



Sutton County 4-H Forecast



February 2026



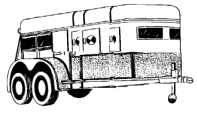
- Special points of interest:**
- Club News
 - Project News
 - Scholarship Opportunities
 - Monthly calendar

4-H Club Meeting- The next general 4-H meeting will be after stock show season is over.

County Stock Show Thanks- A great big “Thank You!” to all of you that helped to put on the county stock show. Whether you helped with weigh-in, clean-up, meals, fundraising, or whatever....just know that we appreciate you.

Stock Show Sponsors’ Lists: Your list of premium sponsors are ready to be picked up, so that you may write thank you notes. It’s important to write good thank you notes to our buyers. You must then bring the *unsealed* notes in a stamped envelope to the Extension Office. By February 3rd.

Equipment & Shows- For new 4-H families who may not be aware, we have clippers, blowers, and trimming stands needed to prepare your animal for show. Call us for help, to check out equipment, or so we can coordinate hauling animals.



4-H Barn- If you haven’t yet done so, please clean up the pen(s) you used during county show. Judging teams and exhibitors all use the same 4-H barn. Also, please clean up after shearing, weighing, etc.

- Major Stock Show Reminders**
- Arrival time * are tattoos legible?* *ear tags
 - * withdrawal times on meds
 - * Breeding projects need health papers & breed registration papers (in the exhibitor’s name).
 - Must be passing to be eligible to show.

2026 Grandstand Results
 LAMBS: Kelbi Blesing– Ch SD, 2nd Class 2 MW; Burkes Kissire 6th Hvy wt FW; Stella Harter– 3rd Lt wt MW; Joe Richard Andrews– 7th Place Md Wt FWX.

MEAT GOATS: Daylin Dillard– 11th place Class 8; Kelbi Blesing – 2nd Class 3, 5th Class 9

BARROWS: Luke Snyder– 10th Hamp, 4th Dark OPB ; Jocelyn Rogers– 10th Dark OPB. GILTS: Jeffery Bannon– 10th Dark Cross

2026 Texas Angora Goat Show Results
 Buck kid
 Stella Harter- 1st ; Andie Harter- 2nd ; Kelbi Blesing - 3rd , 8th
 Yrlg Buck
 Kelbi Blesing- 3rd ; Stella Harter - 4th ; Andie Harter- 5th
 Aged buck
 Andie Harter 1st ; Kelbi Blesing 2nd ; Stella Harter - 4th
 Doe kid
 Stella Harter – 2nd ; Andie Harter- 3rd ; Kelbi Blesing- 4th
 Yrlg Doe
 Andie Harter 1st , Res. Ch Doe; Stella Harter- 2nd ;
 Kelbi Blesing- 3rd , 7th
 Aged Doe
 Andie Harter 1st; Stella Harter- 2nd ; Kelbi Blesing- 4th , 6th

Stella Harter- Jr Showmanship
 Kelbi Blesing- Premier Exhibitor

Fort Worth Stock Show
 Jocelyn Rogers- 5th Dorper Ram lamb, 1st Ewe Lamb pair, 4th 4-6 tooth ewe, 3rd Dorper Pair of Sheep; Kelbi Blesing– 3rd Md wt SD

2026 TOWA Photography Contest
 The TOWA Photography Contest encourages self-expression & allows youth to demonstrate skills learned in the area of photography. They are passionate proponents of the North American Conservation Model and have a mission to encourage young photographers to use their craft as a medium to communicate their appreciation of the Texas outdoors.

Deadline: March 15

You can find full details at: <https://towa.org/youth-excellence-in-craft-contest-2026/>

2026 TOWA
**YOUTH EXCELLENCE
 IN CRAFT
 PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST**

Open to Grades 9-12
 Categories:
**PEOPLE OUTDOORS
 LANDSCAPE
 WILDLIFE**

1st Place Prizes \$1,000



SCAN FOR MORE INFO

towa.org



Inside Story....

District Spring Roundup 2026!

If you are participating in the 4-H Talent Showcase (Share-The-Fun) or any of the judging teams and will be competing at district, be aware of the following dates:

District 10 SPRING Roundup – Fredericksburg, TX	
REGISTRATION OPENS: Mon., Mar. 2, 2026	
REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Tues., Mar. 24, 2026	
LATE REGISTRATION: Wed.–Fri, Mar. 25-27, 2026	
Spring Roundup CONTEST DATES	
April 14, 2026	Leaders 4 Life (TBD)
April 15, 2026	Meat Judging (San Angelo, TX)
April 20, 2026	Livestock Judging
April 21, 2026	Range/Pasture ID & Range Evaluation (AM) Soil Judging (AM) Wool & Mohair Judging (PM)
April 22, 2026	Livestock Skill-a-thon 4-H Storyboard & Textiles
April 23, 2026	Duds 2 Dazzle (Team/Solo) Fashion Show Contests
April 24, 2026	Talent Showcase Consumer Decision Making
April 25, 2026	Smallbore Rifle (Floresville, TX)



San Angelo Stock Show Scholarships-

The scholarships applications will be due on March 1, 2026. Scholarships may be used to attend a Texas vocational/technical school or accredited Texas college or university. Applicants must be a 4-H or FFA member. Applicants do not have to pursue a degree in agriculture or related fields.

Scholarships are awarded as \$1,000 per semester, with the ability to renew each semester for a total of eight semesters, therefore totaling a maximum of \$8,000.00. After the initial semester students must meet all renewal requirements.

Eligibility Requirements: Member of 4-H or FFA • Resident of Texas • Must have participated in the San Angelo Stock Show and Rodeo (at least once) • Satisfactorily complete the requirements for a high school diploma in the spring of the current year. • Enroll for a minimum of 12 hours per semester. • Must have taken the ACT or SAT to be eligible. • Scholarships must be claimed within one year of high school graduation or the scholarship will be forfeited.

For full details visit <https://www.sanangelorodeo.com/p/about/scholarship>

Thank Our Adult Volunteers:

We have 4-H opportunities thanks to the work of our volunteers. As you attend your 4-H activities, remember to thank the folks that make it happen. That includes our club managers, but also those who lead food & nutrition, photography, shooting sports, public speaking, livestock show committees, judging teams, etc.

Texas Brigades-

Now accepting applications; open to youth, 13-17 years of age, who are interested subject-specific stewardship, conservation, and management topics throughout 5 days. Camp fees (\$500) include meals, lodging, materials, and more. Local sponsorships are available and encouraged.



Limited to 30 participants. Scheduled 2026 camp dates and locations:

Rolling Plains Bobwhite Brigade (June 7-11 in Rising Star, TX)

South Texas Buckskin Brigade (June 7-11 in La Pryor, TX)

South Texas Bobwhite Brigade (June 17-21 in McCoy, TX)

South Texas Ranch Brigade (June 27– July 1 in Freer, TX)

North Dakota Waterfowl Brigade (July 7-11 in Washburn, ND)

Bass Brigade (July 8-12 in Santa Anna, TX)

Waterfowl Brigade (July 22-26 in Garwood, TX)

Ranch Brigade (July 13-17 in Santa Anna, TX)

North Texas Buckskin Brigade (July 26-30 in Santa Anna, TX)

Coastal Brigade (July 28– Aug 1 in Anahuac, TX)

Find more information on Texas Brigades and their long-time partnership with AgriLife at www.texasbrigades.org.

Apply online at www.texasbrigades.org/applications by the **March 15th deadline**.

Texas 4-H Virtual Fishing Reel 'em In Skill-a-thon

It's time to start gearing up for the STATEWIDE 2025 4-H Virtual Fishing Reel 'em In Skill-a-thon! Registration will open on 4HOnline in February with the spring tournament scheduled to start in March. This is a fun, educational opportunity for 4-H youth and Clover Kids to get outside and fish with their families and friends as the fishing takes place wherever they are located in Texas! Short educational videos on fishing tips, equipment, fish ID, industry careers, and more are available on the **Texas 4-H Natural Resources** Facebook page and new YouTube page. Prize packages of gift cards, fishing gear, and more will be awarded as provided by sponsors.



- Use of 2-digit decimal place for measuring fish.
- All fish must be caught using rod and reel.
- Update to Wild Card contest.
- Update to freshwater and saltwater species.
 - Panfish species category
 - Flounder to replace sheepshead
- Cap removed on length of redfish.
- Two-placing limit on top 10 awards by category.

Interested? Be watching for project details.

District Photography Contest Registration-

Regular Registration for the District Photography Contest will be held on *4HOnline* **January 20– Feb 17, 2026**. Cost for registration will be \$15.00 per person. Photos must be taken between March 1-2024 and Feb. 21, 2025. May enter up to 3 photos but **NOT** within the same category. Please refer to the district photography guidelines for full details at <https://d104-h.tamu.edu/district-events-activities/photography>.

Thank you to all the 2025 Sutton County Livestock Contributors
AWARD SPONSORS

ANGORA GOAT DIVISION

Stewart Family (Buckle)

Grand Champion Angora Goat – **Andie Harter**

Mr. & Mrs. Lee Bloodworth (Buckle)

Reserve Grand Champion Angora Goat – **Kelbi Blesing**

Brockman Ranch/Mr. & Mrs. Bob Brockman (Banners)

Grand Champion Angora Goat – **Andie Harter**

Reserve Grand Champion Angora Goat – **Kelbi Blesing**

Rough Creek Taxidermy & Processing (Banners)

Champion Registered Angora Buck – **Andie Harter**

Reserve Champion Registered Angora Buck – **Kelbi Blesing**

The Bank & Trust (Banners)

Champion Registered Angora Doe – **Kelbi Blesing**

Reserve Champion Registered Angora Doe – **Stella Harter**

Baker Ranch & L.W. Ranch (Buckle)

Senior Showmanship – **Andie Harter**

CWC Ranch/Livestock (Buckle)

Junior Showmanship – **Stella Harter**

MARKET SWINE DIVISION

Terry & Kelly Owen (Buckles, Banners)

Grand Champion Market Swine – **Hope James**

Reserve Grand Champion Market Swine – **Luke Snyder**

RJL Renovations (Buckle)

Senior Showmanship – **Hope James**

U4 Hunting & Livestock/Will & Peggy Wallace (Buckle)

Junior Showmanship – **Scarlet Bannon**

MARKET MEAT GOAT DIVISION

Morris Ranch (Buckles)

Grand Champion Meat Goat – **Kelbi Blesing**

Reserve Grand Champion Meat Goat – **Kelbi Blesing**

B-D Live Oak Ranch/Billy & Bobby Ann Dictson (Banners)

Grand Champion Meat Goat – **Kelbi Blesing**

Reserve Grand Champion Meat Goat – **Kelbi Blesing**

Mr. & Mrs. Cliff Brister (Buckle)

Senior Showmanship – **Jack Rogers**

Bobbi Whitney & Terry Shawver (Buckle)

Junior Showmanship – **Kelbi Blesing**

MARKET LAMB DIVISION

Oak Hill Ranch (Buckles)

Grand Champion Market Lamb – **Kelbi Blesing**

Reserve Grand Champion Market Lamb – **Joe Richard Andrews**

Bobbi Whitney & Terry Shawver (Banners)

Grand Champion Market Lamb – **Kelbi Blesing**

Reserve Grand Champion Market Lamb – **Joe Richard Andrews**

Sonora Bank (Banners)

Champion Finewool Market Lamb – **Kelbi Blesing**

Reserve Champion Finewool Market Lamb – **Burkes Kissire**

Champion Crossbred Market Lamb – **Joe Richard Andrews**

Reserve Champion Crossbred Market Lamb – **Burkes Kissire**

Mr. & Mrs. Robert Davis (Banner)

Champion Dorper – **Jocelyn Rogers**

Jim & Lorraine Polonis (Banner)

Reserve Champion Dorper – **Jocelyn Rogers**

The Bank & Trust (Banners)

Champion Southdown Lamb – **Joe Richard Andrews**

Reserve Champion Southdown Lamb – **Joe Richard Andrews**

Champion Mediumwool Lamb – **Kelbi Blesing**

Jim & Lorraine Polonis (Banner)

Reserve Champion Mediumwool Lamb – **Stella Harter**

Capital Farm Credit Sonora Branch (Buckles)

Senior Showmanship – **Burkes Kissire**

Junior Showmanship – **Kelbi Blesing**

MARKET RABBIT DIVISION

CK & Desiree Kessler (Buckle)

Grand Champion Market Rabbit – **Jonah Gonzales**

Rough Creek Taxidermy & Processing (Banner)

Grand Champion Market Rabbit – **Jonah Gonzales**

BREEDING RABBIT DIVISION

Will & Lauren Griffin (Buckles, Banners)

Grand Champion Breeding Rabbit – **Bowen Crittendon**

Reserve Grand Champion Breeding Rabbit – **Bowen Crittendon**

3B Shearing/Brister Family

Jr. Rabbit Showmanship – **Tristian Dove**

Espy Whitehead (Top Hand Buckle Award) – Hope James

Crenwelge Family (Sportsmanship Buckle) – Burkes Kissire

Darrell & Patti Barker (High Point Buckle) – Olivia Araujo (53

Books = \$2,650.00)

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****Please forgive any unintentional oversight.**
*We apologize if anyone was inadvertently omitted.***



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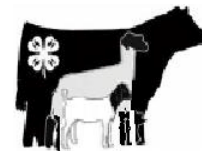
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Project Visits If you would like some help or input, call to set up a time for a project visit. We're here to help you.

**** Very Important**– Keep your grades up! If you are not passing, you will NOT be eligible to show your animal!



Ag Farm– Thanks to the families who have been cleaning up the Ag barn. Please continue to keep your areas clean & to sweep up after weighing, shearing, etc. The appearance of the facility reflects on YOU! Also, please keep gates closed.

Texas 4-H Congress is a four-day mock legislative experience for 4-H members going into 9th grade – through those who just graduated 12th Grade (at the time of the event). 4-H members assume the roles of legislators, lobbyists, and press corps to gain a first-hand understanding of how the legislative process works. Bills that are written and sponsored by 4-H members focus on issues concerning Texas and Texas youth. It is scheduled to take place July 19– 22nd, 2026 (Sunday-Wednesday) in Austin, TX (Sheraton Austin Hotel at the Capitol). **County Selection:** Due to restricted space, please let us know if interested (County Offices have to tun in nominations by **March 20**). **COST:** House/Senate/Press Crops/Lobbyist \$475 (Early Bird)/\$575 (Regular)

Dates to Remember:

February 4, 2026	Bill submission opens
March 3, 2026	Lobbyist & Press Corps Applications Open
March 31, 2026	Lobbyist & Press Corps Application DEADLINE
April 1, 2026	Regular Early Bird Registration Opens
April 15, 2026	Lobbyist & Press Corps Notification
April 30, 2026	Early Bird Registration DEADLINE
May 28, 2026	Bill submission DEADLINE
May 28, 2026	Final Registration DEADLINE
July 1, 2026	Delegate Letters distributed
July 1, 2026	Bill Book posted online
July 17, 2026	Texas 4-H Congress Leadership Team Arrives
July 19, 2026	Congress Delegates and Chaperones Arrive
July 22, 2026	All Participants depart

Judging Teams- February will be the time to sign up. If interested in judging teams for Plant Id. Range Science, or wool & mohair judging, give us a call. Pascual coaches range science. Range science will begin this month.

Range Science - Experience the outdoors and learn about plants which are good for wildlife, which plants are poisonous, etc.! If you think you'd be interested, we will meet on Feb 23 at 4 p.m. at the Extension Office to go over project details..

Wool/Mohair Judging- The Wool Contest tests a 4-H member's knowledge and ability to determine the grade, rank, and categorize wool. The contest provides an opportunity for youth to compete and develop skills that can be used on a sheep ranching operation, within the wool industry, or agricultural teaching field.

Mailing List:

If you are on the 4-H mailing list and would rather read the 4-H newsletter online, please let us know so that we can remove you from the mailing list.

Ask Us About.....


Scholarship Opportunities	Range Science
Wool & Mohair Judging	Texas Brigades
Texas Youth Range Workshop	

Something To Think About...

"What we do for ourselves dies with us. What we do for others and the world remains and is immortal."~ *Albert Pike*

"Give something, however small, to the one in need. For it is not small to one who has nothing. Neither is it small to God, if we have given what we could." — *St. Gregory Nazianzen*

Pascual Hernandez
CEA-AG
Sutton Count

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<h1>February 2026</h1> 						
1 <i>Happy Birthday Connor Darbyshire</i>	2 Groundhog Day Share the Fun @ 4 pm - Civic Center Photography @ 4pm - Civic Center	3	4 TX 4-H Congress Bill Submission Opens	5	6	7
8	9 Photography @ 4 pm - Civic Center Share the Fun @ 4 pm - Civic Center	10	11	12	13	14 Happy Valentine's Day
15	16 <i>Extension Office Closed - President's Day</i> Share the Fun @ 4 pm - Location TBA	17 Photography @ 4 pm - Civic Center District 10 Photography registration Deadline	18	19 <i>Happy Birthday Bram Lawrence</i>	20	21
22	23 Range Science Project Meeting @ 4 pm - Civic Center Share the Fun @ 4 pm - Civic Center	24	25	26	27	28