



Kittitas County 4-H FOCUS



Calendar

May 15	Livestock Judging Practice, 6:30 p.m., Armory
May 16	Livestock Committee Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Armory Room A
May 19-21	State 4-H Shooting Sports Championships, Eatonville
May 30	4-H Teen Committee Meeting, 6:00 p.m., Armory Room B
May 30	4-H Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Armory Room A
June 3	Poultry Clinic & Rabbit Pre-Show, 9:00 a.m., Armory
June 10	Deadline to register for County Demonstration Contest
June 10	Sheep & Goat Pre-Show/Weigh-In, 7:00 a.m., Kittitas County Fairgrounds, NE of Rodeo Arena
June 10	Sheep & Goat Judging Contest, 9:00 a.m., Kittitas County Fairgrounds, NE of Rodeo Arena
June 11	Swine Weigh-In, 6:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., West Entrance of Rodeo Arena (next to Armory)
June 19	Livestock Judging Practice, 6:30 p.m., Armory
June 19	Juneteenth Holiday-Office Closed
June 20	4-H Livestock Committee Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Armory Room A
June 27	4-H Teen Committee Meeting, 6:00 p.m., Armory Room B
June 27	4-H Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Armory Room A
June 28	County Demonstration Contest, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., both days, Armory Room C

2023 Fair Theme

“Put on Your Boots and Get Back To Your Roots”



Club Business

Flag Contest at Fair

Now is a great time to begin planning your club flag for this year's fair! The flags should be made with a 2" hem at the top and be a minimum size of 3' x 5' hung either vertically or horizontally and with a dowel strong enough to display the flag. Maximum size: 36 square feet.

A flag exhibited for more than three years will not be judged for premiums or ribbons. Flags older than three years may still be displayed if clean and in good condition. Flags must be labeled with the year made.

In addition to earning premium points for your club, there is a \$50 cash award for first place sponsored by Professional Court Services. Be sure to enter your club flag in the Flag Contest-(Division 73-I) when making your club's fair entries in ShoWorks.

4-H Demonstration Tips

- Choose a topic you know well so you're able to understand & answer questions
- **Be sure to use visuals (poster)**
 - Poster Tips
 - * All Titles should be **at least 2" tall and 5/16" thick, supporting text should be 1 1/2" tall (or larger) and 3/32" thick**
 - * Black on yellow works best
 - * Check to see if it can be seen from a distance
 - * Use a straight edge if writing freehand
- Use a loud and clear voice
- Be prepared for questions
- Note cards are clues-don't write it all out and read it
- Time your presentation. Juniors try for 3-8 min., intermediates 5-15 min., seniors 8-20 min.
- Don't forget!!!
 - * A zinger (opening statement to catch attention)
 - * A closing
 - * Repeat questions

Refer to "Getting to the Point: How to do a 4-H Public Presentation" (EM4787E) and "Public Presentations, Demonstrations, and Illustrated Talks" (EM4788) at the Extension Office or online at pubs.extension.wsu.edu/.

4-H Council Meeting

Someone from each club needs to attend 4-H Council meetings. Meetings are held the last Tuesday of every month, except August and December. The next meeting is Tuesday, May 30 in Armory Room A at 7:00 p.m.

Meetings for the remainder of the year are June 27, July 25, September 26, October 31, and November 28. Please join us!

County Demonstrations

The County Demonstration Contest will be held June 28 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. in Armory Room C. Cloverbuds are encouraged to enter!

Please sign up by June 10th by calling/texting Susan Bryant at 509-859-3861. Please leave your call back phone number, name, age, project and title of your demonstration (if you already know).

The demonstrations will be reviewed by a panel, which will provide individualized feedback to encourage members and help them learn and grow. Judges are not assigned to age divisions which include presenters from their families or clubs. The judging scorecard can be found at <https://pubs.extension.wsu.edu/judging-public-presentations>. Please contact Susan or the Extension Office at (509) 962-7507 or amorse@wsu.edu if you have any questions or need an accommodation.

Opportunities

Friend of 4-H Nominations

One person and one business will be honored each year with the "Friend of 4-H Award". Nominations are due July 1. Pick up a fact sheet and nomination form at the Extension Office, or online at: kittitas.wsu.edu under 4-H Forms & Policies.

Outstanding Leader Nominations

4-H Council sponsors an Outstanding Leader Award for currently enrolled 4-H leaders demonstrating meritorious service and exemplary leadership, who have been involved in Leader's Council. Nominations are due by July 1. A plaque will be awarded during National 4-H Week. The Extension Office has a fact sheet and nomination forms, or check online at: kittitas.wsu.edu under 4-H Forms & Policies.

Teen Opportunities

WSU State 4-H Teen Conference-June 20-23

4-Hers in the 8th to 12th grades (completed 8th grade by conference) are encouraged to come to Washington State University in Pullman, June 20-23 for the State 4-H Teen Conference. This year's theme is "Building Your Future".

Registration and conference schedule can be found at: <https://extension.wsu.edu/4h/stc/> or e-mail Kelly Anne Stewart, Teen Conference Coordinator, at kelly.a.stewart@wsu.edu.



Dog Project Information

Dog Practice Dates

Dog practices are held in Umtanum Hall from 5:30-7 pm. Upcoming dates are: May 4 & 25. Contact Gregg Schlanger with questions-gregg.schlanger@gmail.com.



Shooting Sports Project

Shooting Sports Results

Recurve Archery Qualifier:

Senior

Chase Mayer

Intermediate

1. Abigail Eastham
2. Brooklyn Newberry
3. Samuel Romero
4. Tyler Coppock
5. Daniel Eastham
6. Steven Romero
7. Jayden Lovely

Junior

1. Daniel Mirro
2. Wyatt Kmack
3. Emma Read



Compound Archery Qualifier:

Senior

Austin Wickerath

Intermediate

1. Braxton Waters
2. Miles Brunner

Air Pistol Qualifier:

Intermediate

1. Kyler Hagen
2. Kaylynn Hagen
3. Jayden Lovely

Air Rifle Qualifier:

Intermediate

1. Tyler Coppock
- Also qualified (alphabetical order)
- Kayden Hagen
Kyler Hagen
Evelyn Hein
Jayden Lovely
Samuel Romero
Steven Romero

Junior

1. Wyatt Kmack
2. Jedidiah Thompson

.22 Smallbore Rifle Qualifier:

Intermediate

1. Jayden Lovely
2. Kyler Hagen
3. Adden Hall
4. Kayden Hagen
5. Evelyn Hein
6. Daniel Douvier

.22 Pistol Qualifier

Senior

Chloe Clyburn



Small Animal Information

Poultry Clinic and Rabbit Pre-Show

The Poultry Clinic and Rabbit Pre-Show will be held on Saturday, June 3 in the Armory. Schedule is as follows:

- 9:00 a.m. Poultry Clinic
- 9:45 a.m. Rabbit Vet Check
- 10:00 a.m. Rabbit Pre-Show

Birds participating must have adult feathers (no chicks). Extra birds will be available to practice with for members that have birds too young to attend pre-show. Please remember to bring carpet squares.

This event is **required** for all Rabbit and Poultry members. Any Rabbit or Poultry project member who has an emergency or problem attending needs to write a letter requesting to be excused to: Small Animal Committee Chair, 901 E 7th Avenue, Suite 2, Ellensburg, WA 98926. The letter needs to address the reason for not attending Pre-Show, a plan to make up for the missed activity, and be written by the member requesting the excuse. If you have questions regarding the Pre-Show, contact Christy Smith at (509) 420-6832.



Livestock Project Information

Livestock Committee Meeting

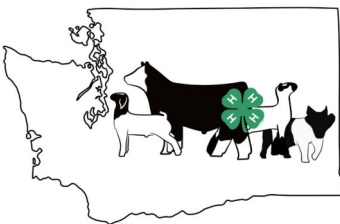
The next Livestock Committee meeting is May 16 at **7:00 p.m. in Armory Room A**. Meeting dates have been set for 2023-3rd Tuesday @ 7:00 p.m. with one exception*

- Tuesday, June 20
- Tuesday, August 1*First Tuesday
- Tuesday, September 19
- Tuesday, October 17
- Tuesday, November 21

Every club with livestock projects needs to have a representative at all the Livestock Committee meetings. This way all clubs may stay current on the events and issues that involve the livestock project.

2023 Washington 4-H State Livestock Judging Contest Update

The 2023 Washington 4-H State Livestock Judging Contest is scheduled for June 24, 2023, and will be held at the Ardell Pavilion, centered on the Grant County Fairgrounds. Contest guidelines and rules with NEW for 2023 updates are linked in this article and are up for viewing on the Washington 4-H website. Additionally, the travel guidelines document and fillable registration forms specific to Junior, Intermediate and Senior contest registrations are linked below. Again as in 2022, the 2023 contest has NO Requirement for Qualifying, just come and participate.



This will be our second year hosting the Livestock Judging Contest at the Grant County Fairgrounds in Moses Lake, WA. The committee is looking forward to another successful contest year. In 2022 we had three senior teams that traveled to national 4-H contests representing the Evergreen state.

New for 2023:

- There will be a registration deadline this year for early registration. **June 9, 2023** – all registration materials signed by the county extension professional (specialist, educator, coordinator, administrative, etc.) will be due by end of day to qualify for early registration fees (\$15/team; \$5/individual). Late registrations will be accepted with a late fee charged (\$10/individual). All fees (check, credit or cash) will be collected the day of the contest.
- Teams and coaches will need to be prepared to identify the contests they would like to travel to by the end of the state contest. If the first place team has not determined that when asked then they will forfeit first choice and so on. So – coaches and parents PLEASE be prepared before you come to the contest to compete.
- Also new will be a dress code (see guidelines appropriate dress). Key no hats, torn or ripped or frayed jeans, no shorts, and no t-shirts with graphics or written sentiments.

Registrations will need to be sent to Robert.kestell@wsu.edu and CC.pskuber@wsu.edu by **end of day June 9, 2023**. **Late registrations will be charged a late registration fee. Any questions about the contest? Please contact Paul Kuber at** pskuber@wsu.edu.

Document Links:

[2023 Livestock Judging Contest Rules and Guidelines](#)
[2023 Livestock Judging Team Travel Guidelines](#)
[2023 Livestock Judging Registration Form – Intermediate](#)
[2023 Livestock Judging Registration Form – Junior](#)
[2023 Livestock Judging Registration Form – Senior](#)
See you on June 24th!

*Submitted by Paul Kuber, WSU Extension
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Livestock Judging Practice

Livestock Judging practice is held the third Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the Armory. This is open to any 4-H, FFA, or Grange member that wants to learn more about judging. For more information, call (509) 962-7507.

The Extension Office website has information and resources to help members with livestock judging. Check it out at: <https://extension.wsu.edu/kittitas/livestock-judging/>

Individual Goat Record for Non-Market Goat Projects

Keeping records is important for all projects, not just market animals. The Individual Goat Record also acts as a health record, helping youth learn and practice the basics of record keeping. You can find the individual goat record at kittitas.wsu.edu under 4-H Forms & Policies.

Sheep and Goat Weigh-In and Pre-Show

The Sheep and Goat Weigh-In and Pre-Show will be held on **Saturday, June 10** Northeast of the Rodeo Arena at the Kittitas County Fairgrounds. All vehicles will enter off 7th Avenue. A map will be sent out in mid-May with directions. This is a **required** event for Sheep and Goat members.

Here is the schedule for Sheep and Goat Pre-Show:

7:00-8:00 a.m.	Sheep Weigh-in
8:15-9:00 a.m.	Goat Weigh-in
9:00-10:30 a.m.	Sheep & Goat Judging Contest
10:45 a.m.	Goat Classes (15 minutes after completion of Judging Contest) followed by a required clinic with the judge (30-45 minutes) and a workshop
11:00 a.m.	Sheep Prospect Market Class (15 minutes after completion of Judging Contest)

30 minute break after Market class is complete, followed by lamb Showmanship classes. Showmanship is required. If for any reason you are not able to complete showmanship or market you will need to be excused by the Livestock Committee by May 16th. If you are leaving early from the clinic please let your leader and the Superintendent know. **Please check with Superintendents or 4-H Leaders/Grange Leaders/FFA Instructors to be excused from the fairgrounds for the day.**

Sheep members have options to either slick shear or leave unshorn. All animals should be washed before coming to the grounds. There will be some time to clean up lambs but resources are limited. Stands and equipment may be brought in to get your animals ready. Generators are ok. Please bring tools to clean out your pens at the end of the day.

All lambs and goats are required to have scrapie tags.

Animal Health Records will not be collected at Pre-Show, but members should be keeping these up to date as they will be required for Fair.

Any sheep or goat project member who has an emergency or problem attending the Sheep Pre-Show or Goat Clinic needs to write a letter requesting to be excused to: Livestock Committee Chair, 901 E 7th Avenue, Suite 2, Ellensburg, WA 98926, to be submitted at the Livestock Committee meeting on May 16. The letter needs to address the reason for not attending, who will weigh the animal, who will show the animal (if applicable), provide a plan to make up for this missed activity and be written by the member requesting the excuse.

Swine Weigh-In

All members who wish to sell market hogs at the county Fair must have their hogs (limit of 2 per person) weighed and ear-tagged on **Sunday, June 11 from 6:00 a.m. – Noon** at the Kittitas County Fairgrounds near the West end of the Rodeo Arena (next to the Armory). A map and details will be sent out in mid-May. Another member of the family, club or chapter may bring the hogs if the member is not able to be there. Animal Health Records will not be collected at weigh-in, but members should be keeping these up to date as they will be required for Fair.

Swine Clinic & Judging Contest

The Swine Clinic & Judging Contest for 4-H/FFA members planning to exhibit Swine at the Kittitas County Fair will be held on **Sunday, July 16**. Details are being finalized and will be in the June FOCUS.

This is a **required** event for swine project members. Any swine project member who has an emergency or problem attending the Swine Clinic needs to write a letter wishing to be excused to: Livestock Committee Chair, 901 E 7th Avenue, Suite 2, Ellensburg, WA 98926, by June 20. The letter needs to address the reason for not attending, a plan to make up for this missed activity and be written by the member requesting the excuse.



Horse Project Information

1st Horse Judging Contest Results

The top 10 judging scores in each division on the first horse judging session held in the Rodeo Arena on April 3 were earned by the following members:

	<u>Cloverbud</u>
1. Ashtyn Fritts	135
	<u>Junior</u>
1. Caitlyn Muratore	177
2. Lillian Hainer	175
2. Isabella Weeks	175
4. Raelynn Markus	172
5. Annelise Jentges	170
6. Hattie Shull	167
7. Amelia Fritts	165
8. Eleanor Hansen	163
9. Allison Alder	156
10. Madi Millett	156
	<u>Intermediate</u>
1. Makenna Vraves	229
2. Jalina Blackmore	224
3. Faith Rector	212
4. Taylor Shaw	211
5. Darla Perry	204
5. Leah Weekes	204
7. Tori Forgey	199
7. Quinton McKean	199
7. Bailey Winterbottom	199
10. Zane Bennett	196
	<u>Senior</u>
1. Chloe Clyburn	228
2. Emily Ryder	223
3. Austin Wickerath	210
4. Kayliana Blackmore	208
5. Hailey Vraves	207
6. Remi Izzi	196
7. Jenna Woodside	195
8. Hunter McKean	188
9. Tyler Nylund	185
10. McKinley Mays	183

There were 48 youth that participated in the first Horse Judging Contest. A big Thank You goes to Bobbi Broderius for organizing the Judging Contest. Thank you also to all the group leaders and horse exhibitors.

Monday Night Rides

Monday Night Rides, open to enrolled 4-H Horse Project members, will be held in the Rodeo Arena in place of club rides. All rides will be from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Upcoming dates are:

May 15, 22, 29
June 5, 19, 26
July 17, 24, 31
August 7

Rides are subject to cancellation due to inclement weather. Please check with your leader before attending.

2nd Horse Judging Contest

The second 4-H Horse Judging Contest will be held Saturday, July 15 at 8:00 a.m. in the Rodeo Arena (during Horse Training Days). Details will be in the June FO-CUS.

Two judging contests are held each year. Horse Project members are required to participate in one county horse judging event to be eligible to compete at the Kittitas County Junior Horse Fair and complete the 4-H year. To be eligible to judge on the Kittitas County 4-H State Horse Judging team junior, intermediate and senior members must judge in two county judging events completing oral reasons at both judging events and the horse part worksheet. Novice members will judge in their age group.

Exhibiting at the KCF Junior Horse Show

4-H Horse members have several requirements to be eligible to exhibit at the Kittitas County Fair Junior Horse Show on August 17-20:

1. Must have submitted an up-to-date 4-H Record Book by July due date.
2. Must have given a 4-H demonstration during the current 4-H year at the club or county level.
3. Must have been an active 4-H member and have met the 4-H club's requirements for attendance at club meetings.
4. Must have attended and completed one Kittitas County 4-H Horse Judging Contest.
5. Must have filed a horse identification certificate with the Extension Office by April 30 of current year.
6. Must have attended and participated at a minimum of one of the following events:
 1. Bits & Buckles Fall or Spring Show
 2. 4-H Leaders Show
 3. Training Days
 4. Pre-Fair/July show



Requirements for Completing the 4-H Year-Horse

1. Do not miss more than three club meetings per year (Business meeting, not practice or work meetings).
2. Give at least one demonstration in horse at the club or county level.
3. Participate in at least one horse showmanship event.
4. Complete a project to leader's satisfaction.
5. Submit an up to date 4-H Record book by July due date
6. Participate in one Kittitas County 4-H Horse Leader sponsored horse judging event.

Qualifying for State 4-H Fair-Horse Division

There are several different criteria used when qualifying Horse Project members to compete at the State 4-H Fair in Puyallup in September. These requirements are detailed in the Kittitas County 4-H Horse Policy, beginning on page 7. The policy can be viewed at: <https://s3.wp.wsu.edu/uploads/sites/2080/2022/06/2022-Horse-Policy-Revised.pdf>. Hard copies are available from the Extension Office.

Announcement of Dressage Tests for the 2023 4-H State Fair

The dressage tests for English dressage at the 2023 4-H State Fair will be Test 3 for both Training Level 1 and First Level.

Western Dressage has come back for the 2023 4-H State Fair and Test 3 for both Basic Level and Level 1.

4-H horse members will only be able to ride either English Dressage or Western Dressage, but not both, due to time constraints related to arena time.

These tests are available on the respective governing organizations—United States Dressage Federation (USDF) for English (<https://www.usdf.org/>) and the the Western Dressage Association of America for Western dressage (<https://www.westerndressageassociation.org>)

The Western Dressage Association of America is the governing body for the Washington State 4-H Horse program. The information in the 2015 PNW 4-H Horse Contest guide on page 20 is outdated. In Washington, we do not use the North American Western (NAW) dressage tests.

Submitted by Jennifer Leach, WSU Extension 4-H State Fair Board Staff Liaison. E-mail Jennifer at LeachJ@co.cowlitz.wa.us.

Reining Pattern for 2023 4-H State Fair Now Available

The 4-H State Fair reining pattern is now posted on the horse page on the WSU 4-H webpage located at <https://extension.wsu.edu/4h/projects/animal-science/companion-performance/horse/>

Reining will once again be offered at State Fair for Seniors only. The reining pattern is the same as last year to encourage participation since this is only the second year of 4-H reining. And also includes the scoresheet as an educational and judging tool.

Submitted by Jennifer Leach, WSU Extension 4-H State Fair Board Staff Liaison. E-mail Jennifer at LeachJ@co.cowlitz.wa.us.

Washington State 4-H Equine Presentation Contest

The Washington State 4-H Equine Public Presentations competition is comprised of three contests: Public Speaking contest, Individual Presentation contest, and Team Presentation contest. Contestants may participate in only one contest per year at State 4-H Fair in Puyallup. **Any 4-H Horse Member interested in competing in the Kittitas County Contest should call the Extension Office by June 1.**

Check out <https://tinyurl.com/2p8wsdsc> to learn more about this opportunity.

Ellensburg Rodeo Posse Youth Horse Shows

The Ellensburg Rodeo Posse Youth Horse Shows will be held on Sunday, June 4 and Saturday, July 8 in the Rodeo Arena. The Junior Rodeo is scheduled for Saturday, August 5. More details will be published when available.

2023 HORSE 4-H DATES

May 15, 22, 29	Monday Night Riding—Rodeo Arena - 6-8 pm
June 5, 19, 26	Monday Night Riding – Rodeo Arena 6 –8pm
July 15-16	4-H Horse Fair Training Day & 2 nd Horse Judging, Rodeo Arena 8am-8pm
July 17, 24, 31	Monday Night Riding – Rodeo Arena 6 –8pm
July 21-23	4-H Horse Pre-Show – Rodeo Arena – 8am – 8pm
August 4	State Fair Interest form due by 5:00 pm
August 7	Monday Night Riding—Rodeo Arena 6 –8pm
August 15	Junior Horse Fair: Barn Open for Decorations
August 16	Junior Horse Fair: R.V. Parking Open
August 17-20	Kittitas County Junior Horse Fair – Bloom Pavilion & Rodeo Arena
August 31-September 4	Kittitas County Fair
October 1	4-H Fall Horse Show – Bloom Pavilion – 8am – 8pm



Memorial Day Facts

- Memorial Day is a day of remembrance of those who have died serving our country.
- General John Alexander Logan ordered the Memorial Day holiday to be observed by decorating the war dead.
- On Memorial Day, the flag should be at half-staff until noon only, then raised to the top of the staff.
- Red Poppies are recognized as the Memorial Day flower.
- “Taps” is often played at ceremonies on Memorial Day.
- Memorial Day was first called “Decoration Day” because of the practice of decorating soldier’s graves with flowers.
- New York was the 1st state to officially recognize Memorial Day.
- Flowers and flags are the two most popular items people use to remember soldiers.
- The south refused to honor the dead on Memorial Day until after World War I when the meaning of Memorial Day changed from honoring civil war dead to honoring Americans who died fighting in any war.
- Memorial Day was declared a federal holiday in 1971

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