GLACIER COUNTY 4-H - July, 2025

Upcoming Events

- July 4th Happy 4th of July!
- July 7 Marias Fair Fashion Review, Exhibit Building, Cloverbud interview judging option 3:00 p.m. Fashion Review @ 4:00 p.m.
- July 8 11 Montana 4-H Congress, Bozeman
- July 9th 1:00 p.m. Food Booth Pre-Clean Up Day Help needed from older 4-Hers and parents
- July 12 Marias Fair Clean Up Day 8:00 a.m. to noon
- July 12 Food Safety Training in person @ Marias Fair Food Booth noon if needed.

 Online Food Safety training is available on the Marias Fair Facebook page and Zsuite
- July 17 4-H Fair Dance 9:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. outside 4-H Food Booth
- July 16 20 Marias Fair
- July 19 Pre-Sale Social @ 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.
- August 4 7:00 p.m. 4-H Council Meeting, Glacier County Annex, Extension office
- August 23 11:00 a.m. 3:00 p.m. Main Street Music & Food Fest, Downtown Cut Bank

Fair Packets are now ready to pick up in the office!

Happy July!

The Marias 4-H Fair is just around the corner, and we can't wait to see all the amazing projects our 4-H members have been working on throughout the year! Now is the time to put those finishing touches on your livestock, crafts, cooking, and other projects – your hard work and dedication will truly shine at the fair.

Beyond showcasing your accomplishments, this year's fair will feature an exciting inflatable carnival with bouncy houses, slides, bumper boats and games that promise hours of fun for the whole family.

Come hungry! The food will be amazing again this year. See the attached menu to begin planning your family food for the week!

In 4-H friendship, Kari, Lisa and Brynn

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Motto -To Make the Best Better











Spare Animals

A reminder to get processing lined up early for those spare animals. Local options include:

- Up North Meats in Shelby KG Bykonen
 - 0 (406) 450-6466
- Prairie Meats in Lothair Clark Diemert
 - o 406-432-0050
- Christiaens Meats in Valier Rod Christiaens
 - 0 406-279-3624

Starter Flock Giveaway

The Montana Columbia Sheep Breeders Association is excited to offer a starter flock program to youth ages 11 – 16 interested in raising registered Columbia Sheep. Selected recipients receive a gift of 4 registered ewes to begin their adventure. With the help of family and the guidance of a knowledgeable sponsor member of the association, this program is a stepping stone towards success for our young breeders. Information and application is available at https://www.mtcolumbiasheep.org/starter-flock.html. Applications must be postmarked by 8/1.

4-H Council Raffle

Raffle fundraiser - The 4-H Council has organized a raffle, tickets are currently available and ready to be picked up. They will be sold now through July 28th, and the drawing will be held August 1 via Facebook Live. Prizes will include 1st - 1/2 processed hog with a small chest freezer, 2nd - 1/2 processed hog, and 3rd - meat basket and other items. Clubs are asked to each donate \$50 to the Council to purchase the meat basket. Any families or clubs willing to add an item to the basket as well would be great (more details to come on a potential theme). Tickets are \$5/each or 5/\$20. There will be incentives for the top three sellers, including a 4-H hoodie, 4-H long-sleeved shirt, and 4-H t-shirt. Thanks to Ambassador Janae Roberts for helping head up the raffle!

Stockman Bank has generously offered to sponsor the freezer and printing of raffle tickets. Please give Jim Woodring a special thank you for this!

NILE Merit Heifer Program

The NILE Merit Heifer program is open for applications from youth ages 12 to 16 who would like to apply for a heifer. Applications close June 30, information is available at https://thenile.org/events/livestock/nile-merit-heifer-program/. Past local recipients include Janae Roberts, Wyatt Berkram, Mat Tuma, JR Seewald, Coalter Littrell, etc. just from Glacier County! It's certainly worth applying for!

Help needed at PRE-FAIR Food Booth Clean Up - July 9th, 1:00 p.m.

We're seeking volunteers from our older teens and adult community members to help with the initial deep cleaning of our food booth, including power washing and intensive scrubbing that requires more experienced hands. This preliminary cleaning session will prepare the space for our main cleanup day when younger children will join us for lighter tasks. If you're able to lend a hand with this important groundwork, your help would make a huge difference in getting our booth ready for the season! Contact Lisa if you can help.



Cloverbud meetings have ended for the year, but members will be showcasing their projects at the Marias Fair and the Fashion Review on Friday, July 18th at 6:00 pm at the exhibit building. Come and support the Cloverbuds as they parade down the runway!

Don't forget to stop by the exhibit building to see all the wonderful projects they've made this year. Special thank you to Allie, Tysen, Mat and Carmen Tuma for their wonderful leadership of this program. Thank you also to teen leaders, Rubie Bowland and Lexi Stubbs for their help this year.

Teen Leader Opportunity

Teens - are you willing to help with Cloverbud interviews? This includes visiting with Cloverbuds about their projects, asking questions, and generally encouraging them about their exhibits. Help is needed:

- Monday, July 7 3 p.m. Marias Fair Exhibit Building
- Wednesday, July 16 1 3 p.m. Marias Fair Exhibit Building

If you're available, please email wendy.wedum@montana.edu.

Anna's Stash: Special 25% Discount for 4-H Members!

Hapi Seewald of Anna's Stash has generously offered a 25% discount to all 4-H members creating items for the Marias 4-H Fair. This special offer is available from now until fair time! To take advantage of this wonderful opportunity, simply visit Anna's Stash at Marketplace on Main in Cut Bank and mention that you're a 4-H member.

If you benefit from this discount, please remember to send Hapi a thank you note expressing your gratitude for her generosity. Let's show our appreciation for this kind gesture and let Hapi know how much her support means to our 4-H community. Contact us for her address.

Babysitting Class Coming Soon!

Get ready to learn essential babysitting skills! Join us for a comprehensive babysitting class on **Friday, July 25th from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM** at the Fire Station in Cut Bank. This hands-on class will cover child safety, age-appropriate activities, emergency procedures, and responsible caregiving techniques. Participants will earn their babysitters CPR/1st Aid card.

Registration Details:

Limited to 10 participants
Pre-registration required by Monday, July 21st
Open to 4-H members from Glacier, Liberty, Pondera, and Toole
Counties

Sign up through Zsuite

Don't miss this opportunity to gain valuable skills and confidence in childcare. Whether you're looking to earn some extra money or help family and neighbors, this class will prepare you to be a responsible and capable babysitter.

Register today before spots fill up!



Marias Fair Food Booth Food Safety REQUIRED Training for Adults and Youth

Food Booth Safety Training is required to be taken every other year by **members and adults** who will be working at the food booth at the Marias Fair.

Please watch the training prepared by Glacier County Agent, Lisa Terry, by clicking on the YouTube link. There will be a question on FairEntry asking if you have watched the video. This fulfills the required food booth training requirement. Here is the YouTube link: https://youtu.be/WhwjI-284_w

Those needing food safety training for 2025 (if participating at fair):

All parents or adult leaders working in the food booth

- William Alberda
- Destini Anderson
- Bodie Barbie
- Rhett 'RJ' Barbie
- Elyse Bengtson
- Dallas Berkram
- Rubie Bowland
- Colt Boyce
- Tegan Boyce
- Ashlyn Brown
- Ethan Brown

- Corin Brown
- Beau Dagel
- Ray Dagel
- Wesley Dagel
- Ryker Fugle
- Miles Geer
- Dawsyn Geer
- Colt Laverdure
- Kade Lewis
- Mac McCauley
- Sammie McCauley

- Shannon McCauley
- Angelo McCullough
- Sebastian McKenzie
- Alec Morrisett
- Ella Povy
- Cidney Ramson
- Emily Roberts
- Janae Roberts
- Jett Running-Wolf
- Knox Singer
- Nash Singer

- Brody Stokes
- Lexi Stubbs
- Will Suta
- Ava Thorne
- Lainey Thorne
- Peyton Volkman
- Alex Wahl
- Emallea Wahl
- Morgan Wilder
- Reace Wilder
- · Riley Wilder
- Beretta Winkowitsch

4-H FOOD BOOTH

- Food Booth shift required: Exhibiting 4-H members are required to work a food booth shift. Members who do not work their food booth shift will not receive their premium check nor be allowed to exhibit at the fair the following year.
- Thanks to Volunteer Judges: Working your shift shows appreciation by providing them with a meal in our 4-H Food Booth.
- Food Safety training is required
- Age Requirements: Any 4-H member may work at the Food Booth. Cloverbuds are allowed to work with a parent in the food booth, but only work a 2-hour shift if they are younger than 8 years of age.
- Breakfast: will be provided by CHS on Thursday, Nutrien Ag on Friday and Cut Bank Auto Body on Saturday. 4-H wristbands must be worn by youth and adults. Blonde Farms will provide pork sausage for Friday's breakfast. Thank you Blonde Family!
- NO TICKETS WILL BE PRINTED.
- Parents: Thank you for your leadership in working in the Food Booth, we can't do it without you!
- Shift Scheduling Shifts were assigned based on events you signed up for through FairEntry. Best efforts were made to accommodate your fair schedule. For conflicts with assigned shift, please contact Becky Kujava at 271-4054. You may be scheduled for a shift during the rodeo, etc., we all take turns for these shifts.
- Market sale shift Sale shift is scheduled based on member availability. Members need to show up on time for their scheduled shift. Members will be released in time to sell their animal and then must return to the food booth after selling their animal.

Opportunity for 4-Hers with Native American Heritage

Are you a 4-H member with Native American Heritage who wants to attend Montana 4-H leadership opportunities such as 4-H Congress, Rec Lab, or a local 4-H camp, but need resources to do so? We have funding support for you! We have a donor that desires to support youth with Native American Heritage/First Nations Youth.

Criteria:

Must be 13+ as of October 1 of the current 4-H year, must be a current member of a Montana 4-H program (club, county, tribal area) when applying, must have the approval of MSU Extension County Agent (or approved substitute if position is vacant).

How to Apply?

If eligible, please complete the following application by June 1, 2025.

Link to Application: https://forms.office.com/r/2bus1Ls4Ke

Link to Website: https://www.mt4hfoundation.org/native-american-heritage-funding-

application.html

Record Books

To exhibit at the Marias Fair, project journals must be up to date through June, and project books have 70% of required activities for the year completed (5 activities for livestock). This includes at least 3 goals specific to the project, activities recorded with what was learned, financial journal and animal records up to date, etc. See checklist at https://www.montana.edu/extension/glacier/4-h_files/CriteriaforRecordBookCompletion.pdf (or it's in the hallway resources).

Club leaders will check books, if members are not eligible for participating at the Marias Fair, the Extension Office will be notified and members can follow up with Kari or Lisa. There are great resources and examples available at https://www.montana.edu/extension/glacier/4H.html, please reach out if needing help.



Very nice set of steers for the showmanship practice session at the Roberts' recently. It was great to see many kids put tips and tricks from Monday's workshop in practice too.

The camera battery died before the sheep show but Sammie, Shannon, and Emily were looking fair ready too! Thanks to the families for participating and to Chris and Lacy for hosting.

Fair Reminders

Exhibitors

- Scratches: Your second packet has a colored sheet of paper that lists all the
 entries that you signed up for on FairEntry. Please help us out by
 "scratching" the entries that you entered but will not be bringing. To
 "scratch" Use a pen/pencil (no Sharpie markers) to mark a single line or
 use a highlighter to mark the exhibit that is not coming. Staff must be able
 to read the exhibit number.
- Wristbands -are required for anyone planning to eat at a sponsored breakfast at the Food Booth.
- Entry Labels please make sure that the entry tags that you receive in your second packet are securely fastened to the correct exhibit prior to bringing to the Exhibit building on Wednesday. You can use tape, string, staple or whatever method you can think of to keep the entry and tag together without damaging your entry.

CAMPING

- Air Conditioning: Seewald Area Spots (51-86) and Carnival Area Spots (87 100) can accommodate air conditioning due to electrical box upgrades. Air conditioning is not allowed in any other areas (unless you have a generator). If air conditioning is used and the breaker flips, the Marias Fair Board reserves the right to leave your electricity off for the duration of the fair.
- Tents: Any tents must be set up in designated camping spots only. No Exceptions.
- Extra Vehicles: must fit into your designated camper spot. Thank you for not parking in your neighbor's space.
- Fire Lane Fire lanes will be marked, please do not drive/park there.

Keep it Clean, 4-H:

• 4-Hers and families, please do your part to keep our bathrooms 'blue ribbon' clean. Any manure, mud, etc. needs to be washed off in the wash rack or outside, NOT in the bathrooms. Professional cleaners will be cleaning the bathrooms in the morning and evening. 4-H is responsible for checking bathroom condition and supplies during the day.

BARN & GUILDING SUPERS & CLOSURE TIMES Barn Hours: 7:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Barn Superintendents:

Beef: Jeremy Curry, Dan Kultgen, Jacki Boyce and Andrea Bengston

Hog: Eric Morriset, Lance Stokes, Kory Sandon, Casey Buffington Sheep and Goat: Stefanie Leach, Lance Stokes & Andrea Bengston

Horse: Margie Boumans

Rabbit/Poultry Barn: Barb Larsen and Brittany Hotchkiss

Exhibit Building Hours: 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Exhibit Building Superintendent: Sahm Winkowitsch

In case of an emergency, contact a superintendent or Extension Agent. Agent contact information is on the back page of this newsletter.

Fair Reminders

HORSE

- Tack Checks and Assessments Members in the Marias Fair Horse Show are required to have Tack checks and Assessments done PRIOR to the fair. The tack checks and assessment forms must be turned into Pondera County BEFORE July 1. See Rule #13 & 14 under "Horse General Rules" in the Fair Book for details. Find the 2025 Marias Fair Horse Patterns at www.msuextension.org/mariasfair. They were also in the first fair packet.
- Barrels and poles will be done on Friday at the horse show.
- Pony rides will take place on Saturday from noon 1:00 pm at the Horse Arena
- Freestyle Horse Show The Freestyle Contest will take place Friday following the horse show in the 4-H horse arena. The schedule will be posted at the announcer's stand. Please have patterns and music selections to Pondera County by Monday, July 1st. Call Grace 406-271-4054 if you have questions.

LIVESTOCK

- Changing market animals If a member decides to bring an animal to fair other than the one entered on FairEntry, they must notify Julie at the Liberty County Extension office at 406-759-5625 ASAP.
- Marketing Materials: Flyers are available from the Extension Offices to distribute around your communities, etc. to advertise the 4-H livestock sale. Get out and market your animal to potential buyers!
- Livestock Sale The sale will be live and also available online via <u>www.jerrycollinsauctions.com</u>. Members will NOT need to submit pictures/marketing descriptions this year.
- Livestock Judging Contest The livestock judging contest will begin at 3:30 p.m. on Friday, July 18th, and is open to all 4-H members. Sign up for Livestock Judging in FairEntry. Pick up your Judging cards at 3:15 p.m. in the Seewald Barn.
- Steer Ultrasounding: All market steers will be carcass ultrasounded on Friday, July 18th, beginning at 10 a.m. in the chute on the west end of the Seewald barn.





LIVESTOCK WEIGH-IN

- Livestock Weigh-In begins at 5 p.m. on Wednesday
- Animals are due in the barns by 3 p.m. on Wednesday. Weigh-in will begin at 5 p.m. with market lambs & goats, swine, and then beef. If an animal is not there in time to be weighed with its species, it will be weighed at the end of weigh-in. Please note the following:
- Lamb & Goat- Members will check-in at the table in the east end of the Seewald barn. When called, members will lead their animals to the scale at the west end of the Seewald barn (hog side) for weigh-in.
- **Hog-** Members will wait in the bleachers and will be sent in small groups to the check-in table. When called, members will get their hog and proceed to scale at the west end of the hog barn for weigh-in.
- Beef- Members take their steer with them to a holding pen west of the Seewald barn. Livestock will be weighed and checked for tattoos. Members will then go directly into the Pre-Show, bring your show stick.
- Know your animal's tag number! If a member decides to bring an animal to fair other than the one entered on FairEntry they must notify Julie at the Liberty County Extension office at 406-759-5625 ASAP. If last minute changes need to be made, notify the staff at the check in table on Wednesday.
- Corrections need to be made to your entry card before you can proceed to the scale.
- Members must indicate if they are selling their animal, and if selling two, which they prefer to sell first. Members must also double check that the showmanship level that they signed up for is correct (Pre-Junior: 8 - 10, Junior: 11 - 13, Senior: 14 and up, by October 1, 2024).
- If at any point during weigh-in, members or parents have questions on the weigh-in process, fair schedule, etc., please direct your questions to the informational table, which will be in the east end of the barn. Kari Lewis or Jesse Fulbright will be available at the table to answer questions.
- Brand Inspection and Bill of Sale: Cattle and Sheep
- All market steers at the Marias Fair are required to have a Bill of Sale from the original owner, even if the animal was purchased from family. See the brochure enclosed in your second fair packet for more information. Contact your local Sheriff's office to find the closest livestock inspector, or look online at

http://liv.mt.gov/be/districts/district.aspx?id=5. Plan ahead and get this
done early.

We are grateful to **Northern Transit Interlocal** for providing our transportation to 4-H Camp.

Thank you for supporting us and providing exceptional service.

Pictured are our multi-county riders and our wonderful Glacier County 4-H campers and staff.



Highlights from 4H Camp























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Cloverbud Camp was "Out of this World"









Summer intern, Brynn Lockie and teen leaders Sammie McCauley help plant "Moon Gardens" for assisted living homes in Cut Bank and Shelby. A special thank you to the Association of Montana Turf, Ornamental and Pest Professionals for providing our grant fund for this exciting project.



Thank you AMTOPP for your support!



Thank you to all our adult volunteers who made the day possible.

Summer Project Day Highlights



















