



# THE SCOOP

April 26

## SAVE THE DATE:

April 10-12 \* State BB Gun, Dillon

April 12 \* Animal Quality Assurance Training, Fairgrounds

April 18 \* Small Animal Bootcamp, Fairgrounds

April 19 \* Communication/Demonstration Day

April 20 \* Fair Poster Entries Due

April 25 \* Horse Spring Tune Up, Roberts

April 26 \* Sewing & Cloverbud Project Workshops

April 27-May 1 \* Pick up market swine tags at the Extension Office

May 1 \* Market Sheep & Market Goat weigh/tag, Fairgrounds

May 1 \* Optional Market Swine weigh-in, Fairgrounds

Good Luck to BB Gun project members who are competing at the state shoot!



## Market Sheep/Goat Weigh/Tag Day

4-H & FFA market sheep/goat weigh & tag day is **Friday, May 1 from 5-6:30 pm** at the fairgrounds, Red Lodge. Project members are allowed to tag 2 animals for 4-H and 2 animals for FFA. It is **MANDATORY** that all sheep and goats have a scrapie tag in the ear when they arrive (contact your breeder if you don't have one). FFA members are required to sign a waiver to keep on file at the Extension Office; only one waiver is needed to cover all FFA animals.

## Market Swine Weigh-In (Optional)

Project members who wish to compete in the county **Average Daily Gain Contest** are invited to bring their market hogs to the fairgrounds during sheep/goat weigh-in on May 1. Market swine can be tagged at this time. This is a new award program focusing on feeding and nutrition while earning the most efficient weigh gain in market animals. All 4-H and FFA market animal exhibitors are encouraged to participate. Thank you to Luke Miller for coordinating this contest!

## 4-H Camp

Tri-County 4-H Camp is scheduled for **June 9-12** in Nye. This fun event includes 4-H members and teen leaders from Carbon, Stillwater and Yellowstone counties. There are lots of fun activities and workshops planned as well as the ever-popular dance and campfire gatherings. The 4-H Council pays \$100 of the registration fee. Registration is included with this newsletter email and is available on ZSuite.

## Carbon County 4-H

Carbon County Extension Office - PO Box 230 - 202 State Street - Joliet, MT 59041 - 406.962.3522

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## Market Swine Tag Pickup

4-H & FFA market swine exhibitors must pick up swine ear tags at the Extension Office the week of April 27-May 1 from 8 am - 5 pm at the Extension Office, 202 State Street, Joliet. Only family members are allowed to pick up tags for exhibitors. Swine tags will also be available at sheep/goat weigh-in. Each FFA member exhibiting an animal at the fair is required to have a signed waiver on file at the Extension Office. Only one waiver is required per exhibitor (not per animal species).

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## 4-H Communication/Demonstration Day

This is your chance to fulfill your club demonstration requirements! **April 19** is communication and demonstration day at the Extension Office. Categories include demonstrations, speech, short take, video, job interview, commercial, promotional and illustrated talk. Winners may qualify to represent Carbon County at 4-H Congress in July! Registration is available on ZSuite under the Newsletters tab.

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## Small Animal Boot Camp

Dog, Cat, Pocket Pet, Poultry and Rabbit project members-do you want to learn more about your small animal project? Small Animal Boot Camp will be at the fairgrounds in Red Lodge on **Saturday, April 18 from 8 am - 5 pm**. Cost is \$40 and includes lunch. Register under Events in ZSuite.

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## Animal Quality Assurance Training

Final training is **April 12 @ 4 pm** at the fairgrounds in Red Lodge. \*The following 4-H members need this **MANDATORY** training:

Faye & Edie Brackett, Bri Beekman, Linley Day, Aurora Dillingham, Hansel & Sullivan Fosness, Annabelle Fournier, Piper Heyliger, Preston & Eli Johnson, Riley Maharrey, Benny Matlick, Harper Millman, Shay Morgan, Branson & Brooklyn Murphy, Tate & Everett Oren, James Patterson, Brett & Katie Petersen, Mallory Pike, Ireland Ramey, Montanna Reynaert, Emma Sticka, Alex Strahan and Brock Sweeney.

\*FFA members, contact the Extension Office to confirm your QA status.

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## Fair Poster Contest

The Carbon County Fair Board is sponsoring a fair poster/fair book cover contest for the 2026 Carbon County Fair - cash prize for the winning submission! **Keira Birrer** submitted the winning fair theme "**Blue Ribbons and Big Skies**". Use this theme and create an 8½ x 11 original, colored poster (portrait/vertical orientation) to be used to promote the fair. **FFA & 4-H** must be included on the poster as well as the fair dates (July 20-25, 2026). Poster must be original...no computer-generated art or font. Entries are due to the Extension Office by 4:00 pm on **April 20**.

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### Mark Your Calendars

4-H Camp Registration Due  
May 8

Livestock Bootcamp  
May 22-23, Columbus

Livestock Judging Camp  
May 28-30, Red Lodge



Horse Spring Tune Up  
Saturday, April 25 from 1:30-3:30 pm  
10 Pelto Lane, Roberts

This is a great way for you and your horse to dust off the  
winter cobwebs!

Horse packets will be available for pickup after April 6.

# Small Animal Bootcamp

*Calling all Small Animal project members! Join us for a day packed full of education and hands-on showmanship opportunities. We will have stations covering rabbit, poultry, dog, cat, and pocket pets!*

**WHEN**

**April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

**WHERE**

**Carbon County  
Fairgrounds**

Red Lodge, MT

**TIME**

**8 AM – 5 PM**

**QUESTIONS?**

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**Register via ZSUITE March 16<sup>th</sup> – April 13<sup>th</sup>**





# LIVESTOCK BOOTCAMP

**MAY 22ND & 23RD, 2026**



**STILLWATER COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS**

16 SHEEP DIP ROAD COLUMBUS, MT 59019

**REGISTER ON ZSUITE!**

**REGISTRATION: APRIL 1ST - MAY 15TH \$60**

**JOIN US FOR AN EDUCATIONAL WEEKEND LEARNING THE INS AND  
OUTS ABOUT NUTRITION, GENERAL CARE, SHOWMANSHIP, AND  
FITTING FOR YOUR PROJECT!**

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