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**4 - H CLUB
CROP
RECORD BOOK**



"To Make the Best Better"

Name of Member -----
Address ----- Zip Code ----- R.F.D. No. ----- Box -----
Kind of Project ----- Year -----
Name of 4-H Club -----
Name of County -----

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EXTENSION DIVISION
VIRGINIA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE

Club Project

The purpose of crop projects is to teach 4-H Club members, their parents, and others improved practices through demonstrations. The 4-H Club member learns by doing and teaches others through the results of his demonstration.

It is suggested that every club member have a business agreement with his parents or guardian regarding the rent he is to pay or part of the crop he is to receive. He should either be a partner with his parent or he should pay a reasonable rent for his land. This encourages ownership, stimulates interest of the member, and teaches business practices.

Each crop club member is required to conduct a definite demonstration in some crop project and follow the instructions of the Extension Agent. The demonstration should teach one or more of the best methods of growing and handling the crop; proper use of fertilizer, value of good seed, proper cultivation, harvesting, storing, or marketing. He is also required to keep a complete record in this book of expenditures, yields, receipts, and other data relating to his demonstration and to send same to the Extension Agent when called for. Each club member should increase the size of his demonstration from year to year according to his ability to handle a larger acreage. If possible, he should develop a rotation of different crops.

The minimum acreage for beginners in some of the common crops, such as corn, cotton, peanuts, soybeans, peas, small grain, and grasses, is one acre; tobacco, one-tenth acre. Tomatoes, Irish potatoes, sweet potatoes, and other truck crops, a minimum of 1,000 square feet.

Name of club leader _____

Kind of crop _____ Year _____

Number of acres _____

Was soil test made? _____

Variety of seed _____

Did you test your seed? _____ Date planted _____

Seed Amount _____ Lbs. Cost \$ _____

Lime Amount _____ Tons Cost \$ _____

Weed Control Chemical – Kind _____ Cost \$ _____

Spraying for Diseases and Insects _____ Cost \$ _____

Fertilizer Record

Date Applied	Barnyard Manure (Charge \$2 for each spreader load)			Cost or value	
				Dollars	Cts.
			TOTAL		
	Commercial fertilizer	Pounds	Kind (Analysis on bag)		
			TOTAL		

Hired Labor, Tractor and Team Cost

Keep a record of cost of team, tractor and hired labor on this page. Suggested costs for services: horse—40 cents per horse per hour; tractor—\$1.50* per hour if owned and actual cost if hired. Do not enter club worker's time on this page.

Date	Kind of Work Done	Hours Tractor or Team Worked	Cost of Tractor or Team	Hours Hired Labor	Cost of Hired Help
Total			\$	\$	\$

* This cost is for tractor and any other equipment except harvesting equipment. For harvesting, charge per acre \$7.50 for combining, \$9.00 for picking and \$11.00 for picking and shelling or custom charge.

Financial Statement

Number of acres -----

Total yield in bushels or pounds (grain, potatoes, peanuts, etc.) -----

Total yield in tons (hay or forage) -----

Expenses

Rent (reasonable rent should be charged) ----- \$ -----

Cost of seed (page 1) ----- \$ -----

Cost of manure (page 1) ----- \$ -----

Cost of lime (page 1) ----- \$ -----

Cost of fertilizer (page 1) ----- \$ -----

Cost of spraying for disease and insects (page 1) ----- \$ -----

Cost of weed control chemical (page 1) ----- \$ -----

Cost of team, tractor and machinery (page 2) ----- \$ -----

Cost of hired help (page 2) ----- \$ -----

Other expense ----- \$ -----

Total expenses ----- \$ -----

Receipts

Value of grain, etc. (yield given top of page) ----- \$ -----

Value of hay or forage (yield given top of page) ----- \$ -----

Other receipts ----- \$ -----

Total receipts ----- \$ -----

Total expenses ----- \$ -----

Labor income or profit ----- \$ -----

Total prizes won ----- \$ -----

Signed -----

Club Member

