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Save The Date:

May 8 – 4-H Camp registration due
May 15 – Horse IDs, Proof of Vaccination, Helmet & Project Waiver due
May 15 – Market Swine & Livestock Breeding Project photos due
May 22-23 – Livestock Boot Camp, Columbus
May 23 – Horse Camp registration deadline
May 25 – Memorial Day, office closed
May 28-30 – Livestock Judging Camp at fairgrounds, Red Lodge
June 3 – 4-H Council meeting
June 5 – Cloverbud Camp
June 6 – Dog Agility Trial, YDS



Market Swine/Breeding Animal Photos

4-H and FFA members who are exhibiting breeding animals & market swine at the Carbon County Fair must submit photos of tagged animals to Amber by 5 pm on May 15. Project members who tagged market swine during weigh-in at the fairgrounds do not need to need to turn in tagging form/photo. Tagging forms and guidelines were handed out at swine tag pickup and have been emailed to breeding project members. All forms are available on ZSuite under the Newsletters tab.

Poultry/Rabbit Proof of Ownership

Poultry and rabbit exhibitors are required to submit proof of ownership paperwork to the Extension Office by June 1. Amber will email the forms to project members soon.

Livestock Boot Camp

Register for livestock boot camp to learn about showmanship, fitting, nutrition and general care of your large animal project! Boot Camp is May 22-23 at the Stillwater County Fairgrounds in Columbus. The \$60 registration fee covers lunch and dinner! Registration is available on ZSuite under the Events tab.

Small Animal Jackpot Show

The Shane Ridge Rustlers 4-H Club is hosting a small animal show and jackpot at the Yellowstone County 4-H building in Billings on **Saturday, June 13**. Brush up on showmanship skills for fair! Registration is available on ZSuite and was emailed to dog, cat, pocket pet, rabbit and poultry project members. Contact Marcia Bickel if you have questions: twinkletoes04@hotmail.com

Carbon County 4-H

Carbon County Extension Office – PO Box 230 - 202 State Street – Joliet, MT 59041 – 406.962.3522

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4-H Camp

Tri-County 4-H Camp is June 9-12 at the Beartooth Christian Camp location in Nye, MT. Cost is \$225; parents can apply for a partial scholarship through the Extension Office. Camp registration is due into the Extension Office by 5 pm on **Friday, May 8**. The camp application was emailed to active 4-H families and is also available on ZSuite under the Newsletter tab.

Horse Project Reminders



Horse packets with forms were distributed to horse project members in April. Horse paperwork is due **May 15**; this includes Horse ID, Proof of Vaccination and signed Helmet Waiver. Horse Camp is June 15-18; the registration form was emailed to horse project members and is due **May 29**. Don't forget to fill out your horse riding log as you ride and practice patterns!

4-H Cloverbud Camp

The 4-H teen leader group is excited to host 4-H Cloverbud Camp for project members ages 5-8 on Friday, June 5 from 9 am – 12:30 pm at the Beartooth RC&D building in Joliet. Cloverbuds and beginner 4-H members are invited to spend a fun morning with the teen leaders doing various projects and learning more about 4-H. RSVP to Carrie at the Extension Office.

Fair Poster Contest

Charlee Hall & Gabe Nemecheck submitted the winning fair posters using the Blue Ribbons and Big Skies fair theme. Charlee's artwork will be used on the cover of the fair book and the livestock auction sale bill and Gabe's will be used on fair posters. Fair books will be mailed to FFA advisors and active 4-H families in May. It will also be available on ZSuite under Newsletters.

Beartooth Banners & Buckles Jackpot Help Request

The Carbon County Beartooth Banners & Buckles Jackpot is scheduled for June 19-21 at the fairgrounds in Red Lodge. Jackpot organizers are requesting volunteer help for the event. **ALL** proceeds from this event go directly to Carbon County 4-H! Contact Amber Elliott at 406-962-3522 to volunteer.

2026 Carbon County Fair Entries

NEW THIS YEAR: Fair entries will be submitted online this year using Fair Entry. Online entries are due **June 22** by 5 pm; no late entries will be accepted. A help sheet and video will be available June 1st to help with navigating Fair Entry. Please read the rules & regulations section in the Fair Book as well as project requirements; there are some updates. Note the changes in the fair schedule!

PARTICIPATION IN FAIR IS NOT REQUIRED FOR 4-H MEMBERS.

Market Animal Photos/Description

Fair market animal exhibitors should keep in mind that animal/exhibitor photos and animal descriptions will be due to Fair Board secretary Sterling Murphy the same day as fair entries – June 22. Poultry and rabbit project members who intend to sell at the fair auction should also submit photos/descriptions. A detailed Help Sheet and reminder will be sent out in June.

State 4-H Congress

Statewide 4-H Congress is July 7-10 at the MSU campus in Bozeman. This is a fun event for 4-H youth ages 13+ from around the state to compete in different areas, attend workshops, practice leadership and participate in evening dances. The 4-H Council helps pay for this event, and transportation will be provided by the Extension Office. Registration is due via ZSuite by **June 15**. To learn more and see available contests, go to https://www.montana.edu/extension/4h/programs_and_events/events/.

Communication Day Winners

Congrats to Communication Day contest winners **Lane Miller, Cole Miller and Kaleb Paulson!** Thank you to the 4-H members who participated this year. Communication Day is held in April each year and is a great way to fulfill club demonstration requirements and practice public speaking skills.

Do you have project questions? Contact 4-H agents Amber Elliott or Carrie Guderjahn at the Extension Office or one of your project superintendents:

Cat/Pocket Pet: Amber Elliott 406-962-3522

Beef/Dairy: Kraig Krook 406-598-8535, Luke Miller 406-200-5537

Sheep/Goat: Crystal Wright 406-671-2511, Brianna King 406-426-4441

Swine: Jeff Krook 406-672-4293, Melissa Goetz 406-855-1610

Horse: Stacie Nardinger 406-425-3811, Amber Elliott

Dog: Diana Doll 406-425-4583

Poultry/Rabbit: Marcia Bickel 406-696-8034, Diana Doll 406-425-4583

Indoor: Janice King 406-696-4560, Carrie Guderjahn 406-962-3522

** Carbon County 4-H 3D Archery Shoot
is **Sunday, June 14** at the Joliet outdoor shooting range.
Register via ZSuite under Events!

** Crochet Workshop taught by Bella Walter-Beckman
is **Wednesday, June 24 3-5 pm** at the Extension Office

** Dog Agility Trial & Fundraiser
is **Saturday, June 6** at YDS. Registration is available via
ZSuite under Newsletters!

** Sewing Practice Dates – come to the Extension Office
from 2-4 pm to work on your sewing projects: **June 1, 4, 23, 26**

Livestock Judging Camp * May 28-30 * Red Lodge

Cost is \$100 for youth, \$150 for coaches and \$25 for the judging
contest only. Most meals and snacks will be provided.

Register on ZSuite under the Events tab. Deadline is May 15.



***Congratulations to
Graduating 4-H Seniors!***

Tara DiOrio, Joliet

Sidney Frank, Red Lodge

Karmen Garcia, Fromberg

Cole Johnson, Joliet

Tyrell Klaassen, Joliet

Brett Petersen, Red Lodge

Ireland Ramey, Red Lodge

Best of luck!



Carbon County Shooting Sports participated in the State BB Gun Match on April 11th & 12th, in Dillon, Montana! We had ten team shooters and two Champions. The CC Extremes finished 5th and the CC Hot Shots finished 15th. There were 22 teams competing.

Coaches were Duff Sweeney, Cole Mettes, Shane Berens and James Werning.

8 year olds- Bohden Beckman placed 5th in Standing, 4th in Sitting, 1st in Kneeling!

9 year olds- Brooklyn Murphy placed 3rd in Prone

Branson Murphy placed 3rd in sitting and 4th Kneeling.

Preston Johnson placed 2nd in Prone, 4th in Standing and 1st in Kneeling.

Moses Mettes placed 1st in Prone, 2nd in Standing, 4th in Sitting, 2nd in Kneeling and 1st on the Test.

11 Year olds- Lilliana Werning placed 1st in Standing and 4th in Sitting.

Cassidy Mettes placed 3rd in Prone, 2nd in Standing and 2nd in Kneeling

12 year olds- Madison Sharpe placed 2nd in Standing and 5th in Kneeling

14 year olds- Quin Butler placed 2nd in Prone, 3rd in Standing, 1st in Kneeling and 5th on the Test.

Quin also placed 2nd in Prone OVERALL and 5th in Kneeling OVERALL!

Champions were Haakon Werning and Liberty Mettes. Mason Smith also participated.



State 4-H Archery Results

Abigail Nemecheck

1st, Barebow 3D (age 9-10); 3rd Barebow Target (age 9-10)

Lane Miller

3rd, Unlimited Bow Target (age 11-12)

Paislee Grooms

1st, Limited Bow Target (age 9-10)



Thank You to Archery and Shooting Sports leaders and parent volunteers for the countless hours given to Carbon County 4-H.

Some reminders:

- °Each club secretary should be submitting monthly club meeting minutes to the Extension Office.
- °Participation in the Carbon County Fair is not mandatory for 4-H members. It is an optional event.
- °Carbon County Fair Dates are July 20-25
- °Forms, documents, fliers, calendar, etc. are all available on ZSuite under Newsletters.
- °4-H record books are due August 24; forms are available online at montana.edu/extension/4h
- °Green record book covers are available at the Extension Office for \$5.
- °There's a lot of 4-H information on the state 4-H website – just Google "Montana 4-H"
- °You can order 4-H clothing, supplies and fun stuff from the Shop 4-H store – shop4-h.org

LIVESTOCK BOOTCAMP

MAY 22ND & 23RD, 2026



STILLWATER COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

16 SHEEP DIP ROAD COLUMBUS, MT 59019

REGISTER ON ZSUITE!

REGISTRATION: APRIL 1ST - MAY 15TH \$60

**JOIN US FOR AN EDUCATIONAL WEEKEND LEARNING THE INS AND
OUTS ABOUT NUTRITION, GENERAL CARE, SHOWMANSHIP, AND
FITTING FOR YOUR PROJECT!**

Questions? Contact:

Sarah-Jane French, sarahjane.french@montana.edu or (406)-322-8035

Amber Elliott, amber.elliott1@montana.edu or (406)-962-3522



Crochet Workshop

***Join Isabella Walter-Beckman for a fun
crochet adventure!***

***Members will learn how to turn simple yarn
into colorful creations—no experience
needed. Bring your crochet hooks and yarn,
and get ready to make something awesome!
Open to all 4-H members 8+***

***Wednesday, June 24
3–5 PM***

***At the Carbon County Extension Office
Meeting Room***

**RSVP BY FRIDAY JUNE 19 BY CONTACTING
CARRIE GUDERJAHN AT 406-962-3522 OR
CARRIE.GUDERJAHN@MONTANA.EDU**



4-H SMALL ANIMAL SHOWMANSHIP AND CONFORMATION JACKPOT SHOW



**SATURDAY
JUNE 13, 2026
YELLOWSTONE COUNTY
4-H BUILDING
BILLINGS, MT**

**8:00AM
SENIOR, JUNIOR, NOVICE
ROUND ROBIN FOR ALL AGES**

**NEW THIS YEAR:
METRA PARK FAIRGROUNDS
CONFORMATION CLASSES &
ADDED MONEY!**