#### Addendum C

# **4-H RECOMMENDATIONS**

#### Sheep:

 The new grooming area east of the showring was great. However, the shade provided was very thin and did not provide much protection.
 Solution¿We.would.like.to.see.a.more.dense.shade.to.protect.more;

### Swine:

- Swine had one vet for vet check-in and he went from one side of the barn to the other side causing additional wait time for unloading and a backup of trailers. Solution; Have.8..Vets; on.staff.at.swine.check.in.this.would.alleviate.the.problem;
- Late Check in causing it to be hot for the pigs. Solution; Have.an.earlier.check\_in.time.so.the.heat.would.not.be.a.problem;...
- Market show and showmanship judge was the same.
  Solution; Have.different.judges.for.showmanship.and..Mkt.class; Don't.use.the.
  same.judge.8.times.for.the.same.animals;

## Dairy:

• We greatly appreciate the opportunity for our kids to be able to show virtually and get add on money.

## Poultry:

- The showmanship table did not have full length carpet to cover the table making it difficult for all members to have adequate space on the carpet.
  Soultion;Please.make.the.carpet.cover.the.length.of.the.table.as.its.easier.for.the.birds.to.walk;
- All birds need to be vaccinated for fowl pox except for wild game, waterfowl, and pigeons. This would help alleviate any outbreak at the fair.
   Solution; Make.this.a.requirement.in.the.fair.book;
- Feeders and Waters- this is an issue every year with not having the proper size containers and animals not having enough water throughout the day. Solution\_.Have.the.fair.buy.the.proper.containers.or.add.requirements.in.the.book.for. container.sizesj..Possibly.send.out.email.to.exhibitors.that.enter.poultry.on.a. reminder.and.what.size.they.need;
- Showmanship-Kids standing with birds for 2 hours with no chairs waiting to show. Solution; Provide.chairs.for.kids.to.sit.in.while.waiting;..(This.should.not.be.an.issue. next.year.as.space.was.a.problem.this.year;)
- Turkey classes had to wait by ring and hold turkeys in a large holding pen. Solution; Call.the.Turkey.kids.by.class.and.have.the.next.class.in.standby.rather.than. having.all.the.classes.out.at.once; (This.was.requested.by.the.judges.this.year)

## Rabbit and Cavies:

- Some exhibitor parents stated that the team was great and incredibly supportive and helpful while other had issues with team members.
- The rabbit and Cavy quiz bowl went great, the kids had fun.
- Showmanship had small kids all lined up together which was distracting. Kids were going in groups of four as all the kids were talking at once. There were no score cards being used. This is unfair. This is an ARBA show and should have used the ARBA showmanship score cards. A lot of kids set goals and were upset they did not get a scorecard back. There is also no score/placement accountability. Solution¿Follow.ARBA.show.rules.and.formats;
- The show was delayed a long time as the chair was creating and handing out numbers to exhibitors. Judges appeared annoyed. Solution; Have.all.elements.of.showmanship.ready.before.start.time;
- It has been over 30 days and legs have not been sent out yet. This is a n ARBA show. Solution;.Get.the.legs.sent.out.in.a.timelier.manner;
- Hot in the barn for rabbits. The chairman was told that the coolers were not working right and she stated they were working. Solution; Maintenance.should.check.all.facilities.for.working.equipment.prior.to.fair;
- Check out day- When an exhibitor went to check out, they were told that their Cavy was not entered in the show. However, the exhibitor won showmanship with it. The committee asked where it came from and then told the exhibitor they could not take it home.

Solution; Make.sure.paperwork.and.animals.that.are.entered.is.correct; The. committee.needs.to.be.more.thorough;

- People were giving water to any and all animals if needed in the barn. This can cause illness to rabbits. Some people bring their water from home. Solution; Have.better.signage.for.cages.that.do.not.want.anyone.to.feed.or.water;
- Cages were opened by the committee for different reasons. Some exhibitors do not want people to touch their animals.
   Solution;Could.a.notification.system.be.in.place.if.a.committee.member.opens.a.
   cage.for.anything.that.they.would.text.or.notify.the.owner?
- Owners were contacted to come pick up sick animals. However, were told that they could not pick them up until later that evening. What is the protocol for this and who would be in charge of contacting exhibitors?

Solution; Allow.owners.to.pick.up.their.rabbits.and.cavies.due.to.them.getting.sick. immediately.and.not.wait.as.well.as.have.a.protocol.for.this.type.of.emergency;

• Judging format for showmanship was much different than usual. It should only be 1 at a time and not a row (4).

Solution; If. judging.for.showmanship.is.different.every.year.exhibitors.need.to.know. how.they.are.judging.before.the.fair.so.that.they.can.practice;.Members.were.not. prepared.to.be.judged.in.groups.which.resulted.in.a.lot.of.stress.and.anxiety;.

### Horse:

- 9-year-old- Classes were not divided and had to compete with all others. Solution;Would.like.to.see.classes.broken.down.by.age.groups;
- Gymkhana Class- Regular judge had no clue about the rules for this class. She was upset.

Solution¿.Have.a.qualified.Gymkhana.judge.or.at.least.prepare.the.judge.for.what. they.are.judging.on;

• There was no timer for the speed event. Junior ambassadors had to use a timer on their phone.

Solution¿.Make.sure.all.equipment.needed.is.available.prior.to.the.event;

## Round Robin:

• An owner's dog was used for small animal Round Robin that was competing in the event. The exhibitor did not get her own dog, however, the person that got that exhibitors dog had a disadvantage. That dog was turning around and wanting the actual owner the entire time.

Solution; Do.not.use.any.animal.of.an.exhibitor.that.is.in.small.animal.round.robin?so. it.does.not.cause.a.problem;

## Jr. Activities:

- Cotton N Cream and Pork and Plaid- Both did impressive awards and ran very smoothly.
- Ladies Lead- prizes and gifts were not worthy. They gave out \$1.00 back packs. Solution;Have.adequate.prizes.so.the.number.of.entries.stay.up;
- Leather and lead they never have the belt buckle to present. They just give a paper out that shows what buckle you will be receiving.
   Solution¿.Possibly.order.earlier.in.the.year.so.the.award.is.actually.here.to.present;.. The.kids.love.to.have.new.buckles.at.the.fair;
- Poultry and Rabbit Costume Contest both need categories for judging to match all other Jr Activities. Break.out.percentage.into.four.categories.of.8<sup>(1)</sup> .each.and.list.in.book;

## General Livestock:

- The new PA system in all barns was great.
- Barn security was impressive.
- Trams during the fair running from gate thirty-nine were great.
- Pass handout- Was not good for families with multiple last names. They had to come for two different days.

Solution; Change.back.to.a.two.day.pick.up.and.any.last.name.can.pick.up.within. those.two.days;.

• Why the changes in gate forty passes for clubs? We used to get one for community leaders and one for co- community leaders. Now 4H is getting one for every species leader that is exhibiting in the fair if the club has at least 2 exhibitors in that species.

This leaves community leaders out as some are not species leaders. If this is the case, you should still issue community leaders the pass as well. They are at the fair more than most species leaders. We were told this is what we asked for in December, but that is not true and was not what was said.

Solution; .if.the.community.leader.and.co.community.leaders.are.not.project.---species.leaders.than.they.would.be.issued.a.gate.06.as.well;

- Women's bathroom by Rabbit and Poultry barn is currently two stalls with showers. This bathroom gets remarkably busy on show days with exhibitors changing and getting ready. We need more stalls. Solution;Add.two.more.stalls.to.it.to.make.it.a.four\_stall.bathroom;.Remove.the.non\_
- Special people day- change to a different day due to it being dangerous for them during check in day with all the truck and trailers. Solution; Move.to.a.less.busy.day.with.less.vehicle.movement;
- Not enough hand washing stations- Need some by the Poultry and Rabbit barn.
  Solution; Please.add.more.stations.in.and.around.poultry.-rabbit.barns;
- Gate 39 always had people turning around causing entrance problems and backups. Solution; Have.a.flashing.road.sign.that.states.Livestock.exhibitor.gate.only.-.No. public.parking;

## Auction:

work.showers;

- Auction- No drinks (water) at the swine and poultry auction.
  Solution; Possibly.putting.out.tubs.with.free.water.on.ice.during.this.auction.if.no.
  booths.are.available;
- Very confusing Noticed multiple buyers were being announced at the auctions. We were told in the past that this could no longer be done. You would have a buyer and then all other would go online.

Solution¿.Be.transparent.and.let.people.know.ahead.of.time.what.the.rule.is;

- Auction add on site- pictures need to be bigger of each exhibitor. Also have some way for the exhibitor to see who has donated and the dollar amount for their animals. Solution; Showorks.need.to.make.pictures.larger.and.figure.out.how.the.kids.can. check.who.has.added.on.money;..Possibly.a.sign.in.to.their.account;
- Auction barn was hot Have.maintenance.check.all.coolers.and.equipment.prior.to.fair.for.working.orderj.. Also.add.the.portable.coolers.back.in.for.extra.cooling;

## Building #1:

- Display for Best of shows and best in class where too bunched up and far away to see. The public and exhibitors were unable to see them.
   Solution¿.Try.to.display.where.names.and.items.can.all.be.easily.seen;
- Check-in is still a problem. You must go from one line to another. Solution; Have.one.line.that.you.check.in.rather.than.individual.lines.for.each. category.your.have;

- Pick up days are the Monday after the fair is over from 8am to 4pm causing a problem for working parents.
  - Solution; Change.the.time.to.noon.to. pm.so.people.can.come.after.work;
- Fashion show kids entered by age but were judged all together. Solution;Judge.by.age.group.as.entered;
- Book changes not approved and voted on causing the people / exhibitors to not know what the changes might be. Would be nice if up for discussion.
   Solution; Approval.an.meetings.just.like.the.livestock.has;

## Ag Mechanics:

• Sales and items were great this year.