**Important Dates**

**May**
- 6—Community Needs Drive 9am-12pm
- 7– Grant Co. Fun Horse Show—12pm—Milbank, SD
- 16– Cloverbud Meeting
- 22 & 23– Market Sheep/Goat Weigh-in 5-7pm 4H Grounds
- 23—YPQA+ Training– 2pm –4H Building
- 24– Dog Project Info Mtg.& 1st Practice 5:30pm
- 29—Office Closed -Memorial Day
- 30– Horse Practice Begins

**June**
- 1 ALL Ownership Verification forms DUE!
- 1– Horse Form & Horse Achievement Form DUE!
- 5-7– 4-H Camp Lake Poinsett
- 6 SDSU Livestock Judging Camp 1
- 9 TLC @ SDSU
- 10 SDSU Livestock Judging Camp 2
- 10 Jackrabbit Dairy Camp @ SDSU
- 13– Photography Workshop
- 20—Sewing Clinic
- 27– Kingsbury County Horse Show
- 1 Youth Pork Quality Assurance Deadline
- 1 State 4-H Horse Show Registration Deadline
- 1-5– Kingsbury County Achievement Days
- 1– County Dog Show

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**Market Goat/Sheep Weigh-in’s**

May 22nd ~ 5-7pm & May 23rd ~ 5-7pm
4-H Grounds

Market Animal participants MUST be enrolled on 4HOnline BEFORE Weigh-in’s!!

Goat/Sheep Regulation ALL sheep and goats must be individually identified by a USDA Official Scrapie ID Tag. This must be done before Market Animals are weighed. Order Scrapie tags by calling 1-866-USDA-TAG.

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**2017 State Fair Book Available on iGrow**

The 2017 State Fair book has been uploaded to iGrow at this link: [http://igrow.org/up/resources/01-4013-2017.pdf](http://igrow.org/up/resources/01-4013-2017.pdf)
You can find it at any time by going to the State Fair page on iGrow [http://igrow.org/4h/south-dakota-4h/state-fair/](http://igrow.org/4h/south-dakota-4h/state-fair/) which is where additional resources for State Fair will be uploaded. Please bookmark this site. If you have any trouble downloading the pdf from the website, please let us know and we can email you an attachment.
May 2 This is our last meeting of the year! Come ready to have some fun, hopefully in the sun! This month we will be learning about the project areas of Outdoor Education and Leisure Education. This month we will be creating our own outdoor recycled bowling set!

Please RSVP by calling 605.854.3851 or emailing the Extension Office by April 28

Check out our webpage on the Kingsbury County Website

http://www.kingsburycountysd.org/4-h-office.html

2017 Kingsbury County — Community Needs Drive
Saturday, May 6th—9 AM to 12 PM 4-H Building in DeSmet, SD

April 29th, 2017 is National 4-H Day of Service. Service learning is a teaching and learning strategy that integrates meaningful community service with instruction and reflection to enrich the learning experience, teach civic responsibility, and strengthen communities.

In honor of this day, the Kingsbury County 4-H program is going to host a community needs drive. We will be excepting items for local health, clothing, and food pantries. Items can be donated the day of at the 4-H building or during the week before at the Kingsbury County Extension Office.

Volunteers will be needed, Jr. Leaders, regular 4-H members, Cloverbuds, parents, and leaders are all asked to come and help if at all possible.

Items to be accepted:

• Any and all clothing and shoes—gently used
• Non-perishable foods (cans, pasta, boxed goods, etc.)
• General Personal Hygiene Products (soap, toothbrushes/toothpaste, razors, etc.)

We will sort, box, and then transport all products to the different locations. Come have some fun and help out our community. We will have refreshments for volunteers.
RURAL YOUTH LOANS

The U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Farm Service Agency (FSA) makes operating loans of up to $5,000 to eligible individual rural youths age 10 through 20 to finance income-producing, agriculture-related projects. To apply or find out more, visit your local USDA Service Center.

Youth may qualify for a loan up to $2,500 to finance their next 4-H or FFA livestock project from Farm Credit Services. For more information or to apply, contact your local Farm Credit Services.

Pork Quality Assurance

Youth who plan to exhibit a market hog at the 2017 South Dakota State Fair must be Youth PQA Plus trained and certified. Some Dates are:

May 8—Brookings county Resource Center Room C—6 p.m.
May 23—Kingsbury Co., 4-H Building 2pm
June 1—Hamlin Co. 2pm at the Hamlin Co. 4H Auditorium

YPQA+ certification statuses are available at www.pork.org or feel free to contact our office to check a youth’s status. Beginners must attend in-person training. Training can only be presented by certified trainers.

Beef Reproduction & Production Trip

What:
This 4-H field trip is designed for youth interested in learning more about beef cattle production.
We will travel near Mitchell, SD to visit a feeder, and then compare that to a beef ranch.
We will also visit a farm to learn about semen collection, and then go to MTU to learn about AI.

When:
Tuesday, May 30th, 2017
Approximately 8 am — 6 pm

Who:
Ages 10+. Priority registration will be given to youth enrolled in 4-H in Hamlin & Kingsbury Counties, although other youth can register after April 15th.

How to Register:
Call or email Claire to register.
Spaces are limited. There is no fee. You will need to bring money for lunch and snacks along the way.

Contact:
Mary Claire Roudabush
4-H Youth Program Advisor
(605) 788-3856 – Hamlin
(605) 884-3851 – Kingsbury
Mary.roudabush@sdstate.edu

Please contact Claire with any questions! We welcome volunteers to help and attend this trip. If you are a volunteer and would like to attend please let Claire know!
4-H Rodeo News!

The Finals Rodeo Packet is now available on iGrow.org.

The South Dakota 4-H Rodeo Contestant Packet is available on iGrow.org The State Rodeo Finals will be held August 18-20, 2017 at Ft. Pierre.

Guidelines for Rodeo Participation:

1. Enroll as a South Dakota 4-H Member in 4HOnline.
2. Register for the rodeo project in 4HOnline
3. The Insurance Declaration Form (page 6 of the contestant packet) needs to be turned in to the Extension Office.
4. Complete the rest of the SD 4-H Rodeo contestant packet and submit it. The entry form needs to be postmarked on/ before Sunday, May 1, 2017, notarized, and addressed to:

   4-H Rodeo Finals, Inc., Attn: Heather Shoultz, PO Box 344, Huron SD 57350-0344.

Late entries (May 2-June 1) will be assisted $150 fee per participant


4-H Horse Participants

Don’t forget to be working on your Youth in Action requirements for the 2016-2017 4-H Year which will help you meet the completion requirement of the Horse Project Achievement Form. All requirements need to be completed by June 1.

Kingsbury County 4-H Horse Practice – John & Ralene Coughlin
Arena 21029 431st Ave De Smet

Kingsbury Co. Horse Practice Dates:

- May 30 ~ June 1 ~ June 6 ~ June 9 ~ June 13
- June 15 ~ June 20 ~ June 22

All Practices will start with beginners at 6:00pm with juniors and seniors to follow at 7:00pm.

Congratulations to all of the 4-H’ers graduating this year!

The only exhibitor you should try to be better than... is the exhibitor you were yesterday

April Showers bring May flowers
The 2017 Livestock Ownership Verification Affidavits are now available. All animals must be individually identified, listed on the appropriate 4-H Ownership Verification Affidavit (OVA) form, and uploaded to the 4-H Member records on the 4-HOnline enrollment system. Required fields are identified with an asterisk (*). If required information is missing from the form when uploaded into 4HOnline the form will not be considered complete. All species have a deadline of June 1 and must be uploaded to 4HOnline. Using the fillable form is advised.

### 2017 Ownership Verification Forms—Mandatory Deadlines

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• Commercial heifers must have ear tattoo or NUES Tag or SD 4-H NUES (green tag) Tag, and birth date listed on OVA form | June 1                 |
| Breeding Meat Goat | • USDA Official Scrapie Tag                                                                                     | June 1                 |
| Breeding Sheep   | • USDA Official Scrapie Tag                                                                                     | June 1                 |
| Dairy Cattle     | • Ear Tattoo & Registration Paper for registered cattle  
• Grade & Crossbreed cattle must have ear tattoo or electronica ID tag or Bangs Ta or NUES(Green tag) Tag or SD 4-H NUES Tag and birth date listed on OVA form | June 1                 |
| Dairy Goat       | • USDA Official Scrapie ID  
• OR  
• Tattoo & Registration Paper for Registered goats                                                               | June 1                 |
| Market Goat      | • USDA Official Scrapie  
• DNA Sample  
• Weight & weigh-in date listed on OVA form                                                                         | June 1                 |
| Market Beef      | • Official NUES (green tag) tags or Bangs Tags  
• DNA Sample  
• Weight & Weigh-in date listed on OVA form                                                                         | June 1                 |
| Market Lamb      | • USDA Official Scrapie tag  
• DNA Sample  
• Weight & Weigh-in date listed n OVA form                                                                             | June 1                 |
| Market Swine     | • Official NUES (green tag) Tag or SD 4-H NUES Tag  
• DNA Sample  
• Weight & Weigh-in date listed on OVA form                                                                           | June 1                 |
| Poultry          | • Plastic Leg Band                                                                                                | June 1                 |
| Rabbit           | • Ear Tattoo in left ear (each tattoo number must be different)                                                  | June 1                 |
| Horse            | • Horse Project Achievement Form  
• Ownership Verification forms and photos                                                                               | June 1                 |
Kingsbury County Sewing Clinic  
Tuesday, June 20 2017  
4-H Building in De Smet  
RSVP by June 1st

Please see attachment for Registration information or visit [http://www.kingsburycountysd.org/4-h-office.html](http://www.kingsburycountysd.org/4-h-office.html)

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Kingsbury County Photography Clinic  
Tuesday, June 13, 2017       5:00pm-7:00pm  
Kingsbury Co. 4-H Building  
More details will be sent out soon!

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Jackrabbit Dairy Camp 2017

The SDSU Dairy Club invites youth ages 8-18 to join them for the Jackrabbit Dairy Camp at the SDSU campus in Brookings. The 3 day camp runs June 8-10 and offers workshops on showmanship, fitting, dairy cattle, judging, advocating, and more. Registration is now open and the application forms and $60 fee is due by May 15. For more information or to register visit [www.sdstate.edu/ds](http://www.sdstate.edu/ds)

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SDSU Youth Livestock Judging Camp

Youth ages 8-18 are welcome to SDSU’s Youth Livestock Judging Camp, There will be two camp sessions held in 2017: **Session 1—June 4-6 & Session 2—June 8-10**

Visit www.sdstate.edu/ars to register. Registration closes May 1st.

Watch the SDSU Livestock Judging Team Facebook page for updates. See Attached Flyer for more information.
4-H Camp Information

**What to Bring:** Sleeping bag, pillow, towel, sweatshirt or jacket, extra shoes, flashlight, bug spray, sunscreen, bathroom items, warm and cool clothing, swimming suit and sandals, no more than $20 for camp store.

**What not to Bring:** Electronics (radios, cell phones, ipods, video games, etc), valuables or other unnecessary items.

**Check in**—2:00pm

**Departure time:** 10:00am on your last day

**Directions:** Approximately 12 miles North of Arlington on Hwy 81. From Hwy 81 turn East on S. Lake Drive. Travel approximately 2 miles. Camp is on the North side of the road.

**Address:** Camp Poinsett 20 S. Lake Drive, Arlington, SD 57212

**Group Activities/Tracks:** Focus on SD 4-H Goals of Ag, Healthy Relationships, Leadership and Science. All youth will participate in the same sessions.

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**State Fair Scoresheets and Forms**—this is a great resource!

Scoresheets and forms can be found at [http://igrow.org/4h/south-dakota-4h/state-fair-scoresheets-forms/](http://igrow.org/4h/south-dakota-4h/state-fair-scoresheets-forms/)

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**New this year to SD State Fair & Kingsbury County Achievement Days**

**Companion Animal Exhibit**

**Lots:**

- Cavy: 4 weeks or older
- Ferret: 4 months or older
- Hedgehog: 5 weeks or older
- Rat: 4 weeks or older
- Pet Rabbit (rabbits that have disqualifying characteristic for breed standards): 9 weeks or older

- Chinchilla: 7 weeks or older
- Gerbil: 4 weeks or older
- Mouse: 4 weeks old or older
- All other Companion Animals Poster

More detailed information can be found on page 24 of the SD State Fair Book & will be in the Achievement Day packet.