



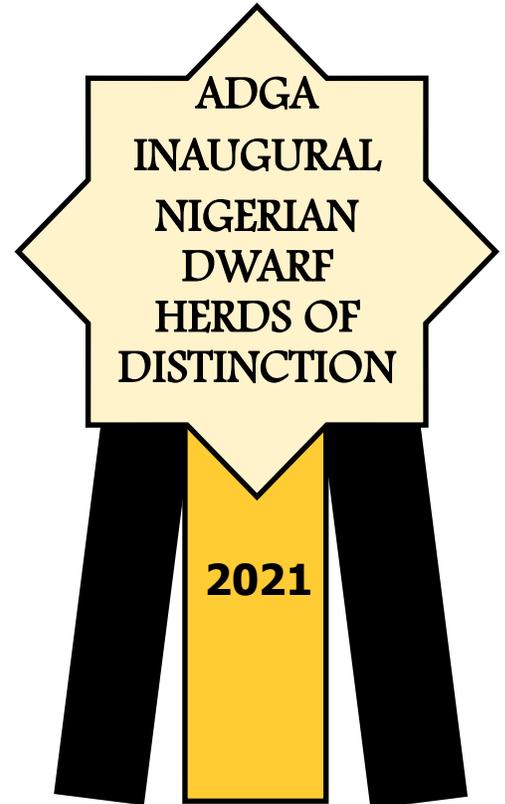
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Sportsmanship, to me, is...

By ADGA Youth

Being supportive of who wins and not be a sore loser. Yes it is a competition, but more than that we are friends; dairy goat people need to support each other.—Baylee N.

Showing a good attitude to younger kids that might look up to you. If showing a bad attitude it reflects on them and continues to reflect on other kids and ruins their day.—Leslie O.

Winning, and other people being happy for me.—Kolton S.

Playing well and the way you treat people.—Daphne B.

Keeping a good attitude through the whole experience and creating an atmosphere for everyone involved. -Victoria L.

Being humble with the judges opinion. Listen to reasons and don't get mad.—Tucker S.

Being a good team player and happy for those who win even if it isn't you. We are all working toward the same goal. Katie B.

I had to pull a doe today because I got Grand yesterday; I want other people to have a chance to get a dry leg.—Cadence S.

Don't brag when you win and if you lose, don't be a sore loser.—Jared D.

It's not bad when someone else gets Grand; don't get upset when someone else gets something you wanted. There is no reason to throw a fit if you lose because you'll get better over time. I have pulled a junior doe I wanted to show because I won Grand and I didn't want to take away a win from another kid. -Kelsey S.

Not getting mad when someone else wins or beats you.—Grace B.

Showing compassion and being courteous to your peers, and always turning a loss into a learning experience. -Kristin L.

People on the sidelines helping you show a goat when you need it. Or when you loose not being a sore loser.—Samuel P.

Being courteous to other exhibitors and congratulate them when they win. Being willing to help even if it is your competitor.—Brandy R.

Helping others with what they need help with. -Brooke B.

Being kind and congratulating people. Not being mad if you lost. Not be rude or upset. -Kimber B.

Being nice and having a good attitude.—Kaleb M.

AGS Nationals—June 2-6

The Midwest Caprine Collective is Happy to Host the, 2021 AGS NATIONAL SHOW in Sedalia Missouri June 2-6,2021. June 3rd is our 1 day milk test, June 4th is the Youth AGS National Show with Judge Will Keech. June 5th is the 2021 AGS National Show with Judge Kris Fraley. The ANDDA Specialty is also in conjunction with our AGS National show. Following the AGS national show we will have the start of our 2 dual sanctioned shows with bucks showing Saturday night and does showing Sunday June 6th starting at 8am. Show 1 Judge is Kay Kimmel and Show 2 Judge is Will Keech.

Early entries end Thursday May 28th and late entries start May 29th. National youth show entries are \$5/goat that price will not change. Ags national show entries are \$10/goat early entry and \$20/goat late entry. Midwest open shows are \$6/goat early entry and \$10/goat late entry. Pens are \$8/pen early entry and \$10/pen late entry. No more entries will be taken after 6/1/21 at 5pm. Please enter online at showman.app. The link is below.

https://showman.app/shows?fbclid=IwAR0L7opQo6mp1lt6KkMRaesuAHW2PZipg3saU3eU5P7vOjhF2J_3U2_2jyA#/ags-national-show-midwest-dairy-open-show

ADGA Nationals— July 17-23

Entries for ADGA National Show 2021 in Louisville, Kentucky open Tuesday, June 1 at 8:00 am Eastern and run through July 2. Instructions are available now: <https://nationalshow.adga.org/entry-form>

The “Blue Ribbon Fair Management” program will be used this year and all **entries will be made online only**. Early release and camping in the barn must be indicated at time of entry. Once an entry is submitted online, **you cannot access it for changes** so please make sure your entries are correct before submission. Limit 3 substitutions at check in. On-site registration paper check-in (not vet check) with substitutions must be prior to 4:00 pm on Saturday, July 17. Final registration paper check in closes at 9:00 pm.

Live streaming is available from the ADGA Information Management Team. Details will be provided prior to the show.

Youth Embedded Show Rules for National Show are posted, including the required permissions form, here: <https://go.adga.org/34yCemF>

A silent auction will be held July 18. Bidding begins at noon Eastern Time and closes at 3:00 pm Eastern Time. Silent auction animal photos and pedigrees can be seen here: <https://nationalshow.adga.org/silent-auction/>

Hoof Trimming Basics

By Vicki Bennett Russell

I dig out all of the dirt first. Then I begin trimming (I use a box blade, most use shears of some sort. It is a personal decision on what to use, but the box blade takes a LOT of practice and I would HIGHLY recommend using cut resistant gloves when using the box blade.)

After assessing the hoof and how the goat stands on the hoof, I start by trimming off any over growth.

Once that is done, I then start working on the shape. In most instances, the toe of the hoof needs more taken off than the heel. I trim until I see pink, always keeping the shape I want in the back of my mind.

Your end result should be a nicely squared hoof in which the bottom of the hoof is parallel to the hoof's hairline or the coronary band.

Please keep in mind, this end result can sometime take weeks or months depending on the condition of the hoof before trimming.



ADGA Youth Convention Contest Themes Announced

The ADGA Youth annual contests are during the ADGA Annual Convention. Cash and recognition in ADGA's Quarterly Newsletter are rewards for contest winners.

The contests are open to any youth who is a Youth Member, a Regular Member, part of a family or joint membership or the child of an ADGA Member may participate in this contest. You do not need to be at the Annual Convention to enter or to win.

What Are The Age Divisions? (Your age as of August 31, 2021)

- a. Junior – 10 yrs of age and under
- b. Intermediate I – 11-13 yrs of age
- c. Intermediate II -14-16 yrs of age
- d. Senior – 17-20 yrs of age

Photo Submission Guidelines

1. The photo submitted MUST have been taken by the youth member. Only one photo may be submitted from each youth participant.
2. Photos must have been taken between Sept 1, 2020 and August 31, 2021.
3. Photos must be submitted electronically to the ADGA office in a JPG or PNG format.
4. The image size must be at least 800 x 600 pixels.

Photo Theme: Social Distancing With Your Goat

Essay Submission Guidelines

1. The essay must have been written by the youth member between September 1, 2020 and August 31, 2021.
2. The essay must be between 500 – 750 words.
3. The essay must be double spaced, typed with the pages numbered, and single-sided.
4. The essay must include these five parts:
 - a. Purpose or Main idea
 - b. Title
 - c. Introduction
 - d. Body of information
 - e. Conclusion

Essay Theme: How have your goats helped you through difficult and stressful times?

Showmanship Question of the Month:

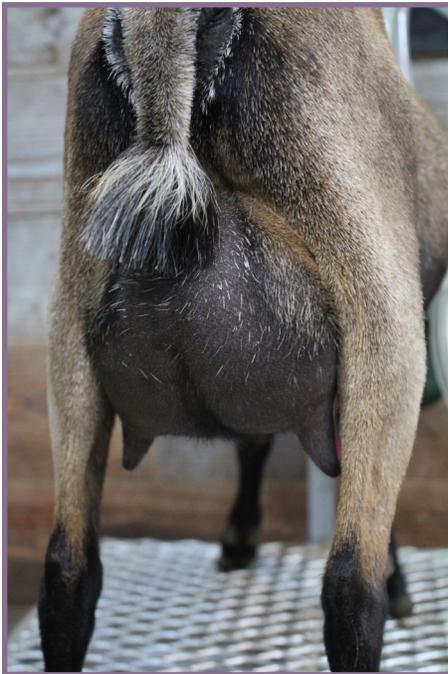
In Showmanship class, how many points are awarded on the Appearance of the Exhibitor?

Post your answers on the ANDDA Discussion page!

Udder Clipping—Step by Step

Michalah Othniel [KidCo Nigerians](#)

1 You need a goat with a hairy udder, my volunteer for today is my little yearling first freshener, KidCo TA Witch Hazel.



2 Next up, clippers. I have a Wahl KM10, but there are plenty of good clippers out there. I use a 40 blade, make sure it is clean, and oiled before you start.



3 Get to work! I clip against the grain, because I find I get a closer clip that way. If you are clipping an empty doe, make sure to stretch her udder skin taught as you go to avoid getting it caught in the clippers. OUCH!

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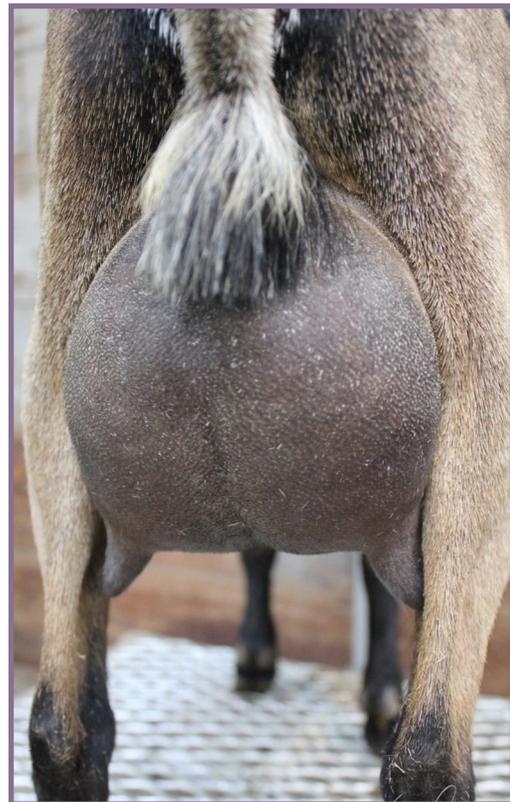
4 Clip a nice and symmetrical (hopefully) halo slightly above where the rear udder naturally sits, the idea is to give everyone the ability to see those attachments. Some people like a halo that sits well above the udder, but I prefer to keep it pretty close to the actual udder.



5 Now you move on to the halo that's going to show off that pretty fore. This is where you will learn to appreciate a nice smooth fore, because the smoother that fore is, the easier this job is. There are a lot of variations in the size of this halo too, but this is my preference.

6 Mission Complete! This is where I stop for most shows. If you want an even cleaner look, the next step would be to whip out the shaving cream and disposable razors.

IT'S TIME TO SHOW!



Yes, you CAN leave the farm!

By Erica Hopkins of twinwillowsfarm.net, thegoatchick.com, twitch.tv/thegoatchick

If you have been raising goats for any length of time, you know how hard it is to leave the farm even for one day.

Goats can require a level of daily care that makes it feel like we cannot afford to take time off for fear of something bad happening while we are gone. Here are some tips and suggestions for hiring competent helpers so that you CAN step away for a day, or longer, and feel comfortable about doing so.

First, you need to find the person that will fill this position, but where? Your neighbors are an obvious choice, as it is most convenient to have the person nearby. If you don't have that kind of relationship with your neighbors, reach out to your friends and coworkers and their teenage children. You might also contact your local 4H office or FFA chapter to ask for recommendations.

As a last resort, I have posted on Social Media and conducted interviews for the job. When interviewing, be honest about your expectations of them, and what the job entails. The goal is to build a mutually beneficial relationship with your helpers. I prefer to keep two people on call who can rotate responsibilities or fill in for each other should schedules conflict. Whomever you choose as your helper, they should have reliable transportation, and be responsible and emotionally mature. They don't necessarily have to have farm experience, but they do have to have both the ability and the desire to learn from you.

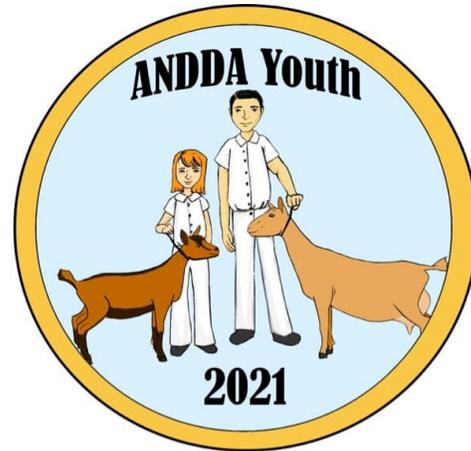
After you have found your helpers, the training begins. I pay my helpers during training and I pay them well. The more

training you do before you step away, the better the outcome. Start the training by having the person shadow you while you complete your daily chores. Show them around your operation and have them meet the animals they will be caring for. Introduce the goats to them by name and point out distinguishing characteristics for identifying one goat from another. Allow them to become comfortable with the spaces they will be working in and how all gates, hydrants and equipment are operated. Have them practice moving does from stalls to the milk parlor and back again. Show them what a healthy, happy goat looks like and how to spot a sick goat. Gradually, give the helpers more and more hands-on experiences. Teach them how to hand milk, even if you use a machine. Let them set up the lambar and break it down again and clean it. Eventually, you will be shadowing them and providing guidance while they complete the daily chores. When everyone is feeling comfortable, have them over a few times to chore unassisted, while you make yourself scarce but remain nearby. They will be in charge but will still have a safety net if they become confused or unsure. As a bonus, YOU can finally get the dishes done or watch the latest episode of *A Handmaid's Tale*!

So now, your trip is planned, and your helpers will be covering for you at the farm. At first, you may only feel comfortable leaving for part of one day, and that's okay. As your helpers gain

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experience, you will feel more confident leaving them in charge, and eventually they will become like family. Make sure you leave a detailed list of chores and chore times, as well as any impromptu needs that come up on the day. Leave your contact information as well as emergency and vet numbers in a prominent location and be confident that you have trained your helpers to deal with any situation that could arise. Now GO!

2021 BOARD OF DIRECTOR ELECTIONS

The following members are running for the open American Nigerian Dwarf Dairy Goat Board positions:

Vice President:

Jane Bailey, Andover Meadows

Western District:

Melanie Coward Bohren, Sugarbeet Farm

Jen Dionisio, 7R Sisters

Julie Lane, Celtic Pride

Eastern District:

Barbara Whitaker Brown, Atwood Acres

Elizabeth Hobby-Wicker, Hobbycroft

Logan Meyer, Freedom Star

Please make sure your email is correct; you will receive an electronic ballot email after June 15.

Wagon Milk Stand

By Kristen Lovitt, [Lovitts Mini Farm](#)

Someone had posted a picture on Facebook of their show milk stand, and it was a garden wagon with a head stand attached. I decided that was the one for me. I can use it to tote supplies to the show, and then use it as my milk stand.

I purchased a garden wagon from Tractor Supply, ordered wheel stops from Amazon, and a head stand from Premier 1. I also purchased Nite Ize Original Gear Tie, a rubber twist tie also from Amazon, but I've seen them at TSC as well.



My wagon has removable sides.

I bought four wheel stops, and put them on one front wheel and one back wheel. This way my stand won't roll away while milking or while the girls jump on and off.

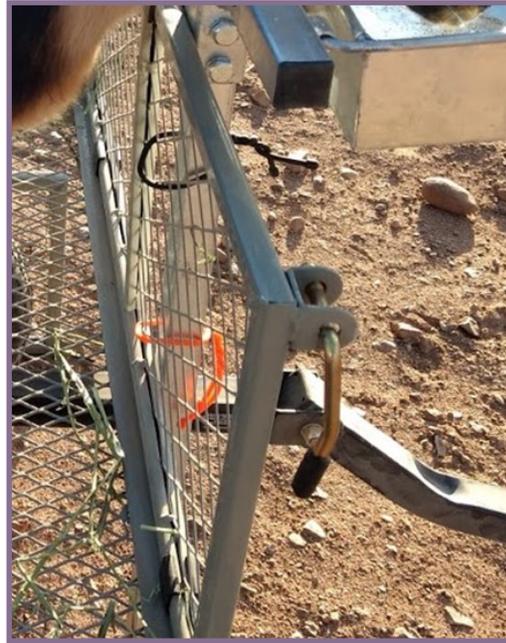
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I attach the head stand with the twist ties.



And here is my lovely assistant Honey Bee showing it all put together. She's 8 weeks old in this photo, so you can see there is plenty of room for a senior doe.



Recipe of the Month

Homemade Garlic Alfredo Sauce

By: Dawn Robnett, [Mesquite Valley Farm](#)

Yield: 2 cups

Total Time: 15 minutes

This homemade Alfredo Sauce has been adapted from a few recipes I've come across and tweaked to include Chevre cheese and goat milk. It's really delicious and simple to make. Of course, you will need fresh homemade Chevre cheese at the ready. I hope you enjoy this as much as we do!

INGREDIENTS

- 2 tablespoons butter
- 3 cloves garlic, finely minced or pressed
- 4 ounces fresh Chevre cheese *see notes
- 1 cup goat's milk
- 1 ½ cups (6 oz) grated Parmesan cheese
- ½ teaspoon salt, adjust to taste, if needed
- ¼ teaspoon pepper (use white if you want a completely white sauce)

INSTRUCTIONS

1. In a medium-sized pot or skillet, melt the butter over medium heat. Add garlic and cook for a few minutes. Make sure you stir constantly so garlic does not burn.
2. Add the Chevre cheese and chop and stir until melted into butter and garlic and is smooth.
3. Add the milk gradually, about ¼ cup at a time while constantly stirring until each addition is incorporated fully into the sauce. Stir in the Parmesan cheese, salt, and pepper. Stir until cheese is melted.
4. For a thicker sauce cook for an additional 3-4 minutes or remove right after the cheese has melted for a thinner sauce. Serve immediately over hot, cooked noodles.

NOTES:

- You can substitute Chevre cheese with cream cheese. Cream cheese will need to be softened and cut into smaller pieces to melt more easily.
- Add diced cooked chicken seasoned with Italian seasonings to make this a meal.

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