



July 2020

# **County Fair Edition**

This fair may be different than any before. However, we are still having a fair and entry numbers are strong! It's still going to be a great fair. Please read the newsletter carefully as many things have changed. As well, watch your e-mail for any other changes.

Finally, please help us keep the "Pottawatomie County Fair" safe by wearing a face mask and social distance when possible.

#### Pottawatomie County Fair Board statement

Due to COVID-19 the Pottawatomie County Fair Board and the City of Onaga have reduced activities from the Pottawatomie County Fair held July 30-August 2nd, 2020. It has been decided to cancel ALL entertainment. This includes, but is not limited to, Ranch Rodeo, Rodeo, Stage Acts, Softball Tournament & Parade. Pottawatomie County Fair Board Association is not liable for any injury and all attendees are responsible for their own health and safety at all times. Please practice social distancing. Masks are recommended where social distancing is still limited.

Find the Fair book online at: <a href="https://www.pottawatomie.k-state.edu/fair/index.html">https://www.pottawatomie.k-state.edu/fair/index.html</a>

#### Want to take qualifying projects to the State Fair?

Be sure to fill out an entry sheet in the east building before 3pm on Aug. 4th! (Does not include large livestock projects). To exhibit at State Fair a 4-H member must be 9 years old (January 1), and receive a purple ribbon or a blue ribbon on a demonstration at 4-H Day. Please check State Fairbook for specific rules in project areas.

## **General Changes To Note**

#### Livestock Vet Check: **NEW**

VSV, a horse disease that can spread to other livestock, has moved closer to Pottawatomie county. Due to this, the livestock committee is currently establishing plans for a veterinarian check for fair livestock that will occur in Onaga before animals check-in. Plans will be announced as soon as they are finalized. (poultry not included.)

#### Learn the signs of VSV at end of this newsletter.

#### **Exhibit Release Time Change**

Exhibits will be release starting Sunday morning at 8am. We ask that all exhibits be picked up by 5pm.

#### **4-H Cancellations**

**Public Fashion Revue** - The public revue has been cancelled. Instead, we will be posting a video online using pictures of the youth. Families may watch the fashion revue judging, but we ask they social distance within the auditorium.

**Food stand-** The 4-H food stand will not be operating. Instead, there will be independently operated food trucks on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday of fair week.

4-H Awards Ceremony- There will NOT be an all-fair awards ceremony at the end of the fair.

**Food Sale** - There will Not be a 4-H food sale, only exhibition of food products.

#### 4-H Masks Donation

Bayer construction has donated 200 4-H branded masks to be distributed at the main fair as first come first serve.

# Things to know for pre-fair

The Pre-Fair judging will be from 8:30 am -1 pm at Onaga High School and East building at the fairgrounds. For full schedule and changes for 2020, please refer to the pre-fair letter link on our website: https://www.pottawatomie.k-state.edu/fair/index.html

Many things are different due to COVID-19. So please check the pre-fair letter carefully!

#### Items Included at Pre-Fair

Clothing, Fiber Arts, Visual Arts and Crafts, Table Setting, Entomology, and Geology.

# **General things to Know for County Fair**

#### **Photo Boards**

Photo boards are available at the KSRE office in Westmoreland.

Cost for \$1 per board/sleeve combo.

#### Food Judging Schedule for Wed. July 29th

1:30–2:30 Triple V, Kaw Valley, Ducth Mill

2:00—3:30 Lucky' Leven, Olsburg Boosters, Shining Star, Wheaton

3:00—4:30 Blackjack, Jayhawkers, Westy Trailblazers

#### NO PRE-FAIR POULTRY TESTING for 2020.

Due to a nationwide shortage of the agent necessary for testing, the Kansas Department of Agriculture has waived pullorumtyphoid testing for fairs this summer.

#### **Horticulture Contest**

The horticulture contest is going online! If you are interested in plant identification and what the contest is all about, give it a try! Participant will be e-mailed the contest line consisting of 50 specimens to occur Wednesday the 22nd. Sign up by Tuesday to participate at: <a href="https://forms.gle/JCLRewjqubEhDpFd9">https://forms.gle/JCLRewjqubEhDpFd9</a>. Questions? Contact Tammy Bryant at TBryant@varney.com. Identification card to view found at end of the newsletter

### **County Fair Responsibilities**

#### **CLEAN-UP**

Wednesday, July 22nd — The annual clean-up of the fairgrounds will be held at 6:00 p.m., this is earlier than in years past. We will appreciate all the helpers your club can send. Bring brooms, hammers, rags, cleaning supplies, etc.

#### MAINTAINING FAIRGROUNDS

Westy Trailblazers — Beef Area

**Thursday**-- Blackjack, Kaw Valley, Triple V **Friday**- Lucky'Leven, Shining Star, Jayhawkers **Saturday** - Olsburg, Wheaton, Dutch Mill, Westy Trailblazers -

Clubs are responsible for keeping grounds and exhibit buildings free of litter throughout the day and evening. All club members are expected to help pick up trash and sweep as needed all during the day --- **not just at night**--- on your designated day. Extra trash can liners will be placed in the bottom of the trash cans for easy replacement before they overflow. Trash needs to be carried to the larger dumpsters at the rear of the Food Stand often.

#### **DURING THE FAIR**

Blackjack, Shining Star — Fairgrounds Development—Fair // Dutch Mill - Clothing Judging — Pre-fair Jayhawkers, Kaw Valley — Arts & Crafts Judging — Pre-Fair // Lucky'Leven - FACS Judging — Pre-Fair Olsburg — Photography Judging — Fair /// Triple V — Food Sale — Fair Westy Trailblazers — Fashion Revue — Pre-Fair //

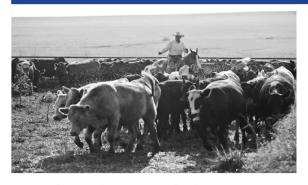
#### **AFTER FAIR CLEAN-UP**

Blackjack — East BuildingDutch Mill — Swine AreaJayhawkers — SheepKaw Valley — Dairy, Bucket CalfLucky'Leven — FoodstandOlsburg — West BuildingShining Star — Poultry AreaTriple V — Rabbit Area

We realize that many may not be around the fair at the end of Sunday. Clubs are asked to just do their best during the day on Sunday to help clean-up the grounds from fair. We are all in this together this year!

# **Date and Deadlines**

July	
July 22	Fair Grounds clean up @ 6pm
July 24	Pre-Fair Judging @ Onaga School and Fair grounds
July 25	Horse Show
July 29	Foods Judging
August	
Aug 2	3pm DEADLINE TO FILL OUT STATE FAIR ENTRY (East building)



# Protect your horses and cattle from Vesicular Stomatitus Virus (VSV)

Your horse plays a critical role in your success — protect this valuable piece of equipment! Prevent your horses and cattle from being exposed to VSV which can be painful for them and can have costly and time-consuming consequences for horse and livestock owners. VSV is a reportable disease and carries a 14+ day quarantine. More than 100 farms and ranches in Kansas have reported animals with signs of VSV within the past month, and it continues to spread.

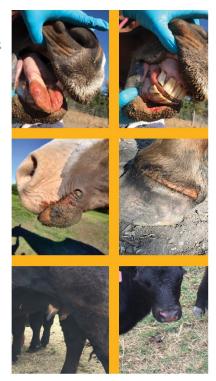
Take action now to protect your herd!

# Change your habits to protect your animals

A few changes to your daily routine can make a huge difference. Consider these best practices before loading your horse in the trailer:

- 1. Vigilantly inspect your horse for blister-like lesions in/around mouth, nose, feet, ears, coronary band and/or sheath/udders; crusting scabs; excessive salivation; fever; reluctance to eat; lameness.
- 2. Strict fly control. This disease is transmitted by black flies and midges. Keep pens clean, remove manure. Use appropriate fly sprays and traps. Minimize bright lights that attract insects at night.
- **3. Social distancing is for horses, too!** Don't tie up your horse with other horses, and minimize accessibility of your horses to other horses, trailers, barns, arenas.
- **4. Do not share** equipment, tools, tack, or water buckets.
- 5. Haul your own stock. Your horses and cattle should only travel in your trailers.
- **6.** Consider what other horses will be at the same location. Are they following the same protocols as you? If not, consider staying home. It's a long shipping/rodeo season, and you don't want to miss it with sick horses or a quarantine!
- 7. **Consider housing** your horses at separate locations to minimize disease spread.
- **8. Monitor cattle for VSV symptoms before loading out.** If VSV is suspected at the livestock market or processing plant, the entire shipment will likely be quarantined.
- **9.** Call before you travel out of state. Some states restrict access into the state if an animal is coming from a VSV-infected county or near a quarantined premises. Check with your vet or call your destination state.

# Stop VSV: Keep your horses healthy. Keep your shipments moving. Keep winning buckles!





#### **SCORE CARD - IDENTIFICATION**

Contestant Name	County/District

We feel that this phase of the contest teaches 4-H'ers to recognize and be aware of many horticultural products that we eat, enjoy or use to beautify our homes and grounds. Contestants will be required to identify 50 kinds of varieties of plants, plant parts, fruits or seeds from the following list. Choose proper letter and number from the list below and insert it in the blank.

1	26	Flowers & Foliages*	Fruits & Nuts**	<u>Ornamentals</u>
2	27	A1 African Violet	B1 Almond	C1 Arborvitae
3	28	A2 Ageratum A3 Begonia A4 Canna	B2 Apple** B3 Apricot** B4 Avocado	C2 Ash C3 Azalea/Rhododendron C4 Barberry
4	29	A5 Celosia A6 Chrysanthemum	B5 Banana** B6 Blackberry**	C5 Cotoneaster C6 Cottonwood
5	30	A7 Coleus A8 Daylily A9 Dieffenbachia	B7 Black Walnut B8 Blueberry B9 Brazil Nut	C7 Elm C8 English Ivy C9 Euonymus
6	31	A10 Ficus A11 Geranium	B10 Cherry (tart)** B11 Currant**	C10 Forsythia C11 Hackberry
7	32	A12 Gladiolus A13 Hosta	B12 Elderberry** B13 English	C12 Hawthorn C13 Honeylocust
8	33	A14 Impatiens A15 Iris A16 Lily	(Carpathian) Walnut B14 Gooseberry** B15 Grape**	C14 Honeysuckle C15 Juniper C16 Lilac
9	34	(Easter, Asiatic, Oriental, etc.)	B16 Kiwi B17 Lemon	C17 Linden/Basswood C18 Maple
10	35	A17 Marigold * A18 Pansy A19 Peony	B18 Lime B19 Mango B20 Mulberry**	C19 Oak C20 Osage Orange C21 Pine
11	36	A20 Peperomia A21 Petunia	B21 Orange B22 Peach**	C22 Privet C23 Redbud
12	37	A22 Philodendron A23 Rose A24 Salvia	B23 Pear B24 Pecan B25 Persimmon	C24 Spirea C25 Sweetgum C26 American Planetree
13	38	A25 Sansevieria A26 Snapdragon	B26 Pineapple B27 Plum (Euro or prune)	C27 Viburnum C28 Vinca
14	39	A27 Schefflera A28 Sunflower * A29 Tulip	B28 Pomegranate B29 Raspberry** B30 Strawberry**	(Groundcover) C29 Willow C30 Yew
15	40	A30 Zinnia *	550 Strawberry	C30 TeW
16	41			
17	42			
18	43	Vegetables & Herbs*		
19	44	D1 Asparagus D2 Basil	D12 Garlic D13 Kohlrabi	D23 Rhubarb D24 Spinach *
20	45	D3 Bean * D4 Beet * D5 Broccoli	D14 Lettuce * D15 Muskmelon*	D25 Squash * D26 Sweetpotato
21	46	D6 Cabbage D7 Carrot *	D16 Okra D17 Onion * D18 Parsley	D27 Swiss Chard D28 Tomato * D29 Turnip
22	47	D8 Cauliflower D9 Corn*	D19 Peas * D20 Pepper*	D30 Watermelon *
23	48	D10 Cucumber * D11 Eggplant	D21 Potato (Irish) D22 Radish*	
24	49			
25	50			

<sup>\*</sup> Identification of any part (foliage, fruit, plant, etc.) is required and in addition, for those with \* you must know the seed.

\*\*For common fruits you must know the foliage or plants as well as the fruit or seed.

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