



Broadwater County 4-H Newsletter

September 2018

DRAWING TO A CLOSE...

As the 4-H year ends, we would like to thank all of the volunteers and leaders for your commitment to making such a great program work! We couldn't do it without you.

4-H Record Books

The most important thing to remember to turn in this month is Record Books! Submit your completed record books to your 4-H Leader by Saturday, September 15th, unless your club leaders have specified an earlier date. Record books will not be judged, but will be reviewed. They need to meet the minimum qualifications to be "COMPLETE". If the record book is NOT complete, you have time to work on your book and bring it up to minimum standards. Every completed record book is eligible for awards.

Understanding Record Book Forms

Forms can be found at msuextension.org/broadwater/4h_forms.html.

- **My 4-H Year** – One form required each year at the front of your record book. This form summarizes all of your general 4-H activities and achievements. You can also record non-4-H activities.
- **Animal Project Journal & Financial Record** – Use one form per animal project (i.e. market lamb, breeding beef, rabbit, horse, etc.). This helps track project activities, feed records, financials, and health care.
- **Non-Animal Project Journal & Financial Record** – Use one form for each indoor project (i.e. sewing, foods, leadership, leathercraft, etc.). This helps track your project specific activities and financials.
- **Cloverbud Record Sheet** – One set per year for each Cloverbud. This is a journal of your 4-H activities. On the back page there is an additional section for "other areas".
- **4-H Story** – Optional for yearend completion, but required to be eligible for any awards. This is your opportunity to be creative and share a favorite experience from the 4-H year.

Use the record book checklist to make sure you have filled out all forms. If you have any questions, ask your 4-H leader or contact the extension office.



Secretary and Historian Books

If you are a club secretary or historian, you are eligible for the county awards. Turn your books into your club leader by September 15th.

A Letter from the Extension Agent

First off, I wanted to thank everyone for another exceptional Fair! We have an amazing group of volunteers, parents and members and it makes my job fun! It's been a year of changes for our office. Katria Shindoll joined the office in July. See page 3 to learn a little more about her. There is another major change looming. Our office will be moving back to the basement of the Courthouse during the last week of September. Please be patient during the transition as phones, email and the office may be in disarray for a few days as we get moved and settled. We will continue to update you via email as we know more specifics about the transition. We hope to be back up and running in our new location by October 1st, the beginning of the new 4-H year.

Sincerely,

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Financial Reports

All Treasurer's (including Council, Livestock, Exchange, Teen Club and Archery) are required to complete the Yearend Financial Report. Financial records need to be reviewed after September 30th and will be due in October.



Broadwater County Fair Award Winners

If you won a fair award this year, please remember to send a **thank-you note** to the sponsor. If you need the name or address of the business or individual who sponsored your award, please call or email the Extension Office. Without their generosity, we wouldn't be able to give out these awards.

4-H Council

The 4-H Council will hold their meeting at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, September 25th in the Ambulance Meeting Room. We will discuss awards and making plans for the next 4-H year. For any questions, contact Karen Noyes at 406.949.4852 or jknoyes@mt.net.



Horse Committee

The next Horse Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 28th. Location set for Ambulance Room, but may be relocated. Meeting starts at 6pm. The Horse Committee meetings are open to any interested parties, particularly horse project leaders and parents.

As a fledgling committee, it is now established enough to vote in officers. Please join us as we discuss the upcoming year, goals, and election of officers. For more information or items for the meeting agenda, please contact Jan Finn at 406.266.4992 or 406.521.0001, or email 2684hwy284@gmail.com.

Indoor Committee

The Indoor Committee will hold their meeting at 6 pm on Tuesday, September 25th in the Ambulance Meeting Room. For any questions or suggestions, contact Karen Noyes at 406.949.4852 or jknoyes@mt.net, or contact Terri Howey at 406.581.6295 or terrihowey@hotmail.com.

For next year's fair, don't forget about the silent auction as you are signing up for your projects. To participate in the indoor silent auction, the item needs to be a quality, useable exhibit in the Fair 4-H Silent Auction as long as it is not a food item or an animal. Examples include, but are not limited to, leathercraft, photography, woodworking, cross-stitched pillows, quilts, and garments. Members may enter a maximum of TWO items.



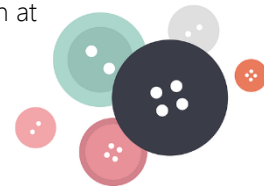
Livestock Committee

The next meeting has been changed to Tuesday, September 4th at 7pm in the Ambulance Building. Contact Jason Noyes (406.949.4851 or jkn4851@gmail.com) with livestock or animal project area feedback.

Textile Workshop

Sarah Holland will be having a Textile and Sewing workshop Saturday, September 22nd at the LDS Church at 9:30 am.

Thinking about signing up for a textile project in the upcoming 4-H year? See if this workshop peaks your interest! Call Sarah at 406.266.3473 to RSVP.



Local Volunteer Opportunity

MAYOR'S PRAYER BREAKFAST

Watson's Event Center

- 290 Litening Barn Road
Townsend, MT 59644
- October 18th, 2018
- Doors open at 6:30am,
Serving from at 7-8:30am

4-Hers can arrive at 6:30am in black slacks and white shirt.

If you are interested in volunteering or have any questions, please make sure to email Paul Kroeger at pkroeger@mtintouch.net.

Achievement Night!

Save the date for Monday, November 5th! Food and games will begin at 6pm and the ceremony will begin at 6:30pm. Ask your group leader what food item you are supposed to bring. We are planning on refreshments, soup, bread, crackers, and cookies. Get ready for a fun night to celebrate all of your hard work this the 4-H year!

Re-Enrollment

The New 4-H year starts October 1st. Enrollment information will be sent in late September. Sign up for the projects you would like to do and *don't be afraid to try something new!* Remember: if you plan on taking a 4-H project to fair, you must be enrolled in that project. If you know anyone interested in joining 4-H, have them call the office at 406.266.9242 or email broadwater@montana.edu.

New Administrative Assistant

By Katria Shindoll – Tammy Rauser retired in May (congrats!) and I started in July. I want to thank you for all your kind words already. It has been a pleasure to meet you all at the office and at the fair—I hope I can remember all your names, but I apologize if I don't! Allison asked me to introduce myself, so here goes.

I was born in Spokane, WA and we moved to Kennewick, WA at 7 years old. We had a couple acres, but it was soon overflowing with animals. My dad had been raised a city boy and wanted a farm, so he saved up and bought one in Milton-Freewater, OR when I started 6th grade. I was raised on 160 acres with 25 acres of it irrigated by hand lines – my favorite! My dad raised cattle, my sister raised goats, and I raised sheep. We also had horses, llamas, chickens, ducks; you name it. At one point, I had a herd of 35 Suffolk X ewes!



I was in 4-H from third grade and until my senior year of high school. I enjoyed the program so much, although sale day was sure a tough one the first couple years. I showed lambs primarily, but also showed poultry, pocket pets, and goats. I also enjoyed taking my photos to the Walla Walla Fair.

Upon graduation, I attended several different schools trying to figure out the career I wanted. I initially thought I wanted to go into engineering, but found out I was a tad too creative for it. I ended up finishing my Bachelor of Arts degree in Visual Communication and Design with a Minor in Journalism in 2015 from Eastern Washington University. I met Jim Shindoll in 2014 and we got married in 2016. He was the one that introduced me to Montana, its beautiful scenery, and amazing people!

We finished building our house last fall and now have a quiet place up on Mt. Baldy. We are kept entertained by our 2 cats, 2 indoor dogs, 2 guardian dogs, and 20 head of cows (when they aren't destroying fences...) I'm so excited to give back to the community and to a program that did so much for me as a kid!

4-H Teen Leader Program

Adult Volunteer Needed! We are currently searching for an adult volunteer to help grow the 4-H teen leader program. This individual would work together with Allison to organize meetings, lead teambuilding programs and help guide the youth with their leadership projects. If you enjoy working with this age group and are interested, please contact Allison in the extension office. **Are you a middle or high schooler interested in joining?** Come see what it's all about. The next Teen Club meeting is October 16th at 7pm. Location TBD. Questions? Contact Allison Kosto at 406.266.9242.



Carcass Evaluations

Carcass data will soon be available on the county webpage under "Fair". Awards will be presented at Achievement Night on November 5th. There were some great quality animals this year. Good job!

Photography Projects

I would like to congratulate all the photography kids on the effort they put in at fair. I was so proud to see that wall of photos, more than I've ever seen, and appreciate all the kids that came to the workshops. There will be more in store next year and I look forward to even more amazing photos next year! ~ Cassie Cooper

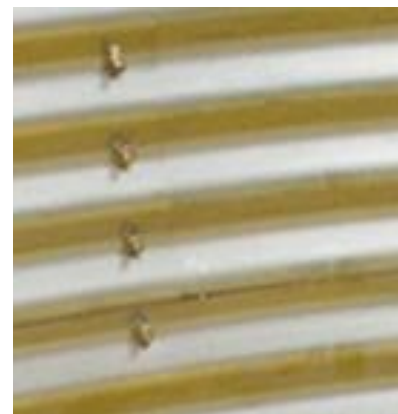


National 4-H Week

Help celebrate the 76th National 4-H Week October 7th-13th! Tell your friends about 4-H. We plan on having activities and challenges throughout the week for 4-H members! We'll keep you posted! How would you tell others about 4-H?

4-H Kid's Corner

This is a close-up photograph of something in agriculture.



The first one to guess correctly will win a prize! If you know what it is, email your answer to broadwater@montana.edu.

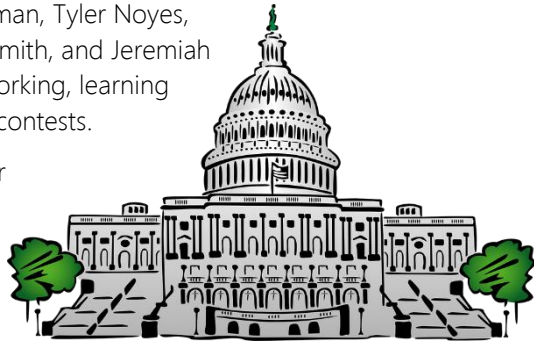
STATE 4-H ACTIVITIES

Congratulations Broadwater County 4-H Congress Delegation!

In early July, ten Broadwater County delegates attended Montana 4-H Congress in Bozeman. Attending the event was Wayne Ascheman, Kayden Braaten, Trenton Braaten, Andrew Ferrat, Abby Leachman, Tyler Noyes, Ashley Rauser, Nichole Smith, Tyler Smith, and Jeremiah Wishman. They spent the week networking, learning leadership skills, and participating in contests.

Tyler received second place in Career Communications and Andy got third place in public speaking. Andy is eligible to represent Montana at National 4-H Congress in Atlanta, Georgia in November.

The livestock judging team placed second. Individually, Abby was fourth, Kayden fifth, and Trenton sixth. Great job everyone representing our county!



Montana 4-H Leadership Forum

We have an exciting opportunity that is fairly close to home this year. Montana 4-H Leadership Forum is September 28-29 in Dillon on the beautiful Western Montana Campus. This event is geared towards adult volunteer leaders, extension staff, and youth leaders. There is also a track for youth ages 3-10 this year. The event features speakers, workshops, and tours to allow 4-H leaders across the state to network and learn from each other. Some things to encourage your leaders or youth leaders on why they should attend:

- Amazing workshops. There are also great pre-conference workshops on Friday: First Aid, CPR, and Leaders College II will be offered.
- Offering for the first time a day camp for kids ages 3 to 10 so that leaders can go and enjoy the forum.
- Great tours of Bannack, the campus, and other Dillon historical areas.
- We are having a talent show on Friday. Encourage those with musical, dance, poetry, or other talent to sign up.

Register ASAP (to avoid late fees) on the Montana 4-H website, [click here](#). Costs go up after September 1st. Contact the 4-H Council if you are interested in going as they are willing to reimburse some of the costs.

Upcoming NILE Stock Show Entry Deadline

The Northern International Livestock Exposition (NILE) is a weeklong stock show and rodeo held in October every year. Hundreds of exhibitors from across the region (38 different states) bring livestock to show and sell.

Entry deadline is September 5th, 2018! Late entries will be accepted until September 14th, but late fees will apply! [Click here](#) to apply and for more information. The NILE Stock Show & Rodeo runs October 13th-20th.



Shooting Sports Leader Training

Held in Dillon, Montana September 28th-29th. Disciplines offered are: Archery, Hunting, Rifle, Pistol, Muzzle-loading, Shotgun, and Western Heritage. For the pre-test and other information, [click here](#). Contact Scott Francis with any questions at 406.994.3518 or scott.francis@montana.edu.

Shotgun Qualifying Event

Held at the Manhattan Wildlife Association, Logan, MT, on Saturday, September 22nd, 2018. [Click here to register](#).

Smallbore Qualifier

Also held at the Manhattan Wildlife Association, Logan, MT, on Saturday, October 13th, 2018. [Click here to register](#).

Montana 4-H State Horse Show

Registration for the 2018 Montana 4-H State Horse Show, September 14th-16th, at the Heart K Arena in Livingston! Hosted by Gallatin County Extension, it is an opportunity for 4-H horse project members to test their skills alongside their peers from across the state. Buckles will be awarded to class winners and ribbons awarded up to 8th place. Exhibitors may register online through Fair Entry or by mail. For more info, please visit their page [here](#). Registration closes September 7th. No late entries accepted.

NATIONAL 4-H ACTIVITIES

Join Us for 30 Days of Doing

30 Days of Doing is a chance for kids across the nation to do with purpose through hands-on learning. September 1st-30th, join us for 30 days of hands-on activities to help inspire kids to do. Through activities in agriculture, STEM, community service, healthy living and more, **30 Days of Doing** will help kids gain the skills they need to be successful in life—and have fun!

Plus, starting September 1st, you could win a \$10K scholarship for your kid – and your state 4-H program could receive \$10K for kids in the community!

Submit a photo that shows how your child does things, or inspires others, for themselves, their family, their community, their country, or the world. To sign up, [click here](#). More details available September 1st.

Black Hills Recreation Leaders Lab

This event is held in Custer, South Dakota from September 30th - October 5th. **BHRLL** provides an experiential learning environment in which anyone sixteen years or older who works with people, professionally or informally, can learn to develop or enhance your current programming for youth and adults.



Share the knowledge and experiences with your camps and 4-H groups.

The beautiful camp setting, group atmosphere, and balanced program also benefits those who are interested in personal growth, making lifelong friendships and developing professional connections.

Major workshops are about mastering group facilitation, basket weaving, improvisation performance, and STEM. Some of the minor workshops are: archery, hand-sewn cards, magic, sand painting, teambuilding, walking sticks, and yoga. The fee is \$325, but it includes lodging, meals, group photo, and access to resource materials. For more information, visit www.bhrll.org. Scholarship applications due September 10th.

National Volunteer Conference

Located in Eatonton, Georgia – September 27th-30th, the conference is designed to engage and facilitate the interaction of volunteers and extension professionals from across the country. Conference evaluations repeatedly tell us that the two prime motivators for volunteers to attend conferences are: quality and variety of workshops, and networking opportunities.

The conference has been planned meaningfully in order to provide ample opportunity for volunteers to learn, share, and exchange information. Workshops include: Connecting Kids in the Kitchen, Mastering Plant & Garden Connections, Connecting Creative Arts to Purpose, Connecting Health to Better Living, Seeing Science Connections, and Connecting Camp to Learning. The fee is \$325, but includes lodging, meals, and conference events. Visit vcoss.weebly.com for more information and how to register.

2019 4-H Youth in Action Awards



The *4-H Youth in Action Program*

recognizes four confident young leaders in our core pillar areas: agriculture, civic engagement, healthy living, and STEM. Each Pillar Winner will experience an exciting year of telling their 4-H story and celebrating their leadership.

Winners receive:

- \$5,000 higher education scholarship
- Promotional video showing their 4-H impact story
- All-expenses paid trip to Washington, D.C. for National 4-H Council's Legacy Awards
- Networking opportunities with 4-H celebrities and prominent alumni
- Recognition as the official 4-H youth spokesperson for their particular pillar

One Pillar Winner will be selected as the 4-H Youth in Action National Award Winner and will receive an additional higher education scholarship. Application guidelines are available. Apply up until October 22nd! For more information, [click here](#).

4-H Kids,

**Have a wonderful
upcoming 4-H and
school year!**

~ MSU Extension



MSU-Northern Livestock Judging Workshop AND Contest

Please contact (406)852-3608 to Register BY Sept. 14th

Workshop:

Contest:

At the Northern Ag. Research Center Sept. 29th

9:00AM– 12:00PM

1:00PM—Done

Age groups:

Classes May Include:

Pee-Wee: 5-7

Cattle

Junior 8-13

Sheep

Senior 14-18

Goats

Adult 19+

Wool

Horses



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Please RSVP (separate form per contestant) by September 14th, 2018 at:

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