Ionia County

Dairy Goat Project
Record Book

Name: __________________________
Address: _______________________
4-H Club: _______________________ 
4-H Leader: _____________________
Age (as of 1/1): ________________ Year in Goat Project: ________________

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Why Keep Records?

- Members learn more about their project animals - costs, feed, health and management skills.
- Documents activities and progress in the project.
- Improves management and production practices.
- Helps plan future projects.

Keep this record as part of your Personal 4-H Records.
This information is helpful in applying for 4-H awards and scholarships.
Remember - records are no better than what YOU put into them!

Leader's Comments:

_________________________________________________________________

_________________________________________________________________

_________________________________________________________________

Goat Leader's Signature: __________________________

Extra Credit for my Goat Project?

An outstanding 4-H project record is one that goes above and beyond what is expected. Be creative!

- A completed record book should have a beginning and final photograph. You are encouraged to be in the photo with your project animal(s) and to include more photographs. Include captions. You may use additional pages.

- Write a report on a related topic of at least one page:
  Proper Care and Nutrition; Selection; Animal Science; Safe Management Practices or Diagram of Farm Set-up; Veterinary Science; Food Products (such as sample “healthy” recipes); Judging, etc.

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Goat Project Summary

Each member must complete core pages 3-7
AND at least one supplemental diagram based on the type of goat(s) in your project.

Number of project meetings held _______________ Number I attended ____________

I gave _______ project talks or demonstrations.

Topics were: ________________________________________________________________

_________________________________________________________________________

_________________________________________________________________________

Have you participated in goat activities?  Yes___ No___

If YES, list the activities, goat shows, fairs or related programs attended: __________

_________________________________________________________________________

_________________________________________________________________________

_________________________________________________________________________

Number of goats in my herd _________________

List by name and age

_________________________________________________________________________

_________________________________________________________________________

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What are your goals for this year’s goat project? ________________________________

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Be Creative. The more photographs, the better! You are encouraged to be in the photo with your Goat project animal(s). You should also include captions on your pictures that at least include the date of the photograph. You may use additional pages.
Feeding Program

Number of goats in herd_________
Water (Estimate how much per day) ____________________________
Pasture (Dimensions and what kind of grasses) ____________________
Hay (How many flakes per day?) ______________ 1st or 2nd cutting? _______
Grain (How many pounds or cups per day?) ______________
Ingredients in your grain mix ________________________________
Salt (block or loose)_____________________
Trace mineral supplements (estimate how much per day)______________
Is there selenium in your mineral mix? ______________
(In Michigan, goats need extra selenium to prevent white muscle disease)
Other supplements/nutritional treats ________________________________

Health Record

Hoof Care
List dates for current year

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Medication or Shots
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# Show and Award Record

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## Caprine Questions

1. What two things should you consider when buying a goat?

2. What should your mineral mix contain?

3. What is the average temperature, pulse rate and respiration rate of a goat?

4. Name five goat products.

5. Name five pieces of equipment needed to care for goats and their use.

6. Name five breeds of goats and their primary use.
Project Survey

1. What were the three most important things you learned this year about goats?

2. What are your goals for your project next year?

Goat Project Diary

List below the interesting things you did with your goat, learned about your goat or write a story or poem about your goat.
Individual Goat Records
(Copy this page as needed to include each goat that you are exhibiting)

Registered Name: ____________________  Registration Number: __________
Barn/Herd Name: ____________________  Breed: ____________________
Date of Birth: ________________________  Color: ____________________
(Check) ___Doe ___ Wether ___Buck born after April 1 of current year
(Check) ___ Disbudded ___ Naturally polled
Tattoo Information:  Right ear: __________  Left ear: __________
Ear Tag Number: ____________________  Microchip Number: __________
Use: (check all that apply)  ___ Showing  ___ Breeding  ___ Milk  ___ Meat  ___ Pet
(Check) ___ This goat is a kid ___ This goat is a dry yearling ___ This goat is a wether
___ This goat has freshened ________ date ________ # does ________ # bucks
Previous freshening dates ________ date ________ days milked
________________ date ________ days milked
Weight at Fair time __________ actual or __________ calculated from heart girth.

** Repeat the pattern above. **
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Supplemental Diagram

Identifying Parts of a Dairy Goat

(Include this page if you are showing a Dairy Goat.)


1. _______  14. _______  27. _______  39. _______
2. _______  15. _______  28. _______  40. _______
3. _______  16. _______  29. _______  41. _______
4. _______  17. _______  30. _______  42. _______
5. _______  18. _______  31. _______  43. _______
6. _______  19. _______  32. _______  44. _______
7. _______  20. _______  33. _______  45. _______
8. _______  21. _______  34. _______  46. _______
9. _______  22. _______  35. _______  47. _______
10. _______  23. _______  36. _______  48. _______
11. _______  24. _______  37. _______  49. _______
12. _______  25. _______  38. _______  50. _______
13. _______  26. _______
Supplemental Diagram

Identifying Parts of a Pygmy Goat
(Include this page if you are showing a Pygmy Goat.)


1. _______   14. _______   27. _______   40. _______
2. _______   15. _______   28. _______   41. _______
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13. _______  26. _______   39. _______   52. _______
Character

Please answer the following questions according to your assigned age category: Beginners-question 1; Intermediate-questions 1-2; Advance-questions 1-3. Additional pages may be attached as needed.

1. Integrity is always following a code of ethics. List three characteristics an exhibitor with integrity would display at a show or livestock event.

2. What are the six pillars of character? Give an example of how each can be applied to raising or showing livestock.

3. An animal’s conformation does not meet what the judge is looking for at the show. Describe one ethical and one unethical practice that could be used to affect the animal’s conformation.
# My 4-H Dairy Goat Project Record Book Score Sheet

4-H Member: 

4-H Club: 

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**TOTAL POINTS**
A: 90 - 100, B: 80 - 89, C: 65 - 79

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