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April 2021 Newsletter

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MSU Extension Update

Happy April! Our office is hiring a .75 FTE Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Education (SNAP-Ed) instructor. Interested in partnering and collaborating with local agencies to teach nutrition education, physical activity, and food resource management? Then this job is for you! View the announcement and apply at https://jobs.montana.edu/postings/23493.



April is Volunteer Appreciation month! Please reach out to a volunteer who has made a positive impact on your life and let them know your appreciation! Our volunteers are unpaid and put countless hours into providing learning opportunities for 4-H youth. They're the best! If you are a teen leader, please attend the April teen leader meeting to help decide how to thank our volunteers this year.

-Kara Tangedal

4-H Council

Next meeting: The Council will reconvene on **Wednesday, April 14**th **at 6:00 p.m. in Augusta, MT.** The Augusta Livestock 4-H Club will provide dinner! Please RSVP with James (contact info below).

- Minutes available online HERE
- To request an agenda, please e-mail or call James Schneider at (406) 788-3011 or
 - LTCMontana@yahoo.com
- To join the meeting remotely, please click HERE at the meeting time.

4-H Foundation

Next Regular Meeting: Wednesday, April 7th at 5:30 p.m. at the Extension Office.

Minutes available online HERE

- To join the Foundation meeting remotely, <u>please click HERE</u> at the meeting time.
- To request a sponsorship for a 4-H project or activity, please go to https://forms.gle/1ptMMZdcX8zphK
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Youth Council

Next Meeting: Sunday, April 18th at 3:00 p.m. in the Extension Office

- Minutes available online HERE
- To attend this meeting remotely, please click <u>HERE</u> at the meeting time and call Kara at (406) 396-6634 if you need any assistance.
- We will be planning for our Fair events and discussing how Council and Committee meetings went that month.

Joining 4-H in the 2020-2021 4-H Year

- Enrollment began October 1st!
- Please enroll online by visiting 4h.zsuite.org Find out more information HERE.
 - o **Re-enrollments and fees** were due on ZSuites on December 31st.
 - 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.

4-H Foundation Fundraiser- 4-H Clover Masks

Are you looking for gifts for the 4-H people in your life? What about ways to promote 4-H while promoting health (which is one of the "H"s!) Or maybe you want to help YOUR 4-H Foundation with fundraising....

Well, we have the PERFECT thing for you!!

Your 4-H Foundation is selling facemasks with the 4-H logo on them along with a storage pouch for the low price of \$10.

This is one of the Foundation's fundraisers this year, and we need YOUR help in promoting these sales.

The Foundation is awarding the top 3 4-H clubs who sell the most masks per club member. That means even if your club is small you have a chance to win big!

1st place will have first choice of the following prizes: Pizza Party, Ice Cream Party, Trampoline Park Party

2nd place will choose second, and 3rd place will have the prize that's left over.

If you are interested in purchasing a mask or would like to help sell, you can pick up masks from the Extension Office or contact Lisa DeWitt (406-461-1055), Joe Munis (406-560-7392), or Kathryn Dunkelberg (406-461-9551) who will organize a pick-up in Helena or can mail them as needed.



Awards Committee

- We need new volunteers to serve on the Awards Committee! We meet ~4 times per year to evaluate the current award offerings, select award winners, and to gather awards supplies for Awards Night.
- Currently we need help with the Ron Schatz project sponsorship award, the Julie Paulson Achievement Award, and Project Recognition Awards. Please call/e-mail the office for more information or to offer feedback to the committee.

Building Committee

We are looking for volunteers to support the Building Committee. We need some help overseeing the maintenance of the BHB, future plans for BHB, and the potential expansion of our facility. Please contact David Hamilton (davidhamilton431@gmail.com) if you are interested.

4-H Summer Camp

The 4-H camp counselor team recently met, and in light of Covid and some unique challenges presented by holding a summer camp this year, the team has decided to hold a series of day camps throughout the summer, one with possibly an overnight experience. These camps will have many of the games, activities and workshops of our traditional camp, plus some fun twists and surprises. The first camp will be in late June. We'll have firm details coming very soon.

Camp counselors will meet Sunday, April 11 at 2 p.m. in the upstairs extension office meeting room to finalize details.

We plan to hold our traditional summer camp at Luccock Park in 2022.

Quality Assurance Committee

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. This year there will be no in-person quality assurance trainings, but there are two online options available. Please find the virtual Quality Assurance courses and an updated list of members needing quality assurance training in 2021 at https://www.lccountymt.gov/extension/4-h/projects.html. Please speak with your club or project leader for more information.

2021 Record Book Checks

Parents, members, and volunteers, please visit the <u>Record Book webpage</u> and take a look at the resources for record book checks. Please touch base with your project leaders so you are prepared for record book checks starting May 1st!

Special Thank You to Record Book Committee Members: Bill Sullivan, C.J. Lassila, Karen Hamilton, Jana Gruber, & Laurie Sullivan

Record book forms and/or project books need to be reviewed by project leaders to be eligible for Fair. Record book checks will occur between May 1st and June 10th (unless otherwise stated by your project leaders). <u>Final Record Book Check is May 26th, 6:30 p.m. in the BHB</u> for all projects left to be checked. This includes projects without project leaders. So, if you haven't been able to meet up with your project leader, they will be at this record book check.

- Click HERE for project completion and record book check informational guide for families and members.
- Click HERE for project completion and record book check informational guide for Project Leaders.

2021 4-H Fair

SAVE THE DATE FOR JULY 23RD-AUGUST 1ST! This year's Fair theme is, "There's no place like home," Wizard of Oz style. More information to come!

Click HERE for the Exhibitors Handbook

There will be hard copies in the Extension Office to pick up. One per family. Please call ahead prior to visiting the Extension Office to make sure we are available.





We Need Help!

We are looking for both short-term and long-term volunteers to help with upcoming events and put on a workshop for projects without leaders. If interested, please fill out this form to volunteer. We need you!!

Here are some examples of the help we'll need for the 2020-21 4-H year:

- 4-H Volunteer Appreciation Committee members
- 4-H Awards Committee members
- 4-H Building Committee members
- Anyone who would like to lead an activity or workshop in bicycle, outdoor adventures, robotics, small engines, teen leadership, visual arts, welding, or woodworking

2021 Event Dates: Put them on your calendar now!

• Sewing Revue: Sunday, April 25th Sewing Revue is a county event which usually takes place at the end of April. You do not have to be in any of the Sewing projects to participate. This is a fun way to learn about the different sewing and handiwork projects (sewing, knitting, crochet, embroidery and weaving). Registration is due Friday, April 16th at 5:00 p.m. on google forms If you have any questions you can contact Trudy Moffett at 406-799-3254 or wolfcreekcottagecrafts@gmail.com.



- Augusta Livestock Grand Foods & Communications Day: Sunday, April 18th at. setup at 1:00 and judging starting at 1:30. Location to be determined. All county wide members are invited. Please contact Teresa Converse-Lane at (406) 799-2349 for more information and to register.
- Record Book Checks begin May 1st Please speak with your club and project leaders for more information
- Junior Livestock Show of Spokane Wednesday, May 5, 2021

 Exhibitors will find forms for Entry, various contests (entry and information sheets), and camping under each species tab.
- Jackpot- June 12-13, 2021
- Summer Camp- Dates/Times TBD
- 4-H Congress- July 12-16, 2021
- Lewis & Clark County 4-H Fair- July 26-Aug 1, 2021

LCC 4-H Member Spotlight -Abby Gruber

Abby is an amazing 4-H member who has taken on many leadership roles in her club and 4-H overall. She has been a part of the Gold Nuggets 4-H Club for her entire 4-H career. She has held an office in her club each of her 8 years and is currently serving as Club Treasurer, as well as, serving as a Public Relations Officer for the Youth Council.

Abby has been a part of the Sheep program for many years. She has been serving as a Junior Superintendent for the last 4 years. Abby is a natural leader as she is always willing to help the younger 4-H members in the project and create informative workshops that are educational and fun. While the Sheep project has been her focus in 4-H. She has branched out to the Dog and Beef Projects. Abby has excelled in the Dog project with her dog Hazel. Abby was coming to the dog project with her sister Rebecca long before she decided to join. Abby is always working with Hazel, helping others in her class, and pays attention to the smallest details.. She has high standards for her work in each of her projects. Abby's attentiveness to detail and her infectious smile enabled her to win the Senior Dog Showman last year.

While Abby has a remarkable career in 4-H she is involved in many other activities in school and church. She is active in Volleyball, Drama Club, Thespians Club and

St. Mary's choir. She is an honor roll student at Jefferson High School.

Abby is an amazing 4-Her who is helpful, friendly, dependable, and loyal. She can be relied on to provide leadership and support at club and project meetings.

-Laurie Sullivan, Dog Project Superintendent

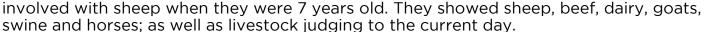


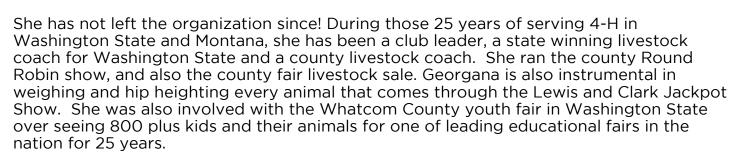
LCC 4-H Volunteer Spotlight - Georgana Webster

Georgana Webster is an amazing woman with amazing talents! She has a diverse background that many do not know about. She has experience in almost every area of agriculture.

Georgana graduated from Cal-Poly with a degree in Ag Sci. Since that time, she has worked solely in the agriculture industry in many different forms. She managed a large sow ranch and dairy in California, was the Quality Assurance manager for a berry processing plant in Washington State and currently works for the Department of Agriculture as the Director of Organic Department for the state of Montana, which certifies many other states. She speaks at many conferences and is always working to help the world of agriculture that we all love no matter how big or small.

Georgana got involved with 4-H when her 2 daughters became





Georgana has a calmness about her that helps keeps everyone around her calm especially when weighing pigs at 6 am and hip heighting steers in the middle of a hot afternoon.

Her livestock judging kids love going to contests with her. While the kids don't love the giving reasons part, the parents love that she is teaching them public speaking skills! She has taught them how to use a thesaurus to look up different adjectives for different ways of saying phrases while doing oral reasons. Overall, she helps them think and look at livestock in different ways.

In her spare time she loves to spend time riding with her horse, traveling and spending time with her 6 furgrandbabies.

Georgana is a relentless advocate for the ag and livestock industry!



Indoor Project Updates

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

Thank you to everyone for their efforts in making our County Events a success. There are still more to attend including Communication Day in Augusta.

Please make sure to be working on your record books as project leaders will begin reviewing them after May 1.

As the weather gets warmer be sure to check out all the upcoming project workshops.

The next Indoor meeting is **Monday, April 19**th *at 5:30 PM in the Extension Office.* You can join remotely by <u>clicking this link</u> at the meeting time. Thanks, Michelle

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Aerospace	Vacant		

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 LCC 4-H volunteer opportunities.

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Ambassadors	Catherine McNeil	mcneilcb@gmail.com	406.439.8570
	Mandy Rambo mand	dy_k_rambo@hotmail.com	406.945-3749

Ambassador Applications Due: **Tuesday, April 20th, 2021 to the Extension Office by 5:00 p.m.** <u>Click here to fill out the Ambassador Application</u>

Your ambassadors have been hard at work with all efforts on the huge service project led by some of our very own ambassadors that are currently also serving as National 4-H Equity Ambassadors. We have just over 100 backpacks left to build. However, we have secured funding to finish the back packs through presentations to many generous organizations and we've had a blast doing it. As we enter spring and 4-H begins to ramp back up always remember that ambassadors are a resource at your disposal!

Project	Superinter	ndent	Email b	Phone Number
Babysitting	Catherine McNeil	mcneilcb@	gmail.com	406.439.8570

If you have any questions, please contact Catherine.

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone	Number
Bicycle	Vacant			

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 LCC 4-H volunteer opportunities.

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Cat	Jen Amos	jenamos@bresnan.net	406.465.2563

If you have any questions, please contact Jen.

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Cake Decorating	Christine Bailey	christinebailey2015@gmail.com	406-475-0948

I set up the first classes in April for Fun with Frosting they are on April 12th and 17th.

Fun with Frosting workshop- Monday, April 12th from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Headwaters Sign up here

Fun with Frosting workshop- Saturday, April 17th from 10:00-11:00 a.m. at Headwaters Sign up here

Cupcake workshop- Monday, April 26th from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Headwaters Sign up here

Cupcake workshop- Saturday, May 1st from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. at Headwaters Sign up here

ProjectSuperintendentEmailPhone NumberChild DevelopmentVacant

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 LCC 4-H volunteer opportunities.

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Citizenship	Vacant		

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 LCC 4-H volunteer opportunities.

Cloverbuds

Katie Grady-Selby

katiegrady18@icloud.com

406.202.1802

Thank you to everyone that came to the March workshop where we made modge podge bowls.

We will meet again April 19th at 6 pm at the PAINTED POT. You will have to RSVP by April 9th to attend. Please text 202-1802 with your child's name.

We only have a few workshops left. Please make sure to keep your projects to enter them into fair:)

Calendar dates are below for the upcoming workshops.

- April 19th
- May 17th
- June 21st



Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number

Communications

Vacant

Communications Day was March 14th. The Team Trophy goes to Birdseye Hi-Altitude with 80% of their club participating It was a close race with 2nd place having 78% club participation. Thanks to all those that participated! The judges were very impressed!!

You can view the Communications Day results here

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 LCC 4-H volunteer opportunities.

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Cowboy Poetry	Vacant		

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 LCC 4-H volunteer opportunities.

Project		Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
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Outdoor Adventures, Wildlife, and Forestry

Vacant

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 LCC 4-H volunteer opportunities.

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Electricity	Vacant		
Small Engines			

Have an appliance or power tool that recently stopped working? Bring it to the Extension Office and 4-H small engine members will see if they can get it working again! Call or e-mail the office if you have any questions!

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 LCC 4-H volunteer opportunities.

Project	Superintendent	s Email	Phone Number
Entomology	Ann Reber	belleelegant@gmail.com	406.461.4030

If you have any questions, please contact Ann.

Project	Superintende	ent Email	Phone Number
Foods and	Teresa Patten	teresajoan20@gmail.com	406.465.6103
Nutrition	Tolly Patten	blaackraam@gmail.com	406.422.9931

The April Foods Workshop will be held **Saturday, April 10th at Headwaters Covenant Church by CRAnderson.** Properly fitting face masks are required to be worn at all times. We will be learning about eggs and will be cream puffs at this workshop.

Here is the link to signup: April Foods Workshop

The signup will close Friday the 9th at 5pm. Please email me if you need to change your time slot after 5 pm on Friday.

Also, here is the link to all the recipes we have made at workshops this year! <u>2020-2021</u> Workshop Recipes

Project	Superintende	nts Email	Phone Number
Gardening,	Ann Reber	belleelegant@gmail.com	
Crop Science &	Alicia Reber	alicia.reber@gmail.com	406.437.2934
Weed Science			

Since activities and location will depend on weather, please check your email for workshops or contact Alicia.

Project	Superintendents	Email	Phone Number
Home	Marianne Baumeister	marianne.baumeister71@gmail.com	406.475.1027
Environme	nt		

Helena's CWG Architecture, Engineering, and Design Firm's professional interior design team will be hosting our April workshop! Please be sure to call or email Marianne if you are interested. She will provide you with further details. This is such an awesome opportunity. You won't want to miss it!

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Leathercraft	Jamie Lerum	Graymountainleatherco@gmail.com	406.459.6517

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions Graymountainleatherco@gmail.com.

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Photography	Luke Duran	elementl@bresnan.net	406.461.7799
Juni	ior: Cade Duran		

Hello photographers.

Our next meeting will be **Thursday, April 22.** We'll celebrate Earth Day by meeting outdoors for a photo safari **at Spring meadow Lake.** Please bring your cameras, and we'll go for a nature walk to look for unique scenes of nature to photograph. If the weather is bad that day, we'll meet indoors at Montana Wild to photograph some indoor exhibits. Meet in the Montana Wild parking lot at 4 p.m.

Photo Challenge: please email your black & white photos to Luke by **Friday, April 16.** Photo will be posted to an online gallery on the 4-H Photography website.

Pocket Pets CJ Lassila

siege4214@gmaill.com

406.439.5168

On March 22nd, 2021, the Pocket Pets project hosted a special guest: Reggie, the bearded dragon. Reggie is a reptile owned by Michael who, along with friend Zack, brought Reggie to meet our project group. Project members got the chance to learn about and touch this wonderful lizard. Michael told us that he became aware of bearded dragons, learned more about them and then decided he would like to have one. Surprisingly, Michael was able to purchase Reggie here in Helena at a local pet store – and No advance ordering was required; there were actually several in the store. It is reported by pet stores that the typical lifespan of a bearded dragon in captivity is 15 years or more.

Why is this reptile called a bearded dragon? Reggie has spiny projections under his neck that look like a man's beard. A bearded dragon can puff out their beard when they feel excited or



threatened. At the same time, he might hold his mouth open to make himself look bigger. Bearded dragons are a gentle and popular pet. But knowing about a pet before you get it is important for any type of pet. Bearded dragons are a pet that does better alone, it doesn't need another bearded dragon for company. Some other Pocket Pets will do much better if you do get them a buddy (example – guinea pigs). We saw a photo of Reggie's home inside Michael's house. Bearded dragons come from Australia and a desert environment, so Reggie needs a heat source [usually a heat lamp] and humidity. He needs to be able to get close to the heat, but also to be able to be in a cooler place in his home sometimes. He needs a place to hide and rest, and enough room to walk around and explore.

What does a bearded dragon eat? Michael told us that Reggie eats mealworms and crickets. Bearded dragons can also eat some vegetables such as sweet potato, parsley and kale. And he can eat fruits such as apples. As to bearded dragons and any other kind of pet, people should research and be sure about getting a particular pet. Consider: is this the right pet for me? Is this the right pet for my family? Can I take proper care of this pet? How long will this pet live? How would this pet do in my home if I have other pets? For example, Michael's family includes four cats.

Besides seeing what Reggie's home looked like, project members reviewed photos of each member's pet's homes. This year our project group Pocket Pets include several guinea pigs, a corn snake and a variety of fish. We looked at the aquariums of two members, several guinea pig housings and the terrarium where the snake lives. We talked about cage covers and we talked about the amount of room each pet has. We discussed if the pets get to come out of their little homes and move around your house. Each member talked about how they spend time with their pets. Even fish are aware if you are there spending time with them. You can talk to pet fish, and listen to music with them. If you listen to music with any pet, make sure they are comfortable with the volume. For example, bearded dragons don't typically like things very loud.

Project members were reminded that the Lewis and Clark 4-H County Photo Show is coming soon. Pocket Pets are interesting subject matter to take pictures of. Project members are encouraged to have photos ready of their pets that they could enter into the Photo Show. Details should be available soon on the county 4-H website and will also be emailed to each project family. With that in mind – an assignment was given for our next workshop – each member is asked to take and provide at least one photo of their pet(s). These will be printed so we can look at them during our April workshop.

This workshop ended with an Easter celebration. Each member selected a decorated Easter egg (plastic) that was either empty or contained a snack for their pet. Members were reminded that snacks in their pets' diets can be a healthy thing - but are not a full-time substitute for required nutrition.

Next Pocket Pets workshop is scheduled for **Monday, April 26th, 2021, at 6:30 pm in Montana Wild.** As noted above, all project members are asked to take photos of their pets, and then send the photos to project leader CJ so they can be shared with the entire project group. The bearded dragon photos with this article were taken by C.J., but several cameras snapped a lot of photos during our workshop guest presentation.

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Robotics	Vacant		

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 LCC 4-H volunteer opportunities.

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

Sewing, quilting, knitting, crochet, weaving, and embroidery are projects that take time to complete. We will be having workshops that start in October and go through to April.

They will be held at Capital Baptist Fellowship, 1727 Waukesha, at the corner of Laurel and Waukesha. The last workshop is April 11. We will have Sewing Revue on April 25.

The workshops will take place from 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Sewing Revue: Sunday, April 25th Registration due Friday, April 16th at 5:00 p.m. on google forms

Click here to find out more!

If you have any questions you can contact Trudy Moffett at 406-799-3254 or wolfcreekcottagecrafts@gmail.com.

Project	Superintendents	Email I	Phone Number
Shooting Sports	Air Rifle: Vanessa Olson	2qtrcircle@gmail.com	406.431.1598

Archery: Jason Armstrong Jason.armstrong25@gmail.com 406.438.6479 Augusta Archery: Pat Quinn 406.562.3662 quinn.jpg@gmail.com

Shotgun: Scott Allen scott59634@gmail.com 406.202.0905 sallen6@outlook.com 406.461.8583 Sam Allen

> gonehuntingorfishing@hotmaill.com Tom Manning

Junior: Ashton McGaugh

Trainings

Coaches trainings for the year have been set-up for the month of April and May. I sent the email to everyone at the end of February. Please let me know if you will be attending one of these trainings.

Air Rifle has ended for the year. Thank you to the families and coaches that participated this year. I really appreciate your patience while we figured out how to make this happen with the covid restrictions. Hope to see you in October when we start again for a full season of Air Rifle and Air Pistol.

Archery in Augusta - Pat Quinn is starting archery in Augusta, if you are interest in shooting archery and live in Augusta, please contact Pat.

Muzzle loading

Watch for announcements about Muzzle loading. It usually starts in June or July.

Archery Opportunities

Western Heritage Project

From Scott Francis: Each year I hold a "Welcome to the 4-H Western Heritage Project" meeting for new families in my local club. Like many of your programs, this year's introductory meeting will be virtual through Zoom. This change of format opens the door to anyone in the country interested in learning more about the Western Heritage discipline of 4-H Shooting Sports. I invite anyone to attend (see link below). And, even though the name would imply, you don't have to live in the West to participate in the 4-H Western Heritage Project. It's the firearms we use in competition that are most often associated with the Old West.

April 12, 2021 - Hands-on topic to be determined

Materials for each of the hands-on workshops will be listed on the website at 4hwesternheritageproject.org [4-hwesternheritageproject.org].

Shotgun

Shotgun Meetings will be Mondays and Thursdays, 6:00 p.m. at the Helena Trap Club

Have to be 9 years old before Oct. 1st, 2020 and belong to a 4H club

We provided all guns, shells, targets and safety equipment.

If you want to use your own shotgun, they have to be 12 ga or 20 ga.

The cost is \$25 per person. Medical and Liability Release forms need to be filled out and signed before you can start shooting.

The project runs about 10 weeks long, due to a shortage of getting shells, we might have a shorter season.

Face masks are required.

Any questions contact:

Scott Allen phone 406-202-0905 Email scott59634@ gmail.com

Sam Allen phone 406-461-8583 Email sallen@outlook.com

Tom Manning Email <u>gonehuntingorfishing@hotmail.com</u>

Project	Superintende	ent Email	Phone Number
Sport Fishing	Guy Rainville	ltcdadret@bresnan.net	406.439.3199

IT'S TIME FOR 4-H SPORT FISHING! Our first workshop is on Tuesday, April 20th, 2021, (6:00pm in the 4-H Bill Hamilton Building at the Fairgrounds).

Workshops will then be every Tuesday evening until mid-August (schedule will be discussed at first meeting). These weekly workshops will include topics such as fish identification and Montana fishing regulations. Note that the 2021 Montana Fishing Regulations book is now available.

Project workshops will initially be at the 4-H Bill Hamilton Building at the Fairgrounds. We hope to also meet once at Montana Wild. Then we'll begin outdoor fishing in May, getting an



Photo by KC May: Fishing during an August 2020 4-H Sport Fishing workshop.

introduction to stream, river, pond and lake fishing at numerous locations throughout the Helena area. Project Requirements: 1) if you have it, bring your fishing gear [extra is available for use if needed]; 2) project fee is \$15.00 [make checks payable to 4-H Sport Fishing]; 2) a medical information form must be completed for each project member (insurance, immunizations, doctor/dentist contact information); 3) 4-Her and all family members present are required to wear Personal Flotation Devices (life jackets) when we are near or on the water; 4) project books are NOT required for members attending the workshops. Note that fishing gear is not required for the first workshop on April 20th – but it's okay to bring your gear and ask questions about it.

Just like in other projects again this 4-H year, project members are expected to do a record book that journals their goals, record of workshops attended, what they did and what they learned at each workshop. At our first workshop project members will be asked to write down at least three goals they have in Sport Fishing for this year. Record books

must be up-to-date and complete when reviewed in May / June for the 4-Her to enter an exhibit in the Fair for this project. If you have any questions, contact Project Leader Guy Rainville at 439-3199 or contact the 4-H Office.

APRIL FISHING TIP - "Spring Fishing Dangers:"

As the snow melts and the plants begin to green up, there are many different fishing opportunities available throughout Montana. Spring is a time of transition from winter fishing to summer fishing that presents dangers to the fisherman. Ice fishing opportunities are often still available, but the safety of the ice can be questionable as temperatures rise. On the other hand, many moving waters such as rivers and streams are open and flowing but at a much higher water volume and speed. Additionally, many of the streams are not open to legal fishing yet.

According to the "Old Farmer's Almanac" 3 inches of solid ice will support a single person on foot and 4 inches of solid ice will support a group of people in single file. The problem, "How do we determine the ice depth prior to stepping on it?" Looking around to see if any others are on the ice and where they traveled is a good idea. If no one is on the ice, this is often good indicator that the ice is not safe.

Moving water, such as rivers and streams, can carry up to 10 times the water with flows which are much more unpredictable and faster than during the summer. Streams that can be easily waded during the summer become capable of sweeping even the strongest and most experienced individuals off of their feet and potentially drowning them. A great example is the Blackfoot River near Lincoln. This river is a slow, easily fished and waded river from July through February. But due to the snow melt and runoff, the Blackfoot transforms into an incredibly dangerous screaming wall of water that often claims lives from March through June. If one looks at this river during this period, you will see it is full from bank to bank with roaring water tearing up trees and dirt to the point it looks like foamy chocolate milk.

Fishing is still a possibility during these times - but remember to place your safety first.

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Teen Leadership	Kara Tangedal	kara.tangedal@montana.edu	406.396.6634
& Service Learni	na		

Hello teen leaders! Please join our remind group to stay apprised of teen leadership goings ons! https://www.remind.com/join/lcc4h

We have two 4-H state officers who are also Lewis & Clark County 4-H Ambassadors! They host virtual Ambassador Trainings and a Leadership Academy that are completely free and super fun! **The next Leadership Academy is scheduled for April 11th and covers Service and Recognition.** If you would like to attend any of the Leadership Academy workshops please contact me via Remind or e-mail me at kara.tangedal@montana.edu.

The April Leadership Academy ties in nicely to our next in-person Teen Leadership meeting scheduled for Sunday, April 18th at 1 PM at the Extension Office. Please RSVP using the Remind app or by e-mailing/calling me. A virtual option is available upon request. This meeting is mandatory, so if you can't make it please let Kara know so she can touch base with you another time. We'll be having snacks, games, discussing our leadership projects, and planning for our Volunteer Appreciation service project.

Interested in becoming a Lewis & Clark County 4-H Ambassador? Find out more and apply at https://www.lccountymt.gov/extension/4-h/member-resources/county-opportunities-events.html

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Theatre Arts	Vacant		

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 LCC 4-H volunteer opportunities.

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

The next meeting is **Friday, April 9th at 6:00 p.m. in the BHB.** Calendar dates are below for the next meetings in the BHB

Friday, April 9th Friday, May 7th

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Visual Arts	Vacant		

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 LCC 4-H volunteer opportunities.

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Woodworking	Vacant		
& Welding			

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 LCC 4-H volunteer opportunities.

Outdoor Project Updates

Project	Superintendents	Email	Phone Number
Outdoor Committee Junior	David Hamilton Casey Jones : Olivia Harris	davidhamilton4 caseyjones@mt	31@gmail.com 406.431.1948 .net 406.431.2655

The next Outdoor meeting is **Monday, April 5**th at 5:30 PM in the Extension Office. Meetings have been moved to the first Monday of every month. You can join the meeting remotely by <u>clicking this link</u> at the meeting time.

4-H Livestock Sale Committee

***Minutes available online HERE

There will be a sale meeting following the Outdoor Meeting.

Project	Superintendents	Email	Phone Number
Beef	Larry St. Clair Chris Petre	larrystclair1@gmail.com cjpetre@msn.com	406.465.4524 406.439.8371
	lunior: Colter Petre		

Junior: Colter Petre Junior: Elaina Patten Junior: Garrett St. Clair

Due to Easter Sunday, April open scale has been moved to April 11th from 10 am-11 am.

New this 4 H Year is the "Rate of Gain Eligibility Award". The requirements can be found at the following link: https://www.lccountymt.gov/fileadmin/user_upload/Education/4-H/Pages/Project Areas/Beef/RateofGain.pdf

Please keep working on your Project Record Book, as record book checks will start in May. More information to come.

Record book(s) can be found at the following link:

https://www.lccountymt.gov/extension/4-h/member-resources/guides-and-forms/record-books.html.

Members participating in Market Beef or Breeding Beef Project(s) can order project books at the following website or contact the Extension Office.

https://store.msuextension.org/Departments/4-H-Materials/4-H-Curriculum.aspx

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Dairy Cattle	Daisy Feight	daisyfeight@yahoo.com	406.439.1810

For questions please contact Daisy.

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Dog	Laurie & Bill Sullivan	lasullivan@bresnan.net	406.431.8636

Obedience Junior: Alyssa White Obedience Junior: Carly LaChere Obedience Junior: Tana Speeg Agility Junior: Emma Citi

Agility Junior: Makenna Szarowicz

Agility Junior: Piper Pierce
Agility Junior: Trinity Bartmess

Obedience:

In March, we finished up our Obedience sessions and will start working on our Showmanship sessions in April. We had 3 Dog Project workshops completed in March. The first years had a Basic Grooming Workshop given by Kayley Prudden, a Carroll College Anthrozoology student. Many of the second-year project members and beyond have completed their Canine Good Citizen test. We will have a second testing in early May. The Agility group had a Hoop Making Workshop in which they made their own hoops to practice with at home.









We will continue to practice our Showmanship skills on **Saturdays in the BHB starting on April 10th.** Showmanship is based on the 4-H member's year in 4-H, it has nothing to do with the dog's year. All first-year project members will meet at 9:30 a.m. All second- and third-year project members will meet at 10:30 a.m. and fourth year and beyond will meet at 11:30 a.m.

Dates for Showmanship:

April 10, 2021 April 17, 2021 April 24, 2021 May 6, 2021 ****Thursday night****

Agility:

Agility practice is continuing at **Leah Anderson's arena on Sunday afternoons.** Since, we did not compete at the NADAC trials in March we will be holding a "Muddy Dawg" Agility trial on June 20, 2021 at Catherine LeCours' arena. More information to follow on this trial. Dates for Agility:

April 11, 2021 April 18, 2021 April 25, 2021

Grad-Novice Obedience class will continue to work after the 11:30 a.m. class on April 10th and April 17th for about 30 minutes. Please bring your dumbbells to this class. Drill Team:

We will have practice on April 17th. More information and times will be sent in a separate email.

Record Books:

Record books will need to be updated and ready to turn into me for review to be eligible for Fair. The books can be turned in anytime from May 1st to my deadline of May 27th. We have been working on the record books for the past several months, if you need help please reach out.

If you have any questions, please call me at 406-431-8636 or email lasullivan@bresnan.net.

Thanks, Laurie Sullivan

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

Goat Possession Date: Wednesday, April 28th, 2021

Goat Tagging Date: Sunday, May 2nd, 2021 9:00-10:00 a.m. **Market Goat Tagging Form**: Friday, April 30th by 5:00 p.m.

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Hope you are all well and working with your goats if you have them yet. April newsletter is in the works. Have you finished Jan, Feb, Mar. yet remember they go in the record book. Make sure you are all up to date with Quality Assurance. If you do not do QA you cannot show at the fair. You can do it online. The better online QA costs but the other one is free. You can do either one.

If you have questions be sure to call. Josie says she is willing to help anyone if they want. Until next month "Happy Goating". Karyn 461-7536

Project	Superintendents	Email	Phone Number
Horse	Alison Nichols	ponygirl0426@gmail.com	406.600-4129
	Beckie Graham	bbghorselover@gmail.com	406.459.8828
Jun	ior: Landry Scoles		
	Chase Graham		

The second Tuesday of each month are project book work sessions available on Teams. The third Wednesday of each month is the regular horse meeting which are workshops. This is either on Teams or in-person.

Saturday April 10th- English Riding/Jumping clinic @ Hillview Arena, RSVP to Alison for times

Tuesday April 13th - Online workbook meeting via Teams, 6pm-7pm

Thursday April 15th - Monthly Project meeting @ BHB (online option available via Teams) **6pm-7:30pm - topic:** Equine First-Aid

Sat & Sun April 17-18th - Driving Clinic (not put on by us but has a discounted 4H fee) @ Redfield Arena (previously Ericksons Arena). RSVP to Beckie

Reminder- Horse ID cards, project books and record books need to be turned in to the horse superintendents for review by May 25th or you will not be able to compete at fair!

Saturday May 1 - Ranch Horse Clinic @ Hansen's Arena, RSVP to Beckie

Saturday May 28 - Showmanship Clinic @ Wheeler's/ Prickly Pear Simmental Arena RSVP to Alison for time

Saturday June 5 - Ranch Horse Clinic @ Wheeler's/Prickly Pear Simmental Arena RSVP to Alison

Saturday June 19 - Practice Show @ Fairgrounds Multipurpose Building - Entry forms to be sent out soon

Sunday July 18 - Ranch Horse Fair Competition @ Wheeler's / Prickly Pear Simmental Arena

Friday & Saturday July 23-24 - Fair Competition @ Fairgrounds Multipurpose Building

Please make sure to follow the <u>Lewis and Clark County Horse Project Page</u> information and updates

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

Helena Jackpot Show is scheduled for **Saturday, June 12th and Sunday June 13th.** Great chance to practice with your animal before the fair. Your animal can get used to the noise of a show and learn tips for preparing your animal to show. You can learn from some of the top show persons from across the area. If you have not shown an animal before, you will be able to see what will happen in the show ring and what is needed to get ready to show your animal. Even if you won't be able to show and animal, it is still a good time to see what happens in the show ring and an opportunity to ask questions from people showing animals.

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Livestock	Georgana Webster	legallyblondentall@gmail.com	406.438.2842
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Livestock Judging

Well Livestock Judging is over until September.

In your free time please keep accessing the online classes that I send out.

Keep your eyes and minds sharp. We will be back with normal contests in the fall hopefully.

Georgana

Marias Invitational Livestock Judging Sunday, May 16, 2021 at Marias Fairgrounds, Shelby, MT Registration Due: Friday, May 14th

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Poultry Junior	Lexie Edwards C.J. Lassila :: Irene Edwards	lillexielou@live.com siege4214@gmail.com	406.439.9432 406.439.5168

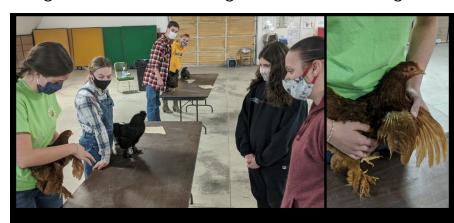
Next Poultry Workshop: **Saturday, April 3rd, 2021, at 1:00 pm in the 4-H Bill Hamilton Building BHB.** Bring your project book. Bring a bird for this meeting – we are now having

practice Showmanship every month.

Junior: Ashton McGaugh

Level 2 project members also studied identification of breeds by working through "Is Your Breed Up to Speed" on pages 20 & 21 of the 4-H Poultry Project Book level two ("Testing Your Wings"). The project book provided six examples of male breeds of Poultry for which our level 2 members were required to use the APA (American Poultry Association) Standards of Perfection to identify information including breed, class, comb type, beaks, eyes, identifying

feature, disqualifications and the number of varieties of the particular breed.



Level one member Ayla observes level 2 practice showmanship: how to correctly display wing feathers to your judge.

Photos by C. J. Lassila

Record books - Project members noted down something they learned at this workshop. Then members were reminded about Quality Assurance (QA) requirements. Livestock project members must complete this requirement every three years. If you are not current at Fair time, you will not be permitted to have 4-H Livestock entries. While this requirement has typically been met by attending an in-person workshop in our county, there is no in-person workshop this year. But there are two on-line offerings. To access that on-line training, you can click on the link listed in the newsletter or go on the Lewis and Clark County 4-H website under Projects. Click on Projects and then scroll to bottom of that page. There are lists of who needs to do QA and the links to get to the on-line training. When training is completed you are able to print a certificate - provide a copy of that certificate to the 4-H office. As an alternative, you can attend and complete a QA workshop offered by another county if you prefer. Again, verification that you completed that workshop must be provided to our 4-H office. Be sure to put a copy of the completion certificate into your record book for this project and also other livestock projects you are doing. If you want, you can bring your certificate to our next workhop and turn it in to one of us project superintendents. We will get it to the office for you.

Next - Showmanship practice. First, our level one project members practiced handling their birds and then did basic showmanship. Then they were practice judged by level two members Irene, Ashton, AlizaJane and Madison. Second, the level one members had the opportunity to observe our level two members do practice showmanship.

Project members! Remember that Saturday, May 1st is an important deadline for your Poultry project. As of May 1st, you must have possession of any Poultry that you might enter into the Fair.

Project	Superintendents	Email	Phone Number
Rabbit	Vanessa Olson Moriah Parker Junior: Mariah Olson Junior: Joleah Parker	2qtrcircle@gmail.com stole_em2000@yahoo.com	406.431.1598 406.202.5729

The next rabbit meeting will be **April 26 at 5:30 in the BHB.** Please bring your record books and project books so we can help answer any questions you have.

Here is the Facebook page for the Rabbit Project. Please join! https://www.facebook.com/groups/322164362156220/?ref=share

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Sheep	Jeff Patten Denice Harris Junior: Abigail Gruber Junior: Brooke Harris Junior: Frannie Volpe Junior: Philip Patten	blaackraam@gmail.com deniceannharris@gmail.com	406.422.3796 406.431.3361

Sheep Possession Date: Wednesday, April 28th, 2021

Sheep Tagging Date: Sunday, May 2nd, 2021 2:00-3:00 p.m. **Market Sheep Tagging Form**: Friday, April 30th by 5:00 p.m.

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We will be doing a feeding and caring workshop on **April 18 at 2:00 pm in the back of the BHB.** Also, tips and tricks to get your lamb to lead and brace. Minimum weight for a lamb to show and sell is 100 lbs. Make sure to ask your breeder if the lamb you selected will make weight. Please come with your questions.

Workshop Schedule:

April Feeding, caring and training tips May clipping and showmans June and July Showmanship

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Swine	James Schneider Junior: August Schneider	LTCMontana@yahoo.com	406.788.3011

Swine Possession Date: Thursday, April 15th, 2021

Swine Tagging Date: Sunday, April 18th, 2021 11:00-1:00 p.m. **Market Swine Tagging Form**: Friday, April 16th by 5:00 p.m.

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I hope everyone is finding the pigs they want for fair. If you haven't found a breeder with piggies, give me a call. We may have some ideas.

4-H Club Information

Big Sky 4-H Club

On March 14, 2021 Sargent Jay Nelson came to visit and present to the Big Sky 4-H Club. He is a local Highway Patrolman who told us all about Montana's K-9 unit, along with their high-tech drones. Officer Jay told us about the history of the Montana Highway Patrol plus services that they provide for community. Jay also told us about the tools on his belt that he carries around. Tools included: Taser Gun, Pistol, Flashlight, Radio, 2 Pairs of handcuffs and Pepper spray. Thank you to Officer Jay Nelson for coming to visit our club and talk to us. Also



thank you for engaging the kids with questions, we learned a lot!

Wild Roses 4-H Club

Wild Roses 4-H Club met on Monday, March 8, 2021, at the 4-H Bill Hamilton Building. Our Club Treasurer Logan "L.J." Johnson served as presiding officer. Acting Treasurer James Brooks reported the important news that Wild Roses earned \$105.00 from the sale of 2021 4-H calendars. Other business meeting reports were about Youth Council and the upcoming Communications Day. Also reported was that, of the 41 county-wide 4-Hers who participated in the Grand Foods event, eleven of them (25%) were Wild Roses club members. These were Irene Edwards, Logan "L.J." Johnson, Gabriel Edwards, Jenna Longtine, George Holycross, Cassidy Holm, Lucas Johnson, Garrison Edwards, Sylvia Putchat, Alexander Holycross, and Aurora Obie.

Club members were reminded to be thinking about what they might take photos of for the upcoming 4-H PHOTO SHOW. They were also reminded that Lewis and Clark 4-H Foundation president Joe Munis spoke to us at our February club meeting about the county 4-H Fundraiser involving selling 4-H masks. We have accepted 75 masks to sell and as part of working toward being eligible for the prizes that Mr. Munis told us about, 24 masks were spoken for this evening.

Every club member should work toward doing an annual project demonstration about each of their 4-H projects. This evening, club member Cassidy Holm presented information to the club about her Dog project. This was also practice for Cassidy who is our only club participant in the upcoming Communications Day. Topics for that event can be anything that interests you, but can also be about a 4-H project you are doing. Communications Day categories include illustrated talks, demonstrations, speeches, videos and resumes / job interviews. For Communications Day, Cassidy is planning to do a demonstration about "How to Set Up a Brooder."

Our meeting finished with an opportunity to enjoy wrapped treats made by assistant club leader Ardis Rice, who was able to join us this evening for the first time in many months.



Photo by C.J. Lassila. Wild Roses Club member Cassidy telling about the Dog project.



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*Check the calendar on the website for additional events or changes.

*BHB = Bill Hamilton 4-H Building on the Lewis and Clark Co.

April 2021

Fairgrounds

Fairgrounds						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
March 28 Dog Agility, 4:30 p.m., Leah Anderson's Barn	March 29 Shotgun Meeting, Helena Trap Club, 6:00 p.m.	March 30	March 31	1 Shotgun Meeting, Helena Trap Club, 6:00 p.m.	2	3 Poultry Meeting, 1:00p.m., BHB
4	5 Outdoor Meeting, 5:30 p.m., Extension	6	Foundation Meeting, 5:30 p.m., Extension Office	8 Shotgun Meeting, Helena Trap Club, 6:00 p.m.	Cloverbud- Last day to RSVP to Katie Foods Workshop Signup Closes, SignUpGenius, 5:00 p.m. Vet Science meeting, 6:00 p.m., BHB	Horse English Riding/Jumping Clinic, Hillview Arena, RSVP Foods workshop, Headwaters Covenant Church Dog Obedience, 8:30 a.m., BHB
Beef Weigh In 10:00-11:00 a.m., BHB Scale House Sewing Workshop, 2:00 p.m., Capital Baptist Fellowship Camp Counselor Meeting, 2:00 p.m. Dog Agility, 4:30 p.m., Leah Anderson's Barn	Western Heritage Project Shooting Sports Shotgun Meeting, Helena Trap Club, 6:00 p.m. Cake Decorating (Fun with Frosting), Headwaters Covenant Church, 6:30 p.m.	Horse Project Book Work Session, Teams, 6:00 p.m.	Council Meeting, 6:00 p.m., Augusta, MT (RSVP to James)	Market Swine Possession Date Horse Meeting, 6:00- 7:30 p.m., BHB Shotgun Meeting, Helena Trap Club, 6:00 p.m.	Swine Tagging Forms Due, 5:00 p.m., Google Forms Sewing Revue Forms Due, 5:00 p.m., Google Forms	Ground & Cart Horse Clinic, Redfield, RSVP Dog Obedience, 8:30 a.m., BHB Cake Decorating (Fun with Frosting), Headwaters Covenant Church, 10:00 a.m.
Ground & Cart Horse Clinic, Redfield, RSVP Swine Tagging, BHB 11:00 a.m. Teen Leadership Meeting, 1:00 p.m., Extension Office Augusta Livestock Grand Foods & Communications Day, 1:30 p.m., Augusta Sheep Feeding and Caring Workshop, 2:00 p.m., Back of BHB Youth Council, 3:00 p.m., Extension Office Dog Agility, 4:30 p.m., Leah Anderson's Barn	Indoor Meeting, 5:30 p.m., Extension Office. Cloverbuds Meeting, Painted Pot, RSVP Shotgun Meeting, Helena Trap Club, 6:00 p.m.	Ambassador Applications Due, 5:00 p.m., Extension Office Sport Fishing, 5:30 p.m., BHB	21	Photography Meeting, Spring Meadow Lake Shotgun Meeting, Helena Trap Club, 6:00 p.m.	23	Dog Obedience, 8:30 p.m., BHB
Sewing Revue, 1:30 p.m., Capital Baptist Fellowship Dog Agility, 4:30 p.m., Leah Anderson's Barn	Rabbit Meeting, 5:30 p.m., BHB Shotgun Meeting, Helena Trap Club, 6:00 p.m. Pocket Pets, 6:30 p.m., Montana Wild Cake Decoration (Cupcakes!), Headwaters Covenant Church, 6:30 p.m.	Sport Fishing, 5:30 p.m., BHB	Goat Possession Date Sheep Possession Date	Shotgun Meeting, Helena Trap Club, 6:00 p.m.	Goat Tagging Forms Due, 5:00 p.m., Google Forms Sheep Tagging Forms Due, 5:00 p.m., Google Forms	May 1 Poultry Possession Date FairEntry Opens Last Day to Enroll in 4-H to Enter in Fair Record Book Checks Start Ranch Horse Clinic, Hansen's Arena, RSVP Cake Decoration (Cupcakes!), Headwaters Covenant Church, 10:00 a.m. Poultry Meeting, BHB, 1:00 p.m.