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TOOLE COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER



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Hello 4-H Families

Registration is now open on the Z-Suite website!

The last day to sign up on Z-Suite is **November 15th**. The council will pay for books if we order them before **Nov. 15th**. We will be asking families to purchase their own books after that date.

Thank you to those who attended the Achievement Day Awards Banquet. Thank you for making it a success. We had so much fun celebrating our youth members. Please let us know if you have any suggestions at all for next year.

It is that time of year for weigh ins for the steers! Kim will chose a date when she gets back. We will send out several reminders.

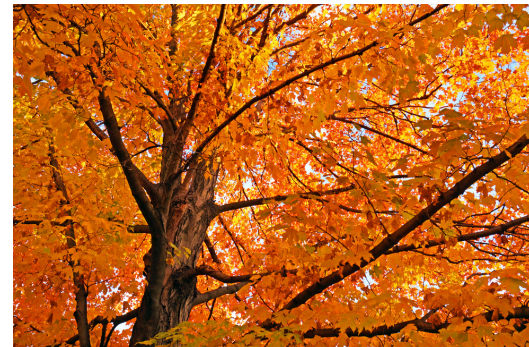
There are various committees that parents can join, such as, the livestock committee, small animal committee, horse committee, exhibit building committee and the food booth committee. Please let us know if you would like to be on one of these committees.

As always, please let us know if you have any questions. You can stop by the office anytime!

Have a great November!

Kim & Jackie

TAKE A PEEK AT WHAT'S INSIDE:
UPCOMING EVENTS
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CALENDAR



Toole County 4-H Due Date is November 15th, 2023.

4-H dues are charged to cover insurance and materials cost. In the past, the club has collected dues from the members and then the club paid the 4-H Council. This has been somewhat a cumbersome process. One of the features of our new online registration program is that we can now collect dues online with a credit or debit card. Families may still pay with check or cash, but must bring it to the office in a timely manner. Members will not be considered registered unless their dues are paid. Club members are required to pay dues by November 15 to participate in 4-H activities and be covered by insurance. Project materials will not be ordered for members until their dues are paid.

DUES MUST BE PAID BY NOVEMBER 15, EITHER ONLINE OR AT THE OFFICE, FOR MEMBERS TO PARTICIPATE IN 4-H FOR THE 2022-23 YEAR.

4-H Volunteer Orientation Instructions

1. Log into your Z-Suite Account
2. Select the profile of the volunteer that is taking the course.
3. Click on Clover Academy from the menu on the left.
4. Click on the blue box "Launch Clover Academy".
5. You will be taken to the Clover Academy website.
6. Scroll down to find the Montana 4-H Orientation course. Click on "Enroll Now".
7. On the course page you will see an overview of the course. Scroll down to see the four modules that make up the orientation. Click the blue box "See More" under module one.
8. Follow the instructions to navigate the course.
9. When you get to the end of the module, (Slide will say you completed module). Scroll down and click on the blue box "Mark as Complete". Box will turn blue once you have completed the module.
10. Select the next lesson to load the next module. Your progress will be saved and you can return later to complete the remaining modules.

HOW TO USE LIVESTOCK FEED SHEETS

Glacier County Agent, Kari Lewis has shared a couple of options to help livestock members keep a better record of the feed that they are providing for their livestock project. Whichever method is used, at the end of the month, the totals from the sheet should be transferred to the Animal Journal of the record book. Keeping good records will help you to make decisions for next year. You may want to change your startweight, your type of feed and ration, the breed of animal etc.

[Livestock Daily Feed Record](#)

This PDF can be printed and is meant to be kept in the barn (on a clipboard, in a folder) and the feed amounts recorded each day as feed is fed and weighed.

[Livestock Daily Feed Record \(Excel\)](#)

This is the Excel spreadsheet of the Livestock Daily Feed Record.

This can be downloaded and saved to your computer and daily weights added to the spreadsheet. There is a tab for each month which will then calculate the monthly total automatically.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Leadership Academy Link

[https://montana.webex.com/montana-en/url.php?](https://montana.webex.com/montana-en/url.php?frompanel=false&gourl=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.montana.edu%2Fextension%2F4h%2Fprograms%2Fyouth_leadership%2Facademy.html)

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Youth Leadership Resources

[https://montana.webex.com/montana-en/url.php?](https://montana.webex.com/montana-en/url.php?frompanel=false&gourl=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.montana.edu%2Fextension%2F4h%2Fprograms%2Fyouth_leadership%2Facademy.html)

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Air Rifle and Pistol Sign ups

Air Rifle and Pistol sign ups will be held on November 5th at the shooting range from 12pm-3pm. It costs \$50 per child. If you have more than two kids signing up you pay for the first two then the others are free. If you have any questions please contact Joe Hofer at (406) 450-2041.

Project Age Requirements

You must meet the minimum required age by October 1, 2023 in order to enroll in each project.

Cloverbuds - 5 years old

Regular 4-H - 8 years old

Shooting Sports - 9 years old

Market Beef & Beef Breeding - 10 years old

Teen Leadership - 13 years old

Ambassador - 14 years old

Colt to Maturity - 11 years old and have completed Horsemanship Levels 1, 2, and 3

Attention Swine Members/Jr. Leadership Members

The livestock committee would like to purchase a swamp cooler/large fan for the swine barn. This would be a great Montana 4-H Foundation People Partner grant (due February 1). We are looking for a 4-H member (or few) to take the lead on the project and submitting the grant (livestock committee will serve as a partner). If you are interested, please let Kari Lewis or Jesse Fulbright know.

Beef Weigh Ins

The minimum weight for 2024 Marias Fair is 1,100 pounds; max pay weight is 1,500 pounds. All steers must have been born after January 1, 2023. 4-Her must be 10 as of Oct. 1 to show a market beef animal. Information to bring to weigh-in:

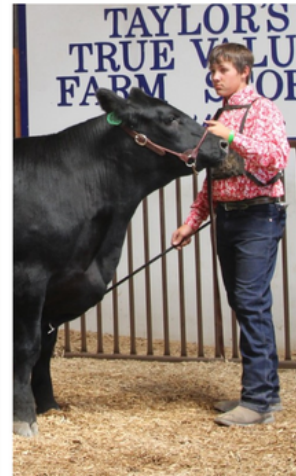
- Steer's birth date
- Breed of steer (including percentages of each breed)
- Breeder's name and address.

Beef members, as you are purchasing steers, please be sure to get a Bill of Sale as this will be needed at the fair. Unless the steer is from the 4-Her's immediate family (father/mother), they need to have a Bill of Sale indicating a Change of Ownership. A Bill of Sale IS needed if purchasing from cousins, uncles, aunts, grandparents, neighbors, etc. They are also encouraged to have a Show Cattle Permit as well for transportation purposes. If you have any questions on what is needed, please call Jeff Jergens, district brand inspector, at 406-450-0001.

4-H Livestock Judging & Animal Selection Workshop

Brent Roeder, MSU Extension Sheep specialist, wool shearer, and commercial sheep producer, will cover sheep, goat & wool judging and basic feeding for 4-H sheep and goats.

Kari Lewis, Glacier county agent, will cover cattle judging and selection of 4-H steers.



Members will be practicing livestock judging. Members should dress warmly and bring a notebook and pencil.

This will be great practice for members of any level/stage/interest.

Friday, November 10 - 2 p.m. - McCauley Ranch, Ethridge, MT

Please RSVP to Kari Lewis at (406) 873-2239 or kari.lewis@montana.edu by November 9

Directions to Eddie and Meg McCauley's:

Turn south on Sullivan Bridge Rd (across from Meadowbrook Road at the refinery), go 9.1 miles and it's the brown house at the bottom of the hill.

ACHIEVEMENT DAY AWARDS

EXCELLENCE IN PROJECT AWARDS

- Swine**-Dylan Clark , Brinlee Flesch, Kaylee Nickol
Sewing-Moira Hemmer, Grace Hemmer, Avalyn Smith, Anissa Smith
Beef-Delaney Clark, Jagger Flesch, Preslee Flesch, Ty Parsons
Robotics (EV3)- Bridger Ergenbright, Grace Hemmer, John Jansen, Orion Vetch, Brigham Weishaar
Poultry- Moira Hemmer, grace Hemmer, Seira Jansen, Orion Vetch, Benson Weishaar
Cat- Grace Hemmer
Archery- Dylan Clark, Bridger Ergenbright, Grace Hemmer, Avalyn Smith
Horse- Corin Scarborough, Jadis Scarborough
Dog- Moira Hemmer
Dairy Goat- Orion Vetch

CLOVERBUD AWARDS

- 1st Year** Calvin Clark, Isla Clark, Lawrence Denno, Luke Erickson, Bear Erickson, Hayden Habets, Carter Nickol, Gavin Vetch
2nd Year Hadley Ergenbright, Laura Flesch, Celee Flesch, Lennon Flesch, Collin Riphenburg, Malcom Russell, Grayson Salios, Carlie Sisk, Ambree Smith
3rd Year Aubree Clark, Liliana Denno

SERVICE AWARDS

- Community Service** Delaney Clark, Dylan Clark, Corin Scarborough, Jadis Scarborough
Leadership Delaney Clark, Dylan Clark, Brinlee Flesch, Jadis Scarborough
4-H Achievement Delaney Clark, Dylan Clark, Moira Hemmer, Grace Hemmer, Jadis Scarborough, Anissa Smith, Alethea Smith

ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

- CLOVER ACHIEVEMENT** Ella Fix, Wyatt Fix, Karter Wipf
EMERALD ACHIEVEMENT Paxton Flesch, Sam Flesch, Jagger Flesch, Gracelynn Hegyes, Gwendolynne Hegyes, Moira Hemmer, John Jansen, Siera Jansen, Ty Parsons, Colter Sandon, Kaylee Sandon, Orion Vetch, Benson Weishaar, Brigham Weishaar
BRONZE ACHIEVEMENT Preslee Flesch, Kaylee Nickol, Morgan Riphenburg, Anissa Smith, Alethea Smith, Avalyn Smith, Regan Torgerson, Kacey Wipf
SILVER ACHIEVEMENT Grace Hemmer, Corin Scarborough, Jadis Scarborough
GOLD ACHIEVEMENT Delaney Clark, Dylan Clark
Top Honors
BEN SISK MEMORIAL Conlan Kerfoot
"U R AWESOME" Dylan Clark
CLUB RECOGNITION
CLUB OF EXCELLENCE- Blazing Saddles
Kountry Kids
West Butte
LEADER RECOGNITION
LEADER OF THE YEAR Chad Scarborough
ALUMNI OF THE YEAR Robyn Kimmet

COMMUNITY AWARDS

- MERITORIOUS SERVICE** Blazing Arrows
Toole County Claybusters
Shelby R&P Club
DISTINGUISHED SERVICE Jodi Duncan

MARIAS FAIR CARCASS AWARDS

- Steer of Merit** Jagger Flesch, Paxton Flesch, Preslee Flesch
Symbol of Excellence (Swine) Wyatt Fix, Bridger Ergenbright, Brant Blonde



ACHIEVEMENT DAY PICTURES



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NOVEMBER

- 1st-** Cloverbuds @ Shelby Elementary Cafeteria
- 1st -** Livestock Committee Meeting 7 PM @ Shelby Fire Hall
- 1st - 13th -** Kim Vacation (Jackie will be in the office)
- 2nd-** 3rd-5th Grade Robotics after school-5pm @ Ambulance Barn
- 4th-** Ranching Rascals Meeting 4pm @ Ashley's
- 5th -** Air Rifle and Pistol sign ups 12pm-3pm @ Shooting Range
- 5th-** Blazing Saddles Meeting 2pm @ Ambulance Barn
- 7th-** EV3 Robotics after school- 5pm @ Ambulance Barn
- 10th -** Office Closed- Veteran's Day
- 12th-** Kountry Kids Meeting 2pm @Exhibit Building
- 15th-** Cloverbuds @ Shelby Elementary Cafeteria
- 16th-** 3rd-5th Grade Robotics after school- 5pm @ Ambulance Barn
- 21st-** EV3 Robotics after school- 5pm @ Ambulance Barn
- 21st-** Kim's Birthday
- 23rd - 24th -** Office Closed- Thanksgiving

DECEMBER

- 5th-** EV3 Robotics after school- 5pm @ Ambulance Barn
- 6th-** Cloverbuds @ Elementary Cafeteria
- 7th-** 3rd-5th Grade Robotics after school- 5pm @ Ambulance Barn
- 19th-** EV3 Robotics after school- 5pm @ Ambulance Barn
- 20th-** Cloverbuds @ Elementary Cafeteria
- 21st-** 3rd-5th Grade Robotics after school- 5pm @ Ambulance Barn
- 25th-** Christmas Day- Office Closed

Toole County 4-H Club
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West Butte

Crystal McAlpine 450-0108

Kountry Kids

Sanna Clark 450-2122

Ranching Rascals

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