



Kittitas County 4-H FOCUS

Calendar

November 2	Horse Judging Practice, 5:30 p.m., Armory Room A—open to all 4-H Members
November 4	4-H Horse Leader's Tack & More Sale, 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. (early shopping for 4-H members 9-10 a.m.), Armory Hall
November 10	Veterans Day Holiday- <i>Office Closed</i>
November 15	First Know Your Government Meeting, 6:00 p.m., Armory Room B. Parent attendance REQUIRED at this meeting.
November 21	Livestock Committee Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Armory Room A
Nov. 23-24	Thanksgiving Holiday - <i>Office Closed</i>
November 28	Teen Committee Meeting, 6:00 p.m., Armory Room B
November 28	4-H Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Armory Room A
December 1	Club Yearly Financial Summary Reports, Peer Audit Report, and Property Inventory Due
December 25	Christmas Holiday-Office Closed
January 1	New Year's Holiday-Office Closed
January 16	Livestock Committee Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Armory Room A
January 30	4-H Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Armory Room A
February 1	Project Enrollment Deadline for Fair Participation in Horse, Livestock, Small Animal, and Family & Consumer Science Projects



Club Business

4-H Council Budget

The budget committee is working on the budget to put forth a total package at the November 28 4-H Council meeting.

4-H Enrollments/Re-Enrollments

It is time for members to enroll for the new 4-H year! The website is <https://v2.4honline.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 the Extension Office if you are unsure which e-mail address to use.
- The \$25 per member State 4-H Enrollment Fee will be covered by Kittitas County 4-H Council. When enrolling, choose the check payment option to submit your enrollment. You will receive an automated email asking you to bring payment into the office-disregard that message. No fees will be collected from members.
- There is a computer available in the Extension Office for those who wish to use it to enroll.
- Please contact Andrea at amorse@wsu.edu or 962-7507 if you experience any trouble.

Record Book Tips - November

- Accommodations 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 (Teen Rally, Know Your Government sign-up deadline, etc).
- 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. List any project/training meetings as well as club meetings. Leadership members should record all time and money spent in a leadership role or attending teen rally, conferences, or congress.
- Permanent Record – If you are a club officer or committee member, enter this on page 1 of the Permanent Record. Record "Leadership" in project and Exhibit Summary, page 2/3.

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/>.

4-H Council Officer Nominations

This year's nominees for Council Officers are:

President - Jon Blackmore
Vice President - Toni Taylor
Secretary - Kylie Rinehart
Treasurer - Marie Riegel

Nominations will also be open and elections held at the November 4-H Council meeting.

4-H Council Meeting

Someone from each club needs to attend each 4-H Council meeting. Meetings are held the last Tuesday of every month, except August and December. The next meeting is Tuesday, November 28 in Armory Room A at 7:00 p.m. Please join us!

Completing the Year

Don't forget...the 4-H'er must do the following to complete the year:

- Do not miss more than three club meetings per year (Business meetings, not practice or work meetings).
- Give at least one demonstration in each project area (horse, livestock, home economics, etc.)
- Participate in at least one showmanship in each project area (if none available, participate in a county contest or event).
- Complete a project to a leader's satisfaction.
- Complete a record book prior to fair.
- 4-H members enrolled in a livestock project must judge at the Kittitas County Fair. 4-H members enrolled in a horse project must judge at one of the two county Horse judging contests.



Beyond the Call of Duty Award

This is recognition for the 4-Her who helped inexperienced members and "pitched in" to make the best better.

This year's winners are:

Alex Bach	Cade Bala
Chloe Clyburn	Annelise Jentges
Clara Jentges	Norah Joyce
Maylee Martin	Kaden Mattson
Hannah Moore	Brooklyn Newberry
Cora Rizor	Emily Ryder
Cassidy Seldal	Hannah Seldal
Taylor Shaw	Hattie Shull
Joycilyn Snyder	

Each has been rewarded with a gift card sponsored by Dairy Queen and a "Beyond the Call of Duty" Certificate.

Medals of Honor & Certificates of Achievement

This year's Medals of Honor and Certificates of Achievement for Record Books go to:

Allison Alder—Medals in Horse, Livestock Judging and Leadership
Taylor Alder—Medals in Leadership & Livestock Judging
Jolene Backstrom—Certificate in Archery
Rheanee Beeson-Petty—Medal in Swine, Certificate in Adventures in Family Living
Julianne Bryant—Medals in Foods, Robotics, & Photography, Certificate in Leadership
Aubree Carstens—Certificate in Adventures in Family Living
Makenzie Cox—Medal in Goat
Kayden Hagen—Medals in Air Pistol, .22 Rifle & Air Rifle
Kyler Hagen—Medals in .22 Pistol, Air Pistol & Air Rifle
Adrienne Herion—Medals in Food & Leadership
Jack Herion—Medal in Sewing, Certificate in Foods
Emily Kincaid—Certificate in Adventures in Family Living
Beckett Landon—Medals in KYG, Pistol & Shotgun
Jayden Lovely—Certificates in Air Rifle, Air Pistol, .22 Rifle & Archery
Kaden Mattson—Medal in Swine
Michael Mattson—Medal in Sheep, Certificate in Foods
Veronica Mattson—Medals in Sheep and Foods, Certificate in Leadership
Trinity Melton—Certificate in Foods
Hannah Moore—Medal in Goat
Kelsey Moore—Medal in Goat
Cora Rizor—Medal in Sheep, Certificate in Leadership
Heidi Rizor—Medals in Foods & Sewing
Emily Ryder—Medals in Horse & KYG
Ryan Taylor—Certificate in Goat

Mary Matthews Record Book Awards

The Mary Matthews Record Book Award, awards a \$20.00 cash award to each of two juniors if deserving and \$20.00 for each of four intermediates and/or seniors if deserving. This year's winners of the Mary Matthews Record Book Award are:

Senior:	Taylor Alder Kaden Mattson
Intermediate:	Kyler Hagen Makenzie Cox
Junior:	Kelsey Moore



All Star Achiever Award

This year's All Star Achievers are Allison Alder and Kaden Mattson!!

The object of this award is to recognize outstanding 4-Hers for their enthusiasm, energy, leadership, and project skills in 4-H projects and to give the 4-Her experience in applying for and interviewing for a job.

Friend of 4-H Award

Kittitas County 4-H Council presents the “Friend of 4-H Award” each year to an individual and a business each year. The following criteria need to be met:

- Demonstrate continuous and meritorious service to the Kittitas County 4-H Program.
- Unselfishly donate time, knowledge, or other resources in helping make the county 4-H program a success
- Awarded to a business or individual only once.

Hilary Jensen is the Business Friend of 4-H for 2023. Hilary has allowed 4-H groups to use her facilities for outdoor meetings and trainings. She has also supported This N That club by allowing them to have a kettle corn sales fundraiser. Hilary has also purchased animals during the years she has been in business. She has involved many, many teens-a lot of them 4-H members-during her pumpkin planting, harvesting, and sales.

The Individual Friend of 4-H for 2023 goes to the Mann Family - Barbara, Linda, and Julie. Barbara was a 4-H leader, and in 1980 her club combined with Sharon Parker’s club to become the Merry Mixups. In 1985, the club was named 4-H Club of the month.

Julie & Linda were active members in foods & clothing projects for 9 years each. Their father was the original organizer of having a 4-H concession booth. Julie & Linda helped at the fair with exhibits, displays, decorating, and working in the concession booth. Even though all three no longer reside in Kittitas County, they continue to support the county 4-H program with annual contributions to sponsor Home Ec. Awards for 4-H Members.

Outstanding Leader Award

This award began in 2003 to recognize those leaders who have donated their time and made a commitment to Kittitas County 4-Hers and the 4-H program. The recipient of this award must be enrolled as a 4-H Leader, have demonstrated exemplary leadership, and been involved with Kittitas County 4-H Council. Many 4-H leaders meet these criteria; however, only one award is made each year.

Pauline Clyburn has been selected as the 2023 Kittitas County Outstanding 4-H Leader. Pauline has been a leader for 11 years, and she is active in 4-H Period! She has been very involved since her daughter Chloe enrolled in Shooting Sports. Pauline is always willing to step in and help; looking for ways to improve the project, training to be a certified leader and showing up for all practices. She reviews record books for the club, keeps track of member demonstrations, and helps all Fair Committee members when needed.

She is also active in the Dog project and helped get the Cat project started in the county program this past year. Pauline looks for the best in each member and encourages learning while holding each member responsible.



Leader Pins

Leader pins are awarded to leaders for the first year and then in five year increments. A First year leader pin was presented to Grant Maskal. Five year leader pins were awarded to Kim Rivera, Gregg Schlanger, and Erin Tostenson. A Ten year leader pin was awarded to Bret Hollar, and a 15 year pin was awarded to Lynette Miller. A 20 year pin was presented to Patti Gylling, a 25 year to Glenna Maskal, and a 35 year pin to Marie Riegel.

State 4-H Fair Results

Kittitas County was represented at State 4-H Fair in Puyallup by many members-congratulations to all!

Senior Dressage: Austin Wickerath.

Senior Performance Horse: Austin Wickerath, Hailey Vraves (8th Place Trail).

Intermediate Performance Horse: Faith Rector (5th Place Bareback Equitation), Makenna Vraves.

Intermediate Western Games: Tory Forgey (Seventh Place Pole Bending), Makenna Vraves, Jalina Blackmore (8th Place Pole Bending), Dallon Walker (3rd Place Idaho Figure Eight Stake Race, Reserve Champion Pole Key Race, 6th Place International Flags).

Horse Judging: Junior Team: Raelynn Markus, Caitlyn Muratore, Lillian Hainer, Eleanor Hansen, Allison Alder, and Hattie Shull.

Intermediate Team: Jalina Blackmore, Taylor Shaw, Quinton McKean, Makenna Vraves, Tori Forgey, Shelby Hansen, Van Ras, Kendall Markus, and Dallon Walker
Senior Team: Emily Ryder (4th Place Individual), Hailey Vraves, Kayliana Blackmore, Hunter McKean, and Austin Wickerath.

Livestock Judging: Senior Team: Madison Stansbury (3rd Place Individual), Kayliana Blackmore, Olivia Mitchell, Victoria Mitchell, Taylor Alder, and Thomas German. Intermediate Team: Cassidy Seldal (3rd Place Individual), Brialy Lynn Basterrechea (5th Place Individual), and Claire German.
Junior Team: Hannah Seldal (3rd Place Individual), Henry German (5th Place Individual), and Allison Alder.

Clothing: Jack Herion, Heidi Rizor – both received special awards

Photography: Julianne Bryant, Grace Mulder

Art: Grace Mulder

Demonstrations: Dallon Walker

Educational Displays: Kyler Hagen, Beckett Landon, Joanna Penoyar, Ette May Stubbs, Chase Mayer, Elsa Penoyar, Nikolai Robinson, Katja Robinson.

Dog Obedience: Kate Miller, Emily Caveness (called back to Championship Round).

“I’m TeRRiFiCC” Awards

One or two 4-Hers per club can receive the “I’m TeRRiFiCC Award.” This is recognition for the 4-Her who has demonstrated ethical behavior. The award recognizes the six pillars of character (Trustworthy, Respectful, Responsible, Fair, Caring, and a good Citizen).

Alex Bach	Jalina Blackmore
Kayliana Blackmore	Ace Blair
Leila Brown	Will Ewen
Kaden Mattson	Azlee Moon
Kelsey Moore	Tyler Nylund
Darla Perry	Madison Stansbury
Ryan Taylor	Camden Wedin
Holden Wedin	

The winners are rewarded with “I’m TeRRiFiCC” Certificates. Congratulations to you all!

Mary Lonowski Memorial Award

Congratulations to Steven Kelsey-this year’s winner of the Mary Lonowski Memorial Award. This award is given to a livestock project member that is reliable, a good role model, takes initiative and displays a positive attitude during the entire year.

Teen Opportunities

Teen Committee

Youth 6th grade and up are invited to join us on the last Tuesday of each month prior to the Council meeting (no meeting in December or August). Teen Committee meetings will be at 6pm in Armory Room B unless otherwise publicized.. Contact Rachel with questions, georgerachel1108@gmail.com.

Know Your Government Conference

KYG is open to high school aged youth (grades 9-12). The theme for the 2024 conference is “It’s Your Choice”. Our first meeting is Wednesday, November 15 at 6:00 p.m. in Armory Room B. **This meeting is REQUIRED for parents to attend- important information is being presented.** The conference will be held in Olympia, February 17-19. Questions? Contact Rachel at georgerachel1108@gmail.com.



Livestock Project Information

Congratulations Carcass Award Winners!!!

Congratulations to the youth that raised champion carcass animals!

Wyatt Stansbury – Champion Carcass Hog
Cassidy Seldal– Champion Carcass Lamb
Sophia Nicholson – Champion Carcass Steer
Makenzie Cox– Champion Carcass Goat

The carcass contests recognize exhibitors who produced an animal that has ideal characteristics for the commercial market. For each species, the measurements are compared against a set of standards that describe the ideal market animal. Carcass data is obtained using ultrasound.

These Merit programs were established over 20 years ago in Washington to provide a set of standards for recognizing members who were exhibiting desirable market animals.

Hog of Merit Winners

Wyatt Stansbury	Leila Brown
Joycilyn Snyder	Keegan Cope-Mayer (2)
Weston Larimer	Holden Wedin
Olivia Mitchell	Todd Uren
Bode Sherley	Alyssa Denlinger
Piper DeHerrera	Konner Carlson
Preston Stingley	Relik Davis
Gabe Kahler	Everly Pedersen
Camden Wedin (2)	Dawson Pruatt (2)
Haze Henderson	Quinton Newcomb
Ezra Collins	Jacob Tyson
Jimmy Newcomb	Kaden Mattson
Madilyn Newcomb	Jensen Thomas
Teala Stolen	Colton Barsness
Mia Calderon	Paisley Kuehl
George Seubert	Reid Bala
Jackson Thomas	

Lamb of Merit Winners

Cassidy Seldal (2)	Taylor Alder (2)
Daniel Sullivan	Kayliana Blackmore
Veronica Mattson (2)	Henry Sullivan
Carter Shafer	Cassidy Emery
Cecilia Fiske	Will Ewen (2)
Alexander Schutte (2)	Skylee Seth
Henry Sullivan	Michael Mattson
Annabelle Nicholson	BriaLynn Basterrechea
Adilyn Izzi (2)	Daniel Sullivan
Raife Izzi	Rachael Mabbutt (2)
Sadie Barr	Cassidy Emery
Kayliana Blackmore	Annelise Jentges
Francis Sullivan (2)	Allison Alder
Caitlyn Muratore	Sienna Pascoe
Remi Izzi	Vivian Mullings
Mathew Dunbar	Derrick Feddema
Derynn Bala	

Steer of Merit Winners

Sophia Nicholson	Makenna Vraves
Wyatt Morgan	

Goat of Merit Winners

Makenzie Cox (2)	Azlyn Clark (2)
Holly Harwood	Madison Stansbury (2)
Ryan Taylor (2)	Brooklyn Newberry
Victoria Mitchell (2)	Garrett Foster (2)
Bailey Harwood	Noah Mothershead
Sadie Foster (2)	Hannah Moore(2)
Kelsey Moore (2)	Olivia Mitchell
Noah Newberry	

All Around Carcass Award

The All Around Carcass Award is given to the highest placing hog, lamb, steer, and goat that have the highest combined score in carcass placing of the market animal, placing in livestock market class, livestock judging and showmanship. Each of the four categories shall be used as 25 percent of the total score with the top carcass placing used as a tie breaker. The Kittitas County Farm Bureau sponsors the belt buckles for this award.

CONGRATULATIONS to:

Joycilyn Snyder– All Around Carcass Hog

Taylor Alder– All Around Carcass Lamb

Ayven Moon– All Around Carcass Steer

Ayven Moon– All Around Carcass Goat

4-H Livestock Committee Meeting

The next Livestock Committee meeting will be **November 21 at 7:00 p.m. at the Armory Room A.** Meeting dates have been set for 2023 -3rd Tuesday @ 7:00 p.m. with one exception *

January 16
February 20
March 19
April 16
May 21
June 18
August 6 * First Tuesday
September 17
October 15
November 19

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.

Animal Health Record

Members need to bring a copy of the Animal Health Record to be filled out and signed by the producer when purchasing their project animal(s). Animal Health Records are available at the Extension Office or at https://extension.wsu.edu/kittitas/youth/4-h-forms/_under_4-H_Forms_&_Policies.

All species are required – steers, lambs, goats, and swine - to upload a copy of the health record signed by the original producer and information up-to-date when registering for Fair, and turn the form in at the Fair Vet check.



Horse Project Information

Horse Judging Practice-November 2

A Horse Judging practice, open to all 4-H members is scheduled for Thursday, November 2nd at 5:30 p.m. in Armory Room A. The plan is to have practices 1-2 times per month. Dates will be published as soon as they are finalized.

Tack & More Sale-November 4

Kittitas County 4-H Horse Leaders will be holding a tack sale Saturday, November 4 in the Armory Hall at the Fairgrounds. The sale will be open to the public from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Early shopping for 4-H members will be from 9:00-10:00 a.m.. Vendor set up is 7:00-9:00 a.m. (\$40 per table).

Horse Dates for 2024

Dates for 2024 events will be confirmed at this month's Horse Panel meeting, and will be published in the December/January FOCUS.

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.**



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