











## Fallon County Extension 4-H Newsletter

## February 2025

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Dear 4-H Members and Families.

We will be working with your club leaders to schedule club visits in the upcoming months. We try to visit every club each year to host a educational program that will be beneficial to your 4-H Experience. This year we will be focusing on requirements to complete the 4-H year and participate in the fair.

We look forward to see you all and if you have any questions, please contact the office.



Kodie

# **FALLON COUNTY 4-H FRUIT SALE**

The Fallon County 4-H Fruit Sale financially support the Fallon County 4-H program and 4-H youth activities.

#### **GUIDELINES:**

- Member selling at least 5 boxes of fruit will be eligible for financial assistance from the 4-H Council for 4-H trips.
- 4-H members will receive 10% of the amount of their sales if they turn their fruit order & money in on time and pick-up, sort, and deliver fruit on fruit delivery day. If you do not meet all the requirements and deadlines, your 10% will be donated to the Fallon County 4-H Council.
- Youth choosing to use SOCIAL MEDIA (mass messages or posts) to sell fruit will donate their 10% of sales to the Fallon County 4-H Council and they will be ineligible for awards and bonuses. <u>Everyone is welcome to promote fruit sales on</u> social media but sales should not occur there.
- CLOVERBUDS are not eligible to participate in 4-H fundraising.
- No half box orders will be accepted. Any half box order will be treated as a full box.
- FAMILIES may sell as a group and receive the 10% of total sales and be eligible for addition monetary rewards. To be eligible for financial support from the 4-H Council, families need to sell 5 boxes per family member.

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# ORDER FORMS AVAILABLE:

January 27, 2025

#### **ORDER FORMS DUE:**

February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025
Fallon County Extension Office

#### FRUIT DELIVERY:

March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025 8 am- 5:30 pm

Fallon County Exhibit Hall Youth will be responsible for picking up, sorting and delivering their fruit

#### **MONEY DUE:**

March 31st, 2025
Fallon County Extension Office

#### **Questions?**

(406) 778-7110 Fallon County Extension Office

> Office Hours 8:00-5:00 Monday- Friday



# **4-H Record Book Training**

Friday, February 14, 2025

9:00 am- Fallon County Exhibit Hall

Join the Fallon County 4-H Ambassadors for an in-depth training on how to get to get the most out of your 4-H Record Book

# Parent/ Guardian are encouraged to attend

# Why are Record Books Important?

- They teach us how to keep records!
- They help make Scholarship Applications easy!
- They help us set goals in 4-H, School, and Extra Curricular Activities!
- They help us reflect on our 4-H Memories!
- They can be used to apply for the State 4-H Project Award!

For more information on this event, please contact the MSU Extension Fallon County Office at (406) 778-7110.











## **NEWS FOR ALL 4-H FAMILIES**

## **4-H CAMP TEEN COUNSELORS**

Would you like to help a 4-H member discover the fun of attending camp? If so, becoming a Southeastern Montana 4-H Camp Teen Counselor is an excellent way to complete that goal!

Applications will be sent to all 4-H senior members that are eligible to become counselors and will be available at your Extension Office. Applications will be due March 14, 2025.

Camp Dates for Counselors will be: June 9-12, 2025

#### Requirements for being a camp counselor are:

- Applicant must be 14 years old as of October 1, 2024,
- Must have completed their freshman year of high school.

No payment will be required at the time of application but once counselors are selected, you will need to fill out a regular camp registration. Payment will be due at that time. If you have any questions, please contact the Fallon County Extension Office.



# VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION WEEK APRIL 20<sup>TH</sup>—26<sup>TH</sup>, 2025

Nominate a 4-H volunteer and show them just what an impact they have had on you and your 4-H journey! Volunteers will be recognized during Volunteer Appreciation Week. One volunteer from each county will be chosen as the "Volunteer of the Day" and all volunteers that are nominated will be in the running for the "Volunteer of the Year".

#### HOW TO NOMINATE

- Write a 5-10 sentence explanation on why you think the volunteer should be nominated. You can include committees they have served on, workshops they hosted, or what they have done to help you.
- Nomination explanations can also include funny stories or memories that you have shared with your volunteer.
- If you have a picture of the volunteer please include it with your nomination.

Please submit nominations to the Extension office by <u>April 1st</u>. You can drop nominations off at the office or e-mail them to <u>fallon2@montana.edu</u>. If you have any questions, please contact the office.



## **NEWS FOR ALL 4-H FAMILIES**

## **4-H MEMBER JOURNAL FORMS**

The following forms have been e-mailed to all members primary e-mail address

- My 4-H Year Form
- Animal Project Form
- Non-Animal Project Form

If you need any assistance with these forms, please contact the Extension office.

## **MEMBER SPOTLIGHT**

## **Rye Rost**



Projects: Photography: Level 1, Aerospace: Level 3, Baking: Level 1, Beef: Level 1, Beef: Breeding, Cat: Level 2, Cooking: 101, Crochet: Beginner, Electric: Level 2, Entomology: Level 1, Forestry: Level 2, Gardening: Level B, Leathercraft: Level 2, Meat Goat: Level 1, Meat Goat: Breeding, Meat Goat: Market, Pocket Pets: Level 2, Poultry: Level 2, Poultry: Breeding, Poultry: Market, Sewing: Level 1, Shooting Sports: Archery, Shooting Sports: Air Rifle, Swine: Level 2, Swine: Market, Woodworking: Level 2, Cowboy Poetry, Robotics: Junk Drawer Level 1

Rye works very hard to complete her projects and has been recognized for that work with receiving numerous project awards. Rye has always had a great work ethic and a never give up attitude!

### **Locklyn Moore**



**Projects:** Poultry: Market, Poultry: Level 1, Dairy Cattle: Level 1, Swine: Level 1, Swine: Market, Photography: Level 1

Locklyn is such a joy to be around and she has a great outlook on everything she does. Locklyn is always willing to step in and help with whatever she is asked and brings a great sense of humor to all situations!

We are pleased to recognize these great 4-H members and we have a gift for them at the office. If you would like to recommend a member for the spotlight, please contact the office.

## **SHOOTING SPORTS NEWS**

## **SHOOTING SPORTS FUN SHOOT/ AWARDS**

February 23rd, 2025- 4:00 pm- Fallon County Shooting Range

The annual Fun Shoot is a great opportunity to show off all the skills that you acquired and have some fun. Year-end awards will be given out after fun shoot.



## 4-H/FFA LIVESTOCK AND ANIMAL PROJECTS

## **MEMBERS WHO NEED AQA**

All Fallon County youth enrolled in a breeding or market animal project are required to take a recognized Animal Quality Assurance Program their first year and then every other year following. (This includes youth with beef, sheep, swine, goat, rabbit and poultry.) Youth must complete this by July 1st. We encourage youth to attend hands-on trainings, however, if you are unable to attend one of our workshops this year, we do have a few other options available.

Youth Needing an AQA:

Brody Bondell, Mason Brown, Daniel Losing, Josh Losing, and Abegayel Stonebrink

## **LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST**

BADLANDS LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST

Friday, February 21, 2025 Bowman, ND

Registration Due: Friday, February 14th, 2025

FALLON COUNTY 4-H LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST

Saturday, April 26, 2025

Fallon County Indoor Barn- Baker, MT

Registration: Saturday, April 26, 2025-11:00 am



For more information or registration forms for any of these judgings, please contact the office.

## **LIVESTOCK POSSESSION DATES**

Animal	Possession Date		
Traditional Market Beef- Steer/Spayed Heifer	January 1		
Miniature Market Beef- Steer/Spayed Heifer	January 1		
Horse, Dog, Cat, Llama/Alpaca	June 1		
Market Hog	June 1 (Photo to Extension Office)		
Market Goat	June 1		
Market Lamb	June 1		
Junior Feeder*	June 1 (born in the current year)		
Breeding Beef, Sheep, Swine & Goat	June 1		
Pack & Driving/Harness Goat	June 1		
Poultry and Rabbits	June 1 (Picture to Extension Office)		

### **4-H HORSE HELMET VIDEO**

Attending a 4-H horse helmet safety workshop and/or viewing the video "Every Time, Every Ride" is required first as a Junior member and again as a Senior member in order to be a registered member in a Montana 4-H Horse Project. Contact your Extension Office at 406-778-7110 for more information.



# **4-H CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

# February 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1
2 Archery- 4pm Rifle- 4 pm	3	4 Cloverbuds- 4 pm	5	6	7	8
9 Leadership Academy- 3 pm Archery- 4pm Rifle- 4 pm	10 Rec Lab Registration Opens	11	12	13 Happy Birthday Dave	14 4-H Foundation Scholarship Due Record Book Workshop- 9 am	15
16 Archery- 4pm Rifle- 4 pm	Office Closed  PRESIDENTS  III	18 Cloverbuds- 4 pm	19 Office Closed 4-H Updat	20 Office Closed re- Miles City	21	22
23 Fun Shoot/ Awards- 4 pm	24 Fruit Order Forms Due	25	26	27	28	I <b>♥</b> 4-H

## March 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Self- Determined Project Description Due State 4-H Shoot
2 State 4-H Shoot	3	4 Cloverbuds- 4 pm	5	6	7	8
9 SPING FORMERS	10	11	12 Rec Lab Registration Due	13	14 Camp Counselor Applications Due	15
16 Leadership Academy- 3 pm	17  **APPY ST. PATRICKS DAY	18 Cloverbuds- 4 pm	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
					Rec Lab- White	Sulfur Springs, MT
30 Rec Lab	31 Fruit Money Due		1	1	1	