

**CARBON  
COUNTY 4-H  
NEWSLETTER**



2023

**MARCH**






LET'S BE HONEST...

**4-H'ERS ARE THE  
LUCKIEST OF  
THEM ALL!**

# March



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 CWF Registration DUE!!	2 Rawlins Cloverbuds	3	4
5	6 Hanna Cloverbuds	7 Leader's Council Meeting	8 Saratoga Cloverbuds	9	10	11
12  Spring Forward	13	14	15	16	17  St. Patrick's Day	18
19	20	21 Virtual Career Fair	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

# April



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 <b>DUE!!</b> Carbon County 4-H Scholarship
2	3	4	5	6 Rawlins Cloverbuds	7	8
9  Easter	10	11	12 Saratoga Cloverbuds	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20 Rawlins Cloverbuds	21	22
23 30	24	25	26	27	28	29
					Meats and Wool Judging Contest	



# Important Dates

## March

- CWF Registration Due
- 2nd - Rawlins Cloverbuds
- 6th- Hanna Cloverbuds
- 7th- Leader's Council Meeting
- 8th- Saratoga Cloverbuds
- 21st - Virtual Career Fair

## April

- 1st- Carbon County 4-H Scholarships **DUE!**
- 6th & 20th- Rawlins Cloverbuds
- 12th- Saratoga Cloverbuds
- 14th -19th- National 4-H Conference
- 28th & 29th- Meats and Wool Judging Contest



Happy Birthday!

REBEKAH LYON  
SLEVIN WEELDREYER  
BARRETT CARY  
THOMAS WAGNER  
NOAH BLASI  
COLTER COZZENS  
LINCOLN WALTERS  
MCKINLEE SMITH  
SHYLO SMITH  
MAGGIE VANNETT  
MESA SUTTEE  
RIDGE LARSON

LEVI HATCH  
ADALYN RANDOLPH  
BRISTOL HERRING  
KELSEA RAYMER  
JAMIS MCLINSKEY  
ASPYN BARTLETT  
BOYD WALKER





# 4-H MEMBER TASKS FOR: MARCH



☐ Set up your pig, goat, sheep pens! \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Seniors: apply for scholarships \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Attend your March club meeting \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Start practicing for your Showcase  
Showdown contests \_\_\_\_\_

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# CLUB REPORTS

## B.E.V.O

This meeting we turned in our fair ads and made goodie bags for the senior center. We also talked about the local ed ops happening this month. We made the goodie bags with cookies, chocolates, pens, and a little notepad and put it all together in a baggie. We always love to do something for the senior citizens on Valentines so it is a great way to show our appreciation!  
-Raden Miller



## HARDY HANNA HARVESTERS

We had so much fun learning from Sara about the neat hat hanger she built. We are all now expert artists thanks to Sage teaching us how to draw Spiderman. And, our adorable cloverbuds helped us test our senses with their fun presentation! Thank you to everyone who participated in our meeting last night!  
Next meeting is Monday March 6th at 6:30



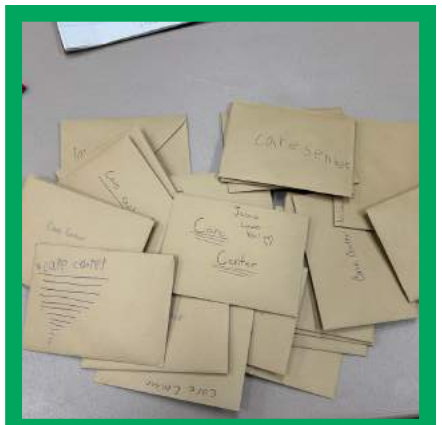
## RAWLINS RELIABLES

Rawlins Reliables had a Valentine's Day party and made clover tray favors for the Senior Center to use for St. Patrick's Day next month! Remember to record that in your Record Books as a community service!



## SARATOGAS FINEST

We had our February meeting on the 7th. It was held at 6:00 pm in the Platte Valley Community Center. This meeting we had a educational opportunity and service project. Ms. Haver taught us how to properly write and address letters. We also wrote letters to the residents at the Saratoga care center. Our next meeting will be held on March 7th at 6:00 pm in the Platte Valley Community Center. -reporter Harlan Hatch



# VOLUNTEER STATUS

Stacy Berger	Active	
Louie Braun	Active	Renew Archery, Pistol, Rifle
Samantha Buffington	Active	
Melissa Donough	Active	
Chloe Gilbert	Active	
Siara Hatch	Active	
Malea Heward	Active	
Todd Heward	Active	
Linda Kraft	Active	
Alex Malcolm	Active	
Nikkole Maxson	Active	
Marquita McNees	Active	
Marla McNees	Active	
Mike Moon	Active	Renew Rifle, Pistol, Shotgun
Joel Moline	Active	
Jessica Paul	Active	
Stacy Perry	Active	
Olivia Roybal	Active	
Travis Schinkel	Active	
Brett Smith	Active - Restricted	Renew Archery, Rifle
Haylee Sheller	Active	
Chelsy Smith	Active	
Randy Stern	Active	
Toni Kay Tolle	Active	
Codey Stocks	Active	
Trevor Vorn	Active	
Aleshia Withers	Active	
Mikeal White	Active - Restricted	Shotgun Certification
Tonya French	Active	
Jared Wille	Active - Restricted	Renew Rifle, Shotgun
Nick Wamsley	Active	
Gail Lee	Active	
Reese Irvine	Active	
Jacinda Waldrip	Pending	Background Check
Cale Waldrip	Pending	5 yr training





WYOMING 4-H



# VOLUNTEER SHARING SESSION

Record Books

March 7th

6:15 PM

Zoom Link:

<https://uwyo.zoom.us/j/7575233387>



WYOMING 4-H



# VOLUNTEER SHARING SESSION

Community Service,  
Fundraising and Fun

April 3rd

6:15 PM

Zoom Link:

<https://uwyo.zoom.us/j/7575233387>



Have you ever thought about being a zoo keeper, a chef, a police dog trainer, doing livestock embryo transfer, an electrician or a doctor?



EXPLORING YOUR FUTURE AND GROWING A CAREER

# VIRTUAL CAREER FAIR

## MARCH 21, 2023

6:00 PM MDT VIA ZOOM



Meet with professionals in a variety of fields to explore your interests!  
Scan the QR code to visit our website to learn more or get registered.



*Featured Speaker*

Ryan "Cal" Callaghan  
MeatEater  
Director of Conservation



Find Out:

- what degrees you need
- should you do an internship?
- which high school classes get you ready

DOOR  
PRIZES!

**REGISTER & INFO: <https://wyoming4h.org/virtual-career-night/>**





# WHY ATTEND *Showcase Showdown*

## THE 4-H SIGNATURE EVENT JUNE 20-22, 2023



### *4-H Experiences*

- Meet new friends and reconnect with 4-H'ers from across Wyoming
- Have fun at the 4-H Dance



### *Workshops and Contests*

- Try something new, fun and exciting - you may discover a new SPARK
- Compete in one of the many contests



### *UW Campus Experience*

- Explore all that campus has to offer
- Stay in the dorms
- Eat in the cafeteria
- Take advantage of the State of the Art Half Acre Recreation and Wellness Center



**QUESTIONS?**

Contact your local  
Extension Office for  
more details!



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EXTENSION



# SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



## **Carbon County 4-H Foundation Scholarship – Due April 1st, 2023**

- Past or present 4-H member.
- Attending any in or out of state accredited educational institution of higher learning on a full-time basis.
- Application: Carbon County 4-H Foundation Scholarship Form  
<https://wyoextension.org/carboncounty/4h-youth-development/2019-scholarships/>

## **Carbon County 4-H Foundation- Stallion Service Auction Scholarship – Due April 1st, 2023**

- Any senior 4-H member (age 14-18 as of Jan 1st of current year) enrolled in Carbon County school
- who is or has been enrolled in the Carbon County horse program is eligible.
- This scholarship is to any college, university, or trade school of the recipient's choice.
- Application: [Horse Scholarship, Carbon County 4-H Foundation](#)

## **Carbon County Stock Grower's Association Scholarship – Due April 1st, 2023**

- All applicants must have graduated (or equivalent) from a Carbon County high school.
- All applicants must attend a school of higher learning in Wyoming or bordering state.
- Open to: A) Any student enrolled in a field of agriculture - and/or B) Immediate relatives of paid Carbon County Stock Grower members (to included sons, daughters, and grandchildren) wishing to study any field.
- Application: [Carbon County Stock Growers Association Scholarship Form](#)

## **Carbon County Farm Bureau Scholarship #1 – Due April 15th, 2023**

- Must be graduating from a Carbon County High School.
- Minimum 3.0 GPA, based on a 4.0 system.
- Attend a Wyoming College/University in the upcoming fall semester.
- Application and Essay must be handwritten, all question answered, and signatures signed.
- Failure to follow application requirements will result in disqualification.
- Application: <https://www.wyfb.org/carbon-county/>

## **Carbon County Farm Bureau "Member" Scholarship #2 – Due April 15th, 2023**

- Provide parent's Carbon County Farm Bureau Membership Number
- Be a graduating senior from high school
- Have at least a 3.00 cumulative grade point average, based on a 4.00 system. (Principal must sign to verify cumulative GPA)
- Attend an accredited college, university, or trade school
- Application and Essay must be handwritten, all question answered, and signatures signed.
- Failure to follow application requirements will result in disqualification.
- Application: <https://www.wyfb.org/education/scholarship/>

## **Carbon County Commissioners Scholarships: - Due Last Friday in April (28th), 2023**

- Available to Students who plan on attending the University of Wyoming or any Wyoming Community College.
- Is not specific to graduating high school students. Non-traditional students are eligible.
- Must be a resident of Carbon County
- There will be 3 new scholarships and 1 renewal scholarship awarded each year.
- Application: <https://www.carbonwy.com/928/Scholarships>



# CARBON COUNTY SCHOLARSHIPS

## Carbon County 4-H Foundation Scholarship

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- Attending any in or out of state accredited educational institution of higher learning on a full-time basis.

Application: paper form printed from our website and mailed!

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- Apply to any college, university or trade school

Application: paper form printed from our website and mailed!

<https://wyoextension.org/carboncounty/4h-youth-development/2022-scholarships/>



# CITIZENSHIP WASHINGTON FOCUS

JUNE 10 - 16, 2023



## ABOUT CWF

Experience Washington D.C and connect with other young leaders while getting hands on experience to become representatives of change.

## DETAILS

- Estimated cost is \$2250 per person, with scholarships available.
- Open to youth 14 and Older.
- • Apply by March 17, 2023 at <http://wyoming4h.formstack.com/forms/cwf>

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Visit the Opportunities section on the state 4-H website for more detail or contact your County Educator with any questions.



# 4-H MEMBERS & VOLUNTEERS IN THE NEWS!

## Ozzie winners awarded for quarter two at LSRVS

Toni Sue Wille  
Staff Writer

In January, the school held an assembly to award students who won the new Ozzie Awards for the second quarter. The students who achieved honor roll for grade point averages were also recognized.

Kenner Rodriguez and Autumn Cozzens were recognized for the kindness they display every day. Kylie Feldmann and Abi McKee were recognized for their responsibility. Iesha Martinez

and Stran Weeldreyer were honored for their positive attitudes.

The Ozzie Awards, new this school year, are nominated and selected by other students.

Changes at LSRV this school year include a focus on "collective commitments."

In the first week of school, the middle and high school students chose their top three values to commit to: kindness, responsibility, and being positive. As part of that commitment, the officers of high school organizations, FFA,

NHS, and Student Council, decided to set up a nomination and award program to honor those who strive to show these values.

The student leader committee decided that a former student at LSRV, Austin Erickson, who's family moved away this past summer, was someone they would award if he were still at LSRV because he epitomized those values of kindness, positivity, and responsibility every day. Since his nickname was Ozzie, they named it the Ozzie Awards.

One trait of Austin's they noted was his generosity. He was always buying snacks, lunch, or little things for other students. They decided to give gift cards to the winners of the Ozzie Awards each quarter.

Middle school students can nominate anyone in middle school, and the high schoolers nominate the high school students for the award. Winners are chosen by those on the leadership committee based on the nominations.

Congratulations to those honored and congratulations

to the student body for recognizing the importance of these character traits and striving to live them.

Those honor roll students recognized for their grade point averages at the end of the semester can be found in a related article. Principle Joel Thomas said there were more students with a 4.0 GPA than there's been for a very long time. Students and teachers attribute this rise in student achievement in part to the new block schedule with a priority focus on core academics.



Middle School student **Autumn Cozzens** was recognized for her kindness and the award was presented by Montgomery. Banessa Saenz gave middle schooler **Stran Weeldreyer** an Ozzie Award for his positive attitude. Iesha Martinez won an Ozzie Award for having a positive attitude, and Banessa Saenz gave her the award. Kylie Feldmann was presented an Ozzie Award by her brother Kody for her responsibility during quarter two. Kenner Rodriguez won an Ozzie Award for his kindness during the second quarter, presented by Kinlie Montgomery. Abi McKee, a middle school student, was also awarded for her responsibility and given a certificate by Feldmann.

Photo Credit: Trevor Abrams

## Kaylee Stocks harvests a mountain lion.

Linda Fleming  
Staff Writer

On January 15, Kaylee Stocks, age 11, harvested a mountain lion. The lion was taken in the Battle Creek area and weighed 138 pounds. This was her first big game animal.

Kaylee had been lion hunting with her dad, Kody Stocks on weekends since January 1 when she was able to start hunting big game animals.

Kaylee will be 12 in October of 2023, but the new game laws allow hunting anytime during the calendar year that a youth becomes 12. Kaylee took the Hunter Safety class three years ago.

Others in the hunting party included Dan, Jenna, Kimber, Owen Larson, Cindy Cobb, Brice Reid and Kaylee's parents, Kody and Codey and her brothers and sisters, Kooper, Keegan and Kyson.



**Kaylee Stocks** with the mountain lion she harvested in the Battle Creek area.

Photo Credit: Codey Stocks

## Results

### SARATOGA SKIJORING

#### Junior Division

Rider Name	Skier Name	Horse Name	Ave Score	Rank
Raymer, Abby	Cheesbrough, Hanna	Lady	39.71	1
McLean, Kaley	McLean, Kaleb	Chopper	41.10	2
McLean, Kaley	Spaulding, Brynlynn	Chopper	50.50	3

#### Novice Division

Raymer, Richard	Wood, Levi	Rusty	27.86	1
Peck, Alexis	Merrill, Trevor	Princess	30.88	2
<b>Vorn, Trevor</b>	Preston, Luke	Quincy	31.64	3



ARTICLE FROM  
THE SARATOGA SUN  
AND SNAKE RIVER  
PRESS



# 2023 RAWLINS 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS

## Carbon County Extension Office

Carbon Bld, Room 329

Rawlins, WY 82301

307-328-2642

Emily Haver

## 4-H Shooting Sports



## Carbon County 4-H Shooting Sports Leaders

Cale Waldrip- Archery Leader- 321-2644

Jacinda Waldrip- Archery Leader- 321-2643

Ryan Shively- Shotgun Leader

Travis Schinkel- .22 Leader

## Welcome to the 2023 Rawlins 4-H Shooting Sports season!

- **4-H Registration:** Please register for your Shooting Sports discipline prior to the first practice. Register at [4h.zsuite.org](http://4h.zsuite.org).
  - Junior shooters (ages 8-10 as of Jan. 1)
  - Intermediate shooters (ages 11-13 as of Jan. 1)
  - Senior shooter (ages 14-18 as of Jan. 1)
- **Rec Center Membership:** All 4-H shooting sports shooters will need to purchase a Rec Center Shooting Range pass.
  - This pass will allow you a full year of access to the indoor and outdoor shooting range.
  - Purchase membership prior to the first practice.
  - Ask for the Nord Kirkwin Scholarship application to receive 50% off your Rec Center membership.
- **.22 Rifle and Pistol:**
  - Practices will start on Wednesday, March 8th @ the Rawlins Rec Center.
  - Practices will run from 6 to 8 each Wednesday.
  - Please contact Travis for information about equipment and practices.
- **Archery:**
  - Practices will start on Monday, April 3rd @ the Rawlins Rec Center.
  - Juniors will shoot from 6 to 7.
  - Intermediate/Seniors will shoot from 7 to 8.
  - All equipment will need to be ready to use prior to the first practice. Please arrange a time to set your equipment up with Cale prior to April 3rd. Text Cale for an appointment- 307-321-2644
- **Shotgun:**
  - Practices will start on Tuesday, May 3rd.
  - All shooters can come at 6pm on that day.
  - Please contact Ryan for information about equipment and practices.
- **Additional Information:**
  - Contact Emily Haver at the 4-H Extension office for any additional information.
  - We also have a private group on FB called the Rawlins Shooting Sports group. Please message CaleJacinda Waldrip on FB if you would like to be added to that group.



Thank you,

Travis Schinkel, Reese Irvine, Ryan Shively, and Cale & Jacinda Waldrip



# **INTRODUCING PLATTE VALLEY SHOOTING SPORTS 4-H CLUB**

**4-H members in the  
Platte Valley whose  
only project is shooting sports,  
your group is now a club!**

Meetings: 2nd Wednesday of every month, 30  
min before practice for snack, game, business

March 8th meeting: Muzzleloading Ed-Op!

Club Leader: Nick Wamsley



# 2023 PLATTE VALLEY 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS

**Wednesday 6:00-8:00 p.m.**

**PVCC (Platte Valley Community Center)**

## **February**

1	Air Rifle/Air Pistol	PVCC (Platte Valley Community Center)
8	Air Rifle/Air Pistol	PVCC
15	Air Rifle/Air Pistol	PVCC
22	Air Rifle/Air Pistol	PVCC

## **March**

1	Archery	PVCC
8	Archery	PVCC
15	Archery	PVCC
22	Archery	PVCC
29	Archery	PVCC

## **April**

5	Air Rifle/Air Pistol	PVCC
12	Air Rifle/Air Pistol	PVCC
19	Air Rifle/Air Pistol	PVCC
26	Air Rifle/Air Pistol	PVCC

## **May**

3	Practice Archery	Saratoga Gun Club 6:00-7:00 PVCC
10	Practice Archery	Saratoga Gun Club 6:00-7:00 PVCC
17	Practice Archery	Saratoga Gun Club 6:00-7:00 PVCC
24	Practice Archery	Saratoga Gun Club 6:00-7:00 PVCC
31	Practice Archery	Saratoga Gun Club 6:00-7:00 PVCC

## **June**

3	County Competition Air Rifle/Air Pistol	PVCC 9:00-11:00 a.m.
7	Practice Archery	Saratoga Gun Club 6:00-7:00 PVCC
10	County Shoot 8:00	Baggs

\*\*\*State participants arrange Wednesday practices with instructors for June 7, 14, 21, 28, and July 5

## **July**

6-9	Wyoming State Shoot-Douglas
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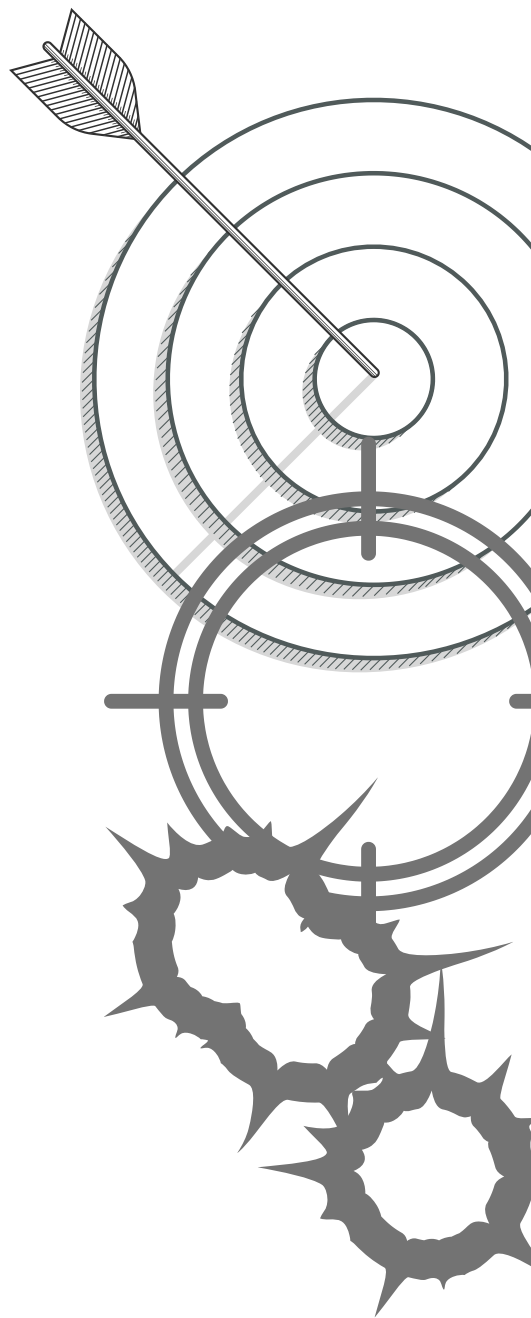
PO Box 280

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[www.facebook.com/CarbonCounty4H](https://www.facebook.com/CarbonCounty4H)

Enroll at: <https://4h.zsuite.org/>





Looking for something to do?

# PLATTE CO 4-H ARCHERY FUN SHOOT

**IS JUST FOR YOU!**

April 1, 2023

1:00-4:00 PM

Platte County Fairgrounds Indoor Arena

\$5 Per Youth Shooter

\$10 Per Adult Shooter

4-H Equipment available to borrow!

Door prizes and awards for top scores!

For More Information Contact:

Stacy Buchholz, 4-H/Youth Development Educator

307-322-3667

stacy@uwyo.edu

## Wyoming *Shearing* School Free 2 Day Shearing School

796 Lawver Rd Gillette Wyoming  
April 1st and 2nd. 8:00 am -5:00 pm  
Limited spaces!

Must Register to attend.

Age limits:

Wool Handling 12+ Shearing 14+

**Registration deadline March 20th**

**Contact Guy Edwards**

**for information & registration**

**307-670-3360**

### 2023 Sponsors

First National Bank of Gillette  
Rich & Debbie Edwards  
John & Rhonda Boller  
Melissa & Jason Cantù  
Boller Livestock  
Rusty Nail/Rolling Thunder Lanes  
R&B Tire  
Edwards Rambouillet  
Wyoming Wool Initiative

*\*interested in being a sponsor?*

Contact Guy Edwards

@ 307.670.3360

# MARKET GOAT SELECTION



The selection of a goat for a project is one of the most important decisions made by a feeder. The type of goat you select at the beginning of the project will have a major influence on the results at the end of the project. However, one must remember that a winning goat is a combination of good selection, good nutritional management, proper grooming, and outstanding showmanship.

People differ in their ability to select prospective animals. Some have a natural eye for selecting young animals, while others never develop this ability. Do not hesitate to take advantage of a person with these skills. It may be your county agent, FFA instructor, parents, or another leader in the county. Also, many breeders are willing to assist you in your selection program.

When selecting young goats one must be conscious of age and fat thickness. Young goats that are bloomy and fat always look good, while young goats that are thin do not look as good. Learn to look past fat and recognize muscle so that you can pick those goats that are genetically superior.

Anytime you purchase goats, it is important to know a little about the producer you are buying from. Do not hesitate to ask questions about their goat's bloodlines and the age of the goats in question.

When selecting goats there are five major areas of emphasis that need to be considered. They are structural correctness, muscle, volume and capacity, style and balance, and growth potential.

## Structural Correctness

Structural correctness refers to the skeletal system or bone structure of an animal. Goats should be up-headed, with the neck extending out of the top of the shoulders. Goats should travel and stand wide and straight on both their front and rear legs, and their legs should be placed squarely under the body. They should have a strong level top, and a long rump with a slight slope from their hooks to their pins. Goats should be heavy boned and be strong on their pasterns. Open shouldered, weak pasterned, steep rumped goats should be avoided.

## Muscle

Generally, goats that walk and stand wide are going to be heavier muscled. Goats should have a deep, heavily muscled leg and rump, with the widest part of the leg being the stifle area, when viewed from behind. They should have a broad, thick back and loin that is naturally firm and hard handling. Goats should be wide through their chest floor, with bold shoulders and a prominent forearm muscle. The chest and forearm of a goat are the best indicators of muscling in thin goats.

## Volume and Capacity

Volume and capacity refers to the relationship of length of body with depth of body and width of body. Goats should be long bodied, with adequate depth and spring of rib. Try to avoid selecting goats that are short bodied, narrow based, and flat ribbed.

## Style and Balance

Style and balance refers to the way all body parts blend together, how the shoulder blends into the rib cage, the rib cage to the loin, the loin to the rump, and how eye-appealing a goat is. When viewed from the side, a goat should be smooth shouldered, level topped, trim middled, and straight legged. A goat that is balanced, pretty, and holds his head up, is the first one you notice when you walk in the pen.

## Growth Potential

The ability of an animal to grow rapidly is very important. Generally, the larger framed goats, as indicated by a long head, neck, cannon-bone, and body, will grow faster, be larger, and more competitive in the show ring.

### Goat Selection video by ShowRite:

<https://go.alltech.com/showrite-stock-show-classroom?fbclid=IwAR3PkYlzhS2W2UPcJ0DXP4RtKXKJERw7ZZRM63XYhAOtjrJ2VAPEulPN14>



# SHOW LAMB SELECTION



## **Muscle**

Select show lambs with good expression of muscle. Pick a lamb that has firm, hard muscle tone in the legs, loin, and rump, where the higher priced cuts are located. Look for muscle from different views and areas.

### **From the Rear**

**Leg** -The widest portion should be through the center of the leg or stifle area. A larger outside muscle right above the stifle joint is very desirable. A muscular lamb will stand and walk wide. This requires good development of inside leg muscle. A lamb can stand wide and not have a lot of inside muscle. They may just be structurally wide. Be sure to check for inside muscle.

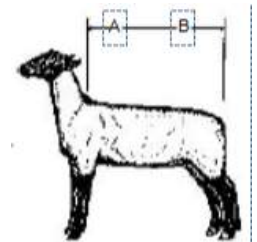
**Top** -A lamb needs to be wide across the top. The loin needs to be large and muscular. Look for a large rib cage which indicates a lot of capacity. Width is an indicator of muscle. However, be sure to feel your lamb to be certain that it is not fat. Feel down the back bone to determine the expression of the loin muscle. A good indicator of muscle is when you can feel a groove down the top of young lambs. This is like feeling the groove between your fingers when they are close together.



### **From the Side AB**

Choose a lamb that has proper length in the areas of the higher priced cuts, legs, loin and rump. The back portion of the top or hind saddle (B) should be longer than the front part, rack or back (A). To calculate this, measure from the last two ribs to the pin bones, (where the tail connects to the body).

This should be two or more inches longer than the front part, depending on the lamb's size. Length of the loin is important. Measure from the last two ribs to the hook bone. Length and width of the loin are important. Short bodied, compact animals are undesirable. Be careful not to get carried away with length. If you select a lamb that is too long it may be weak topped.



### **From the Front**

A bulging muscle from the knee to the shoulder is desirable. Large bone circumference of the cannon bone is a gauge of muscle, too. The larger the bone, the more area there is to attach muscle to. Select a lamb with a relatively long, thick cannon bone. The shoulder should be slightly prominent. Avoid getting a lamb with too large a shoulder as this will take away from a smooth, balanced appearance.

## **Structural Correctness**

Show lambs should be correct in their skeletal or bone structure. The lamb's neck should be erect and extend out of the top of the shoulder. The top line should be long, level and straight. The legs should have a large circumference or diameter of bone. Its pasterns should be strong, and it should stand with its feet and legs wide apart. When it walks it should move with long, smooth steps, and track out wide. Do not select lambs that are open shouldered, weak topped and have steep rumps.

## **Style and Balance**

These two characteristics describe how a lamb blends together. The front and rear ends should match. Looking at the lamb from the side view, it should have a clean, trim chest. The shoulder should be smooth while the top line should be long and level. A trim middle is desirable. Because lambs are shown with less than 1/4 inch wool, it is desirable that they have a tight, wrinkle-free hide. The most noticeable lamb in a pen holds its head up and looks long and straight with a level hip. Its walk is proud and wide based with a thick leg.

## **Look for potential**

Select a lamb that shows good potential. Large framed, long bodied lambs, with a long neck, cannon bone, and thick loin show the most potential for growth. Lambs that are long in the loin and level in the rump have an advantage over others in the show ring.

### **Lamb Selection video by ShowRite:**

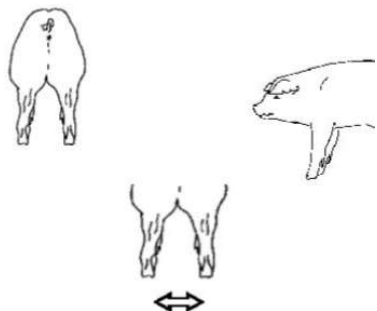
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# PIG SELECTION



There are basic areas that need to be considered when selecting your show pig. They are muscle, structural correctness, capacity, frame and style and balance.

## Muscle



There are several indicators of muscle in pigs. The first place to look for muscle is the ham. The widest portion should be through the center of rump and ham. Select a pig that has a bulging forearm. Well muscled hogs are wide based and large boned. When viewed from the top look for an hour glass shape to the top. This will be a trim, heavy muscled hog. It should be long and full in the rump, with the center of the ham being the widest part of the body. The shoulders should be wider than the loin, but not as thick as the ham. The loin will be uniform in width. When the hog walks there should be no evidence of fat over the top of the shoulders and the shoulders should move. Also, there should be no fat behind the shoulders or elbow pocket.

## Structural Correctness

Structural correctness refers to how a pig's skeleton is put together, more specifically the bone structure. To be sure your pig is structurally correct, pick a pig that moves with ease and smoothness. Pigs should take long strides. They also should have a proper angle to the pasterns and have flex to the joints like the hock, knee and shoulder. These joints should flex and the pig should take a long, flexible, fluid stride.

The pasterns should have an angle of 45 degrees and the hock should be at about a 22 degree angle for the best possible movement off the back end. Strong legs are important in market hogs. The bone should be large and the legs should be clean and solid looking.



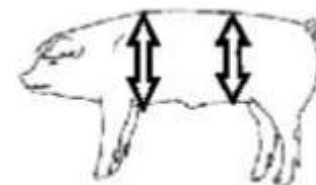
Proper hind leg structure



Poor hind leg structure

## Capacity

Pigs need to have adequate capacity to allow their internal organs to function properly and efficiently. They need to have a wide chest floor, a good spring of rib, and be deep sided in both the fore and rear flank. Remember that a deep sided hog can still be trim and neat in appearance.



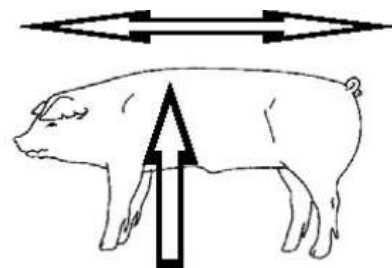
## Frame

A moderate framed hog will grow well and have adequate size. Select a long-bodied, tall hog that stands well on its feet and legs. It should be large boned and show a lot of capacity, being boldly sprung at the ribs.

## Style and Balance

A hog that has style and balance is one that holds its head up when it walks, and is smooth in its overall appearance. It will be clean in the shoulder blades, jowl and underline. Hogs that are balanced stand wide and tall on straight legs, are uniform in the arch of their back, and their shoulder blades are close together.

Select a trim hog that is free of excess fat. Fat gives the appearance of smoothness and shortness. A trim hog is clean behind the shoulders and down the top. The base of the ham should be firm, at the base of the hams (cut up or v-shaped) with the tail setting high, and the tailhead prominent.



**Swine Selection video by ShowRite:**

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May 27&28- Renegade Jackpot- Great Falls, WY

June 2-4- Powder Basin Classic- Gillette, WY

June 3- Golden Triangle Preview & Jackpot Show- Great Falls, MT  
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June TBD- Hot Springs Jr. Livestock Show- Thermopolis, WY

June TBD- Spring Spectacular- Riverton, WY

June TBD- Northeast 307 Show Clinic- Sundance, WY

June TBD- Cash Days, Sheridan. WY (all species)

June TBD- Northeast 307 Show Clinic- Sundance, WY

June TBD- George Reich Memorial Steer & Heifer Show- Casper, WY

June TBD- 307 Genetics Pig Camp- Powell, WY

June 17-18- The Showdown in Cheyenne- Cheyenne, WY

June TBD- Bear River Classic- Evanston, WY

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