

#### Greetings, Glacier County 4-Hers!

Last week we had a Marias Fair All Staff meeting, and I'm very excited for the plans for fair that are in place! Fair packets will be ready May 17 with registration open until June 15. The schedule is essentially 'as normal' other than livestock interviews starting slightly earlier Wednesday (9 a.m.) to allow interviews to be less rushed, and no livestock pre-sale social. Since there are no fireworks, all livestock will be released Sunday morning (everyone can enjoy the rodeo!) The livestock sale will be in person but buyers will also have the option to watch the sale be streamed and then bid online as well. Please be sure to read the information in your fair packets thoroughly for all the details, and ask early if you have questions.

I would encourage members to begin working on exhibits now - every member at fair should have an educational display or something for the Exhibit Building. Glacier county has been well represented in recent years and expect this year to be the same.

With fair approaching, please feel free to come borrow the Council's small animal scale to get a weigh on your market lamb or pig to be sure you're on track for fair. Remember than in order to exhibit at fair, record books need to be up to date through the end of June, 2021 (at least 3 goals and 2 learning experiences recorded with financials up to date, and required number of activities in project books completed as well). Please check out our website for example record books and financial journals or give the record book forms in ZSuites a try. (If you use ZSuites, your leader or our office can login and review your records). Spending just 20 minutes/week will go a long ways towards getting the books in order.

A thank you to Mary Anderson and Frank Goings for stepping up into new volunteer roles. Mary has agreed to serve on the Marias Fair Food Booth committee and Frank completed shooting sports training to become a certified pistol coach. We'll be able to add the pistol discipline along with Air Rifle in the future. Thanks to Ryan and Leanne Winkowitsch for coordinating and donating the supplies for the recent dog and cat workshop as well, it was very much appreciated!

For those members 13 and up, Montana 4-H Congress is a fantastic opportunity to meet other 4-Hers, develop skills, enjoy being on a college campus and compete in an event or simply attend workshops. Please visit the Montana 4-H website for details, and remember that the Council and Bret Wanken Memorial Fund have scholarships available to participate.

Great job to our 4-Hers who participated in the county Communications Contest. The presentations were all high quality and I truly enjoyed seeing each member present and improve their skills from last year. If a member hasn't done a presentation at the club or county level, they should plan to participate at fair. There are some great cash prizes available, and it's a low stress environment between the presenter and judges in the back of the Exhibit Building.

I will be planning a Food Safety training in June along with some workshops and am in need of teens and parents/leaders to help. Please let me know if you are willing to assist or have a workshop in mind.

In 4-H friendship, Kari Lewis

# May 2021



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#### 2021 Communications Contest Results

All of the participants this year earned Blue Ribbons for the quality of their presentations. We had two Seniors, one Junior, and four Pre-Junior members competing this year: Grace Rooney, Katelyn Suta, Mya Beausoleil, Emily Roberts, John Neuhaus, Alec Morrisett, Sammie McCauley and Janae Roberts.

Thank you to our judges, Irma Smrka and Sarah Fuson for taking the time to share their knowledge. Thank you to the Clever Clovers, Curry Comb, and Longview 4-H Clubs for supplying refreshments, and to the Glacier County 4-H Council for supplying awards and gifts for the judges. Thank you to everyone who participated and spectated.

Communications Contest Awards	Member Name
Top Senior Impromptu	Katelyn Suta
Top Senior Illustrated Talk	Grace Rooney
Top Senior Presentation Overall	Grace Rooney
Top Junior Prepared Speech	Mya Beausoleil
Top Junior Presentation Overall	Mya Beausoleil
Top Pre Jr Demonstration	Sammie McCauley
Top Pre Jr Illustrated Talk	Janae Roberts
Top Pre Jr Commercial	Alec Morrisett
Top Pre Jr Overall	Janae Roberts





















### Pork Webinar Series

MSU Cascade County Extension and Montana Pork Producers Council (MPPC) will provide small-scale Montana pork producers with five educational webinars beginning on April 26, 2021 through May 24, 2021. The series includes a variety of topics relevant to small producers and youth with 4H swine projects.

May 3 - Pork quality for youth, and small producers May 10 - Vaccination programs and herd health May 17 - U.S. Pork Industry economic outlook May 24 - Cookin' in Hog Heaven To register please visit https://

montana.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/

<u>SV\_6s3hPpuadFGGmWO</u> or contact the MSU Cascade County Extension office at (406) 454-6980. There is no cost to register for the webinars.



### Farm Communications Virtual Workshop Series

Thursdays, May 13 - June 17, 2021 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

May 13 - Media Literacy & Critical Thinking May 20 - Communication & Engagement May 27 - Communicating Controversial Topics June 3 - Crafting Your Story June 10 - Presenting Yourself Professionally Online June 17 - Practice Telling Your Story

Register at <u>puext.in/comm4farm</u> Contact: Cora Carter - <u>cora@purdue.edu</u> or Adriane Good - <u>adriane.good@montana.edu</u>

# 4-H MEAT & COMPETE



# 4-H Meat and Compete

There are still four spots left. Deadline to register is April 30. Register at <u>is.gd/VDh8Yd</u>. 'Meat and Compete' will include three evening sessions for 4-H members to learn to cook beef, pork, and lamb, learn meal presentation, table setting, and etiquette. These sessions will culminate with teams preparing meat dishes for presentation and judging.

For those already registered for 'Meat and Compete', the first session will be May 12 from 6:30 - 8 p.m. at the High School FCS room. The following sessions will be held on June 9, July 7, and the final date in August is TBD.

# Drop/Add deadline is May 1

Please check and update your projects in ZSuites or contact the office for help. You can only exhibit at the fair in the projects that you are enrolled in before May 1.

After May 1, you are responsible to complete those projects you are enrolled in (including records for them) if you plan on completing the 2020-21 4-H year and be eligible for Roundtables. *Remember, if you are a livestock member you must complete record books for all projects you are enrolled in by September 30, 2021 in order to sell your animal at next year's fair.* 

### Record Book Due Dates:

August 6 - books due to Club Leaders

**August 13** - Books due to Extension Office to participate in Roundtables.

**September 30** - last day to turn in complete record books to receive credit for the year



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# **RECORD BOOK CHECKLIST**

- $\Rightarrow$  Enroll in and complete at least one project
- ⇒ Come up with at least 3 goals for the 4-H year, record in, "My 4-H Year"
- ⇒ Complete the "My 4-H Year" journal form
- $\Rightarrow$  Fill in each record journal
- ⇒ Participate in at least 3 activities (judging, demonstrations, speech-es, tours, etc.) record in My 4-H year
- $\Rightarrow$  List any awards and honors
- ⇒ Complete the Project & Financial Journal for each project enrolled in
- ⇒ If an animal fill in Animal Record

The order of your 4-H book (in the green 4-H cover) should be:

- 1) My 4-H Year
- 2) Project Journal
- 3) Animal Record.

### PROJECT BOOKS

To exhibit at the Marias Fair, project record journals must be up to date through June 30, and members need to have completed the required number of activities in their project book, along with two learning experiences. There is a checklist available at:

#### http://glacier.msuextension.org/4H.html for

members, parents, and leaders to check off and initial. At-Large members should bring their books into the Extension Office to be checked.



### **Cloverbud Day Camp**

There will be a Cloverbud day camp on Monday, June 21 at the Cut Bank Community Bible Church (102 North Central Ave.) from 10:45 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. There is no cost to participate, and any enrolled Cloverbud from the Marias Fair Counties are welcome. Snacks and lunch will be provided, and Cloverbuds will be making several exhibits for fair. Please register with the Glacier County Extension office by June 4. Register by calling 873-2239 or you can email <u>glacier@montana.edu</u>.

### Leadership Academy

Due to the Marias Invitational livestock judging contest being at the same time, there will not be an in person Leadership Academy this month. However, members can join from home on Sunday, May 16 at 2:30 p.m. via Zoom at <u>https://</u> us02web.zoom.us/i/85156085350?

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session will cover promoting 4-H - how and where to tell people about 4-H, why it's important for the community, etc.



**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 (8th grade and below) are eligible to attend this year. Glacier, Toole, Liberty, Pondera, and Chouteau counties will be having camp together. Register by logging onto your ZSuites account and clicking 'Events'. Registration deadline is May 14. *Registration can be canceled with a full refund up until May 31st 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.

Registration fee per camper is \$50. Please make checks payable 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 through the Glacier County 4-H Council and Bret Wanken Memorial Funds. Please download the scholarship forms can be found on the website, <u>http://glacier.msuextension.org/4H.html</u>.

# FOOD SAFETY TRAINING

Food Safety Training is required every 2 years to work in the Food Booth. If you plan on exhibiting a project at the fair (or participated in a Shooting Sports tournament), you must work a food booth shift to receive premium funds. Training will be offered at the June Project Day. Since we did not have training last year, all members who are planning to exhibit at the fair will need to attend.

# Livestock Scale Policy

The Glacier County 4-H Council has a small animal scale available for use by members enrolled in the Glacier County 4-H program. Please coordinate with the office to use the scale, and return the scale within 72 hours to the office.

# Montana 4-H Congress

Plans are in the works to hold Montana 4-H Congress in person with some virtual/distance options. Congress will be the week of July 12-16. Ambassador Officer Selection will take place at Congress (Applications for officers are due June 15). The State contests that are traditionally offered at Montana 4-H Congress will still take place, either in-person or virtually. You must be 13+ to attend. For more information go to: <u>http:// www.montana4h.org/programs/events/</u> <u>mt\_4h\_congress/index.html</u>.

# Volunteer Leader Appreciation

During our last 4-H Leadership Academy, our teens took time to write and assemble thank you cards for our enrolled volunteer leaders and committee members to celebrate National Volunteer Week. Our volunteers truly are worth more than, '100 Grand'!









# Small Animal Project Day

The Small Animal Project Day in Shelby was well attended by members from all four Marias Fair Counties. Cat and Dog members got to create some exhibits for the Marias Fair. Cat members crafted cat scratching posts using PVC pipe, rope, a wooden base and lots of hot glue. Dog members got to make leash hangers by staining their wood blocks, painting and gluing on the letters of their dog's name, and screwing on the hooks. Thank you to Leanne and Ryan Winkowitsch for providing the materials and cutting them to size.











# Small Animal Showmanship Clinic

June 8th 6 PM Marias Fair Exhibit Building \$5 Workshop Fee, Dinner Provided Registration information will be sent out closer to the event.

Animals to be shown: Chicken, Rabbit, Cat, Dog, Pocket Pet

# FAIR UPDATE

- Please read the fair information letter that will be in your first fair packet.
- Fair packets will be available to pick up at the office on May 17, 2021.
- The last day to register for fair will be June 15, no exceptions!
- Fair registration will be online at <u>https://</u> <u>fairentry.com/Fair/SignIn/2549</u>.
- The fair book will be posted online at <u>http://</u> mariasfair.msuextension.org/ on May 15.
- A paper copy of the fair calendar will be included in the first fair packet, but a paper copy of the fair book will not be included, if you need one, you can request it from Mandi.
- FOOD BOOTH: Members are required to work their assigned food booth shift. If extenuating circumstances come up and the member cannot work their shift, they must make arrangements with the food booth day chair or the Toole County Agent, Wendy Wedum, to reschedule another shift. Members who do not work their food booth shift will not receive their premium check or be allowed to exhibit at the fair the following year.
- ENTERTAINMENT: The inflatable bounce houses will be back, there will be bands Thursday, Friday, Saturday nights, there will be Indian Relay, PRCA rodeo, and Demo Derby in the grandstands (4-H event pass does not include Demo Derby admission.)
- MARIAS FAIR SILENT AUCTION: Glacier County 4-H Clubs are asked to donate an item to the silent auction in the Exhibit Building. The proceeds this year will go to the Marias Fair Exhibit Building Committee. You can bring your items on Clean up Day or Wednesday of the fair. You can also bring your silent auction item to the Extension Office if you would like to contribute, but will not be attending the fair.

# School supplies needed

If you have unused or good quality school supplies left at the end of the year, please donate them! Darci Littrell and fellow teen leaders will be collecting supplies to donate to children in foster care. Stay tuned for more information and watch for collection boxes at school.

# 3-D Archery Shoot

Don and Carolyn are planning a 3-D archery shoot and awards in May. Stay tuned for more information!



# Marias Fair Fun Time is right around the corner! July 21—25, 2021

# 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.

### \*<u>REMINDER\*</u> PRE-REGISTER ONLINE FOR LIVESTOCK JUDGING & SHOTGUN TOURNAMENT

Please remember that you must sign up for Livestock Judging and the Shotgun Tournament on Fair Entry by the June 15 deadline if you plan on participating in these projects at the fair.

### <u>Shotgun</u>

We will have a meeting after May 10 (after driver's education schedule comes out) to find a practice day/time that works best for everyone. The Shelby Trap club (where practices will be held) is available anytime OTHER than Tuesday afternoons or Saturday afternoons. We will be able to create a practice schedule that works for everyone.

### To complete shotgun registration:

-Add 'Shotgun' project in ZSuites by May 1 -Review the Policy & Code of Conduct form that was e-mailed and sign electronically at <u>https://</u> montana.gualtrics.com/jfe/form/

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-Pay your fees to Glacier County 4-H Council (memo: Shooting Sports) and mail or drop off to our office (1210 E. Main, Cut Bank, MT 59427) Fees are: 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



# State Horse Show T-Shirt Design Contest

Please send your design or photo by July 1, 2021 to: Ben Hauptman - <u>ben.hauptman@montana.edu</u> Karen Palmer - <u>kpalmer@co.granite.mt.us</u>

\*\*Resolution preferred for photos is 300 PPI in a JPEG format.

\*\*Winning design may be altered to fit T-shirt

VIRTUAL EQUINE Workshops

FOR YOU & YOUR HORSE



### Virtual Equine Workshops Equine Health & Nutrition

Tuesday, May 4 at 6:00—8:00 p.m. Topics to be covered: Deworming, diseases, dentistry, vaccination, feed, nutrition.

### **Horse Pasture Management**

Thursday, May 13 at 6:00—8:00 p.m. Topics to be covered: Water, soil, weeds, grass, grazing systems, property design.

Register at <u>https://sanders.msuextension.org/</u> or contact Juli Thurston at 406-827-6934 or email juli.thurston@montana.edu



### Horse Fair

Saturday, May 1, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. in Vaughn, MT. Gate Admission: \$5 per vehicle. Bring your friends and family to check out a great selection of booths and vendors from local equine businesses and organizations. There will be demonstrations throughout the day. Opening ceremonies will be hosted by Miss Rodeo Montana.

# NILE Merit Heifer

Youth ages 12-16 are encouraged to apply! Recipients are selected based on merit, future goals, and ability to care for an animal. Through the program, not only are youth awarded a live, heifer calf, but they gain knowledge of all facets of the industry. Applications for the



2022 NILE Merit Heifer Program are NOW AVAILABLE! More information available at <u>https://</u> www.thenile.org/p/events/livestock/meritheifer.



# Renegade Jackpot

Beef, Goats, and Lamb Livestock Show. May 29-31 in Chouteau To register, contact Calon Yeager at 406-590-8903 or email:

### kande.yeager@yahoo.com

Find more details on Facebook at 'Renegade Jackpot'.

# Livestock Tagging deadlines

Lamb & Goat: May 9, 2021 For Weigh-ins - members need to know a starting weight, date of birth, breed, breeder's Name, and breeder's address when tagging livestock.



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#### May

#### **1 - LAST DAY TO ADD OR DROP PROJECTS ON ZSUITES**

- 1 Horse Fair, 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. in Vaughn, MT
- **3** Curry Comb Club Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Cut Bank Community Bible Church
- **%** 9 Longview Club Meeting, time and location are TBD
- **10** Cloverbuds Club Meeting, 4 –5 p.m., Glacier County Courthouse Annex
  - 12 Meat and Compete 1st Session, 6:30 8:00 p.m., Cut Bank High School FCS Room 16 - Leadership Academy online at 2:30 p.m.
- 17 Clever Clovers Club Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Glacier County Courthouse Annex 29-31 Renegade Jackpot in Chouteau, MT

#### June

- 8 Small Animal Showmanship Clinic, 6:00 p.m., Marias Fair Exhibit Building
- 9 Meat and Compete 2nd Session
- 15 17 4-H Camp in Havre
- 21 Cloverbud Day Camp, 10:45 a.m. 3:00 p.m., Cut Bank Community Bible Church
- 25 Fashion Review, Marias Fair Exhibit Building in Shelby

#### July

- 7 Meat and Compete 3rd Session
- 12 16 Montana 4-H Congress in Bozeman
- 21 25 Marias Fair Funtime!



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