

# 4-H Youth Development

## Golden Plains Area Newsletter

### NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2024

#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Nov 17** Dist. 1 Meeting at Yuma Co. Fairgrounds

#### JANUARY 2025

**Jan 11-26** National Western Stock Show & Rodeo

**Jan 25-27** Leadership Development Conference – Denver

#### Considering New Projects for 2025?

4-H members are encouraged to branch out and try different projects. Remember, 4-H has a lot more to offer than just livestock projects! Please take the time to review the new state 4-H project list. If you have questions about any of the projects, please call your 4-H Agent to get the project requirements. For new members who are selecting projects, please ask questions about the project! Sometimes a project that sounds simple enough may have very involved project guidelines. Many of the projects require more time than just the week before fair! Again, everyone is invited to contact the local Extension Office for more details about any new project being considered. That simple step will help reduce any “pre-fair stress!” For the most current list of state 4-H projects please either contact your Extension Office or visit the state 4-H website at [www.colorado4h.org](http://www.colorado4h.org).

#### 4-H Livestock Projects Can be Profitable

*Scott Stinnett, Area Extension Agent, 4-H Youth Development / Livestock*

Many 4-H members spend a lot of time and money on 4-H livestock projects. The primary focus for all 4-H projects is learning, acquiring knowledge and skills. For many there is also a ton of fun going to shows, competing against other youth and hanging out with show friends. This can be very expensive to do, but 4-H livestock projects can be profitable if youth understand the relationship between income and expenses.

First, 4-H does not require youth “to compete to complete” with their livestock project. The minimum requirements for enrolled livestock projects for Colorado 4-H are to 1.) participate in a demonstration or speech-arts presentation 2.) participate in a 4-H sponsored community service activity and 3.) complete any additional county level requirements. Most counties require youth to complete and turn in a livestock record book, but few require exhibition of livestock projects.

A 4-H member can raise non-exhibition livestock projects and be profitable. It may be raising cattle for sale, selling eggs from laying hens, or milk and milk products from dairy goats. Exhibition livestock projects can also be profitable. Youth and parents/guardians should estimate all the expenses of raising an exhibition livestock project and possible incomes from showing such as prize money and income from a county livestock sale. A livestock project is considered profitable when the income is more than expense. Most exhibition projects can be profitable, especially with the generosity of buyers at county fair livestock sales, just be sure to understand and control the total expenses of the livestock project compared to the income from these sources.

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<http://www.colorado4h.org>



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# OPPORTUNITIES AND ACTIVITIES

## **Becoming a 4-H Family**

With the start of the new 4-H, families will begin to discuss joining 4-H and what the roles and Responsibilities are for parents and youth. One key suggestion for all new families to remember is to make sure to ask lots of questions! Parents are vital to a successful 4-H club and to the success of their child in the program. Here are a few ways parents can help their child:

- Enroll in 4-H
- Select one or more 4-H projects to participate in
- Attend 4-H club meetings
- Determine club and county 4-H requirements
- Help your child complete any 4-H responsibilities he or she may have volunteered for, been elected to or selected for
- Support your child's 4-H work.

Parents can support their child's 4-H project in many ways. For the 4-H members who have regular project meetings, parents will need to make sure the 4-H member attends the meetings. Parents can help gather any materials the child will need and arrange transportation to and from the meetings. If there is no project leader, parents will be asked to help their child with the project. The head club leader or Extension Office may be able to locate a knowledgeable individual who can help complete the project. 4-H members will need to become familiar with their project materials and may need to complete various activities to complete the project. 4-H members will also need parental support and guidance when completing exhibits and record books for county fair.

While becoming involved in 4-H may be a big commitment, the benefits for both the 4-H member and parent are numerous. As a 4-H parent, you will get the opportunity of helping your child learn and grow. You'll share many wonderful experiences, which will improve your relationship with your child. 4-H parents get the privilege of watching their child mature with confidence and success. Parents also benefit by feeling that they are contributing to the youth in the community.

Many 4-H parents worry about the time commitment of 4-H. While 4-H does take time, here is a simple breakdown of the time you can expect to commit to 4-H. The 4-H year runs October 1-September 30. 4-H is a year-long commitment. Most months (but not all) will have a club meeting. Meetings typically last 30 minutes to 1 ½ hours. Depending on the project(s) that your child enrolls in, you can plan on 1-3 hours per week of project work. Keep in mind that most projects are not year-round commitments. The exception to this is typically livestock and animal projects.

There is always help available for new and "seasoned" 4-H parents. If you encounter questions or concerns during the 4-H year, consider asking the following individuals for help: the head 4-H club leader, 4-H project leader, other experienced 4-H parents, other families who are enrolled in the same projects and the Extension Office staff.

## **Blue Ribbon Livestock Blog**

Are you new to livestock projects? Not new but need some advice or suggestions? Check out the Blue Ribbon Livestock Blog. It is written by Scott and other livestock agents around Colorado. The information found here is practical and hopefully helpful for your 4-H livestock projects.



## 4-H Livestock Judging

Have you ever wondered what the judges were looking for as you watched a livestock show? Would you like to make better decisions when selecting your 4-H livestock project animal? 4-H Livestock Judging is an exciting way to learn more about livestock selection and improve your public speaking and reasoning skills while having fun and meeting new friends.

“My experiences in 4-H Livestock Judging changed me as a person and brought me out of my shell,” said Ben Cooley, associate professor of animal science and livestock judging coach at Northeastern Junior College.

“I was a quiet young man, and the experiences gave me an opportunity to learn to speak in front of people. I gained confidence as well.”

During a contest youth place several classes of four head of livestock including beef, sheep, swine, and goats. They are placed on their value using their conformation and genetic profile. Each contestant individually analyzes the animals and decides how they think they should be placed and then marks their card accordingly.

Following the placing of the classes the youth give oral reasons for their placing to a judge. There are 3-6 reason classes for each contest.

Colorado has 8-12 contests in which youth participate, culminating with the state livestock judging contest at Colorado State University in late June. The top three winning teams from the state contest are awarded the opportunity to travel to national contests in Denver, CO, Kansas City or Louisville, KY.

Livestock judging members improve their analytical, reasoning, speaking and communication skills, all of which are valuable tools they can use throughout their entire life. At contests and work-outs, members meet and make new friends they will keep for a lifetime.

“Livestock Judging gave me opportunities that I would not have otherwise had,” said Molly Witzel, former Kit Carson County livestock judging team member. “It taught me to express my opinion in a positive way and offered me a chance to develop leadership skills that I have used many times since.”

Colorado has one of the stronger youth livestock judging programs in the nation. Colorado youth are recruited by college livestock judging coaches across the western United States, with many receiving scholarships to assist in their education costs.

Livestock judging practices will be starting in your county soon. If you are interested, please contact your local Extension Office for more information.

## Horse Judging and Horse Bowl

Horse Judging is similar to livestock judging except it is only horses. During a contest, youth place several classes of four head of horses in either a halter or performance class. They are placed on their value using their conformation or performance of the discipline. Individually, each contestant analyzes the horses and decides how he or she thinks they should be placed and then marks their card accordingly. Following the placing the classes the youth then give oral reasons for their placing to a reasons taker. There are 2-4 reason classes for each contest. Colorado has several contests in which youth participate, culminating with the state horse judging contest at Colorado State University in late June during State 4-H Conference. The top three winning teams from the state contest are awarded the opportunity to travel to national contest.

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Horse Bowl is a quiz bowl style competition of equine knowledge. Contestants participate as a team of 4 or 5 and will answer questions as individuals and as a team and they should be knowledgeable in all aspects of equine production. Colorado has several contests in which youth participate, culminating with the state horse bowl contest at Colorado State University in late June during State 4-H Conference. The top winning team from the state contest are awarded the opportunity to compete at the national contest during National Western Stock Show.

Those interested in participating in Livestock Judging, Horse Judging, and Horse Bowl, can contact their local Extension Office for its organizational meeting dates and times.

### **Western Heritage Project**

The 4-H Western Heritage Project combines a comprehensive study of the Old West with the fastest growing shooting sports discipline in the world – western action shooting. The purpose of this project is to provide an avenue for 4-H members and adult leaders to experience the lifestyles and cultures of the Old West from the period of around 1860- 1900 through a living history approach to learning while instilling the concepts of gun safety and personal responsibility. Members dress in Old West clothing, shoot replica firearms of the frontier period, and expand their knowledge of U.S. history.

#### Educational Impacts of the 4-H Western Heritage Project Include:

- Connecting today's youth with the values and traditions of our past
- Preserving and gaining an appreciation for the heritage of the Old West in the time period of 1860-1900
- Instilling an investigative interest in American Frontier history leading to personal research and increased knowledge of the Old West
- Recognizing the accomplishments and importance of both men and women from a variety of cultures and races that contributed to the history of the Old West
- Enhancing learning by participation in living-history using historically accurate, firearms, clothing, and accessories
- Encouraging visits to local, state, regional, and national museums

#### 4-H Shooting Sports Outcomes Include:

- Learning and applying the fundamentals of the safe handling of firearms
- Placing life-skill development over competition
- Providing an enjoyable and action-oriented shooting sports activity that attracts and retains 4-H members and their families.
- Promote 4-H Cowboy Action Shooting and historical study to 4-H programs across the nation
- Each year culminates in a championship event where 4-H members shoot for the fastest time, take a history exam, and have their clothing knowledge assessed. It's not always the fastest shooter who wins.

This project is now active in Montana, Missouri, Texas, Oregon, Kansas, and Oklahoma with more states requesting training each year. Check out the website at <http://www.4-hwesternheritageproject.org/>



# KIT CARSON COUNTY

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## DATES TO REMEMBER

### November

- 4 County 4-H Council Meeting
- 4 Crochet Club
- 11 Veteran's Day (Extension Office Closed)
- 20 Club Officer Workshop
- 21 Crochet Club
- 28-29 Thanksgiving Holiday (Extension Office Closed)

### December

- 2 Crochet Club
- 19 Crochet Club
- 24-25 Christmas Holiday (Extension Office Closed)

### January 2023

- 1 New Years Day Holiday (Extension Office Closed)
- 6 Crochet Club
- 16 Crochet Club
- 31 4-H Enrollment DEADLINE

### **Kit Carson County 4-H Webpage**

<https://goldenplains.extension.colostate.edu/programs/4-h-youth-development/kit-carson-4-h/>

### **Kit Carson County 4-H Facebook**

<https://www.facebook.com/Kit-Carson-County-4-H-Colorado-1284023554948484/>



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### **Congratulations to New County Council Officers**

Elections were held at the September County Council meeting. Here are the newly elected Kit Carson County 4-H Council Officers for 2024-2025: President – Addison Henschel, Vice President – Lauren Cody, Secretary/Treasurer – Hayden Woller, Reporter – Hailey Loutzenhiser, Senators – Addison Henschel and Lauren Cody, Adult Sponsors – Debbie Babbitt and Darren Dobler, Adult Leaders – Rylana Woller and Debbie Homm.

### **4-H Leadership Camp and Conferences**

With new leadership in the state 4-H office, we have some tentative dates for leadership camps and conferences. LDC will be January 25-27. Youth Fest will be March 28-30. National 4-H Conference is April 11-16. State 4-H Conference will be June 16-20. As details and registration deadlines are announced, we will share it with Club Leaders and through social media and on the KCC 4-H webpage. If you have questions, please contact Scott or McKayla at the Extension office.

### **Blue Ribbon Livestock Blog**

Are you new to livestock projects? Not new, but need some advice or suggestions? Check out the Blue Ribbon Livestock Blog. It is written by Scott and other Extension Agents from Colorado. The information is practical and hopefully helpful for your large animal livestock projects.

### **Livestock & Horse Judging / Quiz Bowl / Horse Bowl / FCS Skillathon, Public Speaking and Parli Pro Contests**

If you are interested in learning about 4-H Contests there will be informational meetings on various dates throughout the winter. Keep a watch in the newsletter and Facebook for information and dates. If you have other questions, contact Scott or McKayla at the Extension Office.

### **Crochet Club**

Crochet Club meets every first Monday, and third Thursday of each month at the KCC Extension Office. It is open to the public and is a great opportunity to introduce 4-Hers to crocheting and fine tune their skills. It is no cost to you, and we have crochet hooks for you to borrow and plenty of yarn to get started. Come try out crocheting!

### **Club Officer Workshop**

We will be hosting a workshop for club officers to help guide them in their job responsibilities as an officer. If you are not an officer and would like to learn about each of the different roles, please feel free to join us. We will meet on November 20<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. at the Kit Carson County Extension Office. The address is 817 15<sup>th</sup> Street in Burlington. Pizza will be provided for dinner, so please RSVP to McKayla by Nov. 13<sup>th</sup>.

### 4-H Youth and Volunteer Enrollments

**4-H Members:** Enrollment forms for the 2024-2025 4-H year will be available in late November and are due to the Extension office by 54:00 p.m. by the **deadline of Friday, January 31<sup>st</sup>.** (Club leaders will have **everything in your club mailbox.**) Please remember to complete both sides of the enrollment form -- in addition to the signed completion agreement. Re-enrollments received after the deadline will be assessed a \$10-per-member late fee. (The late fee does NOT apply to leaders or new members.) Keep in mind, you do not have to wait until the January deadline to return your enrollment paperwork.

Many of the manuals have transitioned to being on-line instead of a printed hard copy. If you want a printed copy of a project manual, be sure and mark 'YES' on your enrollment form. We will either order one or will print one if it is one of those only available on-line. (See the price list attached to the project list handed out with enrollments.) Each club will be billed for books, member and family fees. Books will be ordered as soon as payment is received from the club.

**Volunteers:** Re-enrolling volunteers need to have their paperwork in by January 31<sup>st</sup>. New 4-H volunteers need to complete the background check as before and must also complete the **Colorado 4-H Volunteer Orientation**. This orientation is available online. Information will be available with enrollment paperwork.

**Main Leaders:** Please provide the Extension office with the contact information of any new families who are joining your club, so they may be included when sending out newsletters and other information this fall. (You do not have to wait until you receive their project enrollment paperwork.)

*Clubs will not be billed for enrollment fees or family fees this year as those will be paid by the KCC 4-H Council. Clubs will still be billed for any literature ordered.*

**Online Enrollment Option:** 4-H members and volunteers have the option to complete their enrollment through the 4-HOnline system. If you decide to enroll online, you must fill out, sign and return the completion agreement to the office by the enrollment deadline of January 31<sup>st</sup>. Your online enrollment will not be activated until this form is received in the office. If you were enrolled in 4-H in 2023-2024, **DO NOT** re-enter your personal information to prevent duplicate records -- it should already be online.

### 2024-2025 4-H Projects

When you pick up your enrollment packet, you may have questions about the various projects. Go to the Kit Carson County 4-H webpage and look at the **Project Selection Guide** that Jean has put together, or your club leader has a copy available. You can also request to borrow a copy of

a project manual to see what is involved in completing the project.

**Shooting Sports Project Policy:** All youth participating in shooting sports and their parent/guardians, must read and sign this form to be able to participate in shooting sports.

### Project Workshops and Clinic

If you need help with a new project, want to explore other projects or would like to help others with a project area, we are looking for volunteers and 4-H members to help teach project workshops and clinics. Contact the Extension office with your learning needs or what you would like to teach to others. Let's share what we know!

### 2025 KCC Fair Junior Superintendents

4-H members (12 and older) and interested FFA members who would like to volunteer as junior superintendents at the 2025 Kit Carson County Fair are encouraged to sign up now. Duties of this very important volunteer position can vary from helping with livestock weigh-ins and shows to checking in and organizing exhibits.

Junior superintendents who participate during this busy week will receive a free rodeo armband and a thank you gift donated by generous members of the local community.

All positions will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Call the Extension office at 346-5571 or email McKayla or Scott to sign up for your first-choice project area.

**Please DO NOT sign up to be a livestock superintendent of a species you will be showing.** The deadline to sign up is **Monday, February 3.**

3	Beef	1	4-H Clothing/Fashion Revue
2	Swine		
1	Sheep & Goat	1	Shooting Sports
3	Horse (1 per show day)	1	Open Class Garden
1	Poultry	1	Living Arts
1	Sheep Lead	1	Photography
1	4-H Foods	1	Paintings
1	Cake Dec	1	Open Foods

### KCC Fair Update

For those 4-H members with Market Beef, nominations and weigh-in will be Saturday, **February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025**. All market beef can weigh between 1,000 and 1,600 lbs.

Market beef must be brought to the nominations and weigh-in to be eligible to show at the 2025 KCC Fair. Animals must be nominated in a single youth's name. No family nominations are allowed for the KCC Fair.

We asked that all beef animals be broke and led through the scales during weigh-in. Cost is \$5 for tags and maintenance of scales. Bring Brand Inspection if you

# PHILLIPS COUNTY

## November

- 11/4: Phillips County 4-H Council Meeting
- 11/8-11/10: Colorado Leadership Conference, Glenwood Springs
- 11/11: Veterans Day, Office Closed
- 11/11: Livestock Committee Meeting
- 11/17: District 1 4-H Meeting, Yuma
- 11/19: Fair Board Meeting
- 11/28-11-29: Thanksgiving, Office Closed

## December

- 12/1-12/31: Baking Around the World Challenge
- 12/1: 4-H Gear Order Forms Due
- 12/9: Cookie Tins for First Responders, 5:30 pm
- 12/9: Phillips County 4-H Council Meeting, 6:30 pm

## December Continued:

- 12/9: Livestock Committee Meeting
- 12/17: Fair Board Meeting
- 12/20: Winter Cake Decorating Workshop, 2:00 pm Ortner Room
- 12/24-12/25: Christmas, Office Closed
- TBD: 4-H Winter Party

## Down the Road:

- 1/1: New Years Day, Office Closed
- TBD: Meat Science Bootcamp
- 1/24-1/25: Leadership Development Conference
- 2/1-2/2: Showdown on the Plains
- 2/1: Returning Members Enrollment Deadline

## It's Enrollment Time!

It is time to start enrolling for the 2024-2025 4-H year! Instructions for re-enrolling have been sent to all previous 4-H members, so please check your emails. For new 4-H members, you will need to stop by the Extension Office. I have prepared a welcome packet that tells you all about 4-H and gives instructions on how to get involved! Please note enrollment deadlines!

Returning 4-H Members: February 1, 2025

New 4-H Members: March 1, 2025

If you need any help with enrollment, please ask!

## Attention Graduating Seniors!

You may be interested in applying for state 4-H scholarships. For more information on state scholarships go to:

[co4hfoundation.extension.colostate.edu](http://co4hfoundation.extension.colostate.edu)

If you would like help applying for scholarships or need letters of recommendation, please reach out! I (Jessie) am here to help!

## Cookie Tins for First Responders

Join us for a cookie swap with a twist! Bring your favorite cookies and help build tins of yummy treats for the first responders in our community! If you cannot stay but still want to join, that's ok! Happening December 9<sup>th</sup> in the Ortner Room.

## Baking Around the World

Travel the world one recipe at a time! In the 4-H Baking Around the World Challenge, you'll receive a book of exciting recipes from all over the globe. The more you bake, the better your chances to win amazing prizes! And new this year—join us for in-person baking activities where you'll learn from and bake alongside people from different countries. Discover new flavors, sharpen your baking skills, and have fun with friends! Ready to start your baking adventure? Watch the Facebook Page and your email for registration information!

# SEDGWICK COUNTY

Josilyn Lutze, 4-H Program Coordinator

## NOVEMBER

- 8-10 Colorado Leadership Camp, Ages 11-13
- 11 Veterans Day: Office Closed
- 28 Thanksgiving Holiday: Office Closed

## DECEMBER

- 25 Christmas Holiday: Office Closed

## JANUARY 2024

- 1 New Year's Day: Office Closed
- 25-27 Leadership Development Conference, ages 14-18
- 31 Enrollment Deadline

## FEBRUARY

- 9 Market Beef Weigh-in, @ Sedgwick County Fair Grounds, Time TBD

**MARK YOUR  
CALENDAR!**



# Record Book Champions

## Livestock

- Grand Champion Senior – Lauryn Lindsay
- Reserve Grand Champion Senior – Jaxon Carlson
- Grand Champion Intermediate – Jennifer Toyne
- Reserve Grand Champion Intermediate – Andrea Avitia
- Grand Champion Junior – Rylan Baker
- Reserve Grand Champion Junior – Wyatt Anchondo

## Horse & Dog

- Grand Champion Senior – Natalie Lanckriet
- Reserve Grand Champion Senior – Katelyn Reichman
- Grand Champion Intermediate – Weston Herrick
- Reserve Grand Champion Intermediate – Matthew Reichman
- Grand Champion Junior – Wyatt Anchondo
- Reserve Grand Champion Junior -- Trindon Herrick

## Herdsmen Winners

- Beef- Mallory Mollendor      Horse- Wyatt Anchondo
- Swine- Callie Tharp      Poultry/Rabbit- Andrea Avitia

## 4-H Enrollment is OPEN!

All enrollment is done through 4HOnline. This includes enrollment for camps conferences and other state activities. If you are re-enrolling and cannot remember your password, DO NOT CREATE ANOTHER PROFILE, just contact the Extension office. If you are unable to get access to a computer or internet, or just need help enrolling, stop by during office hours 8am – 4pm and we will be happy to assist you.

**Enrollment is open in Sedgwick County until January 31<sup>st</sup>. Please do not wait until the last minute!** Visit <https://v2.4honline.com> and get enrolled! To help get more members, bring your friends to a meeting, and tell them about the projects you do at the fair, talk about 4-H during school and all the cool things you can do! We would love to see some new faces and new members this year!



## General Projects:

Exhibitor Name	Class Description	Placing
Gracie Eastin	Beekeeping Unit 1 Jr.	5
Natalie Lanckriet	Overglazes Sr.	1
Lauryn Lindsay	Underglazes Sr.	1, Reserve Grand Champion
Katelyn Reichman	Same Dried Fruit Sr.	1
Josh Kunkel	Cookies Int.	6
Levi Reichman	Adv. Leather Carving Sr.	4
Jace Lanckriet	Beginning Leather Carving Int..	5
Jennifer Toyne	Int. Leather Carving Int.	6
Carlie Brandt	Advanced Stamping Sr.	4
Leyton Sparks	Intro to Rocketry Jr.	Qualifier
Flynt Toyne	Int. Model Rocketry Int.	2
Axel Huser	Hiking Trails Jr.	3
Jack Campbell	Archery DB Jr.	Qualifier
Weston Herrick	Muzzleloading SA Int.	3
Levi Reichman	Muzzleloading SA Sr.	5
Flynt Toyne	Decorative Item Int.	4
Kendra Kunkel	Decorative Item Sr.	9
Trindon Herrick	Shotgun SA Jr.	3
Matthew Reichman	Reel in the Fun DB Int.	5
Carlie Brandt	On the Cutting Edge Sr.	9
Jude Peterson	Making the Cut Jr.	8

## CONGRATULATIONS 2023 State Fair Winners!!

Sedgwick County had an amazing State Fair! Here are the winners:

(DB= Display Board, SA= Stand Alone)



2024-2025 4-H Council

## Livestock:

Exhibitor	Class	Placing
Bella Campbell	Market Goat	2
Bella Campbell	Market Goat	5
Bella Campbell	Market Lamb	8
Bella Campbell	Market Lamb	4
Bella Campbell	Breeding Ewe	7
Bella Campbell	Breeding Ewe Showmanship	7
Bella Campbell	Breeding Doe	Champion Light Weight, Reserve Grand Champion
Cash Campbell	Market Goat	6
Cash Campbell	Market Goat	9
Cash Campbell	Market Lamb	8
Cash Campbell	Market Lamb	10
Cash Campbell	Breeding Ewe	4
Cash Campbell	Breeding Ewe Showmanship	6
Cash Campbell	Master Showman Contest	18
Jack Campbell	Market Goat	7
Jack Campbell	Market Lamb	3
Jack Campbell	Breeding Ewe	12
Jack Campbell	Breeding Ewe Showmanship	5



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# WASHINGTON COUNTY

## NOVEMBER

- 4 **Potato Supper and Silent Auction**
- 11 Office Closed – Veteran’s Day Holiday
- 18 **Volunteer/Leader Meeting** – 5:30 p.m. Extension Office  
*(Volunteers will receive a postcard with more info)*
- 18 **County 4-H Council Meeting** – 7 p.m. Extension Office
- 28-29 Office Closed – Thanksgiving Holiday

## DECEMBER

- 24-25 Office Closed – Christmas Holiday
- 31 **Re-enrollment Deadline** [v2.4honline.com](http://v2.4honline.com)



## Potato Supper

Our annual potato supper and silent auction will be held Monday, November 4<sup>th</sup> from 5-6:30 p.m. at the Events Center in Akron. A reminder that all clubs should bring 3 or more silent auction items and approximately 24 servings of dessert. These items must be delivered to the events center by 5 pm! All clubs should also sign up to help setup, serve or cleanup.

## Project List

Are you ready to enroll but want to explore some different projects? A full project list can be found on the state website at [colorado4h.org](http://colorado4h.org). We also offer a few **County Projects** or you can enroll in the **Self-Determined Project** and create your own 4-H project. These county and self-determined projects can be completed and exhibited at county fair; but, they cannot be entered in State Fair.

## Project Workshop

Do you want to explore a new project or learn and try new skills? Come join us for a workshop highlighting Leathercraft, Cake Decorating, and Scrapbooking. Youth do not need to be enrolled in these project areas to participate. Walk away with items from these project areas. All supplies will be provided. More details and a date will be coming soon!

**County Fair Dates – July 21-26**  
**Interview Judging - July 15**

## SAVE THE DATE!

Shooting Sports Safety Meeting  
Sunday, January 19<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m.  
Washington County Event Center

## Now is the Time to Enroll

The new 4-H year is officially underway! Enrollment is open through our online system at [v2.4honline.com](http://v2.4honline.com). You are asked to login to your family account and re-enroll any members and/or adult leader volunteers that want to be active in the coming year. Reminder that any family previously enrolled will already have a profile in the system. Click “I forgot my password” and enter your family email account to reset the password if needed. **DO NOT CREATE A NEW PROFILE!** For anyone needing help with the process, computers and/or assistance is available anytime during business hours (8-4:30) at the Extension office at 181 Birch in Akron. All returning members must re-enroll by December 31<sup>st</sup>.

Enrollment fees were partially paid thanks to a donation from the Akron Lions Club! The remaining balance owed by regular members is \$20 and for cloverbuds is \$10. Please work with your club to see if they offer any assistance with dues.

New members are welcome anytime in the year. To help us bring in some members, try to bring a friend to a meeting, talk about 4-H at school or invite a neighboring family to join in at an activity. New members are ALWAYS welcome and we’d love to see some new faces this year!

# Achievement Program Highlights

## Leader's Choice Awards:

*These awards are selected by leaders at the September County Council meeting. Each club leader may nominate members for the awards.*



## Outstanding Junior Members:

Madelyn Benish, Ainslea Marston, Tori Zimmerman, Camden Ladd

## Outstanding Intermediate Members:

Ashton Gross, Cas Quick, Kinley Kembel

## Outstanding Senior Member:

Estrella Arteaga

**Member Awards:** *These awards are self nominated and open to any member in the county. Recipients are chosen by leaders at the September County Council Meeting.*

## Outstanding Senior Members:

Emmalee Gailus - Leadership

**Salute to Excellence Award:** Emily Williams

**Dare to Be You Award:** Waylon Ray

## Feichter Memorial Community Service Award

**Club Winner:** Misc. Mavericks

## Club Hon. Mention

: Country Club, Otis Jackrabbits

## Outstanding Leader:

Justin Wylie: Shooting Sports Volunteer

## Livestock Record Book Awards:

(Sponsored by Y-W Electric) Winners are as follows: **JR.** 1st Place – Waylon Ray, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Sophie Groshans, (rest of top ten in no particular order) Bryson Baker, Cash Corman, Jace Corman, Camdyn Gross, Tignor Hardy, Graydi Cash Houston, Camden Ladd, Brooklyn Reid.

**INT.** 1<sup>st</sup> place – Ella Koch, 2<sup>nd</sup> place – Adalyn Saffer, (rest of top ten in no particular order) Colt Corman, Owen Engle, Colten Hermes, Kinley Kembel, Aubree Mason, Maddox Reid, Emilee Samber, Sophie Samber.

**SR.** 1<sup>st</sup> place – Xandor Bethel, 2<sup>nd</sup> place – Gabrielle Hermes, (rest of top ten in no particular order) Estrella Arteaga, Bradley Hermes, Charlie Kendrick, Milo Kendrick, Tayah Parmenter, Tysie Parmenter, Jacob Perry, Jaxson Samber.

## Horse Record Book Awards:

1st place - Xandor Bethel, 2<sup>nd</sup> place - Alice Barker

**General/FCS Record Book Awards:** Jr. Champion – Raleigh Dix, Jr. Reserve Champion – Jaida Schrock, Int. Champion – Clara Hermes, Int. Reserve Champion – Royce Dix, Sr. Champion – Anderson Filla, Sr. Reserve Champion – Raeya Schrock

## Congratulations to the newly installed county 4-H council officer team

President – Emily Williams

Vice President – Chloe Farmer

Secretary – Emmalee Gailus

Treasurer – Wesley Lewis

Senators – Wesley Lewis and Emmalee Gailus

## In Other News....

### State Shotgun Results:

Washington County placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Senior Skeet contest. *Darin Knutzen* placed 6<sup>th</sup> and *Terran Couch* was 8<sup>th</sup>. Washington County ranked 7<sup>th</sup> as a team in the Senior Sporting Clays event. *Carter Benish* ranked 13th. The Senior team placed 7<sup>th</sup> in the Trap competition. *Darin Knutzen* and *Ryder Gilbert* were tied for 4<sup>th</sup> place. Congratulations to all shooting sports members that participated in the Colorado State Shooting Sports Championships.

### Hay Bale Challenge Winner



Silver Spurs

# YUMA COUNTY

*JoLynn Midcap (4-H Youth Development)*

*Joy Akey (Family & Consumer Sciences)*

*Travis Taylor (Livestock)*

<p><b>NOVEMBER</b></p> <p><b>6</b> Head Leader Meeting – Eckley Community Center – 6:30 p.m</p> <p><b>8-10</b> CLC—Glenwood Springs</p> <p><b>11</b> VETERAN’S DAY – Office Closed</p> <p><b>18</b> Yuma County Fairboard Meeting</p> <p><b>28-29</b> THANKSGIVING – Office Closed</p> <p><b>DECEMBER</b></p> <p><b>24-25</b> CHRISTMAS – Office Closed</p>	<p><b>JANUARY</b></p> <p><b>3</b> Winter Game Night and Dance</p> <p><b>6</b> Leaders Banquet – Yuma</p> <p><b>20</b> Yuma County Fairboard meeting</p> <p><b>11-26</b> National Western Stock Show</p> <p><b>25-27</b> LDC-Denver</p> <p><b>28</b> New Volunteer Training-Wray</p> <p><b>FEBRUARY</b></p> <p><b>1</b> 4-H Member/Leader Enrollments <b>Due in <a href="http://4honline.com">4honline.com</a></b></p> <p><b>2</b> Officer training</p>
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## Just A Reminder

All 4-H Members are required to do at least one community service project and at least one project demonstration/speech. Now is a great time to sit down as a club and start planning out these activities. While you are at it, take time to plan out yearly meetings, fundraisers, and club tours. Having a schedule ready in advance makes it easier for everyone to plan. Once you’ve set these dates, share them with our office so we can help promote them.



The add/drop deadline for Yuma County 4-H will be May 1, 2025. Please mark this date on your calendar so you will be enrolled in all your correct projects by April 30. There will be no project changes that can be made after this date.

The Yuma County 4-H Council would like to invite you to a game night and dance on Friday, Jan 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Yuma County Fairgrounds. Admission to this event will be a snack food to share. Be looking for more information as we get closer to Jan 3!



## Congratulations to Achievement Award Winners

**FIRST YEAR MEMBERS:** Kaiden Pariset, Presleigh Ritchey, Hatcher Rock, Heston Rock, Holten Rock, Jensen DePue, Shyann Janisch, Flint Rains, Landrie Welp, Railynn Kiser, Wesley Kiser, Daleisa Arteaga, Fernando Gonzalez Garcia, Tehren Walker, Tressa Walker, Andree Fuentes, Timoteo Granados, Elijah Saffer, Teegan Lengel, Emery Louthan, Angie Diego, Havan Barry, Kodi Lebsock, Ryker Leonhardt, Charlee Lungwitz, Jayda Mekelburg-Trejo, Joslyn Rahm, E’lyza Boone, Ema’lin Boone, Austin Hasenauer, Kitsyn Hasenauer, Dawnelle Riley, Gabriel Sampson, Jacob Thurmond, Evyonne Rehor, Braxton George, Ted Hendrix, Camille Lenz, Dominic Lenz, Jhett Snapp, AJ Deering

**FIFTH YEAR MEMBERS:** Emrrie Chamberlain, Ansley DePue, Camden Welp, Skylar Simmons, Emily Whomble, Rebecca Whomble, Loreimy Favela, Maurine Smith, Addasyn Struckmeyer, Charliann Soehner, Logan Drullinger, Raylee Blach, Jagger Lungwitz, Timothy Steinbeck, Hannah Stults, Taryn Tucker Aryanna Wilson, Albert Keller, Edward Keller, Bailey Wudtke, Cameron Meisner, Edward Molina

**TENTH YEAR MEMBERS:** Parker Dressel, Will Noble, Faith Ridnour, Jailyn Mekelburg, Evan Vigil-Hendrix, Josiah Yearous, Miles Rutledge, Andrew Buoy, Austin Hendrix, Casey Midcap

**ELEVENTH YEAR MEMBERS:** Alyssa Clark, Kaitlyn Meisner, Kimberly Riggelman, Lyndsey Mekelburg, Marrie Lenz, Sydney Fonte

**FASHION REVUE MEDALS:** E'lyza Boone, Tori Fonte, Kitsyn Hasenauer, Kate Hendrix, Maria Horn, Kodi Lebsock, Dawnelle Riley, Kynzlee Soderlund, Dorothy Zentz

**RECORD BOOK WINNERS:**

**Senior Livestock:** Kaitlyn Meisner, Rebecca Whomble, Andrew Buoy, Brylee Meisner, Hayson Hatch, Lance Buoy

**Intermediate Livestock:** Logan Drullinger, Charliann Soehner, Jema Mekelburg-Trejo, Layne Fonte, Cameron Meisner

**Junior Livestock:** Tori Fonte, Emelyn Lengel, Teagan Lengel, Jaxon DePue, Landrie Welp, Jensen DePue, Pyper Fonte

**Senior Horse:** Kaitlyn Meisner, Kayson Hatch, Brylee Meisner, Maggie Linman, Tatum Soehner

**Intermediate Horse:** Logan Drullinger

**Junior Horse:** Emmaline Drullinger, Camille Lenz, Addilyne Pagel, Madysen Janisch

**HORSE ADVANCEMENT LEVELS:**

**Western Level I** – Grace Jones, Logan Drullinger, Camille Lenz

**Working Ranch Horse Level I-** Grace Jones, Logan Drullinger, Camille Lenz

**Western Level II-** Orly Lynch

**HORSE SHOW AWARDS**

**Overall Junior Champion-**Addilyne Pagel

**Overall Intermediate Champion-** Addie Noble

**Overall Senior Champion-** Kaitlyn Meisner

**Gymkhana Junior Champion-** Addilyne Pagel

**Gymkhana Intermediate Champion-** Addie Noble

**Gymkhana Senior Champion-** Maggie Linman

**Working Western Champion-** Addie Noble

**Ranch Horse Level II Champion-** Kayson Hatch

**Ranch Horse Level III Champion-** Kaitlyn Meisner

**OUTSTANDING BOY AND GIRL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**

Morgan Stults & Jackson German

**“IDARE YOU AWARD”**

Hannah Deering

**EXTENSION AGENT’S AWARD**

Morgan Stults



**CLUBS WITH PROJECTS 100% COMPLETED**

Ace High, Arena Magic, Beecher Island, Liberty Country Challengers, Pleasant Valley Hustlers, Rainbow Explorers, Sharp Shooters, Wauneta

**CLUBS RECEIVING GOLD SEALS FOR THEIR CHARTER**

Ace High, Arena Magic, Beecher Island, Eckley Trailblazers, Idalia Starlighters, Liberty Country Challengers, Pleasant Valley Hustlers, Rainbow Explorers, Sharp Shooters, Pleasant Valley Hustlers

**2022-2023 Yuma County 4-H Council Officers**

Miles Rutledge – President

Megan Wacker – Vice President

Sawyer Fonte – Secretary/Reporter

Morgan Stults – Treasurer

Brylee Meisner – Historian

Luke Freeman – Parliamentarian

Tatum Soehner & Morgan Stults – Senators

Brylee Meisner & Sawyer Fonte – Alternate Senators

Megan Drullinger & Tom Mekelburg – Leader Advisors

**Herdsman Awards**

Swine – Rainbow Explorers

Goat- Ace High

Lamb- Pleasant Valley Hustlers

Beef- Arena Magic

Dairy-Pleasant Valley Hustlers

Small Animal- Westerners

Horse- Eckley Trailblazers