

GLACIER COUNTY 4-H - June, 2024

Upcoming Events

- June 1 - End of the year Shooting Sports party, BBQ, and awards, 12 p.m., Cut Bank Range
- June 3 - Food Safety Training, 4:00 p.m. Glacier County Annex
- June 7 - Logan Health Kids Safety Fair, 12 - 3 p.m., City Park
- June 9 - Open Range 4-H club meeting, 6:30 p.m., Glacier County Annex
- June 10 - 12 - 4-H camp, depart at 7:45 a.m. from Cut Bank Visitor's Center Parking Lot
- June 12 - 4-H camp bus returns ~2:45 p.m. at Cut Bank Visitor's Center Parking Lot
- June 14 - Marias Fair 4-H Premium Fund scholarship due to Extension Office
- June 15 - Fair registration deadline, all forms/payments due to the Extension Office
- June 15 - Montana 4-H Foundation youth representative applications due
- June 17 - 4-H Project Day, 11:30 a.m. - 3:45 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, Cut Bank
- June 17 - Food Safety Training, 4:00 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, Cut Bank
- June 19 - Livestock Committee meeting, 6:00 p.m., Seewald barn
- June 20 - Small Animal showmanship clinic, 6:00 p.m., Exhibit Building
- June 26 - Longview 4-H club meeting, time and location to be determined
- June 27 - Fashion Revue at Exhibit Building
- June 29 - Shotgun tournament at Shelby Trap Club, 9 a.m.

- July 9 - 11 - 4-H Congress in Bozeman
- July 13 - Pre-Fair cleanup, 8 a.m. at Marias Fairgrounds, food safety training to follow, Small Animal member meeting at 10 a.m. at Rabbit barn
- July 17 - 21 - Marias Fair in Shelby

Greetings, 4-H friends!

Summer is finally here, and the Glacier County 4-H program has an exciting few months ahead! With school done and warm weather upon us, now is the perfect time for our 4-H members to dive into their projects and make great progress. We encourage everyone to spend plenty of time outdoors exploring our beautiful rural landscape while tending to animal projects, working on handcrafts, or finishing up those Cloverbud projects. If you haven't picked up your family's 1st packet, please do so as soon as possible. The fair registration deadline is June 15th!

We'd also like to extend a thank you to Louise Atole for her service as a Curry Comb 4-H club leader these past two years. We'll greatly miss Louise and Maddie as they move this summer and have greatly appreciated their involvement in Glacier County 4-H!

In 4-H friendship, Kari and Lisa

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Marias Fair Registration

Fair packets are ready for pick up in the Extension office. Camping spots are available on a first come, first serve (and paid) basis for anyone new, wanting to move spots, etc. Please review ALL materials and get registered in FairEntry early so that we have time to review your entries for accuracy, etc. PLEASE read through your packets carefully before beginning fair registration.

Again this year premiums for every 4-H ribbon will be:

Purple - \$5, Blue - \$4, Red - \$3, and White - \$2

EVERY member should be doing an exhibit in their projects. Start now and let's have another great showing in the Exhibit Building from Glacier County!

Please be sure to read the schedule carefully. There are SEVERAL changes this year, particularly related to livestock show times. Glacier County will be in charge of Exhibit Building cleanup on Sunday at 8:30 a.m. (no monitoring Exhibit Building this year).

Open Class - Open class is open to anyone of any age. Registration for open class is June 1 - July 17 and can be done at <https://www.mariasfair.com/open-class>. This is separate from 4-H registration.

June 15 - Deadline for fair registration!

Shooting Sports

June 1 - Fun Shoot

The shooting sports season will wrap up with a fun shoot for Archery, Air Rifle, and Air Pistol members on Saturday, June 1, at the Cut Bank Range at 12 p.m. Awards will also be given at this time. Meat will be provided for a potluck BBQ, families are asked to bring a side dish or dessert. Help is needed to set up, please let Chris (360-480-0086) or any shooting sports coaches know if you can assist. Please meet at the Extension Office at 9 a.m. to get 3-D targets to haul out to help set up. Many hands make light work!

Bow Hunter Education

When: June 3, 4, 5, 6

Where: Marias River Electric - Shelby

Time: 5:30-9:00 PM

Books are available at Shelby Paint and Hardware. Please plan to sign-up with Montana Fish, Wildlife, and Parks. If you have questions, please call Michael Sharrard at 406-424-5087.

Marias Fair Shotgun tournament

June 29, 9 a.m. at Shelby Trap Club

Members need to register for the tournament in FairEntry by June 15 in order to compete in the tournament. 4-Hers will complete their fair interview that day as well. Fee will be \$10, collected with fair fees.



Maddie Largo at shotgun practice in Shelby

Cloverbud Day Camp - June 6th, 10:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Marias Fair Exhibit Building

Join us for an exciting Cloverbuds Carnival Day Camp! The camp will be located at the Marias Fair Exhibit Building at the fairgrounds at 608 W. Marias Fair Rd. in Shelby. If you can help, let us know.

4-H Camp Counselors

Camp counselors should be registered on ZSuites under Events and need to pay \$25 to Phillips-Blaine County 4-H Camp and drop off at the office. Please watch the YouTube training video link that was sent, practice your workshop 2 - 3 times, and make sure supplies are secured, you're prepared for leading various activities, etc.

4-H Camp

Checks should be made to Phillips/Blaine 4-H Camp and dropped off/mailed to the Glacier County Extension Office. The Glacier County 4-H Council Event scholarship and Bret Wanken Memorial Fund scholarship are both available to assist with camp registration; applications are available online at <https://glacier.msuextension.org/4H.html>. See attached letter for details.

Marias Fair Pre-Sale Social - Help needed

This event is an opportunity for buyers to interact with 4-H youth prior to the sale and show our appreciation. Help is needed for the Pre-Sale social on Saturday, July 20 at the Seewald Barn. 4-H families are encouraged to help by bringing cookies/bars and/or working a shift. 20 dozen cookies/bars are needed, please bring to fair by Friday and contact Raylee Johnson (450-8041), Katelyn Suta (845-6099), Mary Anderson (450-8053), or Destini Anderson (450-3218) to drop off. Cookies/bars should be in a disposable bag/container.

Members are needed to help set up, work, and tear down after the Pre-Sale social. Help is especially needed for cleaning up afterwards to get tables and chairs returned to the Exhibit Building. All livestock members benefit from this event and are highly encouraged to contribute. Any 4-H member is welcome to participate through baking cookies and/or working.

Please sign up to bring cookies or work a shift at:
[https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0B45AFA72BABF49-49927051-marias#/
49-49927051-marias#/
Thank you!](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0B45AFA72BABF49-49927051-marias#/)



Congratulations, Graduates!

Congratulations to Glacier County 4-H seniors, Addisyn Bengtson, Brandeon Molenda, Katelyn Suta, Jed Winkowitsch and Ken Winkowitsch. These seniors have consistently raised the bar locally, regionally, and statewide. They've completed some impressive service and leadership projects and led by example. Addisyn and Katelyn both received \$250 Glacier County 4-H Council scholarships, congrats!



Montana 4-H Foundation Youth Representative Applications Open

The Montana 4-H Foundation is seeking dedicated and engaged youth applicants to serve on the Montana 4-H Foundation Board of Directors. Youth must be at least 14 by October 1 of the current 4-H year and be enrolled as a 4-H member the following year. The position is for youth who are enrolled/active 4-H members during their year of service, which will start at the July annual meeting.

For more information and to apply, visit <https://www.mt4hfoundation.org/youth-representative-application.html>. Applications due June 15. Katelyn Suta has served this past year and would be a great resource on the duties and process.

Livestock Scale

Members are encouraged to weigh their market livestock at least monthly from now until fair. For weighing small livestock, we do have the small scale available for lambs and pigs that the Glacier County 4-H Council purchased for our members. There is to be NO washing or clipping on the scale. The scale has electronic parts and if they get wet, that can cause them to become faulty. Please be sure to always lift up when carrying the scale (no dragging). If you need something to wash/clip in for pigs, there is a heavy duty frame for that at Sahm Winkowitsch's that can be borrowed and used, or many folks have modified the plastic chemical shuttles as well. Please return the scale within 72 hours of using it.

NILE Merit Heifer Program applications open

Applications are now being accepted for the 2024-2025 year. The NILE Merit Heifer program is a live animal scholarship. Recipients receive a heifer calf to help them get a start in the beef cattle business and gain knowledge about the beef industry. During the program, participants are responsible for caretaking, record keeping, breeding, and bringing the heifer back to the NILE Stock Show as a bred heifer to compete for honors such as top showman, top heifer, and top herdsman.

Program participants are chosen based on merit, future goals, and ability to care for the animal. 4-H or FFA members who are 12-16 years old may apply. Applicants are not limited to Montana residents.

Applications and a link to the YouTube video must be submitted via email to shelby@thenile.org no later than June 30, 2024. Find out more at <https://thenile.org/events/livestock/nile-merit-heifer-program/> or by visiting with current NILE Merit heifer recipient, Janae Roberts.

Starter Flock Giveaway

The Montana Columbia Sheep Breeders Association is excited to offer a starter flock program to youth ages 11 – 16 interested in raising registered Columbia Sheep. Selected recipients receive a gift of 4 registered ewes to begin their adventure. With the help of family and the guidance of a knowledgeable sponsor member of the association, this program is a stepping stone towards success for our young breeders. Information and application is available at <https://www.mtcolumbiasheep.org/starter-flock.html>. Applications must be postmarked by 8/1.

WANT A FREE HEIFER?

NILE MERIT HEIFER PROGRAM
This program has been giving away heifers for 25 years. Over 465 youth have received heifers through the program

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PHILIP 66 VETERANS NETWORK BLUE BERRY

NILE

APPLICATION
Apply at:
<https://thenile.org/events/livestock/nile-merit-heifer-program/>
Application due: June 30

QUALIFICATIONS
For youth between the ages of 12 to 16 by June 30 and a 4-H or FFA member

JUDGING
You will be chosen based on:
Merit
Future Goals
Ability to care for animal

The graphic includes a silhouette of a heifer, the NILE logo, the Philip 66 Veterans Network logo, the NILE logo in a stylized font, the FFA logo, and a photo of a young woman standing next to a black heifer.



Small Animal Showmanship Clinic



June 20th 6- 7:30pm @
Exhibit Building

Animals to be shown:
Dog, Cat, Rabbit, Chicken, Pocket Pet
Everyone is welcome to attend



No registration and no fee to participate, all are encouraged to attend if a Dog, Cat, Rabbit, Chicken, or Pocket Pet member.

For questions, please contact the Toole County Extension Office at 424-8350 or toole@montana.edu.

Silent Auction donations needed - Every club is asked to donate an item or a basket for the annual Silent Auction in the Exhibit Building that supports a needed 4-H related cause. We are always willing to accept other donations from parents or friends of 4-H. Items can be dropped off on Clean-Up Day (July 13) or on Wednesday, July 17.

4-H Fashion Revue

The Marias Fair 4-H Revue judging will be Thursday, June 27 at the Exhibit Building. Members should sign up on FairEntry, Cloverbuds will start at 4 p.m. with others to follow. Members can compete with items they've made, styled (Ready to Wear), or a quilt they've made. The public showing will be Friday, July 19 during fair.

Livestock showmanship practice - There will be a 4-H livestock showmanship practice Saturday, June 29 at 4 p.m. at Chris and Lacy Roberts ranch west of Kevin. Members are encouraged to bring their livestock animals and show equipment. Please RSVP to Lacy if you are coming and will be bringing an animal, 406-209-5378. They're at 205 Nepstad Road, Kevin, MT. All are welcome, they just need a headcount for dinner. Beef brisket will be provided, please bring a salad or side dish.



Spare Animals

A reminder to get processing lined up early for those spare animals. Local options include:

- Prairie Meats in Lothair - Clark Diemert
 - 406-432-0050
- Christiaens Meats in Valier - Rod Christiaens
 - 406-279-3624

Marias Fair 4-H Premium Fund scholarship

Due to the incredible generosity of local fair sponsors, the Marias Fair 4-H Premium Fund is able to award up to 2 - \$750 scholarships to a graduating senior who is a Marias Fair 4-H member (new this year!) This scholarship will reward a youth who has been active in 4- H, their community & school. Applications have been e-mailed to graduating seniors and are due (hard copy) in the Extension Office by Friday, June 14 at 5 p.m.

Montana 4-H Congress - July 9 - 12

Do not miss the train, boat, plane or stagecoach to Bozeman for 2024 Montana 4-H Congress. Here you will pick up your Ticket to Leadership. Montana 4-H invites all members 4-H age 13 and older to participate in 4-H Congress on the Montana State University campus. This statewide event features workshops, contests, nightly dances, meeting 4-Hers from across Montana, and FUN! Members can compete in Career Communications, Demonstrations/Illustrated Talk, Fashion Revue, Gavel Games, Horse or Livestock Judging, Public Speaking, Quilt contest, Stir-Ups, or Videography with winners receiving trips to National 4-H Congress or the National Western 4-H Roundup. Please contact Kari if interested, transportation and scholarships are available. Registration deadline is June 15 on ZSuites.

Marias Fair Food Booth Stadium Cups & Contest

4-H families, get ready to snag a piece of Marias Fair history! For the first time ever, the beloved 4-H Food Booth will be offering limited edition stadium cups featuring the iconic booth logo. With only 200 cups available, these are sure to become a coveted collector's item. Grab yours early at the Fair before they're gone!

For a look ahead to 2025 - we're excited to announce an artwork contest open to all 4-H members. The winning design will be showcased on next year's Stadium Cup edition. Start brainstorming your most creative fair-themed art and get those talented hands ready! More details on submissions will be coming soon. Between this year's limited cups and next year's artwork celebration, the 4-H Food Booth is the place to make new memories!

Marias Fair Food Booth Safety Training

All 4-H members attending the fair are required to work a food booth shift and must complete food safety training every other year. For 2024, the following 4-Hers must sign up for one session of food safety training if they plan to exhibit at the fair.

Food Safety Training dates to choose from:

**Monday, June 3rd @ 4:00 p.m. Annex
Building, 1210 East Main, Cut Bank**

**Monday, June 17th @ 4:00 p.m. 1st
Presbyterian Church following project
day.**

**Saturday, July 13th @ Noon or after
Food Booth Cleanup, Marias Fair Food
Booth**

Rubie Bowland	Brandeon Molenda
Sabien Bowland	Bridger Molenda
Hugh Bradley	Alexis Mummey
Olivia Bradley	Ella Povey
Ainsley Conner	Cidney Ramson
Roy Conner	Ryatt Reeverts
Case Connors	McCoy Singer
Landon Connors	Ryan Snyder
Eden Heagy	Sean Snyder
Kimber Heagy	Joshua Stoltz
Ashley Heagy	Elliot Wahl
Madeline Hensley	Stella Wahl
Ava Manecke	Taos Wellman
Angleo McCullough	Atrayu Wilder

Register with this
QR code
or link



<https://tinyurl.com/5x8mczzp>

“I PLEDGE MY HEART TO GREATER SERVICE, MY HANDS TO LARGER SERVICE...”

This spring, 12 year old Curry Comb 4-H member, Sebastian McKenzie, wrote and applied for an Association of Montana Turf, Ornamental and Pest Professionals (AMTOPP) grant and was awarded \$500 for his project! This weekend, Sebastian put his plan to work, rototilling, building up the soil for the flowerbed, and planting flowers outside Folklore Coffee. He had designed a layout to write FOLKLORE in flowers, perfectly spaced in the flower bed. Keep an eye on the flowers as they grow throughout the summer, this will look beautiful!

Sebastian noted this project, "Can help beautify an area of town that is often overlooked, help beautify a local business, and bring joy to its customers." Great work, Sebastian, and thanks to AMTOPP for their financial contributions! Sebastian will be displaying his work at the 2024 Marias Fair 4-H Exhibit Building this summer.



The Open Range 4-H Club members have had a busy spring with community service projects. They worked concessions to raise money for club t-shirts and then also donated a portion of the profits to both the Cut Bank Animal Shelter and Qualwings Rescue. They also assembled and delivered May Day baskets to residents of the Beehive Home in Cut Bank.





Clever Clovers and Curry Comb 4-H clubs teamed up for some yard work at the Glacier County Library-Cut Bank this weekend. They cleared out leaves, cleaned flowerbeds, swept, and prepped the library for summer (even though hats, gloves, and coats were required)! Great work, 4-Hers and parents!



Destini Anderson was awarded a \$500 Association of Montana Turf, Ornamental and Pest Professionals (AMTOPP) grant assist with purchasing flowers for the downtown Cut Bank planter. Destini, Mary, and Dawsyn helped add new soil to pots and plant flowers this week around Cut Bank, great job!



EXTENSION



Glacier County 4-H

SUMMER PROJECT DAY

Monday, June 17, 11:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.
First Presbyterian Church, Cut Bank



11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. - Meatball Magic

4-Hers will learn how to make meatballs and the science behind blending pork and beef for added flavor and carcass value. We'll then use the meatballs for a spaghetti lunch.

1:00 - 2:30 p.m. - We're Jamming for Fair

Youth will be making and hot water bath canning jam. 4-Hers will also be honing their handshake and interview skills to prepare for Marias Fair interview day!

2:30 - 3:45 p.m. - Marketing your Merchandise

4-Hers will learn the basics of writing prospective buyers a letter, designing advertising materials in Canva, and introducing themselves to potential buyers and customers at a sale or farmer's market.

4 - 5 p.m. - Marias Fair Food Safety training

*This event will be sponsored by a Montana 4-H Foundation Innovative Programming grant.
This workshop is open to all regularly enrolled 4-H members, no fee.*



Register on Zsutes by June 13

For more information: Glacier County Extension Office
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