

Upcoming Events

- September 1 - Fair Board meeting, 6:30 p.m., Exhibit Building
- September 6 - Office Closed (Labor Day)
- September 6 - Curry Comb meeting, 6:30 p.m., Community Bible Church
- September 19 - Achievement Day, 1 p.m., St. Paul Lutheran Church
- September 19 - Longview 4-H Club meeting following Achievement Day
- September 30 - Deadline to turn in record books for completion
- October 1 - Re-enrollment begins
- October 11 - Office closed (Columbus Day)
- October 27 - Livestock Committee meeting, 7 p.m., Ambulance Barn - Shelby
- November 1 - Council meeting, 7 p.m., Annex

Greetings, Glacier County 4-H!

First off, congratulations on an awesome fair, Glacier County! I was so proud of all the amazing work that our members did. Our Exhibit Building display was top notch and I heard so many compliments on our members work, great job!!

Thank you to all those who pitched in before, during, and after fair to make things happen. The fair truly takes a community to make it successful and I appreciate each and every person's contributions! While fair is still fresh in your mind, please let your respective committee members or myself know of things that went well or need tweaking.

- Ag Committee (dogs, cats, rabbits, poultry, pocket pets) - Kathleen Barbie, Brittany Hotchkiss, LeAnne Winkowitsch, Tina McIlvain
- Exhibit building committee - Samantha Winkowitsch
- Food Booth committee - Hapi Tempel Seewald, Mary Bartlett Anderson, Karla Rooney
- Horse Committee - Art Rooney
- Livestock Committee - Wade Berkram, Jacki Jacobsen, Eric Morrisett, Keenan Walter

If you have ideas for ways we could better communicate, that would be great too! Would anyone be interested in a text app that sends reminders for the 4-H year/fair?

There were 22 items donated for the silent auction which earned the Exhibit Building \$959. About half of the money will be used to buy a chair rack for storage and the rest will go toward operating expenses and future door frame painting and floor repairs to keep everything looking spiffy. Thank you for your contributions!

As we look towards a new 4-H year, please let me know what ideas you have or needs you see for helping make the best better.

In 4-H friendship,
Kari Lewis



Motto -
To Make the Best Better



Congratulations to Tegan Boyce, Emily Roberts, and Grace Rooney on their carcass contest wins. Tegan Boyce's steer placed 3rd, Emily Roberts's lamb was Grand Champion, and Grace Rooney's pig was 4th place. Steer of Merit winners included Brant Seewald and Tegan Boyce. Swine of Excellence winners included Grace Rooney, Alec Morrisett, Bridger Molenda, and Certified Lamb winners included Emily Roberts. Congratulations on selecting and feeding a high quality livestock project!

Record Book Deadlines

Any record books that are turned in and completed by September 10 will receive their completion certificate at Achievement Day. All books MUST be turned in and completed by September 30 to receive credit for this 4-H year. Record books that have been turned in will be returned at Achievement Day unless you received yours at Roundtable, or you may pick them up from the office.

Reminder - 'Criteria for an up to date Record Book' was approved as a requirement for all 4-H members. If these criteria are not met by September 30 of each year, the member is not eligible to in enroll in a market animal project or request any scholarship monies the following year. – 4-H Council policy adopted in 2017.

Enrollment

October 1, 2021 will be the beginning date for families to start re-enrollment and new enrollments. In ZSuites your previous year's information will rollover. However, families will be marked "Inactive" and you will need to be re-enrolled for the new 4-H year. Your previous year's information will still be in the system, you will simply need to update personal information (if need be), sign the waivers, and add clubs. Re-Enrollment will need to be done for all returning volunteers, and youth. In order for their information to rollover you will need to use their existing login.

Clover magazines are available in the office, please stop by to pick one up. They list the projects available, age requirements, information on the projects, etc. and are a great resource prior to enrolling. Be sure to check your age level before re-enrolling to be sure you are enrolled in the appropriate level. If there's only a few activities left in your current project book, move up to the next level.

Project Age Requirements

You must meet the minimum required age by October 1, 2021 in order to enroll in each project.

- Cloverbuds - 5 years old, Regular 4-H - 8 years old
- Shooting Sports - 9 years old • Market Beef & Beef Breeding - 10 years old
- Teen Leadership - 13 years old • Ambassador - 14 years old
- Colt to Maturity - 11 years old and have completed Horsemanship Levels 1, 2, and 3

National 4-H Week - October 3 - 9, 2021 - Theme is 'Find Your Spark'!

To promote National 4-H Week, clubs are encouraged to do a window display around Cut Bank. Window displays will be judged with prizes awarded from the 4-H Council. The 1st place display receiving \$30 and the 2nd place display receiving \$20. Please contact the Extension Office by Thursday October 10 with your display location so that it can be judged!

Fall Leadership Training - October 22 - 24, 2021

The 2021 Fall Leadership Training will be all about building your 4-H NETwork! There will be activities that will help 4-H member and volunteers from across the state meet people and access resources that will help them reach their leadership goals.

Fall Training is the annual leadership development retreat for Montana 4-H Ambassadors and Teen Leaders. The event is planned, implemented, and evaluated by the State Ambassador Officer Team. Youth will leave the weekend prepared and excited to take the knowledge and skills they have gained and apply them in their counties. It is also a great place to have youth leaders exchange ideas and create a statewide network of resources. Fall Training takes place each year over MEA weekend, the third Thursday/Friday in October.

Registration cost is \$175, including lodging (2 to a room), meals Saturday and Sunday Breakfast and program costs. Participants must be 14 or older by October 1, and it's open to anyone youth interested in teen leadership or ambassadors. Event will be at the Billings Hotel and Convention Center. Registration will be through ZSuites and closes October 10.

4-H Leadership Academy

We are also planning to continue the Leadership Academy this winter/spring and have those dates and workshop topics set.

- January 9: How to make club meetings awesome!
- February 13: Ages and Sages for Mentoring youth
- March 13: Successful Service Learning
- April 10: Lead with Purpose

Butter Braids

Clubs will again be selling Butter Braids as a fundraiser for their club. Sales will begin October 1 and run until October 27. Delivery will tentatively be November 9. Clubs will receive \$6/pastry sold. Order forms are attached with the newsletter, or printed copies are available from the Extension Office. Members may also sell online, but must register to do so at <https://store.myfundraisingplace.com/RegisterSeller/94f49abf-adec-41d5-a6b8-6ef755887358>.

Clubs, each fundraiser needs a clear purpose. Before beginning fundraising, set a purpose to the Butter Braid fundraising. Will proceeds be used to buy club t-shirts, pay for a recreational activity together, be donated towards a specific project, etc.?

- ***Checks must be written directly to your 4-H Club.***
- ***Payment must be collected at time of ordering.***
- ***Club treasurers will be responsible to collect payments from club members, check order forms to make sure correct payments have been received, and deposit checks.***

Cut Bank Holiday Bazaar Cheesecake Booth

The Cut Bank Holiday Bazaar will be November 13. The Council will again sponsor the Cheesecake booth, but a volunteer is needed to organize it. Proceeds have been designated by the Council to go to the Council Senior Scholarship fund. Please let Kari know if you're interested in coordinating.

2021 Montana 4-H State Horse Show

Registering through Fair Entry makes it easy to enter State Horse Show (SHS) classes for one rider or a whole family, and this year includes an integrated credit or debit card payment option.

Questions about the event details, registration, or issues with Fair Entry? Contact Montana 4-H staff: 406.994.3501. Event will be in Joliet, MT.

<https://www.fairentry.com/Fair/SignIn/15932>

Rancher Roundtable - September 27

The Fall Rancher Roundtable Monday, September 27 in Cut Bank and Tuesday, September 28 in Valier, will address these challenges and provide potential options to stretch the winter feed pile and maintain adequate cowherd performance. The September 27 session will be at the Glacier County Library in Cut Bank (21 1st Ave SE) and the September 28 session will be at Folklore Coffee in Valier (322 S Main St). Registration will begin at 12:30 p.m. and the program will run from 1 – 5 p.m. both days with light refreshments provided. There is no charge to attend. Topics will include winter feed options, replacement heifer selection using genomics, cowherd nutritional requirements, saving hay, etc.

Reimagining Rural - September 13, September 27, and October 4

The Reimagining Rural Virtual Gathering was created for local volunteers and leaders who are passionate about creating vibrant, robust rural places, growing local capacity, learning about new ideas, connecting with others and leading local change. Reimagining Rural Virtual Gathering includes three statewide sessions, broadcast virtually to groups of local leaders gathered in-person in rural communities across the state.

Session will be in Cut Bank at the Logan Health EMS Conference Room, 1102 E. Main St. from 6 - 8 p.m. with a light dinner provided. Please RSVP to Kari Lewis to attend.

Teen Leadership Project Complete!

Thank you to all who assisted with and donated to Darci Littrell's 4-H Teen Leadership project of collecting school supplies for local youth in foster care. Approximately 30 local youth will receive school supplies through the project. Darci organized and enlisted other 4-H teen leaders across Toole, Glacier, Liberty, and Pondera counties to help collect supplies as well, and then presented the local Department of Family Services with the supplies to distribute to their families.

Darci said, "I chose to donate to the local foster care because I wanted to see how I could help those kids get through foster care easier. I wanted to help further the education of those who don't have the right tools to complete school. I would like to thank all of the elementary and high schools who participated and helped me through this project. I loved this and would do anything more I can to help anyone in need."





The final 'Meat and Compete' concluded August 15 with members choosing a recipe and meal of their choice, shopping for ingredients, and then preparing and presenting the meal to two judges. The team of Tegan Boyce, Beretta Winkowitsch, Katelyn Suta, Emily Roberts and Karsen Keller were the overall winners for their dinner of pork loin, mashed potatoes, carrots, rolls with honey butter and ice cream for dessert.



Overall, members said their confidence in the kitchen grew, they were more apt to cook at home and save money, they learned knife safety and proper cooking temperatures and had fun!

Thanks to Rachel Brown and Raylee Johnson for helping lead, the Montana 4-H Foundation, Inc. for sponsoring, and to Mona Shortman and Samantha Langan for judging.





We had 21 members participate in our Project Awards Showcase where they 'showed off' their year's worth of work via an interview and their records to a judge. A big thank you to Eddie McCauley, Justin Suta, Kimberly Suta Woodring, Adriane Good, and Lorrie Eshleman Siebrecht for sharing their time with these members to hear about their year, goals, learning, challenges, and successes. Be sure to attend Achievement Day September 22 for results, yearend awards, completion certificates, and fellowship.

Glacier County 4-H Achievement Day

Sunday, September 19, 2 p.m.

St. Paul Lutheran Church, Cut Bank, MT

1 p.m. - Tacos in a Bag, 2 p.m. - Awards

All 4-H families are welcome to attend

***Clever Clovers - Taco meat and chips, Longview - Condiments,
Curry Comb - Desserts & Drinks***