

#### Greetings!

Pig tagging is underway and that always seems like a surefire sign of spring and looking forward to fair! Fair is scheduled for July 21 - 25, 2021 and the Fair Board is planning for rodeos, music, etc. We'll keep you posted as details are confirmed.

We received some exciting news this month that Glacier County 4-H received an Innovative Programming grant from the Montana 4-H Foundation for \$475! The grant will be used to provide sessions on cooking beef, pork, and lamb to 4-Hers. The series will culminate in members cooking a dish using beef, pork, or lamb. Members will also learn how to present their dish, set a table, and proper meal etiquette. This should be a fun opportunity, made even better by getting to eat meat! If any members or parents/leaders are available to help with the planning, teaching, etc., please come to a meeting this Friday (April 2) at 2:30 p.m. at the Extension Office.

I did have the opportunity this month to serve on the Montana 4-H Foundation People Partner grant selection committee. There were only 10 applications this year, so not all of the funding that was allocated was even distributed. I would really encourage individuals or clubs to apply in the future. A few of the projects this year included making (or updating) rural road signs, planting flowers at a nursing home, making hygiene kits for homeless students, care packs for foster kids, fleece tie blankets for the homeless, purchasing tables/chairs for the fairgrounds, purchasing poultry cages for the poultry barn, etc.

Our communications contest is April 18 and I would encourage all members (Cloverbuds through seniors) to participate! Whether it's an 8 year old teaching the parts of the cat or an 18 year old participating in the job interview division, there's an opportunity for everyone. I am happy to help anyone prepare and practice, and there's numerous resources online at <a href="http://www.montana4h.org/projects/4h">http://www.montana4h.org/projects/4h</a> communication/index.html. Every member should do a presentation at the club, county, or fair level.

May 1 is the Drop/Add deadline - If you signed up for a project last fall but haven't yet started it or decided it's not what you were hoping for, you can drop it up until May 1. Or, if you want to add a project, you can still do that as well. Please logon to ZSuites and see what projects you are signed up for, or contact the office and Mandi can check as well.

Project book/record books progress - Remember, to exhibit at the Marias Fair members need to have completed 5 activities and 2 learning experiences in their project books (for livestock projects) and have written at least 3 goals related to the project, recorded their activities thus far, and have their financial journal and animal record (for livestock projects) up to date.

Alice Burchak, Toole County FCS agent, is retiring this spring. If clubs would like to send her a thank you/happy retirement note, we would be happy to share her address. At this point it's unclear if that agent position will be replaced.

Mandi is now back to 40 hours/week and we're hopeful it will remain that way into the next fiscal year (starts July 1, 2021).

Please let us know how we can help! In 4-H friendship, Kari Lewis



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#### 4-H Camp

4-H camp will be June 15 – 17, 2021 at Camp Kiwanis in the Bear's Paw Mountains south of Havre. This year's theme is the Decades, and our counselors have lots of fun and interactive activities planned of our campers. Regularly enrolled 4-H members (8<sup>th</sup> grade and below) are eligible to attend Glacier County Annex Conference Room this year. Glacier, Toole, Liberty, Pondera, and Chouteau counties will be having camp together. Register by logging onto your ZSuites account, clicking 'Events' and then adding the necessary information. Registration deadline is May 14. Registration can be canceled with a full refund up until May 31<sup>st</sup> in the event of COVD related issues. After that date, requests will be assessed on a case-by-case basis. Transportation from Cut Bank will be provided, more information on that to come. The Covid-19 camp plan is attached to the newsletter for your reference as well. Please make your \$50 registration fee/camper to Glacier County 4-H Council and drop off at the Extension Office or mail to 1210 E. Main, Cut Bank, MT 59427. Scholarships are available for camp through the Glacier County 4-H Council and Bret Wanken fund, applications are available at https:// glacier.msuextension.org/4H.html.

#### Marias Fair Counties Livestock Judging Invitational

Kim Woodring and Adriane Good will be hosting a livestock judging contest in Shelby again this year! The contest will be held at the Marias Fairgrounds on Sunday, May 16. Registration starts at 12:30, with judging starting at 1:00 p.m. and awards by 5:00 p.m. There will be 10 classes – beef, sheep, swine, goat, and a surprise. Reasons will be given on 4 classes. Individual and Team awards will be given for junior (8-13) and senior (14-18) age categories. Registration fees will be \$5 per participant, payable to Toole County 4-H. Please log into ZSuites to download the registration form, or email glacier@montana.edu to get a form. Registration deadline is Friday, May 14.

#### Livestock Tagging deadlines

Swine: April 11 & Lamb/Goat: May 9 For Weigh-ins - members need to know a starting weight, date of birth, breed, breeder's Name, and breeder's address when tagging livestock. We have a scale available if needed for getting a starting weight.

#### April Club Meetings

Curry Comb - Monday, April 12, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. at the Cut Bank Community Bible Church Clever Clovers - Tentatively—April 18th after **Communications Contest** Longview - Sunday, April 11 Cloverbuds - Monday, April 12, 4 - 5 p.m. at the

#### Livestock Committee Updates

A few updates from the livestock committee meeting Cody Waldusky will be contracted to make upgrades to the bathroom across from the Seewald barn, using the remaining funds from the bathroom fundraiser project. MT Ag Photography will be doing photos and will be taking photos in the showring as well that families will be able to purchase. There will be an in-person livestock sale with online bidding and streaming possible through Jerry Collins Auctions for anyone unable to attend the sale. There will not be a pre-sale social this vear. The livestock sale commission will be increased to 4% this year to cover the additional expenses of offering the online bidding option and other related fair costs. All livestock will be released Sunday morning.

Livestock committee scholarships are due June 11 and applications are available online at http:// mariasfair.msuextension.org/livestockcom.html.

### **Shooting Sports**

Congratulations to all of our shooting sports members on a great season! You all did SO well given the limited number of practices this year. Thank you families for your flexibility, adaptability and patience this year! A BIG thank you to Don and Carolyn Popelka, Art Rooney, and Chris Wilder for leading the weekly practices and to the parents who assisted where needed as well. Last fall, we weren't sure if shooting sports would even be possible so we are extremely grateful to them for making it happen!

Members and clubs, please send the Elk's Club a thank you for allowing us to use their facility for practices. Thank you's may be sent to Cut Bank Elk's Club, 18 S. Central Ave., Cut Bank, MT 59427. Popelkas are tentatively planning an outdoor 3-D shoot for this spring and will award ribbons and medals then.

# Glacier County Shooting Sports 2021 Marias Fair Tournament Results

If you would like to see the complete tournament results to see how you stacked up against the other counties, please contact the office.

2021 Marias Fair Archery Tournament Results - Glacier County								
Name	Age Group	Discipline	Score	X's	Ribbon	Medal Placing	Top Shooter	
Alec Morrisett	9 - 10 year old	Limited	73		Red	1	Trophy	
Emily Roberts	9 - 10 year old	Limited	45		Red	2		
Fallyn Hedges	9 - 10 year old	Bare Bow	107		Blue	2		
Janae Roberts	9 - 10 year old	Bare Bow	100		Blue			
Corin Brown	9 - 10 year old	Bare Bow	58		Red			
Miles Geer	9 - 10 year old	Bare Bow	49		Red			
Adeline McIlvain	9 - 10 year old	Bare Bow	43		Red			
James McIlvain	11 - 12 year old	Primitave	108		Blue	2		
Madalynn Largo	11 - 12 year old	Bare Bow	181		Blue	2		
Karsen Keller	11 - 12 year old	Bare Bow	88		Red			
Will Suta	11 - 12 year old	Bow Hunter	229		Blue	1		
Ethan Brown	11 - 12 year old	Bow Hunter	201		Red			
Ricky Gobert	11 - 12 year old	Bow Hunter	194		Red	1		
Ja-el McIlvain	13 - 14 year old	Bare Bow	60		Red	3		
Ken Winkowitsch	13 - 14 year old	Bow Hunter	284	7	Blue	1		
Destini Anderson	13 - 14 year old	Bow Hunter	274	3	Blue	2		
Ashlyn Brown	13 - 14 year old	Bow Hunter	273	8	Blue	3		
Katelyn Suta	13 - 14 year old	Bow Hunter	260	2	Blue			
Taos Wellman	13 - 14 year old	Bow Hunter	248	1	Blue			
Jed Winkowitsch	13 - 14 year old	Bow Hunter	246	3	Blue			
Brad Hjartarson	13 - 14 year old	Bow Hunter	246		Blue			
Kortney Hart	13 - 14 year old	Bow Hunter	191		Red			
Grace Rooney	15+	Bare Bow	208		Blue	1	Trophy	
Kolton Running Crane	15+	Bare Bow	149		Red	2		
Mikayla McIlvain	15+	Bare Bow	128		Red	3		
Jacob Hjartarson	15+	Bow Hunter	292	10	Blue	1	Trophy	
Grace Rooney	15+	Bow Hunter	232	1	Red			

2021	Mari	as Fair	Rifle	Tournam	ient Res	ults -	Glacier (	County

Name	Age Group	Disicpline	Score	X's	Ribbon	Medal Placing
Bella Laplant	9 - 10 year old	Rifle - Prone	113		Red	
Tuff Gilham	11 - 12 year old	Rifle - 3P	52		Red	
Morgan Wilder	11-12 year old	Rifle - 3P	153	1	Red	
Taos Wellman	13-14 year old	Rifle - 3P	183	1	Red	
Grace Rooney	15 +	Rifle - 3P	202	2	Red	2

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#### 2021 Marias Fair Rifle Tournament

Rifle members: Grace Rooney, Morgan Wilder, Taos Wellman, Tuff Gilham, and Bella Laplant had a successful Rifle season and all participated in the Marias Fair Rifle Tournament. Thank you to Art Rooney and Chris Wilder for sharing their time and skills with our 4-H Rifle members!









#### Montana 4-H Shooting Sports Volunteer Training Opportunities

- April 23 and April 24, 2021 at the Flathead County Fairgrounds, Kalispell, Montana. Please return registration by April14, 2021.
- There will be a training for Shotgun, Muzzleloading, and Western Heritage on May 14 & May 15, 2021. It will be held at the Manhattan Wildlife Association at Logan, MT.

### Volunteer Appreciation Week

**Volunteer Appreciation week is April 19-25** Especially during this time of uncertainty, a token of gratitude goes a long way!

A study found that volunteers are directly responsible for teaching as much as 50% of the life skills a youth learns through 4-H. Volunteers are essential to the delivery of the 4-H program, without their time, dedication, and hard work, our programs would not be possible! Please take the time to thank your club leaders, project leaders, shooting sports leaders, fair volunteers, etc.

### **Breeding Projects**

A reminder for members with 4-H breeding projects that Rule 7 of our Large Animal Division rules to state, "All breeding stock must be identifiable with 4-H Clover tattoo, Association Registration tattoo number, Bangs tag, or Scrapie tag through local Extension office by the official hog weigh-in deadline (April 14) each year. If no identifiable tattoo or tag is available, a picture may be submitted instead. The 4-H'er needs to have full possession of their project animal at this time." Example: A registered heifer's breed association tattoo can simply be submitted to the Extension office, while a commercial heifer should either have a picture submitted or be tattooed with the 4-H Clover.

### **Checklist for a Complete Record Book**

The order of your 4-H book (in the green 4-H cover) should be 1) My 4-H Year 2) Project Journal, and 3) Animal Record.

Record books will be due in August, please take a few minutes to keep them up to date throughout the year. ZSuites is a great option for record books if you haven't tried it yet!

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Enroll in and complete at least one project	С
Come up with at least 3 goals for the 4-H year, record in, "My 4-H Year"	a
Complete the "My 4-H Year" journal form	C
Fill in each record journal	S S
Participate in at least 3 activities (judging, demonstrations, speeches, tours, etc) – record in My 4-H year	V y
List any awards and honors	d re
Complete the Project & Financial Journal for each project enrolled in	8
If an animal – fill in Animal Record	

### Criteria for Project Books:

4-H members must complete 5 activities in the project book and 2 learning experiences before fair to exhibit in that project at the Marias Fair. To complete the project, you need to complete 7 activities in the project book with the 2 learning experiences. Most of these activities take just a few minutes, start working on them now! Invite a 4-H friend over, and work on them together.

## State Award Applications Due May 1, 2021

4-H State Awards Application Deadline to apply for a state award is (postmarked) May 1. The Montana 4-H State Awards program is in place to recognize the outstanding accomplishments of 4-H members who have reached a standard of excellence in a project area. State Award winners have gone above and beyond regular project work with a focus on leadership, communication, and community service. State Award recipients are recognized during the Banquet at Montana 4-H Congress in July and are eligible to attend National 4-H Congress in November. Information is available at <a href="http://montana4h.org/programs/awards/state-awards.html">http://montana4h.org/programs/awards/state-awards.html</a>.

### Glacier County 4-H Graduating Senior Scholarship

NEW - The Glacier County 4-H Council has approved \$500/year to be awarded to graduating seniors through a scholarship fund. This is possible through generous donations and memorials to the Council and dividends from our endowment through the Montana 4-H Foundation. Seniors, please contact the Extension Office for a scholarship application and more details.

## VIRTUAL Meal Planning Class

Due to the great success of our first Saving Time, Saving Money on Meals class, we've scheduled a second one on April 12 at 7:30 p.m. which will be virtual! You'll be able to join the virtual class from your home via computer, phone, or other electronic device. There's no fee to participate, and you can register online at is.gd/WfeL1u or by calling (406) 873-2239 by April 7, 2021.

## Dog and Cat Workshop

Dog and cat members are invited to a workshop on Saturday, April 17 at the Marias Fair Exhibit building at 1 p.m. Cat members will be making a cat scratching post and dog members will making a leash hanging sign for their dog. These will be items that members can exhibit at fair as a 'Other Related Item.' Please RSVP to the Glacier County Extension Office at 873-2239 or <u>glacier@montana.edu</u> by April 9 so that supplies can be secured. Thanks to Leanne Winkowitsch for organizing the workshop!

#### Jackpot Shows

#### **Golden Triangle Preview in Great Falls**

Cattle—April 17 Hogs, lambs, & goats—June 5 Contact: Alena or Todd Standley 406-799-9955, 406-868-4893 <u>alenas@mfbf.org</u> For more information please visit the website: <u>https://showman.app/shows#/golden-trianglepreview-show</u>

#### Renegade Jackpot

Beef, Goats, and Lambs - May 29-31 in Chouteau, MT, Contact: Calon Yeager - 406-590-8903 or <u>kande.yeager@yahoo.com</u>

Find more details on Facebook at 'Renegade Jackpot'

#### <u>4-H Goat, Sheep, & Swine Feeding</u> <u>Workshop</u>

Sunday, April 18, MSU Cascade County Extension Office (3300 3rd St NE, #9, Great Falls, MT), 2—4 p.m. The Cascade County 4-H Livestock Leaders are hosting a feeding workshop for market goats, sheep, and swine. Guest speakers include Brent Roeder, MSU Extension Sheep Specialist and Melissa Jendro, Western Feed Corral Livestock Production Specialist. Brent will cover feeding market sheep and goats while Melissa will cover feeding market swine.

Register at <u>https://montana.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/</u> <u>SV\_7VyCMNsZd25e7eC</u> by April 16, 2021. You will receive a message stating, "thank you for completing the survey" after you have registered. One registration per 4-H member. Please contact Rose at

rose.malisani@montana.edu or (406) 454-6980 if you have any questions.

### 2021 Communications Contest

The contest registration deadline is Friday, April 2 so Mandi can get awards ordered in time. The contest will be held on April 18 at 2 p.m. and the location is still to be announced. Each club will be responsible for securing one judge and providing refreshments. Longivew Club, please bring bottled water, Clever Clovers and Curry Comb please bring individually wrapped treats.

## Shotgun Project

Shotgun practice will be May 16 and May 23 (Sunday evenings) and then on Mondays in June and July. Practice will be at the Shelby Trap club in Shelby. There will be a meeting in Cut Bank the week of May 10 to coordinate practice times, review safety, etc. We'll coordinate with the families signed up for Shotgun on which day the meeting will be. May 1 is the registration deadline (members must be enrolled in 4-H shotgun and have their fees paid). Members must be at least 9 by October 1, 2020. If you have any questions, please contact the office or James Barbee, shooting sports leader, at 704-267-4348.

Fees:

Shotgun fee - \$30/member (max of \$50/family) - covers ammunition, etc.

Range fee - \$30/member - covers cost of targets and goes to the Shelby Trap Club

#### Leadership Academy

April 11 at Extension Office at 2:30 p.m. - This month will focus on Service & Recognition. 2:30 -3:30 p.m. will include a Zoom session with the Montana 4-H state officer team covering—What can I do to serve my community? How can I inspire others to serve the community? How can people be recognized? 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. we'll be doing a special activity related to National Volunteer week. Please RSVP to Kari by April 8.

#### Small Animal Barn Curtain Sewing Day

The new sewing date is April 24th from 2:00 p.m. -5:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Community Center (751 N Marias Ave, Shelby, MT).

#### Marias Fair Fashion Review

Marias Fair Fashion Review will be Thursday, June 25 at the Exhibit Building in Shelby. There are two categories: Item you sewed and ready to wear. Youth need to be enrolled in either the sewing, crochet, knitting, quilting or ready to wear project to participate in fashion review. Emphasis is more on the presentation (modeling, speaking, accessorizing) with a nod to quality of construction if the garment is made by the youth. How well the item is sewn is of less importance than the presentation. If youth are in ready to wear, the emphasis on how well the colors and accessories complement each other along with modeling/ presenting themselves to the judges.

### Pig Feeders \$80

They are a wet/dry feeder and the hopper holds about 150 lbs. of feed. Asking price for 4-H is \$80 per feeder or 2 for \$150. The regular price for these feeders is \$95 If Someone would be interested, they should call 278-0107.



### Glacier County 4-H has 24 Market Swine <u>Members!</u>

Sammie McCauley is one of the members who is already working hard taking care of her pig for the 2021 Marias Fair. Best of luck to all of you in your projects this year. Remember, if you have questions about your projects, please contact Kari at 873-2239 or <u>kari.lewis@montana.edu</u>.



#### Curry Comb March Meeting Demonstrations

Curry Comb 4-H Club members were delighted to watch demonstrations from the McIlvain family for their March club meeting. Ja-el did a demonstration on Baking, Mikayla did a demonstration about cats, and dad, Don and son, James did a demonstration about small engines. Club meetings are a great opportunity to practice your public speaking skills in a low pressure environment surrounded by your fellow clubbers and friends. Thank you, McIlvains!





## Youth and adult partnerships

4-H strives to create successful youth-adult partnerships where youth are actively involved in planning and implementing. When this happens, youth are more likely to participate, they're able to share the viewpoints of their peers, and it helps grow youth into the next generation of leaders. Youth can have a fresh outlook on ideas for 4-H and adults leaders gain valuable human resources due to the sharing of responsibilities when partnerships are formed. Here are a few tips and tricks for creating effective youth-adult partnerships:

- Schedule meetings when and where young people can attend, and keep to the scheduled time. Do not expect more from youth than you would from another adult.
- Develop an atmosphere of mutual trust and respect. If needed, create and utilize a set of ground rules for discussion.
- Be a good role model set a good example through language and actions, and set the same standards for youth.
- Be willing to try youth members' ideas even if those particular ideas did not work in your previous experience.

Adapted from New Jersey 4-H Leader Training Series, stay tuned for more tips next month!



Above: The Cloverbuds created 4-H Clovers using pastels Below: Don and James McIlvain present a small engine demo for Curry Comb

Top & bottom Right: Tia Murphy led the Clever Clovers in a fun activity







#### **4-H Swine Workshop a Success**

31 kids from the Marias Fair Counties showed up for the Swine LQA Workshop on March 30. It was a great turnout and the kids got to enjoy rotating through different stations to learn more about Livestock Quality Assurance. Thank you to Kari who hosted the training, and her volunteer leaders Eric Morrisett and Raylee Johnson Suta, and thank you also to teen leaders Darci Littrell and Katelyn Suta for helping with this event!



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**Calendar of Events** 

#### April

- 2 Deadline to register for Communications Contest
- **2** Planning meeting for 4-H Cooking Sessions, 2:30 p.m. at the Annex
- **11** Swine Tagging Deadline
- 11 Leadership Academy
- 12 Virtual Meal Planning Workshop at 7:30 p.m., register by April 7
- 17 Dog and Cat workshop, Marias Fair Exhibit Building in Shelby, 1:00 p.m. (register by April 9)
- 18 Communications Contest @ 2:00 p.m.
- 18 Cascade County LQA Workshop , 2:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m., Great Falls
- 19-25 4-H Volunteer Appreciation Week
- 23-24 Shooting Sports Leader Training in Kalispel
- 24 Small Animal Barn Curtain Sewing Day
- 26 Glacier County 4-H Council Meeting, 7 p.m., Glacier County Annex

#### May

- 1- Deadline to Add/Drop Projects
- 1 Deadline to apply for state awards
- 9 Lamb and Goat Tagging Deadline
- 14-15 Shooting Sports Leader Training in Logan, MT
- 16 Shotgun Practice Begins



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