



# Lewis & Clark County 4-H Newsletter

**May  
2015**



## Council Meeting

Senior Night Potluck will be **Wednesday, May 13 at 5:30 in the Bill Hamilton Building**, no meeting.

Well the year seems to be moving right along. I want to thank each and every one of you for volunteering to help make Lewis and Clark County 4-H what it is. As we start to approach the Fair we will all have lots to do. I do want to encourage all to attend the Senior Night potluck and help us recognize our graduating seniors. We will be doing this in place of the regular scheduled council meeting. Hope to see you all there.

If you have questions contact David Hamilton at [davidhamilton431@gmail.com](mailto:davidhamilton431@gmail.com) or call 431-1948.

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## Congratulation 2015 Seniors !!!



Lewis & Clark County 4-H Council will be celebrating graduating 4-H seniors on **Wednesday, May 13, 2015 5:30 at the Bill Hamilton Building**. Please bring a dish to share!

Scholarships winners will be announced that night!

To make this event fun for all we need your help!! Please email me photos (5 to 10; one being a baby/one a senior picture) of your senior by May 1, 2015.

**PLEASE BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY!! INVITE YOUR CLUBS, PROJECT LEADERS AND FRIENDS!!** Senior Parents please call or email me to RSVP!!

Sydney Deaton  
461-4597

**PHOTO SHOW Saturday, May 2, 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** in the Lewis & Clark Library main meeting room. This is a good opportunity to get feedback and guidance from judges, and to prepare their best work for the fair. You do not have to be enrolled in Photography to enter in the Photo Show. Registration form is on the website.



Contact: Luke Duran, [ElementL@bresnan.net](mailto:ElementL@bresnan.net), 406.461.7799

On Saturday, May 2 there will be a remembrance for Leann Larson in the Bill Hamilton Building from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm. Time of Reflection will be at 5:00. Please contact Ed at (406) 431-5649 to offer your assistance.

## 2015 Fair

The 4-H fair theme this year is

“From Wagon Wheels to Ferris Wheels”.

Exhibitor Handbooks are available from you club leader. It is full of important information regarding project requirements, dress code and the fair schedule.

Fair entry forms are on the website under the fair tab. Entry forms are due to the Extension office no later than June 15<sup>th</sup> with the entry fee of \$5.00 for members and \$2.00 for Cloverbuds.



Fair camping spots will be available starting July 1, 2015 – no sooner.

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## Demonstration Day Results

We would like to thank everyone who participated in Demonstration Day. It was a great success. The results are as follows:

### Junior 1: Demonstrations

Carsten Straub – Grand

### Junior 1: Illustrated Talk

Payton Sprague - Grand

### Junior 2: Demonstrations

Leah Baranek - Grand

Austin Gransbery – Reserve

### Junior 2: Illustrated Talk

Michael Carlson - Grand

Marcus Evans - Reserve

Zachary Evans - Reserve

### Senior: Illustrated Talk

Emma Carlson - Grand

### Senior: Public Speaking

Emma Carlson - Grand

Christopher Gransbery - Reserve

A big congratulation goes to Sweet Clovers 4-H Club for winning the Frank Carter Trophy for the highest percentage of club participation.

Les and Michelle Gransbery

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## Volunteer Appreciation Awards

Congratulations to all the award recipients!

**Community Benefactor Award:** Columbia Paints, Scott Stoner for providing some special service to the 4-H program.

**Many Hats Award:** David Hamilton and Cody Mitchell, volunteers who do it all! This award recognizes the volunteer who is “always there.”

**Outstanding New Volunteer Award:** Karen Bratlien, Dog Superintendent, for taking over and to continue to grow the dog project.

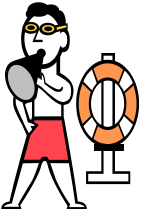
**Appreciation Award:** Susan Mitchell and Dora Lindner – who are dedicated and devoted to 4-H.

**Distinguished Service Award:** Janet Cerovski, an individual who has already received the Appreciation Award and has continued to contribute significantly to 4-H countywide.

## COUNTY HAPPENINGS

### Summer Camp **Mark your calendar**

The Hunger Games 4-H Camp will be June 23 - 26, 2015 at Loon Lake. The camp counselors are planning an exciting camp. Space is limited so registered soon. Registration form is available on the website or in the Extension Office. Camp is for members (not Cloverbuds) age 8 to 13 (as of October 1, 2014).



For more information contact Dora Lindner at 475-3640 or Catherine McNeil at 439-8570.

### Foundation Raffle

Tickets for the Lewis and Clark 4-H Foundation "Dream Big" Raffle are now available to be picked up at the Extension office. Tickets are \$20 each or 6 tickets for \$100. Unsold tickets must be returned to the Extension office by May 15. Prizes include:

1. Ruger M77 Hawkeye .338 WinMag with scope package
2. Bowtech Black Ops Compound Bow
3. Ruger American Caliber of winner's choice with scope package
4. 24-Gun Sentinel Safe
5. Garmin Montana 650 GPS
6. CVA Wolf Stainless 50 Caliber Black Powder Rifle
7. Knives of Alaska Hunters Triple Set
8. Knives of Alaska Fillet Knife set
9. Vortex Diamondback 12x50 Binoculars
10. Easton Full Bore Backpack
11. Work Sharp Original knife sharpening system.

Please members and parents we need your help selling the raffle tickets. The proceeds from the raffle support the 4-H program.

Foundation raffle winning tickets are eligible for one prize in the First Annual Dream Big drawing which will be held immediately following the Livestock Sale, Saturday, July 25.

For more information contact Cody Mitchell at 439-2709 or Alex Ostberg at 459-7799.

## INDOOR PROJECT INFORMATION

### **Indoor Committee meeting is Monday, May 18 at 5:30 in the Extension Conference Room.**

The agenda will be discussing Indoor High Point progress and superintendents securing judges for the fair.

Any questions, please contact Dora at 475-3640.

### Cloverbuds



**Wednesday, May 20<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 pm in the Bill Hamilton Building.**

Come have fun making a stepping stone for your yard or garden. Please RSVP Dora at 475-3640 or Catherine at 439-8570.

## **Camp Counselors**

Next meeting is **Sunday, May 17th at 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. location to be announced.**

Any questions call Catherine at 439-8570 or Dora at 475-3640.

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## **Teen Leaders**

Are you interested in becoming an Ambassador for the 2015-2016 4-H year? Applications can be found on the website and are due June 1, 2015.

An Ambassador is an official representative of the 4-H program. The 4-H Ambassador serves to promote 4-H to schools, community leaders, elected officials, National 4-H Week, Open House, flyers, radio spots and other activities. You will have the opportunity to attend Pre-Congress and Ambassador Fall Training. Ambassadors must be 14 years or older as of October 1, 2014

Any questions, please call Dora at 475-3640 or Sandy at 465-9364.

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## **Leathercraft**

We are still meeting monthly. Level 1 meets the 2nd Wednesday of the month; 4:00 -5:15 pm. Levels 2 - 10 meet the 1st Wednesday of the month 4:00 - 5:15 pm. Only a few weeks left to meet to get your projects finished.

See you there.  
Kathy

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## **Woodworking**

All 4-H kids doing woodworking projects this year please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions about your projects large or small. I'll put a workshop or 2 together before the fair for those with interest. Be safe in the woodshop!

Dave Swanson at 459-3950  
Woodworking Superintendent

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## **Welding**

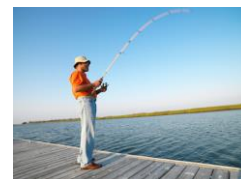
Hello, my name is Tony Swanson. I was a participating member of 4-H for many years and I'm very excited to get involved with 4-H again. I received my welding certification from UM Helena. I am currently employed as a welder at a steel fabrication shop in Great Falls. I am very passionate about what 4-H represents and I look forward to working with members that have interest in learning welding skills. I'll set up workshops in preparation for the fair. I will keep all welding participants informed of the workshop dates, times, and locations.

Feel free to call me at any time with questions at 406-750-4867  
Tony Swanson, Welding Superintendent

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## **Sport Fishing**

4-H Sport Fishing continues. There is a lot of the season remaining on the incredible waters here in Montana. Any 4-H member interested in joining the Sport Fishing project is still welcome. We meet on Tuesday evenings at various locations. Any 4-H members or adults to assist interested please call Guy Rainville at 439-3199.



## OUTDOOR PROJECT INFORMATION

**Outdoor committee meeting is Monday, May 11<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. in the Bill Hamilton Building.** Items on our agenda include talk on hiring out certain shifts for barn security and cattle tie outs at fair, everyone is invited to attend.

Sheep tagging is May 3<sup>rd</sup> from 3-4 pm in the back of the BHB and Goat Tagging is May 10<sup>th</sup> from 10-10:30 am in the back of the BHB. If you are doing a market animal for either species you are required to bring the animal to tagging.

We are happy to announce that we are putting together a Livestock Judging team!! Georgana Webster has moved to Helena after years of being in charge of livestock judging for 4H/FFA in the state of Washington and she will be coaching a team for us here in Lewis & Clark County. This is a great opportunity and I hope that many of you will join! Contact Georgana on her cell [360-319-2093](tel:360-319-2093) for more information.

As a reminder the fair this year will begin on Tuesday, July 21<sup>st</sup>. Please make sure you go to the website to see all of the schedule changes as well as the exhibitor handbook. Fair entry forms are due in the Extension Office no later than June 15<sup>th</sup>.

Be sure that you are closely following your individual animal articles in the newsletter so you are informed about paperwork deadlines, tagging dates and any project requirement changes.

As always if you have any question regarding your project please contact your project superintendent or myself. Dennis Deaton 461-2844

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### 4-H Marketing

**Advanced 4-H Marketing Concepts Workshop will be held at the Bill Hamilton Building at 6:00 pm on Tuesday, May 12<sup>th</sup>** for members that have been doing marketing and for those building upon the Beginning 4-H Marketing Concepts. It is important to market you livestock for a good return at fair.

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### Sheep Project



Sheep tagging form must be turned in to the Extension office by **May 1, 2015**. A \$5 late fee will be assessed on forms turned in after May 1 through tagging on Sunday, May 3, 2015.

**Tagging is Sunday, May 3, 2015, 3:00–4:00 p.m.**, behind the Bill Hamilton 4-H Building. There will be no shearing of lambs.

We will be doing a sheep showmanship workshop on June 27 from 2:00 to 4:00 pm in the back of the Bill Hamilton Building. The scale will also be open that day.

Give Jeff a call if you have any questions at 422-3796 or email at [blaackraam@gmail.com](mailto:blaackraam@gmail.com)

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### Goat Project

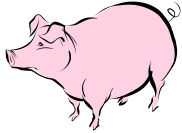


Your forms for market goat need to be turned in by the **5th of May** so do it now before you forget. We will weight them for rate of gain **on Sunday, May 10<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 am to 10:30 am**. I know it is Mother's Day but we won' be long. Bring your scrapie tag with you. You will be issued your ear tag at fair weight in.

Do any of you have an idea on what you would like to see at a workshop(s)? Please let me know.

Any questions, call Karyn at 461-7536.

## **Swine Project**



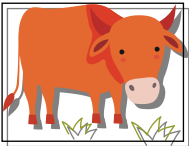
With all the pigs tagged I now want to encourage you to work with your pigs and start the journey to the fair. I have heard from several that your pigs are feeling under the weather. Please keep fresh water and dry bedding for your pigs. We have a showmanship workshop scheduled for May 14<sup>th</sup>. It will be at 5227 Head Lane and will start at 6:00 pm. I also want to let everyone know that we are doing **open scale nights and the two dates**

**are Thursday, May 7<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, May 21<sup>st</sup> from 5:00 to 7:00.** These will be open to all the market animals. Again I remind everyone that the minimum weight for pigs this year will be 210 pounds. We have moved the maximum weight up to 300 pounds.

As always if you have questions or concerns please contact David Hamilton at 431-1948 or email at [davidhamilton431@gmail.com](mailto:davidhamilton431@gmail.com)

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## **Beef Project**



**Open scale nights are scheduled for May 7th and May 21st from 5:00 - 7:00 pm.** At the open scale night on **May 21st we will be offering a showmanship mini workshop in the back pens behind the scale.** This is a great opportunity to work on leading your steer/heifer while practicing your showmanship skills.

**Hoof trimming will be Sunday, May 24<sup>th</sup>.** Please contact me at 560-5470 to schedule a time. Cost is \$35.00. There needs to be a minimum of 20 kids with their beef or the hoof trimming will be canceled.

As always if you have any questions please call Shane Tamcke, 560-5470, Beef Superintendent or [shanetamcke@yahoo.com](mailto:shanetamcke@yahoo.com)

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## **Stock Show University Grad Program in Montana - free program offering hands-on learning experience from the best professionals in the beef cattle show industry.**

Stock Show University Grad Program in Montana is a two day cattle educational program that is FREE for anyone to attend. It will be held at the Keyser Creek Arena in Columbus, MT. Stock Show University Grad Programs are designed to provide each participant with a hands-on learning experience from the best professionals in the beef cattle show industry. Each participant is encouraged to bring their calf and all the equipment you would bring to a show and we provide professors that work one on one with each participant in a comprehensive hands-on program. Our Professors teach all the new industry techniques from feeding your show prospect all the way to show day preparation. Again, Stock Show University is a completely free program offered to anyone who wants to learn more about their livestock project.

To register for the Stock Show University Grad Program please visit the link below.  
[http://www.sullivansupply.com/ssu\\_clinic\\_schedule.html](http://www.sullivansupply.com/ssu_clinic_schedule.html) Please register by June 1<sup>st</sup>

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## **NILE Merit Heifer**

The Northern International Livestock Exposition (NILE) is once again taking applications for participants in the 2015 - 2016 NILE Merit Heifer Program. The Merit Heifer program is a "live animal" scholarship that strives to help youth get a start in the beef cattle business by awarding heifer calves to participants chosen based on merit, future goals, and ability to care for the animal. Any youth ages 12-16, who is a 4-H or FFA member, may apply.

## Dairy Cattle Project

Dairy workshop at my house on **Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup> at 4:00 pm**. Bring your creativity and imagination. Hope to see you then,

Marilyn deMontigny: 227-5177 or [marilynjdemontigny@gmail.com](mailto:marilynjdemontigny@gmail.com)

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## Rabbit Project



Rabbit workshop on **Wednesday May 20<sup>th</sup> in the Bill Hamilton Building from 6:00 – 7:00 pm**. We will be working on showmanship

With rabbit project questions contact Dundee at 459-0934

FREE Rabbits – call Danielle at 461-5501. These rabbits need a good home.

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## Poultry Project

Happy Mother's Day! Our meeting is changed to **Sunday, May 24<sup>th</sup> at 12:30pm to 3pm in the back end of the Bill Hamilton Building**. Hope this does not disrupt too many plans. We are having this construction workshop for our cage bunks. We will be building and painting. Come prepared with painting clothes. If you have, please bring: paint brushes, drop cloths or plastic sheeting, cordless drills and an assortment of drill bits and a small plastic bucket to hold paint. PIZZA will be provided but please bring your own beverage. Look forward to seeing as many of you and parents that can come.



If you have any questions call Val @ 475-3405 or email at [333valwilliams@gmail.com](mailto:333valwilliams@gmail.com)

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## Taco John Night Fundraiser



**Thursday, May 14 from 5:00 – 7:00** will be the Taco John's Night Fundraiser for the Helena 4-H Jackpot Show. If you don't want to cook or do the dishes, plan to go to Taco John's on North Montana to help support the Helena Jackpot Show. When placing your order be sure to let them know to donate to 4-H Jackpot Show. Hope to see you there.



## Helena Jackpot Show

The Helena Jackpot show will be June 13 at the Multi-Purpose Building. Grand and Reserve Champion buckles are reserved for local kids showing their animals and winner of their species. This is a great opportunity for 4-Hers to practice showing your animals against other participants as well as getting your animal use to the arena and noises of a show. We need help Friday night setting for the show and volunteers to help run the show on Saturday.

We need some volunteers to help with setup Friday night and during the show on Saturday. Contact Jeff Patten at 422-3796 for more information about the show and where help is needed.

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## Adult Round Robin

The Canyon Creek Stock 4-H Club is excited to announce the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Adult Round Robin!! This event will be held Thursday, July 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 p.m. in the Multipurpose Arena. This is a fundraising event that will profit the Outdoor Committee and the Clubs that score the highest in each division. Nomination forms and rules will be posted on the 4-H website <http://www.lccountymt.gov/extension/4-h/fair.html>.

If you have any questions, please contact Katie Grady-Selby at 202-1802 or Andrea Corbally at 459-9900.

## **Horse Committee Meeting**

**The Horse Committee Meeting is May 18, 2015 at 5:30 in the BHB.**

### **Horse Enrollment Forms Due – May 1**

Horse and Horseless Horse enrollment forms are due May 1. You must have proof of vaccination and a picture of you with your horse attached or the form will not be accepted. Please fill out a separate enrollment form for each horse you plan on showing at the fair, including any backup horses in case your horse is injured or ill at fair time. If you plan on vaccinating your horse after May 1<sup>st</sup>, the vaccinations need to be purchased prior to May 1. A copy of the receipt needs to be turned in along with the enrollment forms. If you are leasing a horse, attach a copy of the lease agreement to the enrollment form. The Horse and Horseless Horse enrollment forms are available online.

### **Assessments**

If you are still looking at assessing to a higher level for this year please contact Dee Burnham or Louise Stoner to schedule an appointment. All assessments are due by June 1<sup>st</sup>.

### **Upcoming Events**

Riding Workshops – 1:00 – 4:00 pm in the Multipurpose Building, unless otherwise noted. Please RSVP to [lc4hhorseproject@gmail.com](mailto:lc4hhorseproject@gmail.com)

May 3 – Cancelled/Rescheduled

**NEW DATE – May 10 – Terry Olson – Showmanship – Levels 3 and up at Dr. Rea’s Arena**

June 7 – Joani Kissock – English and Western

June 20 – Practice Show

July 5 – Joani Kissock – English and Western. Please RSVP to

[dawnschneider@schneidertaxidermy.com](mailto:dawnschneider@schneidertaxidermy.com) by June 1. If we don’t have enough members RSVP’d by June 1 this event will be cancelled.

### **Local Events and Horseshows**

May 9 – Vigilante Appaloosa Fun Show Series at Dr. Rea’s Arena. 406-868-9670 for information.

May 16 & 17 Equine Expo and RMBA Horse Sale at the Fairgrounds.

May 30 – Vigilante Appaloosa Fun Show Series at Dr. Rea’s Arena. 406-868-9670 for information.

### **Indoor Workshops – In the BHB**

**May 12 @ 6pm** – Helmet Safety and Horse Care & Safety Videos – Last time for the 4-H year.

Tack Cleaning workshop in June or July. Date is to be determined. Watch your email for updates.

### **Horse Project Facebook**

Please come join us on Facebook: Lewis & Clark County 4-H Horse Project

### **HORSE PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS:**

#### **Helmet Safety Video**

Participants in the 4-H Horse Project are required to attend a helmet education workshop and view the video “Every Ride Every Time” once as a junior 4-H member (9-13) and once as a senior member (14 and up). At the end of the video, parent can sign the Horse Project Waiver and Helmet Policy Form. Early participation is encouraged. Viewing this video is required in order for horse members to participate in upcoming horse riding clinics and the Fair.

#### **Horse Care and Safety Training (HCS)**

All new horse members or members who didn’t take HCS (formerly Horse QA) for Horse last year are required to take the Horse Care and Safety Training class this year. This training will be offered a limited number of times, so please plan to take care of this training early.

**May 12 is the last time the videos will be offered for this 4-H year.**

Any questions give me a call 431-1598 or email [lc4hhorseproject@gmail.com](mailto:lc4hhorseproject@gmail.com).

Vanessa



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

# May 2015

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				-	1 Horse form due Sheep tagging form due Dog Agility 5:30 pm	2 Photo Show 10:00 am Library Dog Obedience 9:00 am
3 Fashion Revue 1:30 pm  Sheep tagging 3:00 pm	4	5 Goat tagging form due  Sportfishing 6:00 pm	6  Leathercraft Level 2+ 4:00 pm	7  Open Scale 5 pm - 7 pm	8	9 Dog Obedience 9:00 am
10 Goat weigh-in 10 am	11  Outdoor Committee Mtg 5:30 pm	12 Marketing 6:00 pm  Horse Care & Helmet Safety 6:00 pm	13 Leathercraft Level 1 4:00 pm  <b>Senior Night Potluck 5:30 pm</b>	14	15  Dog Agility 5:30 pm	16 Dog Workshop 9:00 am
17  Camp Counselor 1:00	18 Indoor Committee Mtg 5:30 pm  Horse Committee 5:30 pm	19  Sportfishing 6:00 pm	20  Cloverbuds 4:30 pm	21  Open Scale 5 pm - 7 pm Beef Showmanship	22	23 Dog Showmanship 9:00 am
24 Poultry 12:30 pm  31 Dairy 4:00 pm	25 <b>-OFFICE CLOSED-</b>	26  Sportfishing 6:00 pm	27	28	29  Dog Agility 5:30 pm	30 Dog Grooming 9:00 am