

# The Brookings County Times



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February 2015

## UPCOMING DATES

**President's Day Holiday**  
February 16 - Office Closed

**4-H Leader's Meeting**  
March 9 @ 5:30 pm

**Youth PQA Training**  
March 9 @ 6 pm

**Market Beef Affidavit Due**  
April 1

**State 4-H Scholarship Applications Due**  
April 1

**4-H Camp @ Lake Poinsett**  
June 10-12

**Special Foods Contest**  
June 17

**County Horse Show**  
June 23

**County Dog Show**  
July 27

**Fashion Revue Contest**  
July 28

**Public Presentation Contest**  
July 29

**Achievement Days**  
August 3 - 6

## Reminders:

- Independent 4-H members, please remember to pay your insurance to the office by **March 1**.
- Please cash checks received from the 2014 Recognition Event and Winter Calf Show.

## Market Beef Green Tagging/Weigh-In



The market beef weigh-in and green tagging will be held on **Monday, March 23 at Vander Wal Yards (20740 464th Ave) from 4-6 pm.**

**All market beef need to have a green tag and a DNA sample submitted in order to participate at the 2015 State Fair.** DNA sample envelopes will be provided at \$6 each. **This will be the only scheduled weigh in.** Please contact the Extension Office if you will be weighing animals. Call with any questions - 696-8280.



**FEBRUARY**



## NEW!!! 2014-15 4-H Livestock Green Tagging Changes

The "Green Tagging" system will be changing, starting with the 2014 – 2015 4-H program year.

Beginning with the 2015 – 2016 4-H program year, South Dakota 4-H Youth Development will move to completely different tags. Currently our tags are four numbers and a single letter. In the future, we will use National Unified Ear -Tagging System (NUES) tags. NUES tags are federally required for animals to technically cross state lines.

Another important part of the NUES tagging system is that only one federal tag can be placed in an animal. This becomes problematic with sheep and goats that already carry a Scrapie Tag (which is also a federal tag). Because of this, we will move away from green tagging sheep and goats. Sheep and goats still need to be verified on the Ownership Verification Affidavit forms; going forward their Scrapie number is the unique identifier. This change requires the entire Scrapie number be recorded on the form including the state code.

Another "change" for the 2015 – 2016 4-H program year will be in pre-identification of 4-H Dairy Cattle. Going forward, you will be required to provide one type of ID when submitting forms:

- A registration tag
- A registration tattoo
- An Electronic Identification Device (EID) tag number
- A complete Bangs tag number or a 4-H Green Tag number

To stay consistent, Breeding Beef animals will be required to have something more tangible than a herd tag for commercial animals. Breeding Beef will need a tattoo at verification time or a Green Tag.

**The four H's stand for Head, Heart, Hands, Health**



## Youth PQA Training

The Brookings Youth PQA will be held in Brookings starting at **6 pm on Monday, March 9 at the Brookings County Resource Center.** Mandy Stade, SDSU 4-H Youth Program Advisor, will be the presenter. **Youth who plan to exhibit a market hog at the 2015 South Dakota State Fair must be Youth PQA Plus trained and certified.**



## 2015 Livestock Affidavits

The 2015 Livestock Ownership Verification Affidavits are now available. Required information is identified with an asterisk (\*). If required information is missing from the form when uploaded into 4-HOnline the form will not be considered complete.

Market Beef forms are due **April 1**; Rabbit and Poultry forms have joined the remainder of the species with a **June 1 deadline** and will need to be uploaded to 4HOnline as well.

The affidavits can be found on the Brookings 4-H website: <http://brookingscountysd.gov/index.aspx?NID=353> or on [iGrow.org](http://iGrow.org).

Item	Breeding Beef	Breeding Sheep	Breeding Meat Goat	Market Beef	Market Sheep	Market Goat	Market Swine	Dairy Cows	Dairy Goat	Poultry	Rabbit
Green Tag				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				
Weigh-In				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TBD				
Ownership Affidavit	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>										
USDA Scrapies Tag		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
DNA				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				
Tattoo	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>										<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Leg Band										<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

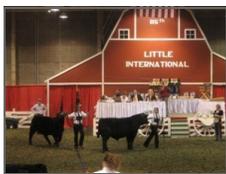
\*\*\*See page 1 of for additional identification requirements. Contact the office with questions.

## 4-H Horse Project members



Don't forget to be working on your Youth in Action requirements for the 2014-15 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. Be watching for the Horse Safety training date.

## Little I 2015 - Mark your Calendars



**Little International** (Little I) 2015 is scheduled for March 27-28, 2015. Little International is a two-day agricultural exposition planned, organized, and implemented by students at South Dakota State University for the benefit of high school and college students. Little International is considered the largest two-day agricultural exposition in the country. The exposition provides a fun and competitive opportunity for students to develop and refine skills essential for lifelong success in agriculture. Through Little International, students can utilize the two day event, not just as an opportunity to improve their showmanship, fitting, or judging skills, but also to develop time management skills, responsibility, hard work and personal pride—not to mention the networking possibilities and the fun had by all involved with Little International.

## Scholarship Opportunity for Shooters

The Daisy/4-H Shooting Sports Scholarship deadline is April 1, 2015. To be considered, you must have participated in 4-H shooting sports for a minimum of three years, and be either a high school senior or college freshman with a minimum 2.5 GPA. The South Dakota shooting sports program will disburse a minimum of two \$500 scholarships. In 2014, four scholarships were awarded, totaling \$2500. The top two high school applicants meeting Daisy scholarship criteria will move on to the National Daisy Scholarship pool and be eligible for a \$1000 scholarship.



The scholarship will be payable to any two-year or four-year accredited Jr. College, Technical School or University. Scholarship funds will be available in the second semester of the freshman year, or the fall semester of the sophomore year, once enrollment is certified.

**How to Apply?** The application requires a recommendation from a H.S. counselor or principal or college advisor, a recommendation from a 4-H coach or equivalent who is not a relative, a personal resume of awards and accomplishments, certified H.S. or college transcript, and a 250-500 word essay on the following topic: How Shooting Sports Has Prepared me for Life. Include college/career plans in the essay. For more information, download the [application form](#).

## Reminder - Brookings 4-H Drop Slot

The Brookings 4-H Office has a Drop Slot that can be used to leave things for the office after hours or during times the office is closed. The drop slot is located at the 'back' door (North East side of the building) accessed best from the gravel parking lot on the east side of the building. **Please feel free to use the drop slot!** We hope that it will make things convenient for you!



## 4-H Scholarships Applications ~ April 1

4-H Scholarship Applications are due to the State 4-H Office by April 1, 2015. Be watching [iGrow](#) for the SD State 4-H Scholarship list and application guidelines.

Start working on your submission packet now, to include: a cover letter, resume, letter of recommendation and a transcript. The application packet also needs to be signed by the 4-H Advisor and postmarked by April 1.

## 2015 Rodeo Packet

The 2015 Rodeo Entry packet is available and due to the office by May 1. The packet must be completed and on file by the due date or the 4-H member will be ineligible to participate in ANY regional 4-H Rodeo, including the SD 4-H Finals Inc. Rodeo. Please note that there is a 4-H Online component that is to be completed by the participant. Packets **do require notarization** so plan accordingly. If you are in need of one please contact the Extension Office, visit [iGrow](#) or the ["Projects"](#) page on the Brookings County 4-H website.

# 4-H Eastern Camp 2015 Camp Counselors Needed!



**Would you like to:**

- ◆ Help younger campers learn?
- ◆ Make new friends?
- ◆ Work together as a team?
- ◆ Have FUN!

**2015 Camp Sessions:**

June 3-5

June 8-10

June 10-12

Counselors must be available to participate in at least ONE of these sessions, but preferably all three.



4-H Camp Eastern counselors belong to a group called, MISSION POSSIBLE. Why? Every year is a new adventure at 4-H Camp. Camp Counselors have a Mission to choose the yearly camp theme, bring fresh ideas for youth attending, participate in songs, crafts, recreation & swimming, campfires and FUN!

This Mission IS Possible with the help of YOU!

Mission Possible camp counselors must be at least 16 years of age and have the willingness to provide leadership skills to youth ages 8-12 years of age.

For an application, contact your county 4-H Office.

Questions? Contact your county 4-H Youth Advisor or  
Maria Feldhaus, Miner County 4-H Advisor

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*In Honor Of*  
Nick Reimann, Brent Beitelspacher,  
Logan Rau, DJ Fischer, & Lisa Johnson



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# JACKRABBIT *Memorial*

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**THE SHOWTIMES**  
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(HEIFERS & STEERS)

## TOP 5 PAYOUT

Grand Champion.....	\$1000
Reserve Grand Champion.....	\$500
3rd Overall.....	\$250
4th Overall.....	\$175
5th Overall.....	\$100

## PRE ENTRY POSTMARK DEADLINE

Monday, February 16.....	\$25
Late Fee.....	\$35

## REGISTRATION

Friday, February 27.....	4:00-9:00PM
Saturday, February 28.....	6:00-7:30AM
Show Starts.....	9:00AM

## GENERAL INFORMATION

- Health and Registration papers required
- Generators encouraged
- Steers shown according to weight
- Heifers shown according to DOB
- Breed steers and heifers must be accompanied by registration papers and matching tattoo

SATURDAY

*February 28, 2015*

## 2 RINGS - 1 DAY

RING A.....9:00AM START  
RING B.....9:15AM START

SWIFTEL CENTER  
824 32ND AVE, BROOKINGS, SD 57006

## CONTACT

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