

# Zavala County March 2023 4-H Newsletter

## IMPORTANT DATES:

3/5/23 CRYSTAL CITY 4-H CLUB MEETING

3/7/23 LAST DAY TO REGISTER FOR THE  
VIRTUAL TEXAS 4-H REEL'EM IN

3/10/23 COUNTY PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST  
DEADLINE

3/15/23 SOUTH TEXAS BUCKSKIN BRIGADE  
APPLICATIONS DUE

3/17/23 LAST DAY TO ORDER STATE TAGS FOR  
STEERS AND HEIFERS

3/18/23 830 FISHING EVENT IN DIMMIT  
COUNTY

3/23/23 YOUTH DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE  
MEETING

3/27/23 LAST DAY TO ORDER STATE FAIR TAGS  
FOR LAMBS AND GOATS



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2023  
Spring



# Virtual **TEXAS 4-H REEL 'EM IN**

## 2023 FISHING SKILL-A-THON

### Program Highlights:

- Register **individually** as 4-H youth (grades 3-12) or \*Clover Kid (grades K-2) via 4HOnline at <https://v2.4honline.com/> beginning February 1st
- Clover Kids - FREE to participate and will receive a participation certificate
- Prizes to be listed March 2023
- Judging via FishDonkey App (no fee to use app!) Rules posted February 1st at <https://d54-h.tamu.edu/>

### Species Divisions:

- Saltwater - Spotted Seatrout, Sheepshead & Redfish
- Freshwater - Bass, Crappie & Catfish

### More Ways to Win!

- Longest single fish or stringer by tournament, species, division and overall
- Grand Slam - post 3 different fish species within species division
- Wild Card - random drawing of all fish posted on FishDonkey

### Fee:

- Regular Registration: February 1-March 7, \$50 flat fee per division per 4-H participant (saltwater and/or freshwater)
- Late Registration: March 8-31, \$100

### Questions?

- Contact Jheri-Lynn McSwain, Ph.D., Extension Program Specialist at [jlmcswain@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:jlmcswain@ag.tamu.edu)



### Spring Tournament

Fish at YOUR Location:  
March 20 at 12:00 am thru  
May 31 at 11:59 pm





# Zavala County Photography Contest



## Categories

- All Pictures must be taken by 4-H members between dates of January 1, 2022 and time of entry
  - All entries **MUST** be emailed to [leslie.dominguez@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:leslie.dominguez@ag.tamu.edu) by **March 10, 2023 at 5 PM**
  - Photographs must be in a .jpeg, .jpg, or .png format
  - Files submitted may not be larger than 5,120k (5MB)
  - Photos must be a minimum of 300 dpi, and at least 1MB
  - Must be 3:2 (4"x6") or 5:4 (8"x10") ratio (either landscape or portrait) except for the PANORAMIC category
  - County winners will advance to the District 12 contest
- Animals- Domestic
  - Animals- Wildlife
  - Catch-All
  - Details& Macro
  - Elements of Design
  - Enhanced
  - Food
  - Landscape & Nature
  - Leading Line
  - Long Exposure
  - Motion/ Action
  - People
  - Plant/ Flora
  - Shadow/ Silhouette
  - Theme "Reflections"
  - Panoramic



Pictures will be judged on:

- Impact (15 pts)
- Creativity (15 pts)
- Technical Excellence (25 pts)
- Composition (20 pts)
- Subject Matter (15 pts)
- Story Telling (10 pts)



Information about the rules and guidelines can be found at:  
[https://agrilife.org/d124h/files/2023/01/PH\\_2023\\_DistrictRules.pdf](https://agrilife.org/d124h/files/2023/01/PH_2023_DistrictRules.pdf)



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830-374-2883



## Steer and Heifer State Tags

Last Day to Order: March 17,  
2023

Price: \$25.00 (CASH ONLY)

Please stop by The Texas A&M AgriLife  
Extension Service Office to order your  
tags.

221 N 1st Ave, Crystal City, Tx 78839  
(830) 374-2883



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## Sheep and Goat State Fair Tags

Last Day to Order: March 27,  
2023

Price: \$15.00 (CASH ONLY)

Please stop by The Texas A&M AgriLife  
Extension Service Office to order your  
tags.

221 N 1st Ave, Crystal City, Tx 78839  
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Please bring your own equipment if possible

# fishing with kids 830



## fish, guns, & fun

### EVENTS

Fishing rod seminar

Knots and ties

Types of local fish

Corn hole casting

Fishing tournament

Raffles & awards

Meet and greet

Questions & answers

Eat & grub

End- clean up  
and departure

### Hourly

10:00 INTRODUCTION - SUMMARY OF EVENTS, ACKNOWLEDGE STAFF/VOLUNTEERS. EXPLAIN PURPOSE OF EVENT - ENCOURAGE KIDS TO EXPERIENCE THE OUTDOORS.

PARTICIPATE IN SEMINARS AND TEACHINGS

PLAY GAMES AND AND VISIT VENDORS

11:00 FISHING TOURNAMENT

1 HOUR OF FISHING, FISH WILL BE MEASURED BY LENGHT AND NOT WEIGHT.

LOOK FOR STAFF MEMBERS, QUALIFYING FISH MUST BE MEASURED AND DOCUMENTED

YOU CAN USE BAIT OR LURES, NO THROW NETS ALLOWED

THERE WILL BE A BIG FISH TROPHY GIVEN TO WINNER

CHILDREN UNDER 12 MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY ADULT AND BE MINDFUL OF SURROUNDINGS

12:00 FISHING TOURNAMENT ENDS - ALL DOCUMENTED ENTRIES WILL BE REVIEWED AND WINNER WILL BE DETERMINED.

WINNER WILL BE ANNOUNCED FOR TOURNAMENT AND CORNHOLE CASTING CONTEST.

COOKING FOOD WILL BEGIN

SODAS, HOTDOGS AND CHIPS WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE

LINES CAN BE MADE FOR FOOD AND DRINK. (1 HOTDOG AND 1 DRINK PER PERSON) DEPENDING ON AMOUNTS SERVERS WILL DETERMINE ALLOWANCE.

1:00 AWARDS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS / MEET & GREET LOCAL GAME WARDENS

ISSUE TROPHY, AWARDS AND MERITS

QUESTION AND ANSWERS

POSSIBILITY OF BOAT RIDES

CONTINUED GAME PLAY/FISHING

VISITING VENDORS - COMMUNITY AND FAMILY FUN BONDING

2:00 CLEAN UP & DEPARTURE

ENSURE ALL TRASH IS IN BAGS AND NOT ON GROUND

END OF ACTIVITIES

### Info

March 18 2023

LOCATION: Midway

County Park

TIME: 10:00am - 2:00pm

CONTACT: call or text

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# South Texas Buckskin Brigade

Chaparrosa Ranch- La Pryor, Tx

June 11 - 15, 2023

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Anatomy & Physiology

Plant Identification

Habitat Evaluation

Aging & Scoring

Firearm Safety

Team Building

Leadership

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**Applications are open now!**

[www.texasbrigades.org/applications](http://www.texasbrigades.org/applications)

DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO MAY BE INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE ABOUT WHITE-TAILED DEER MANAGEMENT, LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT, AND NATURAL RESOURCE CONSERVATION? YOUTH AGES 13-17 CAN ATTEND OUR CAMP AS CADETS AND ADULTS CAN ATTEND AS GROUP LEADERS.

APPLICATIONS ARE DUE MARCH 15TH FOR SOUTH TEXAS BUCKSKIN BRIGADE. APPLY NOW AT

[HTTPS://WWW.TEXASBRIGADES.ORG/APPLICATIONS.](https://www.texasbrigades.org/applications)



# Zavala County Validation Dates



## **STEER & HEIFER VALIDATION**

**6/20/23 @ 6-8 PM**

## **SHEEP & GOAT (STATE FAIR) VALIDATION**

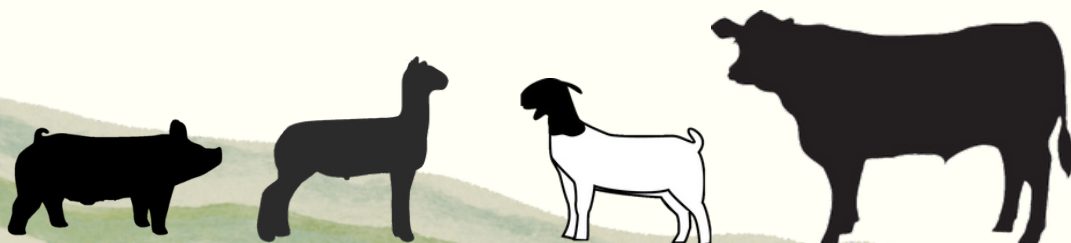
**6/20/23 @ 6-8 PM**

## **SHEEP & GOAT (COUNTY/STATE) VALIDATION**

**10/14/23 @ 8-10 AM**

## **HOG (COUNTY/STATE) VALIDATION**

**11/18/23 @ 8-10 AM**



# February Recap San Angelo Stock Show



CONGRATULATIONS

TO MCKYNZE RANGEL AND ASHLYN  
MARTINEZ AT THE SAN ANGELO  
LIVESTOCK SHOW.

MCKYNZE RANGEL PLACED 9TH IN  
CLASS 9.

ASHLYN MARTINEZ PLACED 2ND IN  
CLASS 3, RESERVE CHAMPION  
DIVISION 1, 2ND PLACE IN CLASS 8,  
4TH OVERALL IN HEAVY WEIGHT  
DIVISION, 7TH IN CLASS 9. 8TH AND  
17TH OVERALL IN SALE ORDER.



# February Recap San Antonio Stock Show



MCKYNZE RANGEL, ASHLYN  
MARTINEZ, AND ARANDA VASQUEZ.

COMMERCIAL DOES:  
ASHLYN MARTINEZ PLACED 5TH IN  
CLASS 2, AND 1ST IN CLASS 3.  
MCKYNZE RANGEL PLACED 8TH IN  
CLASS 3.



# February Recap San Antonio Stock Show



OUR 4-H AND FFA MEMBERS DID AMAZING WITH THEIR ANIMALS!

CONGRATULATIONS

TO ASHLYN MARTINEZ, JESSE RAMOS, AND YULIANA RAMOS!

ASHLYN PLACED 3RD IN CLASS 14 FOR CHAROLAIS HEIFER



# February Recap Batesville School Planting



OUR 4-H MEMBERS WERE JOINED BY BATESVILLE STUDENTS  
IN THE ACE PROGRAM. THE STUDENTS LEARNED ABOUT  
PLANT AND SOIL SCIENCE. THEY PLANTED VEGETABLES AND  
FLOWERS





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