



THE SCOOP

March 2025

Save The Date:

March 5 - Fair Theme Entries due by 5 pm/4-H Council meeting * 7 pm, Extension Office

March 9 - Cat Project Workshop * 6 pm, Extension Office meeting room

March 16 - Photography Workshop Series begins * 2-4 pm, Extension Office

March 19 - Animal Quality Assurance Training * 6 pm, Extension Office meeting room

March 23 - 4-H Club Officer Training * 4-7 pm, Bridger High School community room

April 2 - Leader Dinner Meeting * 6 pm, Extension Office meeting room

Montana 4-H Rec Lab

There's No Place Like 4-H * **March 28-30** * White Sulphur Springs, MT. This fun event provides an opportunity for youth ages 13+ and adults to enhance their leadership, communication, and team building skills in an action-packed and interactive setting. 4-H Council helps pay for this leadership event! Register by March 12 using your ZSuite account.

Animal Quality Assurance Training

All 4-H and FFA members planning to exhibit an animal at fair must complete QA training every 2 years (this includes small animals, horse, market, breeding). There 2 trainings left: **Wednesday, March 19 @ 6 pm** in the Extension Office meeting room & **Wednesday, April 16 @ 6 pm** in the Bridger High School.

The following 4-H members need QA: Maggie Austin, Kailyn & Malia Bareiss, Quade Boggio, Leah & Skyla Cassman, Charlie & Gracie Derks, Elizabeth, Rachel & Robert DeVries, Harleigh & Mabel Donnelly, Hartlie Ehrlich, Madeline Elder, Charlee Hall, Katie Harris, Aspen Hill, Ellie House, Hailey Knutson, Natalie Krenning, Blakely Krook, Kage, Kasen & Kanyon Krook, Rylee Lammiman, Aria Matthes, Evelyn Mayo, Mesa Mettes, Owen Miller, Eva Million, Emmy Molster, Everett Oren, Kaleb & Sadie Paulson, Aareta Peterson, Adele & Corbin Peterson, Paige Peterson, Peyton Roascio, Nevaeh Rupperecht, Aidon Songstad, Grace & Henry Stampfel, Oakley Stratton, Cade & MiKayla Stringari, Makenna Tobel, Luella & Owen Wallila, Isabella Walter, Haakon, JW & Liliana Werning, Cadyn Wright, Rex Zentner, Eli Zimmerman-Johnson.

FFA members who need QA: Ryan Aisenbrey, Thommy Howard, MacKenzie Griffin, Jessica Althoff. THIS IS NOT A COMPLETE LIST OF FFA MEMBERS; CALL OR EMAIL THE OFFICE TO CHECK YOUR QA STATUS. FFA members also need to submit a signed animal waiver to the Extension Office. Waivers are available on ZSuite, from FFA advisors and will be handed out on weigh/tag day.

Carbon County 4-H

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Communication/Demonstration Day:

Countywide 4-H Communication & Demonstration Day is **Sunday, April 13** at the Extension Office. Categories include demonstrations, speech, short take, video, job interview, commercial, promotional and illustrated talk. This is a great way to fulfill your club demonstration requirement! Winners are eligible to compete at 4-H Congress in July (age and category restrictions apply). Registration will be available soon. Contact Carrie at the Extension Office for more information.

4-H Council Officer Positions

4-H Council secretary and treasurer office positions are open. The council secretary is responsible for taking accurate meeting minutes and handling council correspondence. The treasurer will work closely with the Extension Office to maintain financial records, deposits and expenditures. Officer elections will be this Wednesday at 7 pm at the 4-H Council meeting, Extension Office meeting room.

Leader Dinner Meeting/4-H Council Meeting

4-H volunteers/leaders are invited to an informational dinner meeting on **Wednesday, April 2 at 6 pm** in the Extension Office meeting room. Amber and Carries will have updates on all things 4-H! There will also be a 4-H Council meeting at 7 pm that evening. One representative from each club should attend.

Fair Theme Entries

The 4-H Council is sponsoring the 2025 Fair Theme Contest. Do you or your club have a good idea for a fair theme? Email or drop off written themes at the Extension Office. The 4-H Council awards a cash prize for the winning entry. Fair themes are due **March 5 by 5 pm**. Email them to carbon@montana.edu.

**** Horse Project Members, mark your calendars!**

Spring Tune Up is May 4th!



****Good luck to Carbon County 4-H Shooting Sports and Archery members who are competing at the State Shoot in March!**

FREE National Park Days:

April 19, June 19, August 4

September 27, November 11

4th-graders & their families get a free annual pass - go to everykidoutdoors.gov

****Club Secretaries, where are your **meeting minutes?****



The state 4-H office requires club meeting minutes to be on file in county extension offices. Email them to Sheri at carbon@montana.edu.

Big Events Are Coming!

May 9-11	Livestock Boot Camp
May 16-18	4-H Dog Show
May 23-25	Livestock Judging Camp
June 9-12	4-H Horse Camp
June 14	BBB Jackpot Show
June 17-20	4-H Camp
June 21	Small Animal Workshop
July 6	Animal Fitting Workshop
July 21-26	Carbon County Fair



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4-H OFFICER TRAININGS

Hosted by the Carbon County Teen Leaders

Are you currently a 4-H club officer or interested in holding a position in the future? Join the Carbon County Teen Leaders for an evening of hands-on leadership and officer training!

- ✓ Learn the roles of officers
- ✓ Parliamentary procedure
- ✓ How to run effective meetings
- ✓ Enhance your public speaking
- ✓ Develop leadership skills

4-7
PM

03/02 Roberts Fire Hall

3 S 1st St, Roberts, MT 59070

**03/23 Bridger High School
Community Room**

429 W Park Ave, Bridger, MT 59014

For More Information,

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Upcoming Cat Workshop

Join Kim Ehrlich as she hosts a cat workshop on showmanship and learn how to make homemade cat toys!

Sunday, March 9, at 6 pm, at the Carbon County Extension Office!



RSVP to Carrie Guderjahn at carrie.guderjahn@montana.edu or call the office at 406-962-3522



Photography Workshops

With Meagan Thompson

March 16th 2:00-4:00 -- Session 1: Basics

History of photography, types of cameras, getting to know your camera, and basic overview.

April 27th 2:00-4:00 -- Session 2: Skill building

Composition, light, depth of field, focus and exposure triangle. Don't be intimidated, with practice it all becomes second nature!

May 4th 2:00-4:00 -- Session 3: Practice

Weather dependant, photo walk.

For all sessions please bring your camera, phone to DSLR, and camera manual if you have one. Please bring 3 printed photos or email 3 images for critique to meaganthompsonphoto@gmail.com ahead of time.

RSPV to amber.elliott1@montana.edu or meaganthompsonphoto@gmail.com
Classes will be held at the Carbon County Extension Office.