

December 2019 Newsletter



LEWIS & CLARK COUNTY 4-H

MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY EXTENSION

#LEWISCLARK4H | #MONTANA4H | #4HGROWSHERE



Instagram

4-H Website:

<http://www.lccountymt.gov/extension/4-h/4-h.html>

Location:

100 West Custer, Helena, MT 59602

Phone:

406.447.8346

E-mail:

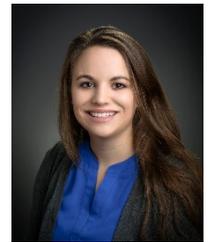
lewisclark@montana.edu

MSU Extension Update

Happy Holidays from the Extension Office!

Thank you to our volunteers and parents for all the work and time you put into making our program what it is. Special thank you to our youth who drive us to make the best better and pledge their heads, hearts, health, and hands to their clubs, communities, country, and world. Please take a moment to thank someone who has made a positive impact on your life and consider the awesome opportunities we have available this month.

-Kara Tangedal



4-H Council

Next meeting: The council will reconvene on **Wednesday, January 8th, 2020 at 6 PM, Bill Hamilton Building (BHB).**

***Minutes available online [HERE](#)

To request an agenda, please e-mail or call David Hamilton at (406) 431-1948 or davidhamilton431@gmail.com

If you would like to serve on the Awards, Record Book, or Carcass committee, please contact the Extension Office at (406) 447-8346.

4-H Foundation

Next meeting: **Wednesday, December 4th, 2019 at 5:30-7:00 p.m., Extension Office**

***Minutes available online [HERE](#)

We will be voting on our Board of Directors at the November meeting. All 4-H members and parents are invited to attend and vote at this Annual Meeting.

Youth Council

Next Meeting: **January 19th, 2019 at 3 PM in the Extension Office.**

***Minutes available online [HERE](#)

Youth Council Officer Elections were held in October. Current officers include:

- President: Olivia Harris
- Vice-President: Josie Hamilton
- Secretary & Treasurer: Gus Caudle
- PR/Communications: Emily Beveridge

Youth Council has suggested changes to the Fair dress code. Please read the minutes for more information.

All 4-H members are welcome to attend & participate in Youth Council. To attend remotely, please contact Kara at (406) 447-8346 or kara.tangedal@montana.edu

Awards Committee

We are reinvigorating the Awards Committee for the 2019-20 year.

Duties Include: forming selection committees, updating applications, reviewing, implementing, and improving awards and their communication to the 4-H community, preparing and collecting awards for Awards Night, and donor/sponsor stewardship.

Time Commitment: approximately 4 meetings a year, plus committee-approved tasks to be done on your own time.

We will be having a meeting **Monday, December 9th from 7-8 p.m. in the Extension Office.**

Please call/e-mail the office for more information, or visit [VolunteerHelena](#) to see a full list of our volunteer opportunities



2019-2020 Event Dates: Put them on your calendar now!

2019-2020 Event Dates: Put them on your calendar now!

New 4-H Year: October 1st

Awards Night: October 27th

Mini Shoot - January 11th Shooting Sports

Invitational - January 18th

Grand Foods - February 22nd

Stir Ups-

Communication Day -

Rec Lab -

Sewing Review - April 26

Photo Show -

Summer Camp -

Pre-Congress - July 6-8

4-H Congress - July 8-12

Jackpot- June 13-14

Last Chance Stampede and Fair - July 22-25

Lewis & Clark County 4-H Fall Survey

Please take a moment to share your views with us by taking [THIS SURVEY](#). We plan on sending these out each fall and spring to help guide Council, Foundation, Committee, and Extension programming decisions.

We depend on our 4-H community to make our program better. Please consider both good and bad experiences you have had. We hope to improve the bad and expand on the good.

Also, please consider serving on our Committees. The more hands-on assistance we have, the better. Some available opportunities: project leaders, Awards Committee member, Record Book Committee member, Carcass Contest Committee member, Quality Assurance Committee member. Please call/e-mail the office for more information, or visit [VolunteerHelena](#) to see a full list of our volunteer opportunities.

LCC 4-H Member Spotlight

Cade Duran is an amazing young man and the epitome of a 4-H advocate. He credits 4-H for saving his life after he attended a state event – Winter Teen Camp. Cade believes in 4-H and what it stands for. He has taken his leadership responsibilities seriously by being the Photography Jr. Superintendent, a Lewis and Clark County Ambassador and a 4-H Camp Counselor. Because of his passion for 4-H and leadership, he was selected to be part of the 2019-2020 Montana 4-H Ambassador Officer Team and part of the 2019-2020 Montana Association of Student Councils State Officer Team. He was also one of three Montana 4-Hers who were selected to represent the United States at the first International 4-H Youth Leadership Camp in South Korea – each country was allowed only 10 representatives. He will be leaving Thanksgiving Day to travel to Atlanta for National 4-H Congress as he won a state award for his Photography project work. Cade looks forward to attending National 4-H Conference in Chevy Chase, Maryland next year and participate in Parliamentary Procedure (Gavel Games) at Montana 4-H Congress. Overall an outstanding young man.



LCC 4-H Volunteer Spotlight

Laurie Sullivan is a dedicated 4-H leader and volunteer. As superintendent of the dog project, she always has fun workshops planned that the members and the dogs love! Laurie has worked countless hours in providing better equipment and training environment for both kids and dogs. She encourages kids to treat their dogs with kindness even when they have had a bad day. Laurie takes time to get to know both members and dogs as well as provides treats and sound advice for them. She is quick to lend a hand anywhere, from helping with camp, fair and helping with leadership projects. Most people probably don't notice all the work she puts into making 4-H fun and a great learning experience. Thanks for everything you do for 4-H, Laurie!



Preparing for the 2019-2020 4-H Year

- Enrollment: **Re-enrollments and fees** are due to the Extension Office **December 31st**.
 - o Re-enrollments received after December 31st will require a \$50.00 enrollment fee per family.
- **New family enrollments** are due by **May 1st** to qualify for Fair, but new families can enroll at any time.
- **You can enroll online or request paper enrollments through the Office. Please make arrangements through your club leader.**

Record Book Committee

Current Committee Members: CJ Lassila, Bill Sullivan, Karyn Hamilton, James Schneider, Bobbi Steiner, Sam Allen, Tiffany Clipper, Claire Downing.

The Record Book Committee met on November 13th, where James Schneider was voted Chairman and record book check dates were set between May 1st and June 10th. Projects wanting to check their record books prior to May 1st will need approval from the Extension Office. The rest of the process will be reviewed and proposed to Council in February.

The committee will meet again on **December 5th at 4:30 PM at the Extension Office**. Please call/e-mail the office for more information.

4-H Livestock Sale Marketing Committee

***Minutes available online [HERE](#)

There will be no meeting in December.

Quality Assurance Committee

David Hamilton, the Outdoor superintendent will be working with outdoor junior superintendents to deliver two quality assurance trainings this year.

Anyone enrolled in an animal project (other than horse, dog, cat, and pocket pets) is required to complete Quality Assurance training once every three years. Please speak with your club leader or visit the [project page](#) to view the updated list of members needing quality assurance training in 2020.

Carcass Contest Committee

We are forming a Carcass Contest Committee to work with Adult and Junior Outdoor Superintendents and Teen Leaders in evaluating how we do the carcass contest. Duties would include: Working with the Extension Agent and harvester in scheduling a date for the contest, coordinating an educational workshop, carcass evaluation data collection, and assisting in movement of carcasses (as needed).

Please call/e-mail the office for more information, or visit [VolunteerHelena](#) to see a full list of our volunteer opportunities.

4-H Summer Camp

Thank you to all the enthusiastic 4-H'ers who showed up to our camp counselor orientation meeting. You came full of great ideas and energy, and I'm certain we're going to have a fantastic 4-H summer camp this year! Camp counselors will be visiting 4-H club meetings throughout the county to talk to members about the 2020 4-H summer camp. If you haven't already, please complete the camp counselor application form [HERE](#), and turn it in to the Extension office by **Friday, December 13, 2019**. Thanks!

Luke Duran, 4-H Summer Camp leader

Getting the Message Out

There are numerous ways to communicate with 4-H kids, families and volunteers. In today's fast-paced, multi-platform world, it's important to convey your message through several channels. Luke Duran will present a short workshop on how to communicate through those channels. This workshop is intended for club leaders, project superintendents, ambassadors and youth leaders, and anyone else who needs to communicate with the 4-H community. He'll cover various channels including web, text messaging, email blasts and social media. **Thursday, December 5th at 5:30 p.m. Upstairs conference room of the Extension office.**

A big THANK YOU to Action Fire Extinguisher Service for servicing the fire extinguishers in the Bill Hamilton 4-H Building. We appreciate your support.



Indoor Project Updates

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Indoor Committee	Michelle Ostberg	mostberg@bresnan.net	406.459.3543

The 4-H year is ramping up with lots of workshops and activities for our youth. There are still multiple areas available for volunteering your time and talents to provide exceptional learning experiences for our youth members. These can be found at [VolunteerHelena](#) or by contacting the Extension office by phone or email.

As a reminder please visit the county 4-H page www.lccountymt.gov/extension/4-h and download the record book pages for My 4-H Year and the project journal pages so youth can start filling them out as they work on their projects and attend workshops.

*The next indoor committee meeting will be **Monday, January 20th at 5:30 p.m. Upstairs Conference room in the Extension Office***

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Aerospace			

If you are interested or would like to volunteer for this project, please reach out to the Extension office 406-447-8346 and we will help get all the arrangements in order. Follow this link to see all available volunteer opportunities [Volunteer Helena page](#)

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Ambassadors	Catherine McNeil	mcneilcb@gmail.com	406.439.8570

The ambassadors are starting the year off right by re-making a presentation to present to businesses across the county. We have a promotion presentation scheduled for January, and we've been looking into presenting at the county's local banks. Our most recent meeting was on November 18, in which we discussed developing a team for National 4H Conference and dates and ideas for the Winter Leadership Retreat. The dates for the Winter Leadership Retreat are as following:

February 8-9, 2020

If you are interested please contact one of the county ambassadors – Claire Downing, Megan Goroski, Brooke Sangray, Henley Sexton or Natalya Routzahn

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Bicycle			

If you are interested or would like to volunteer for this project please reach out to the Extension office 406-447-8346 and we will help get all the arrangements in order. Follow this link to see all available volunteer opportunities [Volunteer Helena page](#)

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Cat	Jen Amos Michaela Blaney Junior: Melaina Kloberdanz Sarah Amos	jenamos@bresnan.net	406.465.2563 406.459.2568

Hello Cat Members! Our December workshop will be tentatively at the **Headwaters Covenant Church from 6-7:30 on December 17th**. Please join us for Christmas fun. Please bring a cat toy less than \$5 to exchange in White Elephant fashion. We will also make homemade cat treats.

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Citizenship	Kristin Gutowsky	mtkgutowsky@gmail.com	406.459.1433

Navigating Citizenship

Being an active participant in a democracy is an important part of being an American. Join Navigating Citizenship to find out what that's all about! This year in Navigating Citizenship we'll be:

- Learning about the state legislative process
- Looking at what it takes to put a new law into action
- Following an issue through the local government process
- Exploring cool jobs in government and the importance of being public servant
- Writing your own law

Project books will be required, and we'll be meeting or doing an activity about once a month.

Global Citizenship

It's a big world out there and we're a part of it! The opportunities are endless when you have a wider-world view. Global Citizenship will provide a sensible approach to transcending borders and finding your place on the world stage. It's not as far away as you think. We will focus on:

- Exploring Helena and Montana's Sister – City/State Relationships
- Montana's global relationships in agriculture
- Cultural presentations on Peru and Thailand
- Learning about various exchange programs
- Doing a cultural study of your own

Project books will be required, and we'll be meeting or doing an activity about once a month.

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Cloverbuds	Katie Grady-Selby Junior: Emily Beveridge	katiegrady18@icloud.com	406.202.1802

We kicked off the year making Turkey center pieces! Thanks to everyone that came. Our next workshop will be **December 16th at 6 pm at the BHB**. Please make sure that if you plan on attending in December that your enrollment is active and your fees have been paid. If you want to mark your calendar here are the dates for the remaining workshops for the **2019-2020 4-H Year! December 16th / January 20th / February 17th / March 16th / April 20th at the Painted Pot / May 18th / June 22nd** If you have any questions or comments, feel free to reach out to me.



Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Exploring Nature	Dora Lindner	mathfan2@gmail.com	406.475.3640
Outdoor Adventures, Wildlife, and Forestry	Michaela Stewart	stewart.michaela.2013@gmail.com	406.459.2568

We will not be meeting in the month of December. Enjoy the holidays! Here are some activities you can enjoy doing with your families. Don't forget to keep a record of your activities. Check out January's newsletter for workshops in 2020. Let me know if you have any questions. These activities are free public events with the exception to Festival of Trees.

Forest Service: 2880 Skyway Drive

Nature Crafts: Wednesday, Dec. 4th, 4 pm to 6 pm

Grant-Kohrs Ranch: Deer Lodge

Holiday Open House: Sunday, Dec. 8th, 1 pm to 4 pm

wagon rides, fun kids' activities, house tour, etc.

Intermountain Children's **Festival of Trees:** Dec. 7th & 8th

Montana Discovery Foundation: check out the website for hikes and snowshoeing

Call 406-495-3711 to register for these snowshoeing hikes (snowshoes provided on a limited basis)

Moose Creek Cabin: Sunday, Jan. 6th, 1 pm

Lincoln Sculpture Park: Saturday, Jan. 26th, 11 am

Charter Oak Mill and Mine: Saturday, Feb. 16th

Montana Wild: check out their website for kids' events in December.

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Electricity Small Engines			

If you are interested or would like to volunteer for this project, please reach out to the Extension office 406-447-8346 and we will help get all the arrangements in order. Follow this link to see all available volunteer opportunities [Volunteer Helena page](#)

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Foods and Nutrition	Debbie Gribbons Junior: Gracie Gribbons	dgribbons@bresnan.net	406.459.0935

We will be decorating Gingerbread houses on **December 14 in the BHB at 11:00 to 12:00.** Please **RSVP by the 10th** so I know how many houses to have. Debbie 459-0935.

There will also be an arts crafts workshop at 12:00 p.m. during the food workshop. this will be the only one at this time.

Grand Foods is coming soon start thinking about what you are going to making. **February 22 at 1:30** is judging registration is at 1:00 more information in January newsletter

Stir ups: more information coming in January if you are interested please call me 459-0935.

Project	Superintendents	Email	Phone Number
Gardening & Weed Science	Ann Reber Alicia Reber	belleelegant@gmail.com alicia.reber@gmail.com	406.437.2934

Gardening, Weed Science, and Crop Science will do a wreath making workshop on **Saturday, December 7.** RSVP to Alicia Reber for time and location, (406) 437-2934 or alicia.reber@gmail.com

Entomology - check the newsletter for upcoming workshops.

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Leathercraft	Sam Allen Junior: Elaina Patten Junior: Philip Patten	sallen6@outlook.com	406.461.8583

Leather Craft 1st meeting will be **January 15th, 2020 at 5pm in the BHB**. Please Bring your record books to the meeting along with your goals. Have a wonderful holiday season and see you in January.

If you have questions please call 406-461-8583 or email at sallen6@outlook.com.

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Photography	Luke Duran Juniors: Jonathan DeWald Cade Duran	elementl@bresnan.net	406.461.7799

Hello photographers,

In our November meeting, we discussed an overview of the 4-H Photography project, set our project goals in our record books, and discussed the concept of reflection. Thanks for such a great turnout!

The project challenge for our January meeting is to capture a photo demonstrating reflection, and we will discuss these at our workshop. We will meet **Wednesday, January 15 in the Extension office conference room at 4:45 p.m.** Don't forget to bring your project record forms! You can read details about the challenge on the photography website.

Attendance at these photography meetings is mandatory in order to complete the project.

Lastly, I've had a number of 4-Hers and parents ask me for recommendations on camera equipment. If you're looking for a holiday gift idea, or just want to get a decent camera, I've put together a resources page on the photography website with my suggestions for quality, affordable cameras:

<http://www.elementl.net/4H/>

Project	Superintendents	Email	Phone Number
Pocket Pets	Danielle Godlevsky CJ Lassila	danielle_godlevsky@yahoo.com siege1234@bresnan.net	406.465.2050 406.439.5168

Important Dates:

Monday, December 16th

6:30pm, MT Wild

Next meeting! **Monday, December 16th, 6:30pm at Montana Wild.** In 4-H Pocket Pets 4-H members learn about small pets and how to care for them.

Question: What are Pocket Pets?

Answer: Ferrets, snakes and turtles, hamsters, gerbils, rats, fish, frogs and toads, lizards, birds, guinea pigs and many others.

In our October and November meetings we have discussed, “What are pocket pets? What do pocket pets require? Do family members have allergies? How much do pocket pets cost to get and then keep them healthy? Will you get along with them? How long is their lifespan?” And we have applied those questions specifically to Geckos.

To participate in Pocket Pets, please enroll in the project. Feel free to contact either Danielle or C.J. with any questions and if you do email or text one of us, please also copy the other of us to the message. We will be using the 4-H project books; and the books will be available at monthly meetings.



Photo of a leopard Gecko by David Northcott.

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Robotics			

If you are interested or would like to volunteer for this project, please reach out to the Extension office 406-447-8346 and we will help get all the arrangements in order. Follow this link to see all available volunteer opportunities [Volunteer Helena page](#)

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Service Learning	Kristin Gutowsky	mtkgutowsky@gmail.com	406.459.1433

We pledge our hands to larger service and Service Learning is a great way to turn that into an action plan with a tangible result. Service Learning is an ongoing and meaningful experience that serves a need in the community. All project members will:

- Be guided through an individual service project, becoming an agent of change
- Participate in a multi-club, county-wide project
- Get to know strategic service partners in the community
- Learn about Voluntourism

Imagine what we could accomplish if we all work together! It would be great to see a representative from every club this year.

The project book and a writing journal will be required. We will meet about once a month and there may be additional time or meetings required based on the group project and your role within it.

There will be a meeting **Sunday, November 17th at 1:00-2:00 p.m. in the BHB.**

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Sewing & Handiwork	Trudy Moffett Desiree Moffett	wolfcreekcottagecrafts@gmail.com	406.799.3254

We are starting a new year. Sewing workshops will be held at Capital Baptist Fellowship, 1727 Waukesha, at the corner of Laurel and Waukesha. The dates for the workshops are **December 8, January 12, February 9, and March 8.** The workshops will take place from **2:00-4:00 p.m.** Sewing Revue will take place on April 26.

Sewing students - please come prepared:

- ♣ Prewash your fabrics before cutting out pattern
- ♣ If comfortable, cut the patterns prior to the workshop as there is limited space
- ♣ Know your sewing machine - how to thread and rewind a bobbin, using the foot pedal

Minimum sewing supplies to have handy are:

- T Scissors - preferably shears
- T Dressmaker pins or quilting pins
- T Pin cushion
- T Seam ripper
- T 6" ruler
- T Seam gauge
- T Measuring tape
- T Marking pencil/pen
- T Sewing machine (if you don't have one, we have one or two machines to share)

Knitting, crochet, embroidery and weaving

This is also a time for these projects. Knitting - bring your own needles and yarn; crochet - crochet hook and yarn; embroidery - embroidery thread, hoop and material; weaving - yarn or thread for your project.

Project	Superintendents	Email	Phone Number
Shooting Sports	Air Rifle: Vanessa Olson	2qtrcircle@gmail.com	406.431.1598
	Archery: Jason Armstrong	Jason.armstrong25@gmail.com	406.438.6479

Air Rifle/Pistol meets Tuesdays at 6 and 7 pm in the BHB

Archery meets Thursdays at 5:30, 6:30 and 7:30 pm in the BHB

Please come to the session that works best for you.

Mini Shoot:

Lewis and Clark 4-H Shooting Sports will be hosting its annual Mini Shoot on **Sunday, January 12th starting at 9:00 am** with three different times to shoot. There will be both archery and air rifle events throughout the day. Cost is \$5 per event. For questions about the shoot and how to sign up, contact the archery lead Jason Armstrong at 406-438-6479 or Jason.armstrong25@gmail.com. Also, be checking the shooting sports link on the Lewis and Clark 4-H web site for updated information.

Lewis and Clark Archers Club Fun Tournament Shoot:

Lewis and Clark Archers Club will be hosting a fun shoot tournament on **Friday, December 6th at 6:00 pm at Buffalo Jump Archery** on US Highway 12. There will be pizza to eat and lots of fun to be had while competing in a fun tournament shooting at different distances throughout the night. Cost is \$10 a person. For more information contact Aaron Hanseman at 406-459-3840.

4-H Shooting Sports Coaching Clinic:

Lewis and Clark County 4-H will be hosting a coaches training clinic at the **Bill Hamilton Building January 3-4**. The class will **start at 5:00 pm Friday evening and continue on Saturday from 8:00-5:00**. Once completed you will be certified as a coach in the discipline you choose. Disciplines offered are Coordinator, Archery, Rifle, or Pistol. For more information on getting signed up, contact Vanessa Olson at 406-431-1598, or Jason Armstrong at 406-438-6479.

Record Books:

With the requirement of record books being completed for members to be able to submit their projects in the upcoming county fair, this may have some of you left with numerous questions about what needs to be done to complete this task. We do require record books be completed and turned in near the end of the season. If you have any questions or concerns as to what the record book should look like you can contact Vanessa Olson at 406-431-1598, lc4hss@gmail.com or Jason Armstrong at 406-438-6479 or Jason.armstrong25@gmail.com and they would be more than happy to help get your books in order.

Training Dates

Dec 6-7, 2019 – Kalispell – Archery, Rifle, Pistol, Shotgun, Hunting, Muzzle-loading, Coordinator

Dec 13-14, 2019 – Baker – Archery, Rifle, Pistol, Shotgun, Coordinator

January 3-4, 2019 – Helena – Archery, Rifle, Pistol, Coordinator

TBA – Billings

Tournaments

January 12 – Mini-Shoot

January 18 – Lewis & Clark Shooting Sports Invitational

If you have questions, please contact me. Vanessa

Project	Superintendents	Email	Phone Number
Shotgun	Scott Allen Sam Allen Tom Manning	scott59634@gmail.com sallen6@outlook.com gonehuntingorfishing@hotmail.com	406.202.0905 406.461.8583

We have made changes to the Shotgun Program for this coming year.

There is no required membership to the trap club. The 4-H fee is \$25 .00 per youth.

Will be shooting twice a week (Monday and Thursday)

The project record book is required.

We will be doing a community service project

Our **1st meeting will be in March at the trap club.** I'll have additional signups, paperwork to fill out and our schedule for the program. The date and time will be announced in the newsletter and Facebook at a later date.

For more information call SCOTT ALLEN @ 406-202-0905 or email scott59634@gmail.com.

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Sport Fishing	Guy Rainville		406.439.3199

4-H SPORT FISHING workshops begin **next April 2020 with meetings every Tuesday evening until mid-August.** Our weekly meetings will include workshop topics such as fishing knots, Montana fishing regulations, fish identification, rod & reel maintenance and casting practice. Project members will begin outdoor fishing in May, getting an introduction to stream, river, pond and lake fishing at numerous locations throughout the Helena area.

Sport Fishing has sometimes provided unique opportunities for its project members – that is, opportunities beyond fishing. Some of our members helped rescue fish stranded by low summer waters at Helena’s Spring Meadow Lake in both 2016 and 2017. The process required netting the fish and then moving them carefully in buckets across land over to the main lake waters. This process was pre-approved by local FWP personnel.

Enroll now if you plan to do the project – this way we can contact your family if 4-H or other related workshop opportunities come along. If you have any questions, contact Project Leader Guy Rainville at 439-3199 or contact the 4-H Office.



Photo by Helena IR staff. Sport Fishing Project members and adult volunteers fish rescue group at Spring Meadow Lake (August 2016).

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Teen Leadership	Tiffany Clipper Kara Tangedal	berberet.tiffany2@gmail.com kara.tangedal@montana.edu	406.366.1509 406.396.6634

Teen Leadership will have a meeting on **Sunday December 8th at 2pm in the BHB.**

Also, all members doing teen leadership please join Tiffany's remind group using www.remind.com/join/tclipp.

Please call for questions or assistance.

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Vet Science	Amanda Luikens	luikens@aol.com	406.920.0701

February will be my second meeting for the vet science kids. It is going to be about different injections with different animals on different parts of their bodies. It will also be explaining why we use injections for the animals and what the purpose of them is.

The third meeting will be in March and the topic will be examining an animal!

Thanks,
Amanda

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Visual Arts			

If you are interested or would like to volunteer for this project, please reach out to the Extension office 406-447-8346 and we will help get all the arrangements in order. Follow this link to see all available volunteer opportunities [Volunteer Helena page](#)

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Woodworking	Dave Swanson Junior: Ben Swanson Junior: Janelle Swanson	swansonda@cdmsmith.com	406.459.3950

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Welding	Dave Swanson Junior: Ben Swanson Junior: Janelle Swanson	swansonda@cdmsmith.com	406.459.3950

Outdoor Project Updates

<i>Project</i>	<i>Superintendents</i>	<i>Email</i>	<i>Phone Number</i>
Outdoor Committee	David Hamilton	davidhamilton431@gmail.com	406.431.1948

Outdoor meeting is December 9th at 5:30-7:30 p.m. in the Upstairs Conference Room in the Extension Office.

Minutes for the meeting can be found [HERE](#)

- Youth Council would like the exhibitor handbook dress code updated.
- Current Wording:
 - Dress Code: Plain white button-up collared shirt (long or short-sleeved, not sleeveless), dark pants (not yoga pants or leggings), and black tie are required for both the show and sale unless noted otherwise under individual species' section. Hard soled shoes or boots are recommended for safety. No flip flops or sandals.
- Proposed Wording:
 - Dress Code: Button-up or snapped collared shirt (long or short-sleeved, not sleeveless) with no writing or decals other than the brand, and dark pants (not yoga pants or leggings) are required for both the show and sale unless noted otherwise under individual species' section. Hard soled shoes or boots are recommended for safety. No flip flops or sandals.
- Dairy cows, goats and horse are known to have other wording for dress code. There may be other projects as long as there is wording in that project's section regarding dress then this change will not apply to them.
- Clubs need to review then come to **January Council meeting for a vote.**

<i>Project</i>	<i>Superintendents</i>	<i>Email</i>	<i>Phone Number</i>
Beef	Casey Jones Danielle Beveridge Junior: Emily Beveridge Junior: Cole Petrie	caseyjones@mt.net	406.431.2655

Market Beef Possession Date: Wednesday, January 1st

Market Beef Tagging Date: Sunday, January 5th

Beef Tagging Forms Due Date: Wednesday, January 1st

There will be a beef workshop **Sunday, December 15th 2:00 p.m. at the Patten's House 863 Sunny Vista Rd**

<i>Project</i>	<i>Superintendent</i>	<i>Email</i>	<i>Phone Number</i>
Dairy Cattle	Daisy Feight Junior: Breanna Harrison	daisyfeight@yahoo.com	406.439.1810

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Dog	Laurie Sullivan Junior: Rebecca Gruber	lasullivan@bresnan.net	406-227-5295

The Dog Project will meet on **December 7th at the Bill Hamilton Building**. The Sub-Novice A Class (1st year) will meet at 8:30 a.m. The Sub-Novice B, Novice, and Grad Novice classes will meet at 9:45 a.m. Please bring your dogs!

There will be leather leads available for purchase during the December 7th meeting for \$20. If you do not want a leather lead that is O.K., we request that your lead be 6 ft. in length. We have found that this is a perfect length for training. Anyone that has a dog that wants to do Obedience, Showmanship, and Agility needs to have their forms turned into me **by our December 14th meeting**. I will not be accepting any more kids and dogs after this date, so please get those forms turned in to the Dog Superintendent by the 14th of December.

December 14th will be our next meeting at the BHB and it will begin at 8:30 a.m. for the Sub Novice A, 9:45 a.m. for the Sub-Novice B, Novice, and Grad Novice.

We will be taking a break for the holidays and begin training in January.

If you have any questions please email me at lasullivan@bresnan.net or call me at 227-5295.

Thanks,

Laurie Sullivan

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Goat	Karyn Hamilton Junior: Josie Hamilton Junior: Irene Edwards Junior: McKenzie Tordale	dewklh@netzero.net	406.461.7536

Goat Possession Date: Friday, May 1st

Goat Tagging Date: Sunday, May 10th

Goat Tagging Forms Due Date: Wednesday, May 6th

Hello Fellow Goat Lovers:

Starting with the December “Goat” newsletter I will be adding pages for you to include in your record books. You can class the “goat” newsletter as a project meeting in your records. I will cover the breeds that we have in the project. Meanwhile get your records organized for the coming year. I will be checking them before fair, so keep them up to date. Nov/Dec are the months to plan breeding’s, detect heat and breed does, trim hooves and keep waters clean & fresh and enough hay to keep them producing energy to stay warm. If you have a topic you want covered let me know.

If you have any questions call or email me. Karyn at dewklh@netzero.net or 461-7536.

Project	Superintendents	Email	Phone Number
Horse	Peggy Bartmess Jennifer Scoles Junior: Savannah Schneider Junior: Landry Scoles	lc4horseproject@gmail.com	406.431.7497 406.465.5523

There will be no horse meeting in December at this time so, have a great holiday season! If you have questions, please call Peggy Bartmess or Jen Scoles. Please keep in mind the time you call, we won't be taking calls while at work or after 8:00 p.m.

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Jackpot	Jeff Patten	blaackraam@gmail.com	406.422.3796

Helena Jackpot Show - Save the Dates

June 13 and 14 in the Multi-purpose building on the fairgrounds. This is the best opportunity locally for you to improve your showmanship skills and practice showing your animals before the fair and this right in your back yard. The jackpot show is open to steers, heifers, swine, sheep and goats.

More information contact Jeff Patten at 406 422-3796.

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Livestock Judging	Georgana Webster Junior: Becky deMontigny		406.438.2842

Livestock Judging

December
Big Timber contest
December 14th or 21st
Saturday's
TBA

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Poultry	Lexie Edwards	lillexielou@live.com	406.439.9432
	C.J. Lassila	siege1234@bresnan.net	406.439.5168
	Junior: Irene Edwards Ashton McGaugh		

Important Dates:

- December 14th at the BHB
- Poultry Possession date May 1st, 2020

Next Poultry Project meeting will be on **Saturday, December 14th, at 1:00pm in the Bill Hamilton 4-H Building (the BHB)** at the Fairgrounds. Please bring your project books. If you don't have a project book yet, we will have some available for purchase at the meeting. Also, although not required for the December meeting, you can bring a bird if you would like to for practice handling and showing birds. NOTE - colder weather has started - if transporting a bird, careful of temperature.

This 4-H year's second Poultry project meeting was on Saturday, November 9th in the BHB. At this meeting - for level one - we did the crossword puzzle on page 6 of Poultry Project Book level one ("Scratching the Surface") that uses a Poultry Parts Word Bank at the back of the book for the answers. Reviewing this Word Bank throughout the year will help gain a better ability to identify the parts of poultry, an important skill for this project. Next at the meeting, since some project members had brought birds, members watched how to remove a bird from and return it to its cage. Also demonstrated was the correct way to hold a bird and to pose it on a show table. The level 2 activity for this meeting was to do "First Impressions" on page 5, Chapter One, of the 4-H Poultry Project Book level two ("Testing Your Wings").



Photo by C. J. Lassila. Project member Gabe showing his hen at the November meeting.

Remember that each month we'll spend about half of our meeting working in Poultry Project Book level one and the other half in activities covered by 4-H Poultry Project Book level two. The goal of this process is to review important information for level two project members and have additional learning opportunities for our level one members.

Check out our Facebook page under Lewis & Clark 4-H Poultry project.

Project	Superintendents	Email	Phone Number
Rabbit	Vanessa Olson	2qtrcircle@gmail.com	406.431.1598
	Sheri Onstott	nighthorse1970@gmail.com	406.431.1014
	Junior: Clancy Olson Junior: Mariah Olson Junior: Alexis Sandoval		

Our first rabbit meeting will be **Monday, December 30th at 6:00 pm in the BHB**. Please leave your rabbits at home.

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
----------------	-----------------------	--------------	---------------------

Sheep

Jeff Patten
 Junior: Hannah Diehl
 Junior: Olivia Harris

blaackraam@gmail.com

406.422.3796

Sheep Possession Date: Friday, May 1st
Sheep Tagging Date: Sunday, May 3rd
Sheep Tagging Form Due: Wednesday, April 29th

Sheep Workshops:

January 26 at 2:00 pm we will have lambing, vaccinating castrating, and docking of tags workshop. Hopefully, there will be an ewe lambing again.

These workshops will be at my place at **863 Sunny Vista Rd**

Champion Choice Camp Swine and Sheep

Camp will be **June 12 and 13 in the BHB and Multipurpose building**. Many of the kids that have participated in these camps have done very well with their animals and have greatly improved their showmanship skills. Discounted camp prices will be the Monday after Thanksgiving. The website is: <https://www.championschoicecamps.com/>

More information contact Jeff Patten at 406 422-3796.

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
----------------	-----------------------	--------------	---------------------

Swine

James Schneider
 Junior: August Schneider
 Junior: Payton Sprague

LTCMontana@yahoo.com

406.788.3011

Swine Possession Date: Wednesday, April 15th
Swine Tagging Date: Sunday, April 19th
Swine Tagging Form Due: Wednesday, April 15th

Dear 4-H Families,

Montana 4-H and Lewis and Clark County will use the web-based 4hOnline software for 4-H enrollment this year. We encourage you use the online platform to complete enrollments but have paper enrollment available upon request. Click on the following link to begin the online enrollment process. [4hOnline](#)

Please visit [MSU Publications](#) to view an electronic version of the Clover Selection guide that contains descriptions of projects offered, or use the drop-down menus in 4hOnline to select project. Online enrollment is will be available September 15th.

You can also purchase project books at [MSU Publications](#). Please check with your project superintendent to see if project books are required, or view the [project page](#) on our website.

Instructions for enrolling online can be found [Here](#) under Enrollment Forms

- When **youth members** enroll online, the following forms can be digitally signed by parents/guardians.
 - Code of conduct form
 - Media release form
 - Horse Project Permission & Assumption of Risk form
 - Animal Project Permission and Assumption of Risk form
- **Re-enrolling adult members** can enroll online and digitally sign the following forms.
 - 4-H Volunteer Agreement form
 - Personal Background Authorization form
 - Volunteer Personal Background Update
- **New adult members** currently must complete a paper copy of the Volunteer Application and 4-H enrollment form.
- Log in and check projects any time.
- Organizational and project leaders can view member information.

Please contact our office if you need assistance with enrollment, or if would like a paper enrollment packet.

Re-enrollments must be received **September 15- Last Business day in December.**

Sincerely,

Kara Tangedal and Lexi Foust

MSU Lewis and Clark County Extension

***In order for you to be confirmed you will need to pay for your membership. When the office sees you have enrolled, you will be sent an email with a link within 1-2 business days. There are two options; you can pay with cash or check in the office or follow the link on the email and pay through PayPal. (You can check out without a PayPal account.)**



EXTENSION



Montana 4-H is the youth development program of Montana State University Extension.

The Montana State University Extension Service is an ADA/EO/AA/Veteran's Preference Employer and Provider of Educational Outreach.

*Check the calendar on the website for additional events or changes.
 *BHB = Bill Hamilton 4-H Building on the Lewis and Clark Co. Fairgrounds

December 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 Air Rifle, 6:00-9:00 p.m., BHB	4 Nature Craft Event, 4:00 Skyway Drive Foundation Meeting, 5:30-8:30, Extension Office Upstairs Conference Room	5 Archery, 5:30-8:30 p.m., BHB Record Book Committee Meeting, 4:30 p.m., Extension Office Volunteer Professional Development Session 1 Meeting, 5:30 p.m., Extension Office	6 Shooting Sports Training in Kalispell Lewis & Clark Archers Club Fun Tournament Shoot, 6:00 p.m., Buffalo Jump Archery on US Highway 12	7 Shooting Sports Training in Kalispell, MT Dog Meeting, 9:00-11:00 a.m., BHB Plant Sciences Workshop, RSVP with Alicia
8 Teen Leadership Meeting, 2:00-4:00 p.m., BHB Sewing Workshop, 2:00-4:00 p.m., Capital Baptist Fellowship	9 Outdoor Meeting, 5:30, Extension Office, Upstairs Conference Room Awards Committee Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Extension Office	10 Air Rifle, 6:00-9:00 p.m., BHB	11	12 Archery, 5:30-8:30 p.m., BHB	13 Shooting Sports Training, Baker, MT 4-H Summer Camp Counselor Applications Due to Extension Office before 5:00 p.m.	14 Shooting Sports Training, Baker, MT Poultry Meeting, 1:00-2:30 p.m., BHB Dog Meeting, 8:30-11:00 a.m., BHB Food Workshop, 11:00-1:00 p.m. Poultry Workshop, 1:00-2:30 p.m. Livestock Judging Contest, Big Timber
15 Beef Workshop, 2:00 p.m., Patten's House	16 Cloverbud Meeting, 6:00 p.m., BHB Pocket Pets, 6:30 p.m., MT Wild	17 Air Rifle, 6:00-9:00 p.m., BHB Cat Workshop (tentatively), 6:00 p.m., Headwaters Covenant Church	18	19 Archery, 5:30-8:30 p.m., BHB	20	21
22	23	24	25 Office Closed	26 Archery, 5:30-8:30 p.m., BHB	27	28
29	30 Rabbit Meeting, 6:00 p.m., BHB	31 Last day to enroll or re-enroll in 4-H Fun Air Rifle Night, 6:00-9:00 p.m., BHB	January 1 Beef Possession Date Beef Tagging Forms Due	January 2 Fun Archery Night, 5:30, BHB	January 3 Statewide Shooting Sport Training, BHB	January 4 Statewide Shooting Sport Training, BHB