

4-H IN ONTARIO

"LEARN TO DO BY DOING"

The primary purpose of 4-H is to promote the personal development of youth in rural Ontario.

The 4-H Club Program in Ontario is open to young people between the ages of 6 and 21 (before January 1st of the current year). 4-H Clubs are organized under a partnership of the Ontario 4-H Council and Local 4-H Associations. Under the guidance of volunteer leaders and local 4-H Associations, the members become actively involved in their club program and "Learn To Do By Doing".

Local club activities are planned to suit the needs of the members in each community. Each member is required to carry out one or more projects related to the club in which they are enrolled. Projects involve such things as livestock, plant science, small animals, food preparation, nutrition and fitness to name only a few.

Parents, older club members and public minded citizens serve in a voluntary way as adult and youth leaders. Well planned club programs provide effective training and experience in technical knowledge, assuming responsibility, co-operation with others, conducting meetings, constructive recreation and program planning.

Character development, good citizenship and training in leadership, agriculture and life skills are important goals of the program. The 4-H Pledge reads...

"I Pledge...

My HEAD to clearer thinking,

My HEART to greater loyalty,

My HANDS to larger service,

My HEALTH to better living,

for my club,

my community,

my country

and my world"

EAST CENTRAL 4-H CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW

Wednesday September 17, 2025

Chair: ~ Durham West

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IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF EACH PARTICIPANT IN THIS SHOW (Exhibitors and Leaders), TO COMPLETELY READ AND UNDERSTAND THE RULES, REGULATIONS AND INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS DOCUMENT BEFORE SHOW DAY. EVERY 4-H CLUB LEADER WILL SEE THAT A COPY OF THIS DOCUMENT IS DISTRIBUTED TO EACH QUALIFYING PARTICIPANT.

RULES

1. Open to bona fide members of 4-H calf and sheep clubs organized during 2025 in the 4-H Associations of Durham East, Durham West, Peterborough, Kawartha Lakes-Haliburton, York, Hastings, Lennox & Addington, Northumberland and Prince Edward County.

2. No entry fee will be charged.

3. Each local 4-H Association will distribute the official entry forms to eligible competitors. Each 4-H Association will be responsible for electronically submitting all entries in AssistExpo by Wednesday September 10th, 2025. For any questions, please contact ECCS at eccs4h@gmail.com

*Each 4-H Association is also responsible for entering information into AssistExpo: <https://www.assistexpo.ca/lindsayex>

**premise ID for the Lindsay Fairgrounds is ON4209355 Entries must include the participant's name and address together with the name of the club, the county/region and where necessary, birth dates and sires of calves.

4. Under no circumstances will an animal exhibiting signs of a transmittable disease (ringworm, pinkeye, sore mouth, orf/warts etc.) be permitted on the grounds. 4-H members should contact their leader immediately if such a condition should occur.

All animals will be inspected upon arrival by the Show Committee appointed veterinarian.

Any animal that fails this inspection will be asked to leave the grounds.

*****NEW THIS YEAR*** ALL ANIMALS MUST BE VET CHECKED PRIOR TO ENTERING BARNs.**

5. *NLID, CCIA or RFID tags must be in the ears of all animals (cattle and sheep) at the show.**

6. Only bona fide 4-H members can prepare calves and lambs on show day. **Competitors in violation will be disqualified.**

7. Judging will be on Wednesday September 17, 2025 commencing at 7:30 a.m. Please see schedule of classes printed in this booklet.

8. **Admission to the Grounds:** For 2025 Wednesday is 'free admission'...no passes required.

9. **Truck Parking:** Immediately following unloading, all trucks **MUST** be moved to the stipulated parking area. Police will be instructed to ticket trucks and trailers not parked where directed. Your understanding and cooperation is appreciated.

10. Selected 4-H members must show their 2025 4-H Official Project in the Conformation and/or Showmanship classes.

NOTE: no substitutions after entry deadline, showmanship or conformation

11. Committee recommends that *show halters not be used* by sheep members for their 4-H project.

12. IMPORTANT Arrival of Exhibits:** Competitors, animals and supplies must arrive between 6 AM and 10 AM on show day ~ 4-H'ers and animals are NOT to arrive before 6 AM on show day. ** New for 2025. Stalling will be allocated by 7pm the evening prior to the show. Exhibitors are invited to set up displays in designated stalling between 7pm and 9pm on Tuesday September 16th. No animals are permitted to arrive until the following morning. ~ Any member who is in the barns before 6 AM on show day will be disqualified from the show for that year. ~ Any County that is not in their assigned stalls will be disqualified from the show for that year.

13. **Bedding:** No straw will be provided.

14. **Removal of Exhibits:** Sheep may not be removed from the building until 2 PM. Beef and Dairy calves may not be removed from the building until the conclusion of the final calf class. All calves and lambs must be removed promptly at the end of the show in order that the barn can be properly cleared for the next show.

15. Herdsmanship Competition: Each 4-H Association is encouraged to set up their assigned areas in the barn as a distinct "County" exhibit. Only 4-H Association Banners and Exhibition cards may be used in the exhibit. The main purpose of the competition is to display the calves and lambs in a functional working area with easy access both for participants and visitors, stressing uniformity, neatness and simplicity.

Judging of the competition will take place between 8:30 AM and 2 PM on Wednesday September 17, 2025. Winners of the Herdsmanship Competition will receive recognition. The following criteria will be used to judge the competition:

A) DISPLAY 60%

- General Appearance
- Neatness & Safety
- Uniformity
- County Identification
- 4-H Logo
- Presentation of Animals

B) COMPETITOR 40%

- Teamwork
- Promptness
- Knowledge
- Interest

16. Blocking chutes will **NOT** be allowed in the building at any time.

17. Tail rings will not be allowed.

18. Registration will be as follows:

Sheep	6:45 - 7:15 a.m.
Goat	7:15 - 7:45 a.m.
Beef	9:00 - 10:00 a.m.
Dairy	9:00 - 10:00 a.m.

*****HARNESS NUMBERS** will be supplied at registration. The exhibitor must wear a number on their back in a harness or have it properly pinned.

19. Champion & Reserve Champion rosettes will be presented in appropriate classes. Trophies and special prizes will be presented at the conclusion of each sponsored class.

20. In the 4-H **Calf Conformation Classes** (beef: 28-33 & 35, dairy: 42-48) up to five (5) calves may be entered in each section from any one calf club.

In the 4-H **Lamb (6-9 & 11) & Goat (17-21) Conformation Classes**, the following ratios apply for each class:

~ 6-10 members/club - 6 participants

~ 11-20 members/club - 8 participants

~ 21+ members/club - 11 participants

A 4-H member may show a market lamb and a ewe lamb provided both animals have been shown at the local achievement program.

21. Any conformation class may be split into heats at the discretion of the show committee.

22. In the **group of 3 classes**, each 4-H Association will be permitted to enter 2 groups of 3 in each section. Each group of 3 shall consist of 3 calves to be selected by the 4-H leaders and members of the 4-H Association. These calves must have been previously shown in the appropriate conformation class.

Only 4-H'ers will be permitted in the ring. Only **ONE** 4-H member per group of 3 will be allowed in the show ring to assist the group in lining up.

23. In all 4-H Showmanship Competition, each 4-H County will be permitted to enter 8 show persons in each section. Selection of entries from each 4-H Association will be made by the 4-H leaders in that 4-H Association. Show persons must bring their own 4-H project or animal to compete in the Showmanship classes.

SHOWMANSHIP - 4-H member ages

BEEF, DAIRY, LAMB and GOAT

Novice Showmanship ~ 9 -11 before January 1st of current year

Junior Showmanship ~ 12-14 before January 1st of current year

Intermediate Showmanship ~ 15-17 before January 1st of current year

Senior Showmanship ~ 18-21 before January 1st of current year

24. CONFORMATION CLASSES - ANIMAL AGES

Calf Ages - BEEF

Junior Calf - born January 1st, 2025 to May 31st, 2025

Junior Yearling - born April 1st, 2024 to December 31st, 2024

Senior Yearling - born January 1st, 2024 to March 31st, 2024

Market Animal - to be judged as a finished market animal class

Calf Ages - DAIRY

Junior Calf - born March 1st, 2025 to May 31st, 2025

Intermediate Calf - born December 1st, 2024 to February 29th, 2025

Senior Calf - born September 1st, 2024 to November 30th, 2024

Summer Yearling - born June 1st, 2024 to August 31st, 2024

Junior Yearling - born March 1st, 2024 to May 31st, 2024

LAMB AGES

Fall Lamb - born on December 31st, 2024 or earlier

Winter Lamb - born on January 1st, 2025 or later

Market Lamb

GOAT AGES

Meat Goats - Purebred or Commercial

Fall Meat Goat - born September 1, 2024 to December 31st, 2024

Winter Meat Goat - born January 1st, 2025 to May 31st, 2025

Dairy Goats

Fall Dairy Goat - born September 1, 2024 to December 31st, 2024

Winter Dairy Goat - born January 1st, 2025 to May 31st, 2025

Market Kid

25. General rules of the Lindsay Exhibition, which are applicable, will apply.

****CONCUSSION Code Of Conduct**

I will help prevent concussions by:

- wearing the proper equipment for my activity and wearing it correctly;
- developing my skills and strength so that I can participate to the best of my ability;
- respecting the rules of my activity; and,
- demonstrating my commitment to fair play and respect for all (including other Participants, LAS staff, volunteers, coaches, and officials).

I will care for my health and safety by taking concussions seriously, and I understand that:

- a concussion is a brain injury that can have both short-term and long-term effects;
- a blow to my head, face, or neck, or a blow to the body that causes the brain to move around inside the skull may cause a concussion;
- I don't need to lose consciousness to have had a concussion;
- I have a commitment to concussion recognition and reporting, including self-reporting of possible concussion and reporting to a designated person when an individual suspects that another individual may have sustained a concussion (meaning: If I think I might have a concussion I should stop participating in further training, practice or competition **immediately**, and I will tell an adult if I think another Participant has a concussion); and,
- continuing to participate in further training, practice or competition with a possible concussion increases my risk of more severe, longer lasting symptoms, and increases my risk of other injuries.

I will not hide concussion symptoms. I will speak up for myself and others.

- I will not hide my symptoms. I will tell an LAS staff person, volunteer, official, parent, or another adult I trust if I experience **any** symptoms of concussion;
- if someone else tells me about concussion symptoms or I see signs they might have a concussion, I will tell a LAS staff person, volunteer, official, parent, or another adult I trust so they can help;
- I understand that if I have a Suspected Concussion, I will be removed from activity and not be able to return to participating, training, practice, or competition until I undergo a medical assessment by on-site medical personnel, medical doctor or nurse practitioner and have been medically cleared to return to training, practice, or competition; and,
- I have a commitment to sharing any pertinent information regarding incidents of removal from activity with my school and any other activity organization with which I have registered (meaning: If I am diagnosed with a concussion, I understand that letting all of my other coaches, teachers, and employees know about my injury will help them support me while I recover).

I will take the time I need to recover, because it is important for my health.

- I understand my commitment to supporting the Concussion Protocol process and I will follow the LAS organization's Protocol in returning to participate;
- I understand I will have to be medically cleared by a medical doctor or nurse practitioner before returning to the activity; and,
- I will respect LAS staff, volunteers, coaches, parents, health-care professionals, medical doctors, and nurse practitioners regarding my health and safety.

26. All participants are to follow 4-H Ontario rules and guidelines for transmittable disease as per 4-H Ontario Livestock Project Animal Health & Safety Best Practices - document 5.7.2.

This document can be found on the website: www.4-hontario.ca

27. All shows will run on schedule. If a 4-H member is registered in more than one show during the day, he/she will have to make a decision as to which class to participate in if they should overlap.

4-H SHEEP CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW

Wednesday September 17, 2025 ~ 7:30 a.m.

1. Lamb Conformation

Classes:

- 6. Ewe Lamb Conformation - Fall Lamb - Commercial**
- born on or before December 31st, 2024
- 7. Ewe Lamb Conformation - Fall Lamb - Purebred**
- born on or before December 31st, 2024
- 8. Ewe Lamb Conformation - Winter Lamb - Commercial**
- born on or after January 1st, 2025
- 9. Ewe Lamb Conformation - Winter Lamb - Purebred**
- born on or after January 1st, 2025

Grand Champion Lamb / Reserve

11. Market Lamb Class

4-H GOAT CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW

2. Goat Conformation

Classes:

- 17. Meat Goat Conformation - Fall Born - Purebred or Commercial**
Born between September 1st, 2024 and December 31st, 2024
 - 18. Meat Goat Conformation - Winter Born - Purebred or Commercial**
Born between January 1st, 2025 and May 31st, 2025
 - 19. Dairy Goat Conformation - Fall Born - Purebred or Commercial**
Born between September 1st, 2024 and December 31st, 2024
 - 20. Dairy Goat Conformation - Winter Born - Purebred or Commercial**
Born between January 1st, 2025 and May 31st, 2025
 - 22. Market Kid Class**
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4-H BEEF CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW

Wednesday September 17, 2025 ~ 11:00 a.m.

3. Beef Conformation

Classes:

- 28. Junior Beef Calf - British Breeds**
Born between January 1st, 2025 and May 31st, 2025
- 29. Junior Beef Calf - Continental or Crossbred**
Born between January 1st, 2025 and May 31st, 2025
- 30. Junior Yearling Beef Heifer - British Breeds**
Born between April 1st, 2024 and December 31st, 2024
- 31. Junior Yearling Beef Heifer - Continental or Crossbred**
Born between April 1st, 2024 and December 31st, 2024
- 32. Senior Yearling Beef Heifer - British Breeds**
Born between January 1st, 2024 and March 31st, 2024
- 33. Senior Yearling Beef Heifer - Continental or Crossbred**
Born between January 1st, 2024 and March 31st, 2024

Grand Champion Beef Heifer / Reserve

- 35. Market Beef Animal - to be judged as a finished market animal**
- 36. Group of 3 Beef Animals - ALL BREEDS - 2 groups per association**
Champion Group of 3 Beef Animals

4-H DAIRY CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW

4. Dairy Conformation

Classes:

42. Dairy Calf - Coloured Breeds

Born between September 1st, 2024 and May 31st, 2025

43. Dairy Yearling - Coloured Breeds

Born between March 1st, 2024 and August 31st, 2024

44. Junior Dairy Calf - Holstein

Born between March 1st, 2025 and May 31st, 2025

45. Intermediate Dairy Calf - Holstein

Born between December 1st, 2024 and February 28th, 2025

46. Senior Dairy Calf - Holstein

Born between September 1st, 2024 and November 30th, 2024

47. Summer Dairy Yearling - Holstein

Born between June 1st, 2024 and August 31st, 2024

48. Junior Dairy Yearling - Holstein

Born between March 1st, 2024 and May 31st, 2024

Grand Champion Dairy Heifer / Reserve

50. Group of 3 Dairy Calves - 2 groups per Association

Grand Champion Group of 3 Dairy Calves

99. Showmanship

Classes:

1. **Senior Lamb Showmanship**
18-21 before January 1, 2025
2. **Intermediate Lamb Showmanship**
15-17 before January 1, 2025
3. **Junior Lamb Showmanship**
12-14 before January 1, 2025
4. **Novice Lamb Showmanship**
9-11 before January 1, 2025
12. **Senior Goat Showmanship**
18-21 before January 1, 2025
13. **Intermediate Goat Showmanship**
15-17 before January 1, 2025
14. **Junior Goat Showmanship**
12-14 before January 1, 2025
15. **Novice Goat Showmanship**
9-11 before January 1, 2025
23. **Senior Beef Showmanship**
18-21 before January 1, 2025
24. **Intermediate Beef Showmanship**
15-17 before January 1, 2025
25. **Junior Beef Showmanship**
12-14 before January 1, 2025
26. **Novice Beef Showmanship**
9-11 before January 1, 2025
37. **Senior Dairy Showmanship**
18-21 before January 1, 2025
38. **Intermediate Dairy Showmanship**
15-17 before January 1, 2025
39. **Junior Dairy Showmanship**
12-14 before January 1, 2025
40. **Novice Dairy Showmanship**
9-11 before January 1, 2025

CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS
SUPREME GRAND CHAMPION SHOWPERSON

All animals shown in the Supreme Showmanship Class will be selected by the Show Committee. Division judges will place these individuals and they will receive points for their placings. The overall winner will be based on the greatest number of points.

PRIZES:

1st	\$95	2nd	\$75	3rd	\$30
4th	\$20	5th	\$15	6th	\$15

~ class will commence immediately after the last class of the day

*The East Central 4-H Championship Show Committee wishes to send a '**BIG THANK YOU**'
to all the Sponsors for their generous support of this competition, and all other **DONORS of the VARIOUS SPECIAL
AWARDS and TROPHIES***

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**4-H Educational Exhibits**  
**Inter-County Competitive Competition**

1. Open to 2025 4-H Clubs in the Durham East, Durham West, Peterborough, Kawartha Lakes-Haliburton, York, Hastings, Lennox-Addington, Northumberland and Prince Edward County.
2. Limit of four (4) entries per Association.
3. Entry forms will be distributed by each 4-H Association. These forms must be returned to the Lindsay Exhibition Office by Monday September 15, 2025. Fax: (705) 324-8111
4. NO entry fee will be charged in this section
5. Exhibits must be placed in the: **The Commonwell Mutual Exhibition Building by 7:45 PM, Tuesday September 16, 2025.** Displays may be picked up Monday September 22nd after 10 AM.
6. Exhibit board must not exceed 30" deep x 36" wide x 40" high.
7. \*\*\*Club name must be used in the Exhibit

8. Exhibits will be judged on the following basis and Messaged the Group System of placing will be used:

|                                   |            |
|-----------------------------------|------------|
| General Appearance                | 20         |
| Power to Attract & Hold Attention | 25         |
| Message                           | 25         |
| Unity in Presenting               | 15         |
| Message                           |            |
| Quality of Materials              | <u>15</u>  |
| <b><u>TOTAL</u></b>               | <b>100</b> |

**SCORE CARD VALUE**

9. Prize money for Educational Exhibits will be paid directly from the Exhibition Office.

'A' Group - \$20.00

'B' Group - \$15.00