



2020 OTTAWA COUNTY FAIR LIVESTOCK GRAND AND RESERVE CHAMPIONS



Josi Schrader, Solomon Valley 4-H Club, led out the Grand Champion Market Goat at the 2020 Ottawa County Fair. She was also the Champion Junior Meat Goat Showman.



Josi Schrader, Solomon Valley 4-H Club, also led out the Supreme Breeding Doe.



Weston Schrader, Solomon Valley 4-H Club, led out the Reserve Champion Breeding Doe. He was also the Champion Senior Goat Showman.



Lillian Hulse, Pleasant Valley 4-H Club, was named Reserve Champion Junior Goat Showman.



August Hulse, Pleasant Valley 4-H Club, was named the Reserve Champion Senior Goat Showman at the 2020 Ottawa County Fair.



The Grand Champion Market Steer at the 2020 Ottawa County Fair was owned by Weston Schrader of the Solomon Valley 4-H Club.



Kolby Phipps, Solomon Valley 4-H, showed the Reserve Grand Champion Market Steer.



Josi Schrader, Solomon Valley 4-H Club, received the Champion Breeding Female award with her Cow-Calf pair at the 2020 Ottawa County Fair.



Weston Schrader, Solomon Valley 4-H Club, showed the Reserve Champion Breeding Female.



Taking top honors in the 2020 Ottawa County Beef Showmanship were: Josi Schrader, Champion Junior; Victoria Hueser, Reserve Champion Junior; Emma Hueser, Champion Senior; Gabe Hueser, Reserve Champion Senior.



The Champion Breeding Gilt at the 2020 Ottawa County Fair was shown by Kolby Phipps of the Solomon Valley 4-H Club.



Kolby Phipps, Solomon Valley 4-H Club, drove out the Grand Champion Market Hog. He was also named Champion Junior Swine Showman.



Maddy Krueger, from the Solomon Valley 4-H Club, was named the Champion Senior Sheep Showman.



Kyle Phipps, from the Solomon Valley 4-H club, showed the Reserve Grand Champion Market Lamb.



Haylee Nichols, Solomon Valley 4-H Club, showed the Grand Champion Gelding.

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The Supreme Breeding Ewe was shown by Dalton Krueger of Solomon Valley 4-H Club. He was also named the Champion Junior Sheep Showman.



Aiden Anderson, Solomon Valley 4-H Club, let out the Reserve Grand Champion Market Goat at the 2020 Ottawa County Fair.



The Grand Champion Market Lamb at the 2020 Ottawa County Fair was shown by Kolby Phipps of the Solomon Valley 4-H Club.



Cole Casper, Pleasant Valley 4-H Club, showed the Champion Pony at the 2020 Ottawa County Fair.



The Grand Champion Mare was showed by Gus Wolf, Pleasant Valley 4H Club, at the 2020 Ottawa County Fair.



Karlee Thrush, Pleasant Valley 4-H Club, was named the Amos Nelson 4-H Champion Horse Exhibitor at the 2020 Ottawa County Fair. Karlee was also received Champion award in the Senior Showman, Trail, Senior Barrels, English Equitation, and English Pleasure classes.

Time approaching to make decisions on fungicide application for soybeans

By David G. Hallauer, Meadowlark District Extension agent, crops & soils/horticulture

If they haven't already, soybeans will soon reach the growth stage that is 'decision time' for a fungicide application. Growth stage R3 is known as beginning pod. At this stage, pods are 3/16" long on one of the four uppermost nodes of the main stem with a fully developed leaf. It's at this time that we start trying to answer the question: Do I need to spray my soybeans with a foliar fungicide? It's a great question that will require some scouting.

Soybean diseases that might warrant fungicide control include frogeye leaf spot, brown spot, Cercospora leaf blight and pod and stem blight. Brown spot can be common in Kansas with Cercospora and pod and stem blight an issue in excessively wet years.

Scouting for these diseases now is important for a couple of reasons. First, there are diseases that may look like brown spot, but are actually bacterial diseases. Fungicides won't have any activity on them.

Second, work in Kansas would suggest that fungicides have not been economical unless significant levels of disease are present. Work by Northeast Area agronomist Stu Duncan from 2013 to 2019 showed an average yield response across five dryland site years to be

2.8 bushels per acre. The yield response across nine irrigated site years was less than half a bushel. If disease is present, this could change significantly. Only scouting can help you determine that.

Third, fungicide resistance is increasingly becoming a concern. Blanket applications in the absence of disease with little potential for disease

pressure may not seem to cause too much harm, but can increase resistance under the right circumstances.

Fungicide applications to combat soybean diseases will have the best opportunity for economic gain if frequent rainfall events occur through the R5 (seed is 1/8" long in one of the four uppermost nodes on the main stem)

growth stage and disease is present. Scout now to give fungicide applications the best chance to work for you.

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The Grand Champion Market Steer was shown by Weston Hammond, Lincoln Creek 4-H. He was also named Intermediate Champion Beef Showman.



Kelly Martin, Countryside Crusaders 4-H showed the Reserve Grand Champion Market Steer.



Exhibiting the Supreme Champion Steer was Sarah Martin, Countryside Crusaders 4-H.



Earning Reserve Senior Grand Champion Showman was Keaton James, Lincoln Creek 4-H.



The Grand Champion Breeding Heifer was exhibited by McKaley Chambers, Cloverleaf 4-H. McKaley was also named the Senior Grand Champion Beef Showman.



Lincoln Creek 4-H member Natalie Sleichter showed the Reserve Grand Champion Breeding Heifer. She also received Reserve Champion Intermediate Beef Showman.

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The Reserve Grand Champion Market Lamb was led by Ryan McClure, Countryside Crusaders. He also was awarded Senior Grand Champion Showman and showed the Reserve Champion Breeding Ewe.

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Cooper Schwartz, Lincoln Creek 4-H, drove the Grand Champion Market Hog. He also showed the Grand Champion Breeding Gilt and was named Junior Grand Champion Showman.

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Clay County Fair's Reserve Intermediate Grand Champion Showman was awarded to Natalie Sleichter, Lincoln Creek 4-H.



Reserve Senior Grand Champion Showman honors went to Reece Geer, Washington Headliners 4-H.



Tapped as the Reserve Grand Champion Market Goat was the entry shown by Lauren Benfer, Sturdy Oak 4-H. Benfer also won Reserve Champion Intermediate Showman.



Capturing Reserve Overall Grand Champion Dairy Goat was the entry shown by AnnaLeah Johnson, Countryside Crusaders 4-H. AnnaLeah was named Grand Champion Senior Showman.



The Grand Champion Market Goat was shown by Kelly Martin, Countryside Crusaders 4-H, who was also chosen as Intermediate Champion Showman



The Senior Grand Champion Showman at Halter was Anna Kelley, Clay County FFA. She also won High Point Judged Event Senior and High Point Timed Event Senior.



Leading the Grand Champion Breeding Doe and also named Senior Grand Champion Showman was AnnaLeah Johnson, Countryside Crusaders 4-H. Johnson also showed the Reserve Champion Breeding Doe.



Jenette Begnoche, Countryside Crusaders 4-H, showed her way to the title of Junior Grand Champion Showman.



Alisha Waite, Sturdy Oak 4-H member Alisha Waite won Reserve Senior Grand Champion Showman at Halter.



The Overall Grand Champion Dairy Goat was led by Sierra Stewart, Washington Headliners 4-H, who also was awarded Reserve Champion Senior Showman.



Kolton Varner of the Countryside Crusaders 4-H Club got the handshake as Reserve Senior Grand Champion Showman.

Due to space, more Clay County Fair pictures will appear in next week's issue.

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NASS releases farm real estate values, cash rents

Kansas's farm real estate value, a measurement of the value of all land and buildings on farms, decreased from 2019, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Farm real estate value for 2020 averaged \$1,900 per acre, down \$60 per acre (down 3%) from last year. Cropland value decreased 4% from last year to \$2,080 per acre. Dryland cropland value averaged \$1,970 per acre, \$80 lower than last year. Irrigated cropland value averaged \$3,270 per acre, \$50 below a year ago. Pastureland, at \$1,370 per acre, was \$20 lower than the previous year.

Cash rents paid to landlords in 2020 for cropland were mixed from last year. Irrigated cropland rent averaged \$129 per acre, \$1 above last year. Dryland cropland rent averaged \$56 per acre, \$1 lower than a year earlier. Pasture rented for cash averaged \$19.50 per acre, \$0.50 above the previous year. County level averages of 2020 cash rents paid to landlords will be released on August 28, 2020 and will be available through NASS Quick Stats, located at <http://quickstats.nass.usda.gov/>. Access the national publication for this release at: <https://usda.library.cornell.edu/concern/publications/pn89d6567>. Find agricultural statistics for your county, state, and the nation at www.nass.usda.gov

long history of excellence and innovation researching disease spread like what we are currently facing with COVID-19," Kelly said. "My conversations with BRI staff served as a reminder of how many of our best and brightest have answered the call to help end the pandemic. While my administration is doing everything in our power to get Kansans back to work and kids back to school safely - the contributions being made by our health community will be instrumental to protecting the people of this state and our economy."

Kansas State University president Richard Myers also joined Kelly on Thursday's tour. "Kansas State University has tremendous expertise to bring against zoonotic diseases such as COVID-19," Myers said. "Our capabilities began with the production of antibodies for classical swine fever in 1908 and have accelerated since. Our combined assets and expertise have earned Kansas State University the reputation of the 'Silicon Valley for biodefense.'"

BRI, located at Pat Roberts Hall on the Kansas State University Manhattan campus, is typically the home of comprehensive infectious disease research to address threats to plant, animal, and human health, including food-borne pathogens. The hub contains multiple bio-safety level 3 labs - the second-highest level of security possible. Since the pandemic began, the highly-trained BRI researchers and staff have applied their unique expertise to fighting the COVID-19 pandemic, just as they have with earlier epidemics such as SARS and MERS.

will give them the best value for their dollar. Topics addressed in the video series include: Can I use biodiesel in farm diesel engines? How can I save on the cost of grain drying? Where can I find money to implement energy efficiency measures? How to select LED lights for agriculture? How to determine pellet durability? Why do an energy audit on your farm? Is wood heat right for you? How can proper livestock ventilation save energy & feed? What is it like to apply for farm energy incentive programs like REAP? How to choose a heating fuel. How to save money by understanding your electric bill. How to choose proper livestock ventilation fans. How do I size a cooler for on-farm produce storage? How to design an energy-efficient hydroponic system? Solar-on-a-farm series

Governor Laura Kelly visits Kansas State University Biosecurity Research Institute

Governor Laura Kelly toured the Kansas State University Biosecurity Research Institute (BRI) last Thursday to learn more about its work fighting the COVID-19 pandemic, including through potential vaccine development, medicine discovery, and understanding how animals may be affected by the virus. "The Kansas State University Biosecurity Research Institute has a

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In addition to the short, engaging videos, there are also links to complementary materials designed to aid beginning farmers and ranchers in making informed decisions about on-farm energy. For example, the "Online Energy Selector" developed by the project team helps farmers compare and select the heating fuel that

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These videos are posted on the project team's YouTube channel, Energy Answers for the Beginning Farmer & Rancher. Additional resources can be found online at <https://farm-energy.extension.org/energy-answers-for-the-beginning-farmer-and-rancher/>. Contributing Extension programs include Illinois, Michigan State, Nebraska, Penn State, Rutgers, Virginia Tech, and Wisconsin.

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Wednesday Sale, Hogs NOON • Cattle 12:30 PM

Report from August 5, 2020

STEERS					
3	377	188.00	9	593	145.00
4	538	175.00	11	653	144.00
5	541	168.00	108	674	139.50
15	610	163.25	28	729	136.60
14	637	161.50	17	789	136.50
20	708	149.50	17	783	132.50
3	763	146.00	36	798	131.75
52	866	143.10	28	859	130.75
24	843	141.50	28	864	128.75
56	908	136.25			
53	983	133.50			

TOP BUTCHER COW: \$75.00 @ 1,505 lbs.
TOP BUTCHER BULL: \$96.50 @ 1,635 lbs.
BRED COWS: \$885-\$1,410

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Cattle sales Tuesday, 11:00 AM.

Report from August 4, 2020

STEERS					
1	280	191.00	4	479	147.00
5	356	174.00	6	461	146.00
2	455	165.00	1	680	130.50
6	471	160.00	4	630	118.50
4	770	134.50			

TOP BUTCHER COW: \$76.50 @ 1,555 LBS.
TOP BUTCHER BULL: \$102.50 @ 1,825 LBS.

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5 blk.....553@131.00	7 bkbwf.....721@138.50	13 blk.....718@137.00	9 bkbwf.....798@136.00
6 blk.....635@131.00	11 mix.....741@135.50	8 blk.....759@135.50	68 blk.....854@138.00
7 bkbwf.....632@129.00	68 blk.....854@138.00	27 bkbwf.....869@137.50	10 blk.....864@136.25
13 bkbwf.....607@128.50	5 blk.....833@136.00	46 mix.....836@135.75	10 blk.....872@135.75
7 bkbwf.....675@125.25	46 mix.....836@135.75	10 blk.....872@135.75	6 mix.....838@135.50
13 blk.....666@123.00	10 blk.....872@135.75	5 mix.....840@135.00	65 bkbwf.....887@134.25
214 bkbwf.....762@133.85	5 mix.....840@135.00	22 blk.....897@134.25	11 blk.....825@134.00
150 mix.....748@133.60	11 mix.....825@134.00	10 Char.....888@133.50	5 mix.....860@130.00
15 blk.....794@128.50	10 Char.....888@133.50	11 mix.....898@130.00	5 mix.....829@118.50
5 blk.....753@127.00	5 mix.....860@130.00	35 mix.....919@132.75	5 mix.....924@132.50
18 blk.....720@123.50	11 mix.....898@130.00	35 bkbwf.....983@129.00	89 mix.....964@126.00
71 bkbwf.....813@132.50	5 mix.....840@135.00	8 mix.....983@124.75	21 mix.....987@124.75
129 mix.....825@130.25	65 bkbwf.....887@134.25		
67 blk.....861@128.50	22 blk.....897@134.25		
76 blk.....856@128.00	11 blk.....825@134.00		
8 blk.....800@112.50	10 Char.....888@133.50		

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• 80 blk str & hfrs, 650-800 lbs.
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