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TOOLE COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER



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Hello 4-H Families!

Public Presentation Day is coming up soon. We have it planned for April 7th. Location is TBD.

If you are participating in the pig project, it will be about time to start thinking about where you will get your pigs. The chicken project will be starting again soon. Spring will be around the corner before you know it!

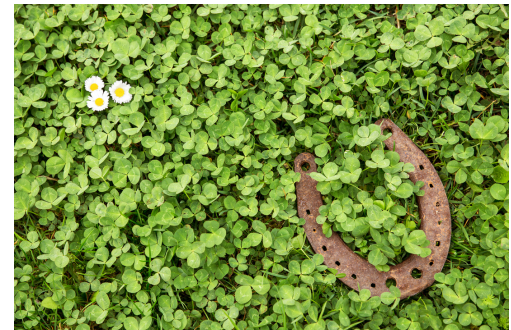
Please make sure you have all the project books that you need for the year. If you are missing one that you need, please let us know and we will get it ordered. The following members still have books in the office: Regan Torgerson, Layla Blonde, Clara Blonde, and Rowen Russell.

If your child is a senior and is in the livestock project, please be sure to fill out the scholarships for 4-H. There are two available on the website
<http://mariasfair.msueextension.org/livestockcom.html>

As always, our door is open for folks with 4-H questions. Please don't hesitate to ask!

Kim & Jackie

TAKE A PEEK AT WHAT'S INSIDE:
UPCOMING EVENTS
SHOOTING SPORTS RESULTS
CALENDAR



UPCOMING EVENTS

HOW TO USE LIVESTOCK FEED SHEETS

Glacier County Agent, Kari Lewis, has shared a couple of options to help livestock members keep a better record of the feed that they are providing for their livestock project. Whichever method is used, at the end of the month, the totals from the sheet should be transferred to the Animal Journal of the record book. Keeping good records will help you to make decisions for next year. You may want to change your start weight, your type of feed and ration, the breed of animal, etc.

[Livestock Daily Feed Record](#)

This PDF can be printed and is meant to be kept in the barn (on a clipboard, in a folder) and the feed amounts recorded each day as feed is fed and weighed.

[Livestock Daily Feed Record \(Excel\)](#)

This is the Excel spreadsheet of the Livestock Daily Feed Record.

This can be downloaded and saved to your computer and daily weights added to the spreadsheet. There is a tab for each month which will then calculate the monthly total automatically.

Leadership Academy Monthly Virtual Workshops for Teen Members, 3:00 p.m. Sundays through March

Join the Montana 4-H Leadership Academy workshop on Sunday afternoons in 2023-2024 4-H year. The leadership academy is a network of Montana 4-H members interested in exploring and developing their own leadership skills while serving their county 4-H program in new ways.

Local county leadership groups will have an opportunity to join with groups from around the state as well as the Montana 4-H Ambassador Officer team, virtually and in person when possible, to work on skill building, planning, and mentorship.

Each month the officer team members will present a different workshop topic that they have found to be important as they have grown their own leadership abilities. This workshop should be paired with a local county leadership meeting to work on county projects that serve the local 4-H program and community.

Leadership Training Dates are:

March 10: Authenticity & Self Awareness

Join Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87240913270?pwd=S1pReVphbFFoT095WVMzYjg4V29OQT09>

Project Age Requirements

You must meet the minimum required age by October 1, 2023 in order to enroll in each project.

Cloverbuds - 5 years old

Regular 4-H - 8 years old

Shooting Sports - 9 years old

Market Beef & Beef Breeding - 10 years old

Teen Leadership - 13 years old

Ambassador - 14 years old

Colt to Maturity - 11 years old and have completed Horsemanship Levels 1, 2, and 3

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sewing with Ashley at MRE

Ranching Rascals Club Leader Ashley Denno is hosting a couple sewing project days for all clubs to attend! She asked if you would please bring your project, your machine, water bottle, lunch, and record book.

Cloverbuds are also welcome to attend, parent or guardian must stay and help them. They also need to bring their project, machine, water bottle, lunch, and record book!

If you have any questions please contact Ashley Denno!

Upcoming Shooting Sports

- Montana 4-H State Shoot- March 1st-3rd in Bozeman. All are welcome to participate. Registration and shoot information is up at https://www.montana.edu/extension/4h/programs/events/shooting_sports-SS.html.

Sentence Grants Available to 4-H Clubs

A mini-grant program available from Montana Farmers Union bolstered Montana 4-H club projects this past year with applications now open for another \$10,000 in funding in 2024.

The process is simple to encourage clubs to apply by submitting a sentence about how they would use \$100.

Last year we received a few of them to go towards different clubs.

4-H Rabbit for Sale

A 4-H Family is looking to rehome their bunny! Bunny and cage will be included. If you get this rabbit and want to take it for the rabbit project, please let Kim know and she will work with you on showing your bunny.

Please call Savannah for more details: 509-910-4436



UPCOMING EVENTS



APRIL 19-21, 2024 | BOULDER, MONTANA

Montana 4-H Rec Lab 2024 - Going For Green!

April 19-21, 2024

Jefferson County School - Boulder, Montana

4-H youth 13+

Save the Date - 2024 REC LAB / April 19-21, 2024 / Jefferson County School / Boulder, MT

What is Rec Lab? It sounds like a funny name for a 4-H event. Rec Lab stands for Recreation Lab and means that everything is hands-on and fun! This event is a 4-H member favorite: It provides an opportunity for youth and adults to enhance their leadership, communication, and team-building skills in an action-packed and interactive setting. Rec Lab programming provides participants with tips and tricks for being a better club, camp, and community leader.

This event is ideal for younger senior members to attend as a first-time state event. It allows them to form relationships with 4-H peers from across the state, broaden their skills, and widen their network. The cost will be around \$100.00. Youth participants must be 13+ as of October 1. Adult chaperones must be at least 21 years of age. Contact the Extension office if interested in attending.

Extension Staff and volunteers: The idea of sleeping on an air mattress in a school gym may not be your idea of a fun weekend, but this is a great event for you too! The program is conducive to meeting people from around the state and exchanging ideas. You are sure to gain some great info and bring home motivated youth leaders.

Registration will be through Zsuite beginning in February. The cost will be around \$100 to \$125 per person. Participants will have the opportunity to pick from a list of workshops during registration. Please SAVE the DATE and GO FOR GREEN in 2024! Talk to your 4-H friends about attending this great event!

Ben Sisk Memorial

Conlan Kerfoot and his Ben Sisk Award Belt Buckle



UPCOMING EVENTS

4-H Volunteer Orientation Instructions

If you are a club leader or plan to be driving other people's children at 4-H events, please sign up as a leader. You will be covered by insurance and eligible for leader awards.

1. Log into your Z-Suite Account
2. Select the profile of the volunteer that is taking the course.
3. Click on Clover Academy from the menu on the left.
4. Click on the blue box "Launch Clover Academy".
5. You will be taken to the Clover Academy website.
6. Scroll down to find the Montana 4-H Orientation course. Click on "Enroll Now".
7. On the course page you will see an overview of the course. Scroll down to see the four modules that make up the orientation. Click the blue box "See More" under module one.
8. Follow the instructions to navigate the course.
9. When you get to the end of the module, (Slide will say you completed module). Scroll down and click on the blue box "Mark as Complete". Box will turn blue once you have completed the module.
10. Select the next lesson to load the next module. Your progress will be saved and you can return later to complete the remaining modules.

Planning for fair

Check out the 2023 fair book at <https://www.montana.edu/extension/mariasfair/mariasfairbook/> to see what potential exhibits you can take to fair!

Join a Lifesaving Adventure: FREE CPR Class for YOUTH

Are you a responsible young person looking to level up your babysitting game? Are you eager to learn crucial life-saving skills that can make a difference in an emergency? Look no further! A specially designed CPR class is tailored just for you! This class will be held on March 9, 1:00 - 5:00 at the Logan Health Hospital in Conrad.

For more information and to register, contact Marlene Moon at 406-271-2130 or by email at rmlpkbt@gmail.com

Calling All Young Artists!

Do you have a framed photo or painting from the fair or another piece of artwork available you'd like to display? Folklore Coffee is looking to display art at their new coffee shop, no fee or commission to do so. You can message them on Facebook for more details.

Livestock Committee Scholarships now available

There are (3) \$700 Livestock Committee scholarships, (1) \$700 Livestock Carcass scholarship and (1) \$550 Mary Jane Kinyon Memorial scholarship now available for high school seniors to apply for. Graduating seniors can apply for each scholarship. Applications have been emailed to senior members and are due to the Liberty County office by March 26, 2024.

Air Gun Shooting Sports Results

Prone Rifle

Age 9-10

Annka Kidder- 3rd place with a score of 199

Luke Erickson- score of 170

Age 11-12

Breckynn Kempf- score of 245

Tye Gray- score of 232

Age 13-14

Kyla Calangi- 2nd place with a score of 280

Kacey Wipf- 3rd place with a score of 266

Rifle 3P

Age 11-12

Breckynn Kempf- 3rd place with a score of 201

Tye Gray- score of 174

Age 13-14

Kacey Wipf- 2nd place with a score of 237

Kyla Calangi- score of 232

Basic Pistol

Age 9-10

Annaka Kidder- 1st place with a score of 333

Standing 1 hand

Age 13-14

Kyla Calangi- 1st place with a score of 272

Kacey Wipf- 2nd place with a score of 257

2024 Chouteau County Invitational Archery

Shoot

Bow Hunter age 9-10

Charles Benjamin- score of 292

Anissa Smith- score of 249

Bowhunter 11-12

Joe Benjamin- score of 292

Desirae Salois- score of 284

Bridger Ergenbright- score of 283

Gwendolynne Hegyes- score of 237

Cameron Strader- score of 235

Morgan Riphenburg- score of 220

Bow Hunter 13-14

Avalyn Smith- score of 293

Alethea Smith- score of 288

Trinity Mulvaney- score of 280

2024 Chouteau County Invitational Archery

Shoot 3D Target

Bow Hunter age 9-10

Charles Benjamin- score of 187

Anissa Smith- score of 150

Bowhunter 11-12

Joe Benjamin- score of 187

Gwendolynne Hegyes- score of 179

Bridger Ergenbright- score of 174

Desirae Salois- score of 153

Cameron Strader- score of 144

Bowhunter 13-14

Avalyn Smith- score of 163

Alethea Smith- score of 157

Unlimited 13-14

Morgan Riphenburg- score of 151

MARCH

- 1st-** Ranching Rascals Cloverbuds 3:30-5:00pm @ Alissa Besancon's house
- 2nd-** Sewing with Ashley 9am-2pm @ MRE Meeting Room
- 3rd-** Blazing Saddles Club Meeting 2pm @ Ambulance Barn
- 5th-** EV3 Robotics after school-5pm @ Ambulance Barn
- 6th-** Cloverbuds after school-5pm @ Elementary Cafeteria
 - Please bring snack and water bottle
- 7th-** 3rd-5th grade Robotics after school-5pm @ Ambulance Barn
- 7th-** Ranching Rascals Chicken Club 3:45-5:15pm @ Amy Smith's house
- 8th-** West Butte Club Meeting
- 8th-** Ranching Rascals Club Meeting
- 9th-** Free CPR class for youth 1-5pm @ Logan Health Hospital in Conrad
- 10th-** Kountry Kids Club Meeting 2pm @ Exhibit Building
- 14th-** Chicken Club members (not cloverbuds) after school-5pm @ Ambulance Barn- will be doing project books.
- 19th-** EV3 Robotics after school-5pm @ Ambulance Barn
- 20th-** Cloverbuds after school-5pm @ Elementary Cafeteria
 - Please bring snack and water bottle
- 21st-** 3rd-5th grade Robotics after school- 5pm @ Ambulance Barn
- 26th-** Livestock Committee scholarships due to Liberty County Office
- 27th-** Livestock committee meeting 7pm @ Marias River Electric

APRIL

- 2nd-** EV3 Robotics after school-5pm @ Ambulance Barn
- 3rd-** Cloverbuds after school- 5pm @ Elementary Cafeteria
- 4th-** 3rd-5th grade Robotics after school-5pm @ Ambulance Barn
- 7th-** Public Presentation Day
- 12th-** Ranching Rascals Chicken Club Meeting 3:30-5pm @ Amy Smith's house
- 16th-** EV3 Robotics after school-5pm @ Ambulance Barn
- 17th-** Cloverbuds after school-5pm @ Elementary Cafeteria
- 18th-** 3rd-5th grade Robotics after school- 5pm @ Ambulance Barn

Toole County 4-H Club
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