under.
8. Purebred heifers shown by breed. Registration papers required for all purebred heifers.
9. Four head required to make a breed class.
10. Commercial heifer class for heifers not registered in any breed.
11. A.O.B. heifer class will be registered animals not meeting minimum number of head for bred.
12. Showmanship—Three Divisions—Junior (11 & under), Intermediate (12-14), & Senior (15-18).
13. This is a Junior show. Please NO unethical practices.
14. Judges' placings are final.
15. There are 40 horse stalls available-first come first serve, rest will have to tie to trailers.
16. Camper Hook-up's available (\$15/day)



HOTELS

Hampton Inn—334-807-5900

Super 8 Motel—334-566-4960

Comfort Inn & Suites—334-566-7799

Holiday Inn Express—334-670-0012

Days Inn—334-566-1630



Any Questions Call:

County Agent, Tammy Powell—334-566-0985

Don Spradley—334-735-5748

Jeffrey Johnson—344-566-2102



4-H—Making the Best, Better!



TO: 4-H Animal Science Club Members, Parents and Volunteers

Thanks to Kay Tate for putting our monthly club mail-out into this new newsletter format. I hope you enjoy it.

If you would like to contribute articles or information for future mail-outs you may email Kay at: tatesha@aces.edu
We hope to get a monthly newsletter ready to mail-out around the first of each month.

School is winding down quickly! Don't forget I will start visiting you on your farms in June, and taking photographs of you working with your steers.

Set your goals high and work to accomplish them as you develop project and life skills.

I look forward to seeing you soon!

Sincerely,

Maranda Marks
County Agent Assistant



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Entry Form
Cattleman's Complex, Troy, Alabama
June 5-6, 2009

<small>name</small>	<small>Email</small>	<small>Phone</small>	
<small>Address</small>	<small>City</small>	<small>Zip</small>	
<small>4-h</small>	<small>County</small>	<small>State</small>	
<small>Age as of June 1</small>			
Registered Heifer Information			
Tattoo	Birthdates	Breed	Registration No.
1st			
2nd			
3rd			
Commercial Heifer Information			
Tattoo/ Tag No.	Birthdates	Steer Information	Make Checks Payable To:
		Tattoo/ Tag No.	Pike County Cattleman's
1st		<small>1st</small>	
2nd		<small>2nd</small>	
3rd			
Entry Deadline May 29, \$25.00/Animal(Includes Shavings)			Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

 Signature of exhibitor

 Signature of Parent or Guardian

Mail entry forms to: Pike County Extension Office, 306 South Three Notch , Troy, AL 36081
 Attn: Tammy Powell

