



4-H NEWS ROUNDUP

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NEWSLETTER FOR 4-H MEMBERS, LEADERS & PARENTS IN LASSEN COUNTY

Calendar of events...

July /August 2023

JULY

- 4 Happy Independence Day!
- 10/11 Feature Booths and Still Exhibits due at Jensen Hall—12 noon to 6 pm
- 11 Junior Livestock Auction Promotion Day & Radio Taping—9:30 am, Memorial Park.
Wear your whites. BBQ tickets—return ticket stubs and money to the 4-H office.
- 16 Lassen County 4-H Dog Show—10 am, Lassen County Fairgrounds
LASSEN COUNTY FAIR—July 19-23
- 18 4-H Fair Barbecue Fundraiser—Setup 4 pm, Barbecue 5 to 6:30 pm, club leaders have
work sign-up sheets.
- 22 Junior Livestock Auction—8:30 am in the Judging Pavilion
- 23 Still Exhibits pickup at the LC Fair—9 am or by appointment with the fair

AUGUST

- 22 4-H Open House—Susanville Tractor Supply, club setup 4 pm, 4:30-6 pm meet & greet
Junior Livestock Auction Carcass Contest & checks—6:30 pm, Judging Pavilion
- 24 Fair Review—5 pm, 4-H office. Everyone is invited to attend.
Council meeting—6 pm, 4-H office
- 31 '22-'23 Club Year-End Financial Reports DUE to 4-H office.

SEPTEMBER

- 1 New 4-H Year Begins—New 4-H Online enrollment opens
All Around 4-Her of the Year—applications due in 4-H office
- 21 Club Year-End—miscellaneous reports DUE to 4-H office
County Record Books—competing in county judging, must be submitted to the 4-H office
- 25 County Officers' Training—Club President, Vice President, Secretary & Treasurer,
6 pm at the 4-H office
- 28 Council meeting—6 pm, 4-H office

We'll see you all at the Lassen County Fair...





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4-H Project Sheets:

[http://4h.ucanr.edu/Projects/Project_Sheets/4-H Project Sheets](http://4h.ucanr.edu/Projects/Project_Sheets/4-H_Project_Sheets)

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4-H Youth Member Resources:

http://4h.ucanr.edu/Resources/Member_Resources/

State 4-H News & Calendar: <http://4h.ucanr.edu/News/>

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Lassen County 4-H Council:

Meets 4th Thursday of each month, 6 pm at CE 4-H office

President	Cindy Weimer
Vice President	Laura Medvin
Secretary	Julie Kirack
Treasurer	Ranielle Mallery
Social Media	Walter Kirklin

The Roundup Newsletter is published by the Lassen County 4-H Youth Program, University of California, Cooperative Extension, Division of Agriculture and Natural Resources. The Roundup is a monthly newsletter for 4-H members, leaders, parents, and friends of 4-H in Lassen County.



Please submit Articles and/or Photos by the 3rd Thursday of each month to:

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4-H Youth Program Office

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Things you need to know...

4-H Dog Show—Sunday, July 16, 10 am, Lassen County Fairgrounds

4-H Open House—Tuesday, August 22 * Tractor Supply * 4 to 6 PM

All Clubs Participate * Help us spread the word about your club and what you have to offer!

4 to 4:30 pm—Setup club, project, animal, and educational displays. Showcase projects that will be offered in your club: beef, sheep, goats, rabbits, chickens, goats, dogs, quilts, sewing, cooking, art work, photography, etc. Bring a table and club banner.

4:30 to 6 pm—Welcome prospective new members * Root Beer Floats will be served.

JLA Carcass Contest/checks—Tuesday, August 22 * 6:30 PM, Judging Pavilion

Thank you notes must be written, shown to your club/project leader, and mailed 10 days after fair. Club or project leaders will check members off before sale checks are released.

The carcass contest promotes the production of beef, swine, and lambs that yield superior carcasses. The contest judge uses carcass quality (how good the carcass is) and yield (how much meat is in the carcass) grades to identify superior carcasses. "Carcass quality components" consist of carcass age and marbling (flecks of fat in the ribeye). Whereas "carcass yield components" consist of carcass weight, ribeye area, fat thickness, and other factors that are species specific. Following the presentation of buckles and cash awards, Club Leaders and Advisors will distribute JLA checks.

Fair Review Meeting—Thursday, August 24, 5 PM, 4-H office.

We welcome leaders, members, and parents to come with suggestions and comments on this year's fair. Our fair manager and board members will be on hand to hear what you have to say.

Council Meeting, August 24—6 PM at the 4-H office

Each club needs to send their two club representatives—adult volunteer leader and youth member. If you have any items to add to the agenda, contact Darcy at 251-8285.

- Fair Review highlights
- Nomination of '23-'24 Council Officers now until 9/28/23; election will take place at the 9/28/23 Council mtg.
- Discuss countywide events/skill day activities that will be offered in '23-'24.
- Set a budget meeting date.
- Introduce your new 4-H Ambassadors.

Council Meeting, September 28—6 PM at the 4-H office

- Election of '23-'24 Council Officers • Approve '23-'24 Budget • Select '23-'24 countywide events



4-H Open House Tuesday, August 22

* All Clubs participate by setting up a club display *

TRACTOR SUPPLY

4 pm—Setup * 4:30 to 6:00—Meet & Greet

Root Beer Floats will be served



FAIR 4-H BBQ FUNDRAISER

Barbecue tickets are now available from your club leader or 4-H office.

The 4-H barbecue is the Lassen County 4-H big fundraiser of the year. Proceeds from this annual event are used to fund project skills days, countywide events, Ambassadors, scholarship and end of the year medals and awards. In order for our barbecue to be successful, our members need to help sell tickets.

We are asking each family to sell a book of 10-tickets so we can reach our goal of serving 800 meals. Club Leaders will distribute tickets at your club meeting or you can pick more up at the 4-H office.

DATE: Tuesday, July 18th * 5 pm to 6:30 pm * Lassen County Fairgrounds

MENU: BBQ Beef tri-tip dinner, baked potato, garden green salad, roll, dessert & beverage

PRICE: \$15/plate

BIG PRIZES FOR THE TOP THREE TICKET SELLERS!!!

***** Week long carnival pass & two daily carnival passes *****

Unsold tickets and ticket money need to be returned on July 11 at the Junior Livestock Promotion Day or the 4-H Office. Those wanting to continue selling can turn tickets in on the day of the BBQ by 3 pm in the barbecue area. Be sure to put your name on the ticket stub. Winners will be announced on Wednesday morning of fair.



4-H members and parents are asked to help with our 4-H Barbecue fundraiser! We thank you in advance for volunteering...

Each club leader has been given a work signup sheet so that members and adults can volunteer to work an hour or so. These tasks include setup/takedown, serving food and drinks, clearing dining tables, collecting and selling tickets. We encourage everyone to help. The proceeds from the barbecue fundraiser go towards supporting our 4-H program.

- **Barbecue Crew**—2 to 3 pm, meet next to the Dairy Barn
- **Setup tables, serving line and prepare drinks**—4:15 pm
- **BBQ Dinner is open**—5:00 to 6:30 pm
- **Buffet Line and serving drinks to guests**—5:00 to 6:30
- **Take down tables, pickup any trash, load up leftovers & take to Jensen Hall**
to wash serving utensils and dishes—6:30 to 7:30 pm in Jensen Hall



We want to let you know that we will not have a County 4-H Parade Float or a Sunday Morning Breakfast this year. If anyone would like to take one of these projects on, please let us know at the 4-H office. Thank you for understanding.

Here's a big Thank-You to our 76 4-Hers, 7 FFA members, and parents who help with our Fair Cleanup day on June 12 ... you are awesome!

Junior Livestock Exhibitor Information

Before coming to fair, please familiarize yourself with the Lassen County Fair Premium Book—Livestock Rules and the Junior Livestock Auction Rules. There is a wealth of information that you need to know ahead of time. If you need any clarification, contact the Fair office.

Junior Livestock Auction (JLA) Promotion Day—July 12, 9:30 am at Memorial Park.

If you are taking a market animal to fair, you must participate in this very important activity. This is where 4-H and FFA members visit businesses and professional people in Susanville and surrounding areas, and hand out brochures and invitations to the JLA. This is not the time for individuals to hand out personal information about their own animals. You can certainly go back another time. Please wear your 4-H whites!

Junior Livestock Auction Promotion Radio Ads—July 11, 9:30 am at Memorial Park.

Each year the JLA committee encourages 4-H and FFA members to come into the radio station and do a 30-second radio ad promoting the auction. ANYONE CAN TAPE A MESSAGE. COME PREPARED—WRITE YOUR SCRIPT BEFORE ARRIVING AT THE RADIO STATION. Grab a friend and give a team message. ***You will sign-up at promotion day and will be given a time to arrive at radio station to tape your message.***

JLA Buyers Gift Baskets—Junior Livestock Auction buyers always appreciate the thank you gifts and cards that you give after they purchase your market animal. As 4-H members, you should not put any alcoholic beverages in baskets or as gifts.

Can I bring my animal into the fairgrounds on Monday?

The Fair staff allows exhibitors to bring animals to the fairgrounds on Monday, July 17 from 5 to 7 pm. All animals must be vet checked before they exit any trailer. There will not be security on the grounds Monday night. As in the past, Lassen County Fair will not provide livestock bedding. STRAW IS NOT ALLOWED TO BE USED AS BEDDING—AS PER THE FIRE MARSHALL.

Mandatory Livestock Meeting for Jr. Exhibitors, Parents & Leaders—Tuesday, July 18

The Fair Livestock Superintendent and Junior Livestock Auction Committee Chairman will address exhibitors, their parents and project leaders on Tuesday, July 18 following the market animal weigh-in (approximately 2 PM) in the Judging Pavilion. The meeting will cover the rules and procedures for exhibiting and participating in the fair and auction. This is the time to ask questions and clear up any concerns you might have.

All junior livestock market beef, goat, sheep and swine will be weighed over scale on Tuesday before officially checking in at the Livestock Office. Those animals not meeting the minimum ADG (average daily gain) and weigh-in requirements will be sent home. Beef, sheep and goats will be weighed at the north area scales and grass area, and market swine will weigh-in in the swine barn. Don't forget to your YELLOW SLIP/Bill of Sale.

The fair staff have been adding DG to all of our barns and are going to ask there be no large equipment (bobcats) to clean out the barns at the end of fair this year so we can try to retain as much of it in the barns as possible. They will be adding an additional roll up dumpster so the kids can use that to empty the barns.

Sunday Departure from the Fair—Exhibitors must clean their pens. The Fair staff requires that all livestock exhibitors clean their pens prior to departure on Sunday. Place dirty bedding in the center of the barns.

Club & Project Displays & extra animals to remain in place until Sunday at 5 PM! Fair staff requires that if any club/project displays and animals are removed prior to 5 pm, they will be disqualified from a "Clean Stall Award". For more information, see your Fair Premium Book.

4-H Public Image at Fair—While you are at the fair, you are representing 4-H to the public. Please show the community your cooperation, responsibility, and the many things you have learned in your projects. If you are asked questions about your animals or other projects, please share information which you have been taught. Others like to learn also. Remember 4-H is not about making money at fair but is about learning, leadership, and citizenship. Be careful with your appearance as well as your animal's.



2023 Junior Livestock Auction Information

To: All 4-H and FFA Market Livestock Leaders, Members & Parents

From: Junior Livestock Auction Committee

The following is to update you on happenings regarding the Junior Livestock Auction. The 2023 Junior Auction is scheduled for **Sunday, July 23 at 8:30 am** in the sale area.

2023 Sale Order: Lambs, Poultry, Goats, Ducks, Geese, Beef, Dairy Beef, Turkey, Swine, Rabbit

Junior Livestock Auction Promotion Day and radio recording will be Tuesday, July 11, 9:30 am at Memorial Park in Susanville. Check this newsletter for more information regarding both these activities.

Members are encouraged to contact at least one prospective buyer, either in person or by written invitation. Individual promotion plays a big part! Provide prospective buyers with the following information;

A sale order sheet will be given out at the sale, listing the animals to be sold, their official sale weight and the owner's name. If the buyer needs help in bidding, or has any questions, a ring man will assist. The animal is sold to the highest bidder.

If a buyer wants to support a junior, but does not want to keep the meat, it will be resold for him/her. The buyer pays only the difference between the price he bid and the resale price. This is the current commercial market price, and is listed on the sale order sheet.

Individuals purchasing an animal can have it slaughtered, cut and wrapped for the freezer. A 200 lb. hog, for example, would cost \$200 if \$1.00 per pound were bid. Processing charges (slaughter, cutting, wrapping, curing, etc.) would be added. A 200 lb. hog yields approximately 120 lbs. of packaged meat for the freezer. Two or more individuals can go together on an animal, splitting the cost and dividing the meat. Service clubs could use the meat for a fund raising event, barbecue or raffle.

****Please read Junior Livestock Auction Rules -- located in your Fair Premium Book!!**

****Note:** "An exhibitor with two exhibits of the same species eligible for auction, must notify the Auction Committee which animal will be sold. A sale form will be included in the exhibitors armband & car pass envelope. That sale form must be completed and deposited into the Jr. Auction Drop Box located near the Livestock Office. The sale form must be completed with the species, tag number, weight and exhibitors name and chapter or club by 5:00 PM on show day.

Beef exhibitors must submit the sale form by 2:00 PM on show day. If no written response is made by those times, the sale committee will choose the animal that placed the highest for sale.

Pictures for the placards will be taken the Day of Show. Please look for the designated photo area. Members must be in appropriate uniform. If you do not have your picture taken you will not sell your animal.

Sandwiches will be available for buyers during the auction, and a dessert social will be held following the sale. 4-H & FFA are hosting this event. Parents are asked to help make sandwiches and serve to the buyers'.

DESSERT SOCIAL: Each family that has youth(s) selling an animal, is ask to bring a dessert to serve 10 people. If at all possible, please try to have it homemade—cookies, cupcakes, bar desserts. Please avoid desserts that require refrigeration. Clearly mark your name on your dish, and pick it up after the sale. Parents are asked to help serve, either sandwiches or at the dessert social.

2023 Junior Livestock Auction Information, Continued...

As with almost every livestock sale, a commission is deducted from the check received in payment for the animal. The commission fee will be 6%. The percentage deducted covers these costs: Auctioneer and photographer - Salary, Room, Mileage; Brand Inspection; Donuts, fruit and coffee on sale day for buyers; Buyers luncheon; Buyers plaques; Stationery, supplies and postage; Publicity and printing, Sale sheets, Thank you ads, brochures, etc; Advertising - Radio, newspaper, brochures, posters; State of California Contingency Fund (This protects the seller if the buyer reneges.) Any other expenses as they may arise.

The Good Morning Social Hour for buyers is sponsored and paid for by the Lassen County Cattlemen's Association.

The Junior Livestock Auction is a "Terminal Sale". All animals going through the sale are considered sold and must be consigned for immediate slaughter. **There will be no live animal pickup with the exception of rabbits, poultry, and ducks.**

Extra animals may be sold from the pens, but as stated in **Junior Livestock Rules** in the premium book, no "For Sale" signs are allowed in the barns until after the auction. Only animals sold through the auction may be shipped for slaughter on the truck. Arrangements for private treaty animals must be made between the seller and the buyer. **No extra animals will be shipped on the truck.**

Lambs will be penned. Beef, dairy and swine members will return their animals to their pens.

LASSEN COUNTY FAIR CARCASS CONTEST—Checks will be distributed at the Carcass Contest on Tuesday, August 22, 2023, at 6:30 PM in the Fair Judging Pavilion. Following the carcass contest, Club Leaders/Advisors will distribute checks to their members.

Buyers' addresses will be emailed to club leaders/advisors. If you do not know your buyer or their address, contact your club leader or the CE 4-H office.

THANK-YOU NOTES:

You must show your thank-you note to your 4-H Club Leader or FFA Advisor before mailing. Please take the time to write these thank-you notes no later than a week after the auction. Your buyer will appreciate it and you won't have this task hanging over your head!

A few days after the sale, you can contact your Club Leader, Chapter Advisor, or the 4-H office for a list of buyers, additional increases, etc. with addresses. Thank you notes should be written to:

- Your Buyer
- Additional increases that were donated
- Matandy Land & Cattle (transported animals to processing facility)
PO Box 83, Standish, CA 96128
- Optional: Auctioneer, Junior Livestock Auction Committee

It is suggested that during the week following the sale, project leaders meet with members to write thank you letters. Make it an interesting letter, telling about yourself and your project. Show appreciation, not just "Thank you for buying my animal." Many businesses display their placards along with the thank you note. You wouldn't want yours to be missing! Leaders, it was also suggested that one note to those who increased sale prices be written and all members in a project receiving the increase sign that note. These supporters are not being thanked! **Remember, Every cent over market price is a GIFT**

Further questions may be directed to Joe Egan, JLA Chair at (530) 249-3426 or Cindy Weimer, JLA secretary at (530) 254-6802.

LESSONS LEARNED SHOWING AT THE COUNTY FAIR...

This week marks the week of our local county fair back in my hometown in California. And I am feeling kind of nostalgic about it as I realize this will be the first time in probably 16 years that I won't attend the fair. Being a 4-H'er for nearly 10 years and then becoming a 4-H leader for several more years, I put in my fair share of time at the fair and got to experience both sides of the spectrum. And I always loved it. But over those years, there were a lot of lessons learned, some of them hard and some of them not so hard. So in light of "Fair Week", I decided to share what I've learned over the years while showing my livestock at the county fair.

1. Always Keep a Positive Attitude – It's easy to lose your cool over PLENTY of things... Your livestock animal isn't cooperating although you've spent countless hours practicing, you forgot X or Y, tensions run high during fair time, that's understandable. But it's important to remain calm and keep a positive attitude. While you are at the fair, you are representing 4-H, your county, your town, maybe your school, and your family. And you want to be remembered as that person with maturity and who handled a difficult situation well. Not the person who completely lost their cool and made a fool of themselves. If you find yourself in a difficult situation at the fair, take a deep breath, walk away, compose yourself, and maybe try again later. Or if you can't walk away, keep a smile on your face and continue on. There is always next year and nobody is going to fault you for your animal misbehaving or the fact that your grooming job isn't perfect.

2. Always Do Your Best – It doesn't matter what show you go to, what fair you attend, across the country it's the same. There will ALWAYS be someone with more money, someone who shows better, someone who grooms (fits) better, someone with better equipment, someone who ALWAYS wins... We all know those families who will stop at nothing to win. But don't let that get you down and certainly don't let that get in your way of doing the best you possibly can. There is nothing more fulfilling than selling your animal knowing that you put your all into it so take pride in your products and don't worry about what those other people are doing! Focus on you, your project, and doing your very best!

3. Always Act Like Someone is Watching – Because at the fair, someone is ALWAYS watching. I can't tell you how many times I had people tell me they saw me at the fair and I NEVER saw them. If you are doing something you shouldn't be while you're at the fair, better think twice. In the worst case scenario, someone who knows nothing about agriculture could be watching you and if your actions look suspicious or dangerous, you could be doing more harm for agriculture for good. It's important to always treat our animals the best we possibly can and ensure safety for both us and our animals at all times while at the fair.

4. Take Time for Opportunities to Educate – The fair gives people that have no involvement with agriculture a chance to be up close and personal with Ag. Take that opportunity to talk with those people if you have time. Talk with them about your livestock animal and all the work you've put into your project. Educate them on the potential dangers of approaching a livestock animal that doesn't know them. Don't just blow them off, engage them in dialogue and hope that person will walk away from your interactions feeling good about 4-H & FFA and good about agriculture.

5. Don't Forget to Show Thanks for Those Who Help You – Whether it be your leader, your parents, the buyer of your animal, a fellow 4-H member, the show judge whoever. There is a whole slough of people who donate their time into making the chance for you to show your animal possible. Don't forget to thank those people. Show appreciation and when the time comes, be willing to donate your time to help them out too!

6. Have Fun! – So many times we get so caught up in the stress of the show and making sure everything is perfect that we forget to have fun. Enjoy the fruits of your labor and the last few days with your livestock animal you've raised for months on end. Have fun with your fellow 4-H members and their families. Take some time to enjoy the fun things about the fair, maybe go ride the ferris wheel. Do your best but at the same time don't forget to have fun too! One day you will miss these years and give yourself some good memories to look back on! Those are my lessons for successful years of showing your livestock during "Fair Week"!

Ten Commandments for Parents of Youngsters Showing Livestock

- 1) Thou shall not feed, train or care for the animal for thou art trying to teach the child responsibility.
- 2) Thou shall forgive a child for making mistakes in the show ring for thou hast made mistakes too!
- 3) Thou shall not get mad when thy child forget items in the show box for one day. Thou may forget the show box.
- 4) Thou shall help the livestock superintendent for they are doing a job that thou would not want to do.
- 5) Thou shall see that thy child is on time for all show activities for thou would not want to wait on another.
- 6) Thou shall make sure thy child has animals entered and registration papers in order by designated time.
- 7) Thou shall teach the child that winning a blue ribbon is a desirable goal, but making friends along the way is a more worthy goal.
- 8) Thou shall not complain about the judge for it is his opinion that has been sought.
- 9) Thou shall remember that livestock projects are for teaching projects, no necessarily money making projects.
- 10) Thou shall remember that the livestock project is a family project that shall be enjoyed and supported by the entire family.

~ Clyde D. Lane, Extension Specialist, University of Tennessee



TIPS FOR SHOWMANSHIP

- ✓ Wear a clean, complete uniform—white pants, white shirt, tie or scarf and 4-H hat. If you need white pants or shirt, stop by the 4-H office and check out our supply.
- ✓ Tie long hair back into braids or ponytail so the judge can see your face.
- ✓ Wear a belt, boots or tennis shoes (no sandals).
- ✓ Secure your hat, but don't worry if it drops off in the show ring.
- ✓ Use a tie tack to pin down the ends of your tie, use a ring for the scarf.
- ✓ NO GUM CHEWING
- ✓ Show from the minute you enter the ring until the judge dismisses the class.
- ✓ Look as if you are enjoying your animal and keep your animal set-up at all times.
- ✓ Don't crowd, give yourself and others room to show.
- ✓ Watch the judge or animal, ignore the audience.
- ✓ Don't panic if your animal gets away. *Just do your best!*
- ✓ Know the sex, breed, and age of your animal. The judge may ask you questions, so know the parts of your animal, where the breed can from, or any pertinent information about your animal.

THANK YOU TO OUR 4-H FAIR AWARD SPONSORS!

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Julie Kirack

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Holly & Richard Egan

Hulsman Ranch/Hannah Hulman-Tangeman

Fran Hemphill

Karl & Pamela Anderson

Ramsey & Trisha Wood

Lisa Adler

Ruth & Wilson Mallery (Clock)



Community Club Leaders:

'22-'23 Club Treasurer Reports deadlines. As part of the 4-H club annual operation, the following must be turned in to the 4-H office on or before Thursday, August 31, 2023.

- Form 6.2—Annual Inventory Report
- Form 6.3—Annual Financial Report
- Form 8.4—4-H Club Budget (current year, 2 pages)
- Form 8.5—Year-End Club Peer Review
- Form 8.6—Year-End Peer Review Checklist

Due on or before September 21, 2023

- Form 8.4—4-H Club Budget (proposed new year, 2 pages)
- 4-H Club Program Planning Guide—with all required signatures
- Outreach Methods Documentation Form

Year-end packets will be mailed in late July. Please reach out if you have any questions.



Your 4-H Record Book & Completing the 4-H Year

In order to receive credit for the 4-H year and receive a year pin and service stripe, members must complete the Annual Project Report (APR) for each project completed. This is a two page report form. If your goal is to receive Star Ranks (Bronze, Silver, Gold, Platinum and Emerald), Junior Leader opportunities, County 4-H Ambassador (All Star), and scholarships, you will need to complete your Personal Development Report (APR) each year.

RECORD BOOK EVALUATIONS:

CLUB Level evaluation—Each community club leader will set a due date for record books to be turned in at the club level. This is usually the last week of August or the first part of September. Once they are turned in, they will be evaluated, and those books receiving a gold seal will be eligible to compete at the county level. Members must complete the Annual Project Report (APR) to receive credit for the year and to receive a year pin and service stripe.

COUNTY Level Evaluation—4-H Record Books competing in the County Record Book Evaluation must be received in the 4-H office by Thursday, September 21 by 5 pm. *Late books will not be accepted.*

County Record Book evaluation—a date will be set at the August Council meeting. Clubs must send one (1) evaluator per 4 books submitted from your club. A record book must be evaluated at the club level before it can be evaluated at the county level. Those books receiving a gold seal are encouraged to participate in the county book judging. Only those books that have proper forms, signatures, etc. will be evaluated at the county level.

If you have any questions regarding record books or judging, call Darcy at the 4-H Office, 251-8285.

Lassen County 4-H Council Meeting

Minutes for May 24, 2023

6:00 PM * CE 4-H Office

Opening

- Call Meeting to Order by President, Cindy Weimer.
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call & Introduction of Guests

Dyer Mt-1 Johnstonville-1 Lake-1 Milford-3 Richmond-4 South County-3 Standish-2 Thompson Peak-3
CE 4-H-1

- Approve of Agenda & Modifications, moved and seconded by R. Kirklin/M. Griffith

▪ Approve Minutes of previous meeting, moved and seconded by M. Griffith/J. Mallery

Treasurer's Report was given by R. Mallery, Treasurer. Ending balance on May 24, 2023, is \$81,643.63.

-4-H Staff D. Hanson reminded club leaders that '22-'23 club treasurer books close out for the year. Final report must be submitted to the 4-H office by August 31, 2023.

Committee Reports:

-Our 4-H Ambassadors held their final Family Bingo Night in May with the \$1363. In proceeds being donated to the Forever 4-H fund. Maddi Johnson and Lily Ammon had a very successful year as our county Ambassadors, and we thank them for promoting our 4-H program throughout the year.

- 4-H members who are 14 and above and encouraged to submit an '23-'24 Ambassador application, deadline 6/29

- W. Kirklin, 4-H Promotion/Social

- Lassen County Fair – entries close 6/15 by 5pm
- Fair Clean-up Day will be Monday, June 12, from 9-12. All members are encouraged to attend.
- Fair Barbecue- top ticket prizes – (1) 5-day and (2) 1-day carnival passes to be awarded. M/S W. Kirklin/N. Dilts
- Junior Livestock Auction – JLA secretary, Cindy Weimer gave a rundown on new processing, etc.
- Fair Awards- All is in order for the awards. Next year we will not be supplying an Open Classes.
- 4-H Feature Booth – CE 4-H office will have a informational booth. Clubs are encouraged to have a feature booth.
- Parade entry? Club leaders will discuss with their clubs and let us know if they are having a club float. Table to 6/22/23.

▪ Dog Show will be held the Sunday before Fair. Linda vonHelf will let us know the particulars at the 6/22/23 meeting.

▪ Livestock Judging Day, Emerald Star project members, Megan Griffith and Reece Ewing gave us a rundown on the day's activities set for Sunday, June 4. They asked Council for \$200 in support. Due do a lack of action, the motion died.

- Horticulture Day was a big success. They had close to 50 members attending.
- Scholarships – N. Dilts reported that we had three applicants and all three will receive awards their school awards night
- County project reports: shooting sports
- Club reports – each club shares what they are doing.

Top 2 Club winners for the Forever 4-H Drive Through Dinner ticket sales are: Richmond and Milford 4-H.

There was no Old Business

New Business:

▪ A Draft 4-H Council Bylaws/Constitution was presented to members of Council. We will answer any questions at the next meeting and vote on adopting on 6/22/23.

▪ Nomination of '23-'24 Council officers 6/22/23 mtg; voting will be 8/24 Council mtg (at least 30 days notification). *UPDATE – Due to the new updated Bylaws/Constitution we have pushed back our council elections to 9/28/23. Nominations will be taken at the 8/27/23 council meeting.

4-H Pledge was led by Layton Allen.

Moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting, M. Johnson/Layton Allen

Announcements:

Next Council meeting: June 22, 6 pm, CE 4-H Office

Respectfully submitted by acting secretary: D. Hanson

Lassen County 4-H Council Meeting Minutes
Thursday, June 22, 2023
6:00 PM * CE 4-H Office

The meeting of the Lassen County 4-H Council was called to order by C. Weimer, President at 6:02 p.m.
Pledge of Allegiance was lead by K. Kirack

Roll Call was taken: Dyer Mtn – 2 Johnstonville – 2 Lake – 1 Milford - 3 Richmond – 6 South County - 1
Standish – 2 Thompson Peak – 4 CE 4-H staff – 1

Approval of the agenda was motioned and seconded by K. Kirack and R. Kirklin

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes was motioned and seconded by R. Kirklin and X. Lee

Treasurer's report was given by C. Weimer. Approval of treasurer's report we motioned and seconded by K. Kirack and M. Griffith.

4-H Program Report:

A report was given by D. Hanson.

2022 – 2023 Club treasurer book close out 6/30 and final reports are due 8/31 in the 4-H office.

Committee Reports:

- Ambassador – Applications due 6/30/23

-Fair Events:

- Junior Livestock Auction – Report given by C. Weimer. Promotion day 7/11/23, be at Memorial Park at 9:30 for a picture so we can leave by 10:00. Radio ads will not begin before 10:30 – do not show up before then. All animals will have ultrasound done. Please bring dessert for 10 for Auction lunch. Don't forget to turn in your animal sale cards on Friday afternoon.

- Fair Awards – Report by J. Kirack

- BBQ Fundraiser – schedule passed around for signups

- Parade – no County float this year – each club to have their own float

- Sunday breakfast – W. Kirklin to lead

- 4-H Feature booth – Send pictures of members to Darcy for the feature booth

- Dog Show 7/16/23 @ 10am in the livestock pavilion

- Club Reports from each club in attendance

- County reports – Fair Clean up Day, report by K. Kirack; Dog, report by L. VonHelf; Shooting Sports, W. Kirklin; Outdoor Sports, R. Mallery.

Old Business:

- 4-H Council Bylaws/Constitution motion and seconded by K. Kirack and X. Lee, 1 no vote.

- '23-'24 Council Officer election will be 9/28/23 – nomination form to be on Google Docs

New Business:

- '22-'23 Outstanding 4-Her of the Year – application deadline 9/1/23

- Officers' training DATE 9/25 – Pres/VP/Sec/Treasurer

- County Record Book Judging Date TBA – Books due 9/21/23

- Council Funding Request Committee – L. Griffith, V. Bartholomew, J. Mallery & J. Kirack

Announcements:

Next Meeting: Wednesday, August 24, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m. at CE 4-H Office

4-H Pledge: Lead by X. Lee

Meeting Adjourned: Motion by M. Griffith and seconded by R. Mallery to adjourn the meeting at 6:49 p.m.

Date: 6/25/2023 Signed: Julie Kirack

Lassen County 4-H Council

Officer Nomination Form '23-'24 Program Year

This form is to be used for nominations only and must be returned to the 4-H office. If you are nominating someone other than yourself, please check with the person you are nominating to be sure they will accept the nomination.

Applicants must be an active certified adult volunteer leader (in good standing) or a senior 4-H members, 14 and over. This includes all 4-H volunteers who are actively serving as a club leader, assistant club leader, project leader, resource leader, and leaders in the promotion and operation of the 4-H program. Senior members cannot be a Treasurer.

We will actively try to recruit at least 50% officer positions to be filled by senior youth members. If not, positions will be opened up to volunteer leaders.

Nomination of '23-'24 Council officers will be taken at the August 24, 2023 Council meeting.

The actual election of officers will be held at the September 28, 2023 Council meeting.

DUTIES OF ELECTED OFFICERS:

PRESIDENT: Presides over and conducts all regular and special meetings of the Lassen 4-H Council; serves as an ex-officio member of all committees of the Lassen 4-H Council; and appoints members of such committees; signs documents/correspondence when necessary; maintains order.

VICE PRESIDENT: Presides at all meetings of the Lassen 4-H Council in the absence of the President; may serve as Chairman of any important committees if so named by the President.

2nd VICE PRESIDENT: Presides at all meetings of the Lassen 4-H Council in the absence of the Vice President; may serve as Chairman of any important committees is so named by the President.

SECRETARY: Records the minutes of the Council and carries on such correspondence as the Council and President shall direct.

TREASURER: Keep accurate records of all Lassen 4-H Council money transactions, etc .and Chair the budget committee. Prepare reports for the State 4-H office and Internal Revenue Service when needed. This office can only be held by a volunteer leader.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY: Collect and write all correspondence for the club. Send thank you notes to people who make donations, and miscellaneous tasks assigned.

REPORTER/SOCIAL MEDIA: Updates the Lassen County 4-H Facebook page and submits news items to Susanville Stuff, Sierra Radio Network, and Lassen Times.

HISTORIAN: The club historian is like the memory for the club. You record the history of the club for future. You will work closely with the Reporter/Social Media office and help them when needed.



Lassen County 4-H Council '23-'24 Officer Nomination Form

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA
Agriculture and Natural Resources

4-H Youth Development Program

I would like to nominate: _____

For the office of: _____

Nominee's Club: _____

Nominee's Cell Phone: _____

Email of person being nominated: _____

Nominee is a:

Volunteer _____

Volunteer Role _____

Youth (14 years & older) _____

Youth Birthdate _____

Years in 4-H _____

Name of person placing Nomination (if not a self nomination): _____

Please return this form to the CE 4-H office by 8/24/23.

Names of nominees will be presented at the 8/24/23 Council meeting. Voting will take place at the 9/28/23 Council meeting.



Thompson Peak 4-H Clean-Up Day

*Submitted by Anastasia Miller
Thompson Peak 4-H First Year Member*

On May 13th, 2023, at 10:30am, Thompson Peak 4-H members met at the Janesville Post Office for the annual day to clean up Janesville Main Street. The members that came were Emmalynn and Liam Pack with their mom, Abby Pack; Marigold, Ezra, and Boaz Meadows and their Rhonda and Jason Meadows; Xavier, Arabelle Lee and their mother, Pamela Lee,

Anastasia Miller and her mother and Grandmother and our group leader Loel Griffith.

We divided into two groups, one on each side of the road from Janesville Post Office to Janesville School. All of us picked up a lot of garbage along the road, all of us filled big black trash bags. We were thanked by many residents of Janesville, people driving by honked and waved thank you. We also received a \$20 donation from an older homeowner along Main Street for our hard work.

Once we got to Janesville School, some parents were driven back to the Post Office to get their vehicles and drive back to the school to pick up their children.

We were all finished by 12:30 pm. We can't wait until we can do it again next year.



Ag Judging Day

Submitted by Megan Griffith & Reece Ewing, Emerald Star Project



On Sunday, June 4 2023, Annual Judging Day was reinstated as a Countywide Event. This event used to be one of the most popular events for Primary to Advanced 4-H members approximately 12-15 years ago and past. With both of us looking to earn our Emerald Stars before we finished High School, we thought it was the one of the best events to bring to another generation of 4-H'ers.

The day began with us arriving at about 8am to get the livestock gate open at the Lassen County Fairgrounds and start setting up for the day. We were lucky enough to have assistance with the day from our mentor, Loel Griffith, as well as other members of the Griffith Family. At 9am, the animals arrived, except for the rabbits and chickens, which we brought in from Megan's home. Swine came in from The Meadows Family, Sheep came in by friends of Dennis Michaels, Goats came in from The Deehan Family, Cows came in from the vonHelf Family and the identification table had 15 different farm items from Mrs. Ammon's FFA classroom and The Griffith Family.

At 9:30am, registration began for the event. We had 24 kids attend the event. Each attendee was given a booklet to keep on how to judge each of the animals at the event. Some of the animals, because it was not the right time for fair market animals, were substitutions, so we gave them information on how to judge both the animals at the event and the market equivalent. By 10am, we had everyone registered and we opened the event with a short presentation of how the day would proceed. After this, each participant was given which station to start at and we had them gather in their groups to begin.

Each station was manned by a volunteer with knowledge of the market animal, in case there were general questions, or someone was needed to handle the animals. Thank you to: Travis and Heather Griffith at the swine station, Linda vonHelf at the beef station, 4-H Ambassador Lily Ammon at the sheep station, Shannon Deehan at the goat station. Megan watched over the rabbit and poultry stations. Reece was a runner to make sure the stations moved along as needed and called out names for door prize winners throughout the event. Prizes were donated by Tractor Supply and The Griffith Family.

After the event concluded and lunch was almost ready, we were lucky enough to have Lily Ammon play a couple of games with all the attendees. Lunch was provided by Tammy, Tony, and Zachary Mallery for a nominal fee. They also sold small snow cones for the very special price of \$3 each at the end of the event.

During lunch our tabulators were hard at work, getting everything ready for the presentation of awards. Thank you to Vicki, Chris, and Loel Griffith for tabulating.

The High Point Award winner, and 1st place advanced member, with a score of 48 (out of a possible 72) was Megan vonHelf. She received a \$100 cash award donated by Plumas Bank. The first placed intermediate winner was Layton Allen and he received a new Kindle. The junior 1st placed winner was Emmalynn Pack and she received a \$25 cash award. Awards were donated by The Griffith Family.

Every one that participated received a certificate of participation, along with an Ag Judging Pin for their 4-H hat, and the top finishers in each advanced, intermediate, and junior received a ribbon with their placement. Thank-You's were presented to all the families that provided animals, donated their own time, or helped in any way. The Thank You Gift that was provided to Lily Ammon was donated by Susanville Auto Center. We had a great day and look forward to a bigger event next year!!!



Molly, with a happy smile after planting the lovely Sundrop Spirea at the CE 4-H Office. The spirea was generously donated by Steven Martin from County Gardens, 721-425 Capezzoli Ln, Standish

County Gardening Project submitted by Uvea Grace

The Countywide 4-H Gardening Project provided a few interested Richmond 4-H Club members with some seeding, rooting, and transplanting experience. At our first meeting, we introduced basic horticulture principles and practices by rooting Coleus and Philodendron cuttings. We distributed rooting babies and made plans for possibly entering a thriving plant for display at Lassen County Fair. Over the next few months several gardening project members continued to care for their Coleus and Philodendron rootlings until conditions were favorable for transplanting. We may even see one win a premium prize.

Rooting from a cutting is easy and fun. Co-Garden Project Leader Jessica Jones and her daughter, Richmond 4-H Club member Molly Dickson relocated several of our original rootlings to good homes after growing them in water and then transplanting to soil.

In May we had an excellent time sharing a fabulous variety of seeds donated from Lassen High School's green house by Instructor Liz Ammon. We put the seeds to good use with the help of our 4-H members, planting them in plastic rooting containers and egg cartons at the 4-H Horticulture Day hosted by Lake and Johnstonville 4-H Clubs.

We appreciate our 4-H Club members who expressed interest and attended our Gardening Project meetings. We hope that everyone who participated learned something new and interesting about horticulture and gardening.

A highlight of this year's gardening project was the afternoon where member Molly and Garden Project Leader, Uv toured the local nurseries to gather information, etc. We visited Milwood Florist, Every Bloomin Thing, and Country Gardens.

We encourage all 4-H Club leaders and members to visit any of our local nurseries with gardening questions. They offer a wealth of information and array of garden and landscaping products. County Gardens, in particular, has a great selection of shrubs, flowers and vegetables.

Gardening can be perennially rewarding. Our level 1 "Explorer" gardeners learned about a variety of plants and had the opportunity to watch their rootlings transform and grow into rooted plants. These plants may produce flowers, vegetables, or just foliage. Planting and growing plants that bear flowers, fruits, and vegetables can be highly beneficial for the spirit and soul. Please enjoy some quotes by these famous people who likely agree.

"Watching something grow is good for morale. It helps us believe in life." —Myron Kaufmann

"The glory of gardening: hands in the dirt, head in the sun, heart with nature. To nurture a garden is to feed not just the body, but the soul." —Alfred Austin

"Everything that slows us down and forces patience, everything that sets us back into the slow circles of nature is a help. Gardening is an instrument of grace." —May Sarton

"God Almighty first planted a garden. And indeed, it is the purest of human pleasures." —Francis Bacon

"The best place to find God is in a garden. You can dig for him there." —George Bernard Shaw

"I think this is what hooks one to gardening: it is the closest one can come to being present at creation." —Phyllis Theroux

"No single sort of garden suits everyone. Shut your eyes and dream of the garden you'd most love then open your eyes and start planting. Loved gardens flourish, boring ones are hard work." —Jackie French

"To plant a garden is to dream of tomorrow." —Audrey Hepburn

"In his garden, every man may be his own artist without apology or explanation." —Louise Beebe Wilder

"There is nothing that is comparable to it, as satisfactory or as thrilling as gathering vegetables one has grown." —Alice B. Toklas

"When the world wearies and society fails to satisfy, there is always the garden." —Minnie Aumonier