

Upcoming Events

- October 1 - New 4-H year starts, enrollment begins
- October 1 - Curry Comb meeting - 10 a.m. at the GCHC Dental Clinic across from the courthouse. Window Decorating/cookie tray assembly and short meeting.
- October 1 - Clever Clovers meeting - 1:00 pm at the public drug building, 4 West Main, then to the Annex, 1210 East Main, for window decorating.
- October 1 - Longview Club meeting - 4:00 pm, meet at Billings storage building across from Northern Ford with arranging cookie plates at the Annex, 1210 East Main following window decorating.
- October 1 - 7 - National 4-H Week
- October 2 - Butter Braid Fund-raiser begins
- October 9 - Office closed, Columbus Day
- October 10 or 11 - Marias Fair 4-H Shooting Sports meeting (To be determined)
- October 23rd - Butter Braid Fund-raiser ends
- October 23 - 26 - Office closed, MSU Extension Annual Conference
- November 1 - 7 p.m. - Livestock Committee meeting, MRE in Shelby
- November 6 - 4 p.m. - Butter Braid pick up at Extension office
- November 6 - 7:00 p.m. - 4-H Leader's Council meeting. All 4-H Leaders are encouraged to attend so your club has a vote and stays informed on important county matters.

Greetings, Glacier County 4-H!

As the leaves change colors and the air grows crisper, we welcome you to the October edition of the 4-H Newsletter! It's a time of year when the fruits of our labor come to fruition, and we're excited to share the bountiful harvest of opportunities, achievements, and growth within our 4-H community.

We are thrilled to continue nurturing the growth and development of our 4-H youth and providing them with opportunities to learn, lead, and thrive. Together, we cultivate not only crops but also the future leaders of our community.

Thank you for being an essential part of our 4-H family. As always, we welcome your feedback, contributions, and ideas for future newsletters.

Wishing you a bountiful October filled with growth, learning, and success!



In 4-H friendship, Kari and Lisa

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Shooting Sports Update

We are looking for at least 2 adult volunteers to coach 4-H archery this coming year. We have typically had 3 practice sessions/week, one or two on Thursdays after school and one or two on Sunday afternoons. However, the practice schedule could certainly be adjusted for whatever fits the volunteers. Ideally, we'd be able to have enough volunteers to divide up practices to help share the load between coaches.

If anyone has an interest in coaching, or knows a potential candidate, please let Kari know. While experience in archery is preferred, a desire to work with youth is the main criteria. They would need to enroll on ZSuites as a 4-H volunteer and then attend a 4-H shooting sports training. Upcoming trainings are:

Shooting Sports Leader Trainings

- October 13 - 15, 2023 Lewistown, MT. This training will give leaders the opportunity to get two certifications for the weekend. the disciplines offered are rifle, pistol, archery, shotgun, muzzleloader, and hunting skills.
- December 1 - 2, 2023 Kalispell, MT. Disciplines offered; Rifle, Pistol, Archery, Shotgun, Muzzleloader, Hunting Skills, and Coordinator.
- December 15 - 16, 2023 Belgrade, MT. This is an Advanced Training for Rifle, Pistol, and Archery. More information will be shared as this training is planned and organized.

Again, if anyone would like more information or has more questions, please visit with Kari or Don and Carolyn would be good resources for archery specific questions as well. There will be a Marias Fair shooting sports planning meeting October 10 or 11 in Shelby, Doodle poll to come.

MSU Extension Conference Room

The conference room is again available at the Extension Office for meetings, etc. Please contact Kari or Lisa to get on the calendar and about picking up a key. Please be sure to leave the room clean and tidy when leaving (chairs pushed in, garbage thrown away, etc.) The schedule is online at <https://glacier.msuextension.org/calendar.html>.

Social Media

Just a reminder that social media is a good place to post reminders, share pictures, etc. However, planning of club activities, making decisions, etc. needs to happen within the scope of a club meeting where all youth members can participate in the discussion and voting, and youth are growing and leading the decision-making. Find us on the links below.



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Cloverbuds to start in October

The first meeting of the 2023-24 Cloverbud year will be held October 16 from 4:15 - 5:15 p.m. Cloverbuds will tentatively be the 2nd Monday of the month, unless there's a holiday. Cloverbuds must be enrolled in ZSuites for the year before participating. Thank you to Elyse and Addisyn Bengtson for their dedication to Cloverbuds this year! This year, they will be leading Cloverbuds as part of their Teen Leadership work. There will be a snack, games, and an activity. PLEASE sign your Cloverbud up by October 1st so we can get plans made for the 16th.

Enrollment starts October 1

October 1, 2023 will be the beginning date for families to start re-enrollment and new enrollments. In ZSuites your previous year's information will rollover. However, families will be marked "Inactive" and you will need to be re-enrolled for the new 4-H year. Your previous year's information will still be in the system, you will simply need to update personal information (if need be), sign the waivers, and add clubs. Re-Enrollment will need to be done for all returning volunteers, and youth. In order for their information to rollover you will need to use their existing login.

Clover magazines are available in the office, please stop by to pick one up. They list the projects available, age requirements, information on the projects, etc. and are a great resource prior to enrolling. Be sure to check your age level before re-enrolling to be sure you are enrolled in the appropriate level. If there's only a few activities left in your current project book, move up to the next level.

Project Age Requirements

You must meet the minimum required age by October 1, 2023 in order to enroll in each project.

- Cloverbuds - 5 years old, Regular 4-H - 8 years old
- Shooting Sports - 9 years old
- Market Beef & Beef Breeding - 10 years old
- Teen Leadership - 13 years old • Ambassador - 14 years old
- Colt to Maturity - 11 years old and have completed Horsemanship Levels 1, 2, and 3

National 4-H Week is October 1-7 | THEME: 4-H is a Feeling: I Love 4-H



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To promote National 4-H Week, clubs are encouraged to do a window display around Cut Bank. Window displays will be judged with prizes awarded by the 4-H Council. The 1st place display receiving \$30 and the 2nd place display receiving \$20. Please contact the Extension Office by Wednesday, October 5 with your display location so that it can be judged! Please wear your 4-H shirt (or green) on Wednesday as well.

Each club has also been given a list of 4-H supporters (not necessarily those that purchase livestock, but many who donate space, give discounts, etc.) to thank during 4-H week with a handshake and personal delivery of a treat (plate of cookies, muffins, chex mix or puppy chow, etc.)

Resources are available at <https://4-h.org/professionals/marketing-resources/4-h-week-toolkit/>.

Food Pantry donations needed

The Harvest Food Pantry is in need of donations. They've recently reduced the amount of food they're distributing weekly. Both cash donations (c/o Vonnie Winterrowd, 709 1st St SE, Cut Bank, MT 59427) and donations of non-perishable food items, toiletries, etc. would be appreciated!

Montana 4-H Foundation Silent Auction Item

The Montana 4-H Foundation is organizing a fundraising dinner in October. They are asking each county to contribute a high quality item (worth \$100 or more) to their Silent Auction. We're assembling a breakfast themed gift basket from Glacier County 4-H. We'd love to have each family and/or club contribute items. The following are some suggestions or ways you could contribute:

- Breakfast tray or basket - Beretta Winkowitsch is building, thank you!
- High quality maple syrup
- Jams (Marketplace on Main has some great selections)
- Pancake mix
- Waffle mix Muffin mix
- Hot chocolate mix
- Coffee
- Tea
- Spatula or wire whisks
- Honey - Johnson/Suta family, thank you!
- Coffee cups
- Granola
- Chocolates
- Towels
- Shelf stable meat
- Table runner - Ashlyn Brown, thank you!



If anyone crafty would be willing to assemble the items and gift wrap it up, that would be wonderful! The 4-H Foundation has provided us with numerous grants (Follow the Cattle, Meat and Compete, We're Jamming), scholarships to members, funds for lessening the cost of leader background checks to the county, support for members attending state and national 4-H Congress, etc. Please bring your items to the Extension Office by October 13.

Fall Leadership Training

Fall Training takes place in Billings over MEA weekend, October 20-22, 2023. Registration is on ZSuite beginning September 1. You may sign up for the training in September and it will roll over into the new 4-H year. The event is planned, implemented, and evaluated by the State Ambassador Officer Team. Youth will leave the weekend prepared and excited to take the knowledge and skills they have gained and apply them in their counties. It is also a great place to have youth leaders exchange ideas and create a statewide network of resources.

This training is available to all 4-H members who will be 14 years old by October 1. There will be excellent workshops on Leadership and a lot of fun activities.

Join the new ambassador Officer team for a fun filled, action packed weekend of leadership training. Anyone interested in furthering their leadership skills and ability to impact the club and community are welcome! This is a great time to connect with friends you may have met at 4-H Congress or meet new people from around Montana.

Cut Bank Holiday Bazaar and 4-H Cheesecake Booth - November 4

The 4-H Cheesecake Booth will again be back at the Cut Bank Holiday Bazaar this year, which will be Saturday, November 4 at the Cut Bank High School. Proceeds will benefit the Glacier County 4-H Council which funds the senior scholarships, awards for Achievement Day and Communications Contest, pays for leader background checks, purchases food for Leadership Lunches, etc.

Families are needed to bake cheesecakes (and encourage families/neighbors to do so as well) for the bakeoff. Cheesecakes will be sold by the slice after judging (1st, 2nd, and 3rd places awarded). Members and parents will be needed to help sell and serve cheesecake as well. The Glacier County ambassadors will be leading the Cheesecake booth, please stay tuned for more details!

Our office is seeking 4-H members ages 13 and up who are interested in becoming part of a competitive cooking team. We will learn food safety, and culinary arts and will also touch on restaurant management. We plan to have guest chefs, field trips, and lots of cooking opportunities.

If you are interested in this start-up group, contact Lisa at lterry@montana.edu or call her at 406-873-2239.



It's that time of year again! The Butter Braid fund-raiser will begin on October 2nd and end on October 23rd with a delivery date set for November 6th at 4:00 pm. The price for this year is the same as last year at \$17.00 per braid. Your profit will again be 40%.

Please remember that your customers should make checks payable to your club and not the Extension office. If you'd like to begin selling early, the order form is attached to this newsletter. Contact Lisa for more information.



Sewing and Quilting Workshops

Kimberly Snyder, our 4-H sewing leader, plans to teach sewing and quilting workshops for anyone in those projects. If you have ever thought about learning to sew or quilt, now is a great time to add it to your project list. We would also like you to help us recruit for these projects by inviting a friend to attend with you!

Kimberly is currently designing curriculum as well as preparing kits for these workshops. Ashlyn Brown will also be collaborating with Lisa and Kim. Watch your newsletters for more information on upcoming dates and times. Please enroll in the sewing or quilting project by October 1st so we can get information to you. Contact Lisa with questions.

Club Planning

October is a great time to plan your coming 4-H year and decide what activities you would like to focus on. Use the Yearly Club Plan at http://montana4h.org/documents/resources/club/program_plan_fillable.pdf to outline your year.

Branding Project Fund-Raising Update

Thanks to Olivia Bradley for volunteering to head up the Branding Project which was suggested by Rod Cline. If a 4-H individual or family would like to assist her with this project, please contact our office. The project will be in planning stages for now and will be projected to be completed this spring.

This will be a fund-raiser where Glacier County residents will have the opportunity to donate in order to have their brand burned into the barnwood on the new sign at the old Gamble's Building on N. Central. This would be a great community service project for your club or leadership opportunity for individual members. Olivia would welcome the help!

4-H Club Officer Elections

Club officers are elected annually, with the number of officers determined by the club. Officers should regularly attend meetings and take a leadership role for their club. Here are some basic responsibilities for club officers:

- **President** - Prepares the agenda with other officers and leader input, and presides at club meetings.
- **Vice President** - Assumes President's duties in their absence, and has the responsibility to oversee committees within the club.
- **Secretary** - Keeps complete and accurate records/minutes of each club meeting, and writes all club correspondence (such as thank you notes, etc.) Keeps club attendance records, and submits meeting minutes to the Extension Office monthly.
- **Treasurer** - Handles all club money, keeps accurate and up-to-date financial records, picks up bank statements from Extension Offices, and advises club monthly of their current balance.
- **Historian** - Maintains and updates the club's history book to preserve information for future club members.
- **Reporter** - Writes news stories and/or takes pictures of club events for the 4-H newsletter and/or local newspaper.
- **Recreation Leader** - Leads club in recreational activities such as games, icebreakers, etc. during or after the meetings.



CLOVERBUD & CO. CERTIFICATES OF PARTICIPATION

Year 1

Kayden Berkram
Sawyer Connors
Wesley Dagel
Billie Jo Dasinger
Avery Frey
Harper Gilham
Elizabeth Hamby
Emily Hamby
Brayden Harper
Josiah Heagy
Lennix Johnson
Crue Laverdure
Calen Lehner
Maggie Morrisett
Kaye Peterson
Aiden Roberts
McCoy Singer
Samantha Stewart

Year 2

Ryker Fugle
Dawsyn Geer
Ashley Heagy
Shannon McCauley
Reace Wilder
Riley Wilder

Year 3

Case Connors
Joshua Stoltz

Parents, don't forget to tell the teacher if your Cloverbud will be riding Bus #4 to the Cloverbud meetings. 1st Meeting, October 16th, 4:15 p.m.



Addisyn Bengtson Selected as 4-Her of the Year



Addisyn Bengtson completed Teen Leadership, Market Beef, Beef Breeding, Vet Science, and Cake Decorating projects this year, exhibiting in each project at the fair. At the Marias Fair, she received top interviews for her beef and cake decorating projects, Top Angus and Top Hereford influenced steers, a Best of Class with her Teen Leadership exhibit, and a Best of Show with her Decorated Foods exhibit. She served as the Longview 4-H Club president, has served as county 4-H ambassador the past three years, and has promoted 4-H through window decorating, float design and the Christmas parade annually.

This past year, Addisyn organized and taught a cake decorating workshop, mentored younger beef members, and completed an extensive teen leadership project fundraising for and installing first aid stations in the Marias Fair 4-H Food Booth and Exhibit Building at the Marias Fair fairgrounds. Addisyn's record books are neat and detailed and she strives to continually make the best better. She works hard on her 4-H projects throughout the year with a smile on her face, is passionate about 4-H, and is extremely deserving to be the 2023 Outstanding Member of the Year. Addisyn received a belt buckle at Achievement Day and will have her name added to the 'Outstanding Member' plaque in the Extension Office.

4-Her of the Year 2023, Addisyn Bengtson

Whenever Eric Morrisett is asked to do something, his typical response is, "I'll do whatever you need, just let me know." With that attitude, he has done everything from catching runaway steers at the Marias Fair to leading goat workshops to chaperoning 4-H dances and judging events!

Eric is a vital member of the Marias Fair 4-H livestock committee, contributing ideas, expertise, reviewing financial records, and helping wherever needed. Eric has taken on the role of hog barn superintendent and also 'maintenance man' for the many nuances of the Seewald barn, misters, etc. He's the first one in the barn and the last one to leave at night, and genuinely connects with the kids throughout the week.

Within Glacier County, he has led dairy and swine workshops, helped with livestock weigh-ins, and served as an Awards Showcase judge. He has a heart for the kids and has mentored members from multiple counties with their livestock projects including hauling their animals, helping halter break their steer, improve their showmanship, etc. Eric consistently attends 4-H events whether it's the county Communications Contest, awards interviews, carcass workshops, etc. Because of Eric's service to 4-H and dedication to the youth, the 4-H Council has chosen him as this year's Outstanding Volunteer, and appreciates his continued service!

Eric received a belt buckle at Achievement Day which even had a few orange stones in it for the Oakie who made his way to Montana!



4-H Ambassador, Destini Anderson presents Eric Morrisett the award for 4-H Volunteer Leader of the Year 2023.

Achievement Day 2023

Congratulations to all our awards winners at this year's Achievement Day. Thank you to the leaders who came early and stayed late to help with set up and tear down. You are amazing! We appreciate all you do for Glacier County 4-H! Congrats to our award winners listed here:

Archery

- Brad Hjartarson
- Knox Singer
- Katelyn Suta

Baking

- Ashlyn Brown
- Olivia Bradley

Beef Breeding

- Addisyn Bengtson
- Elyse Bengtson
- Sammie McCauley
- Emily Roberts

Cake Decorating

- Addisyn Bengtson

Cooking

- Janae Roberts

Dairy

- Sammie McCauley

Dog

- Lexi Stubbs

Goat

- Ashlyn Brown
- Lexi Stubbs
- Katelyn Suta

Market Beef

- Addisyn Bengtson
- Elyse Bengtson
- Olivia Bradley
- Sammie McCauley

Market Lamb

- Mac McCauley

Photography

- Janae Roberts

Poultry

- Brad Hjartarson

Rabbit

- Lexi Stubbs

Sheep

- Sammie McCauley

Sheep Breeding

- Emily Roberts

Market Swine

- Knox Singer
- Katelyn Suta

Teen Leadership

- Addisyn Bengtson
- Elyse Bengtson
- Ashlyn Brown
- Brad Hjartarson
- Katelyn Suta

Quilting

- Ashlyn Brown

Woodworking

- Ethan Brown

Emerald Achievement

- Emily Roberts
- Janae Roberts

Bronze Achievement

- Lexi Stubbs

Silver Achievement

- Elyse Bengtson
- Ashlyn Brown

Gold Achievement

- Addisyn Bengtson
- Katelyn Suta

Community Service and Leadership Recognition

- Destini Anderson
- Addisyn Bengtson
- Elyse Bengtson
- Ashlyn Brown
- Brad Hjartarson
- Lexi Stubbs
- Katelyn Suta
- Jed Winkowitsch
- Ken Winkowitsch

Certificates of Completion

Year 1

- Colt Laverdure
- Knox Singer
- Nash Singer
- Alex Wahl

Year 2

- Mac McCauley

Year 3

- Brody Stokes

Year 4

- Sammie McCauley
- Emily Roberts
- Bodie Barbie
- Hugh Bradley
- Corin Brown
- Miles Geer

Year 5

- Lexi Stubbs
- Janae Roberts
- Alec Morrisett
- Madalynn Largo

Year 6

- Destini Anderson
- Elyse Bengtson
- Olivia Bradley
- Ethan Brown
- Beretta Winkowitsch

Year 7

- RJ Barbie

Year 8

- Brad Hjartarson
- Ashlyn Brown
- Dallas Berkram

Year 9

- Addisyn Bengtson
- Katelyn Suta
- Jed Winkowitsch
- Ken Winkowitsch