

Fair board develops fun plans for redneck olympics

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The Redneck Olympics at the fair this year will be a lot of fun for kids of all ages. The Cheyenne County Fair Board has developed a competition for several different age divisions, and winners will take home prizes!

The Cheyenne County Fair is going to be held Wednesday, Aug. 6 through Saturday, Aug. 9 this year at the Cheyenne County Fairgrounds.

On Wednesday night, instead of team roping this year, the fair board has organized the Redneck Olympics. The contractor that stocks the cattle for the team roping event is no longer available, so the team roping event will not be held.

The first age division will be for children ages nine and under. Starting at 6:30, the children will compete in a three legged race, an egg race, and a stick horse race. They must also pull a ribbon off the tail of a goat! Every child that participates will win a candy bar and can of pop.

The second age division is 10 to 14 year olds. After grouping into teams of three, the boys and girls will have a tug of war competition, wheel barrel race, and they will have to roll a truck tire through four poles that are 15 feet apart. They will also compete in a water bucket race, where the contestants must fill a protein tub half full of water and carry the buckets 25 feet. Everyone can enter for free, and the top four teams will receive carnival tickets as a prize!

The final age division is for anyone 15 and older. There is no age limit, anyone young at heart is eligible to participate! Contestants must group into teams of three with at least one female team member. There is a \$15 entry fee with a jackpot going back to the top three winners.

The first competition will be panel moving. There will be six panels set up and penned together.

Contestants must take the panels apart, move them 25 feet, and then set them back up and pen them back together. Second, contestants must move 15 bags of salt from one pallet to another 25 feet away. They will be judged on how well they stack the salt.

This age division also has a water bucket race. They must carry water from one tank to a protein tub 50 feet away and will have to fill the tub full of water. There will be a variety of different buckets available.

The final competition, if the fair board is able to obtain all the necessities, is a golf cart obstacle course. The driver will have a blindfold on, and the first passenger will have to guide the driver through the obstacle course where the third team member is waiting to guide him or her back down. There will be a 5 minute time limit.

Everyone should come, participate, or come watch! Admission is free Wednesday evening.

Premium Sales checks different
Marty Fear, Cheyenne County Extension Agent, asked the Cheyenne County Fair Board how they would like to do premium sales checks this year. The past couple of years the board has had trouble with some winners cashing their checks. Up until this year, the board has served as a middle man between the buyer and seller.

This year, the distribution of the premium sales checks will be different. The 4-Hers will pick-up their premium sale checks directly from the premium sale buyer, the check will not be from the fair board. Approximately two weeks after the premium sale, 4-Hers will stop at the extension office to get their picture, thank you, and a voucher to take to the premium sale buyer. The voucher will have the buyer's name and contact information on it, along with the amount of the premium. For animals that are sold on the base bid, a check will come from the fair

board.

Premium sale buyers and 4-H families will receive a letter describing the changes before the fair. The hope is this will simplify the process and allow for 4-Hers to receive their premiums sooner. Look for further information in *The Herald* on premium sales checks as fair gets closer.

Extension Agent report

Mr. Fear asked about creating a webpage. He said that it would help give information to people that are wanting to know when certain events are being held, want to know the dates for fair, and want to know more about the demolition derby. Terri Richardson with video and design in Goodland said she could create a page and maintain it for approximately \$15 to \$20 a month. The board agreed this would be a good investment, and good publicity. Mr. Fear said he would contact Ms. Richardson.

Mr. Fear also reported that he will ask Peggy Moberly about painting the champion signs.

Other business

The board decided to hire Curtis Duncan to announce during the derby. Margo Douthit agreed to announce on Wednesday during Redneck Olympics and Friday during Tuff Truck.

A board member will be up in the booth with the auctioneer this year during the sale. Gary Cooper volunteered to sit in the booth.

The Tuff Truck competition has already received some checks for extra prize money.

Dick Bursch, board president, reminded the board that a parade marshal had not been chosen. The board discussed a few different names, and decided on one person they all agreed would make an excellent candidate.

The board set the next work days at the fair ground for June 15 and July 20 at 1 p.m.

Next meeting

The next meeting will be July 3 at 7 p.m. at the fairgrounds.



GRACE LANDERS jumps into the pool as she begins her 100 yard freestyle. The swimmers will be back in St. Francis this week with practices.

Sainty Sharks travel to Atwood for second meet

The Sainty Sharks traveled to Atwood for their second meet this year. It was a warm and windy day and the kids performed super, said Coach Margaret Poling. Super swimmers this week included Emma Johnson with 3 individual heat winners and first places and her relay teams getting second and third. First time swimmers Grace Landers was first in one relay and second in one relay. Jasper Hunt placed fifth in the backstroke and second in a relay. I accidentally entered the 8 and under girls freestyle relay in the 10 and under age group, but they still came through and got second, said Coach Poling.

I was so pleased with all the hard work our swimmers have put in and their parents who have had to drive them daily to the Bird City pool. We will be back in St. Francis this week with practices at 7:30 a.m. and noon. Next weekend we travel to McCook.

Girls 8 and under

- 25 Yard Backstroke: Skye Feldman (4).
- 25 Yard Freestyle: Skye Feldman (4).
- 100 Yard Medley Relay: Matilynn Smull, Alli Rice, Skye Feldman, Grace Landers (1).
- Boys 8 and under**
- 25 Yard Butterfly: Rhonald Neitzel (Heat Winner).
- 25 Yard Freestyle: Rhonald Neitzel (5).

Girls 10 and under

- 25 Yard Butterfly: Emma Johnson (Heat Winner and 1).
- 25 Yard Backstroke: Emma Johnson (Heat Winner and 1).
- 25 Yard Breaststroke: Dawn Rice (3).
- 25 Yard Freestyle: Emma Johnson (Heat Winner and 1).
- 100 Yard Freestyle Relay: Skye Feldman, Grace Landers, Madison Siegfried, Matilynn Smull (2).
- 100 Yard Medley Relay: Dawn Rice, Alli Rice, Madison Siegfried, Emma Johnson (3).

Boys 10 and under

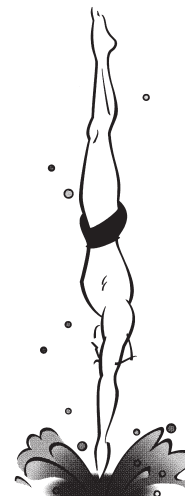
- 25 Yard Backstroke: Jasper Hunt (4), Cutter Neitzel (5).
- 25 Yard Breaststroke: Cutter Neitzel (Heat Winner), Jayce Landers (2).
- 25 Yard Freestyle: Jayce Landers (5), Cutter Neitzel (6).

Girls 12 and under

- 50 Yard Backstroke: Audrey Meyer (5).
- 100 Yard Freestyle Relay: Skye Feldman, Emma Johnson, Dawn Rice, Alli Rice (3).

Boys 12 and under

- 50 Yard Butterfly: Shadryon Blanka (2).
- 50 Yard Backstroke: Shadryon Blanka (4).
- 50 Yard Freestyle: Shadryon Blanka (3).
- 100 Yard Freestyle Relay: Shadryon Blanka, Jasper Hunt, Jayce Landers, Cutter Neitzel (2).



Girls 18 and under

- 50 Yard Butterfly: Alexis Frink (1).
- 50 Yard Freestyle: Alexis Frink (4).
- 100 Yard Individual Medley: Alexis Frink (1).
- Girls 19 and over**
- 50 Yard Butterfly: Lindsey Patterson (2).
- 50 Yard Freestyle: Lindsey Patterson (3).
- Open Relay**
- Girls 100 Yard Medley Relay: Alexis Frink, Lindsey Patterson, Audrey Meyer (2).
- Girls 100 Yard Freestyle Relay: Lindsey Patterson, Dawn Rice, Audrey Meyer, Alexis Frink. (2).

Idalia News

By Pastor Chuck Wright



Sunday as Pastor of St. John. The worship service will be at 10:30 a.m., followed by a potluck lunch at 12 p.m. From 2-4 p.m. the church will host a community reception for Chuck and Su. Everyone in the Idalia area is invited to come for a visit. A memory book is being prepared for the Wrights and submissions of cards and photos will be welcomed. Contact Judy Wieser for more information.



Community News

Sunday, June 22, 3-6 p.m. Chuck and Su Wright will host an open house for Idalia community friends and neighbors at the St. John church Parsonage. Everyone is invited to drop by for a visit and to select a book or two from the books they would like to give away before their move to Denver

at 7 p.m. Hosted by the Idalia Fire Department and the Idalia Lions Club, the free-will donation barbeque will begin at 7 p.m. Please bring a salad or dessert to share. Donations will go to the work of the Idalia Fire Department. Weather conditions permitting, the fireworks will begin at 9 p.m.

St. John News

Sunday, June 22, 10:30 a.m. The worship theme will be: "+', -'s, and Challenges", Ephesians 4:25-5:2

Thursday, June 26, 10:15 a.m. Pastor Chuck Wright and members of St. John will share worship and fellowship with residents of Hillcrest Care Center in Wray.

Sunday, June 29, will be Pastor Chuck Wright's last

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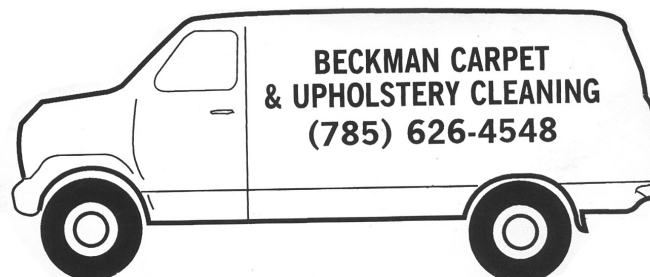
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