



Colusa County 4-H January Newsletter



Register Now!

Colusa County Presentation Day

Date: Saturday, January 27, 2024

Where: Colusa High School

Time: 9am registration, 10am presentations
begin

Registration Closes Friday, January 12th.

[Register Here!](#)



Upcoming Events:

January:

1st - 4-H Office Closed

8th - Arbuckle Club Mtg, 7pm

Princeton Club Mtg, 6pm

Stonyford Club Mtg, 6pm

12th- Presentation Day Entries Due

15th - 4-H Office Closed

17th - 4-H Council Mtg, 5:30pm

22nd - Colusa Club Mtg, 7pm

22nd - 26th - Colusa County 4-H Week

What is County Presentation Day?

This event is open to all 4-H'ers allowing youth to exhibit their communication and public speaking skills. Members plan and create a presentation with assistance from the California 4-H Presentation Manual.

As a reminder, to exhibit either an

27th - Colusa County Presentation Day

February:

6th - 8th - Colusa Fram Show, 4-H Council Pie Sale fundraiser.

7th - Maxwell Club Mtg, 6pm

8th - Market Beef Online Fair Entries Due

12th - Princeton Club Mtg, 6pm

Stonyford Club Mtg, 6pm

Arbuckle Club Mtg, 6pm

16th - Colusa County 4-H ABA/Still Exhibit Day Entries Due

19th - 4-H Office Closed

26th - Colusa Club Mtg, 7pm

March:

2nd - Colusa County 4-H ABA/Still Exhibit Day

animal or still exhibit at the Colusa County Fair, members must complete one presentation related to their project. County Presentation Day counts for this requirement.

California 4-H
Presentation Manual

**PRESENTATION DAY
VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED!**

We are looking for Evaluators and Room Coordinators. Please click the button below to sign up or call our office, 530-458-0570

[Click Here to Volunteer](#)

Clubs in Action

Princeton 4-H Club

December 4-H Meeting

At our meeting on December 18th 2023 we talked about County wide presentation day and up coming project meetings. We also talked about the 4-H week window display. After we talked about that we did a little art project that Diane Taylor put together for the group. We used cloths-pins and made snowman. Finally once everything was discussed all of the kids brought a tray of food and we had a little pot luck dinner.

Article by Wyatt Roach





Unleashing Creativity: Exploring the Vibrant World of Crafts at the 4-H Craft Expo

By Owen Vann, Arbuckle 4-H

The 4-H Craft Expo was a super duper event where children and adults got to make crafts. On the first Saturday in November, the Craft Expo took place at the Colusa County Fairgrounds in Festival Hall. There were lots of 4-H and community members, as well as at least a dozen crafting booths. Maxwell 4-H sold snacks and drinks for everyone.

The first step as you entered the hall was buying tickets to make the crafts. The craft activities cost 1 to 4 tickets. One option was the origami star ornaments that I taught with my brother and my mom for 1 ticket. Other crafts for two tickets included rock painting, origami animals, and cookie decorating. There were more choices for 3 to 4 tickets, such as making a sock snowman with Ashlyn Cline and her mom or sewing reindeer ornaments with candy cane antlers.

My favorite was the sock snowman and one of the ornaments with Natalie Manhart, Ava Gomez, and Natalie's mom. Their craft had three options: the Santa belly, the Grinch's heart, and the reindeer face.

I want to thank all of the volunteers who came and helped with the event, especially Dawn Brown. Dawn has made the Craft Expo possible for many years!

Plan ahead and mark your calendars for the first Saturday in November for 2024!

Attention 4-H Club Members:

If you attend a 4-H event, you are welcome to submit an article to let us know about it! Send us a picture, and tell us the who, what, where, and why, plus something that you learned! The deadline to submit is by the 20th of the month. And, it will count in your record book!

Email article to jpperry@ucanr.edu or mzoller@ucanr.edu

News from California State 4-H

[Visit the Site Here!](#)

Upcoming events for judging:

- Livestock Judging: Chico State and Butte College Field Day - February

10, 2024.

- Livestock, Poultry, Dairy, and Horse Judging contests: UC Davis CA&ES Field Day - March 2, 2024

*All except Horse Judging are qualifying contests for 2024 national contests

Registration for both contests is open NOW! Registration must be completed by county 4-H office staff. Contact your local 4-H office or Erica Pettey (eapettey@ucanr.edu) for assistance.

Apply to serve as a 2024-25 State Ambassador!

The California 4-H State Ambassador Program is represented by youth who are exceptional in their leadership and service to their communities and who can professionally represent the entire University of California 4-H Youth Development Program. The size of the 4-H State Ambassador team varies each year and is determined by the number of outstanding youth who apply.

Applications are due January 22, 2024 by 8:00am.

See our State Ambassador page to learn more about what State Ambassadors do and how to apply.

For more information email: stateambassadors@ucanr.edu

Save the Date State Field Day May 25, 2024

The California 4-H State Field Day will take place on Saturday, May 25th, 2024 on the UC Davis campus. State Field Day is a single day event with multiple contests that youth ages 9 and up can participate in. Primary youth activities will also be available, as well as educational booths. State Field Day contests are a culminating activity for a variety of 4-H project areas. Some contests require that youth pre-qualify, while others are open to anyone.

State Field Day 2024 will offer the following contests:

- State Presentations*
- State Fashion Revue* - State Fashion Revue categories
- Interview - Interview Contest job descriptions
- Robotics
- Forestry
- Insect Identification
- Photography
- Film Festival
- Plant Science

[2024 State Fashion Revue Categories](#)

[2024 Interview Job Descriptions](#)

*These contests require youth to pre-qualify at a county and/or regional event.

More details will be available in Spring 2024.

If you have questions or inquiries, please reach out to 4hsfd@ucanr.edu!

Attention: Swine Project Leaders and Members

Please review the information below before purchasing your animal.



UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA
Agriculture and Natural Resources ■ 4-H Youth Development Program

Proposition 12 Compliance - Guidelines for 4-H Youth in Swine Projects

What is Proposition 12?

- Proposition 12 (Prop 12) was a ballot initiative which passed on November 6, 2018.
- Modified the confinement (**housing**) standards for breeding pigs.
 - A breeding pig is any female pig of the porcine species kept for the purpose of commercial breeding who is six months or older, or pregnant.

How does Prop 12 define minimum housing standards for breeding pigs?

- A breeding pig must be able to lie down, stand up, fully extend limbs, and turn around freely.
- An enclosure must provide a minimum of 24 square feet of usable floorspace per breeding pig.

How does this impact the pork producer (pig breeder)?

- The modified Animal Confinement regulations went into effect on January 1, 2022.
- The regulations state that all pork producers keeping breeding pigs to produce whole pork meat for commercial sale in California **must** confine the breeding pig on a **certified operation (farm)**.
- Whole pork meat can originate from the breeding pig or immediate offspring (market pigs).
- A **Prop 12 certified pork producer or farm** is housing their breeding pigs in compliance with the farm animal minimum confinement standards for the duration of their production cycle.

What documentation of Prop 12 compliance is needed for the 4-H market pig?

- **When purchasing a market pig for exhibition at a fair, 4-H youth must confirm the breeder/farm is certified as Prop 12 compliant.**
- 4-H youth should request a written certificate of compliance with their purchase receipt for the market pig.
- Self-certification will no longer be accepted by fairs or pork processors.
- All pork producers will be required to be **third-party certified** after January 1, 2024.

What if a 4-H youth is raising a breeding pig?

- Breeding pigs when raised as part of a 4-H youth project are **exempt** from Prop 12 regulations.
- **Immediate offspring** of the breeding pigs, when raised as part of a youth project, are also **exempt** from Prop 12 regulations.

Do 4-H youth need to change how they house their market pigs?

- 4-H youth are not required to meet the Prop 12 minimum housing standards for the market pig.
- Fairs or other exhibitions are also not required to meet the Prop 12 minimum housing standards.

For more information: <https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/AHFSS/AnimalCare/>

Presentation Day - Saturday, January 27th

This event is open to all 4-H'ers. Registration is open!

Adult Volunteers are needed for this event. If you would like to help, please call the 4-H Office, 530-458-0570.

Colusa County 4-H Week - January 21-27, 2024

This years theme is Many hearts. One family. Be on the lookout for 4-H displays in windows of a few businesses January 21 - 27th for Colusa County 4-H Week! Displays need to be in place by Sunday, January 21st.

Anything But Animals Still Exhibits Day Saturday, March 2nd

This event is open to all 4-H'ers and allows youth to exhibit a variety of entries such as: arts and crafts, woodworking, table settings, and baked goods. Youth are evaluated on their craft exhibit, as well as a spoken presentation of the items. Pre-registration is required. This event meets the fair requirement for an educational event for youth wanting to exhibit a Still project at the Colusa County Fair.

****REGISTRATION OPENING SOON!**

Colusa County Fair (June 6 -9,2024)

This event is NOT a 4-H event, but is highly attended by 4-H members and allows youth to exhibit their project work. Fair eligibility requirements must be met in accordance to Colusa County 4-H policy.

Colusa County Fair Theme for 2024 is *"Star Spangled Summer"*

Livestock News



2024 Fair Entry Deadline Schedule

Entries are NOT considered complete unless online entry, payment, and all supporting documents and photos are received by the entry deadline. Entries will be disqualified if deficiencies are not cleared before the 10 day grace period has concluded.

Livestock

Market Beef

Thursday, Feb. 8, 2024 by 11:59 p.m. - online entries, ownership photos and YQCA due
Sunday, Feb. 11, 2024 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. - pre-weigh

Market Hogs: No pre-weigh

Thursday, Apr. 4, 2024 by 11:59 p.m. - online entries, ownership photos, bill of sale, Prop. 12 compliance certificate, and YQCA due

Market Lambs & Goats: No pre-weigh

Thursday, Apr. 4, 2024 by 11:59 p.m. - online entries, ownership photos and YQCA due

Market Rabbit, Turkey & Poultry Pens: No pre-weigh

Thursday, May 2, 2024 by 11:59 p.m. - online entries, ownership photos and YQCA due

Breeding Stock, Showmanship & Primary Member Shows

Thursday, May 2, 2024 by 11:59 p.m. - online entries and YQCA (Exhibitors 9 years old and over)

STILL EXHIBITS

Thursday, May 2, 2024, by 4:00 p.m. - Paper Entry Forms - Fair Office

Thursday, May 2, 2024, by 11:59 p.m. - online entries due

Jr. School Projects	All 4-H Exhibits
Sr. Education projects	Coloring contest
Jr. Ag. Mechanics	FFA Vocational Ed. Ag. Mechanics & Auction
Jr. & Sr. Floriculture	Feature Booths
Ag Horticulture Wheelbarrow	Jr. & Sr. Baked Goods
Jr. & Sr. Preserved Foods	Jr. Table Settings
Jr. Biological & Natural Sciences	Sr. Clothing & Textile
Sr. Quilting	Jr. & Sr. Fine Arts
Jr. & Sr. Photography	Jr. & Sr. Handicrafts

Thursday, May 9, 2024, by 4:00 p.m. - Paper Entry Forms - Fair Office

Thursday, May 9, 2024, by 4:00 p.m. - Online Entries Due

Jr. & FFA & Sr. Floriculture: Container Plants

Monday, June 3, 2024, by 4:00 p.m. - Paper Entry Forms - Fair Office

Monday, June 3, 2024, by 11:59 p.m. - online entries due

Jr. & FFA & Open Floriculture: Cut Flowers
Jr. & Sr. Agriculture/Horticulture
Plein Air Painting

Livestock Loan Applications

MATTINGLY MEMORIAL LIVESTOCK LOAN

ED & JOSIE MATTINGLY MEMORIAL LIVESTOCK LOAN Ed and Josie Mattingly were 4-H leaders in Butte County for many years while 7 of their 9 children were in the Biggs 4-H Club. Both have since passed away, and their family and friends would like to memorialize them by helping 4-H'ers in livestock projects. In this spirit the family would like to help 4-H'ers who would have difficulty financing a livestock project without a loan. For further information, please contact the 4-H Office at 458-0570 OR BY [clicking here](#)

JOEL SHERER MEMORIAL LIVESTOCK LOAN

JOEL SHERER MEMORIAL LIVESTOCK LOAN Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sherer of Arbuckle established the Joel Sherer Memorial Fund in 1965 to memorialize their son Joel, who was "an energetic 4-H'er during his lifetime", and to assist 4-H members in establishing a degree of

independence by allowing them the opportunity to finance their livestock projects. For For further information, please contact the 4-H Office at 458-0570 OR BY [clicking here](#)

COLUSA-GLENN FARM CREDIT YOUTH LOANS

The Colusa-Glenn Farm Credit Youth Lending Program provided interest-free funds to youth from Colusa and Glenn Counties who participate in livestock projects in qualifying 4-H, FFA, Independent, or Grange chapters. This opportunity allows the youth to learn about the importance of accurate records, budgeting, and honoring obligations to repay. [click here for more information](#)



**SPARKS
EMERALD STAR
IMPACT STAR
ACHIEVEMENTS PROGRAM**



Ways to Earn Your Spark Achievements

A Spark Achievement reflects a member's experiences in 4-H with the purpose to try new things. Through this dip-your-toe-in strategy, members can discover something in 4-H that brings them joy and motivation—a **Spark**.

Spark Achievement pins show member experiences and accomplishments in 4-H.

Any member who does not currently hold a bronze star rank must use the Spark Achievement program.

Click the link below to learn more.

[4-H Achievement Manual](#)

Chicks in the Classroom

CHICKS IN THE CLASSROOM
EMBRYOLOGY
Complete egg incubation kits and curriculum in select classrooms to learn & witness the development of a chick through the incubation process!

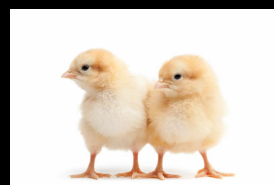
Limited quantities available, contact othe 4-H office if you are interested.

We can take sign ups for the following time slots:

September-October
February-March
April-May

We have three incubators available for Fall and Spring classrooms! Full incubator & curriculum provided for grades 2-6.

530-458-0570 or
colusa@ucanr.edu



Colusa County 4-H Club Meetings

Arbuckle 4-H Club

2nd Monday of the month, 7:00 p.m.,
Arbuckle Elementary School

Maxwell 4-H Club

1st Wednesday of the month, 6:00 p.m.,
Maxwell Elementary School Multipurpose
Rm - No January Mtg.

Colusa 4-H Club

Varying Mondays, 7:00 p.m. - Etchepare Hall,
Fairgrounds, No May Mtg.

Princeton 4-H Club

2nd Monday of the month, 6:00 p.m.
Princeton Elementary School

Stonyford 4-H Club

2nd Monday of the month, 6:00 p.m.
Community Pavillon - No December Mtg.

**Anyone interested in helping us
revive the Williams 4-H Club, please
[contact us!](#)**

[For More Information](#)
[Click here to e-mail the 4-H Office.](#)

4-H PLEDGE

I pledge my **H****AD** to clearer thinking,
my **HE****RT** to greater loyalty,
my **H****ANDS** to larger service,
and my **HE****ALTH** to better living,
for my club, my community, my country,
and my world. 

Prometo usar mi **M****NTE** para pensar con más claridad,
mi **COR****ZÓN** para ser más leal,
mis **M****NOS** para ser más servicial,
mi **S****LUD** para cuidarme más,
por mi club, mi comunidad, mi país
y mi mundo. 

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