

Upcoming Events

- January 9 - Leadership Academy, Annex or virtually, 2:30 - 3:45 p.m.
- January 9 - Clever Clovers 4-H club meeting at Annex, 4 p.m.
- January 23 - Sewing meeting at Kimberly Snyder's, 2 - 4 p.m.
- January 24 - Cloverbuds meeting at Annex, 4 p.m.
- January 24 - Deadline to register for Marias Fair Archery tournament
- January 25 - Ag Committee meeting, Marias River Electric in Shelby, 6 p.m.
- January 26 - Livestock Committee meeting, Shelby Ambulance Shed, 7 p.m.
- February 1 - Deadline for 4-H camp intentions survey
- February 2 - Marias Fair Board meeting, Shelby Ambulance Shed, 6:30 p.m.
- February 7 - Marias Fair Food Booth Committee meeting, MRE in Shelby, 6:30 p.m.
- February 6 - Soup and Bread Luncheon (tentatively) at Senior Center

Greetings, Glacier County 4-H!

I apologize that it's already January 6 and I haven't gotten the newsletter out yet, but there's lots of important information in it so please take the time to read through it.

As we look towards summer, please be sure to 'Save the Dates' of:

- 4-H camp - June 13 - 16, 2022 (4-Hers in 7th grade and under can participate) - Havre, MT
- Marias Fair Cleanup Day - July 16, 2022 - Shelby, MT
- Marias Fair - July 20 - 24, 2022 - Shelby, MT

At last night's Fair Board meeting, they reported plans for Indian Relay races Thursday and Friday nights of fair with rodeo Saturday night and Sunday afternoon (1 p.m.). There will not be a demo derby this year due to low participation. The carnival is scheduled for Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. The carnival will maybe be there Sunday as well depending on their labor situation (they need some drivers to start heading to Lewistown Sunday). They plan to have 1 - 2 more rides than last year and different rides.

Inflatables will again be free, and there will be bands Thursday, Friday, and Saturday nights.

There are numerous shooting sports tournaments coming up across the state. The Lewis and Clark Invitational is January 15 in Helena, Cascade County Invitational is February 19 in Great Falls, and Chouteau County Invitational is February 26 in Fort Benton. Information on those and more should be posted this week at <http://www.montana4h.org/programs/events/shooting-sports-event.html> or I can forward you the information as well.

In 4-H friendship,
Kari Lewis



Motto -
To Make the Best Better

- **Montana People Partner grants**

- Members and clubs are encouraged to apply for Montana People Partner grants. Grants up to \$500 are available to help with service projects, etc. Applications are due February 1, details are available at <http://montana4h.org/programs/grants/grants.html>. Camille Bradley, Hadley Barbie, and the Curry Comb 4-H Comb have all been successful at spearheading People Partner projects, please contact them for more info. on the process. Kari is happy to help review applications, proofread, provide tips, etc. as well for a quality application.

- **Shooting Sports Thank You**

- Shooting sports members and 4-H clubs, please send a thank you to Henry and Diana Alme, PO Box 293, Cut Bank, MT 59427 for their support of our 4-H shooting sports program. They recently gifted a generous donation to Glacier County 4- H Shooting Sports which will be used to purchase supplies, provide leader training, etc.

- **Montana 4-H Foundation Scholarships**

- Seniors and 4-H alumni enrolled in college are encouraged to apply for Montana 4-H Foundation scholarships. Applications are due April 1, 2021, and can be submitted via <https://app.mykaleidoscope.com/scholarship/montana4hfoundation>. Underclassmen, it's a good idea to look at the scholarships now to plan ahead for submitting applications as a senior.

- **Leadership Academy - January 9**

- Join the Montana 4-H Leadership Academy workshop on Sunday afternoons in 2022. 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 be presenting 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.
- This coming Sunday, January 9 will be, 'How to Make Club Meetings Awesome' and will be at the Extension Office 2:30 - 3:45 p.m. Please RSVP with Kari if you are able to attend, any club officers, teen leaders, ambassadors are highly encouraged to attend.
- Please register at http://www.montana4h.org/programs/youth_leadership/academy.html (even if you plan to attend in person) and then if something comes up, you can still participate from home and will receive the recording.

- **Sewing Meeting - January 23**

- There will be a beginner's 4-H sewing and quilting project meeting Sunday, January 23, from 2 - 4 p.m. at sewing leader, Kimberly Snyder's home. Please let Kari know if you need directions. Teen members/leaders are invited to help as well. Thanks to Kimberly and Kasey Connors for sharing your time and talents!
- Tentative dates for additional sewing meetings are: February 27, March 24, May 22, June 26, July 10. Please get patterns or project plans to Kimberly before the meeting.

2022 Montana Livestock Shows

- March 19 - Deer Lodge (beef only)
- April 23 - Golden Triangle in Great Falls (beef only)
- May 14 - Ronan Livestock Show
- May 28 - 29 - Renegade in Great Falls (all species)
- June 4 - Golden Triangle Preview in Great Falls (swine, lambs, and goats)
- June 10 - 11 - Champions Choice in Helena (lambs, goats, swine)
- June 11 - 12 - Helena Jackpot (all species)
- June 24 - Western Ranch Fitting and showmanship camp - Great Falls
- June 25 - 26 - Western Ranch Jackpot - Great Falls (all species)



**MONTANA WINTER FAIR
YOUTH BEEF SHOW**

January 30th
Lewistown, Montana
Check in 7 - 9 A.M.
Show begins at 10 A.M.

Grand Prize: \$300
Reserve Prize: \$200

To Enter:
\$25 per animal
\$10 for showmanship

Last day to register: January 27th
NO Late Registrations

For more information or to register and pay fees
visit the Montana Winter Fair Website.
montanawinterfair.com



<https://www.montanawinterfair.com/events-activities/youth-beef-show>

4-H Camp Counselors Needed

4-H camp will be June 13 - 16, 2022 in the Bear Paw's Mountains south of Havre. (Camp may end up being just June 13 - 15, but please save the dates of June 13 - 16 at this point.) Counselors are needed to organize workshops and activities and serve as mentors to the campers. Applications are currently open in ZSuites under 'Events.' The application deadline to apply to be a camp counselor is February 15, 2022.

Qualifications:

- Currently be in 9th thru 12th grade (15-18 years old).
- Enjoy working with children.
- Willing to participate in all counselor-training sessions plus fun-filled days at camp.
- Must be enrolled as a 4-H member and in good standing in your county.

Training Sessions: If you are selected to be a 4-H Camp Counselor, you must attend all camp planning sessions. The dates for these are pending but are typically a Sunday afternoon in late spring.

4-H Camp Interest Survey - Respond by February 1

For the 2022 Multi-County Camp (4-H programs in Glacier, Toole, Pondera, Liberty, Hill, Blaine, Chouteau and Phillips counties) we are trying to estimate potential camper headcounts. Regularly enrolled 4-H youth currently in 7th grade or below would potentially be eligible (no Cloverbuds).

In recent years, we have been at maximum camp capacity and are acknowledging the strong potential for continued growth. We are looking at potential options of either keeping camp as one but modifying the schedule/activities to account for the large group or splitting camp with potentially older members staying two nights and younger members staying one night.

Camp would be June 13-16, 2022 but your feedback will help us determine the best route to go. If your child has potential interest in participating in 4-H camp, please respond at <https://tinyurl.com/bddmf9fh> by February 1, 2022. Thank you!

Conference Room

If using the conference room for meetings, etc., please be sure to also check the men's and women's bathrooms before leaving the building to make sure water is turned off, etc. Thank you!

Cloverbuds - January 24

Cloverbuds will be Monday, January 24 at the Extension Office from 4 - 5 p.m. Cloverbuds can ride Bus 4 to the office, but need to send a note to the school and let your Cloverbud's teacher know. The meeting will include a snack, games, and activities. Older 4-Hers are needed to assist, if interested in helping for a meeting (or more), please let Kari know at kari.lewis@montana.edu.

Soup and Bread Luncheon

Ashlyn Brown has volunteered to lead the Soup and Bread service project this winter. Members will be needed to bring soups and desserts and serve at the luncheon, proceeds benefit the Parkview Senior Center to provide meals for shut-ins. It is tentatively scheduled for Sunday, February 6, stay tuned for more details!

KMON Contests

The following 4-H and FFA contests are coming up in January during the MAGIE.

Friday, January 21 - Poultry at Cascade High School, Ag Sales at Cascade High School
Saturday, January 22 - Meats Judging at MT ExpoPark's Family Living Center, Agronomy Judging at MT ExpoPark Fine Arts and Livestock Judging at MT ExpoPark's Family Living Center and Livestock Pavillion

Registration is online at judgingcard.com and due by Friday, January 14, 11:00 p.m. MST. Fees are \$6/contest, late registrations are \$10/contest including registrations accepted at the door.

Adriane Good is also in need of volunteers to monitor pens, lead groups, etc. for the livestock judging contest. Teens or adults who are willing can contact her at adriane.good@montana.edu or 406-271-4054. Complete contest information is being e-mailed with the newsletter or available from Kari Lewis.

Marias Fair 4-H Archery Tournament

Sunday, January 30 will be the Marias Fair archery tournament will be in Shelby

Register online via Bowscore at

<https://bowscore.com/tournaments/marias-fair-4-h-only-invatational-2022#/>

Please read all information carefully and if you have questions, please call Wendy at 406.271.4052 or email at wendy.wedum@montana.edu.

Event fees are:

\$10 per event - Entry/payment deadline is January 24th.

After January 24th the fees increase to \$15 per event.

If you have used Bowscore before, use the same login you created. If you've forgotten your password, there is usually a "forgot my password" back up button to do a reset. There are two options to pay – 1. Credit card to Bowscore or 2. Send payment made out to Blazing Arrows and send to Pondera Co. Extension office at 20 4th Ave. SW, Conrad, MT 59425.

Record books

Paper record book paper forms are available from the Extension Office or website, <https://glacier.msuextension.org/4H.html> OR, you can use ZSuites for online recordkeeping. ZSuites will allow club leaders and the Extension Office to view a member's records, mark them complete or 'needs revision' along with provide comments. These records can also be printed out, if desired. Additional information is available at http://www.montana4h.org/projects/support/record_books/zsuite.html.

Glacier County 4-H has the following items available for 4-H families to check-out for use for project or club meetings, practice at home, etc.

- Cooking/Baking - Blenders, food processors, measuring cups/spoons, cutting boards and knives, etc.
- Leathercraft - Kit with basic leathercraft tools, stamps, etc.
- Cake decorating - Kit with bags, tips, spatulas, etc.
- Beef, swine, plant kit - These kits have large laminated posters for numerous hands on activities.

Livestock Judging Practice

You can practice livestock judging from the comfort of your home with a free classes at www.livestockjudging.com. The KMON MAGIE contest is coming up in January in Great Falls and this would be a great practice tool! Adriane Good, Pondera agent, has an account that she's willing to share which gives even more access to judging videos, etc. If interested, please contact her at adriane.good@montana.edu and she'll get you added!

Horse Workshop - February 26

February 26 at 1 p.m. there will be a Horse Clinic at the Exhibit Building in Shelby. This is open to anyone with an interest in horse, horse member or not. Potential topics include horse projects, horse show information (what to expect at fair), horse care and health, tack and tack care, and more. No horse is needed, just come have a fun afternoon learning about horses! There will be a Horse Committee meeting to follow.

Record Book Reminder - Goals

Members should have their goals recorded in their record books by the end of December. Remember, a 'My 4-H Year' goal pertains to the ENTIRE 4-H year (example - Attend 4-H camp, attend 75% of club meetings, serve as a club officer, participate in two community service projects, etc.) while a project goal is SPECIFIC to that project (learn the parts of a pig by February 1, lead a halterbreaking workshop for beef members by March 1, learn how to make homemade pie crust, etc.)

Club Resource

Check these out for some games and activities for your club meetings:

https://www.ndsu.edu/fileadmin/4h/ClubMaterials/FJ825_Games__Activities.pdf

<https://www.extension.iastate.edu/delaware/sites/www.extension.iastate.edu/files/delaware/PreMeetingRecreationalActivityGuide1.pdf>



Montana 4-H Rec Lab: March 18-20 in Hobson Montana hosted by District 3

Youth ages 13 and up (by October 1, 2021) - save the date for awesome activities, friends, and fun!

- Schedule highlights include:
 - Kyle Shobe Fergus County 4-H Alumni, entrepreneur, and musician
 - Games and activities by district teen leaders
 - Over 30 hands on workshops
 - Fair Olympics
 - Road Show (Talent Show)
 - Karen Gross, Motivational speaker
- Registration will open in Zsutes on February 1st and be due March 1st (late registration March 7th). Members and volunteers will login to their Zsutes profile and click on the event in the calendar or under events and complete the registration. Participants pay the county office and then they county sends Fergus 4-H Council one check for their county registration. Participants will select their workshops during registration.



How much does my steer need to gain?

December 4, 2021 to July 20, 2022 is 228 days

Average Daily Gain needed
=
(Desired weight at fair -
start weight) / Days till fair

Example:

Start weight - 750

Goal fair weight - 1,375

ADG needed =
 $(1,375 - 750) / 228 =$
2.74 lbs.day



Thanks to Wade and Leslie Berkram and Rod Hibbs for the use of their facilities for steer weigh-ins. Glacier County had 14 steers weighed in.



Our December Project Day was a busy day of Livestock Quality Assurance training, learning about cattle brands, swine nutrition, making dog leashes, baking cinnamon sugar breadsticks, dairy judging basics, learning to compare hay, photography, and poultry showmanship. A big thank you to Maggie Nutter, LeAnne Winkowitsch, Rachel and Ashlyn Brown, Raylee Johnson and Katelyn Suta, Jacob and Brad Hjartarson, Stefanie Bohmer, and Eric Morrisett for giving their time and talents to lead workshops today! Thanks to Ryan Winkowitsch for cutting the wood for the brands workshop as well!

There were 30 members who participated from the Glacier, Blackfeet, Toole, and Pondera 4-H programs.

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