**Kittitas County 4-H FOCUS**

**Calendar**

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**Club Business**

**4-H Enrollments/Re-Enrollments**

4-H Enrollment and Re-enrollment will be done online again this year. Club leaders were sent help sheets to pass on to their members. Help sheets are also available at the Extension Office. The website is https://wa.4honline.com. Some important tips:

- Re-enrolling members and leaders already have a profile in the system-so once they are logged in they just update and verify their information.
- Re-enrolling members and leaders must use the same e-mail address to sign into the system as last year-it can be changed by the Extension Office if you no longer have access to that e-mail. **DO NOT** create a new account if you were enrolled last year. Contact Andrea at the Extension Office if you are unsure which e-mail address to use.
- The $25 Enrollment Fee can be paid by check or cash in the Extension Office. Checks should be made payable to WSU. The fee can also be paid online by credit/debit card when re-enrolling.
- There is a computer available in the Extension Office for those who do not have internet access.
- Please contact Andrea at amorse@wsu.edu or 962-7507 if you experience any trouble.

**Enrollment Fee Sponsorship**

If the $25 per member fee is not a financial burden, families can pay during enrollment by card through 4HOnline or by check or cash in the Extension Office. Kittitas County 4-H is dedicated to supporting all youth interested in participating in 4-H. **No child will be denied access to membership because of inability to pay.** We are committed to working with clubs and families to provide multiple options to support those who need assistance. For example:

- Clubs may support members, in part or full, with fees
- Leaders or parents may request support from Kittitas County 4-H Council by completing a 4-H Enrollment Assistance Fee Application, available online at: https://extension.wsu.edu/kittitas/youth/4-h-forms, or at the Extension Office.

**4-H Council Budget**

The budget committee is working on the budget to put forth a total package at the November 4-H Council meeting.

**Concession Booth Use**

Any 4-H club wishing to use the 4-H Concession Booth needs to reserve the booth at least two weeks in advance.

**WSU Kittitas County 4-H Youth Development Vision Statement:**

The WSU Kittitas County 4-H program is a community recognized and supported quality youth development program that helps youth of the county acquire practical hands-on experiences and life skills enabling them to become self-directing, productive, and contributing members of a diverse and changing society.
Record Book Tips - November

- Special exceptions are made for 4-Hers with learning/physical disabilities. A note requesting accommodation must be included with the member’s book when it is turned in for the Up-to-Date check in July.
- Put November dates in the calendar.
- Project plans (Level 1) or Project Record (Level 2) - Members, parents and leaders sign at November meeting. Leadership members should identify with their leader specific leadership projects they would like to take on (club officer, county teen rep, State Ambassador, teaching younger members, organizing a club activity, fundraiser or community service project). Know Your Government project members should identify in detail what they would like to get out of KYG this year.
- Project Diary (Level 1) or Project Journal (Level 2) - Start filling out if you have done something in your project area.
- Project Journal – Leadership members should record all time and money spent in a leadership role or attending teen rally, conferences, or congress.
- Permanent Record – When elections of Officers and Committees are formed in the club enter the office or committee you are in on page 1 of the Permanent Record. Record “Leadership” in project and Exhibit Summary, page 2/3.

Club Financial Reporting Due December 1

This year, the standard state requirement of an Annual Financial Summary, Peer-Audit Report, and Property Inventory still applies to all clubs, but only clubs that handled more than $1000 and/or received more than $500 in donations in the last 4-H year are required to turn in their Treasurer's Binder and Secretary's Book. Any club, regardless of funds handled is still subject to audit and if selected will be asked to provide the previous year's Treasurer's Binder and Secretary's Book. The forms were sent to leaders after Fair. This information is due in the Extension Office by December 1, 2019.

4-H Council Officer Nominations

This year’s nominees for Council Officers are:

President - Kevin Smith
Vice President - Barb Pettit
Secretary - Erin Tostenson
Treasurer - Marie Riegel

Elections will be held at the November 26 4-H Council meeting.

4-H Forms, Record Books, and Policies Online

Many Kittitas County 4-H forms and policies are available on the Kittitas County Extension Website: http://extension.wsu.edu/kittitas/youth/4-h-forms/.

Opportunities

Hippology-Introductory Meeting November 6!

Come learn about Hippology on November 6, at 6:00 p.m. in Armory Room A! Hippology is the study of horses, and a fun knowledge-based 4-H competition. The hippology contest includes identification, team based problem solving, presentations, and knowledge tests on everything and anything equine.

Hippology is open to all intermediate and senior 4-H members. Juniors are welcome to come learn and practice too! If you have any questions, contact Brittany at the Extension Office at brittany.briggs@wsu.edu.

Kids & Kritters Turkey Shoot

Come support the Kids and Kritters 4-H Club by shooting in the 4th Annual Kids and Kritters Turkey Shoot Sporting clays tournament!

When: Sunday, November 17. Group 1: 11:00 a.m.; Group 2: Noon; Group 3: 1:00 p.m.
Where: Red’s Fly Shop Sporting Clays course: 14706 SR 821, Ellensburg, WA 98926.
Cost: $25 per shooter for a 25 shot round. Turkey prizes are awarded for top shooters in each class, and for breaking any specially colored targets. Plenty of turkeys are available for awards. Net proceeds go to the Ellensburg Kids and Kritters 4-H Club.

Contact Red’s Fly Shop at 509-933-2300 to pre-register. Steel shot is required on the course.

State Fair Patch Design Contest

Washington State 4-H Fair is having a 2020 Patch Design Contest, open to all Washington State 4-H members. The creator of the winning patch design will receive a patch and a cash award. Entries are due by May 15, 2020. The Extension Office has entry forms and more information.

Teen Opportunities

Know Your Government Conference

The 2020 Know Your Government Conference will be February 15-18 in Olympia. If you are interested in attending Know Your Government or have questions contact kittitascoKYG@gmail.com or the Extension Office at 962-7507.

Participants need to be in the 9th grade or above, be able to attend the required pre-conference meetings, enroll in KYG and complete the project journal portion of their record book. Parents need to attend the first meeting on November 17 beginning at 1:00 p.m. at Ellensburg High School. Subsequent meetings will be held on December 1, December 15, January 12, January 26, and February 9. There will also be post-conference meetings after the February 15-18 Conference in Olympia. If you have a conflict with any of these dates but would still like to participate in KYG this year please contact us as soon as possible.
Horse Project Information

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2020 State 4-H Fair-Equine Division

The Washington State 4-H Fair Board met recently to review the 2019 fair and to begin the planning for the 2020 fair. We wanted to get this information out to the counties and equine exhibitors now to allow for adequate planning prior to our 2020 fair. Several items regarding the equine exhibits were discussed and the following changes were made.

Reining – will be included in the Senior Performance section. Classes, schedule, and other details to be determined.
Small Equine – will be included in the Harness section. Classes, schedule, and other details to be determined.
Intermediate Performance/Dressage - Disciplined Rail (both English and Western) will be added to the Intermediate Performance section beginning in 2020.
Number of Riding Events - Intermediates will be allowed one additional riding classes in both Performance and Western Games….allowing six riding events in each section.
Performance/Reining/Dressage Section – Exhibitors may enter six riding events in Performance/Reining, plus their allocation of rides in the Dressage Section.

These decisions were made so we could determine the general schedule of equine exhibits for the 2020 fair. The schedule will be as follows:

- September 9-12: Senior Dressage
- September 10-14: Senior Performance and Reining
- September 15-16: Harness and Small Equine (Int & Sr)
- September 16-20: Senior Western Games
- September 20-24: Intermediate Performance/Dressage
- September 24-27: Intermediate Western Games
- September 12: Horse Judging Contest & Groom Squad
- September 13: National Equine Presentation Contest

Additional information will be announced as it is determined.

Tom Gwin, State 4-H Fair Manager
Equine Quality Assurance Kit Available

All new 4-H Horse project members are required to participate in the Equine Quality Assurance and Animal Care program. The purpose of the program is to: 1) help youth learn to humanely care for, feed, manage, show, and fit animals; and 2) help youth learn that humane animal care is essential to providing a quality performance.

The Equine Quality Assurance and Animal Care kit is available for 4-H Horse clubs to check out. There are many educational and interesting activities to help youth learn about animal care and how proper care will affect their animal’s appearance as well as its performance.

All first year 4-H Horse Project members are required to complete Level 1, Units 1, 2, and 4 and all second year and above members are required to complete Level 1, Units 3, 5, and 6 of the Quality Assurance Program.

New this year—we are planning to offer this training at Super Saturday on January 11! More details will be in the December/January FOCUS.