



# Livestock Newsletter

## Developing the Youth of Texas ...MORE THAN AN 8 SECOND RIDE™

### Agricultural Science Fair

The Agri-Science Fair is an opportunity for 4-H and FFA members to put their Einstein skills to the test. The contest allows members of all ages to use their knowledge of the scientific methods with agricultural content. Members will be able to gain extensive knowledge in the subject that sparks their interest. By developing and carrying out an experiment of their choice, the members will then display and present their results during the San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo. There are five divisions which a student may enter his or her project: Biochemistry/Microbiology/Food Science, Environmental Sciences, Zoology, Botany, and Engineering.

#### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- *Agricultural Science Fair*
- *Public Speaking*
- *Swine Skillathon*
- *Sheep Skillathon*
- *Poultry Biathlon*
- *Calf Scramble*
- *Entry Checklist*

### Agricultural Public Speaking

Agricultural Public Speaking is designed to help develop and stimulate today's agricultural students interested in agricultural-related leadership and citizenship activities. Individual 4-H or FFA members can enter their speech in one of the six divisions: Animal Science, Plant Science, Natural Resources, Agribusiness, Agricultural Policy, and Agri-Science.



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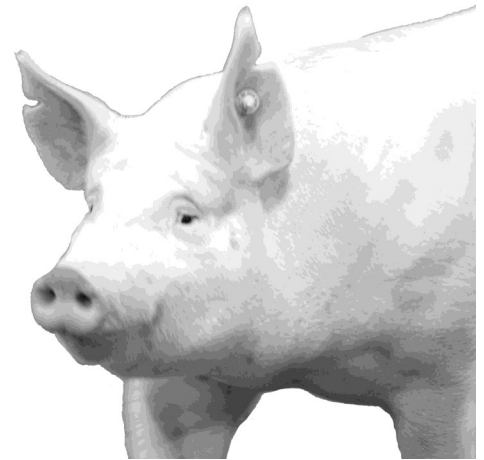
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## Swine Skillathon

The Swine Skillathon contest has three divisions: Junior, Intermediate, and Senior; depending on the age of the exhibitor. The contestants for each division participate in a preliminary round that consists of written questions, hands on activities, and a quiz bowl. The top 5 contestants then advance to the finals; the Junior Division contestants have a 5 minute interview on the issues facing the swine industry. The Intermediate and Senior Divisions have a 10 minute presentation, followed by questions on issues about the industry. The older divisions are given their topic 20 minutes prior to the presentations. Contestants are not allowed to use any outside study material to prepare for the presentation.



## Sheep Skillathon

By enhancing the educational experience the Sheep Skillathon allows exhibitors showing sheep projects to bring a more production and industry perspective to the 4-H and FFA Sheep Exhibitors. The Sheep Skillathon has the same division's qualifications as the Swine Skillathon. The contestants participate in a preliminary round that consists of written questions and work stations (hands-on activities.) The top 5 contestants from each age division will advance to the finals. The final consists of an interview on issues facing the sheep industry.

*“Enhancing the educational experience.”*

## Poultry Biathlon

The Poultry Biathlon consists of a preliminary round of twenty five multiple-choice questions. The top ten scores from the preliminary round compete in the oral presentation. Topics for the presentation are given out 30 minutes prior to the speech. The presentation is 3-5 minutes in length. Participants may use notes to aid in a well-organized presentation, but should not read from a fully or partially prepared manuscript, the presentation must be mostly extemporaneous.

## Calf Scramble

The San Antonio Livestock Exposition, Inc. is proud to invite your district or area to participate in the 61<sup>st</sup> annual San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo Calf Scramble Program. The dates for the upcoming show are February 4 – 21, 2010.

The value of the scramble certificate for the 2010 Calf Scramble will be \$800. Contestants must purchase a breeding project with this certificate and exhibit the animal in the 2011 show in one of the following Junior Breeding Departments: Cattle, Swine, Sheep, Goat or Dairy.

Dates are still available! Those interested in participating in the 2010 San Antonio Stock Show Calf Scramble please contact the Livestock Office at 210.225.0575.



## RODEO TICKETS

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RODEO TICKET BOX OFFICE

[ticketmaster.com](http://ticketmaster.com)



FOR MORE INFORMATION  
CALL - 210-225-5851  
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E-MAIL - [tickets@sarodeo.com](mailto:tickets@sarodeo.com)





# Check List

**Please mail the following items to the Livestock Office:**

- All Completed Entry Forms (Junior Show, Open Show, Judging Contest, Agricultural Mechanics/ Science Fair)
  - Include ALL original signatures and social security numbers
- Excel Summary Sheet—downloaded from the online entry process
- Payment—only checks from 4-H or FFA accounts, money orders, and cashier’s checks. Personal checks are NOT accepted. Payment should be made out to S.A.L.E.

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