

GLACIER COUNTY 4-H

NEWSLETTER



April 2023

Happy Snowy Spring!

We hope you are enjoying at least a little bit of sunshine here and there. Fair will be here soon! Please watch for emails, and PLEASE read your newsletters for updates regarding the fair and other important activities in Glacier County 4-H!

The Marias Fair board public comment meeting regarding potential 2024 fair dates was this past month. Thank you to Raylee Johnson and Sahm Winkowitsch for attending from the Glacier County 4-H Council.

It sounds like the Fair Board may vote on this in April or May. If you haven't yet voiced your opinion on the matter, please visit with Rachel Brown and Blaine Suta. The April meeting is 4/5 at 6:30 p.m. at the Toole County ambulance barn.

Upcoming Events:

April 3 - Curry Comb Club meeting, 6:30 pm, Glacier County Library

April 3 - Marias Fair Booth Meeting, MRE, 6:00 pm

April 4 - Beginner market goat virtual meeting, 7:30 p.m.

April 15 - Swine weigh-in/tagging deadline

April 15 - Breeding project information submission deadline

April 16 - Camp Counselor meeting in Chester, 1:30 pm

April 16 - Longview 4-H club meeting, 7 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran church

April 17 - Cloverbuds, 4 p.m. at the Extension Office

April 17 - Clever Clovers meeting, Extension office, annex bldg. 6:15 pm

April 18-19 - 4-H Institute, Missoula, Lisa attending

April 23 - Archery Fun Shoot, BBQ, and awards, 12:30 pm

May 1 - Project Drop/Add Deadline

May 1 - 4-H Council meeting, 7 p.m., Annex

May 6 - Lamb/market goat weigh-in/tagging deadline

May 15 - Fair packets available

June 8 - Cloverbud day camp, Shelby

June 1 - Food Booth Food Safety Training, MSU conference room, 5:00 pm

June 12 - 14 - 4-H Camp

June 15 - Fair registration deadline

LIVESTOCK RELATED



Swine Weighing/Tagging

It's 4-H pig tagging time! Saturday, April 15 is the deadline to tag a pig in for the Marias Fair. Please coordinate with Kari Lewis a time to weigh/tag/deworm your pigs. It is much preferred to tag them while in the trailer versus after they've been let out into a pen.

Members need to have the following information:

- Breed of pig
- Date of birth
- Beginning weight
- Breeder's name and address

Members with **breeding projects** must submit to Kari Lewis (kari.lewis@montana.edu) by April 16 any of the following forms of identification on any breeding animals they plan to exhibit at fair:

- Bangs tag number
- Scrapie tag number
- Association registration tattoo
- Picture of animal

4-H'ers needs to have full possession of their project animal at this time.

Livestock Committee meeting update

Belt Buckles - There will be belt buckles for Grand and Reserve champion market animals (beef, lamb, swine and goat) and Round Robin showmen this year. Round Robin showmanship winners will receive \$200 (Grand) and \$100 (Reserve).

NILE Merit Heifer program

The NILE Merit Heifer Program was developed to help youth get a start in the beef cattle business. Selected recipients that are awarded a heifer are chosen based on merit, future goals and ability to care for the animal. Any youth that is between 12 and 16 years of age as of June 30 of the given year and is a 4-H or FFA member may apply. The deadline is June 30, details are available at <https://thenile.org/events/livestock/nile-merit-heifer-program/>.

Space for Livestock

If any 4-Hers are interested in having livestock (horse, pig, sheep, rabbits, goats, chickens) but need a place to keep them, please visit with Kari. There is a local landowner with a barn, round pen, etc., within a couple of miles of Cut Bank who is open to renting space to 4-Hers for their animals.

Golden Triangle Preview & Jackpot Shows

The cattle show is April 29 in Great Falls (late fees apply after 4/23). The hog, lamb, and goat show is June 3. Register at showman.app/shows#.

SHOOTING SPORTS RELATED



Archery 3-D Shoot - April 23 – 12:30 p.m. – Archery Fun Shoot, BBQ, and awards

This will be at the Cut Bank gun range (by the airport). Don will BBQ hamburgers and hot dogs, and if any families can bring a side dish or dessert, that would be great. Everyone is invited to attend, regardless of whether you have something for the potluck; come one and all!! There will be a 3-D shoot set up, and awards will be presented from the year.

State Archery results

- Brad Hjartarson, Unlimited 3-D - 159, 3X's
- Katelyn Suta, Bowhunter 3-D, 187, 6X's
- Katelyn Suta, Bowhunter, 282, 4X's
- Will Suta, Bowhunter, 265, 4X's
- Miles Geer, Bowhunter, 218
- Lexi Stubbs, Bowhunter, 221, 1X
- Taos Wellman, Bowhunter, 260, 2X's
- Maddie Largo, Primitive, 207, 1X

Shotgun information

Shotgun practice will be in Shelby and will start in mid May (Sunday afternoons) and then switch to a weeknight evening once school is out. James Barbee has noted that the will be gone some this summer, but the the Vice-President of the Shelby Trap club is also a certified 4-H Shotgun leader and has volunteered to fill in as needed.

The following families are currently enrolled in Shotgun in ZSuites - Bradleys, Browns, Gobert, Hedges, Wellman. If anyone else is interested, please sign up on ZSuites as soon as possible (no later than May 1, Drop/Add deadline). We will then communicate with families registered on practice times, etc.

4-H LEADERS NEEDING TO COMPLETE TRAINING:

MARY ANDERSON, BARBARA ASPEVIG, JAY ASPEVIG, BRIAN ASPEVIG, KATHLEEN BARBIE, JAMES BARBEE, JACKI BOYCE, FRANK GOINGS, BRANDON GRECO, DON POPELKA, CAROLYN POPELKA, JO DEAN ROONEY, BONNIE THIES

PLEASE COMPLETE IN ZSUITES UNDER THE 'CLOVER ACADEMY' SECTION

**IMPORTANT LINKS
FOR LEADERS**

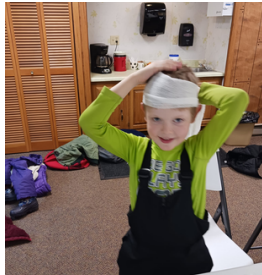




THIS YEAR'S ATTENDEES WERE:

- ELYSE BENGTON**
- ETHAN BROWN**
- OLIVIA BRADLEY**
- WILL SUTA**

No Ambassador meeting this month due to Easter.



Thanks to Logan Health EMS for visiting the Cloverbuds in March. Cloverbuds made First Aid kits, a great project to take to fair!

CLOVERBUDS WILL MEET ON MONDAY, APRIL 17 AT THE EXTENSION OFFICE FROM 4 - 5:15 P.M. CLOVERBUDS CAN RIDE BUS 4 TO THE OFFICE, BUT NEED TO SEND A NOTE TO THE SCHOOL AND LET YOUR CLOVERBUD'S TEACHER KNOW. THE MEETING WILL INCLUDE A SNACK, GAMES, AND ACTIVITIES. CONTACT OUR OFFICE FOR MORE INFORMATION.

Value Added workshops

The Glacier County 4-H Council has \$600 for a Value Added Ag workshop series (from a Montana 4-H Foundation Innovative programming grant).

The workshop proposal was that – participants will learn about value added agriculture through guest speakers and making their own value added products within groups. We would tentatively had members learn to make jam, a processed meat product, and bread. Participants would also learn about marketing and value added agriculture through bringing in guest speakers as well.



Help to organize the workshops and teach is needed. Any 4-Hers, parents, or leaders are welcome. We'd like to have a planning meeting soon. Please let Kari or Lisa know by April 5 if you'd like to be a part of the planning group and we'll set a time to meet soon.

4-H Camp Registration open April 15

4-H camp will be **Monday, June 12 through Wednesday, June 14**, similar to previous years. Camp will be for 4-Hers in 7th grade or below (no Cloverbuds).

Registration will be available on a first come, first serve (and paid) basis until we reach 120 campers. Registration will run April 15 - May 15 on ZSuites. Checks should be made to Glacier County 4-H Council. NEW this year - campers will choose via the registration process their workshops. Please read the workshop descriptions to know what each workshop will entail.

Any remaining applicants will be on a waiting list. Camp will be \$60/camper. The Glacier County 4-H Council Event scholarship and Bret Wanken Memorial Fund scholarship are both available; applications are available online at <https://glacier.msuextension.org/4H.html>.

Camp Counselor Reminders

Camp counselor training will be Sunday, April 16 at 1:30 p.m. in Chester at the LDS church, 550 W Jefferson Ave. Pizza will be provided.



Our Glacier County counselors are: Ken Winkowitsch, Jed Winkowitsch, Brad Hjartarson, Morgan Wilder, RJ Barbie, and Ashlyn Brown. Counselors, please let Lisa or Kari know if you'd like a ride to Chester.

Counselors, please submit workshop title and description to Kari or Lisa by Monday, April 3.

Glacier County 4-H Senior Scholarship

Graduating seniors are eligible to apply for the Glacier County 4-H Council scholarship, which has been made possible through generous donations and memorials to the Council.

The scholarship seeks to recognize Glacier County 4-H members who have been active in their club and community and set an example of, "Making the Best Better." One \$250 scholarship will be available. **Applications are due by 5 p.m. April 24** to the Glacier County Extension Office and were e-mailed out with the March newsletter.



FIND US ON THESE LINKS

SCAN FOR
STATE
4-H CALENDAR



The Montana Meth Project

Paint the State is a program of the Montana Meth Project. The statewide public art contest engages Montana youth and adults in on-the-ground drug prevention. Harnessing their passion and creativity, Montanans create monument-sized original public works of art that inspire drug-free lives incorporating the Meth Project's "Not Even Once" message.

How it works:

- All Montana residents 13 years of age and older are eligible to register and create a Paint the State entry.
- Participants can compete as an individual or group. The program is ideal for individual artists as well as student and youth groups, service organizations, and treatment and recovery groups as an impactful community outreach project.
- Prizes - there are three winners for each of the six regions in Montana. Winners per region receive \$500 for 1st, \$250 for 2nd, or \$100 for 3rd. The statewide winner receives \$1,000.
- Details are at www.paintthestate.org.

Drop/Add date - May 1 Deadline!

May 1 is the final date to drop or add a project. After May 1, NO changes can be made and members are responsible to complete any projects they enrolled in. You can make changes via ZSuites. Members MUST be enrolled in the project to exhibit in it at fair. Please check your project books to ensure you have enough activities to finish this year.



ALEC MORRISETT, CORIN BROWN, BRODY STOKES, DESTINI ANDERSON AND COLT LAVERDURE WERE DRINKING CHOCOLATE MILK AND LEARNING ABOUT 'RESIDUE' ALONG WITH SELECTION, NUTRITION, AND MANAGEMENT AS PART OF LIVESTOCK QUALITY ASSURANCE TRAINING.

Youth State Award & State Events

State Award

The deadline is May 1, 2023. Members apply in a project area they have mastered and "gone above and beyond" regular project expectations. Communication, Goals/Learning, Leadership and Service are the 4 categories. We have several 4-Hers in our county who fit this criterion.

For more information and to apply for a state award, use this link. Please reach out to Kari and Lisa if planning to apply so they can help you with your application!

<https://www.montana.edu/extension/4h/programs/awards/state-awards.html>

Leadership Plan of Action - for those in the teen leadership project due June 1

https://www.montana.edu/extension/4h/programs/youth_leadership/plan_of_action.html

County Ambassadors interested in applying to be State Officers Applications due June 15.

https://www.montana.edu/extension/4h/programs/youth_leadership/officer_team.html

Montana 4-H Congress 2023 - SAVE THE DATE

- Registration is May 1 - June 15
- Event MSU Bozeman Tuesday July 11- Friday July 14
- Pre-Congress and Officer Selection Sunday July 9 - Tuesday 11

https://www.montana.edu/extension/4h/programs/events/mt_4h_statecontests/index.html

International Hosting Opportunities

Experience cultural exchanges firsthand and broaden your global experience!

Montana families have the opportunity to host the following 4-H youth:

- 2 Norwegian Delegates for approximately 4 weeks, arrive end of June 2023
- 13 Japanese Delegates for approximately 4 weeks, arrive mid-July 2023
- 2 Japanese Delegates for the Academic Year Program (AYP) arrive in mid-late August 2023 through early June 2024

Apply to Host: <https://www.states4hexchange.org/apply/host/>

Contact: c.sommersaustin@montana.edu for more information

Fair manager position

Toole County is looking for a Fairgrounds Manager. This position is part-time. The Fairgrounds Manager is responsible for the planning, organization, and supervision of the daily operations of the County fairgrounds. If you know someone who may be a good fit, please refer them to https://toolecountymt.gov/employment_opportunities.html.

2023 Glacier County 4-H Communications Contest Results

Name	Age Division	Category	Ribbon
Maggie Morrisett	Cloverbud	4-H Pledge	Green
Case Connors	Cloverbud	4-H Pledge	Green
Sawyer Connors	Cloverbud	4-H Pledge	Green
Aiden Roberts	Cloverbud	Demonstration/Illustrated Talk	Green
Landon Connors	Pre-Junior	Demonstration/Illustrated Talk	Red
Mac McCauley	Pre-Junior	Demonstration/Illustrated Talk	Red
Sebastian Mckenzie	Pre-Junior	Demonstration/Illustrated Talk	Red
Sammie McCauley	Junior	Demonstration/Illustrated Talk	Blue
Emily Roberts	Junior	Demonstration/Illustrated Talk	Blue
Alec Morrisett	Junior	Demonstration/Illustrated Talk	Blue
Janae Roberts	Junior	Demonstration/Illustrated Talk	Blue
Lexi Stubbs	Junior	Career Communications	Blue
Madalynn Largo	Junior	Career Communications	Red
Morgan Wilder	Senior	Demonstration/Illustrated Talk	Red
Ken Winkowitsch	Senior	Demonstration/Illustrated Talk	Blue
Addisyn Bengtson	Senior	Career Communications	Blue
Katelyn Suta	Senior	Career Communications	Blue
Jed Winkowitsch	Senior	Career Communications	Blue

**Congratulations to our 2023
Glacier County 4-H Communications Contest winners!**

- Pre-Junior Demonstration/Illustrated Talk: Mac McCauley
- Junior Demonstration/Illustrated Talk: Emily Roberts
- Junior Career Communications: Lexi Stubbs
- Senior Demonstration/Illustrated Talk: Ken Winkowitsch
- Senior Career Communications: Katelyn Suta
- Overall Pre - Junior: Mac McCauley
- Overall Junior: Lexi Stubbs
- Overall Senior: Katelyn Suta





In a Montana 4-H survey, 70% of 4-Hers surveyed indicated improvement in knowing how to prepare a presentation from beginning to end after participating in 4-H.

66% of 4-Hers surveyed assessed themselves as more willing to speak in front of groups after joining 4-H.

Participants included: (Back Row) Alec Morrisett, Landon Connors, Janae Roberts, Addisyn Bengtson, Ken Winkowitsch, Jed Winkowitsch, Katelyn Suta, Emily Roberts, Sammie McCauley, Morgan Wilder, Maddie Largo, Sebastian Mckenzie, Mac McCauley, Case Connors, Aiden Roberts, Maggie Morrisett, Lexi Stubbs, and Sawyer Connors.



GLACIER COUNTY CUT BANK COMMUNITY CONNECTION EXPO



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ABOUT THE EVENT

- Thursday, April 27, 2023
- 6 - 8 p.m.
- Cut Bank High School Lobby
- 45 local groups & organizations showcased

Whether a longtime resident or new to the community, ALL are invited to come see the opportunities Glacier County offers to local youth and adults.

*Free dinner
1st come, 1st Serve*

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