Fresno County 4-H Guidelines

Newsletter for 4-H Families in Fresno County

July-August 2024



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4-H Volunteers are ... Amazing!

May you never underestimate the difference you make and the lives you have touched!

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Deadline

4-H News articles due for Newsletter- August 20th Please send articles totlnewton@ucanr.edu

"You can never put enough books in the hands of enough children." -Dolly Parton



Our programs are open to all potential participants. Please contact the Fresno County UCCE office (two weeks prior to the activity), at (559) 241-7519, if you have any barriers to participation requiring any accommodation.



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Fresno County 4-H Leader's Council & Committee Meetings

Fresno County Leadership Council Meeting
Tuesday, July 16, 2024 at 6:30 PM

Join ZOOM Meeting



https://ucanr.zoom.us/j/95934642224? pwd=M1RJVFkrMmRTNzQ1VDU3U1JuVnNRdz09

Meeting ID: 959 3464 2224 Passcode: 997501

Horse Leaders Planning Meeting Thursday, August 22, 2024 at 6:00 PM

Join Zoom Meeting https://ucanr.zoom.us/j/95104440886?
pwd=fddpei6dbsvURZ5sUZRtaiZ54jAwPG.1

Meeting ID: 951 0444 0886 Passcode: 641864

4-H Fair Planning Meeting Thursday, August 29, 2024 at 6:30 PM

Join Zoom Meeting https://ucanr.zoom.us/j/97247913115?
pwd=Y2lfD9l0Nb7i2nlkkpgb1tdYhXTobP.1

Meeting ID: 972 4791 3115 Passcode: 616040

Join using computer or phone All Meetings One Tap Mobile +1669 900 6833 #US (San Jose)

All members, parents and leaders are invited to participate in any of the ZOOM meetings listed above.

July 1st marks a new 4-H Year!

Let's grow our 4-H Clubs so more youth have an opportunity to benefit from the great programs available in 4-H!

Members- talk to your friends and encourage them to join the fun! Plan to bring them to the first meeting of the new year. Introduce your school friends to your 4-H friends!

Adults- consider becoming a leader! 4-H members will benefit from your leadership but you just might be surprised at how much you receive from working as a project leader or event coordinator.



Council Officers Needed!

The Nomination Committee is still looking for leaders to serve as Council Secretary. This is a great way to get more involved. Questions? Contact Tracy at 559 241-7525.

4-H Enrollment for 2024

The new 4-H year has kicked off! Now is the time to join the 4-H Fun! Invite new friends. Enrollment continues online through

ZSuite: https://4h.zsuite.org

Returning members, please log in using your existing account. DO NOT create a new account. This includes all members that have ever been registered, regardless of lapse in years. Should you have difficulties accessing your account profile please reach out to Elizabeth for assistance (559) 241-7519 or elizabeth for assistance (559) 241-7519 or elizabeth

Registration fees are paid to your club. Cost per youth member remains the same as last year at \$72 and adult volunteers at \$30. Clubs may charge additional family or individual fees for direct club support. Please review club flyers through our county website for contact information for Club Leaders. https://ucanr.edu/sites/4-H-Fresno/Club List/.

Step by step enrollment guidance is available through the state level CA 4-H Resource Center.



2024 Workshop Series for Volunteer Leaders

Learn about your role, responsibilities, lesson planning, making learning engaging, working with youth of all ages, and effective hands-on learning. The complete series is 8 hours (4 sessions at 2 hours each offered virtually—via ZOOM). Complete the series to earn a 4-H name badge.

Thank You and Congratulations to those adult volunteers that have completed the 8-Hour Workshop Series for 4-H Project Leaders offered at state level. This training is based on content from The UC 4-H Volunteer Educators' Guide: For Volunteers Facilitating 4-H Educational Experiences. These individuals learned new techniques and how to plan and facilitate 4-H learning experiences (projects) with young people. Fresno County 4-H is proud to have volunteers dedicated to "Making the Best Better!" Thank you to Megan Parsons, Rosanna Puentes, Zach and Nettie Niles. All volunteers are encouraged to review and participate in these valuable components being offered.

Fall courses begin in September on Wednesday evenings and are as follows-

- Wednesday, September 4, 2024, 6:30pm-8:30pm
 Session 1: Best practices in youth development:
 Focusing on youth sparks, sense of belonging, and positive relationships with adults. (The 4-H Thriving Model of Positive Youth Development)
- Wednesday, September 11, 2024, 6:30pm-8:30pm Session 2: Learning in 4-H: Facilitating hands-on experiential education and planning your project.
- Wednesday, September 18, 2024, 6:30pm-8:30pm
 Session 3: Working With All Ages (from 5 to 18) and Abilities (The Ages and Stages of Youth Development)
- Wednesday, September 25, 2024, 6:30pm 8:30pm
 Session 4: Creating effective youth-adult partnerships
 & Working with youth leaders (Junior and Teen Leaders)

Registration is now open at:

https://form.jotform.com/Steven_Worker/4HPL4%20



Congratulations to Horse Achievement Day Medalists

Forty seven Horse Project members participated in the Horse Achievement Day 2024. Thank you to the adult volunteers that assisted and worked hard to bring this opportunity to the 4-H'ers. Thank you to Verdi View Farm & Kathy Pettit for the use of the facility. Renegades, Fairmont, and Sierra 4-H Clubs were well represented!

Zoey Sullivan – Fairmont

Medalists are-

Kailey Anderson – Fairmont

Everly Bradford – Fairmont Bristol Workman – Fairmont Livi Hiester – Sierra Laura Chandler – Fairmont Lillian New – Sierra Hailey Critchley – Fairmont Jordyn Craft – Fairmont Addison Kimbler – Sierra Peyton Cunning – Fairmont Meliha Box – Renegades Addisen Dutrow – Fairmont Lillian Brown – Renegades Grace Dutrow - Fairmont Rosalyn Brown – Renegades Ella DeBudio-Renegades Lindy Keosky – Fairmont



HORSE PROJECT – IMPORTANT PLANNING MEETING



Thursday, August 22, 2024 6:00 PM Attend in person or via ZOOM

4-H Office 550 E. Shaw Ave. Fresno, Suite# 100

All Horse Project Leaders, Jr/Teen Leaders, and parents are *WELCOME* to attend. Anyone wishing to contribute new ideas, activities, event suggestions, or offer insights on ways to improve the horse project, please plan to attend. Each club currently offering the horse project MUST be represented.

The Horse Calendar for the upcoming program year will be set. The horse project policy will be reviewed, as well as Horse ID certificates and State Classic.

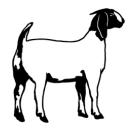
Questions, please contact Tracy Newton at the 4-H Office (559) 241-7525 or tlnewton@ucanr.edu.



4-H Sheep & Goat Show

Saturday, August 24, 2024
Fresno Fair Grounds
Entries due: Monday, August 19th

Weigh-in & Preparation: 8:00 AM Sheep Show begins at 9:00 AM Goat Show begins at 9:30 AM



Entry fees: \$4/animal—includes showmanship and market class. Entries are due by August 19th via on-line entry. Late entries will be charged a \$5 late fee per animal. All fees are payable the day of the show.

Animal Eligibility: All animals shown at the 4-H Sheep & Goat Show must also be entered and shown in a *market* class at the Caruthers and/or Fresno Fairs. Each exhibitor may enter and show up to 2 animals per species. *Exception—members that are now old enough for a livestock project but do not qualify by age to show at the Fresno Fair.*

Grooming: This is a "Dry Show" meaning all animals must be washed and groomed before they arrive.

Bring: shovels, rakes, and pitchforks. All areas must be cleaned prior to leaving.

Reminder: The use of generators is not permitted on the Fair Grounds.

To register: Link will be posted at https://ucanr.edu/sites/4-H-Fresno/ by end of day 7/22/24

For more detailed information regarding the Sheep & Goat Show visit:

https://ucanr.edu/sites/4-H-Fresno/Annual Events Page/Sheep - Goat Show 194/

Questions? Contact Georgene Diener for Sheep at 559-269-1177 and Savanna Duncan for Goats at 559-909-4744.



County Record Book Judging

Saturday, August 3, 2024
Fairmont Elementary School at 3095 N. Greenwood Avenue in Sanger
Start time- 8:00 AM sharp!



The classrooms utilized for Record Book Judging are located in rear of campus in the N/W corner. **One volunteer is required for every 5 books submitted.** Volunteers must be available from 8:00 AM until a minimum of noon. Completion time is based upon the number of books submitted, usually by 2:00 PM. Please consider taking the 30-minute online course for County Record Book Evaluation Orientation. This course is for adult volunteers and Senior Members who evaluate Record Books at county level. *The course provides an overview of the following:*

П	Evaluation Rubric		Scoring	Techniques	How to give	constructive	feedback
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After you complete the course, you will receive an electronic badge and certificate to acknowledge your dedication to helping youth develop their skills in record-keeping.

Access to the training course is found in the Learning Center page of the CA 4-H Resource Center.

Please inform the county office of number of books anticipated at Record Book Judging. This includes all Officer Books and individual books wishing to participate in competition. Books may be dropped off at office by Friday, August 2nd or brought day of by the volunteer evaluators. Snacks & light lunch provided.

Questions contact Tracy at (559) 241-7525 or tlnewton@ucanr.edu

Fresno County 4-H Ambassador Team invites you to attend

Officer Leadership Training Day

Saturday, August 31st 9:30 AM - 12:00 noon

Fairmont Elementary School 3095 N. Greenwood Avenue, Sanger

Sessions for Members:

- *President/Vice President
- *Secretary (Recording & Corresponding)
- *Treasurer

- *Recreation
- *Service Learning
- *Healthy Living
- *Mock Meeting



*Adult Project Leaders

All 4-Her's are encouraged to attend!



Congratulations to the Rabbit Achievement Medalists



Fifteen members participated in the Rabbit Achievement Program this year which is a great number considering this is the 3rd year of the program. Future Rabbit members plan to join in for 2025! Thank you to the Collins Family for the use of the great facility!

Medalists are-

Aliyah Corrales – Reedley – Level 1 Madalynn Oddaffer – Blossom Trail – Level 1

Alysia Corrales – Reedley – Level 1 Emmylea Rush – Fairmont – Level 1

Peyton Cunning – Blossom Trail – Level 1 Kashlynn Moore – Fairmont – Level 2

Nathan Huffman – Reedley – Level 1 Austynn Beckham – Sierra – Level 2

Xitlali Loera – Reedley – Level 1 Brianna Johnson – McKinley – Level 2



Cal Trans Kids Day June 12th

The Ambassador Team Asa C., Brianna M., and Miranda M. hosted an informational 4-H table, speaking with parents and nearly 100 youth about all that 4-H has to offer.

Ambassador Service Learning Project is in final phase, last minute donations are still being accepted. Project summary will be in September 2024 newsletter



Here is a brief recap-

Tickets – 300 tickets were sold (a sell out crowd!)

Silent Auction - 100 beautiful baskets and fun items were donated

Dessert Auction- included 53 delicious baked desserts

Live Auction - 13 great items from an escape to Bass Lake to a Southern style dinner for 12

Sponsorships – there were 7 Bronze Sponsorships at \$1,000 each

Table centerpieces were succulent gardens. They were gorgeous and sold well!

The food was delicious, the weather was perfect and the Alli V Venue was great!

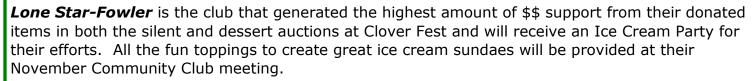
Set-up and Clean-Up included lots of able bodied help!

Special **thanks** to McKinley 4-H for helping with Clean-up!

If you weren't able to attend, you missed a great evening! The funds raised will be used to help sustain the Fresno County 4-H Program. A great big thank you to the members of the Sanger Masonic Lodge, the Clover Fest Committee and to all the 4-H families and Alumni for their many contributions to Clover Fest. A financial report will be available soon.



Clover Fest News Flash!



Fresno Fair Reminders

Theme: Magic on the Midway

July 31 - Entry deadline for Market Sheep, Goat, Swine and Showmanship

August 30 – Entries due for Poultry/Breeders/Feeders

September 20- Last day to purchase wristbands.

September 6– On-line entry deadline for Jr. Still Exhibits

September 14 & 15 – Love Your Fairgrounds Day – Help clean and set-up the fair grounds

October 2-14th - Fresno Fair run

Link to junior exhibitor handbook- still exhibits:

https://cdn.saffire.com/files.ashx?t=fg&rid=FresnoFair&f=2024 Juniors Handbook .pdf

Link for Livestock information:

https://www.fresnofair.com/p/getconnected/livestock-exhibits

Be sure to read the Exhibitor Handbook(s). Be aware and be prepared!

YOUTH FOR THE QUALITY CARE OF ANIMALS- ARE YOU CERTIFIED?

Required to participate in the BIG Fresno Fair & The Caruthers Fair

YOUTH FOR THE QUALITY CARE OF ANIMALS—ARE YOU CERTIFIED? Required to participate in the BIG Fresno Fair & The Caruthers Fair All youth livestock program participants are required to obtain annual certification from the Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) program. This requirement is mandated by the California Department of Food & Agriculture (CDFA) and the Division of Fairs & Expositions (F&E). Certification can be obtained through online training or at an approved instructor led training. The YQCA certification is good for one year and only needs to be completed once annually regardless of the number of species shown. Those not certified through this youth education certification program on the issues of animal welfare, food safety and character education are not eligible to participate at any California fair. The Big Fresno Fair and the Caruthers Fair requires the YQCA certification to be completed at time of project entry as your certification number will be required as part of the online entry process.

Check the Fresno Fair website for complete fair information https://www.fresnofair.com/p/getconnected/livestockexhibits

ONLINE VS. INSTRUCTOR LED YQCA TRAINING For both online and instructor-led training, you are required to register in advance on the https://yqcaprogram.org/ website. Online training costs \$12 per exhibitor and may be completed at anytime prior to entry deadline.



Congratulations Poultry Achievement Medalists

Kyle Huckabay – Fairmont – Level 2
Kashlynn Moore – Fairmont – Level 3
Brianna Moya – Renegades – Level 2
Addie Niles – Lone Star – Level 2
Morgan Vandergon – Fairmont – Level 1
Trinity West – Blossom Trail – Level 1



Congratulations Pygmy Goat Achievement Medalists

Faith Leonard – Fairmont – Level 1 Brianna Moya – Renegades – Level 1 Allison Juarez – Renegades – Level 2



Now is the time...

Those of you showing at fairs, get your whites out and try them on! Do they fit? Do you need the next size? The 4-H Office has a limited supply of whites. Bring in your outgrown whites and exchange them for the next size. Word on the street is that Wrangler will not be making white jeans, so they are in limited supply. Don't wait until the last minute to begin shopping for white pants.

Read the fair handbook to learn the 4-H dress requirements to exhibit at the fair. Exhibitors will not be allowed to wear 4-H jackets at the Fresno Fair as they are not a part of the 4-H uniform.

SAVE THE DATE FOR









Sunday, September 15, 2024 The Grove- 14265 East Goodfellow in Sanger



Calling all adult 4-H Volunteers, County Record Book Medalists, Officer Book Medalists, Scholarship Recipients, and 100% Club Attendance and Project Medal Award winners.

Mark your calendars for an evening of celebrating you! Dinner will be complimentary to all award recipients and 4-H volunteers. Additional dinners sold for family and friends at \$10 per plate. Menu, time, and additional details coming soon.

Mark your calendars and don't miss out on the FUN!





Virtual Regional Presentation Day Awards 2024

Jonathan Hofer, Reedley	Demonstration/Illust.Talk	Int.	Gold
Kaycie Huffman, Reedley	Interpretive Reading	Sr.	Gold
Faith Leonard, Fairmont	Demonstration/Illust. Talk	Int.	Gold
Kashlynn Moore, Fairmont	Demonstration/Illust. Talk	Sr.	Gold
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Addie Niles, Lone Star	Demonstration/Illust. Talk	Jr.	Gold
Trinity West, Blossom Trail	Demonstration/Illust. Talk	Sr.	Gold
Jeremiah Valorosi, Blossom Trail	Impromptu Speech	Sr.	Blue
Emma Kasper, Blossom Trail	Share the 4-H Fun	Sr.	Gold
Hannah Rusconi, Blossom Trail	Share the 4-H Fun	Sr.	Gold
Rachel Rusconi, Blossom Trail	Share the 4-H Fun	Sr.	Gold
Gatlin Snell, Blossom Trail	Share the 4-H Fun	Sr.	Gold
Blakeleigh Snell, Blossom Trail	Share the 4-H Fun	Int.	Gold
Jeremiah Valorosi, Blossom Trail	Share the 4-H Fun	Sr.	Gold
Lena Valorosi, Blossom Trail	Share the 4-H Fun	Int.	Gold

State Field Day—May 25, 2024 at UC Davis

State Field Day is the largest 4-H hosted event as well as the largest UCANR staffed event in California. State Field Day offers State level contests, connects 4-H'ers across the state, while providing activities to inspire youth through interactive booths and other contest participants. 2024

State Field Day welcomed 777 youth participants in-person and virtually.

Congratulations to Fresno County participants!





Ashlyn Herring Jina Khezri Jina Khezri Addie Niles	Renegades Fowler Fowler Lone Star	Fashion Revue, Consumer Science Fashion Revue, Traditional Fashion Revue, Consumer Science Fashion Revue, Costume Challenge	Jr. Jr.	Red Blue Gold Gold
Ivy Parsons	Fairmont	Forestry	Jr.	Blue
Brianna Johnson Arianna Moya Brianna Moya John Moya Miranda Moya Addie Niles	Renegades Renegades Renegades Renegades Renegades Lone Star	Insect Identification	Sr. Int. Sr. Int. Sr. Jr.	Red Gold Gold Red Red Gold
Ivy Parsons	Fairmont	Insect Identification	Jr.	Blue
Brianna Johnson	Renegades	Interview	Sr.	Blue
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Successes of Fresno County 4-H Fair 2024

The 4-H Fair was held at Reedley College on May 11th. It was well attended with 4-H'ers exhibiting poultry, rabbits, and pygmy goats in the livestock barn. Many activity booths offered make-and-takes, crafts, succulents, and more. Still exhibits were entered and judged in a variety of categories including foods, sewing, arts & crafts, photography, gardening, collections, and more. Over 275 still exhibit items were entered.

Thank you to the following clubs for supporting 4-H Fair

- American Union
- Blossom Trail
- Fairmont
- Fowler / Lone Star
- Kerman
- Kingsburg
- McKinley
- Reedley
- Renegades
- Rural Route
- Sierra

Total medals earned in still exhibits by clubs:

American Union 14 Blossom Trail 17

Fairmont 55 Fowler/ Lone Star 80

Kerman 6 McKinley 24

Reedley 15 Renegades 2

Rural Route 8 Sierra 15







Congratulations to the following members earning "Best of Show" awards in Still Exhibits

Ivy Parsons	Fairmont	Insect Collection
Manny Bates	McKinley	Lego Airplane
Marshall Ward	Reedley	Lego Aircraft Carrier
Brianna Johnson	McKinley	Rustic Style Planter
Reese Rocca	American Union	Franquette Walnuts
Jina Khezri	Fowler	Succulent
Alexis Piche	Fowler	Mixed Succulent Planter
Brianna Johnson	McKinley	Aloe Succulent
Payton Goulart	Kerman	Butter Beer Cupcakes
Brianna Johnson	McKinley	Cherry Cheesecake Truffles
Emory Roberts	Reedley	Floral Arrangement
Jina Khezri	Fowler	Bonsai
Peyton Cunning	Blossom Trail	Rabbit Hall of Fame
Eleanor Sytsma	Lone Star	Brown Decorated Egg
Grace Dutrow	Fairmont	Table Setting
Avery Niles	Lone Star	Pumpkin Arrangement
Addie Niles	Lone Star	Rita Hen
Mari Komaki	Lone Star	Pink Pajama
Austynn Beckham	Sierra	\$50 Challenge
Jina Khezri	Fowler	Macrame Candle Holder
Kashlynn Moore	Fairmont	Eyes of Fury photograph
Brianna Johnson	McKinley	Flower Field Watercolor
Payton Goulart	Kerman	Rainbow Lion
Trevor Kaystop	Fairmont	Pepper Jelly
Austyn Beckham	Sierra	Sage Jam
Austyn Beckham	Sierra	Forest Horse Painting
Addie Niles	Lone Star	Quilt Dottie
Addie Niles	Lone Star	Upcycled Soda Can



4-H Fair Cotton Contest Awards CONGRATULATIONS

1 st Place	Susan Sytsma	Lone Star 4-H	Cotton Floral Dress
2 nd Place	Addie Niles	Lone Star 4-H	Purple Jumpsuit
3 rd Place	Regan Sytsma	Lone Star 4-H	Cotton Spring Dress