

2024 RGVLS OFFICIAL CALF SCRAMBLE RECORD BOOK

OBJECTIVE:

The objective of the record book is to provide a learning experience that emphasizes and promotes excellence in: animal selection, record keeping, feeding and nutrition requirements, animal health practices, technical knowledge, and general livestock husbandry skills.

RECORD BOOK GUIDELINES:

(DO NOT WAIT UNTIL THE END OF THE PROJECT TO BEGIN FILLING OUT THE RECORD BOOK. ALL RECORDS ARE TO BE KEPT FOR THE ENTIRE DURATION OF THE PROJECT.)

1. The following Record Book must be maintained for all records of expenses and management of the purchased animal. The CEA, 4-H Club Manager, or AST must supervise the development of the project.
2. **RECORD BOOK DEADLINE:** The Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show Calf Scramble Record Book must be either delivered or received by mail, to the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show Office, by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, February 15, 2025.
3. Each exhibitor should calculate and verify all information is correct.
4. Additional pictures, essays, descriptions, or other supporting details of the project should be included, and are encouraged, at the end of the record book.
5. The information requested in the Record Book is the minimum amount required, and not limited, to complete the Calf Scramble Project. Scrapbook material is encouraged.
6. Exhibitors MUST use the following forms and format when submitting the Record Book. (Sections A - J are mandatory;)
 - a. Cover page including name and club/chapter
 - b. Table of Contents
 - c. Copy of the purchase certificate
 - d. Copy of the original registration papers of the project
 - e. Expense reports
 - i. Project
 - ii. Equipment
 - iii. Feed/Supplements
 - iv. Health/Veterinary
 - v. Other Expenses (including entry fees, etc.)
 - f. Income/Revenue Generated from project
 - g. Activities with your project
 - h. Project Summary Page
 - i. Project Summary Questions
 - j. Required Signature Page
 - k. Additional Materials (Optional)
7. Record books will be judged for the Most Outstanding Record Book. 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places will be awarded scholarships. Only record books that have included the required information will be judged.

Below is a template for the order of a record book for the Calf Scramble Event.

PROJECT

Project must be purchased on or before the required ownership date: September 1, 2024.

The project information should include the registration or validation number, breed, sex, date of birth, and purchase price. You should include pictures of your beef project.

EQUIPMENT EXPENSES

All equipment used for your Calf Scramble project must be inventoried and accounted for. Previously existing items; i.e. buildings, trailers, working pens; should be adjusted to reflect the age (or current value) of the item. Any new items purchased should be listed with the purchase price. Copy all receipts for items purchased and include them in the Record Book following this page. If more than one page is required, duplicate this page and carry over the subtotal at the bottom of each page to the next page. The final page should reflect cumulative totals. You should include dates of purchase, the item description, unit prices, and total costs.

FEED EXPENSES

Adequate records must be maintained for all feed, grain, hay, supplements, etc. purchased. A copy of each payment receipt should follow this page in the Record Book. You should include the name and address of your feed dealer, the purchase dates, description of feed or feed ingredients, quantity purchased, price per unit, and the total cost.

ANIMAL HEALTH EXPENSES

Proper medical procedures should be provided to maintain the health of the project. Complete the following chart of animal health services. Vaccinations, de-worming, health papers, tattooing, artificial insemination services, medications, and hoof trimming are examples to include. A copy of payment receipts should accompany information such as name and address of the veterinarian, date of purchase or service, description of supplies or services, price per unit, and total cost.

ADDITIONAL EXPENSES

Complete the following chart of miscellaneous expenses you incurred throughout your project. Additional expenses would include Stock Show entry fees, grooming materials, tack, etc. A copy of payment receipts should be included and should have the name of the organization/business providing supplies or services, date of the purchase or services, description of supplies or services, and total cost.

INCOME GENERATED FROM PROJECT

It is important to understand the value of your project by maintaining accurate records of how much money your project may generate. Complete the following chart, listing any instances where you received a return on your calf scramble project. Examples of income from your project are premium money, sale of offspring, semen sales, embryo sales, etc. Include the date of sale, description of the sale, and income.

ACTIVITIES WITH YOUR PROJECT

In the table below, list all activities you attended or entered through February 2025. These include workshops, mini-camps, county shows, fairs, prospect shows, and major livestock shows. You should include the event name, location, and results of these activities. Include any pictures if applicable.

PROJECT SUMMARY PAGE

Project Summary	Calculation	Results
Date Purchased		
Number of shows where calf scramble project was exhibited		
EXPENSES		
Calf scramble project investment (purchase price)		
Equipment Expenses		
Feed Expenses		
Animal Health Expenses		
Additional Expenses		
Ownership Length (OL)		Days
Average hours per day spent on project (Hours)		Hours/Day
Total hours spent on project (Total)	$=(OL \times \text{Hours})$	Hours
Labor costs (the hourly value of labor spent on project)	$= (\text{Total} \times \$7.25)$	\$
INCOME		
Income generated from project		\$
TOTAL (Profit or loss)		\$

PROJECT SUMMARY QUESTIONS

Please answer the following questions in complete sentences. Answer the questions on additional pages behind this one.

1. Write a brief summary of why you chose this project. If you could, would you choose this type of breed, or project again?
2. What would you do differently in the future when raising another livestock project?
3. Describe any unusual or interesting experiences that occurred during the past months of your project?
4. What has been the most valuable skill or lesson that you have learned from this project?
5. What are your future plans for this project?
6. What were the positive and negative aspects of participating in this project?
7. How has this project helped you learn more about agriculture?
8. Do you plan to pursue a career in agriculture? If no, why?
 - a. If yes, please answer the following:
 - i. Did this project influence your decision?
 - ii. What career do you plan to pursue?
9. What would you like the Calf Scramble Sponsor to know?

REQUIRED SIGNATURES

Today's date	<hr/>
Exhibitor's name (print)	<hr/>
Exhibitor's address	<hr/> <hr/>
Exhibitor's Phone	<hr/>
Exhibitor's Date of Birth	<hr/>
Years in 4-H or FFA	<hr/>
Exhibitor's Signature	<hr/>
Parent/Guardian Name (Print)	<hr/>
Parent/Guardian Signature	<hr/>
Supervisor's Name (AST/Club Manager/CEA)(Print)	<hr/>
Supervisor's Signature	<hr/>
Supervisor's Phone Number	<hr/>
4-H Club or FFA Chapter	<hr/>

RECORD BOOK MUST HAVE ALL 3 SIGNATURES TO BE DEEMED COMPLETE

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