

Adair County 4-H

Newsletter

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Adair County 4-H Clubs

4-H Shooting Sports Club - 4-Hers learn & practice the safe handling of fire arms. Disciplines offered: Archery, Riflery, Shotgun, Black Powder, Pistol *Area/District/State Competitions available

4-H Livestock Club - 4-H Livestock Club Members learn about different aspects of the Livestock and Agriculture Industry. *4-Hers must complete 6 educational hours annually.

4-H Dog Club - Youth will learn about all aspects of dogs and learn how to train their dogs.

4-H Outdoor Club - The group will be taking part in the 4-H Stream Team study to track water quality throughout our area. Other programs related to the environmental study will also be included. The group will participate in canoe/kayaking, hiking, and other outdoor activities.

4-H Bee Club - Youth will learn about bees, pollination, beekeeping, and honey. The club has its own hives for teaching purposes. There will be monthly educational meetings to learn about bee's and beekeeping. Youth will have hands-on activities and will help to take care of the hives.

4-H STEM Club - Each month we have different STEM lessons and activities. Youth will receive kits containing everything needed for the project. Cloverbud youth may participate in the Club.

4-H Poultry/Rabbit Club - Youth learn about the art of showing rabbits/poultry as well as other aspects of the rabbit/poultry industry. Potential for District & State level competition. *Each youth must complete 6 educational hours annually.

4-H Horse Club - Youth learn about the art of showing horses as well as other aspects of the equine industry. Potential for District & State level competition. *Each youth must complete 6 educational hours.

Cloverbuds - An opportunity to get started with activities leading up to 4H age. This club is for children age 8 and under to participate in robotics, STEM, arts and other lessons.

4-H Art Club - Club will be in the Spring. Learn new art techniques and make art projects using various mediums.

4-H Photography Club - Youth learn about cameras, photography and proper techniques to take great pictures. Youth will learn how to display and exhibit their photos.

4-H Award Banquet

4-H Awards Banquet was held on Thursday, Oct. 12. Congratulations to all award winners! Our 2023 Junior 4-H Member of the year is **Maddie Wethington** and our 2023 Senior 4-H Member of the year is **Katelynn Molesky**. This year a new recognition is our Friend of 4-H Award. This year's recipient is **Richard Phelps**. Richard has been a huge supporter of our 4-H programs, especially our 4-H Shooting Sports program. We want to thank him for all his support of our 4-H and shooting sports program.

The shooting sports club also thanks the Adair County Sportsmen Club for allowing us to use their facilities for our shooting sports program. The club made a \$500 donation to the Sportsmen Club to show our appreciation.

Diamond level sponsor: Community Medical Service, Inc., Bargins Insurance, WAIN

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Green Level Sponsor: DAC Design.

We want to say thank you to all our volunteers, parents, youth, and community support of our 4-H Program this past year!

4-H Summer Camp - June 11-14, 2024

2024 Camp Dates are set!! Adair County will attend 4-H Camp June 11-14, 2024. Save the date and watch for information on signing your child/children (ages 9-18) up for camp. Sign up information will be announced in **January**, watch our page for information. We can't wait for camp and to "Linger a little Longer"!

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County Extension Agent
for 4-H Youth Development

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS



November:

- 6th - Photography Club @ 6 p.m.
- 7th - Dog Club @ 5:30 p.m.
- 10th - Teen Council @ 1 p.m.
- 16th - Ham Auction @ 5:30 p.m.
- 20th - Cloverbuds @ 5:30 p.m.
- 21st - Outdoor Club @ 5:30 p.m.
- 21st - Photography Club @ 6:30 p.m.
- 27th - Horse Club @ 5:30 p.m.
- 28th - Rabbit/Poultry Club @ 5:30 p.m.

December:

- 5th - Dog Club @ 5:30 p.m.
- 7th - Livestock Club @ 5:30 p.m.
- 17th - Horse Club @ 5:30 p.m.



4-H COUNTRY HAM PROJECT



- 4-H members will receive 2 hams to cure, they learn how to cure ham and hang their hams for 8 months.
- After the hams are cured, youth are required to give a presentation on a specific topic related to country hams. Youth are required to give a 3-5 minute presentation at the KY State Fair on August 15, 2024.
- Youth must get 6 hours of classroom instruction to compete at State Fair. We will have after school meetings monthly at Extension Office.
- Any youth 9-18 years old may participate.

Dates to remember :
January 15, 2024 Curing Day
May 24, 2024 Ham Cleaning Day
August 13, 2024 Ham Prep Day for State Fair
August 15, 2024 Attend Ky State Fair to give your ham speech.



4-H ESTIMATED COST: \$70.00 includes 2 hams, cure mix, supplies
CLOVERBUD AND ADULT COST: \$50.00 and includes only one ham
Make checks payable to: Adair County 4-H or pay online with the QR Code via square. Payments made online will have a \$2.00 Convenience fee added.



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2024 Kentucky 4-H Country Ham Project

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

TELEPHONE _____ COUNTY _____

BIRTHDATE _____ GRADE _____

Please read each and initial you understand the requirements of the project:

By taking part in the country ham project, I am responsible for the following:	4-H Member Initial	Parent /Guardian Initial
Must complete 6 hours of training under the supervision of a certified livestock volunteer.		
Giving a 3-5-minute presentation at KY State Fair on the required topic: <u>Junior (Born 2014-2010)</u> How to cook and store a country ham - Discuss the best ways to store your country ham after the fair and the various ways to cook a country ham. <u>Senior (Born 2005-2009)</u> How to market and sell Country Hams. (visual aids are optional, no digital/electronic devices) Please note – ALL SENIOR PRESENTATIONS MUST BE AT LEAST 2 MINUTES LONG OR THEY WILL BE DISQUALIFIED AND HAMS FORFEITED.		
Pay \$70.00 fee – you will receive 2 hams – Hams are to remain at your County Designated facility until the State Fair– Ham’s WILL NOT be allowed to be stored at individual homes/facilities. (Failure to complete the project will result in the fee NOT being refunded, and you will forfeit both hams, Upon forfeit, if the two hams are not returned an additional \$70.00 fee will be charged and if the additional fee is not paid the 4-H member will not be able to participate in next years Country Ham project).		

All winning hams will be placed on display at the Kentucky State Fair and will be returned its conclusion.

Parents Signature _____ Date _____

4-H'er Signature _____ Date _____

Agent Signature _____ Date _____

Completion of the 4-H Country Ham project makes 4-Her eligible to apply for Country Ham Scholarship, applications are due July 2024.

AGENTS NOTICE:
If your county misses the July 1 deadline to certify your county registration and your volunteer worker for state fair, you will NOT be allowed to participate in the Country Ham Project in 2025.

Agents please scan this document into 4-H Online when you sign up youth.

