

October 2021

SANDERS COUNTY 4-H DISPATCH

4-H News

Happy Birthday!



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- 3 Jack McAllister
- 4 Anaelle Avilla
- 5 Claire Wrobleski
- 20 Ayla Rehbein
- 25 Katherine Wrobleski
- 26 Isabella Hansen

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- 7 Cody Hafner
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WELCOME TO THE NEW 4-H YEAR 2021-2022

Happy New 4-H Year!

We are excited to begin the new 4-H Year and look forward to working with and seeing you in the coming months. As the New Year begins so does the re-enrollment process. Your Organizational Leader has all of the materials that you will need to re-enroll for the 2021-2022 4-H year if you haven't already received them. An email has also been sent out to all 4-H families that included enrollment information. Although it may seem like a lot of information and it may seem daunting to go through it all, by taking the time to review all of the materials provided by your leader and the email you will be better prepared for the 4-H year. Remember that if you have any questions do not hesitate to contact your Organizational Leader or the Extension Office. We are all here to help you have a rewarding, successful 4-H year!

Remindedr:

November 15 is the absolute latest to re-enroll.

No re-enrollments will be accepted after this date





Re-enroll Online through ZSuite!

Re-enrollment for the 2021-2022 4-H year is now open. Please make sure to re-enroll through ZSuite using the same log in information as last year.

4h.zsuite.org

Click on the link below for re-enrollment instructions
<http://www.montana4h.org/resources/4henrollment/index.html>

Ask your Organizational Leader for the green Enrollment Guidelines sheet for more complete detailed enrollment information if you haven't already received it.

Enrollment fees may be paid through your Organizational Leader and are due by **November 15**.

Project Manuals

It is important members use the project materials listed in the Clover for each project area they participate in. While selecting projects to enroll in through ZSuite, the program provides a drop down list of manuals to select for each project.

Be sure to click on which project materials the member needs.

If you are not sure what is needed refer to the "[Clover, Montana 4-H Project Selection Guide](#)" or call the Extension Office. Every 4-H family should receive a Clover from your Organizational Leader. Families are responsible for the price of their child's project materials. The Extension Staff will generate an order of project materials from what the 4-H families indicated they need through ZSuite. Families will then be invoiced for the project materials and will be expected to pay for them when materials are received.

All members are expected to journal all they do in their 4-H projects and 4-H club work. Those journals must be included in their record book.

Journals may be printed from the 4-H website at http://montana4h.org/projects/support/record_books/index.html or the Extension Office will provide members with the necessary journals (4-H Year and Project journal forms). Contact your Organizational Leader or the Extension Office if you are unable to print your own journals. Don't hesitate to contact your club leader or the Extension Office with any questions you may have.

Reiminder to 4-H Members

IF YOU WON AN AWARD AT THE FAIR OR IF YOU RECEIVE ONE AT ACHIEVEMENT DAY, PLEASE REMEMBER TO SHOW YOUR APPRECIATION TO THE DONOR WITH A THANK YOU NOTE! IF YOU DON'T KNOW WHO TO THANK PLEASE CONTACT KAREN DWYER AT TFL406@BLACKFOOT.NET OR CALL HER AT 827-4067

DONT MISS ACHIEVEMENT DAY!

All Families are encouraged to attend.

Sunday, November 7, 2:00 pm

At the Pavilion in Plains.

(located at the Sanders County Fairgrounds)

Join the Sanders County 4-H Community to recognize and honor the 2020-2021 4-H Award recipients.

Year end awards will be presented!

NOTE: Along with additional livestock awards and various other awards, awards for exhibits that were entered in the Home Ec Building at the fair will be presented at this event. If you entered an exhibit(s) in the Home Ec Building we strongly encourage you to attend Achievement Day.

You may be presented an award!

This year we will be serving hamburgers and each club has been given a food assignment. Please check with your Organizational Leader to see if there is anything you can bring.

Additional Information

- Speaker Bella Smith who was a 2019-2020 State Ambassador from Lake County will be joining us.
- There will be a dance workshop to follow awards for those who wish to participate.

Thank you to the South Side Sparks for Hosting Achievement Day this year!

People Partner Grants

Does your club have ideas for improvements in your community? Would you like to make improvements at the fairgrounds? Here is an opportunity for you to apply for the funds to make it happen. The Montana 4-H Foundation awards People Partner Grants to groups and individuals for programs that enhance the quality of living for people in their communities. Now is the time to get started on paperwork.

Information is available online at

<http://www.mt4hfoundation.org/grants.html>

Applications are due February 1st

Sewing/Quilting and Foods & Nutrition Project Members

Sanders County 4-H offers a sewing machine and microwave to an outstanding junior or senior member who applies during the Sanders County Fair. If you are interested in either of these awards you can begin now preparing yourself to qualify. Members must be enrolled in the respective project and meet the following qualifications to be eligible to win.

Qualifications include:

Sewing Machine

- Enrolled in Sewing/Quilting project
- Enter a minimum of 4 exhibits in a Sewing project or 2 exhibits in a Quilting project at the fair
- Complete an interview for exhibits submitted at the fair
- Provide an updated record book for judges to review for growth in the project at the fair

Microwave

- Enrolled in a Food/Nutrition project at the fair
- Enter a minimum of 6 exhibits in a Food/Nutrition project at the fair
- Complete an interview for exhibits submitted at the fair
- Provide an updated record book for judges to review for growth in the project at the fair

Member will let the Extension staff know if they wish to be considered for this award when member checks in exhibits in the Home Ec building at the fair. Contact the Extension office with any questions!

2022 Summer Outbound Programs for 4-H Youth

The international outbound programs are still set to take place!

The application deadline for all international outbound programs is December, 15 2021

The countries that are available in 2022 for current 4-H members, ages 14-19 (and not in college) are:

- Japan
- Costa Rica
- Korea
- Norway
- Taiwan
- Romania
- Argentina
- Finland
- IPYA/IFYE

(outbound for former 4-H members, 18-30)

For more information and application materials visit:

<https://www.states4hexchange.org/>

DATES

To Remember
2021-2022

November

- 1 Livestock Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. – Plains Farmhouse Café
- 7 Achievement Day, 2:00 pm, 4-H Pavilion, Sanders County Fairgrounds
- 15 Deadline for 2021-2022 enrollments of re-enrolling members**
- 22 Deadline for organizational leaders to submit enrollment fees to Extension Office
- 22 Club Treasurer's correspondences due to Extension Office for year-end audit along with Year-end Financial Summary report & 1% fee
- 22 Livestock Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. – Plains Farmhouse Café

December

- 7 Council meeting, 6:30 p.m. – Plains Farmhouse Café
- 7 Club year program plan & club officer list due in Extension Office

January

- TBA Market Beef Tagging

February

- 1 People Partner Grant applications due in State 4-H Office
- 1 Council meeting, 6:30 p.m. – Clark Fork Professional Building, Thompson Falls
- TBA State 4-H Rec Lab registration due

March

- 5-6 Communication days and Stir-ups
- 13 Communication Finals day
- TBA State 4-H Rec Lab

April

- 1 State Scholarship applications due in State 4-H Office
- 5 Council meeting, 6:30 p.m. – Plains Farmhouse Café, Plains
- TBA Montana 4-H Week of Service

May

- 1 State Award applications due in State 4-H Office

June

- TBA Sheep/Swine Tagging
- 7 Council meeting, 6:30 p.m. – Clark Form Professional Building, Thompson Falls
- TBA Multi-County 4-H Camp
- TBA Montana State 4-H Congress registration deadline

July

- 1 Project Add/Drop deadline
- TBA Pre-Congress – Bozeman
- TBA Montana State 4-H Congress – Bozeman

August

- 2 Council meeting, 6:30 p.m. – Plains Farmhouse Cafe, Plains

Sanders County 4-H Council - October 5, 2021, 6:30 p.m.
State Office Building, Thompson Falls

Pledges were recited.

Minutes of August Meeting were read and accepted.

Agenda Review – Popcorn and sno cone machine status was added.

Treasurer's Report – Spending for 2020-2021 year exceeded income by \$5500. Carmen and Juli will meet to finalize the 2021-2022 budget. Jen made a motion to move \$5000 from our Managed Agency account into the 4-H treasury. Ronda seconded, motion carried.

Correspondence was received from Darrell Fenner 4-H Loon Lake Camp, Mikiah Cook, Cheryl Jackson.

Reports

- Fair Wrap-up (Dining Hall) – Expenses were considerably higher this year, and meals purchased were lower. Council discussed increasing visibility (i.e. menus in rodeo programs? Etc.) and requesting donations. A committee will meet with the cook and propose a plan.
- Fair entries were down, but enrollment is basically static including many Cloverbuds. Council consensus is to support the livestock committee in requiring market animal projects to participate in at least one additional 4-H project and exhibit at fair.
- Ambassadors are meeting this week, finalizing the Achievement Day Plan.

Old Business

- Fair Projects include the home ec building remodel still in progress, restroom updates and shower drains to be completed soon, and a new commercial stove for the kitchen purchased by Fair Board. Fair manager would like to see a new floor in the Pavilion, and grants are being pursued. A new kitchen cooler is also possible.
- Meat Raffle Fundraiser was discussed. Suggestions were to find sponsors for cutting and wrapping, to seek animal donations and possibly use buy backs from the livestock sale. Discussion met roadblocks on where and when to try the raffle; we need more time.

Additional suggestions for fundraising included selling local fruit during canning season (cutting out the middle man). An online silent auction of 4-H member projects may work out, possibly around Mothers' Day. Clubs will be polled for interest in selling fruit in February, since we are unsure about other fundraising opportunities.

New Business

- Achievement Day Food will include hamburgers. Council will provide buns and beverages; Heron Eagles and Hot Springs Wranglers will bring chips. Whitepine Happy Workers will provide desserts, Trout Creek Mavericks – salads, and Thompson Falls Mountaineers – condiments and vegetables.
 - Enrollments: Deadline date is November 15th for re-enrollments. Members, re-enrolling & new leaders may enroll online only. Members & leaders pay dues to clubs. Horse Helmet form is only available as a hard copy. All other forms are included in online enrollment. Project manuals will be ordered online only
- New Family Orientation will be online by November, with hard copies available from the Extension Office.
- Council Officers were approved by acclamation – Joanne Burk, President; Aimee Foyil, Vice-President; Carmen Jackson, Treasurer; Karen Dwyer, Secretary.
- 4-H Year Calendar will be finalized at the December meeting as well.
- Popcorn and Sno cone machines are still available – do we want to sell them? Or keep for rental?

Clubs are reminded to encourage families to use Amazon Smile when ordering online and choose Sanders County 4-H as the non-profit recipient.

Ronda moved to support Mikiah Cook's National 4-H Congress trip with \$200; Jen seconded, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted, Karen Dwyer, Acting Secretary

Those present: Jennifer Avilla - SSS, Taylor Etienne - HE, Ronda Horner - TCM, Jen Christensen - LB, Carmen Jackson - HSW, Aimee Foyil - WHH, Karen Dwyer – TFM, Juli Thurston – Extension Agent.

**Sanders County 4-H Livestock
Committee Minutes for August 23, 2021**

Juli Thurston – Agent; Alan Hafner – President; Pat Wilson – Vice Chairman; Mindi Wilson; Carmen Jackson – Treasurer; Ryan Burk – Swine Superintendent; Doug Horner – Rabbit Superintendent; Jen Christensen – Hot Springs Wranglers Organizational Club Leader; Joanne Burk – Whitepine Happy Workers Organizational Club Leader.

Meeting called to order at 6:37 pm

Minutes from July Meeting: Approved

Treasurer’s Report: No new transactions to report

Agenda Review: No changes

Old Business:

Fair Improvements: Ideas: Ryan is working on the Jason Hanna sign and will look at the goat pen gates that need to be repaired. Doug hopes to do some updates in the Rabbit/Poultry Barn. Painting the metal on the bleachers will be scheduled for 2022. Horse arena tie rail. Hot Springs FFA said they could do the tie rail. Michele has contacted them with details. Sand & gravel will need to be moved into the horse stalls. Pat will get quotes for the sand. Suggested to add feet to the outdoor horse/beef panels so they don’t sink. We will visit with Hot Springs FFA during the fair to see if this is something they’d be interested in doing in 2021-22.

Livestock Raffle Prizes: Beef Barn will be donating 25lbs. of hamburger, Horse Barn – horse décor, Rabbit/Poultry Barn – car care package, Swine Barn – movie gift package, Goat/Sheep Barn – cord of wood

Round Robin Judges: Reminder to Superintendents to get judges.

New Business:

Comp Meal Tickets: Superintendents and Assistant Superintendents can transfer meals they don’t use to their spouse.

Species Reports

No reports this month – all getting set for fair

Announcements:

Pass out sale flyers/brochures, raffle tickets, fair books

Hand out exhibitor entry list for fair.

Next Meeting: Monday, September 27th, 2021 at 6:30 pm, Plains Farmhouse Café.