GLACIER COUNTY 4-H - June, 2025

Upcoming Events

- June 3 Highway cleanup with Lion's Club meet at Glacier Electric Coop, 5:45 p.m.
- June 5 Cloverbud Day Camp Marias Fair Exhibit Building 10:30 a.m. 3:30 p.m.
- June 5 Registration deadline for Project Day
- June 9 Glacier County 4-H Project Day
- June 9 -Cloverbud Family Pizza Celebration Q&A, Cut Bank City Park, 6:00 p.m.
- June 13 Marias Fair Premium Fund scholarship deadline (to Extension Office)
- June 18 Livestock Committee meeting, Marias Fairgrounds, 7 p.m.
- June 22 Open Range 4-H Club meeting, Glacier County Annex, 6:30 p.m.
- June 23 Small Animal and Livestock Showmanship Clinic at fairgrounds, 5:30 p.m.
- June 23 Food Booth Committee Meeting @ Food Booth, 7:00 p.m.
- June 25 27 4-H Camp at Montana's Farmer's Union camp near Highwood (counselors go down June 24)
- June 28 Livestock practice show and potluck, 4 p.m., Roberts Ranch, 205 Nepstad Road, Kevin
- June 30 Clever Clovers 4-H club book check off, Swimming Pool Park, 3:00 p.m.
- July 7 Marias Fair Fashion Review, Exhibit Building, Cloverbud interview judging option 3:00 p.m. Fashion Review @ 4:00 p.m.
- July 8 11 Montana 4-H Congress, Bozeman
- July 12 Marias Fair Clean Up Day 8:00 a.m. to noon
- July 12 Food Safety Training in person @ Marias Fair Food Booth 12:00 p.m.
- July 16 20 Marias Fair

Happy, June!

There are many 4-H opportunities coming up, we hope you'll take advantage of them whether it's camp, showmanship practices, or preparing for fair. Teens (13 and up as of October 1), please consider Montana 4-H Congress in Bozeman. This is a great opportunity to meet other 4-Hers, network, enjoy some fantastic "Beyond Ready" workshops, and compete at the state level. Scholarships are available from the Glacier County 4-H Council and Bret Wanken fund, please reach out to Kari or Lisa for details.





A big welcome to Brynn Lockie, our summer intern for MSU Extension! Brynn is from Laurel studying Business and Animal Science at Montana State University in Bozeman. We're excited to have her on board for the summer and our busy 4-H season. She'll be in the office Tuesdays through Thursdays so stop by and say hello!

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Livestock showmanship practice -

There will be a 4-H livestock showmanship practice Saturday, June 28 at 4 p.m. at Chris and Lacy Roberts ranch west of Kevin (205 Nepstad Road). Members are encouraged to bring their livestock animals and show equipment. Please RSVP to Lacy if you are coming and will be bringing an animal, 406-209-5378. All are welcome, they just need a headcount for dinner. Meat will be provided, please bring a salad or side dish.



per club to finish the funding with a projected completion date of Marias Fair 2025. Current funding includes the Marias Fair 4-H Livestock Committee and three grants. Additional funds are

needed to complete the project by Marias Fair 2025.

Donations can be mailed to:

4-H Livestock Committee, 1210 E. Main Street, Cut Bank, MT 59427. To be recognized for your donation on a banner, please have donations submitted by June 15.

For more information, please contact Janae Roberts at jroberts@sunburst.k12.mt.us or (406) 845-5136 Members, parents, and supporters can also make donations!

Spare Animals

A reminder to get processing lined up early for those spare animals. Local options include:

- Prairie Meats in Lothair -Clark Diemert
 - o 406-432-0050
- Christiaens Meats in Valier - Rod Christiaens
 - 0 406-279-3624

Livestock Quality Assurance

The following 4-Hers need to complete Livestock Quality Assurance training to be able to show and sell a market livestock project at this year's Marias Fair.

Colt Boyce

Starter Flock Giveaway

The Montana Columbia Sheep Breeders Association is excited to offer a starter flock program to youth ages 11 – 16 interested in raising registered Columbia Sheep. Selected recipients receive a gift of 4 registered ewes to begin their adventure. With the help of family and the guidance of a knowledgeable sponsor member of the association, this program is a stepping stone towards success for our young breeders. Information and application is available at https://www.mtcolumbiasheep.org/starter-flock.html. Applications must be postmarked by 8/1.

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Small Animal and Livestock Showmanship Workshops

- Swine showmanship and Clipping Demonstration by Jason Loch, swine superintendent June 12
 9 a.m. Bigger Better Barn at Havre, register on ZSuite
- Small Animal and Livestock Showmanship Workshop Marias Fairgrounds June 23
 - Monday, June 23 at the Marias Fairgrounds will be both a small animal and a livestock showmanship workshop. Small animals (rabbits, cats, dogs, poultry, pocket pets) will be 5:30 6:30 and livestock (swine, beef, sheep, and goats) will be 6:30 8:30. Flyer and registration details coming soon. Members do not need to bring their animals but will have the opportunity to learn showmanship and fitting skills to work on at home.

4-H Council Raffle

Raffle fundraiser - The 4-H Council will be organizing a raffle this spring with tickets sold through the summer and drawing August 1. Prizes will include 1st - 1/2 processed hog with a small chest freezer, 2nd - 1/2 processed hog, and 3rd - meat basket and other items. Clubs are asked to each donate \$50 to the Council to purchase the meat basket. Any families or clubs willing to add an item to the basket as well would be great (more details to come on a potential theme). Tickets will be \$5/each or 5/\$20. There will be incentives for the top three sellers including a 4-H hoodie, 4-H long sleeved shirt, and 4-H t-shirt. Thanks to ambassador Janae Roberts for helping head up the raffle!

Stockman Bank has generously offered to sponsor the freezer and printing of raffle tickets, please give Jim Woodring a special thank you for this!

NILE Merit Heifer Program

The NIILE Merit Heifer program is open for applications from youth ages 12 to 16 who would like to apply for a heifer. Applications close June 30, information is available at https://thenile.org/events/livestock/nile-merit-heifer-program/. Past local recipients include Janae Roberts, Wyatt Berkram, Mat Tuma, JR Seewald, Coalter Littrell, etc. just from Glacier County! It's certainly worth applying for!

Marias Fair Registration closes June 16

Fair packets are ready for pick up in the Extension office. Camping spots are available on a first come, first serve (and paid) basis for anyone new, wanting to move spots, etc. Please review ALL materials and get registered in FairEntry early so that we have time to review your entries for accuracy, etc. PLEASE read through your packets carefully before beginning fair registration.

Again this year premiums for every 4-H ribbon will be: Purple - \$5, Blue - \$4, Red - \$3, and White - \$2 EVERY member should be doing an exhibit in their projects. Start now and let's have another great showing in the Exhibit Building from Glacier County!

<u>Please be sure to read the schedule carefully</u>. There are SEVERAL changes this year, particularly related to livestock show times. Glacier County will be in charge of Exhibit Building on Thursday, please sign up for a shift. Shifts are just one hour, but we need multiple families to pitch in for a quick hour.

Open Class - Open class is open to anyone of any age. Registration for open class is June 1 - July 16 and can be done at https://www.mariasfair.com/open-class. This is separate from 4-H registration.



Monday, June 9th @ 6:00 p.m. Cut Bank City Park - Parents Invited

Cloverbud Last Meeting of the Year! Pizza Party at the Park!

WHEN: Monday, June 9th, 6:00 p.m.

WHERE: Cut Bank City Park

WHAT: Pizza Party and Fair Info

Fizza Party and Prep! for Fair Monday, June 9, 2025 Cut Bank City Park 6:00 p.m.

PARENTS, please make plans to attend the last meeting of the year. We will discuss registering Cloverbuds for the Fashion Review and the Marias Fair. Don't miss this opportunity to make sure your Cloverbud shines at the fair! Pizza will be provided. Please let Lisa know if you plan to attend so we can have enough pizza for everyone.

Attention:

IMPORTANT REMINDER: Please gather ALL projects your Cloverbud has made throughout our meetings this year. The Marias Fair is the perfect opportunity to showcase their hard work and creativity! Bring these projects to the fair for exhibition and to share their accomplishments with our community.

Don't miss this LAST meeting! See you there! Questions? Contact your Cloverbud leader, Allie Tuma for more information. 406-450-4671

Anna's Stash: Special 25% Discount for 4-H Members!

Hapi Seewald of Anna's Stash has generously offered a 25% discount to all 4-H members creating items for the Marias 4-H Fair. This special offer is available from now until fair time! To take advantage of this wonderful opportunity, simply visit Anna's Stash at Marketplace on Main in Cut Bank and mention that you're a 4-H member.

If you benefit from this discount, please remember to send Hapi a thank you note expressing your gratitude for her generosity. Let's show our appreciation for this kind gesture and let Hapi know how much her support means to our 4-H community. Contact us for her address.

Cloverbud Totes, Vest and Leather Pouches for Fashion Review - July 7th 3:00p.m.

If you want your child to participate in the Fashion Review, they need to make a tote bag. Please contact Lisa to set up a time to create a tote bag if your child missed the sewing project day. They will also wear a Cloverbud vest which was created by Patty Dombovy. Please be sure to have your child bring their leather pouches they created in Cloverbuds that day as well.

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Cloverbud Camp Helpers Needed!

Join us for an out-of-this-world adventure! We're excited to announce that 53 Cloverbuds have signed up for this year's camp, and we need YOUR help to make it amazing! With so many eager young explorers, we're looking for additional volunteers to ensure everyone has a stellar experience.

Teen helpers: Earn community service hours or complete your Teen Leadership project.

All volunteers: Experience the joy of inspiring young minds as we explore the wonders of outer space and create lasting memories while fostering curiosity and learning.

Ready to blast off with us?

Contact Lisa at the Glacier County Extension Office 873-2239.

Come join the fun as we journey through the cosmos and discover all things space-related! Your enthusiasm and support will help make this camp an unforgettable experience for our young astronauts.









Marias Fair Food Booth Food Safety REQUIRED Training for Adults and Youth

Food Booth Safety Training is required to be taken every other year by members and parents who will be working at the food booth at the Marias Fair.

Please watch the training prepared by Glacier County Agent, Lisa Terry, by clicking on the YouTube link. There will be a question on FairEntry asking if you have watched the video. This fulfills the required food booth training requirement. Here is the YouTube link: https://youtu.be/WhwjI-284_w

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Those needing food safety training for 2025 (if participating at fair):

All parents or adult leaders working in the food booth

Ray Dagel

Wesley Dagel

Dawsyn Geer

Colt Laverdure

Mac McCauley

Sammie McCauley

Ryker Fugle

Miles Geer

• Kade Lewis

- William Alberda
- Destini Anderson
- Bodie Barbie
- Rhett 'RJ' Barbie
- Elyse Bengtson
- Dallas Berkram
- Rubie Bowland

- Tegan Boyce Ashlyn Brown
- Ethan Brown
- Colt Boyce

- Corin Brown Shannon McCauley
- Angelo McCullough Beau Dagel
 - Sebastian McKenzie
 - Alec Morrisett
 - Ella Povy
 - Cidney Ramson
 - Emily Roberts
 - Janae Roberts
 - Jett Running-Wolf
 - Knox Singer
 - Nash Singer

- Brody Stokes
- Lexi Stubbs
- Will Suta
- Ava Thorne
- Lainey Thorne
- Peyton Volkman
- Alex Wahl
- Emallea Wahl
- Morgan Wilder
- Reace Wilder
- Riley Wilder
- Beretta Winkowitsch

4-H Camp

- Counselors will head down with Lisa on Tuesday, June 24, meet at office at 9:30 a.m. and bring cash for lunch on way down (or a sack lunch).
- Campers will head down on bus on Wednesday, June 25, meet at Visitor's Center parking lot at 7:30 a.m. Watch for an email on what to pack, etc. and more camp specifics. The bus will return around 3 p.m. on Friday, June 27.

Teen Leader Opportunity

Teens - are you willing to help with Cloverbud interviews? This includes visiting with Cloverbuds about their projects, asking questions, and generally encouraging them about their exhibits. Help is needed:

- Monday, July 7 3 p.m. Marias Fair Exhibit Building
- Wednesday, July 16 1 3 p.m. Marias Fair Exhibit Building

If you're available, please email wendy.wedum@montana.edu.



Can you help?

The Cut Bank Lions Club is meeting Tuesday, June 3 around 5:45 p.m. at Glacier Electric (on Main Street) for their annual highway cleanup. Safety vests will be provided, please wear gloves, etc. Many hands make light work!

Cloverbud Family Pizza Celebration - Cut Bank City Park June 9, 6:00 p.m.!

Join us for a fun-filled Cloverbud Family Pizza Celebration at the Cut Bank City Park! This special event will be the perfect opportunity for our youngest 4-H members and their families to connect, enjoy delicious pizza, and get important information about upcoming activities.

We'll discuss everything you need to know about the Marias Fair, including Fashion Review details and fair sign-ups. Our experienced 4-H leaders will be on hand for a Q&A session to answer all your questions about the Cloverbud program and 4-H opportunities.

Don't miss this chance to meet other Cloverbud families while getting prepared for our exciting summer events!

Opportunity for 4-Hers with Native American Heritage

Are you a 4-H member with Native American Heritage who wants to attend Montana 4-H leadership opportunities such as 4-H Congress, Rec Lab, or a local 4-H camp, but need resources to do so? We have funding support for you! We have a donor that desires to support youth with Native American Heritage/First Nations Youth.

Criteria:

Must be 13+ as of October 1 of the current 4-H year, must be a current member of a Montana 4-H program (club, county, tribal area) when applying, must have the approval of MSU Extension County Agent (or approved substitute if position is vacant).

How to Apply?

If eligible, please complete the following application by June 1, 2025.

Link to Application: https://forms.office.com/r/2bus1Ls4Ke

Link to Website: https://www.mt4hfoundation.org/native-american-heritage-funding-

application.html

Record Books

To exhibit at the Marias Fair, project journals must be up to date through June, and project books have 70% of required activities for the year completed (5 activities for livestock). This includes at least 3 goals specific to the project, activities recorded with what was learned, financial journal and animal records up to date, etc. See checklist at https://www.montana.edu/extension/glacier/4-h_files/CriteriaforRecordBookCompletion.pdf (or it's in the hallway resources).

Club leaders will check books, if members are not eligible for participating at the Marias Fair, the Extension Office will be notified and members can follow up with Kari or Lisa. There are great resources and examples available at https://www.montana.edu/extension/glacier/4H.html, please reach out if needing help.

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4-H Project Day Monday, June 9 - Cut Bank, MT Location pending



Join us for a fun and educational day with hands-on workshops, life skills, and fair prep! Open to all area 4-H youth. Entry fee - Donation of food, toiletry item, pet food or cooking utensils for Food Pantry.













12:30 - 1 p.m.

• Fair interview practice - A firm handshake and a solid interview takes practice! This session will give members a chance to practice project interviews before fair!

1 - 2 p.m.

- Everything my Animal Needs 4-Hers will make an educational display for fair with Kate and Alec Morrisett. Members need to bring a display board, ziploc baggie of their animal's feed(s), picture of animal's shelter, equipment, etc. (watch for list).
- Life Skills from Lewis This session with Kari Lewis will cover everything from ironing that interview or show shirt to saving and investing earnings to writing a thank you card.
- Book work session Members can work independently on their 4-H books.

2 - 3 p.m.

- Slicing down the Yellow Brick Road Join Lisa Terry on a culinary adventure and slice down the yellow brick road of cooking! In this workshop, young chefs will learn essential knife safety, proper cutting techniques, and kitchen wizardry that will transform them from novice cooks to confident kitchen heroes. \$5 fee.
- Cookies & Critiques on your way to livestock judging In this interactive workshop
 members will learn from Kari Lewis how to deliver livestock reasons using cookies. They'll
 also learn to compare livestock for market readiness.
- Boot, Scoot, and Boogie! Bring your dancing boots! Ambassadors Olivia Bradley and Destini Anderson will be teaching line dancing, two step, and jitterbug basics so you're ready to take the 4-H dance floor at camp, Congress, and fair!

3 - 4 p.m.

- Meals in Minutes: Join Lisa Terry to learn to harness the power of the Instant Pot while creating a delicious Rancher Stew and other goodies that we'll enjoy together— perfect for youth who want to develop quick, practical cooking skills. \$5 fee.
- Social Media Stars Members will be learning the basics of making a commercial and then will record commercials for promoting the upcoming fair, livestock sale, pork raffle, etc. for use on social media with ambassador Janae Roberts and Kari Lewis.
- Ewe nutritional management Grace Rooney, Pondera agent, will cover ewe body condition scoring, flushing, and ration differences throughout the gestation and lactation to ensure the sheep herd is on track for peak production!

4 - 4:45 p.m.

• Farm, Flames, and Family - Whether kids are home alone this summer cooking in the kitchen or working on the farm, ranch, or outdoors, it's always fire safety season! Join Cut Bank Fire Department members for fire safety demonstrations that anyone can use. Parents are highly encouraged to join this session!

Register on ZSuite under 'Events' by June 5

For more information: (406) 873-2239 or kari.lewis@montana.edu or lterry@montana.edu

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4-H Community Service





This month Janae and Emily Roberts began delivery of 16 diaper bags stocked with supplies, which will be on hand at local clinics, pregnancy centers, emergency rooms, health departments, and more for families in need. The project was funded with a Montana 4-H People Partner grant, with additional support from the Clever Clovers 4-H Club, Peace Pregnancy Center, Glacier County Health Department/WIC, and Living Faith Baptist church members.

During the April 4-H Communications contest, 4-H members pitched in to stock the diaper bags with diapers, wipes, blankets, socks, and more. The 4-H slogan is, "Learn by Doing," and through this teen leadership project, they learned to write a successful grant application, solicit additional support from their club and community, order supplies, communicate with local resource centers on needs and collaborate with multiple partners.







The Open Range 4-H club worked on cleaning out the community flower pots (about 45!) to prep them for planting on Thursday this week. They also provided Lisa Cline with a check for \$100 to assist with the purchasing of flowers to help beautify town, great work!



Get Ready for the
Ultimate 4-H
Adventure: Montana
4-H Congress 2025!

July 8-11, 2025 Visit Website for all details

4-H for LIFE isn't just a theme—it's a call to adventure!

This July, Montana 4-H youth age 13 and older, along with volunteers and MSU Extension staff, are invited to Montana 4-H Congress at Montana State University in Bozeman. "LIFE" stands for Leadership In Future Endeavors, and this three-day event is all about building the skills, confidence, and connections that lead to success—both now and long after your 4-H journey ends.

Whether it's your first time or you're a returning delegate, Congress offers a fun, jam-packed experience that brings 4-H'ers together from across the state. You'll explore new ideas, compete in state contests, learn by doing, and walk away with memories that last a lifetime.

Here's what you can expect at Montana 4-H Congress:

- Make connections with youth and adults from all across Montana and build your network of mentors and lifelong friends.
- Learn by doing through hands-on workshops and competitions.
- Discover fresh ideas from national speakers and engaging sessions.
- Set yourself up for success with career-focused learning opportunities.
- Past participants agree—Congress is impactful. In fact, 94% of attendees said they gained skills to help them do better in school, and 87% developed goal-setting abilities. From late-night dorm chats to cheering on friends in contests, the moments you create at Congress help shape who you are and who you'll become.
- Workshops this year will spark creativity and growth—whether you're into leadership, wellness, fly fishing, photography, cybersecurity, or exploring future careers. >> Read Full Workshop Descriptions.
- Plus, statewide contests offer a chance for youth to showcase their skills in events like communications, livestock judging, food science, and more. While 13-year-olds may compete, they are not eligible for out-of-state trips.
- Learn More about State Contests
- Registration opens May 1 in ZSuite and closes June 15. Each county has its own deadlines and requirements, so reach out to your local Extension office soon. You don't need to enter a contest to attend—just come ready to learn, lead, and experience what 4-H for LIFE is all about.

Have questions? Connect with a State Ambassador or a past attendee in your county (Ashlyn Brown, Katelyn Suta, Hadley Barbie, Grace Rooney) —they'll tell you: Congress is the place to be!

Cloverbud Meeting Fun! Building Rockets!













