4-H SHEEP
Bill Greve, Superintendent
Rod Gilliland, Stan Nathan & Pat O'Reilly, Assistant Superintendents

Awards:
Nathan Dorsets and Club Lambs (Stan and Cindy Nathan, Hoskins) – Grand Champion Breeding Ewe
Northeast Nebraska Cattlemen – Grand Champion Market Lamb
Elkhorn Valley Bank and Trust - Reserve Grand Champion Market Lamb
Deb's Hilltop Hairworks (Roger and Deb Leonard, Pender) - Champion Feeder Lamb
Blue Ribbon Winners 4-H Club - Reserve Champion Feeder Lamb
Osten Family (Clara, Anna, Emilie and Katie Osten, Carroll) - Champion Rate-of-Gain Market Lamb
Pat and Gretchen O'Reilly, Wayne – Champion Rate-of-Gain Feeder Lamb
Behmer Trucking, Inc. (Tad Behmer, Winside) - Top Performance Lamb. This award is based on live placing, rate-of-gain and carcass data.

Premiums:
Sheep and Wool Premiums:
Purple $5.00, Blue $4.00, Red $3.00, White $2.00
Return Breeding Yearling Premiums:
Purple $7.50, Blue $6.00, Red $4.50, White $3.00

A. Animals must enter through the WEST GATE.
B. See 4-H Animals-General Rules and Animal Health Requirements, for specific health requirements and other rules pertaining to livestock entries.
C. Market lambs will not be divided by breed but may be divided according to weight into a reasonable number of animals to be determined by the Superintendent.
D. Entries must be made to the UNL Extension-Wayne County Office prior to the fair. See 4-H Animals-General rules.
E. All 4-H sheep, including market and breeding sheep, must be tagged with 4-H ear tags. An exception is registered breeding ewes must have flock registration tags in their ears that coincide with registration papers to comply with State Fair rules. Exhibits must be owned by the club member showing. Each member must show his exhibit before the judge unless the Superintendent approves a substitute showman. Each individual 4-Her must have their own lamb for showmanship.
F. A ewe may be shown in the market class OR the breeding class but not in both classes. (4-Her must be enrolled in the project he or she is exhibiting in, i.e. market or breeding class.)
G. Market lambs may be ewes or wethers. Members are limited to three market lambs, one pen of three market lambs, one performance lamb, three breeding sheep entries plus three feeder lambs. Maximum weight in the feeder lamb class is 100 pounds. Any animal 101 pounds or over will be shown in the market lamb class.
H. Exhibitors must indicate to the SCALE CLERK which lambs belong to them prior to final weigh-in.
I. 4-Her may show all of the pen of 3 lambs as individuals for a total of 3 market lambs. All 3 lambs must be market lambs.
J. Sheep dropped after January 1st of the current year are classified as lambs. In the breeding classes aged ewes are all ewes older than ewe lambs. Lambs may be shown either as market or breeding but not both.
K. Short Scrotum, cryptorchid, or ram lambs are not eligible for market classes. Wethers and ewes only.
L. Sheep Performance Class: A 4-Her may enter one market lamb (101 lbs. or above) in the sheep performance class. Exhibitors must indicate to the SCALE CLERK which lambs belong to them and designate performance lamb prior to final weigh-in.
M. A lamb may be shown in either the performance class or the market lamb class, not both. Sheep entered in the performance class must have been weighed in at the annual county sheep weigh and tag day. Performance placings will be the sum of the scores based on placings in the rate of gain contest, live show and carcass contest. Carcass results will be determined by ultrasound. Performance winner will be the animal with the best overall average placing. All three placings will be rated equally with the rate of gain used as the tie breaker. Performance lambs will be shown in a separate class with the best lambs returned to compete for the champion market lamb. The number of lambs returned for the championship round will be determined by the show superintendent. A minimum of two from each weight class will be returned. Ribbons and premiums will be awarded for the live animal performance class placings, but not for the overall performance combined placings. Top Performance Lamb winner will be announced at the Bonus Auction on Sunday.
N. Incentives for returning with previous year's project-Any 4-H breeding yearling shown at the Wayne County Fair in 2014 will receive an additional 50% increase in premiums if the same sheep animal was shown at the 2013 Wayne County Fair as a breeding lamb. The ID forms must be marked RETURN to receive the increased premium.

Market Lambs
All market lambs will be in one class regardless of breed. Classes may be divided at the discretion of the superintendent.

G-031-910 Market Lambs
G-031-940 Pen of 3 market lambs
(owned by one 4-Her; may be performance and/or market lambs)
G-031-950 Performance Lamb Class
G-031-960 Feeder Lambs

Market Lamb Club Pens
G-900-906 Club Pen of 3 fat lambs (owned by at least 2 exhibitors). Each club may have up to 4 pens.

Market Lamb Rate-of-Gain Contest
G-031-970 Rate-of-Gain contest for Individual Market Lambs Only 3 lambs shown as individual market lambs may compete for rate of gain. **Note**: If an ear tag is lost and replaced, the animal is no longer eligible for the Rate-of-Gain Contest. Feeder lambs are not eligible for the Market Lamb Rate-of-Gain contest.

Scoring Formula for Market Lamb Rate-of-Gain

.7 lbs. per day or more	Purple	$5.00
.5 lbs. to .69 lbs.	Blue	$4.00
.3 lbs. to .49 lbs.	Red	$3.00
.29 lbs. and below	White	$2.00

Feeder Lamb Rate-of-Gain Contest
G-031-980 Rate-of-Gain contest for Individual Feeder Lambs Only 3 lambs shown as individual feeder lambs may compete for rate of gain. **Note**: If an ear tag is lost and replaced, the animal is no longer eligible for the Rate-of-Gain Contest. Market lambs are not eligible for the Feeder Lamb Rate-of-Gain contest.

Scoring Formula for Feeder Lamb Rate-of-Gain

.7 lbs. per day or more	Purple	$5.00
.5 lbs. to .69 lbs.	Blue	$4.00
.3 lbs. to .49 lbs.	Red	$3.00
.29 lbs. and below	White	$2.00

Registered Breeding classes-Registration papers must be shown to superintendent at check in. Will be shown by breed.

G-032-901	Ewe Lamb
G-032-902	Yearling Ewes
G-032-904	Ram Lamb
G-032-905	Ram over 1 Year

Grade or Crossbred Breeding Classes-Animals will be judged solely on their commercial meats breed type will not be considered. All breeds or crossbreds in this class shall compete against each other.
G-032-910 Ewe Lamb, grade
G-032-920 Yearling Ewes, grade
G-032-930 Ram Lamb, grade
G-032-940 Ram Lamb, over 1 year, grade

Wool-No lamb fleeces may be shown in wool class
G-032-921 One Fleece of Wool per member

SHEEP SHOWMANSHIP

Awards:
Klein Electric (Mark Klein, Wakefield) - Champion Senior Sheep Showman
Bill Greve, Wakefield - Champion Intermediate Sheep Showman
Farm Credit Services of America - Champion Junior Sheep Showman
Hoskins Mfg. Co., Inc. - Reserve Champion Senior, Intermediate and Junior Showmanship

Premiums:
Purple $2.25, Blue $2.00, Red $1.75, White $1.50

General Information:
A. A 4-Her must show his or her own animals in showmanship and must show within designated age classes. Age divisions are as of December 31, of the previous year.
B. Dress Code: See 4-H Animals-General Rules. Tennis shoes are acceptable.

Sheep Showmanship classes:
G-030-009Junior Showmanship (8, 9 and 10 yrs. old)
G-030-010 Intermediate Showmanship (11, 12 & 13 yrs. old)
G-030-011 Senior Showmanship (14 yrs & older)