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4-H CLUB

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4-H CLUB WORK

HIGHLIGHTS

The 1956-57 4-H Club Program in Santa Cruz County was highly successful. In general, the enrollment in the county is fairly well stabilized, though this past year there was a slight increase in membership. Though the total membership is not large, the county has 4-H Clubs in all of its rural communities.

Once again, the Santa Cruz County Leaders' Council was the driving force behind the successful Club year. The Leaders' Council is made up of all of the 4-H leaders and some community leaders as well. Mrs. Blake Carrington of Sonoita, though having no family interests in Club Work, has fulfilled the secretarial duties of the Council since its organization. Mr. William Wilcox of the Valley National Bank, Nogales, has contributed his time and services as treasurer for the organization. The Chairman and Vice-chairman are elected yearly by the Council. Last year's able leader was Mr. Walter Kolbe of Patagonia.

It has been noted that a leader problem has been existent with the Apache 4-H Club, Patagonia. This situation has been prevalent for two years. Fortunately, this club is composed of older 4-H Club members (High School age), and during the last two years they have more or less carried themselves. Of course, the elected club officers have been the guiding influence in the club. This is not a desirable situation, though the members do learn leadership and the capacity to accept responsibility. This situation has been rectified for the 1957-58 club year with the addition of a new adult leader. Mr. Fred Ambrose, Shop Teacher at Patagonia High School, has consented to take over the Apache Club, and it is felt that he will do a good job.

The Annual Kickoff Banquet was held in September at the Patagonia High School. This annual affair is a potluck dinner followed by a short business meeting of the Council, and entertainment. At the business meeting the following officers were approved to carry the Council duties for the 1957-58 club year: Chairman - E. W. McFarland, Nogales; Vice-chairman - Howard Wisdom, Tumacacori; and Mrs. Blake Carrington, Sonoita, Secretary-Treasurer. This is the initial year of combining the secretary and treasurer positions.

4-H CLUB WORK (continued)

HIGHLIGHTS (continued)

The 1957 4-H Fair was held on April 14, at the Sonoita Fairgrounds. It was a real success and the largest crowd ever, viewed the day's activities. Other than the necessary paper work done by the County Agents' Office, the 4-H Fair Committees composed of leaders and parents, did a majority of planning and preparation for the Fair.

Santa Cruz County sent three Junior Leaders to the Annual Leaders' Conference which was held in August at Flagstaff. The Junior Leaders attending were: Maria Leon, Sonoita; Glenn Schorr, Sonoita; and Ernesto Bejarano, Tumacacori.

COUNTY SITUATION

4-H Club Work is relatively new in Santa Cruz County. Though it had its beginning as recent as 1949, it has grown considerably. Though the county doesn't have a large enrollment, its rural areas are all active in club work. Because the majority of the county is ranch country, the communities are small and far apart. In spite of this distance problem the clubs in the county are very active and support all county-wide activities.

With the addition of the new Agriculture and Home Economics 4-H Club at Amado recently, every community in the county is serviced by a 4-H Club. There is one or more clubs in Amado, Tumacacori, Calabasas, Nogales, Patagonia, and Elgin -- Canelo.

The Amado club recently formed is under the leadership of Mr. Tom Noonan of the Agua Linda Ranch. He has as an assistant, Mrs. Alice Pesuti, who is taking over the home economics phase of the 4-H work. Mr. Noonan has had no previous experience as a 4-H leader, but his interest in the community and in youngsters will aid him tremendously.

The leader problem that has been existent for two years with the Apache 4-H Club of Patagonia, has now been solved. Mr. Fred Ambrose, the new Shop Teacher at the High School, has taken over the leadership of the local club and is doing a fine job. Mr. Ambrose has had considerable experience in F.F.A. work, so should be well qualified as a 4-H leader.

The 4-H Leaders' Council continues to be an active organization which sponsors, plans and assists in conducting the county 4-H program. Because of the limited time that the County Extension personnel can devote to Santa Cruz County, the Leaders' Council has had to take over much of the supervisory work that a permanent office would normally do.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY

6	4-H Clubs - - - - -	2 Agricultural 2 Community 2 Home Economics
9	Leaders - - - - -	1 Man 8 Women
10	Junior Leaders - - - - -	8 Boys 2 Girls
74	Club Members Enrolled - -	38 Boys 36 Girls
71	Club Members Completed -	36 Boys 35 Girls

95.9% Member Completion

132 Projects Enrolled

128 Projects Completed

96.9% Project Completion

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

In 1956-57 there were 6 active 4-H clubs in Santa Cruz County -- 2 Agricultural, 2 Community or mixed type clubs, and 2 Home Economic. There were 9 leaders for these 6 clubs -- 1 man and 8 women.

The Junior Leader enrollment jumped two from last year. This year there were 8 boys and 2 girls.

The enrollment of club members and their project enrollment made an increase this year. There were 74 club members enrolled in 132 projects. Of 74 enrolled, 71 completed for a completion percentage of 95.9 percent. Of the 132 projects started, the club members completed 128. This is a project completion percentage of 96.9. Both of these completion percentages denote the quality of 4-H Club Work in Santa Cruz County.

In the Home Economics clubs there were 28 project enrollments in Clothing, 24 in Food Preparation, 7 in Home Furnishing, and 2 in girls Junior Leadership.

The Agricultural clubs, with girls and boys enrolled, had as project enrollments: 19 Beef, 5 Insects, 8 boys Junior Leadership, 4 Poultry, 28 Sheep, 6 Swine, and 1 Horse.

One Livestock Judging Team represented Santa Cruz County at the Arizona National Livestock Show in Phoenix. The team placed 2nd high in the state, among 30 teams competing.

A delegation of 19 boys and girls represented Santa Cruz County at 4-H Roundup held on the University of Arizona campus at Tucson. These members participated in judging and demonstrations contests as well as talent.

The County Achievement Day, held in September at Nogales, was attended by 110 4-H members, leaders and parents.

This year, Santa Cruz County sent 19 4-H members to the first Tri-County 4-H Summer Camp held this year at Pinery Canyon in the Chiricahua Mountains.

The Leaders Council was composed of 13 leaders and assistants and 4 community leaders. The Council was very active this year.

PROJECT ENROLLMENTS and COMPLETIONS
Santa Cruz County - 1957

<u>Project</u>	<u>Enrollments</u>	<u>Completions</u>
Clothing	28	28
Food Preparation	24	24
Home Furnishings	7	7
Girls Junior Leadership	2	1
Beef	19	19
Insects	5	5
Boys Junior Leadership	8	8
Poultry	4	4
Sheep	28	25
Swine	6	6
Horse	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
Totals	132	128

LEADERSHIP of 4-H CLUB WORK

1. Sources of Leadership

There are generally several sources of 4-H leaders for club work in the county. All of the club leaders this past year with the exception of Mrs. Pearl Clark, were parents of 4-H members. A source of previous leaders has been the local schools. This year there is one new leader who is a school teacher. Mr. Fred Ambrose is well qualified to be a leader, as he has had considerable experience in F.F.A. work. As leaders drop out, or move away, parents of remaining 4-H members generally step forward and volunteer their services. It is rare when a 4-H club in Santa Cruz County is without a leader for any period of time. A new leader this year, Mr. Tom Noonan of Amado, is not a parent of a 4-H member, but is merely interested in the youth of the community, hence, has started the new Amado 4-H Club.

Whenever leadership problems have arisen, the Leaders' Council has always been helpful in suggesting new leaders as replacements. Of course, the suggested persons have to be approached by the County Extension Office and get their reactions to taking over a 4-H club. Often people are willing to assume the position but feel that they don't have the time to contribute to the club and do a good job. If this is the situation, likely the person should not be pushed too hard, because, unless the person can contribute certain allotted time, then the club program will suffer.

The Junior Leadership program is strong and an excellent opportunity for boys and girls to assume responsibility and obtain leadership experience. Here is a potential source of leaders -- after the members have completed their education and remain in the community.

2. Leader Training Program

Because of the few clubs and the great distances between clubs, the Agricultural leaders receive the majority of their training on a personal contact basis. Because of varied interests in the Agricultural clubs, this personal contact is often desirable.

At various county-wide get-togethers, there are oppor-

LEADERSHIP of 4-H CLUB WORK (continued)

2. Leader Training Program (continued)

tunities to talk to all of the leaders about various problems. At judging workouts the leaders have an opportunity to receive training in that phase of club work.

LOCAL 4-H CLUB PROGRAM

The general 4-H Club Program in Santa Cruz County is planned and formulated through the cooperative efforts of the County Extension Office and the County Leaders' Council. Extension personnel and the Leaders' Council meet periodically throughout the club year and plan for various events in the near future. Each club plans its own club program, and these are as variable as the individuals in the clubs. All of the clubs work on a written program basis -- that is, they pre-plan their club program and have it written down as a guide. This program is a result of club members preferences and is generally variable and subject to change.

The Leaders' Council has been responsible for planning all county-wide 4-H activities with the assistance of the County Agents' Office. Such events as Achievement Day, Demonstration and Judging Day, the Kickoff Banquet, and the 4-H Fair are all county functions. Numerous county-wide judging workouts were planned by the Council. Local clubs plan such club activities as movies, bake sales, raffles, and club judging activities.

4-H ACTIVITIES

4-H Club Fair

The 1957 Santa Cruz County 4-H Fair was held on Sunday, April 14, at the Sonoita Fairgrounds. The Fair this year was a big success and the attendance was the largest ever. Approximately 450 persons viewed the one-day show. Livestock weighing began at 8:00 a.m. and this was supervised by the late "Bum" Hedgecock. By 9:00 a.m. all of the entries, agricultural and home economics, were in place and ready for judging.

In Home Economics there were the following entries exhibited: Clothing - 81, Food Preparation - 158, and Home Furnishings - 4. A total of 23 young ladies participated in the County Dress Revue. Judges for the girls events were Mrs. Roscoe Kightlinger, assisted in the Dress Revue by Miss Sarah Harman, Assistant State 4-H Club Leader, and Miss Edna Weigen, then Home Agent-at-Large, for the Extension Service.

The following Agricultural Exhibits were entered: 24 Fat Lambs, 5 Swine, 19 Fat Beef, 9 Poultry, 1 Colt, 3 Insect Collections, and 6 clubs entered their record books in the Record Book Contest. These entries were judged by Mr. Al Lane, Extension Livestock Specialist, the livestock; Mr. W. R. Van Sant, Extension Poultry Specialist, the poultry; and Mr. Graham P. Wright, State 4-H Club Leader, the insect collections and the record book contest.

Because of the ground work layed at previous Council meetings, there was fine cooperation of the various Fair committees in preparing for and setting up the 4-H Fair. As a result of the cooperation of these committees, a minimum amount of the County Extension's Office was necessary in Fair preparation assistance.

With excellent assistance from the Agricultural leaders, the auction ran very smoothly. Mr. Gene Payne, Payne's Livestock Auction, Tucson, did his usual fine job in calling the auction. He sold 19 fat beef for \$7,075.57; 24 fat lambs for \$1,340.50; 5 swine for \$502.20; for a grand total of \$8,918.27.

Several lambs and swine were donated by the buyers for resale -- the money from the resale going into a fund for

4-H ACTIVITIES (continued)

4-H Club Fair (continued)

the purpose of building a much needed wash rack for 4-H use at the Sonoita Fairgrounds.

The following donations of time and services made the livestock auction the success it was:

Mr. Gene Payne - Auctioneer
Mr. Payne, Sr., Mr. Walter Kolbe, Mr. Walter Armer,
and the late Mr. "Bum" Hedgecock - Ring Men
Mrs. Blake Carrington and Mrs. Walter Kolbe -
Sale Secretaries

The Grand Champion Steer was sold by Ernesto Bejarano to La Ville de Paris of Nogales, for \$714.12 -- it was a 985 pound Hereford. Antonio Leon had the Reserve Champion animal with his 880 pound Hereford. The El Paso Store of Nogales, paid \$115.50 for Lilly Padilla's Grand Champion Lamb. Frank Rodriguez's Grand Champion Swine sold to John Elias Motors for \$89.30.

For the second consecutive year, Walt Armer's "Santa Cruz Valley Muskrat" club won the County Record Book Contest. The club award is a gavel presented by the Leaders' Council.

A 3 percent commission was charged each 4-H member selling an animal through the auction ring. This 3 percent goes into the 4-H Council fund and is one source of money that is used for the running of the county 4-H program. This commission, paid by the 4-H members, is representative of an amount that they would have to pay if they were to sell their animal at a regular sale. It is good training in business matters.

National Livestock Show

As a result of two county-wide livestock judging workouts, the following 4-H members were selected to attend the Arizona National Livestock Show held in Phoenix: Buckie Holbrook, Walter Armer, Jr., James Kolbe, and Glenn Schorr as the alternate. This team competed at Phoenix against 30 other 4-H and F.F.A. teams, and, considering the youth and inexperience of two of the team's members, they did except-

4-H ACTIVITIES (continued)

National Livestock Show (continued)

ionally well. They placed 2nd in the state. Individually, Buckie Holbrook tied for 3rd high.

County Achievement Day

The annual Santa Cruz County 4-H Achievement Day was held on September 21, at the Scout Hall, Nogales. The entire program was a real success with 120 4-H members, parents, and leaders in attendance. The purpose of the Achievement Day Program was to award completion pins, and primarily to honor those 4-H members that have excelled in one or more phases of 4-H Club Work during the year.

The Leaders' Council also makes presentations of clothing awards to those 4-H members that have done well in county and state events. Mrs. Lucille Schock and Mr. E. W. McFarland made these presentations to the deserving girls and boys.

Those receiving County Awards this year were:

Achievement

Rex Haverty
John Schorr
Mary McFarland
Vicky Grennan

Leadership

Ernesto Bejarano

Food Preparation

Sue McFarland
Dora De La Osa

Room Improvement

Sharon Haverty

Meat Animal

Ernesto Bejarano
Glenn Schorr

Poultry

Barbara Noon
Walter Armer, Jr.

Clothing

Linda Urschaltz
Jean Ann Urschaltz

Foley Awards

Jo Ann Belveal
Maureen Sullivan

In addition to the County medals, the following Junior Leaders received Junior Leader pins for the successful completion of their Junior Leadership projects: Rex Haverty, Glenn Schorr, Walter Armer, Jr., Ernesto Bejarano, Kenneth Holbrook, Aurelio Leon, Antonio Leon, John Kolbe and Linda Urschaltz.

4-H ACTIVITIES (continued)

County Judging and Demonstration Day

The County Judging and Demonstration Day was held on May 11, at the Scout Hall, Nogales. The purpose of this day was to judge the various demonstrations in Home Economics and Agriculture, and select those that were to attend Roundup in the demonstration field. There was also judging work in Home Economics to select judging team members for Roundup.

Mr. Walter Armer assisted the Agent in judging of the Agricultural demonstrations, while Miss Sarah Harman, Assistant State 4-H Club Leader, and Miss Peggy Putnam, Home Agent-at-Large for the Extension Service, were official judges for the Home Economics events. There were 5 Agricultural entries and 24 Home Economics judging entries, plus 21 Home Economics demonstration entries.

4-H Roundup

As a result of the County Judging and Demonstration Day and numerous county-wide and local livestock workouts, nineteen 4-H members were sent to State 4-H Roundup which was held on the campus of the University of Arizona at Tucson. As is customary in Santa Cruz County, the Leaders' Council paid the entire cost of the 19 delegates to Roundup. One leader, Mrs. R. Van Gorder, accompanied the delegation.

As a result of State-wide competition at Roundup, Santa Cruz County's teams and individuals placed as follows:

Senior Livestock Judging - 10th

Junior Livestock Judging - 5th; Mary McFarland, 12th,
dually individually

Senior Dairy Judging - 6th; Glenn Schorr, 9th,
individually

The only talent entry from Santa Cruz County, Kurt Steffans, received a white ribbon for his piano solo.

In Senior Poultry Showmanship, Walter Armer, Jr., received a blue ribbon and placed 2nd, one point out of first.

4-H ACTIVITIES (continued)

4-H Roundup (continued)

In Junior Poultry Showmanship, Barbara Noon received a blue ribbon and placed 1st.

In Senior Beef Showmanship, the team of John Kolbe and Antonio Leon received a red ribbon and placed 5th as a team. The over-all competition in Beef Showmanship was extremely close with only a few points separating the top six teams.

In the demonstration contests, Santa Cruz County fared as follows:

Junior Individual Insect Demonstration

John Rye, red ribbon and 3rd place

Junior Individual Livestock Demonstration

Norma Bejarano, red ribbon and 2nd place

Senior Individual Livestock Demonstration

Ernest Bejarano, white ribbon and 4th place

Junior Individual - Clothing Demonstration

Lilly Padilla - Red ribbon

Junior Individual - Food Preparation Demonstration

Sue Van Gorder, white ribbon

Junior Team - Food Preparation Demonstration

Dora De La Osa, Vicky Grennan, red ribbon

Senior Individual - Clothing Demonstration

Linda Urschaltz, red ribbon

Senior Team - Food Preparation Demonstration

Sue McFarland, Mary McFarland, red ribbon

4-H ACTIVITIES (continued)

4-H Summer Camp

The first Tri-County 4-H Summer Camp was held July 28 - August 3, 1957, at Pinery Canyon in the Chiricahua Mountains. The three counties represented were Pima, Pinal and Santa Cruz. Santa Cruz County sent 19 delegates to Summer Camp.

Besides Extension personnel, the Santa Cruz County delegation to camp included: Lila Bentley, Larry Cornwall, Rusty Cornwall, Sharon Everhart, Sue Van Gorder, Sharon Haverty, Bertha Jimenez, Margaret Jimenez, Mary Lou Jimenez, Patty Maloney, J. L. Monzingo, John Schorr, Frank Alegria, Fred Alegria, Ernesto Bejarano, Raul Bejarano, Albert Gastelum, Rosalino Vega, and Jeff Williams.

The camp was planned on some education and lots of fun and recreation. As the members registered, they were assigned to one of four Indian tribes: the Apache, the Navajo, the Yaqui, and the Hopi. Each tribe elected a Sagamore who led the tribe for the week. All activities during the week were on a competitive basis -- tribe against tribe! Points were awarded each tribe for all activities. The Navajo was the winning tribe this year followed by the Yaqui, Apache, and Hopi. The fifth tribe, Blackfeet, was composed of leaders and Extension Agents. They came in last in point standings.

The variety of classes, crafts and activities was enjoyed by all club members. This Summer Camp was very successful and next year's is anticipated to be bigger and better.

OUTLOOK and RECOMMENDATIONS

Possibilities for expansion of the 4-H Club Program in the rural areas of the county are slim. This because each rural area at present is serviced by one or more 4-H Clubs. With the new addition of the Amado Club (Santa Rita Clovers), under the leadership of Mr. Tom Noonan, all of the communities in the county have active 4-H clubs. The Nogales area could probably support some more clubs, Home Economics in particular. Many of the 4-H members are 1st and 2nd year members who will continue their work and new members will be added, so the county 4-H program will expand.

The Leaders' Council continues as the advisory and formulating body for a 4-H Club program in the county. It is felt that under the leadership of Mr. E. W. McFarland, new chairman, that the Council will continue to improve. The Council has always been a strong, independent group with only the benefit of the 4-H members in mind. This type organization is essential in Santa Cruz County, as Extension personnel cannot devote the necessary time in the county to do much of the necessary work. Therefore, the Council assumes many of these responsibilities. This is a healthy situation as the 4-H program is always the primary thought of the Council.

Leadership has often been a problem in the county, though it is now felt that this has been alleviated. As far as quality of leadership and interest of leaders, this has never been a problem. The major problem that, on occasion, has arisen has been one of replacing a departed leader. At present all county clubs have the benefit of one or more leaders, so this problem is, at present, not prevalent.

In summary -- because of the outstanding 4-H club program in the county and the interest and cooperation of all leaders, parents, and community peoples, Santa Cruz County is deserving of a full-time County Agent to fulfill their growing needs.