FAIR REGISTRATION IS OPEN!
Fair entries open June 1st and close July 3rd. Fair entries are done online through FairEntry with your 4HOnline logon. The Fair book was emailed March 15th and was re-attached to the newsletter email. On page 4 of the Fairbook are detailed instructions for how to enter the Fair. Please use the Fairbook as a reference to determine your entries and understanding rules. If you have any trouble or questions, please do not hesitate to call the Extension Office.

Market Livestock Activity Requirements
To show and sell market livestock (including poultry and rabbits) at the Fair all 4-H members must complete seven (7) "activity points" for each market project by the Fair entry deadline. One option is to complete 7 activities in your 4-H project book. The activities must be fully completed, dated and signed off by your helper. However, you may also choose other activities such as attending a workshop, livestock judging, outside shows, helping a younger member or organizing a workshop. For each of these items, you should write a paragraph about what you learned in that educational experience. Please use the provided form, which has been attached to the email newsletter to document your points. The form, books and documentation must be turned into the office by the fair entry deadline, July 3rd. No other books are due at this time.

Multi-County 4-H Camp
Camp is coming up on June 4th-7th. All participants were emailed a letter with details, directions and a packing list. Campers need to be at camp by 3:00 pm on Tuesday and depart by 11:00 am on Friday. Please contact the Extension Office if there are any questions or concerns.

Market Rabbit & Poultry
If you plan to take market pens of poultry or rabbits to the Fair, you are required to complete and turn in an identification form, due June 25th. Since there is no official tagging for these animals, we use a form. The form is included in this newsletter email. This form is not needed for pet rabbits or poultry, laying hens or breeding projects. It is only necessary if you plan to take a market project to Fair and sell it through the livestock auction.

State 4-H Scholarship Recipients
Congratulations to Andrew Ferrat and Tyler Noyes as recipients of Montana 4-H Scholarships! Andrew received a $1000 scholarship sponsored by Hubbard/Westfeeds/Alltech and Tyler received a $1000 scholarship from the Montana Farm Bureau Foundation. They will be recognized at Montana 4-H Congress. Outstanding work!

A Letter from the Extension Agent
First help me to congratulate Katria and Jim on the arrival of their baby girl on Sunday, May 5th! Jane Gwendolyn was 19.5 inches and 6 lbs. 13 oz.

While Katria is enjoying time with the new baby, Tyler Noyes is helping in the office. Tyler is a sophomore at MSU, double majoring in ag education and ag business. As most of you know, Tyler is a Broadwater County 4-H alumni. He is ready to answer your questions, so stop by the office to welcome Tyler!

To add to the hectic summer, I will be going on maternity leave in June. I hope with Tyler’s help we can continue to maintain regular office hours for most of the month. However, please be aware that they may not be as consistent as normal and there may be times that the office needs to close. If you are making a special trip to town, please call first to make sure someone is here. Thank you so much for your patience this summer.

Sincerely,

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**Fair T-Shirts**

If you would like a Fair t-shirt, but are not planning on exhibiting at the Fair, please send your t-shirt size to the Extension Office by July 3rd. This includes Cloverbuds! Thanks to a donation from Northwest Farm Credit Services, t-shirts are provided to 4-H members at no cost.

T-shirts are available for family members and leaders for $15 each, and orders must be made to the office by July 3rd. Payment prior to Fair is appreciated!

**LOCAL 4-H CHALLENGE: Your Club Could Win a Snow Cone Party! Montana 4-H State Service Project**

The 4-H Teen Club would like to challenge all 4-H clubs to participate in the State 4-H Service Project and represent Broadwater County. The winning club will win a snow cone party on the last day of Fair. The winner will be the club that brings the most items listed below to your June club meeting. (Your leaders will then bring it to the June Council Meeting.)

**EVENT DESCRIPTION:** The Montana State 4-H Ambassador Team is calling all members to help serve those that have served us. This year at Congress we will be helping Veterans by collecting items in need and packing the items with a note from Congress attendees to distribute to veterans’ groups across Montana.

**ITEMS TO COLLECT:** Gum, Coffee - Individual Packets, Individual Size Trail Mix, Individual Size Jerky, Decks of Cards, Hand Warmers, Foot Warmers, Granola Bars, Chapstick, Lotion and Kleenex

**SERVICE AWARD:** The Ambassador Team will be rewarding the County that earns the highest number of items and bringing them to Congress. By bringing the most items, the County will earn a trophy, bragging rights, and the first to attend dinner at Congress!

**Indoor Committee and 4-H Leaders Council**

Indoor Committee will be held at 6pm and 4-H Council will be held at 7pm on Tuesday, June 25th in the Courthouse Basement Meeting Room. For questions, contact Karen Noyes at 406.949.4852 or Terri Howey at 406.581.6295.

**UPCOMING WORKSHOPS**

**Cooking Workshop - Summer Treats!**

Karen Noyes will host a cooking workshop Saturday, June 1st, from 10am-12pm in the 4-H Building Kitchen. The theme is summer treats! Suggested donation is $2 per participant. RSVP to Karen at 406.949.4852.

**Dog Workshops**

Every Wednesday until Fair, from 6:30-7:30pm, all Agility and Obedience members will meet at Sorenson’s Arena, 200 Flynn Lane, Townsend, for practice. Please bring your dog with a leash and make sure they are up-to-date on their vaccines. For questions, contact Julie Flynn at 406.439.1471.

**Gardening Workshop - Backyards of Broadwater!**

Whether you are in a gardening project or not, please consider attending a self-guided tour of Broadwater County community member’s yards and gardens. It is organized by Broadwater County Master Gardeners and the Extension Office. It highlights community members with unique and innovative landscapes and provides an opportunity to network with others and share the lessons learned along the way. Tickets are $5 per person and will go on sale on July 1st. Hope to see you in the backyards of Broadwater County! Click here to go to the webpage.

**Horse Workshops**

Meetings are held every Monday night at 6:30pm at the Fairgrounds, through July 22nd. Call Jan Finn 406.266.4992 or Donna Richards 406.521.0717 for more info.

**Leathercraft Workshop**

Your last workshop will be Wednesday, June 19th at 6:30pm at the Mitzkus’, 149 Quarter Circle Road, East Helena. If you have any questions, contact Marty at 406.670.5421.

**Poultry Workshops - ALL Levels Invited!**

The last workshop will be Sunday, June 23rd at 3pm, Trailhead Church (20 Trailhead View Drive, Townsend). Questions? Call Kendra at 406.594.8620 or Alice at 406.547.2588.

**Rabbit Workshop**

The next workshop will be held in the Fairgrounds Roping Barn on Friday, June 14th from 5:30-7:30pm. The topic will be showmanship. For questions, contact Katrina Warburton at 406.595.0402.
Robotics - Leader for Next Year Needed

Are you interested in leading robotics? We are looking for a robotics leader for next year to keep the program going. If you’d like to learn about robotics so you can lead it next year, please contact Laura Ascheman at 980.0408.

Robotics Update: NXT Lego kits are available for Independent Study members who have experience. You can check out a robotics kit for a month at a time. For new robotics members, we will have 4 robotics meetings in June. Dates and times will be by consensus of beginning members. Questions? Contact Laura at 406.980.0408.

Scrapbooking Workshop

The next workshop will be Monday, June 3rd at 6:30pm at Alisha Knaub’s new house at 28 Sharon Loop in Townsend. For questions, contact Karen Noyes at 406.949.4852.

Photography Workshop

The photography workshop will be on July 14th at 1 pm at the Senior Center. Members need to bring their project and record books, plus any photos they’re entering in fair. Cassie will have photo mats for fair entry pictures for purchase. $1 for 5x7 and $2 for 8x10. It would be very helpful if the members/parents could email or text Cassie at 439.1269 what they need (Black or White) so that she can put an order in.

SHOOTING SPORTS ACTIVITIES

Upcoming Shooting Sports Workshops

Hunting/Wildlife: Erica will contact project members if she decides to do a workshop in June. For more information, call Erica Wahl at 406.570.8696.

Small Bore Rifle (.22): Every 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month from 6:30-7:30pm. They meet at the Broadwater Rod and Gun Club Canton Lane Range. For directions, click here. For questions, call John at 406.422.9590.

Shotgun: Workshops are held on Monday nights at 5pm at the Canton Gun Range. Please call the leaders to confirm they are meeting. They are also hoping to start sporting clays shoots at the Indian Creek Range soon! Contact Liz Wishman at 406.980.1965 or Joe Horne at 406.202.2186 with questions.

STATEWIDE ACTIVITIES

Montana 4-H Congress

Registration is now open for Congress on July 9-12! Youth must be at least 13 years old (as of October 1, 2018) to attend. This is an upbeat state 4-H event for members to participate in statewide contests, leadership activities and meet new people across the state. If you received a blue ribbon or better in a county contest, you are eligible to compete at Congress. If you don’t compete, you can attend the leadership event or volunteer to help with a contest. The registration deadline is June 15th through 4HOnline. The cost is $225, which includes housing, meals and program fees. For more information, go to www.montana4h.org.

Yellowstone Youth Writing Camp

This is a multi-day “unschooled” writing workshop on July 8th-12th at the MSU campus in Bozeman for youth entering grades 5-12. Campers write in multiple genres and share their writing with a supportive community of peers and licensed educators. The program includes field trips, writing games and guidance throughout the writing process. The cost is $250. For more information or to register click here.

Cloverbud Camp

Registration for the 4-H Cloverbud Camp is due June 1st. This event is June 7-9 and takes place at Darrell Fenner 4-H Camp at Loon Lake at Ferndale. This is 3 day event is full of activities and experiences the 4-H Cloverbuds will love and enjoy. The cost is $120 for one youth camper and 1 adult. Contact the Extension Office for registration and information.

Montana Range Days

Registration for Montana Range Days is now open. This event is June 17-19 at the Beaverhead County Fairgrounds in Dillon. It is open to all ages from 4 years old to adults. This event includes education activities, exhibits, tours, contests and awards. Registration is $10 and is due June 10. For more information contact the Extension Office or go to www.montanarangedays.org.

Montana Range Camp

Montana Youth Range Camp is being held at Hyalite this year, from June 25th-28th. Youth who would like to attend should talk to their local conservation districts about scholarship opportunities. More information, and the application, can be found here: http://dnrc.mt.gov/divisions/cardd/camps/montana-youth-range-camp.
**Walleser Family Memorial Fund Mini Grants**

There are now new mini-grant opportunities available for all counties. The grants are for 4-H members who need assistance with project expenses, or agents or leaders who might need program/project support. The application is simple; one page information sheet, 4H enrollment verification and essay portion. In the essay portions 4-Hers and agents alike get to shine. They get the opportunity to explain the who, what, when where and why about their project or ideas. This is not a MT 4-H Foundation grant, so please direct questions to Audrey Walleser (406) 855-8342. Grant applications are due September 3rd and will provide funding for the new 4-H year. The application can be sent to you from your local county extension agency. Grant recipients will be notified no later than October 1, 2019.

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**STATE AND NATIONAL LIVESTOCK ACTIVITIES**

**NILE Merit Heifer Program**

This is an amazing opportunity for young people to get started in the cattle industry. The program is a live animal scholarship, meaning the recipients are given a young female heifer. Participants are chosen based on merit, future goals and ability to care for the animal. 4-H and FFA members who are 12-16 years old may apply. During the program, participants are responsible for the care, records and breeding of the animal. At the conclusion of the program, participants show it at the NILE and the animal becomes theirs. Applications, which include a YouTube video, are due June 28th. More information is available [here](#). We currently have a NILE Heifer participant in our county, Dylan Kamps, may be able to help if you have questions.

**Montana Colombia Starter Flock program**

If you are interested in starting your own flock of sheep, the Montana Columbia Sheep breeders have a starter flock opportunity for youth ages 11 - 16. Selected youth will receive four registered Columbia ewes. Details and the application can be found on the Montana Columbia Sheep Breeders website at [http://www.mtcolumbiasheep.org/starter-flock.html](http://www.mtcolumbiasheep.org/starter-flock.html) or by e-mailing Luanne Wallewein at [wallywild@northerntel.net](mailto:wallywild@northerntel.net). Applications are due August 1.

**Carbon County 4-H Practice Dog Show**

Registration for the “Get Your Bark On” 4-H Dog Show in Carbon County is now open. This event is June 29-30. This dog show is open to all 4-H members in the dog project and is a good practice for fair. Entry forms are available from the Extension Office.

**Richland County 4-H Jackpot**

Richland County 4-H will be hosting a jackpot on July 19 at the Richland County Fairgrounds. The jackpot will include market and showmanship classes for beef, swine, sheep and goats. The evening before on July 18 the Richland County 4-H Jr. Leaders will be hosting a showmanship clinic that is open to all and will cover showmanship of beef, swine, sheep, goat, alpaca and horse. Registration is due June 25th. Please contact the Extension Office for registration forms.

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**Lolo Jackpot Livestock Show**

Register now for the 11th Annual Fred Everson Memorial Jackpot Livestock Show, which will be held in Lolo, MT, on Saturday, June 29th. This contest is open to all Beef, Sheep and Goat project families. Entries should be postmarked by June 14th. For more information, contact Campbell Barrett at the Missoula County Extension Office at (406) 258-4203. If you are interested, contact your extension office for an entry form.

**Blue Ribbon Preview**

Join the Blue Ribbon Preview Jackpot in Deer Lodge on Sunday June 23. Animals may start arriving after 6:00 pm on Saturday, June 22. Due to limited space, they will only accept the first 50 hog entries. Registration forms are available from the Extension Office.
NATIONAL & INTERNATIONAL 4-H ACTIVITIES

ACADEMIC YEAR PROGRAMS (AYP)
Host families needed for high school students from Japan, South Korea or Eurasia (FLEX program). Students are here from August 2019 through May/June 2020. Contact Stephanie Davison at 406994.3502 or email sdavison@montana.edu for more information.

National 4-H Congress Chaperone
The Montana 4-H Council requests applications from 4-H volunteers to serve as one of two Montana Chaperones at National 4-H Congress November 28 – Dec 3, 2019 (includes travel time). The chaperones are responsible for guiding these youth as they travel to Atlanta, GA for the event and support them throughout this leadership experience. Chaperone registration, lodging and travel expenses are sponsored by the Montana 4-H Council. You can apply at http://montana4h.org/programs/events/National_Congress_Chaperone.html. In addition to the online form, two letters of recommendation are required to complete the application: one from the MSU Extension Agent in your county and one letter of support from another person associated with your 4-H program work. Applications are due July 1. The Montana 4-H Council will select the chaperone at their July meeting and applicants will be notified of decision by August 1.