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LIVESTOCK COMMITTEE MEETING

January 28, 2020

Members Present: Tom Neely, Jose Pena, Kevin Stafford, Beck Albaugh, Jim Wolcott

Guests: Cheryl Lauritsen, Susan Bustemonte, Mandy Jaso, Liz & Lily Ammon, Sandy Fortin, Ruth Borm, Cindy Weimer, and Darcy Hanson

- Guests present wanted to know why the beef tagging was moved from Sunday, the traditional day, to Saturday. The date now conflicts with the UC Davis Judging Field Day which many of the FFA members attend. Tom explained that since those that worked at the tagging were volunteers, it was decided to move it to Saturday so that it didn't conflict with Sunday family activities. The committee pointed out that we would allow other FFA members or student family members to bring the animals on Saturday. Mike Sommerville phoned in to the meeting, He said that it would affect 5 students and that the FFA does not allow the parents to bring the animals to the tagging day without the student. Wayne Langston let the committee know that he was willing to help transport the FFA animals. The committee agreed to change the tagging to Sunday afternoon from 2 to 4 pm.
- Cheryl reported on her discussion with the state veterinarian in Redding, Dr. Gallego. His opinion was that the fair should cancel the show because the disease is still very active. Craig Hemphill, the Agricultural Commissioner asked the fair to cancel the poultry show after he talked to the Fair and Exposition Department of California Department of Food and Agriculture. The guests presented some alternative ideas that would allow the poultry 4-H and FFA members still participate at the fair without live birds. Liz Ammon will put together a list of ideas and will have them to the fair by February 7th. The Livestock Committee will hold a special meeting on February 11th at 4pm, to discuss these suggestions and then present them to the Fair Advisory Board that evening at their regular monthly meeting. Tom tabled the discussion until then.
- Nigerian Dwarf Goat classes were discussed. Sandy Fortin will look over the premium book changes that were made for the 2020 fair. She will report back.
- Judges for the livestock classes were discussed. Frank Ward will be asked to judge beef again. Aaron Albaugh contacted Dana Van Lou who agreed to judge sheep, meat goats and swine. We are hoping to have the dairy goats and dairy cattle judged by the same person. We would hold the dairy goat show Friday after the dairy cattle show. Jim will have Desi pick judges for the cavy, rabbit and virtual poultry classes.



CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF
FOOD & AGRICULTURE
Karen Ross, Secretary

December 31, 2019

Poultry Disease Update and Biosecurity Advisory

To: California Poultry Producers

The risk of diseases entering your flock is always present but can be mitigated. Enhanced biosecurity is critical in the face of the ongoing virulent Newcastle Disease (vND) incident. Virulent Newcastle Disease is a fast-spreading virus that affects the respiratory, nervous and digestive system of numerous bird species, but most severely in poultry.

Since May 2018, over 1.2 million birds have died or been euthanized because of this devastating virus, and the Regional Quarantine in Southern California is still in effect. Over the past month, cases have been confirmed in Los Angeles County, Riverside County, and San Bernardino County.

CDFA and the United States Department of Agriculture are continuing to test poultry in areas previously known to have infected birds in order to find any remaining pockets of disease. Now is a crucial time for adherence to biosecurity as we move closer to declaring freedom from vND.

While wild birds are not thought to play a major role in the spread of vND, they can become infected or mechanically carry virus. **To protect your flocks, you should continue to house poultry indoors and separate from wild birds where possible.**

The risk to each farm may be different, so it is important to consider your situation when complying with this recommendation. If you are certified organic and want to make changes to housing, you must contact your certifier *before* altering confinement. In the event your certifier resists approval of this state-issued recommendation, please have them contact our department for verification. Because we are not entirely sure where the next threat from virulent Newcastle Disease will be detected, please maintain this heightened biosecurity effort through March 1, 2020, when we will provide an updated risk evaluation. Thank you for your cooperation.

For more information about the current vND incident, please visit:
https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/ahfss/animal_health/newcastle_disease_info.html

Sincerely,

Dr. Annette Jones, D.V.M.
Director and State Veterinarian



POULTRY

Includes All Poultry, Ducks, Turkeys, & Showmanship Classes

Read "How to Enter" Page 7 and "Local Rules" Page 11
Read "Livestock Rules" Page 12

NO LIVE POULTRY

POULTRY

Entry Forms Due: June 15th

Entry Fee: \$5 per entry per class

Entry Limit: Three entries per exhibitor per class

Judged: 8am, July 15

PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS:

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\$5	\$2.50	\$1

DIVISION 102—Ages 5-9

DIVISION 103—Ages 10-15

DIVISION 104—Ages 16-18

Class:

1. Breed ID
2. Knowledge Bowl
3. Informative Poster
4. Stall decorating

COSTUME CONTEST

Bring a photo of your bird dressed up

DIVISION 105—Ages 5-9

DIVISION 106—Ages 10-15

DIVISION 107—Ages 16-18

Class:

1. Most Creative
2. Best Dressed
3. Best Fair Theme

Poultry Showmanship (use plush chicks)

DIVISION 115-4-H Poultry SHOWMANSHIP

DIVISION 116- 4-H TURKEY SHOWMANSHIP

Class:

1. **4-H True Novice Showmanship**—Open to any 4-H member who has never shown before at any organized Show/Fair regardless of grade level. Winner of 4-H True Novice Showmanship is not eligible to move up to the next class for the final round.
2. **4-H Junior Showmanship**—Open to only 9, 10 & 11 years olds as of 1/1/20, regardless of number of years in 4-H.
Top 3 advance to Advanced Showmanship
3. **4-H Intermediate Showmanship**—Open to only 12 & 13 years old as of 1/1/20, regardless of number of years in 4-H.
Top 3 advance to Advanced Showmanship
4. **4-H Advanced**—14 years & over as of 1/1/20.

NO PREMIUMS OFFERED

DIVISION—117- FFA POULTRY SHOWMANSHIP

DIVISION—118- FFA TURKEY SHOWMANSHIP

Class:

1. **FFA True Novice Showmanship**—Open to any FFA member who has never shown before at any organized show/Fair regardless of grade level. Winner of FFA True Novice Showmanship is not eligible to move up to the next class for the final round
2. **FFA Junior Showmanship**—Open to 10th grade and under, top 2 to advance to FFA Advanced Showmanship round.
3. **FFA Advanced Showmanship**—Open to 11th grade and over.
Grade based on 2019 -2020 school year.
NO PREMIUMS OFFERED

Primary Member Showmanship (use plush chicks)

Entry Forms Due: June 5

Local Divisions. No Entry Fee.

Only animals fitted & shown in individual classes are eligible for entry into showmanship classes.

DIVISION 119— POULTRY DIVISION

1. Primary 5-8 yrs. old enrolled in the project as a primary member.

Small Animal Master Showmanship (use plush chicks)

Local Divisions. No Entry Fee. No Cash Award.

Local judges may be used.

FFA & 4H Advanced Showmanship winners in Rabbits, Poultry, Pygmy Goats, Nigerian Dwarf Goats, & Dogs will be eligible.

Contest will be held at 5 pm or immediately following the rabbit show on July 17th in the Rabbit & Poultry Barn.

If the 1st place winner elects not to participate, the 2nd place winner becomes eligible & will then win the 1st place for that species. The Livestock Superintendent must be notified of the species show.

DIVISION 87—FFA Small Animal Master Showmanship

Class:

1. Small Animal Master Showmanship
- DIVISION 88—4H Small Animal Master Showmanship
- Class:
1. Small Animal Master Showmanship