

**San Juan County 4-H Leaders' Council Meeting Minutes**  
**March 1, 2008 Lopez Library, Lopez Island**  
**2008 4-H Fair Schedule & SJ Island Community Foundation Update**

**People in Attendance:**

**Officers:** Jan Sanburg (president)- Shaw, John Gauthier (secretary)- SJ, Flo McAlary (treasurer)- SJ, Terri Brown (vice president)- SJ

**Leaders: Lopez:** Larry Cochran, Mary Jenison, Delores Foss, Dawn Ritchie, Georgeana Cook

**Orcas:** Lorena Stankevich **San Juan:** Cathy Cole **Shaw:** Andrea Schmidt

**Extension Staff:** Cindy Gauthier

**7:55 Meeting called to order by president Jan Sanburg.**

Minutes of the January 5<sup>th</sup> meeting were read & approved with the following correction :  
'Proposal to Add "Alternative Steer" Class To Market Auction Section of Premium Book:  
Motion to accept policy change was made by Lorena (not Loren).

Minutes of the February 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting were read & approved with the following correction:  
"Grand and Reserve Grand ribbons can also be allotted per class or lot if deemed appropriate by the department superintendent" should read "Grand and Reserve Grand ribbons can also be allotted per class or lot if deemed appropriate".

Jan explained the need for the new Grand & Reserve Ribbon policy to those in attendance that haven't participated in the previous meetings. A discussion again ensued about what these ribbons represent and how they should be awarded. **An agreement was reached that it's up to the various departments to decide the written criteria for Grand & Reserve ribbons to be given to the judges for guidance.**

**8:35** Flo gave the treasurer's report. Islander's Bank gave us a recent donation of \$500. The educational scholarship committee has \$3,600 available. Larry moved to accept the report as read. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

The Rada knives that we sell to support 4-H activities can be sold at any 4-H function. Just ask for them if your group has an upcoming fund-raiser.

**Larry moved to use LC funds up to \$500.00 to replenish our stock of Rada knives. The motion was seconded by Cathy and passed unanimously.**

**Livestock Auction Committee report:** A financial report was submitted but needs to be clarified and/or corrected and then re-submitted. **The Livestock committee is awarding scholarships to the Whatcom County Youth Fair in the amount of \$50 for up to 10 4-H members enrolled in a 4-H livestock project.**

**Horse Committee:** A list of Grand Champion classes was submitted. There are no policy changes involved in this list. **Flo moved to have a grand champion ribbon policy accepted to**

**the horse addendum. Lorena moved and it passed unanimously. It will be added to the Horse Addendum section of the Policy Manual.**

**A new document was introduced for the shared animal project agreement. There's nothing new as far as policy goes in the document. It was just created for clarification. The document is to be used for this year. Lorena moved to accept the document. John seconded & the motion passed unanimously.**

**Trophy Committee:** It was agreed that with the use of a trailer to store the trophies in prior to the fair and the other systems in place to handle the trophies, that the problems we were having in the past have been fixed. A discussion ensued about Open class vs. 4-H trophies. **It seems that 4-H has taken on the awarding of some Open Class trophies due to lack of interest on the part of the Open Class superintendents. This situation needs to be reviewed as we might be setting ourselves up for liability.**

**9:10 Break**

**9:20 Educational Activities Scholarship Committee:** There's an ongoing process for perpetual funding.

**Note:** The Whatcom County Youth Fair takes place April 11 & 12 this year.

**9:25** A discussion took place about the 4-H schedule for this year's county fair. The consensus was that last year's schedule worked fine. Dog 4-H is growing & its needs need to be addressed with the Fair Board. **It was suggested that the 4-H dog events be held in the Jim Crook building. A letter is to be drafted by the LC to the Fair Board recommending this suggestion.** Rats & cats could occupy the building on Wednesday, dogs on Thursday & Friday and Saturday could be used by other dog groups in the county to showcase their animals. The horse schedule needs to be tweaked as do the horse entry forms. A discussion of judges ensued.

**It was suggested that a survey be made asking the general public what having 4-H at the county fair means to them. The idea is to show the Fair Board how important the public feels about 4-H being at the fair in the hopes that 4-H will get better support from the Fair Board. Perhaps those returning the survey could get \$1 off the price of admission to the Fair or those returning the survey would be entered in a drawing for \$50.00 worth of Rada knives.**

A discussion took place on what it's going to take to get more attendance at the fair. A major entertainment headliner, perhaps? Baby pigs?

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**John suggested replacing our "4-H is Happening Here" signs around the fair grounds with "4-H Takes Pride in our Fair".**

### **10:10 San Juan Island Community Endowment**

After Jan and Flo brought everyone up to date, Lorena moved to have \$800 from the LC discretionary funds be used to open an account with the San Juan Island Community Endowment provided the LC officers approve the contract. The motion was seconded by Georgeana and passed unanimously.

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**Note:** 4-H Leader's Forum will be held in Everett this year October 17-19. All leaders are encouraged to attend for at least one day for the networking opportunities available at that time.

**Next Meeting:** May 10, Extension Office- San Juan Island

**Note:** Larry informed the group that Horse Drawn Farm on Lopez Island is interested in working with 4-H members. Possible activities include growing vegetables & internships of some manner with their farm store.

### **10:50 Meeting Adjourned**

#### **Motions Made and Passed:**

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**Items of Note:**

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# Shared Animal Project Agreement

Date \_\_\_\_\_ 200 \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_

Project \_\_\_\_\_ Club \_\_\_\_\_

The shared animal project is intended for two 4-H members to jointly care for and show one animal. These two 4-H members may not compete in the same class or lot at an event. (Em0758E State Program Policy)

Animals must be under the 4-H member's regular care and management for the following periods of time prior to the official county exhibit activity, including junior livestock shows:

- Market Beef -120 days
- Equine, Breeding Beef, llama, Dairy (except dairy heifer replacement) -90 days
- Dairy heifer replacement, goat, all sheep, all swine, cats, cavy, dogs ---60 days
- Poultry and Rabbits- 45 days

This agreement is in addition to all other required documents. These would include, enrollments, entry forms, certificates and any other project documents required of club or county.

During the Fair or 4-H Show animal care must be divided equally between the two shared members.

Please understand that the shared project animal will be under extra use and therefore extra care must be considered for its health and well-being.

Member Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Member Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Club Leader Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**Please complete and return to Extension Office prior to or on the animal ownership deadline.**

**Draft 02/08**

## **Championship Classes San Juan County Fair 4-H Horse Departments**

In 4-H Horse Championship classes, Grand and Reserve ribbons must be awarded to highest and second highest Blue Danish respectively. Red or White Danish do not qualify for championship ribbons.

The following are Championship classes for the Junior, Intermediate, and Senior 4-H divisions:

### Horse Judging

#### Showmanship:

Performance Showmanship  
Dressage/ Jumping Showmanship  
Western Games Showmanship  
Mare and Foal Showmanship

#### Performance:

English Bareback equitation  
Western Bareback equitation  
Hunt seat equitation  
Stock seat equitation  
Saddle seat equitation  
Trail

### Harness driving

#### Western Games:

Pole bending  
Figure 8  
Barrel racing  
Keyhole race  
International flags  
Flag race