



Greetings, 4-H friends!

It's great to be getting the new 4-H year kicked off. Thank you to everyone who has gotten their enrollment completed so far. Please be sure to get enrolled via ZSuites if you haven't done so already. ZSuites also has a spot for announcements, a calendar with upcoming events, etc. so be sure to check it out while you're on there. Anyone not enrolled by December 1 will be removed from our mailing lists. Members must be enrolled to be covered by insurance at 4-H events, participate in beef weigh-ins, Project Day, etc. Remember, you can add or drop projects up until May 1.

Once you've completed the enrollment process, Mandi will order any project books you need and will also create an invoice for your family with project book fees, shooting sports fees, etc.

Shooting sports fees for archery and air rifle are being capped at \$50/family this year. ZSuites doesn't allow a cap with their online payment method, so we'll continue with payments through our office for this year (and let the other counties get the online payment kinks worked out first!)

Leaders, please be sure to re-enroll as well. 4-H insurance does cover all enrolled leaders as well. If you haven't enrolled as a leader before and are willing to volunteer with our 4-H youth, please let us know and we'll help you get registered. We need volunteers to serve on Marias Fair committees, lead project meetings, and serve as caring adults. What would 4-H in Glacier County look like if each parent committed to leading one project meeting this year?

Great job to our clubs on promoting 4-H through the awesome window displays for 4-H week, the quality just gets better and better every year! Clever Clovers were the first place winner and Curry Comb was the second place winner, receiving \$30 and \$25, respectively, from the Glacier County 4-H Council. It was fun to see your ideas and the work that you put in to showcase 4-H.

As we head into a new year, I wanted to remind folks of the FSA youth loans which can be used to pay expenses associated with an approved project (up to \$5,000). Loans can be used for buying livestock, seed, equipment, and supplies, buying, renting or repairing tools and equipment or paying operating expenses for the project. If you're interested in finding out more, please contact Lacy Roberts or Shandi Bradley at the FSA office in Cut Bank (873-5618).

Please be sure to reference our website for numerous resources, http://glacier.msuextension.org/, Mandi has done a great job updating our webpage and keeping things current. There are examples of completed record books, forms, newsletters, etc. If you would like to use the Annex conference room for a meeting, the calendar showing availability is there as well.

In 4-H friendship, *Kari Lewis*



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Parade of Lights

Friday, November 20 at 6:30 p.m. will be the annual Parade of Lights. Clubs are encouraged to participate and show their 4-H spirit! The Cut Bank Chamber of Commerce is organizing.



Shooting Sports



Archery and Air Rifle practice will tentatively begin in December with practice at the Cut Bank Elk's Club. Archery practices will

tentatively be Sunday 3 - 4:30 p.m., 5 - 6:30 p.m, or Thursday from 4 - 5:30 p.m. Air Rifle will be Tuesday evenings from 6 -7:30 p.m. In order to follow Covid-19 guidelines, we will need to provide additional spacing so later this month when coaches are available we'll finalize number of practice slots per time period and we'll coordinate shooting sports practice time registrations via e-mail. Thank you for your patience and flexibility as we navigate this Covid-19 year. Archery and Air Rifle shooting sports fees will be Range Fee - \$15, Archery - \$15, Air Rifle -\$15. New this year, fees will be capped at \$50/family for the archery and air rifle season. Mandi will include these fees on each family's invoice with any project book fees.

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.



Ambassadors

We have recently had interest in a county 4-H ambassador program. A letter detailing the ambassador program and the application process was recently emailed out to members 14 and over. Montana 4-H is conducting virtual ambassador trainings, beginning November 1. If members are interested in serving as a Glacier county ambassador, they should register at the link which was emailed



and apply by submitting a resume and cover letter to the Council and then plan to interview with the Council on November 10. If a member participates in the November 1 training session and then decides they are no longer interested, that's certainly fine too. Please contact Kari if you have any questions. If there are any parents or leaders interested in working with a group of talented young leaders in the Ambassador program, please let Kari know as well.

<u>Cloverbuds</u>

The Cloverbud group will meet Monday, November 16 at the Extension Office from 3:45 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. For snacks, activities, and games. Cloverbuds can ride the bus to the Extension Office, with a note for the bus driver. Parents should

communicate with their child's teacher that their child will be riding the bus to the office. Members ages 5 by October 1 are eligible for Cloverbuds, and must be enrolled through ZSuites with \$6 fee paid.



A BIG Welcome to our New Members!

Cloverbuds: Fionnlagh McIlvain Kaye Peterson

Regular 4-H: Kaida Kaquatosh Karsen Keller Kortlan Murphy John Neuhaus **Brody Stokes**



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4-H Club Financial Review

4-H club accounts are due in the Extension Office on or before **November 30**. Please remember to include the following:

- Check registers
- Invoices
- Receipts
- Summaries of any fundraising activities
- Bank statements from Oct. 1, 2019 to Sept. 30, 2020.

This will review the account from the past year, and provide a fresh starting place for the coming treasurer. Please contact the office with any questions.

Club Financial Reports Due

Year end financial reports from each club are due to the Extension Office by **December 1st!** This includes the year end financial summary report and the 1% assessment fee, make checks out to Glacier County 4-H Council.

4-H Meetings

- 4-H Council Monday, November 10 at 7:00 p.m. at the Glacier County Courthouse Annex Conference Room.
- <u>Clever Clovers</u> Monday, November 9, 6:30 p.m. at the Glacier County Attorney's Office.
- <u>Curry Comb</u> Monday, November 2, 6:30 p.m. at the Cut Bank Community Bible Church
- Longview Sunday, November 8
- Cloverbuds Monday, November 16 at 3:45 p.m. at the Glacier County Annex Conference Room.
- <u>Livestock Committee Meeting</u> 7 p.m., Shelby Ambulance Shed.



Parents are encouraged to attend club meetings with your child. This is one of the best ways to remain informed, support your child, and be involved in your 4-H family!

BUTTER BRAID FUNDRAISER ENDING OCT 30

PAPER ORDER FORMS

– Due back to the
Extension Office by
Monday, November 2 at
5:00 p.m. We need them
to place the order for the



Butter Braids. We will make an extra copy for your records.

- CASH/CHECK PAYMENTS You may bring cash/checks to the Extension Office for your club treasurer to pick up. Or you can give your cash/checks directly to your club treasurer.
- ONLINE ORDERS Online orders are already paid for.
 Success N Fundraising will bring a check for each club that had online orders.
- CLUB TREASURERS Please pick up your club's money at the Extension Office by Friday, November 6 and deposit it into your club's bank account. Then write a check to 'Success N Fundraising' for the Butter Braids (\$9 per pastry), and your club keeps the profit (\$6 per pastry). **Important: please bring this check to the Extension Office before the Butter Braids are delivered on November 10.**
- DELIVERY Tuesday, November 10, 2020 at 4:30 p.m. at the Glacier County Courthouse Annex Conference Room. It is important that you are on time to pick up your frozen pastries! We do not have freezer space to keep them fresh. All pastries need to be delivered ASAP or frozen until you can deliver them.

Greytak Calendars

Greytak Calendars are \$15 each and the Glacier County 4-H Council gets \$5 per calendar. This fundraiser goes to support county awards, activities, scholarships, etc. They make great Christmas gifts!



Curry Comb

President - Grace Rooney Vice President- Jocelyn Wilder Secretary - Mikayla McIlvain Treasurer- Madalynn Largo Historian- Morgan Wilder



Club Officers

Clever Clovers

President-Dayne Barbie VP-Jacob Hjartarson Secretary-Hadley Barbie Treasurer-Ken Winkowitsch

Longview

President – Katelyn Suta Vice President – Addisyn Bengtson Secretary – Elyse Bengtson Treasurer – Kortney Hart Historian – Beretta Winkowitsch

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4-H Club Officer Roles

<u>President—</u>This officer position comes with lots of responsibility and expectations to guide the club in the direction of its goals. Typical responsibilities of a Pres- ident include creating agendas with the club organizational leader, running meetings while maintaining order and control, delegating tasks, working as a team with other officers, and being enthusiastic about club activities. <u>Purchase the President's/Vice-President's Book</u>

<u>Vice President—</u> The Vice-President runs the meetings in the absence of the President, often serves as the chairperson of committees, helps coordinate educational programs, and works as a team with other officers. <u>Purchase the President's/Vice-President's Book</u>

<u>Secretary</u>—The secretary has many very important responsibilities to keep the records for the club. This includes maintaining meeting minutes, keeping track of roll, organizing the club's correspondence, writing letters, and working with the president to correctly identify motions and unfinished business. The secretary's records are often referenced many years later, so it is important to keep them organized to pass on to the next person or place in your club's permanent files. The secretary should submit monthly minutes to the club and Extension Office. <u>Purchase the Sectretary's Book</u>

<u>Treasurer</u>—This is one of the most important jobs in the club. Your responsibility is to track funds for both deposits and debts, keep accurate records, write checks, provide fundraising reports, and submit the end-of-the-year report. Treasurers often need to work with adult leaders to make sure that the records are accurate and up-to-date. The Treasurer prepares a report for the club each month. At the end of the 4-H year, you will prepare a report for the Extension Office. Purcahse the Treasurer's Book

<u>Historian</u>—The individual is this position helps to preserve the history of the club. The duties of the his- torian include keeping record of the club's accomplishments and activities throughout the year, and collecting photographs, news articles and other memorabilia important to the club. After all this information is gathered, it is your job to put it into a scrapbook or other visual way to preserve the memories.

<u>Recreational Leader</u>—Recreation is an important part of each club meeting. It helps break the ice, energize members and provide a fun setting. The Recreational Leader must utilize leadership and communication skills to plan and lead games or activities at each meeting. This person needs to be energetic and encourage everyone to participate and have fun.

Reporter—The duties of this position are related to reporting information about your club's activities to those outside of your club. This may include writing articles for the local newspaper or 4-H newsletter, creating flyers for club activities or contacting local media. Purchase Club Reporter Handbook

Thank you to the Clever Clovers, Curry Comb, and Longview 4-H clubs for sharing the 4-H Week spirit with their wonderful window displays and illustrating 4-H's #Opportunity4All."

Great job promoting 4-H!

1st Place - Clever Clovers 4-H Club (\$30) 2nd Place - Curry Comb 4-H Club (\$25)

THANK YOU TO THE GLACIER COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL FOR SPONSORING THE CONTEST.







<u>Professional Careers in Animal Science</u> Webinar Series

These webinars are open to anyone, anywhere. All webinars are FREE and will begin at 6:00 PM CT. Registration is required.

November 4 – Royal Vista Southwest Registration: https://bit.ly/3ozHizC

Learn about a career that uses Embryo Transfer, Embryo Vitrification, and other services for assisted reproduction in the mare with Meagan Simpson.

November 10 – PIC the Swine Industry Registration: https://bit.ly/2HG4UBE

Tune in to listen to Corey Hart, PIC Production Manager for Apex Genetic Nucleus, to hear about how a career in the swine industry can take you around the world!

November 11 – Ag Reporter & Fit Jockey Registration: https://bit.ly/3myv0Gd

Find out how a background in clipping and fitting show cattle led Will Bollum to a trip halfway across the world and launched him into a career in Ag Media covering some of the nation's most notable cattle production sales and events.

November 12 - IX Ranch

Registration: https://bit.ly/2Twp3ge

Discover the ways of a multi-generational Montana Ranch that offers exceptional quality livestock and the opportunities a ranch holds with Todd Amsbaugh, Chief Operations Officer, and Rich Roth, Ranch Manager.

November 16 – Texas Packing Plant Registration: https://bit.ly/37RP7e9

So, we have steers and/or heifers ready to go to the packer. What's the process for converting them into safe, wholesome beef for our customers? Join Dr. Davey Griffin, from Texas A&M, as he takes us on an exciting tour of a packing plant giving us a better look at the process and take a look at career opportunities in this field.

November 17 – Golden State Foods Registration: https://bit.ly/31MqBan

Golden State Foods is a food processing and distribution business with facilities around the world. Join Dr. Wayne Morgen as he talks about his career at Golden State Foods and opportunities in the food industry.

November 19 – Claiborne Farm Registration: https://bit.ly/2Jfp9qQ

Claiborne Farm is steeped in history. It is where Secretariat stood as a stud in Paris, Kentucky. From world-class stallions to immaculate facilities in heart of horse country, President Walker Hancock will guide us through his journey in the racehorse industry and the career opportunities it presents.

November 24 – Rodeo Announcer, Ag Broadcaster & Cattle Rancher Registration: https://bit.ly/31U8zDq

Jeff "Tigger" Erhardt and Rebecca Wanner are going to discuss the exciting career in rodeo announcing, communication consulting, Ag broadcasting, and their love for the cattle industry. You won't want to miss this!



MONTANA WINTER FAIR AG AMBASSADOR COMPETITION 2021

Saturday, January 30th, 2021

This event may be held virtually or in person and is open to any high school student. Students are asked to tell the story of agriculture through a variety of methods. The topic for 2021 will be announced by November 1st. Contest requirements below: **Newspaper Article** – 500-800 words, will be sent to event organizers ahead of time

Radio Spot – 50-60 seconds long, pre-recorded and sent to event organizers ahead of time

Social Media Posts & Marketing Plan – 3 posts on any appropriate platform, including a picture or video (max. 30 sec.), and posts written using 40 words or less; sent to organizers ahead of time

Marketing Plan: submitted with posts and defines target audience by location, age, gender, interests, etc.

Interview – mock TV interview happening day of competition Prepared Speech – 7-12 minutes, delivered on day of competition. CASH PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED.

Steer Weigh-In

Friday, November 27 (No School) - Wade and Leslie Berkram's - 2 p.m. (1346 Reagan Rd) Saturday, December 5 - Rod Hibbs - 9 to 10 a.m. (93 Pendergrass Rd)

Members need to attend one weigh-in. If you have an emergency that day, please let Kari know at 406-209-2953.

Important reminders from the rules in the fair book:

- Minimum weight for 2021 Marias Fair is 1,100 pounds, max payweight is 1,500 pounds, select steers accordingly.
- Each exhibitor may weigh in one spare animal/species. If doing a pen of three, four market animals may be weighed in
- Any breeding animals must have the 4-H Clover tattoo OR Association registration tattoo by the official hog weigh-in deadline (which will be in April, 2021). So, if you are doing a breeding project, your animal does not need to be weighed in at steer weigh-in, but must have an appropriate tattoo by April.
- All steers must be dehorned prior to weigh-in, as horned steers are NOT allowed at fair. Also, make sure your steer has been fully castrated and is not a stag.
- All steers must have been born after January 1, 2020.
- 4-Her must be 10 as of Oct. 1 to show a market beef animal.

Information you need to bring to weigh-in:

- Steer's birth date
- Breed of steer (including percentages of each breed)
- Breeder's name and address

Adriane Good has put together some steer selection and halterbreaking videos:

Selection: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gfNx8AgP6lw Halterbreaking: https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=Qx9VOTjFeuk

Calendar of Events



November

- 1 Ambassador Training Online
- 2 Curry Comb Meeting, 6:30 P.M. @ Cut Bank Community Bible Church
- 3 OFFICE CLOSED, ELECTION DAY
- 4 Livestock Committee Meeting, 7 p.m., Shelby Ambulance Shed
- **8** Longview Meeting
- 9 Clever Clovers Meeting, 6:30 P.M. @ Glacier County Attorney's Office
- 10 Butter Braid Delivery, 4:30 p.m., Extension Office Conference Room
- 11 OFFICE CLOSED, VETERANS DAY
- 16 Cloverbuds, 3:45 P.M.—5:00 P.M., Extension Office
- **20 -** Parade of Lights, 6:30 P.M.
- 26 OFFICE CLOSED, THANKSGIVING
- 27 Steer weigh in at Berkram's 2:00 p.m.

December

- 5 Steer weigh in at Hibbs' at 9:00 a.m.
- 25 OFFICE CLOSED, CHRISTMAS



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