

4-H SWINE

DIRECTOR – ED CHUPP

Leaders – Andy and Cheryl Gall & Tom Sarber

*Assistants – Denny and Bobbi Weldy & Jim and Phyllis Kirkdorffer
Brandon Gall*

2007 4-H Show Times

Friday, July 20, @ 4:00 p.m. – Market Litters & Gilts

Wednesday, July 25, @ 8:00 a.m. – Barrows

All pigs entered in 4-H Swine must be farrowed on or after January 1, 2007 and purchased by May 13, 2007. All boars must be castrated and ear notched by May 13. All 4-H Swine that will be exhibited must have health papers in accordance with Livestock Health Requirements. Barrows, Gilts and Market Litters must be those that were identified in May. Barrows will be tagged by the swine advisory board.

4-H gilts & litters only are to be brought in on Friday, July 20 between 8:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. Gilts and Litters must be checked in between 10:00am to 12:00. **NEW CHECK IN HOURS FOR 2007.** 4-H barrows are to be brought in on Saturday, July 21 between 7:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Swine Club members that are members of the Lamb Club and/or the Beef Club will bring their barrows in on Sunday, July 22 between 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m.

All market barrows will be weighed at this time when you unload. **NO EXCEPTIONS.** There will be no re-weighs, unless deemed necessary by the swine advisory board. Each 4-H member exhibiting market hogs must be present at the time of weighing or have someone else present at the scales to assume the responsibility by furnishing the necessary information. Registration papers on all purebred gilts and litters must be presented at the time of check in Friday, July 20. Registration papers on all purebred market barrows must be presented at the time of weigh-in. All purebred barrow papers must be presented by 2:00 p.m. Sunday, July 22. Any purebred papers presented after this time will be assessed a \$25.00 late penalty fee. We will follow the Indiana State Fair Guidelines as it relates to whose name the registration papers must be in. Purebred characteristics will be in accordance to Indiana State Fair Guidelines. Final authority will be the Elkhart County 4-H Swine Advisory Board.

Show order for barrows and showmanship will be posted by 1:00 p.m. on Monday, July 23. Any additions or corrections must be stated at this time. There will be no changes to show order after 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 24. Barrow classes will be divided by weight with no more than 15 pigs per class.

Barrow must be shown by the owner or another 4-H Swine Club member where two entries fall in the same class. All market barrow, gilts and litters will be shown by breed. There will be a class of crossbreds.

The 2007 4-H Swine Show order will be: Hampshire, Landrace, Crossbred, Berkshire, Poland China, Yorkshire, Hereford, Spotted Poland China, Duroc, Tamworth and Chester White.

Showmanship classes will begin at 8:00 a.m. on July 25. Only 4-H barrows can be shown for showmanship.

All 4-H Barrows will be judged Wednesday, following showmanship classes. All exhibitors should be at the swine barn when the show starts and stay there until the show is over. It is your responsibility to get your animal in the ring when the class is called to the arena.

Swine for State Fair exhibition should be registered by May 15, 2007. See Livestock Health Requirements.

MARKET BARROWS: Each member may show a maximum of two barrows. Each member may identify and tag five barrows. A family member may interchange any identified barrow with a sibling at the time of weigh-in. A sibling is defined as a brother or sister and/or step brother or step sister. A 4-H member is only allowed to bring 2 barrows to weigh-in. **Members showing purebred animals must have registration papers to exhibit in the purebred class. Purebred characteristics will follow state fair guidelines. Final authority will be the 4-H swine advisory board.**

Ear tagging of barrows will be done on Saturday, May 5 between 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, May 8 between 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. and Saturday, May 12 between 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. All 4-H barrows must be brought to the Elkhart County 4-H Fairgrounds for tagging.

A champion and reserve champion market barrow will be selected in each breed as soon as all classes are judged in that breed.

NOTE: Only champion and reserve champion that were awarded blue ribbons when their classes were judged shall be brought in the ring to compete for grand and reserve grand champion.

BREEDING GILT: Breeding gilts eligible for exhibition must be born on or after January 1, 2007. Purebred gilts will show by breed & date of birth. Crossbred gilt classes will be determined by weight. A 4-H member may identify five gilts. The member will be allowed to exhibit two identified gilts. Do not bring gilts to the fairgrounds on the ear tagging dates. However, it is required that all gilt information is received on the ear tagging dates. Gilts may be interchanged among siblings, this can be done at the time of check-in. **Members showing purebred gilts must have registration papers for each gilt to be exhibited at the time of check in. We will follow the State Fair Guidelines as it relates to whose name the registration papers must be in. Purebred characteristics will follow State Fair Guidelines. Final authority will lie with the swine advisory board.**

Judging of the gilts classes will follow the same order as the barrow classes. Gilts are not eligible to sell in the auction. Gilts may show in the market litter class. Gilts and extra litter barrows will be released following the open class carcass show. **All swine must be out of the barn by 6:00 a.m. Saturday, July 21st The exception will be the 4-H show barrows.**

Champion and reserve champion gilt will be selected in each breed. Only champions and reserve champions that were awarded blue ribbons when their classes were judged shall be brought in the ring to compete for grand and reserve grand champion.

MARKET LITTERS: A market litter must be four animals. A market litter may include four barrows or any combination of barrows and gilts but must include at least one barrow. All pigs in a litter must have the same litter ear notch and owned by the same family. A 4-H family may identify an extra litter per family. The extra litter must be identified on the ear tagging papers. A 4-H member may only show one litter. Members only of the 4-H swine club may help the owner show his or her market litter.

SHOWMANSHIP: Showmanship will be divided into four age groups. Age is determined by the day of the showmanship show. Sign up sheet for classes will be posted on the first Friday of the fair. Classes will be divided on Monday at 11:00 a.m. to accommodate size of classes. Classes will be determined by a blind draw. As follows is a description of each showmanship class.

GREENHAND CLASS – First year members that are 11 years and under.

BEGINNERS CLASS – 10-12 years old.

JUNIOR CLASS – 13-15 years old.

SENIOR CLASS – 16-19 years old.

MASTER SHOWMAN – Senior class winner will compete with any past senior class winner that is still enrolled in the Elkhart County 4-H Swine Club.

Note: If a member wins their showmanship class, they will move up to the next class the following year.

The judge will be instructed to select an honor group of five individuals. From this group a champion will be selected. The honor group will be recognized with a trophy at the awards banquet. The class size in showmanship will be limited to 15 participants per class. There will not be a limit of participants in each age group. Example: If 45 individuals sign up for the beginner's class, the first 15 will be called to the arena, 5 will be selected to return the final placing for this class. The same will be done for the next 15 and the same next 15. When all three groups have shown, the 5 top showmen in each group will return to the arena for the final beginner class drive. A final 5 will be placed in the honor group.

ONLY 4-H BARROWS CAN BE SHOWN FOR SHOWMANSHIP CLASSES.

The Elkhart County 4-H Swine Club Adult Advisory Board and the Fair Board assume no responsibility for death loss and/or physical loss.

PHOTO SCHEDULE FOR ELKHART COUNTY 4-H SWINE CLUB

In an effort to be fair to all members, and bring recognition to as many winners as possible, the following schedule will be used for photographs to be published in the area newspapers during and after the county fair. Immediately after the Wednesday barrow show the following photos will be taken of these winners.

Photos of: Grand Champion 4-H Gilt and exhibitor
 Reserve Grand Champion 4-H Gilt and exhibitor
 Grand Champion 4-H Market Litter and exhibitor
 Reserve Grand Champion 4-H Market Litter and exhibitor
 Grand Champion 4-H Barrow and exhibitor
 Reserve Grand Champion 4-H Barrow and exhibitor
 Champion Greenhand, Beginner, Junior, and Senior Showmen
 Master Showman

Friday – 4-H Swine Club Auction

Photos of: Grand Champion 4-H barrow, exhibitor, buyer/s and auctioneer

4-H Swine Club Banquet

Photos of: Any Special Service Award Recipients and Family
 4-H Project Award Champions (Levels 1, 2, 3)

**The 4-H Swine Auction will be Friday, July 27, 2007 12:30 p.m.
 (In Sheep-Swine Arena)**

All animals are sold based on initial weigh-in weight.

Maximum Weight: 275 lbs.

Animals over 275 lbs. will be paid only on maximum weight.

4-H ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM

August 2, 2007

The family of the owner of the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion barrows will be co-chairmen of the Achievement Program. The families of breed champions will be on the committee.



4-H SWINE CLUB LEADERS

Andy & Cheryl Gall	831-2771
Tom Sarber	773-7653
Denny Weldy	533-1176
Jim & Phyliss Kirkdorffer	831-3590
Brandon Gall	658-4498

4-H SWINE CLUB OFFICERS

PRESIDENT – Ben Etsinger	831-4334
VICE-PRESIDENT – John Gall	457-4975
SECRETARY – Tyler Sanders	646-2214
TREASURER – Kaley Bontrager	773-3041

SWINE DIRECTOR

Ed Chupp	831-4360
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2007 SWINE ADULT ADVISORY BOARD

PRESIDENT – Jeff Fervida	773-4270	(2004)
VICE-PRESIDENT – Bud Etsinger	831-4334	(2005)
SECRETARY – Matt Kritzman	642-3121	(2004)
TREASURER – Brad Hooley	825-9247	(2004)
Dave Neff	831-4877	(2004)
Mark Bontrager	773-3041	(2005)
Bruce Sanders	646-2214	(2005)
Marty Gall	457-4975	(2006)
Niles Miller	642-4778	(2006)
Kevin Rhodes	825-7511	(2006)
Rick Lengacher	534-4590	(2006)

CALENDER OF 4-H SWINE CLUB DATED

4-H members are encouraged to attend all meetings

Meetings are the 2nd Tuesday of the month January – July.

7:00@ Fairgrounds

January 9, 2007 @ ECCC/Mennonite Room Handout Project Books/ Enrollment Cards

February 13, 2007@ Sheep/Swine Arena Meat Cutting Demonstration/ Meat Judging Demonstration

March 13, 2007 @ ECCC/ Mennonite Room Pig Selection with Matt Morehouse/ Animal Health with Cr. Bruce Lamb

April 10, 2007 @ ECCC/ Mennonite Room Elect Queen Candidate/ Guest Speaker, Mr.

Barry Houser

May 8, 2007 @ Sheep/Swine Arena	Showmanship/ Judging Contest
June 12, 2007@ Sheep/Swine Arena	9th Annual Picnic@6:00/Draw Sale Numbers/ Project Handbooks Are Due
July 10, 2007@ Sheep/Swine Arena	Pen Set up/ Election 2008 Club Officers/ Hand out Fair Passes

IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES

March 1, 2007	Enrollment cards are due
April 10, 2007	Club fees to be paid by this meeting. All members not having paid will need to pay additional \$1.00 for each month the fee is late
April 12, 2007	Elkhart County 4-H Pig Sale @ Fairgrounds
May 12, 2007	Must have your pigs and tagged by the advisory Board
May 5,8,12, 2007	Tagging Barrows at the Fairgrounds
May 15, 2007	Elkhart County and Indiana State Fair Enrollment cards are due.
June 9, 2007	Elkhart County Elite Classic Junior Swine Show
July 20-28, 2007	Elkhart County 4-H Fair
August 2, 2007	4-H Swine Club Achievement Banquet @ Fairgrounds

Member Requirements to Complete Project

1. Complete 4-H enrollment card by March 1.
2. Complete sections in Project Manual and turn in by June 12, 2007
3. Complete record Sheet and turn in Monday of the fair.
4. Fill out Completion Sheet and turn in Wednesday of the fair.

Required Family Participation

1. Work a shift at the pork producers building (this includes adults)
2. The 4-Her is responsible for a clean pen and tack area.
3. Make sure health papers and/or registration papers are in order.
4. Clean barn after open class show on Thursday and Saturday morning.

General Information

\$7.00 Club fee will be charged for each member. Due by April meeting.

\$2.00 Transaction fee per member.

\$2.00 Tag fee will be assessed for each barrow tagged.

\$2.00 Pen rent per animal. Tag fee, pen rent and transaction fee will be paid when pigs are brought to the fair. Project manuals will be passed out at the January meeting. These are multi-year books. They need to be well taken care of and kept until the 4-Her advances to the next level. Due at the June Meeting. Swine Club members will be expected to show their animals wearing the t-shirt supplied by the club and wear long pants. Breed specific apparel such as hats, belt buckles, etc are prohibited.

The show order is printed in the fair handbook. Classes will be posted by 1:00 pm on Monday of the fair. Pigs will be let into the show ring one at a time.

There will be five placings given when there is at least that many in a class. First through Fifth place will receive a placing ribbon along with a 4-H group ribbon.

Club Fees, Pen Rent, Tag Fee, Affidavit, Project Completion Sheet and Project Manual must be turned in by Friday of sale day. 4-H member not complying will be unable to sell their animal.

Highlights to keep in mind

1. All purebred barrows and gilts must have registration papers.
2. The 4-H swine club requests that the Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Gilts remain for display during fair week.
3. You must have health papers in order to unload. It is suggested to have your ear tagging papers in case of any discrepancy.
4. When the 4-Her is in multiple livestock clubs, it must be determined a weigh in which animal will be sold at the auction.
5. All wash racks will be closed while hogs are being unloaded.

Scholarship information

Information for scholarships will be given by the Pork Producers. The deadline for scholarship applications will be June 12, 2007. If you have any questions, please talk to a swine club leader or a member of the Elkhart County Pork Producers.