#### **Upcoming Events**

- May 1 Drop/Add deadline on ZSuites
- May 1 Deadline to apply for a state 4-H award
- May 4 Lamb weigh-in deadline
- May 6 Council meeting, 7 p.m.
- May 15 Fair registration opens on FairEntry, fair packets available for pick up
- May 19 Clever Clovers club meeting, 1 p.m. Glacier county library (and clean up)
- May 19 Curry Comb club meeting following Glacier county library cleanup
- June 1 End of the year Shooting Sports party and awards, 12 p.m., Cut Bank Range
- June 1 & 2 Sedan Cow Camp, May 1 registration deadline
- June 3 Food Safety Training, 4:00 p.m. Glacier County Annex
- June 7 Logan Health Kids Safety Fair, 12 3 p.m., City Park
- June 10 12 4-H camp (regularly enrolled members 7th grade and down)
- June 15 Fair registration deadline, all forms/payments due to the Extension Office
- June 17 Food Safety Training, 4:00 p.m. Glacier County Annex
- June 29 Shotgun tournament at Shelby Trap Club
- July 9 11 4-H Congress in Bozeman
- July 13 Pre-Fair cleanup, 8 a.m. at Marias Fairgrounds, food safety training to follow
- July 17 21 Marias Fair in Shelby

#### Greetings, 4-H friends!

We have numerous great opportunities coming up that we'd encourage everyone to take part in. Whether it is 4-H camp, 4-H Congress, Cloverbud camp, 4-H Congress, the Marias Fair...there is truly something for everyone. It is through these great events that lifelong friends are made, confidence grows, and kids learn something new, don't miss out! Please let us know what questions you have and how we can help.

We're excited to welcome Grace Rooney back on May 20 for a summer internship in our office. She's been a fantastic help and we so appreciate her support with getting ready for fair and all the other summer activities. Please stop in and say hello when she returns!

In 4-H friendship, Kari and Lisa

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Glacier County 4-H

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## **Marias Fair Registration**

Fair packets will be ready May 15 for pick up in the Extension office. Camping spots are available on a first come, first serve (and paid) basis for anyone new, wanting to move spots, etc. Please review ALL materials and get registered in FairEntry early so that we have time to review your entries for accuracy, etc. PLEASE read through your packets carefully before beginning fair registration.

Again this year premiums for every 4-H ribbon will be: Purple - \$5, Blue - \$4, Red - \$3, and White - \$2

EVERY member should be doing an exhibit in their projects. Start now and let's have another great showing in the Exhibit Building from Glacier County!

<u>Please be sure to read the schedule carefully</u>. There are SEVERAL changes this year, particularly related to livestock show times. On Thursday, market shows will include swine at 7:30 a.m., beef at 11:30 a.m., lambs at 3 p.m., and goats at 4 p.m. All livestock breeding shows will be on Friday. Round Robin showmanship on Saturday has been moved up to 10 a.m. Glacier County will be in charge of Exhibit Building cleanup on Sunday at 8:30 a.m. (no monitoring Exhibit Building this year).



# **Shooting Sports**

#### Thank you!

Thank you to Rolland Heagy and Brad Hjartarson for sharing their archery knowledge and skills at Anna Jeffries on April 16. They shared the fun of archery with over 100 4th and 5th graders. Thanks for representing 4-H, Rolland and Brad!

#### Shotgun

Shotgun practice will begin May 9 at the Shelby Trap Club at 6 p.m. Loren Bennet will be coaching. Range fees are \$40 to the Shelby Trap Club. The Marias Fair Shotgun tournament will be June 29 at the Shelby Trap Club.

#### Save the Date - June 1 - Fun Shoot

The shooting sports season will wrap up with a fun shoot for Archery, Air Rifle, and Air Pistol members on Saturday, June 1, at the Cut Bank Range at 12 p.m. Awards will also be given at this time. Meat will be provided for a potluck BBQ, families are asked to bring a side dish or dessert. Help is needed to set up, please let Chris (360-480-0086) or any shooting sports coaches know if you can assist. Please meet at the Extension Office at 9 a.m. to get 3-D targets to haul out to help set up. Many hands make light work!

#### Cloverbud Day Camp - June 6th, 10:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Marias Fair Exhibit Building

Join us for an exciting Cloverbuds Carnival Day Camp! The camp will be located at the Marias Fair Exhibit Building at the fairgrounds at 608 W. Marias Fair Rd. in Shelby.

Registration is available on Zsuite. Log into your family account and click on the event link to register. The registration fee of \$5.00 should be sent to the Glacier County Extension office with any checks written to Glacier County 4-H. The deadline to register is May 15th. Don't delay!

#### 4-H Camp Counselors

Camp counselors should be registered on ZSuites under Events and need to pay \$25 to Phillips-Blaine County 4-H Camp and drop off at the office. Please watch the YouTube training video link that was sent, practice your workshop 2 - 3 times, and make sure supplies are secured, you're prepared for leading various activities, etc.

#### 4-H Camp

4-H camp registration opened April 15 on ZSuites and will close May 15. Registration will be \$60/member. Members will be selecting their workshops, so it's to their advantage to register early. Camp is open to regularly enrolled 4-H members, 7th grade and down (no Cloverbuds). Camp will be June 10 - 12, 2024 and transportation will be provided to Camp Kiwanis (south of Havre). It's a wonderful experience to meet other 4-Hers, learn new skills, and have fun.

Checks should be made to Phillips/Blaine 4-H Camp and dropped off/mailed to the Glacier County Extension Office. The Glacier County 4-H Council Event scholarship and Bret Wanken Memorial Fund scholarship are both available to assist with camp registration; applications are available online at <u>https://glacier.msuextension.org/4H.html</u>.

We are still in need of male chaperones if any enrolled male leaders would be willing to join us to sleep in a boys cabin at night.

#### May 1 - Add/Drop Deadline

May 1 is the final deadline to add or drop a project on ZSuites. If you haven't yet started a project, you might consider dropping it. After May 1, members are responsible for completing all projects enrolled in (by September 30) which includes completing the required number of activities in the project book and an animal or non-animal project journal. If you have questions, please ask prior to May 1. Members may drop or add projects on Zsuites.

#### Volunteer Spotlight and Members of the Month

Nominate a volunteer or youth in your county who has done something awesome and deserves a shout-out for making a difference. They will be recognized next month in a Volunteer or Member Spotlight social media post and in the state's monthly newsletter. They will also be eligible for Ag Network's Volunteer or Member of the Month sponsored by Stockman Bank. You are welcome to submit more than one recognition form!

Nominate a volunteer you appreciate: https://forms.gle/z6qTGfjZEZUxAksg9 Nominate a youth member: https://forms.gle/EbtccAkk6XE3ZWKX6

### LIVESTOCK

#### Lamb/Goat Weigh-Ins

Saturday, May 4 is the deadline to weigh in lambs and goats for the Marias Fair. Please coordinate with Kari on weighing and tagging lambs/goats. Weight, birth date, breed, breeder, and breeder's address are all needed.

#### **Swine Seneca Valley Virus**

An email went out to swine families this past week regarding Seneca Virus A/Seneca Valley Virus that was detected in a northcentral Montana isowean facility this spring. Please read the information and utilize appropriate biosecurity measures if around other pigs, attending jackpot shows, etc.

#### Livestock Scale

Members are encouraged to weigh their market livestock at least monthly from now until fair. For weighing small livestock, we do have the small scale available for lambs and pigs that the Glacier County 4-H Council purchased for our members. There is to be NO washing or clipping on the scale. The scale has electronic parts and if they get wet, that can cause them to become faulty. Please be sure to always lift up when carrying the scale (no dragging). If you need something to wash/clip in for pigs, there is a heavy duty frame for that at Sahm Winkowitsch's that can be borrowed and used, or many folks have modified the plastic chemical shuttles as well. Please return the scale within 72 hours of using it.

## LIVESTOCK OPPORTUNITIES

#### NILE Merit Heifer Program applications open

Applications are now being accepted for the 2024-2025 year. The NILE Merit Heifer program is a live animal scholarship. Recipients receive a heifer calf to help them get a start in the beef cattle business and gain knowledge about the beef industry. During the program, participants are responsible for caretaking, record keeping, breeding, and bringing the heifer back to the NILE Stock Show as a bred heifer to compete for honors such as top showman, top heifer, and top herdsman.

Program participants are chosen based on merit, future goals, and ability to care for the animal. 4-H or FFA members who are 12-16 years old may apply. Applicants are not limited to Montana residents.

Applications and a link to the YouTube video must be submitted via email to shelby@thenile.org no later than June 30, 2024. Find out more at https://thenile.org/events/livestock/nile-merit-heiferprogram/ or by visiting with current NILE Merit heifer recipient, Janae Roberts.

#### **Starter Flock Giveaway**

The Montana Columbia Sheep Breeders Association is excited to offer a starter flock program to youth ages 11 – 16 interested in raising registered Columbia Sheep. Selected recipients receive a gift of 4 registered ewes to begin their adventure. With the help of family and the guidance of a knowledgeable sponsor member of the association, this program is a stepping stone towards success for our young breeders. Information and application is available at https://www.mtcolumbiasheep.org/st arter-flock.html.

Applications must be postmarked no later than August 1.

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### GRANT RECIPIENTS

The Montana 4-H Foundation will be awarding 22 awards totaling \$6,600 to benefit Montana communities this year through the People Partner grants. These awards are made possible by an endowment started by Geraldine Fenn and have been creating a legacy of service in this state for many decades. Glacier County had three applications submitted, all of which were funded!

- Clever Clovers 4-H Club \$500 Olivia Bradley led the application to receive funding for making 34 tie blankets for residents of the Glacier Care Center.
- 4-H Livestock Committee \$500 Janae Roberts led the application to install a new cattle wash rack at the Marias Fairgrounds.
- Open Range Club \$150 Lexi Stubbs applied to install a herdsmanship banner and notice board in the Rabbit and Poultry barn at the Marias Fairgrounds.

#### Thank you, Beef 1 Curriculum Reviewers!

Thank you to Eric Morrisett, Janae Roberts, Ray Dagel, Kate Morrisett, Sammie McCauley, Shandi Bradley, Hugh Bradley, Olivia Bradley, Jed Winkowitsch, and Ken Winkowitsch for providing valuable feedback through the Beef 1 curriculum review process. Your help is much appreciated! As promised, a drawing was held from those who completed the forms and receiving gift cards will be Hugh Bradley and Kate Morrisett!

#### 4-H Resources available

Did you know...? The Glacier County 4-H Council has several items available for checkout at no cost to our members. There are cake decorating kits, a beef kit, swine kit, leathercraft items, etc. There is also a small animal scale for weighing pigs, lambs, and goats (please handle with care, return within 48 hours, and NO washing of animals on the scale). The beef and swine kits are fantastic resources that can be used at a club meeting, project meeting, within a family, etc. There are large laminated posters, etc. that are great for hands-on learning. These are free resources, stop in for them!

#### Apply for a state 4-H Award

The Montana 4-H State Awards program is in place to recognize the outstanding accomplishments of 4-H members who have reached a standard of excellence in a project area. State Award winners have gone above and beyond regular project work with a focus on leadership, communication, and community service.

State Award recipients are recognized during the Banquet at Montana 4-H Congress in July and are eligible to attend National 4-H Congress in November, in Atlanta, GA. Visit https://www.montana.edu/extension/4h/programs/awards/state-awards.html for details and the application. Katelyn Suta was a state winner in swine last year and we have many more deserving members. Applications are due May 1.

### **CLEVER CLOVERS SERVICE**





The Clever Clovers 4-H club did a great job serving at the Cut Bank Chamber of Commerce annual banquet in April. Thank you to Kate Morrisett and Shandi Bradley for overseeing the youth led operation, the adult support is critical and helps make it happen! Members served food, filled waters, bussed tables, and interacted with dinner guests, great job!

#### Marias Fair Food Booth Safety Training

All 4-H members are required to work a food booth shift and must complete food safety training every other year. For 2024 the following 4-Hers must sign up for **one** session of food safety training:

Rubie Bowland Sabien Bowland Hugh Bradley Olivia Bradley Ainsley Conner Roy Conner Case Connors Landon Connors Beau Dagel Ray Dagel Wesley Dagel Isabela Gonzales Ashley Heagy Eden Heagy Kimber Heagy Madeline Hensley Isabelle Kennerly Jhett Kennerly Colt Laverdure Ava Manecke Angelo McCullough Brandeon Molenda

Bridger Molenda Alexis Mummey Ella Povey Cidney Ranson Ryatt Reeverts Knox Singer McCoy Singer Nash Singer Ryan Snyder Sean Snyder Joshua Stoltz Elliot Wahl Stella Wahl Taos Wellman Atrayu Wilder

Register with this QR code or link



https://tinyurl.com/5x8mczzp

# Food Safety Training dates to choose from:

Monday, June 3rd @ 4:00 p.m. Annex Building, 1210 East Main, Cut Bank

Monday, June 17th @ 4:00 p.m. Annex Building, 1210 East Main, Cut Bank

Saturday, July 13th @ Noon or after Food Booth Cleanup, Marias Fair Food Booth

**Register by May 31st!** 



2024 Glacier County 4-H Communications Contest

The Glacier County 4-H Communications Contest had a strong representation of members including Alec Morrisett, Bodie Barbie, RJ Barbie, Janae Roberts, Emily Roberts, Katelyn Suta, Addisyn Bengtson, Jed Winkowitsch, Ken Winkowitch and Mac McCauley, Lexi Stubbs, Sammie McCauley, Maggie Morrisett, Shannon McCauley, and Sebastian McKenzie.

Winners included - Mac McCauley (Top Pre-Junior Demonstration/Illustrated Talk), Bodie Barbie (Top Junior Impromptu Speech), Lexi Stubbs (Top Junior Career Communications), Janae Roberts (Top Junior Demonstration / Illustrated Talk), Katelyn Suta (Top Senior Career Communications, tie), and Addisyn Bengtson (Top Senior Communications, tie). Overall winners were: Pre-Junior - Mac McCauley, Junior - Janae Roberts, Senior - Addisyn Bengtson and Katelyn Suta (tie).

Thank you to the clubs, parents, judges, and volunteers for a great event! Public speaking is a cornerstone of 4-H and these members are to be commended for their efforts!

### Montana State 4-H Rec Lab

Alec Morrisette of the Clever Clover 4-H Club attended the Montana State 4-H Rec Lab held in Boulder, Montana at Jefferson High School. This event is a 4-H member favorite: It provides an opportunity for youth and adults to enhance their leadership, communication, and team building skills in an action-packed and interactive setting. Alec attended workshops on being SMART with your goals, Know Your Soil ph, Leadership and Communication, Crafting Your Vision for Gold, and Parli Pro Pizza. Alec and Lisa would be glad to come and repeat the Parli Pro Pizza workshop for your club! Let us know!



Thanks for representing Glacier County 4-H, Alec!



 Marias Fair Exhibit Building Thursday, June 6th
10:30 am - 3:30 pm
Lunch Provided
\$5 Registration Fee
Registration on Zsuite-Deadline May 15th

**Open to all Marias Fair Counties** 

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