

January 2020 Newsletter



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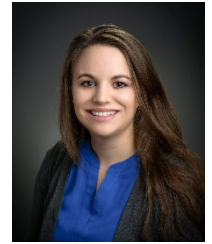
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MSU Extension Update

Happy New Year from the Extension Office!

We are looking forward to this year's competitions and events. In the coming months, please look for information on the Mini Shoot, Shooting Sports Invitational, Grand Foods, 4-H Camp preparations, Communications Day, Rec Lab, and more! We have so many opportunities for youth and are excited to share them with you. Let's make 2020 the best yet!

-Kara Tangedal



4-H Council

Next meeting: Council will reconvene on **Wednesday, January 8th, 2020 at 6 PM, Bill Hamilton Building (BHB).**

***Minutes available online [HERE](#)

Clubs will be voting on dress code at the January council meeting. I would encourage all the clubs to try and send a representative to the council meeting so that all clubs have input to the program. If you want to have a voice, this is the place for you to have it!

To request an agenda, please e-mail or call David Hamilton at (406) 431-1948 or davidhamilton431@gmail.com

If you would like to serve on the Awards, Record Book, or Carcass committee, please contact the Extension Office at (406) 447-8346.

4-H Foundation

Next meeting: **Monday, January 6th, 2020 at 5:30-7:00 p.m., Extension Office**

***Minutes available online [HERE](#)

Youth Council

Next Meeting: **January 19th, 2020 at 3 PM in the Extension Office.**

***Minutes available online [HERE](#)

All 4-H members are welcome to attend & participate in Youth Council. To attend remotely, please contact Kara at (406) 447-8346 or kara.tangedal@montana.edu

New Family Potluck & Info Session

Sunday, January 19th, 2020 at 5:00-7:00 p.m., Extension Office at the Lewis & Clark County Fairgrounds (next to the ticket office)

Bring your favorite dish and meet other new (or new-ish) 4-H families while learning all about what Lewis & Clark County 4-H has to offer! Hope to see you there! Please call the Extension Office if you have any questions. Find the agenda and more info [HERE](#).

New Changes for the upcoming year

Youth Council would like the exhibitor **handbook dress code updated.**

- Current Wording:
 - Dress Code: Plain white button-up collared shirt (long or short-sleeved, not sleeveless), dark pants (not yoga pants or leggings), and black tie are required for both the show and sale unless noted otherwise under individual species' section. Hard soled shoes or boots are recommended for safety. No flip flops or sandals.
- Proposed Wording:
 - Dress Code: Button-up or snapped collared shirt (long or short-sleeved, not sleeveless) with no writing or decals other than the brand, and dark pants (not yoga pants or leggings) are required for both the show and sale unless noted otherwise under individual species' section. Hard soled shoes or boots are recommended for safety. No flip flops or sandals.
- Dairy cows, goats and horse are known to have other wording for dress code. There may be other projects as long as there is wording in that project's section regarding dress then this change will not apply to them.
- Clubs need to review then come to **January Council meeting for a vote.**

Please discuss the proposal to **move indoor judging to Monday instead of Tuesday during fair week.** Then email the PROS and CONS to either mostberg@bresnan.net or kara.tangedal@montana.edu

Awards Committee

Will be having a meeting **Monday, February 24th from 7-8 p.m. in the Extension Office.**



Please call/e-mail the office for more information, or visit VolunteerHelena to see a full list of our volunteer opportunities.

2019-2020 Event Dates: Put them on your calendar now!

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Mini Shoot - January 12th
Shooting Sports Invitational - January 18th
Grand Foods - February 22nd
Stir Ups- February 22nd

Communication Day -
Rec Lab -
Sewing Review - April 26
Photo Show -
Summer Camp - June 16-19
Pre-Congress - July 6-8
4-H Congress - July 8-12
Jackpot- June 13-14
Last Chance Stampede and Fair - July 22-25

LCC 4-H Member Spotlight

Natalya Routzahn is an exceptional young lady who strives to make the best better in 4-H. She is a witty, creative, friendly person to be around. Not only is she a Lewis and Clark County 4-H Ambassador, she is also active in several 4-H projects, 4-H county events such as Communications Day, 4-H Camp and Grand Foods and state events like Montana 4-H Congress and 4-H Fall Training. Natalya has been an active member of the Premiere Dance Company and will be performing as Clara at the Nutcracker this year. Natalya is a hard-worker and has high standards for her work, whether it is a performance or a 4-H project. Her attitude is "good enough is not good enough!" Next time you see Natalya, take time to congratulate her in her role of the Nutcracker as well as for all she does in 4-H.



LCC 4-H Volunteer Spotlight

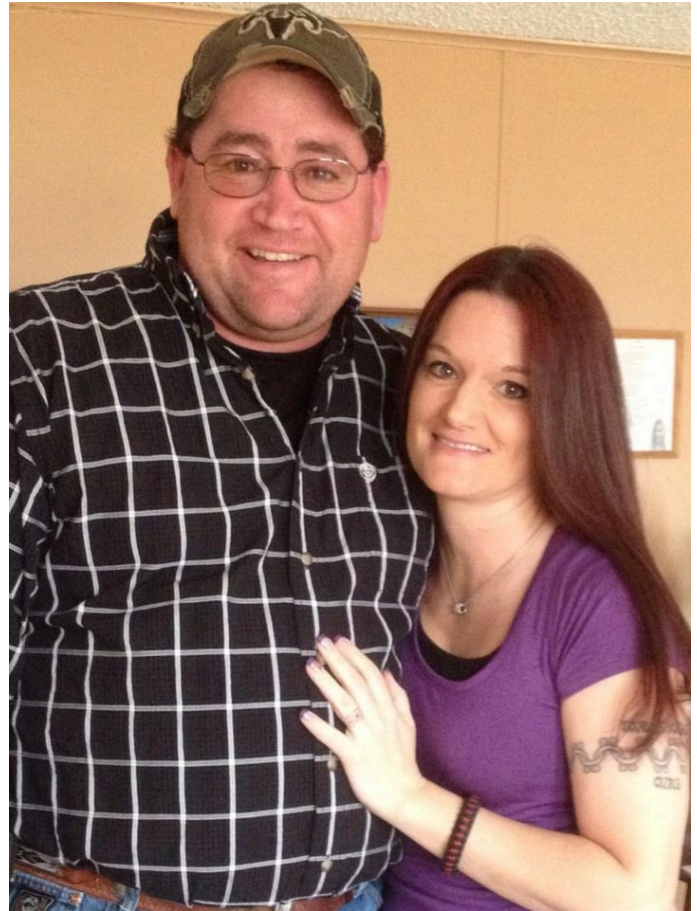
Lewis and Clark County 4-H is a part of the Hamilton's family DNA. From the 4-H building named in honor of William (Bill) Hamilton, to Karyn Hamilton's unrelenting dedication to 4-H and various projects throughout the years, it is no surprise their son, David (Dave) Hamilton, is just as involved.

Even before he could join 4-H at the age of 8, Dave was helping his older siblings and when his time finally came, he tackled every project with the same tenacity and hard-work ethic that you see today. He was always learning new projects and perfecting his skills which made for some pretty interesting stories of Dave and the Critter Catcher Crew.

As his 4-H career ended but he was too young to volunteer, Dave stayed involved by helping to build the Bill Hamilton Building in memory of his dad and helped his mom with whatever needed to be done. When his oldest daughter, Jessica, was old enough to join 4-H, there he was, with his wife Krista, as a parent volunteer. And, as Noelle and Josie came on board, Dave's involvement continued to grow as did the number of youths he brought along on the journey.

To this day, Dave is always willing to step up and help - no matter what needs to be done - throughout the Helena Community. He currently serves as the Lewis and Clark Co. 4-H Council President, the Overall Outdoor Chairman and participates on many subcommittees. Outside of 4-H, Dave is an active volunteer with the West Valley Fire Dept and maintains a fulltime job with DNRC providing fire safety training around the state.

Dave, your positive impact on the youth of Lewis and Clark County and it's 4-H program is immeasurable. Thank you for everything you do to make our community, state, country and world a better place!



4-H Volunteer Appreciation Dinner Friday, April 3rd

Save the Date! 4-H Volunteer Appreciation is **Friday, April 3rd, 2020 from 6-10 PM at the Lewis & Clark Fairgrounds Entry Hall**. Join us for food, music, dancing, and entertainment as we celebrate our 4-H volunteers!

Preparing for the 2019-2020 4-H Year

- Enrollment: **Re-enrollments and fees** are due to the Extension Office **December 31st**.
 - o Re-enrollments received after December 31st will require a \$50.00 enrollment fee per family.
- **New family enrollments** are due by **May 1st** to qualify for Fair, but new families can enroll at any time.
- **You can enroll online or request paper enrollments through the Office. Please make arrangements through your club leader.**

Record Book Committee

Current Committee Members: CJ Lassila, Bill Sullivan, Karyn Hamilton, James Schneider, Bobbi Steiner, Sam Allen, Tiffany Clipper, Claire Downing.

The Record Book Committee met on November 13th, where James Schneider was voted Chairman and record book check dates were set between May 1st and June 10th. Projects wanting to check their record books prior to May 1st will need approval from the Extension Office. The rest of the process will be reviewed and proposed to Council in February.

The committee will meet again on **January 14th at 5:30 PM at the Extension Office** where we will look through other counties' processes and rubrics and finalize our plan. Please call/e-mail the office for more information or to provide input.

4-H Livestock Sale Marketing Committee

***Minutes available online [HERE](#)

The next meeting will be **Monday, January 13th at the Extension Office immediately following the Outdoor meeting**. We have several things to figure out and solidify. It is important for all of you to participate. These are your animals we are talking about until they are sold at fair. We want quality animals for sale and top carcass ratings. Help us make your animal ready for your buyer to purchase.

-Karyn

Quality Assurance

We have the first **Quality Assurance scheduled for February 9th at 2:00 p.m at the Bill Hamilton Building (BHB)**. This will be the first of probably two we will be holding. We are encouraging everyone that can attend this to please try and attend. David Hamilton and the Junior Overall Superintendents will be handling Quality Assurance this year.

Anyone enrolled in an animal project (other than horse, dog, cat, and pocket pets) is required to complete Quality Assurance training once every three years. Please speak with your club leader or visit the [project page](#) to view the updated list of members needing quality assurance training in 2020.

Carcass Contest Committee

We are forming a Carcass Contest Committee to work with Adult and Junior Outdoor Superintendents and Teen Leaders in evaluating how we do the carcass contest. Duties would include: Working with the Extension Agent and harvester in scheduling a date for the contest, coordinating an educational workshop, carcass evaluation data collection, and assisting in movement of carcasses (as needed).

Please call/e-mail the office for more information, or visit [VolunteerHelena](#) to see a full list of our volunteer opportunities.

4-H Summer Camp

Thank you for applying to serve as a camp counselor this coming summer! For all who applied, our next meeting will be **Sunday, January 12 at 4:30**. We'll meet in the **upstairs conference room at the extension office**. We will discuss if we want to have a camp theme this year, and outreach/advertising to county 4-H clubs. See you there!

Note: if you haven't signed up to the Remind text group, please text @20204hcamp to 81010.

Luke Duran, 4-H Summer Camp leader

Sweetheart Spaghetti Dinner

The Canyon Creek Stock 4-H Club will be holding their **16th Annual Sweetheart Spaghetti Dinner on February 8, 2020 from 4:00-7:00 p.m. at the Canyon Creek School**. It is all you can eat for \$6 per adult and \$20 per family. There will be a bake sale, silent auction, chocolate fountain, and raffle. Please come and support our club and 4-H!

Find us on Facebook at:

<https://www.facebook.com/Canyon-Creek-Stock-4-H-Club-1650904675212597/>



Indoor Project Updates

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Indoor Committee	Michelle Ostberg	mostberg@bresnan.net	406.459.3543

Please discuss the proposal to move indoor judging to Monday instead of Tuesday during fair week. Then email the PROS and CONS to either mostberg@bresnan.net or kara.tangedal@montana.edu

There are still multiple areas available for volunteering your time and talents to provide exceptional learning experiences for our youth members. These can be found at [VolunteerHelena](#) or by contacting the Extension office by phone or email.

As a reminder please visit the county 4-H page www.lccountymt.gov/extension/4-h and download the record book pages for My 4-H Year and the project journal pages so youth can start filling them out as they work on their projects and attend workshops.

*The next indoor committee meeting will be **Monday, January 20th at 5:30 p.m. Upstairs Conference room in the Extension Office***

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Aerospace			

If you are interested or would like to volunteer for this project, please reach out to the Extension office 406-447-8346 and we will help get all the arrangements in order. Follow this link to see all available volunteer opportunities [Volunteer Helena page](#)

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Ambassadors	Catherine McNeil	mcneilcb@gmail.com	406.439.8570

Dear Lewis & Clark county 4-Hers, your county ambassadors have been hard at work planning the winter retreat **February 1-2 in Gallatin Gateway!** This retreat is a spectacular state event filled with fun activities and intriguing workshops. Look forward to sledding, service projects, and awesome workshops along with meeting tons of new people and having a fantastic weekend. Your team has been creating a whole new presentation to give to businesses and service clubs throughout our community and having a great time doing so! Please sign up for the winter teen retreat; it's gonna be an awesome time. We hope everyone's 4-H year is going great, keep up the hard work! Contact Kara or Lexi at the Extension office for more info. Sincerely Cade Duran & Megan Goroski

If you are interested please contact one of the county ambassadors – Claire Downing, Megan Goroski, Brooke Sangray, Henley Sexton or Natalya Routzahn

<i>Project</i>	<i>Superintendent</i>	<i>Email</i>	<i>Phone Number</i>
Babysitting	Catherine McNeil	mcneilcb@gmail.com	406.439.8570

<i>Project</i>	<i>Superintendent</i>	<i>Email</i>	<i>Phone Number</i>
Bicycle			

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<i>Project</i>	<i>Superintendent</i>	<i>Email</i>	<i>Phone Number</i>
Cat	Jen Amos	jenamos@bresnan.net	406.465.2563
	Michaela Blaney	stewart.michaela.2013@gmail.com	406.459.2568
	Junior: Melaina Kloberdanz		
	Sarah Amos		

We had so much fun swapping cat toys white elephant style and making cat treats with you all during our December workshop! I really enjoyed seeing everyone there and I can't wait to continue to work with everyone throughout the year. We will be meeting **Wednesday, January 15th 2020 at 6:30pm in the BHB** to discuss the importance of vaccinations and the effects of your cats not having them. There will be a guest speaker! We also will start meeting with our cats in February, so Jen or Michaela will need current copies of your **cats' vaccinations NO LATER than January 30th 2020**. Your cat needs to be current on their rabies vaccination (3 year), and their yearly booster vaccination (this is the 3 way) and we will discuss this one at our January workshop. As always, if there are any questions, please feel free to reach out to Jen and Michaela.

<i>Project</i>	<i>Superintendent</i>	<i>Email</i>	<i>Phone Number</i>
Citizenship	Kristin Gutowsky	mtkgutowsky@gmail.com	406.459.1433

Look for club opportunities from the citizenship project in January. If you have joined the citizenship project, please email me to make sure you are on my mailing list.

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-Kristin

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Cloverbuds	Katie Grady-Selby Junior: Emily Beveridge	katiegrady18@icloud.com	406.202.1802

Thanks to everyone that came and played Bingo and decorated gingerbread houses at our December workshop. Our next workshop will be **January 20th at 6 pm at the BHB.** We will be making no sew sock worms! If you want to mark your calendar here are the dates for the remaining workshops for the **2019-2020 4-H Year! January 20th / February 17th / March 16th / April 20th at the Painted Pot / May 18th / June 22nd** if you have any questions or comments, feel free to reach out to me.



Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Exploring Nature	Dora Lindner	mathfan2@gmail.com	406.475.3640
Outdoor Adventures, Wildlife, and Forestry	Michaela Blaney	stewart.michaela.2013@gmail.com	406.459.2568

Here are some activities you can enjoy doing with your families. Don't forget to keep a record of your activities. Check out February's newsletter for workshops in 2020. Let me know if you have any questions. These activities are free public events.

Moose Creek Cabin: Sunday, Jan. 6th, 1 pm

Lincoln Sculpture Park: Saturday, Jan. 26th, 11 am

Charter Oak Mill and Mine: Saturday, Feb. 16th

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Electricity Small Engines			

If you are interested or would like to volunteer for this project, please reach out to the Extension office 406-447-8346 and we will help get all the arrangements in order. Follow this link to see all available volunteer opportunities [Volunteer Helena page](#)

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Foods and Nutrition	Debbie Gribbons Junior: Gracie Gribbons	dgribbons@bresnan.net	406.459.0935

The next food workshop is **January 11th from 11:00 to 12:30**. We will be doing Dutch oven cooking weather permitting at the **Bill Hamilton Building**.

Grand Foods is **February 22nd at the Bill Hamilton Building**. Check in time is at 1:00 pm and judging starts at 1:30. Registration forms are due by **Monday February 3rd by 5:00 pm at the extension office**.

Stir ups is **February 22nd. (Location is still to be determined)**. Check in time is 8:30 am cooking starts at 9:00 am. Registration forms are **Monday January 13 at the extension office**. I hope to have the place finalized by first of January. Please give me a call in you are interested in doing Stir Ups at 459-0935.

Please call Debbie if you have any questions about Grand Foods or Stir Ups. Thank you

Project	Superintendents	Email	Phone Number
Gardening, Entomology Weed Science	Ann Reber Alicia Reber	belleelegant@gmail.com alicia.reber@gmail.com	406.437.2934

Check the newsletter in March for workshops.

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Leathercraft	Sam Allen Junior: Elaina Patten Junior: Philip Patten	sallen6@outlook.com	406.461.8583

Leather Craft 1st meeting will be **January 22nd, 2020 at 5pm in the BHB.** Please Bring your record books to the meeting along with your goals. Have a wonderful holiday season and see you in January.

If you have questions please call 406-461-8583 or email at sallen6@outlook.com.

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Photography	Luke Duran Juniors: Jonathan DeWald Cade Duran	elementl@bresnan.net	406.461.7799

We have a new photography project web site where you can find all the details and expectations of this project. The site also has upcoming events, your photo challenges, and resources for photography and equipment. Visit the site here:

<http://elementl.net/4H/>

We discussed the concept of reflection in our Fall photography meeting. Please send your best reflection photo to Luke so that we can review them as a group at our January meeting. Please click on the Challenges link on the photography website for details. We will meet on **Wednesday, January 15 at 4:45 p.m.** at the **upstairs conference room at the Extension office.** See you there!



Project	Superintendents	Email	Phone Number
Pocket Pets	Danielle Godlevsky CJ Lassila	danielle_godlevsky@yahoo.com siege1234@bresnan.net	406.465.2050 406.439.5168

Important Dates:

Monday, January 20th

Monday, February 17th

Next meeting! **Monday, January 20th, 6:30pm at Montana Wild.**

Nutrition is always important for Pocket Pets. Make sure you know what they need to eat for a healthy diet. Also, be especially sure to know what they cannot eat. Certain foods can be toxic to your little animal. So be sure to research and know what you can't let them eat.

During our December meeting project members got the opportunity to make Christmas Crackers - which are basically snack presents for their pocket pets. We had available various appropriate snack choices for pet rats, guinea pigs and fish. To make a Christmas Cracker - start with an empty cardboard cylinder. You can use an empty toilet paper roll or a paper towel tube. Put in some fluff, like you would use on a quilt and push it down; now add the snack goodies. Top with more fluff to hold it in. Now you cover the tube - use cloth or even tissue paper. Red is a great color to use at Christmas time. Tie off both ends using string or yarn. Your pet now has both an activity and a snack. The activity will be when the pet is working its way into the tube to enjoy the snack. Fish snacks were made by putting the fish food into little clear globes.

Our meeting finished with two Show and Tell presentations about guinea pigs. First, project member Aurora displayed and told about her male guinea pig Percy that she has had for a year. Hailey, a guest at our meeting, showed her two guinea pigs, Spike and Shadow.

For the January meeting, please come prepared to discuss what you wrote down for the project book assignment on page 12. This concerns things you like to do and whether your pet can do them with you.



Photos by C. J. Lassila.

#1 – making Christmas crackers. #2 – Aurora and her Guinea Pig, Percy.

To participate in Pocket Pets, please enroll in 4-H and the project. Feel free to contact either Danielle or C.J. with any questions and if you do email or text one of us, please also copy the other of us to the message. We use the 4-H project book, "Pet Pals"; and books are available at monthly meetings.

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Robotics

If you are interested or would like to volunteer for this project, please reach out to the Extension office 406-447-8346 and we will help get all the arrangements in order. Follow this link to see all available volunteer opportunities [Volunteer Helena page](#)

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Service Learning	Kristin Gutowsky	mtkgutowsky@gmail.com	406.459.1433

Look for club opportunities from the service learning project in January. If you have joined the service learning project, please email me to make sure you are on my mailing list.

-Kristin

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Sewing & Handiwork	Trudy Moffett Desiree Moffett	wolfcreekcottagecrafts@gmail.com	406.799.3254

We are starting a new year. Sewing workshops will be held at Capital Baptist Fellowship, 1727 Waukesha, at the corner of Laurel and Waukesha. The dates for the workshops are **January 12, February 9, and March 8**. The workshops will take place from **2:00-4:00 p.m.** Sewing Revue will take place on April 26.

Sewing students - please come prepared:

- ♣ Prewash your fabrics before cutting out pattern
 - ♣ If comfortable, cut the patterns prior to the workshop as there is limited space
 - ♣ Know your sewing machine - how to thread and rewind a bobbin, using the foot pedal
- Minimum sewing supplies to have handy are:
- T Scissors - preferably shears
 - T Dressmaker pins or quilting pins
 - T Pin cushion
 - T Seam ripper
 - T 6" ruler
 - T Seam gauge
 - T Measuring tape
 - T Marking pencil/pen
 - T Sewing machine (if you don't have one, we have one or two machines to share)

Knitting, crochet, embroidery and weaving

This is also a time for these projects. Knitting - bring your own needles and yarn; crochet - crochet hook and yarn; embroidery - embroidery thread, hoop and material; weaving - yarn or thread for your project.

Project	Superintendents	Email	Phone Number
Shooting Sports	Air Rifle: Vanessa Olson	2qtrcircle@gmail.com	406.431.1598
	Archery: Jason Armstrong	Jason.armstrong25@gmail.com	406.438.6479

Shooting is underway but there is still time to sign up.

Air Rifle/Pistol meets Tuesdays at 6 and 7 pm in the BHB

Archery meets Thursdays at 5:30, 6:30 and 7:30 pm in the BHB

Please come to the session that works best for you.

Small bore is meeting on **Sundays at 4:30 at HCO**. Registration is limited for Small Bore.

Mini Shoot:

Lewis and Clark 4-H Shooting Sports will be hosting its annual Mini Shoot on **Sunday, January 12th starting at 9:00 am** with three different times to shoot. There will be both archery and air rifle events throughout the day. Cost is \$5 per event. For questions about the shoot and how to sign up, contact the archery lead Jason Armstrong at 406-438-6479 or Jason.armstrong25@gmail.com. Also, be checking the shooting sports link on the Lewis and Clark 4-H web site for updated information.

4-H Shooting Sports Coaching Clinic:

Lewis and Clark County 4-H will be hosting a coaches training clinic at the **Bill Hamilton Building January 3-4**. The class will **start at 5:00 pm Friday evening and continue on Saturday from 8:00-5:00**. Once completed you will be certified as a coach in the discipline you choose. Disciplines offered are Coordinator, Archery, Rifle, or Pistol. For more information on getting signed up, contact Vanessa Olson at 406-431-1598, or Jason Armstrong at 406-438-6479.

TBA- Billings

Tournaments

January 12 - Mini-Shoot

January 18 - Lewis & Clark Shooting Sports Invitational - Registration is online with Bow Score. Click [HERE](#) to sign up. Set-up is January 17 starting at 9 am in the BHB.

January 25 - Flathead Shooting Sports Invitational - Kalispell

January 25 - Carbon County 4-H Archery Shoot - Red Lodge

January 25-26 - Marias Fair Invitational - Registration is online with Bow Score

January 1/31-2/1 - Madison County Archery Shoot - Ennis

January 1/31-2/1 - Carter County Shooting Stars Invitational - Baker

February 1 - Cascade County Archery Invitational - Great Falls

February 15 - Bitterroot 4-H Archers Invitational - Stevensville

February 29 – Choteau County Archery Invitational – Fort Benton

March 3-6 – State Shooting Sports Invitational

TBD – Big Timber, Ronan, Dillon and Livingston.

Please watch for emails as the registrations for these tournaments are sent out.

Record books are due March 12 to be considered for awards at the banquet. So, remember to update your record books monthly with the practices for the month and record any invitationals you attend individually. Don't forget the financial page – this includes your registration fee, any equipment you might purchase and fees for invitational, etc.

If you have questions, please contact me.

-Vanessa

Project	Superintendents	Email	Phone Number
Shotgun	Scott Allen Sam Allen Tom Manning	scott59634@gmail.com sallen6@outlook.com gonehuntingorfishing@hotmail.com	406.202.0905 406.461.8583

We have made changes to the Shotgun Program for this coming year.

There is no required membership to the trap club. The 4-H fee is \$25 .00 per youth.

Will be shooting twice a week (Monday and Thursday)

The project record book is required.

We will be doing a community service project

Our **1st meeting will be in March at the trap club.** I'll have additional signups, paperwork to fill out and our schedule for the program. The date and time will be announced in the newsletter and Facebook at a later date.

For more information call SCOTT ALLEN @ 406-202-0905 or email scott59634@gmail.com.

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Sport Fishing	Guy Rainville		406.439.3199

4-H SPORT FISHING workshops begin on **Tuesday, April 7th, 2020**. We'll meet every Tuesday evening until mid-August. These weekly workshops will include workshop topics such as fishing knots, Montana fishing regulations, fish identification, rod & reel maintenance and casting practice. At first, we will meet at the 4-H Bill Hamilton Building at the Fairgrounds. We will also meet a couple of times at Montana Wild. Then project members will begin outdoor fishing in May, getting an introduction to stream, river, pond and lake fishing at numerous locations throughout the Helena area.

Enroll now if you plan to do the project – this way we can contact your family with updated information or if special workshop opportunities come along. If you have any questions, contact Project Leader Guy Rainville at 439-3199 or contact the 4-H Office.



Photo by C. J. Lassila: Learning how to make jigs to use while fishing.

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Teen Leadership	Tiffany Clipper Kara Tangedal	berberet.tiffany2@gmail.com kara.tangedal@montana.edu	406.366.1509 406.396.6634

We will not be meeting for January,

However, Jason Armstrong is in need of score keepers for the Mini Shoot on **January 12, 2020**. Please reach out to Jason if you can assist with this County Event.

Jason's contact number is 406-438-6479

If you have not already, please make sure you join the Remind Group for updates for Leadership. www.remind.com/join/tclipp.

If you are interested in Gavel Games for Congress, please email me and let me know so I can start planning a practice schedule. If you are interested, you need to be able to commit to Congress which is July 8th- July 11th, 2020

Please call for questions or assistance.

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Vet Science	Amanda Luikens	luikens@aol.com	406.920.0701

February will be my second meeting for the vet science kids. It is going to be about different injections with different animals on different parts of their bodies. It will also be explaining why we use injections for the animals and what the purpose of them is.

The third meeting will be in March and the topic will be examining an animal!

Thanks,
Amanda

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Visual Arts

If you are interested or would like to volunteer for this project, please reach out to the Extension office 406-447-8346 and we will help get all the arrangements in order. Follow this link to see all available volunteer opportunities [Volunteer Helena page](#)

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Woodworking	Dave Swanson Junior: Ben Swanson Junior: Janelle Swanson	swansonda@cdmsmith.com	406.459.3950

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Welding	Dave Swanson Junior: Ben Swanson Junior: Janelle Swanson	swansonda@cdmsmith.com	406.459.3950

Outdoor Project Updates

Project	Superintendents	Email	Phone Number
Outdoor Committee	David Hamilton Junior: Josie Hamilton Junior: Olivia Harris Junior: Madelyn Pandis	davidhamilton431@gmail.com hamiltonjosie4@gmail.com oliviataeharris@gmail.com montanafreckles@gmail.com	406.431.1948 406.459.3469 406.461.8427 406.529.8386

Outdoor meeting is January 13th at 5:30-7:30 p.m. in the Upstairs Conference Room in the Extension Office. We will be mostly talking about the exhibitor’s handbook at the January meetings. We will be having a sales Committee meeting immediately following the Outdoor meeting
Minutes for the meeting can be found [HERE](#)

Project	Superintendents	Email	Phone Number
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	Junior: Elaina Patten		406.422.2106

Market Beef Possession Date: Wednesday, January 1st

Market Beef Tagging Date: Sunday, January 5th

Beef Tagging Forms Due Date: Wednesday, January 1st

There will be an upcoming workshop with Crystal White about feeding steers and what types of grain to feed them. There will be a confirmed date by **Tagging on Sunday, January 5th**.

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Dairy Cattle	Daisy Feight	daisyfeight@yahoo.com	406.439.1810
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Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Dog	Laurie Sullivan	lasullivan@bresnan.net	406.431.8636
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	Junior: Sarah Richter	karenrichter1973@gmail.com	

Obedience

The Dog Project will meet on **January 11th at the Bill Hamilton Building**. The Sub-Novice class (1st year) will meet at 8:30 a.m. The Sub-Novice B, Novice, and Open classes will meet at 9:45 a.m. No new registrations are being accepted.

The rest of the meeting dates for obedience are: **Jan 11, 18, and 25th**.

We will be having a workshop on **January 18th at Leah Anderson's arena**. It will be a dog sledding workshop. The workshop will start at **9:00 a.m. and end about 11:00 a.m.** Due to the limited amount of resources for this workshop it will be only open to the Dog Project members.

Agility

The Agility portion of the Dog Project will meet on **January 12th at the AKC building**. The class will meet from **4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.** Level 1 will be available to setup and start training at 4:45 p.m. Level 2 and 3 will start at 5:45 p.m. and will tear down. Please wear the appropriate clothing and shoes. A separate email will be sent for further details.

The rest of the meeting dates for agility are: **Jan. 12, 19, and the 26th**.

If you have any questions please email me at lasullivan@bresnan.net or call me at 227-5295.

Thanks,

Laurie Sullivan

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Goat	Karyn Hamilton	dewklh@netzero.net	406.461.7536
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	Junior: McKenzie Tordale	mltordale@gmail.com	406.461.7962

Goat Possession Date: Friday, May 1st

Goat Tagging Date: Sunday, May 10th

Goat Tagging Forms Due Date: Wednesday, May 6th

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all of you. The 1st project has gone out in my goat newsletter. It needs to go in your record book. There will be one or two projects in each newsletter from now on. I would like to welcome a new member to 4-H. Norma Brooks is in Wild Roses club and will doing a market goat for one of her projects. Welcome to the goat project Norma. I will be out of town for most of January but feel free to call me if you have a question

Some of you will be having kids born soon, so watch your does and make sure they have a warm, safe place to kid in. I start kidding the middle of February.

Does did not co-operate with me for and early kidding season.

If you have any questions call or email me. Karyn at dewklh@netzero.net or 461-7536.

Project	Superintendents	Email	Phone Number
Herdsmanship	Lisa Grady	lgrady@mt.gov	406.439.0518
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Project	Superintendents	Email	Phone Number
Horse	Peggy Bartmess	lc4horseproject@gmail.com	406.431.7497
	Jennifer Scoles		406.465.5523
	Junior: Landry Scoles	lscoles6@gmail.com	406.465.8331

The next horse meeting is **mandatory for all new horse members. We will meet January 24th for a Helmet Safety meeting at 6 pm in the BHB.** A member has to participate in Helmet Safety once as a Junior member and once as a Senior member. This is the only time our county will be offering the workshop, so please make every effort to make it!!! You **cannot** ride at our clinics without it!

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Jackpot	Jeff Patten	blaackraam@gmail.com	406.422.3796

Helena Jackpot Show - Save the Dates

June 13 and 14 in the Multi-purpose building on the fairgrounds. This is the best opportunity locally for you to improve your showmanship skills and practice showing your animals before the fair and this right in your back yard. The jackpot show is open to steers, heifers, swine, sheep and goats.

More information contact Jeff Patten at 406 422-3796.

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Livestock	Georgana Webster	legallyblondentall@gmail.com	406.438.2842
Judging	Junior: Becky deMontigny	bkdemontigny@gmail.com	406.475.2227

Our next contest is:

January 18th

KMON in Great Falls

11 a.m. ish

January 25th

Winterfest

Lewiston

Early morning

Contact Georgana if you are interested in participating. Newcomers always welcome.

406-438-2842

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Poultry	Lexie Edwards	lillexielou@live.com	406.439.9432
	C.J. Lassila	siege1234@bresnan.net	406.439.5168
	Junior: Irene Edwards Junior: Ashton McGaugh	blmcgauch5@gmail.com	406.422.4299

Important Dates:

- January 11th at the BHB
- February 1st at the BHB
- Poultry Possession date May 1st, 2020

Next Poultry Project meeting will be on **Saturday, January 11th, at 1:00pm in the Bill Hamilton 4-H Building (the BHB) at the Fairgrounds.** Please bring your project books. No birds needed at this meeting because we will be working with eggs. Please bring a half dozen eggs – likely some will go back home with you.

Our December Poultry project meeting was on Saturday, December 14th in the BHB. At this meeting – for level one - we did the “Crack the Case - Species and Breeds Poultry” list on page 8 of Poultry Project Book level one (“Scratching the Surface”). We also did “Crack the Case - Feather Patterns” list on page 18. Everyone had a chance for a close look at three chickens to be able to personally check out their feather patterns.



Photos by C. J. Lassila. Poultry project members inspect feather patterns.

The level 2 activity for this meeting was to do “My Poultry Business Budget for One Year” on page 6, Chapter One, of the 4-H Poultry Project Book level two (“Testing Your Wings”).

Each month we’ll spend about half of our meeting working in Poultry Project Book level one and the other half in activities covered by 4-H Poultry Project Book level two. This way we’ll review important information for level two project members and sometimes have additional learning opportunities for our level one project members.

Check out our Facebook page under Lewis & Clark 4-H Poultry project.

Project	Superintendents	Email	Phone Number
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The rabbit meeting will be **Monday, January 27th at 6:00 pm in the BHB**. Please leave your rabbits at home and bring your record books.

Project	Superintendents	Email	Phone Number
Round Robin	Michelle Gransbery Junior: Chloe Lee	mgransbery@helenaschools.org	406.431.6784 406.465.8319

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Sheep	Jeff Patten Junior: Hannah Diehl Junior: Brooke Harris Junior: Abigail Gruber	blaackraam@gmail.com hannahdeihl13@gmail.com brookeellee@gmail.com gruberpenguin@me.com	406.422.3796 406.227.5202 406.594.2753 406.431.5296

Sheep Possession Date: Friday, May 1st

Sheep Tagging Date: Sunday, May 3rd

Sheep Tagging Form Due: Wednesday, April 29th

Sheep Workshops:

January 26 at 2:00 pm we will have lambing, vaccinating castrating, and docking of tags workshop. Hopefully, there will be an ewe lambing again.

These workshops will be at my place at **863 Sunny Vista Rd**

Champion Choice Camp Swine and Sheep

Camp will be **June 12 and 13 in the BHB and Multipurpose building**. Many of the kids that have participated in these camps have done very well with their animals and have greatly improved their showmanship skills. Discounted camp prices will be the Monday after Thanksgiving. The website is: <https://www.championschoicecamps.com/>

More information contact Jeff Patten at 406 422-3796.

Project	Superintendent	Email	Phone Number
Swine	James Schneider Junior: August Schneider Junior: Zoe Schneider	LTCMontana@yahoo.com august.c.schneider@icould.com zoe.g.schneider@icloud.com	406.788.3011 406.465.8181 406.461.8853

Swine Possession Date: Wednesday, April 15th

Swine Tagging Date: Sunday, April 19th

Swine Tagging Form Due: Wednesday, April 15th

MONTANA 4-H IS TRYING OUT A NEW TOOL

ONLINE RECORD KEEPING FOR YOUR RECORD BOOK WITH ZSUITE

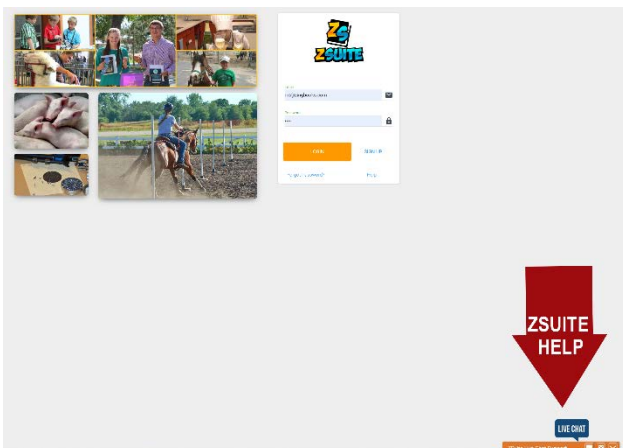


- This is not an App. **It is a mobile friendly website that mirrors the Montana 4-H record sheets.**
- After entering all of your record keeping for My 4-H Year, Non-Animal Projects or Animal (Market or Non-market) Projects you can download a printed version that looks nearly identical to the [Montana 4-H Record Sheets found here.](#)
- This site is in no way tied to 4honline and enrollment. This site is only being used for record keeping/record book purposes.
- THIS YEAR only the use of this site is free for Montana 4-H families to try.

To learn how to create a family ZSuite account and get starting completing your record book sheets online watch this [video tutorial.](#)



If you need further assistance setting up an account, you can contact Zsuite using the live chat or email. <https://4h.zsuite.org/>



This is a trial and your MSU Extension county office has not been trained to provide support or troubleshoot any issues with this record book site.

This is a new product and both 4-H and ZSuite is working together to provide the be

Canyon Creek Stock 4-H Club

The Canyon Creek Stock 4-H club caroled twice and handed out gifts with goodie plates to get in the holiday spirit. Happy Holidays!



Kountry Bumpkins 4-H Club

The Kountry Bumpkins 4-H club celebrated the season with a holiday party, treats and a white elephant sock gift exchange. Our club is full of enthusiastic 4-H members. We're excited to see this young group of kids grow up together, create lasting friendships, and share their 4-H experience.



Wild Roses 4-H Club

This past December, Wild Roses 4-H Club assembled and donated a Christmas stocking with (boxed) Gift Basket items as a community service project to the 2019 Festival of Trees. The Christmas stocking was handmade by one of the club's families. The Gift Basket items that accompanied the stocking included several gift certificates, a lovely wreath handmade by a club family, a Christmas pillow, several different candles, a stackable bowls stoneware set, cell phone cover, Pyrex baking dish with carrier, wild bird seed, a Montana 4-H Greytak 2020 calendar, several glove box items (tire gauges, flashlights, etc) donated by Helena Discount Tires, and more.

This was the sixth year in a row that Wild Roses has decorated an item and donated it to the Festival of Trees. Previously, the club has donated decorated table top trees (3 years), a decorated wreath, and a solo gift basket. This year the club's stocking and gift boxes were awarded an Honorable Mention Ribbon among the many beautiful decorated items submitted to the Festival. The Wild Roses 4-H Club stocking received several offers, topped by a \$120.00 bid. At the Festival of Trees, community visitors have the opportunity to bid on and win trees, gift baskets, wreaths and stockings, along with whatever items accompany them. The funds raised go to support Helena's Intermountain organizational mission of healthy families, healthy communities.



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*Check the calendar on the website for additional events or changes.
 *BHB = Bill Hamilton 4-H Building on the Lewis and Clark Co. Fairgrounds

January 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
December 29 Small Bore Meeting, 4:30 p.m., HCO	December 30 Rabbit Meeting, 6:00 p.m., BHB	December 31 Last day to enroll or re-enroll in 4-H Fun Air Rifle Night, 6:00-9:00 p.m., BHB	1 Office Closed  Beef Possession Date Beef Tagging Forms Due	2 Fun Archery Night, 5:30, BHB	3 Statewide Shooting Sport Training, 5:00-8:00 p.m., BHB Grand Foods Forms Due to the Extension Office by 5:00 p.m.	4 Statewide Shooting Sport Training, 8:00-5:00 p.m., BHB
5 Beef tagging, 12:00 p.m., BHB scale house Small Bore Meeting, 4:30 p.m., HCO	6 Foundation Meeting, 5:30 p.m., Extension Office, Upstairs	7 Air Rifle/Pistol, 6:00-9:00 p.m., BHB	8 Council Meeting, 6:00 p.m., BHB Club Leader Meeting, 6:00p.m., BHB	9 Archery, 5:30-8:30 p.m., BHB	10 Stir-Ups Forms Due to the Extension Office by 5:00 p.m.	11 Dog Meeting, 8:30-11:00 a.m., BHB Food Workshop, 11:00-12:30 p.m. Poultry Workshop, 1:00 p.m., BHB
12 Mini Shoot, 9:00 a.m., BHB Sewing Workshop, 2:00 p.m., Capitol Baptist Fellowship Dog Agility, 4:30 p.m., AKC Building 4-H Summer Camp Meeting, 4:30 p.m., Extension Office Small Bore Meeting, 4:30 p.m., HCO	13 Outdoor Meeting, 5:30, Extension Office, Upstairs Stir Ups Registration Forms Due, 5:00 p.m., Extension Office	14 Air Rifle/Pistol, 6:00-9:00 p.m., BHB Record Book Committee Meeting, 5:30 p.m., Extension Office, Upstairs	15 Photography Workshop, 4:45 p.m., Extension Office Cat Project, 6:30 p.m., BHB	16 Archery, 5:30-8:30 p.m., BHB	17	18 Shooting Sports Invitational, BHB Livestock Judging Contest, Great Falls Dog Obedience, 9:00 a.m., Leah Anderson's Arena
19 Youth Council, 3:00 p.m., Extension Office Dog Agility, 4:30 p.m., AKC Building New Family Orientation & Potluck, 5:00 p.m., Extension Office Small Bore Meeting, 4:30 p.m., HCO	20 Office Closed Martin Luther King Day Cloverbud Meeting, 6:00 p.m., BHB Indoor Meeting, 5:30 p.m., Extension Office, Downstairs Pocket Pets Meeting, 6:30 p.m., MT Wild	21 Air Rifle/Pistol, 6:00-9:00 p.m., BHB	22 Leathercraft Meeting, 5:00 p.m., BHB	23 Archery, 5:30-8:30 p.m., BHB	24 Horse Workshop, 6:00 p.m., BHB	25 Dog Obedience, 9:00-12:00 p.m., BHB Livestock Judging Winterfest, Lewiston
26 Sheep Workshop, 2:00 p.m., Patten's House Dog Agility, 4:30 p.m., AKC Building Small Bore Meeting, 4:30 p.m., HCO	27 Rabbit Meeting, 6:00 p.m., BHB	28 Air Rifle/Pistol, 6:00-9:00 p.m., BHB	29	30 Archery, 5:30-8:30 p.m., BHB	31	February 1 Dog Obedience, 9:00-12:00 p.m., BHB Winter Teen Retreat, Gallatin Gateway Poultry Workshop, 1:00 p.m., BHB