



# 25<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL ANIMALOLOGY PROGRAM

Saturday, January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Registration Starts at 8:45am



Sponsored by: Ocean County Board of Agriculture, Farm Bureau, & Ocean County 4-H Association

## Registration (DUE Jan. 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018)

1. **New this year!** Members will sign up as individuals. Club members should still arrive wearing their Club t-shirt/sweatshirt. Also bring a sharpened pencil and a clipboard!
2. Competitors will be divided - Junior Division (Grades 4-8) and a Senior Division (Grades 9-13), and teams will be drawn at 9:15am, Jan. 27<sup>th</sup>. Members must be present in order to be placed on a team.
3. On the day of the event, registration will be available 8:45 – 9:15am. **Late arrivals will not be able to participate.**
4. Packets will be given out after teams are set and team names have been chosen. The adult volunteers listed on the registration form should also be present to receive their instructions and placement.
5. Delicious food and drink will be available for purchase, but you are welcome to bring your own as well. All proceeds benefit the Ocean County 4-H Association.

## Preparation Procedure

1. 4-H Staff will choose 7-9 presentation boards from those submitted by club members, past and present.
2. Using the boards, a 10-question study worksheet will be created for each board
3. The packet of study worksheets will be given to each team after teams are set.
4. Teams will be given a predetermined amount of time to view the presentation boards and complete the study worksheets. While viewing the boards and studying, talking softly is allowed but respectful behavior expected.
5. After viewing the boards and completing the study worksheets, teams will be given time to study.

## Competition Procedure

1. Competition brackets will be randomly selected prior to the first round of competition.
2. Two teams will compete at a time with each team member given their own buzzer.
3. After a question is read in full by the moderator, the first person to buzz will be given 10 seconds to answer the question.
  - If the question is answered correctly, the individual and the team are awarded 2 points.
  - If the question is answered incorrectly, no points are awarded to the answering team. The opposing team is now given an opportunity to “steal” the question and provide an answer.
  - If the “steal” is answered correctly, the individual and the team are awarded 1 point.
  - If the “steal” is answered incorrectly, no points are awarded.
4. Judges have a right to confer after an answer is given, and decide if the answer is correct.  
**The judge’s decision is final.**
5. Each round will contain:
  - 1 on 1 Questions – Only one member of each team is eligible to buzz and answer.
  - Toss Up Questions – All team members are eligible to buzz and answer.
  - 1 Bonus Question – The team to correctly answer the last Toss Up Question will be able to confer and answer a related bonus question. This question is usually more difficult so the team will be given 15 seconds to confer before answering. Points for bonus questions are only applied to the team score.

## Scoring

1. The team with the most points at the end of the round is considered the winning team and competes in the next round against the next available winning team. The losing team competes against the next available losing team.
2. Teams will play until their team standing is determined.
3. At the end of competition, awards will be given in both division to the top 4 teams and to the 10 individuals with the highest scores.

## Adult Volunteers, Coaches, Parents and Families

All are encouraged to attend this event and support our amazing 4-H club members! We need adult volunteers to help with a variety of tasks on the day of the event, so be sure to sign up on the registration form. Thank you!



## *STEPS TO CREATING A SUCCESSFUL ANIMATOLOGY BOARD*



### AS A CLUB:

1. **Choose a topic** that is:

- **Interesting** to your club members
- **Narrow** enough to make researching the topic easy and enjoyable
- **Wide** enough to inspire creativity and make creating study questions easier **For Example:**

The topic of “Birds” may be so wide that it is difficult for members to organize their research.

The topic of “Birds that eat sunflower seeds” may be too narrow to be interesting to the club. The topic of “NJ Birds of Prey” or “Shore Birds of NJ” could be the perfect balance.

2. **Divide the topic into research areas** that each participating member can focus on. Help each other **identify reputable research sources**. As much as possible, a board should have the most accurate information available.

**For Example:**

- Club members could split up researching Shore Birds of NJ into: most common species, range and migration seasons, where to see them in Ocean County, food sources, and nesting/eggs
- Reputable information sources: Reference books and encyclopedia, birding books, the internet (use with caution!), your uncle the birdwatcher, your aunt the ornithology professor, a librarian or teacher.

3. Acquire a light-weight tri-fold display and **create your presentation board**.

Be sure your board includes:

- A clear title (preferably in the top/center of your board)
- Your club’s name written on the back
- Pictures and visuals!
- Clearly organized information (typed or neatly handwritten)

**Remember:** Club members may only have approximately 5 minutes to review your board, so choose enough information to cover your topic, but not so much information that you overwhelm other participants.

4. Drop off your board at the 4-H Office by **Friday, Jan. 12, 2018**.

Contact the office at [ferrie@njaes.rutgers.edu](mailto:ferrie@njaes.rutgers.edu) or 732-349-1227 with any questions

**GOOD LUCK AND HAVE FUN!**

