Rock County
4-H Cat
Project
Welcome to the Rock County 4-H Cat Project!

This booklet has the information that you will need to be successful in the project. Be sure to become familiar with dates and deadlines that are required so you can enjoy your 4-H experience.

Updates and reminders are sent via email and posted on the “Rock County 4-H Cat Project” Facebook page. This is a closed group and all members and parents are welcome to join.

This booklet is available on the Rock County Extension website at: http://fyi.uwex.edu/4hrock/4-h-projects/cat-project/

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# 2019 Rock County 4-H Cat Project

## Calendar of Events 2019

**All meetings & shows held are in the Craig Center at the Rock County Fairgrounds**

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Cat Cash
By participating in events during the year, members earn cat “cash” which can be spent at the annual auction in June. Use this form to track activities participated in.

Member Name:___________________________________________________________

$100 Activities
☐ Give cat related demonstration or speech – 4-H, school, etc. ($100 each)
☐ Attend January county meeting
☐ Attend February county meeting
☐ Attend March county meeting
☐ Attend April county meeting
☐ Set up at Rock County 4-H Fun Cat Show
☐ Clean up at Rock County 4-H Fun Cat Show
☐ Set up at Fair Cat Show
☐ Clean up at Fair Cat Show
☐ Enter showmanship at Rock County 4-H Fun Cat Show
☐ Enter showmanship at Fair Cat Show
☐ Participate on the Cat Project Committee

$50 Activities
☐ Set up at January meeting
☐ Clean up at January meeting
☐ Set up at February meeting
☐ Clean up at February meeting
☐ Set up at March meeting
☐ Clean up at March meeting
☐ Set up at April meeting
☐ Clean up at April meeting
☐ Complete the Project/Activity Award Form for the Cat Project
☐ Participate in Rock County 4-H Fun Cat Show
☐ Participate in Fair Cat Show
☐ Score 95-100 points in showmanship at Rock County 4-H Fun Cat Show
☐ Score 95-100 points in showmanship at Fair Cat Show
☐ Earn a cat related badge from Scouts
☐ Help at any cat show food stand ($50 each)
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$25 Activities
☐ Enter photography at the Rock County 4-H Fun Cat Show
☐ Enter drawing & painting at the Rock County 4-H Fun Cat Show
☐ Enter a poster or display at the Rock County 4-H Fun Cat Show
☐ Enter a poster or display at the Fair Cat Show
☐ Enter Decorate-a-Cage at Rock County 4-H Fun Cat Show
☐ Enter Dress-a-Cat at Rock County 4-H Fun Cat Show
☐ Enter the Meowing Contest at the Rock County 4-H Fun Cat Show
☐ Volunteer to help clean cages during a show
☐ Donate to the Humane Society or other rescue
☐ Volunteer at the Humane Society or other rescue
☐ Attend a cat show other than a Rock County 4-H show
☐ Help set up or clean up any cat other show other than a Rock County 4-H show
☐ Attend any cat related activity

Total $100 Activities:________ X 100 = $________
Total $50 Activities:________ X 50 = $________
Total $25 Activities:________ X 25 = $________

Total Cat Cash Earned: $________
**County Meetings**
- County cat meetings are held January-April the third Tuesday of the month. The meetings provide education on cat care, nutrition, anatomy, facts, and show preparation. All members should plan to attend each meeting.

**Cat Shows**
- The Rock County 4-H Fun Cat Show (previously Pre-Fair Cat Show) is organized by the Cat Project Committee.
- The Fair Cat Show is organized by the Fair Office.
- Members are encouraged to participate in both shows

**Showmanship**
- Showmanship and understanding proper cat care are a huge part of the project. Members are encouraged to expand their knowledge on cat management every year involved.

**Community Service**
- During any cat project event, we will be collecting donations for the Humane Society of Southern Wisconsin. At the end of the show season, the items will be donated.

**Leadership**
- Youth members 7th grade and above are welcome to join the cat project committee to build and expand on leadership.
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Cat Show Activities

Showmanship
- Rock County 4-H Fun Show and Fair Cat Shows
- Judging based primarily on exhibitor
- Grade Groups: 3-5 6-8 9 & up
- 7-minute time limit of face to face judging
- Showmanship will be scored as follows:
  10 points: Safety
  10 points: Presentation of self (exhibitor)
  15 points: Presentation of cat
  30 points: Examination of cat by exhibitor
  15 points Knowledge of exhibitor
  20 points: Written test score
  Total score out of 100 points

Poster or Display
- Rock County 4-H Fun Show and Fair Cat Shows
- Grade Groups: 3-5 6-8 9 & up
- Limit one entry per exhibitor
- Poster or Display must be 14”X22”
- Topic can be anything related to the cat project such as: care, training, health, nutrition, breed, color, anatomy, etc.
- All posters and displays must include on the back: exhibitor name, grade, and 4-H club
- Display examples include: diorama, diagram, scrapbook, first aid kit, etc.
- Criteria used for judging:
  - Quality of information
  - Easily readable and neatness
  - Originality
  - Appropriate for age/grade
Decorate a Cage
- Rock County 4-H Fun Show only
- Grade Groups: 3-5 6-8 9 & up
- One entry per exhibitor
- Decorate your cat’s cage with any theme; must be 4-H appropriate
- Examples include: movie, holiday, western, jungle, fish, etc.
- Single cage size 14 x 21 inches
- Double cage size 14 x 44 inches
- Criteria for Judging:
  - Originality
  - Neatness

Dress-a-Cat
- Rock County 4-H Fun Show only
- Grade Groups: 3-5 6-8 9 & up
- One entry per exhibitor
- Dress your cat in any costume; must be 4-H appropriate
- Criteria for Judging:
  - Originality

Toy Cat Class
- Rock County 4-H Fun Show only
- Grades K-2 (Cloverbuds)
- Exhibitor will be asked where toy cat came from, how they take care of it etc.
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Photography
- Rock County 4-H Fun Show only
- Grade Groups: 3-5 6-8 9 & up
- Subject must be cat related
- Limit two entries per exhibitor
- Photos must be taken by exhibitor
- Photos may be captioned & must be mounted or framed
- All entries must include on back: exhibitor name, grade, and 4-H club
- Criteria used for judging:
  - Composition & clarity
  - Content
  - Originality

Drawing and Painting
- Rock County 4-H Fun Show only
- Grade Groups: 3-5 6-8 9 & up
- Limit two entries per exhibitor
- All exhibits are to be original work and must relate to cats
- All entries are to be mounted
- No glass allowed
- Entries must include on back: exhibitor name, grade, and 4-H club
- Criteria used for judging:
  - Content
  - Originality

Cat Meowing Contest
- Rock County 4-H Fun Show only
- Grade Groups: 3-5 6-8 9 & up
- Exhibitors show off their best “Meowing” skills
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Preparing for the Show Checklist

___ Nose – Clean out any discharge using damp cloth
___ Eyes – Clean out any discharge using damp cloth
___ Ears – Clean out all wax using cotton swabs
___ Nails – Trim all nails to the quick (pink part)
___ Bathing – Bathe using cat shampoo in luke warm water, rinse often
   *Bathe 2-3 days before show*
___ Grooming – Done daily
   *Shorthair: Brush cat completely down using pet brush*
   *Longhair: Comb cat completely down using wide tooth pet comb*

What to bring to the Show Checklist

___ Cat in a carrier
___ Towel or blanket for inside the cage
___ Twin size sheet or beach towel to cover cage with large safety pins
___ Towel or pillowcase (for separating single cages)
___ Food and water with dishes
___ Litter and litter pan with trash bag (you must take own litter home)
___ Toy or comfort item
___ Brush or comb
___ Extra towels, pet wipes, dryer sheets (for removing dandruff), etc.
___ Extra Q-tips, nail trimmers, etc.
___ Poster, display, etc. entries
___ Showmanship attire & practice handouts
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**Rock County 4-H Fun Cat Show Rules**

**Information:**

- Previously called Pre-Fair Cat Show
- **When:** Saturday, April 6, 2019
- **Where:** Craig Center at the Rock County 4-H Fairgrounds
- **When:** Check-in time: 8:00am-9:30am & show start time: 9:45am
- **Who can show:** Any member of a youth organization registered by the Rock County 4-H Fair such as 4-H, FFA, or Scouts (Members do not need to be signed up for the cat project)
- **How many cats:** Limit of four cats per exhibitor
- Cloverbuds welcome to participate in Toy Cat Class and all other non-animal classes (no fee)
- If unsure of cat’s color or pattern, please send a photo along with entry or email a photo to rockcountycatproject@gmail.com

**Deadlines:**

- Required vaccinations are rabies and rhino-distemper, must be current by March 16, 2019
  - *MUST* send a copy of vaccinations to the cat project committee*
- Entry forms are due to the Rock County 4-H Cat project Committee by March 22, 2019
- Entry forms may be submitted in any of the follow ways:
  - Google Forms (http://tiny.cc/0uz51y)
  - Emailed to rockcountycatproject@gmail.com
  - Mailed to Angie Hoops, 1309 Hamilton Ave., Janesville, WI 53548
  - Dropped off at February or March meetings

**Fees:**

- Entry fees are as follows:
  - 1 Cat: $10.00
  - 2 Cats: $15.00
  - 3 Cats: $20.00
  - 4 Cats: $25.00
- Make checks payable to: Rock County 4-H Leaders Council
- Fees are due by no later than 9:30am the day of the show (May be paid beforehand)

**Questions?**

Email: rockcountycatproject@gmail.com
Call/text: Angie Hoops 931-7143 or Ariel Stefanczyk 774-5075
Rock County 4-H Fun Cat Show Entry Form

Exhibitor name _______________________ Grade _______ Club/Chapter/Troop ____________
Phone ___________________ Email __________________________

Cat 1
Name: ___________________________ Age: ________ Gender: __________________
Spayed/Neutered (Y/N): _______ Coat (Long or short hair): _______ Purebred (Y/N): _______
Color(s): ___________________________ Pattern: __________________________

Cat 2
Name: ___________________________ Age: ________ Gender: __________________
Spayed/Neutered (Y/N): _______ Coat (Long or short hair): _______ Purebred (Y/N): _______
Color(s): ___________________________ Pattern: __________________________

Cat 3
Name: ___________________________ Age: ________ Gender: __________________
Spayed/Neutered (Y/N): _______ Coat (Long or short hair): _______ Purebred (Y/N): _______
Color(s): ___________________________ Pattern: __________________________

Cat 4
Name: ___________________________ Age: ________ Gender: __________________
Spayed/Neutered (Y/N): _______ Coat (Long or short hair): _______ Purebred (Y/N): _______
Color(s): ___________________________ Pattern: __________________________

Check all that apply

___ Showmanship
___ Decorate-a-Cage
___ Dress-a-Cat
___ Poster or Display
___ Photography Entry 1
___ Photography Entry 2
___ Drawing & Painting Entry 1
___ Drawing & Painting Entry 1
___ Cat Meowing Contest

Cloverbud Participating in Toy Cat Class: ______________________________

Adult or older non-exhibiting youth interested in assisting judge: __________________________
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Rock County 4-H Fair Premium Book
Department 13-CATS

Superintendents:  Angie Hoops: 931-7143 or amscvt20@yahoo.com
Ariel Stefanczyk: 774-5075 or arielstefanczyk@gmail.com

PRE-REGISTRATION: Thursday, April 18, 2019 by 5:00pm to Fair Office
ENTRY: Saturday, May 4, 2019 8:00-9:30am
JUDGING: Saturday, May 4, 2019 9:45am

RULES
1. Cats may be household pets or purebred with/without papers.
2. All cats must be under the daily care and supervision of the exhibitor as of January 1 of the current year.
3. Kittens must be at least 4 months old to show.
4. All cats over 10 months of age will be considered an adult cat.
5. All cats to be exhibited must have a health check and the following vaccinations: Distemper-Rhino and Rabies. Vaccinations must have been administered within the past year or as prescribed by your veterinarian and at least three weeks before showing in the current exhibit year. A copy of the vaccination record with dates of vaccinations administered from a veterinarian must be included with entry.
6. Exhibitors may exhibit up to four cats but cannot be in the same lot number.
7. All cats must be brought in appropriate carriers.
8. All cats must be checked in by a veterinary professional. Any animal that is pregnant, nursing or exhibits signs of disease or infection will not be allowed to show and will be sent home.
9. Display cages will be provided for judging. All cats are to be taken home after the show.
10. It is highly recommended but not required that all cats are spayed or neutered.
11. Cats will be judged on grooming such as cleanliness, condition of coat, ears, and nails clipped.
12. Showmanship is judged face to face on cat knowledge, exhibitor presentation, grooming of cat and handling of cat.
13. All posters or displays for Class C must be 14x22 in size and deliver a clear message. Pencil and ballpoint may not be used. Exhibitors name, grade and club must be written on the back of the poster or display. Limit one entry per exhibitor.

Members make sure to add cat project entries to your online fair entry to receive fair premiums.
Class A  Household Pets
Lot Number:
1. Purebred
2. Kitten 4-9 months
3. Long hair female solid or bi-color
4. Long hair female tabby or all other
5. Long hair male solid or bi-color
6. Long hair male tabby or all other
7. Short hair female solid
8. Short hair female tabby
9. Short hair female tabby and white
10. Short hair female bi-color
11. Short hair female all other
12. Short hair male solid
13. Short hair male tabby
14. Short hair male tabby and white
15. Short hair male red tabby
16. Short hair male bi-color and all other

Class B  SHOWMANSHIP
Lot Number:
1. Showmanship Grades 3-5
2. Showmanship Grades 6-8
3. Showmanship Grades 9 and up

CLASS C POSTER
Lot Number:
1. Poster or Display

The following premium schedule will apply to the above classes:
Blue $2.00   Red $1.75   White $1.50   Pink $1.25
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**Fair Cat Show Entry Form**

*Saturday, May 4, 2019 at the Craig Center on the Fairgrounds*

*Check-In: 8:00-9:30am    Show: 9:45am*

- Limit of four cats (Cannot be shown in same lot number)
- Vaccinations must be completed by April 13, 2019, include a copy of cat’s record with entry form
- No entry fees
- If you or a business is interested in sponsoring a trophy, contact the fair office at 755-1470
- If unsure of cat’s lot number, ask the superintendents; changes cannot be made after the deadline

Entries are due by **Thursday, April 18 by 5:00pm** to the Secretary’s Office on the Fairgrounds at 1301 Craig Ave. Janesville WI 53545 or Info@rockcounty4hfair.com (Phone: 608-755-1470)

*Entries received after 5:00pm on Thursday, April 18 will NOT be accepted*

Exhibitor name_________________________ Grade_______ Club/Chapter/Troop____________

Phone __________________ Email ____________________________

--Fill in lot numbers according to fair book--

**Cat 1**
Name:_________________________ Age:___________ Spayed/Neutered (Y/N):_________
Class A: Lot________

**Cat 2**
Name:_________________________ Age:___________ Spayed/Neutered (Y/N):_________
Class A: Lot________

**Cat 3**
Name:_________________________ Age:___________ Spayed/Neutered (Y/N):_________
Class A: Lot________

**Cat 4**
Name:_________________________ Age:___________ Spayed/Neutered (Y/N):_________
Class A: Lot________

**Showmanship**
Class B: Lot____

**Poster or Display**
Class C: Lot____

Adult or older non-exhibiting youth interested in assisting judge: ________________________________

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