

Upcoming Events

- August 2 - Completed record books due to club leaders to compete for awards
- August 3 - Open Range Fun Day at Coram Fun Center
- August 5 - 4-H Council meeting, 7 p.m., Annex Conference Room
- August 9 - Completed record books due to Extension Office to compete for awards.
- August 25 - Awards Showcase interviews, 5 p.m. for members who turned in completed books by August 9 to Extension Office, St. Paul Lutheran Church
- September 20 - 21 - Shooting Sports training in Conrad
- September 30 - Deadline to turn completed record books in for the year
- October 1 - New 4-H year begins

Greetings, Glacier County 4-H!

As we wrap up another successful Marias Fair, thank you. Thank you to each person who helped make it a success, who pitched in, who did what was asked, who went above and beyond, who represented Glacier County 4-H well. Time and again, you folks stepped up whether painting picnic tables, organizing or working the Pre-sale social, hauling tables and chairs, organizing the 4-H dance, cleaning the food booth, etc. 4-H is only possible due to the generosity and work of so many, and through these efforts, we're building the next generation of community leaders who simply do what needs to be done, when it needs to be done to get the job done. I would encourage each kid to also take the time to thank one older member, leader, volunteer, etc. who has helped them and give them a thank you.

This is also the time of year to wrap up record books and project books. There are numerous resources at <https://www.montana.edu/extension/glacier/4H.html> and if you have questions, please ask. Taking the time to reflect upon the year - what went well, did you meet your goals, what would you improve for next year, etc. is an extremely important life skill. Rather than simply doing the same thing over and over again and expecting different results (which Albert Einstein notes is insanity), it's important to take the time to evaluate what was done and what do we need to change for a different result.

Lastly, congratulations to our graduating seniors - Addisyn, Katelyn, Jed, and Ken as they wrap up their 4-h careers. They've been wonderful role models, hard workers, fantastic leaders, and outstanding 4-Hers who we will miss greatly. They've truly made an impact on 4-H and left it better than they found it. We'll miss you four, and also our intern, Grace Rooney as she heads back to college.

In 4-H friendship, Kari and Lisa

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Motto -
To Make the Best Better

Marias Fair Thank You List

We have SO many volunteers who help make the Marias Fair happen. There is a list of volunteers and their addresses on a spreadsheet at https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1z_SPv47N7_6lUcxdt0xjGiR2ytZRi4i9cQNi_ELAOl/edit?fbclid=IwY2xjawEYmaFleHRuA2FlbQIxMQABHTFmrFGd1kySqBhD2iOpCFMduuUF8qSOUowmctFRtOyJvUNRcpfAEh0zKQ_aem_5pF3LLVp8mpAdc1HgCDoQQ&gid=0#gid=0.

Every member, please sign up for at least two thank you's and then mail that volunteer a thank you as soon as possible. Please feel free to send thank you's to someone even if someone else has already signed up for them, or if there's someone that you think should also receive a thank you. Here's an example thank you:

Dear John,

Thank you so much for sharing your time with 4-H at the Marias Fair this year as a swine barn superintendent. I really appreciated your help getting my pig to and from the show and sale. My favorite part of 4-H is the fair and I enjoy making lots of friends at fair. I'm grateful we have volunteers like you that help make the fair happen!

Sincerely, Callie Clover

Katelyn and Ashlyn represent Glacier County at 4-H Congress



Katelyn Suta and Ashlyn Brown represented Glacier County well at Montana 4-H Congress. Katelyn wrapped up her term as the youth representative on the Montana 4-H Foundation, Inc. Board and Ashlyn competed well in the Quilt competition. Congress is a great opportunity for 4-Hers 13 and up to make friends, compete, experience campus life, and explore 4-H.

Branding Cut Bank projects nets over \$2,000!



This past weekend Olivia Bradley wrapped up her 'Branding Cut Bank' teen leadership project. Thanks to all who purchased spots and helped with the project, \$2,030 was raised!

Olivia earmarked the proceeds to the Montana 4-H Foundation, Inc. and a Cut Bank Community Foundation which is in the works. The effect of her project will be multiplied as both foundations use the funds to provide others within Montana 4-H or Cut Bank the means to carry out their projects.

The barn wood came from JC and Hapi Seewald and was installed by Rod and Lisa Cline (on the old Gambles building), and Olivia sold the brand spots and organized the branding party. Thank you to Clines, the Bradley family, Richie Laverdure, Wyatt Michaels, Wes McAlpine, and everyone else who made the project possible. Olivia took on the project as part of her 4-H Teen Leadership activities for the year, in addition to her tie blanket and Cloverbud camp projects as well, way to go!!

Inspire Young Minds: Leaders Needed for Cloverbud Adventures!

Calling all teen leaders and/or caring adults! Want to make a difference and gain valuable leadership experience? Join our exciting Cloverbud program teaching and mentoring young children. We're seeking enthusiastic 4-H teens and caring adults to guide and inspire our youngest members, ages 5-8, during their monthly meetings. You'll lead fun, engaging activities that introduce Cloverbuds to the 4-H pledge and help them create projects for Communication Day, Fashion Review, and the Marias Fair.

Meetings are held on the 2nd Monday of each month for just 75 minutes. This is your chance to shape the future of 4-H while developing your own skills in teaching, planning, and mentoring. Don't miss this rewarding opportunity to be a role model and make a lasting impact on our Cloverbud program! If interested, contact Lisa at lterry@montana.edu.



Great creativity by the Longview 4-H club in taking to Lewis and Clark Days parade with goats and signs thanking their Marias Fair 4-H livestock buyers. Nice job to the Browns and Sutas!

Record Book Reminders

Before turning in record books to club leaders, members and parents should both complete the checklist on the 'Criteria for an Up to Date Record Book for the Marias Fair' to ensure that the criteria for a 'Gold Seal of Excellence' is met. The 4-H member and parent should walk through this checklist, and if anything is missing, make sure to correct it before turning the book into the club leader or Extension office. This checklist is also available <http://glacier.msuextension.org/4H.html>. If this criteria is met, the member will receive a Gold Seal of Excellence and be eligible to compete in the Roundtable for top awards. We will set the dates for the Roundtable at our Council meeting August 7.

Resources - <http://montana4h.org/resources/> has a guide that explains what should be recorded where (For the Record: A Guide for Completing 4-H Records), and fillable record book forms are also available.

DON'T FORGET:

Market Animal Growth Record -

- Total Weight Gain = Ending weigh at fair - beginning weight at initial weigh-in
- Average daily gain = Total Weight Gain / Days on Feed
- Feed Cost per lb. gain = Total Feed Cost / Total Gain Example: If you spent \$500 in feed costs, and your steer gained 600 pounds, it cost \$0.83 to add one pound of gain.

Expenses other than feed - Expenses such as livestock commission (4% to the Livestock Committee, brand inspection, livestock picture, show supplies, etc. should be recorded).

Prize money - Premium money received both in 4-H and in open class (specific to the project) should be recorded. (Example: Premium money from showing a chicken in 4-H and open class is recorded in the poultry project, but premium money from Legos, a non-4-H exhibit, is not recorded).

My 4-H Year should be completed, don't forget to record newspaper or radio interviews as Promotional Presentations, your fair ribbons and awards under Awards & Honors, your project interviews under Communications Activities, etc.

Record Books and Awards Process

- **August 2**- Record books due to club leaders. Members and parents should check record books for completion first, and then have their club leader review books.
 - **August 9** - Record books due to the Extension Office. If your record book is complete (which will be verified using the checklist), you will be eligible for the Awards Showcase which will be in late August (date to be set at Monday Council meeting). Members will then receive an invitation and will need to respond if they choose to participate .
 - **September (TBD)** - Awards will be given for the Showcase interviews at Achievement Day. Members, parents, and leaders, etc. can also nominate members who they feel have displayed excellence in community service, leadership, or 4-H Achievement. Members do not need to be nominated within their projects since they will automatically be eligible for the Showcase if they complete their record book.
 - **September 30** - Deadline for Completion - All record books must be completed (according to the 'Criteria for an Up to Date Record Book') and turned in by September 30. If completion criteria is not met by September 30, members are not eligible to enroll in a market animal project or request any scholarship money from the Glacier County 4-H Council next year.
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Congratulations to our carcass winners:

Goat:

1st: William Suta

Swine:

1st: Destini Anderson

3rd: Corin Brown

4th: Knox Singer

Beef:

1st: Ken Winkowitsch

2nd: Emily Roberts

3rd: Teagan Boyce



Swine of Excellence: Destini Anderson, Knox Singer, McCoy Singer, Ethan Brown, Ryatt Reeverts

Steer of Merit: Ken Winkowitsch, Emily Roberts, Teagan Boyce, Colt Boyce, Sammie McCauley, Beretta Winkowitsch, Addisyn Bengtson

	2024 Fair Price	2024 Market Price	2023 Fair Price
Swine	\$17.20/lb.	\$0.85/lb.	\$17.34/lb.
Beef	\$7.72/lb.	\$1.97/lb.	\$7.39/lb.
Lambs	\$19.53/lb.	\$2.25/lb.	\$21.56/lb.
Goats	\$18.20/lb.	\$2.50/lb.	\$19.20/lb.

The 2024 sale was record setting! The sale grossed \$693,732 on 111 head while last year there were 94 head that grossed \$632,291. Clearly our community believes in the value and mission of 4-H, incredible! Please support these folks as they support 4-H!

Record Book Deadlines

- **August 2 - Completed record books due to club leaders for review to compete for awards**
- **August 9 - Completed record books due to office to compete for awards**
- **September 30 - Final day to submit COMPLETED record books for the year**

Year-end awards

Attached with the newsletter are the Member Recognition forms and the Awards nomination forms. These are due back by August 25.

Members are encouraged to fill out the Member Recognition Award application to recognize their efforts throughout the entire 4-H year within the club, county, service, etc.

The Award nominations are to recognize members who have gone above and beyond in community service or leadership.

Awards Sponsor Thank You's

We have printed thank you posters for our county award donors, thanks to all those who picked one or two up at carcass awards to distribute. Please make sure to send/deliver with a personal thank you. Their sponsorship buys the fair awards (rosettes, trophies, cash prizes), supplies the premiums, AND allowed us to give out two senior scholarships as well.

Please support these businesses as they support 4-H.

Asper Funeral Homes	1306th Ave SE	Cut Bank, MT 59427	\$50
Berkram Law Office	PO Box 1225	Cut Bank, MT 59427	\$125
Billman's Home Decor	18 1st Ave SW	Cut Bank, MT 59427	\$150
Bradley Ranch	230 Bradley	Cut Bank, MT 59427	\$100
BTI Feeds	PO Box 1191	Cut Bank, MT 59427	\$150
CHS Big Sky	PO Box 1272	Cut Bank, MT 59427	\$150
Clever Clovers 4-H Club	PO Box 1228	Cut Bank, MT 59427	\$100
Cut Bank Auto Body	305 E. Main	Cut Bank, MT 59427	\$50
Cut Bank Saddle Club	PO Box 813	Cut Bank, MT 59427	\$25
Cut Bank Tire Inc.	301 W Main	Cut Bank, MT 59427	\$100
Dr. Mark Stanchfield	226 9th Ave SE	Cut Bank, MT 59427	\$100
Frontline Ag Solutions	101 6th Ave NE	Cut Bank, MT 59427	\$150
Geer Trucking	84 McDonald Rd	Browning, MT 59417	\$100
Glacier Community Health Center	519 E. Main St.	Cut Bank, MT 59427	\$100
Glacier County Commissioners	512 E. Main Street	Cut Bank, MT 59427	\$250
Glacier Electric Coop	PO Box 2090	Cut Bank, MT 59427	\$500
Glacier Motor Sales & Service	416 W. Main St.	Cut Bank, MT 59427	\$100
Hibbs Ranch	234 Fox Ranch Rd.	Cut Bank, MT 59427	\$200
Joni Rae Kittle	141 Brandy Wine Lane	Great Falls, MT 59404	\$250
Mountain Breeze Property Mgt	PO Box 2134	Cut Bank, MT 59427	\$50
Norman's	601 W. Main St.	Cut Bank, MT 59427	\$100
Open Range 4-H Club	102 3rd St SE	Cut Bank, MT 59427	\$100
State Farm Insurance	30 S. Central	Cut Bank, MT 59427	\$100
Stockman Bank	PO Box 1139	Cut Bank, MT 59427	\$100
Triangle Land & Livestock	PO Box 568	Browning, MT 59417	\$100

Shooting Sports Trainings

Would you be interested in volunteering with archery, air rifle, air pistol, or shotgun? Trainings are coming up, please contact Kari for details. A certified leader is required to conduct practices and these are also an opportunity for youth leaders to become certified as well.

To be a certified leader in the State of Montana, the following must be satisfied:

- Be at least 21 years of age.
- Be enrolled as a leader in their respective County. Passed a background check and successfully completed the Montana 4-H Volunteer Training Modules.
- All training attendees must complete the four National 4-H Shooting Sports modules on Z-Suites to be certified at the end of the practicum day. Please go to the 4-H Shooting Sports College at 4-hshootingsportscollege.com. The code for Z-Suites is NSS-MSU-FQ99W5JMD. Please see the attached instructions.
- Be trained and certified in any discipline(s) that they are teaching at the county level.
- Participants must attend the entire training and successfully complete all aspects to receive their respective discipline certification.
- Certification is good for seven (7) years. If the discipline is not taught in the first 2 years, the course must be retaken.

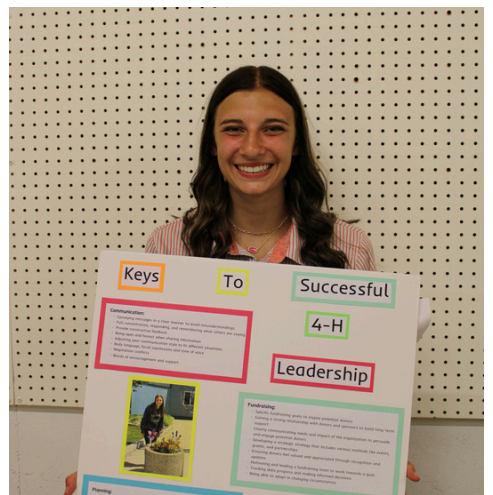
Here is the list of trainings scheduled for the remainder of 2024.

- Kalispell – August 3, 2024 – Shotgun only
- Billings – September 13-14, 2024. We will offer Coordinator, Archery, Rifle, Pistol, and Shotgun
- **Conrad – September 20-21, 2024. We will offer Coordinator, Archery, Rifle, Pistol, and Shotgun**
- **Kalispell – December 6-7, 2024. We will offer Coordinator, Archery, Rifle, Pistol, Muzzleloader, Hunting Skills, and Shotgun**
- Belgrade – December 13-14, 2024. We will offer Coordinator, Archery, Rifle, Pistol, and Shotgun
- Havre, Circle, and Malta. TBD. We will offer Archery, Rifle, and Pistol

Beef 2 and 3 Feedback winners

Thanks to those who provided feedback on our 4-H beef curriculum. We had a drawing for a \$10 Chamber of Commerce gift certificate for a 4-Her and parent/leader who submitted feedback and the winners were: Leslie Berkram and Addisyn Bengtson. Please stop by!





Watch Facebook for more fair pictures in days to come.

2024 Marias Fair Award Winners

- Destini Anderson: Swine – 1st place carcass
- Bodie Barbie: Cat – Third Place Jr Showman. Dog – Third Place Novice B.
- Addisyn Bengtson: Beef – Third Place Sr Showman, Third Place Overall Showman, Top Hereford Influenced Steer. Best of Class Decorated Food - Senior, Best of Show Decorated Foods Exhibit, Best of Show Leadership Exhibit, Top Beef Breeding Interview, 4-H Livestock Committee Carcass Scholarship, 4-H Livestock Committee Scholarship.
- Hugh Bradley: First Place Jr Livestock Judging Team.
- Olivia Bradley: Beef – Top 100% Black Angus Steer. Best of Class Leadership Exhibit.
- Ashlyn Brown: Dairy Goat – First Place Senior Showman, Grand Champion Overall Showman, Grand Champion Dairy Goat. Goat Herdsman, Best of Show Quilt Exhibit, Best of Show Visual Arts Exhibit, Best of Class Goat Exhibit, Overall Needlework Interview, Overall Leadership Interview, Overall Visual Arts Interview, Overall Dairy Goat Interview.
- Corin Brown: Dairy Goat – First Place Junior Showman, Best of Class Photography Exhibit, Best of Class Woodworking Exhibit, Best of Class Swine Exhibit, Swine – 3rd place carcass
- Ethan Brown: Dairy Goat – Second Place Senior Showman, Reserve Champion Overall Showman. Best of Class Swine Exhibit, Top Mechanical Science Electricity Interview, Top Small Engines Interview.
- Teagan Boyce: 3rd place beef carcass
- Case Connors: Rabbit – Second Place Pre-Jr Showman.
- Landon Connors: Poultry – Third Place Pre-Jr Showman. Best of Class Mechanical Science Aerospace Exhibit, Pre-Jr.
- Beau Dagle: Dog – First Place Open, First Place Individual Utility, Second Place Pre-Jr Showman. Best of Class Photography Exhibit, Best of Class Leathercraft Exhibit, Best of Class Dog Exhibit Pre-Jr, First Place Pre-Jr Livestock Judging Team, Second Place Pre-Jr Livestock Judging Individual, Top Photography Interview, Top Mechanical Science Aerospace Interview.
- Ray Dagle: Best of Class Beef/Dairy Exhibit
- Wesley Dagle: Best of Class Woodworking Exhibit – Pre-Jr, Sheep Herdsmanship, Most Promising Beginner in Sheep.
- Miles Geer: Swine – Second Place Jr Showman
- Colt Laverdure: First Place Pre-Jr Livestock Judging Team.
- Mac McCauley: Swine – First Place Pre-Jr Showman. Beef – Second Place Pre-Jr Showman. First Place Pre-Jr Livestock Judging Team, Third Place Pre-Jr Individual Livestock Judging, Top Cooking Interview.
- Sammie McCauley: Beef – Third Place Junior Showman. Dairy Cattle – First Place Jr Showman, Grand Champion Showman, Grand Champion Dairy Animal. Sheep – First Place Jr Showman. Best of Class Quilt - Jr, Best of Class Beef/Dairy Exhibit - Jr, Dairy Cattle Herdsman, First Place Jr Livestock Judging Team, First Place Jr Livestock Judging Individual, MRLA Sheep Public Speaking Contest Top Jr, Best of Show Large Animal Exhibit.
- Alec Morrisett: Beef Breeding – Top Breeding Heifer Glacier Co.
- Emily Roberts: Cat – Grand Champion Jr Showman. Top Sheep Breeding Interview, 2nd place beef carcass
- Janae Roberts: Best of Class Foods & Nutrition Cooking - Jr, Beef Herdsmanship, First Place Jr Livestock Judging Team, Second Place High Point Overall.
- Knox Singer: Swine – 4th place carcass

- Lexi Stubbs: Cat - Reserve Champion Junior Showman. Rabbit – Reserve Champion Buck, Grand Champion Doe, Second Place Junior Showman. Poultry – Grand Champion Cock/Cockerel, First Place Junior Showman, Grand Champion Overall Showman, Grand Champion Trio. Dog - First Place Sub-Novice B First Place Novice B, Reserve Champion Obedience, First Place Junior Showman, Reserve Champion Showman. Best of Class Leadership Exhibit, Best of Class Rabbit Exhibit, Overall Rabbit Interview, Dog Project Over-all Glacier County, Poultry Herdsmanship, Best of Show Small Animal Exhibit, High Point Overall
- Katelyn Suta: Swine – First Place Senior Showman, Grand Champion Overall Showman, Reserve Champion Market Hog, Grand Champion Breeding Swine. Market Goat – Third Place Sr Showman, Reserve Champion Market Goat. Top Senior Career Communications, 2nd Place Overall All Other Categories, Marias Fair Premium Fund Scholarship.
- Will Suta: Best of Class Foods and Nutrition Cooking, Best of Show Cooking & Food Preservation Exhibit, Goat – 1st place carcass
- Peyton Volkman: Beef Breeding – Grand Champion Bred Heifer Project. Top Beef Breeding Interview.
- Elliott Wahl: Best of Class Welding Exhibit.
- Stella Wahl: Horse – Grand Champion Jr Showman, Third Place Jr Trail. Best of Class Foods & Nutrition Baking - Jr, Best of Show Baking Exhibit.
- Beretta Winkowitsch: Dog – Second Place Novice B, Third Place Sr Showman.
- Jed Winkowitsch: Dean Peterson Scholarship
- Ken Winkowitsch: Beef – Top Charolais Influenced Steer. Top Beef Rate of Gain, Dean Peterson Scholarship, 1st place beef carcass

