**Chronicle of Events**

**June 1**

At Just For Fun Farm (JFFF), they were making room for a delivery of alfalfa hay in a few days. They also trimmed feet on the show goats going to a show on June 7.

At Hopeful Acres (HA), they were getting ready for their annual 4-H club potluck (mowed the lawn, put picnic tables out, etc.). They also got ready to receive alfalfa hay in a few days. Moved goats to new grazing cells. Weaned club kids to get ready for sale to 4-Hers.

The owner of Goin’ Broke Farm (GBF) took 5 market kids and 1 cull doe to an auction yard. He brought home a 2-year-old Kiko-X buck from the auction and turned it out with the herd in hopes of using the buck effect to breed some does out of season so he can have kids year-round for his informal petting zoo. He also brought one of the market kids home from the sale because he wasn’t happy with the price it was going to bring.

**June 2**

At JFFF, they rounded up show supplies and equipment and continued getting ready to go to a show with the show herd in a few days. They called GBF to say the new GBF buck was on JFFF property.

At HA, they got ready for the potluck and hay delivery. Continued selecting market kids for sale and weaning them.

The owner of GBF caught the new buck, returned him to the herd and fixed the fence.

**June 3**

At JFFF, they clipped some goats, got show clothes ready, and continued getting ready to go to a show with the show herd in a few days. They called GBF to tell them their buck was on JFFF property again.

At HA, goats were moved to a new grazing cell.

The owner of GBF caught the new buck, returned him to the herd and fixed the fence. He put a tarp on a hole in hay shed roof. The great-grandchildren came to visit and played with all the animals they could catch.

**June 4**

At JFFF, they got their paperwork in order for the show on June 7 and cleaned and disinfected equipment and tools.

At HA, they set up sandbags along the river to prevent flooding in areas traditionally prone to it. Some flooding did occur that evening -- the bridge between the house and barn washed away. Access to the barn was still possible from the road.

At GBF, there were 2 sick month-old kids. They were severely ill with diarrhea, dehydration and shock. Both were treated with oral electrolytes; one died later that day.

**June 5**

Alfalfa hay purchased through a co-op was delivered first to GBF, then HA and JFFF later the same day. GBF called their veterinarian to examine the second sick kid, but it died before she arrived.

The veterinarian then went to the 4-H club potluck at HA to give a presentation; friends from JFFF also attended the potluck. Everyone went to the barn before and after the potluck. Potluck menu included JFFF goat cheese, HA goat meat, fresh lettuce, and other produce from JFFF garden. HA moved goats to new grazing cells. They were body condition scored and FAMACHA scored. The farm received hay from the co-op delivery.

At JFFF, they worked with the goats getting ready to go the show in a few days and went to the HA potluck. They also received hay from the co-op delivery.

**June 6**

At JFFF, they went through their pre-show to-do list and completed odds and ends needed to be ready for the show.

At HA, they clipped grazing cells where grass was getting too mature before they could be re-grazed.

At GBF, two more sick kids died and were buried in the animal cemetery near the shed. All young animals and some adult animals have diarrhea.

**June 7**

One adult and the 2 oldest children from JFFF left for a show with the show string of dairy goats. The remaining family members mowed grass for hay.

At HA, they moved goats to new grazing cells.

At GBF, the owner and a great-grandchild were both ill with abdominal cramps, nausea and diarrhea.

**June 8**

At JFFF, they raked hay.

At HA, the guard llama developed loose manure. It was placed in the quarantine area.

At GBF, there was widespread diarrhea in the herd. Other great-grandchildren also began to show signs of illness. The sickest one was taken to the doctor.

**June 9**

At JFFF, they raked hay and received delivery of one ton of bagged custom concentrate.

At HA, the youngest kids developed diarrhea and were treated with electrolytes. Goats were moved to new grazing cells.

The great-grandchild from GBF remained in the hospital being treated for dehydration secondary to diarrhea.

**June 10**

JFFF goats returned from the show. The youngest goat kids on the farm and the youngest child who stayed home have diarrhea. They baled hay.

Most of the HA goats have diarrhea.

The great-grandchild was released from the hospital. A public health official visited GBF. Another goat kid died and was sent for necropsy on the advice of the veterinarian.

**June 11**

JFFF also received a visit from a public health official.

At HA, all children and one adult are ill with cramps and diarrhea. They were visited by a public health official. The healthy adult moved goats to new grazing cells.

At GBF, they spent the day answering the phone.