

# Tuesday News



## Features

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### Register Now for the Evergreen Junior Dairy Show

The Evergreen Junior Dairy Show promotes and educates the public about the dairy industry. It also serves as a spring show for all 4-H and FFA members. The show will take place on April 26–27 and is open to all 4-H and FFA youth who wish to participate in several fun activities, including demonstrations, a poster contest, and showmanship and type contests.

Registration information and event details can be found at

<https://extension.wsu.edu/4h/dairy-endowment-fund/program-activities/evergreen-junior-dairy-show/>



## Last Day to Submit Calf Sale Grant Applications!

The Springtime Youth Calf Sale grant applications are due today! Don't wait to send your applications in!

Check out the [Dairy Events page](https://extension.wsu.edu/4h/dairy-endowment-fund/program-activities/) for more details (https://extension.wsu.edu/4h/dairy-endowment-fund/program-activities/).

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## Mark Your Calendars for the Greensleeves Spring Small Animal Show

Save the date! The Greensleeves Spring Small Animal Show will be **Saturday, March 30<sup>th</sup>**, at the Evergreen State Fairgrounds Display Hall. This year we will offer Poultry Showmanship & Costume; Cavy showmanship, type & costume; Rabbit showmanship, type & costume; and a Round Robin Event! Check out our Facebook Event (<https://www.facebook.com/events/895829265372610>) for more details. The cat program will also have a show in our same building and be included in Round Robin. Our show catalog & online entry portal will be available soon!



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## 4-H Horse Program Update: New Washington 4-H Equine Rulebook Available after March 1

Attention 4-H Equine Project Families: there will be a new Washington 4-H Equine Rulebook with an **anticipated roll out of March 1<sup>st</sup>**.

It is in the final stages of development by the State 4-H Equine committee that includes a “rule book” sub-committee of 4-H staff of Stephanie Roeter-Smith (chair); Kim Baker, RA Mazzola, Kate McCloskey along with four active Washington 4-H horse judges, a state fair representative (Connie Medeiros), and state coordinator of horse bowl and horse judging (Pat Pehling).

Washington 4-H decided in late August to develop our own rulebook that better reflects the Washington 4-H horse program. There are no significant rule changes as most changes do align with the old PNW 4-H horse contest guide. However, the soon-to-be-available rule book will be more comprehensive and easier to read with quicker access to rules and project resources.

The Washington 4-H Equine rule book will be housed, **after March 1<sup>st</sup>** on the WSU 4-H Horse page (<https://extension.wsu.edu/4h/projects/animal-science/companion-performance/horse/>). It will not be housed with WSU publications.

County 4-H staff have also been alerted of this new rule book and will be supplied with a copy of the new rule book.

We wanted to alert everyone of the new book, especially those who are in the midst of (or soon-to-be) fairs, county horse activities, etc. The rules sub-committee has been meeting regularly to complete this promptly!

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Jennifer Leach [leachj@cowlitzwa.gov](mailto:leachj@cowlitzwa.gov)

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## **Save the Dates for Upcoming Shooting Sports Leader Training!**

The next Level 1 training has been scheduled! If you are a 4-H volunteer, 21 or older, and are interested in becoming certified to teach shooting sports to our amazing youth, this is for you!

- *Date:* March 22-24
- *Disciplines Offered:* Archery, Rifle, Shotgun, and Pistol (up to 2 disciplines per volunteer allowed)
- *Cost:* \$110 for the first discipline, \$30 for the second
- *Location:* 12736 Marksman St SW, Olympia, WA 98512

Registration opens on February 15: <https://extension.wsu.edu/4h/projects/shooting-sports>

**Event Flyer**

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## Equine Presentations Contest Results

The WA State 4-H Equine Presentations Contest took place via Zoom on Saturday, February 3, 2024.

In all, there were 13 Senior contestants from across Washington State. We were quite excited to see expanded participation and hope the momentum continues for our 2025 contest!

Congratulations to all for sharing your amazing presentations!

### Individual Presentations:

- State Champion | Blue Award | Gold Medal – Madison E-C. of Snohomish County with Miniature Horses Guiding the Blind
- Reserve Champion | Blue Award | Silver Medal – Haley D. of Pierce County with Combating Strangles
- Third Place | Blue Award | Bronze Medal – Stella M. of Spokane County with AQHA Western Pleasure
- Fourth Place | Blue Award – Gabrielle T. of Whatcom County with Hoofprints Through Hard Times

### Team Presentations:

- State Champions | Blue Award | Gold Medals – Leah A. and Maria K. of Thurston County with The Benefits of Dressage for Equines
- Reserve Champions | Blue Award | Silver Medals – Nora G. and Aerin C. of Snohomish County with Camping With Horses
- Third Place | Red Award – Paige M. and Winter F. of Pierce County with Equine Protozoal Myeloencephalitis

### Public Speaking:

- State Champion | Blue Award | Gold Medal – Charlotte P. of Thurston County with Technological Advances in Racehorse Safety
- Reserve Champion | Blue Award | Silver Medal – Malorie L. of Pierce County with Equine Therapy for Vets with PTSD
- Third Place | Red Award – Hunter M. of Snohomish County with Equine Communication

Many thanks to all the coaches and mentors who helped our members prepare!

Thank you also to Somer Meade for her technical assistance both on the contest today and with helping youth check their tech questions during the week ahead of the contest.

To Ramona Leber, our timekeeper and scorer; we could not have done this without you!

To Jennifer Leach, 4-H Equine Specialist for providing excellent oversight of the contest and for participating as a judge for the contest.

To Kellian Whidden, returning as a judge for the fourth time, and our newest judge, Sandra Farley, a very welcome addition to our judging team!

Also to Kim Baker, 4-H Equine Coordinator and contest coordinator for handling technical aspects and registration.

It is a team effort.

And CONGRATULATIONS TO Madison, Leah, Maria, and Charlotte who will be representing WA State at the Eastern National 4-H Round Up this November in Louisville, KY.

**Remember:** there is no state equine presentations contest at the State Fair this year. The next contest will take place in 2025.

For information on how you can be involved in the 2025 contest, please visit the [WA State 4-H Horse page](#) and look under State & National Contest Resources, Dates, & Entry Forms.

You may also contact State Equine Coordinator, Kim Baker ([kim.baker@wsu.edu](mailto:kim.baker@wsu.edu)) or State Equine Specialist, Jennifer Leach ([jleach@wsu.edu](mailto:jleach@wsu.edu)).

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## No Tuesday News on February 27

There will be no Tuesday News update on February 27th. We will see you with updated Tuesday News on March 5th!

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