

# CARBON COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER



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# NOVEMBER

**Club Chartering  
paperwork due  
by Nov 1st!**

**Includes:**

- End of Yr Report**
- Secretary's Book**
- Treasurer's Book**
- bank statements  
(Oct '23 - Sept '24)**

**If you are a club officer, you  
should be contacting your club  
leader to get this done!**

**2024**

## **Honor Club Inductees**



Alaina  
McNeese

Samuel  
Heward



Raden  
Miller





# NOVEMBER



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Club Chartering Due	2
3 	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11 	12 Fair Board Meeting Encampment Cloverbuds Leaders Council	13 Saratoga Cloverbuds	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21 Rawlins Cloverbuds	22	23
24	25	26	27	28  CLOSED	29 CLOSED	30

# DECEMBER

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10 Fair Board Meeting Encampment Cloverbuds Leaders Council	11 Saratoga Cloverbuds	12	13	14 Holiday Baking Challenge
15	16	17	18	19 Rawlins Cloverbuds	20	21 Holiday Baking Challenge
22	23	24 CLOSED	25 	26 WINTER BREAK	27 WINTER BREAK	28 Holiday Baking Challenge
29 WINTER BREAK	30 CLOSED	31 WINTER BREAK				

# Important Dates

November 1 - Club Charter Paperwork DUE

December 1 - Holiday Baking Challenge Registration Deadline

January 14 - 7220 Wool Judging Contest

January TBD - Beef Market Tag/Weigh

February 1st - Beef Ownership Deadline (Market & Breeding)

February 14 - Fair Book Ads DUE

April 25-26 - WY 4-H Meat & Wool Judging Contest

May TBD - Swine, Sheep, Goat Market Tag/Weigh

June 1 - 4-H Membership Deadline

June 1 - County Shoot Registration Deadline

June 1 - Swine/Sheep/Goat Ownership Deadline (Market & Breeding)

June 1 - Dog ID's DUE (paper)

June 1 - Horse ID's DUE (ZSuite)

June 1 - County Fair Entries OPEN

June 7 - County Shoot Part I (Air Rifle/Pistol)

June 14 - County Shoot Part II (All Other Disciplines)

June 17-19 - Showcase Showdown (Laramie)

June 24-26 - 4-H Adventure Camp (Skyline Ranch)

July 1 - Dog Vet Records DUE

July 1 - Horse Safety Certifications DUE

July 10-13 - State Shoot (Douglas)

July 12 - County Fair Entries DUE

July 18-19 - Platte River Shotgun Shootout (Silver Spur)

August 2-9 - Carbon County Fair

August 11-17 - Wyoming State Fair

September 15 - Record Books DUE

October 1 - NEW 4-H YEAR!!

October 14 - Achievement Award Nominations DUE

# Happy Birthday!



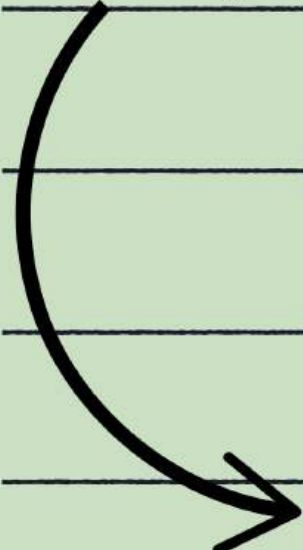
Josh Moore  
Bayden Meyer  
Kaycee Meyers  
Theodore Edwards  
Truan Ney  
Kenyon Neville  
Katelyn Hatch  
Ridge Stewart  
Karsyn McClain  
Blake Miller  
Katelyn Stocks



# 4-H MEMBER TASKS FOR: NOVEMBER

- Attend monthly club meeting
- Donate to a local food bank for your Thanksgiving community service
- ENROLL!! (If you haven't already)
- Create a project plan to meet the S.M.A.R.T. goals you set last month

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## What's Next?

Land access for new, beginning farmers a priority

By JAMIE HENNEGAN  
The Prairie Star

**A**s the average age of the farmer in the U.S. is 58 years old, the future of their lands and farms may be up for discussion.

"We have some farmers thinking about what's next," said Susanne Herichs, agriculture business management educator with the University of Minnesota.

Fortunately, there are also a number of people who are either small-scale farming and looking for more land or people who want to get into growing food as a more serious occupation. Acquiring land is a priority for this group at a time when older farmers are considering what to do with their land if they retire.

In order for new and beginning farmers to be ready to take on more land, there are several steps that need to be taken, according to Herichs.

One of the key factors is the ability to keep good agricultural records.

"Recordkeeping is important for a number of reasons," she said. "Records show that you have been successfully navigating farming from large scale vegetable farming to keeping track of the lineage of animals. It helps build your persona as a farmer so you can tell the story to someone else when it comes time."



**THE** **Prairie Star**

• Production costs not likely to come down before next spring pg. 8  
• Durum harvest nears completion, prices steady pg. 24

LAND ACCESS:  
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# CLUB REPORTS

B.E.V.O

**We meet the second Monday of the month at the Encampment K-12 School library**

Leaders: Toni Kay Tolle 580-277-0615 and Sam Buffington

RAWLINS  
RELIABLES

**Meetings: Third Thursdays at 6:30pm Extension Office, Rawlins**

Leader: Tonya French 307-321-2928

LEO  
COWPOKES

**Meetings: Second Saturdays Hanna or Leo (307-575-0366 for info)**

Leaders: Marla & Marquita

PLATTE  
VALLEY  
SHOOTING  
SPORS

**Meetings: First Wednesdays at 5:30pm PVCC, Saratoga (Starting in January)**

Leader: Nick W & Mike M 307-329-8030

HARDY  
HANNA  
HARVESTERS

**Meetings: First Monday at 6pm Hanna Hills Church, Hanna**

Leader: Chelsy Smith 307-220-1211

SARATOGAS  
FINEST

**Meetings: First Tuesdays at 6:00pm PVCC, Saratoga (Starting in January)**

Leader: Josalyn Miller 307-710-7022

SAVERY  
SAVERS

**Meetings: Second Wednesday at 6pm Higher Ed Center, Baggs (Starting in November)**

Leader: Codey Stocks 307-380-6118

## Attention Club Reporters!

It is your job to send in a short report on what your club did at their meeting each month. Club reports due by the last Friday of each month!

**Rifle**

Travis Schinkel  
(Rawlins)  
307-321-6682

Mike Moon  
(Saratoga)

O.R. Wille  
(Baggs)

**Pistol**

O.R. Wille  
(Baggs)  
307-321-1299

Mike Moon  
(Saratoga)  
307-329-8030

Reese Irvine  
(Rawlins)  
307-320-8001

**Shotgun**

Ryan Shively  
(Rawlins)  
701-681-0132

O.R. Wille  
(Baggs)

Mike Moon  
(Saratoga)  
307-329-8030

**Muzzleloader**

Bill Orchard  
(Baggs)  
307-380-8243

Mike Moon  
(Saratoga)  
307-329-8030

**Metalwork**

Ken Cureton  
(Rawlins)  
307-328-2642

**Robotics**

Leslie McKlinsky  
(Encampment)  
307-710-2400

**Dog**

Ashlea Coulson  
Roberts  
(Rawlins)  
&  
Olivia Roybal  
(Rawlins)  
Contact on  
Facebook  
Messenger

**Rabbits**

Chelsy Smith  
(Hanna)  
307-220-1211

**Archery**

Kenny Raymond  
(Rawlins)  
307-320-3219

Louis Braun  
(Saratoga)  
307-710-8228

Tyson Cobb  
(Baggs)  
307-380-6188

**Swine**

Olivia Roybal  
(Rawlins)  
307-321-4737

Carla Johnson  
(H.E.M.)  
307-258-3655

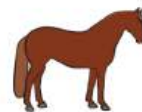
Maria Johnson  
(Saratoga)  
307-710-7188

**Poultry**

Josalyn Miller  
(Saratoga)  
307-710-7022

Jessica Weber  
(Baggs)  
307-383-6076

Chelsy Smith  
(Hanna)  
307-220-1211

**Horse**

Linda Kraft  
(Platte Valley)  
307-710-4848

Callay Danford  
(Baggs)  
307-380-7047

Jessica Paul  
(Rawlins)  
307-321-3058

Marquita McNeas  
(H.E.M.)  
307-321-5532

**Hippology/  
Horse Judging**

Aleshia Withers  
&  
Stacy Berger  
(Saratoga)  
806-422-0199

**Project Leaders** host meetings, teach about their subject, and attend events and trainings to support members in that project

**Beef**

Jessica Weber  
(Baggs)  
307-383-6076

Gwynn Bartlett  
(Rawlins)  
307-321-4587

Marla McNeas  
(H.E.M.)  
307-575-0366

Kaylee Kerbs  
(Platte Valley)  
307-761-2797

**Sheep**

Sue Lee  
(Baggs)  
307-380-8314

Brad Dirck  
(Rawlins)  
307-209-1921

Marquita McNeas  
(H.E.M.)  
307-321-5532

Gail Lee  
(Platte Valley)  
307-329-6623

# Project Leaders & Advisors

**Project Advisors** are available through phone call to answer your questions, give advice and point you in the right direction when starting your project

# LEADERS' COUNCIL

Tuesday, November 12th

@ 6:30 PM

Saratoga PVCC over dinner

or

Zoom Link:

<https://uwyo.zoom.us/j/584444587>



All leaders, parents, and jr leader's welcome!

**CARBON COUNTY EXTENSION  
OFFICE WILL BE**

**CLOSED**

November 28th and 29th  
in observation of Thanksgiving

December 24th through January 1st  
for Winter Break



# Congratulations to the members who found the angels during 4-H Week!

Connor



Encampment

Isla



Saratoga

Jennifer

Baggs

Rawlins



Harper

# Achievement Awards



## Record Book Awards



### Jr Winners

1st Shelly Larson  
2nd Easton Gillies  
3rd Kimber Larson

### Intermediate Winners

1st Jett McNees  
2nd Coy Munroe  
3rd Bayla Berger  
4th Riata Withers

### Senior Winners

1st Kannon Gilbert  
2nd Hannah Lee  
3rd Alaina McNees  
4th Tymber Cozzens

### Best 4-H Story

JR Bergen Berger  
INT Bayla Berger  
SR Raden Miller

### Community Helper Award

Jr Kimber Larson  
Int Trey Weeldryer  
SR Samuel Heward

### Outstanding Leadership

JR Porter Cozzens  
INT Riata Withers  
SR Maeve Lally

### Tough as Nails

INT Jett McNees  
INT Coy Munroe

### 4-H Scholar (ED-OPs)

INT Bayla Berger  
SR Hyrum Heward

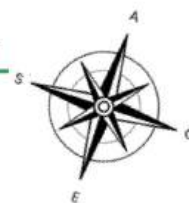


### Honor Club Inductees

Alaina McNees  
Samuel Heward  
Raden Miller

### ACES Jr. Leader

Hannah Lee



### Rookie Leader

#### of the Year

Toni Kay Tolle



### Seasoned Leader

#### of the Year

Aleshia Withers



### Hall of Fame

#### Leaders

Cale & Jacinda  
Waldrip



### Friends of 4-H

Katie Walker, Jerry & Linda Kraft, Julie Webb,  
Carbon County Vet Hospital



University of Wyoming Extension



# START YOUR VOLUNTEER JOURNEY

Join us for a FREE two part online informational session for adults interested in becoming 4-H volunteers.



A 4-H volunteer can serve many roles: mentor, advisor, friend, teacher, referee, role model, pacesetter and much more. As a 4-H volunteer, participants will have the opportunity to make a positive difference in the lives of children, teach them valuable skills, help them achieve a positive self-image, accomplish personal goals and earn a sense of accomplishment. Join us to find out if this is something for you!



**CHOOSE ONE OF THE DATES BELOW:**

**SEPTEMBER 9TH AND 23RD, 2024**

**NOVEMBER 5TH AND 19TH, 2024**

**FEBRUARY 5TH AND 19TH, 2025**

**AUGUST 12TH AND 26TH, 2025**

**ALL SESSIONS ARE ONE HOUR AND START AT 6:30 PM.**

If you are interested please register using the QR code or go to <https://forms.gle/6RGR2aDGgLfK66a8A>.





#### 4-H ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS

# Belonging

*All young people want to belong and be members of groups. Groups may be formal like classrooms and school sports teams or informal like 4-H clubs.*

*There are three essential elements that, when present in 4-H clubs, create a strong feeling of **BELONGING** among club members: a caring adult, a safe environment, an inclusive environment.*

### **Belonging is having a positive relationship with a caring adult.**

#### **What does this mean?**

- This is the MOST important element to a positive youth development project. Having positive 4-H leaders to help our members is IMPORTANT.
- As a caring adult in your 4-H club you act as an advisor, guide, and mentor.
- You can help your club members set boundaries and expectation.
- You serve as the supporter, friend, and advocate for the 4-H member you are working with.

#### **What does this look like in a 4-H experience?**

- Adult volunteer leaders call youth members by their first names. If you have a large club consider name tags to help you in making this happen.
- Get to know the interests of your members. Ask questions that show them you care and be an active listener to what they have to say.
- Pay attention to the activities of members outside of the meetings. Recognize and talk about what they are doing outside of your 4-H club and event.

- Structure group activities so that both youth and adults have time to learn about one another.

### **Belonging is having a safe emotional and physical environment.**

#### **What does this mean?**

- Create an environment of support and encouragement.
- Safety is a basic need, we want an environment that promotes emotional and physical safety.
- 4-H experiences need to be free from danger and equipped for the activities planned.
- Participants need to know that youth and adults will not make fun of each other, insult each other, or threaten each other. This behavior is not tolerated as part of the 4-H experience.

#### **What does this look like in a 4-H experience?**

- Don't tolerate bullying, cliques, or put-downs.
- Be sure that all of the adults working with youth in your club are screened and trained in safety and child protection.

# IGNITE BY 4-H

UW | Wyoming 4-H



## HOW

### Applications

Application are currently open and open until full.

Apply now to insure a spot!



## WHEN & WHERE

March 12 – 16, 2025  
Washington DC

## “Where Possibilities are Endless!”

Teens collaborate, create and cultivate a passion for expanding their minds and their world.

## WHAT

## WHY

- Travel, Connect with teens from across the country, Career exploration.
- Experience renowned speakers and industry leaders, workshops and experiences.





APRIL 11-16  
2025

ARLINGTON, VIRGINIA

## INFORMATION

- DO YOU WANT TO HAVE A ROLE IN MAKING CHANGE?
- YOUTH PRESENT IDEAS TO HIGH-RANKING GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS.
- YOUTH WILL SEE D.C. AND MEET WITH OUR CONGRESSMAN AND SENATORS.
- MEET OTHER 4-H YOUTH LIKE YOURSELF FROM ACROSS THE UNITED STATES.

## DETAILS

- YOUTH 15 - 18 YEARS OLD
- COST ESTIMATED AT \$2500 PER PERSON, SCHOLARSHIP WILL BE GIVEN.

## APPLICATIONS

- APPLICATIONS CURRENTLY OPEN, UNTIL REGISTRATION IS FULL.



# STATE 4-H FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS

## 2025



### UW:

- Edna Mae and Wallace McClaflin
- Ella E. Schloredt
- Jimmy Nichols Memorial
- Farmhouse Foundation
- Janie Smith Memorial
- Margaret Butterfield Memorial
- Brown-Kohl
- Marian M. Henderson Memorial

### OTHER SCHOOLS:

- Wilbur Brettel
- Murdoch's Ranch and Home
- Lynette Wallace
- Linnabur Scholarship
- John and Pauline Peterson
- Bonnie Ellenwood
- Underwood Family
- State 4-H Foundation



Scan to Apply:  
Wyoming 4-H



**Help Emily reach her fundraising goal to  
take Wyoming 4-Hers to Finland!**

*Perfect holiday gift for colleagues and  
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**HELP US  
REACH OUR  
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Every purchase of  
premium nuts, gourmet  
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& savory snack mixes  
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**SUPPORT US TODAY!**



Fundraising by Terri Lynn







# Catch-A-Calf Program

January 11-26, 2025



Catch-A-Calf, one of National Western's most loved traditions!

Participants come from Colorado, Kansas, Nebraska, and Wyoming to compete in the National Western Stock Show's longest-running program of practical beef cattle management. In just over 80 years the Catch-A-Calf Contest has awarded nearly 3,000 steers to 4-H members hailing from the western United States.

The program began in 1935 when 10 boys caught 10 sponsored calves. The contest quickly caught on, and the program grew to include 52 calves by 1942. Soon after World War II, the program settled at 40 calves per year, which is where the number continues to stand today.

The program is designed so that successful participants catch a calf, feed it, and return with the animal one year later as a market-ready steer at the National Western Stock Show. The steers are judged on production and carcass quality, while the participants are judged on showmanship, record books, and a personal interview.

The Grand and Reserve Grand Champion participants sell their steers at the Auction of Junior Livestock Champions held on the final Friday of the Stock Show.



Applications for the 2025-2026 season are now open.

Please note, this program is only open to active 4-H and FFA members ages 14-18 (who must be residents) in Colorado, Kansas, Nebraska & Wyoming.

Please refer to the Rules and Regulations for further information.



COOK TOGETHER & GATHER  
AROUND THE FAMILY DINNER TABLE.

# FOOD FUN

4 - H W Y O M I N G

- Learn to prepare home-cooked meals & try new foods.
- FUN Family time.
- Receive a **FREE** kitchen utensil kit per family related to that month's recipes October- April.
- Self-guided at home.
- Open to any currently enrolled 4-H member...make it a project!



## To Find Out More

Contact Us @ (307)-334-3534 or [KELLIEC@UWYO.EDU](mailto:KELLIEC@UWYO.EDU)  
**FREE TO PARTICIPATE; GROCERIES NOT INCLUDED**





# READY, SET, EXPLORE!

## COMING SOON!

We are so excited to introduce you to the new program from University of Wyoming Extension

### *Ready, Set, Explore!*

This is a free, family-friendly program designed to inspire outdoor adventures and create unforgettable memories.

Throughout this packet, you will find information on what to expect while participating in this program, information about our partners, and learn how to sign up!

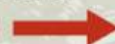
### OCTOBER- SNEAK PEAK FOLLOWED BY NOVEMBER ACTIVITIES

In October, families can enjoy a "sneak peek" of the **Ready, Set, Explore** program! During this month, you'll have the chance to participate in all the activities without needing to officially register. Beginning in November, we'll start sending out monthly incentives to registered families (1 incentive per family), and participation to earn your WY State Parks Annual Day Pass will kick off as well! Participants can register anytime throughout the month. Don't miss the opportunity to try it out this October and see if you're ready to

#### ***Ready, Set, Explore!***

To register use the following link or scan the QR code!

[https://bit.ly/ready\\_set\\_explore\\_registration](https://bit.ly/ready_set_explore_registration)



Check out the October post on the Website.

**FAMILY ADVENTURES AWAIT!**



QUESTIONS? ☎ 307.568.4160 ✉ [gasvoda@uwyo.edu](mailto:gasvoda@uwyo.edu)

4-H, CVH, WORTH, & ANR



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FOOD & NUTRITION PROJECT

# Holiday Baking Challenge

Learn 4-H Baking Skills at home as you follow along with our youtube videos each week in December!

**2024 Theme: Pies**

BAKING KITS AVAILABLE FOR PICK UP

\*Limited supply - Sign up early!



[Sign up through your ZSuite account!](#)



# 4-H MEMBERS IN THE NEWS!



Olivianna McMahon  
Senior Attendant  
RHS Homecoming



photo: Ms. Laurie @ Ext Office

## Cowboy State Daily



### Wyoming 14-Year-Old Bowhunter Has Banner Season, Gets Elk, Deer And Antelope

As October begins, many hunters are just starting their season. Wyoming's three premier big game species are being bagged all three, with his bow.

Mark Heinz • October 05, 2024

### Cowboy State Daily

### Kolbe and Gus Chant, rodeo competitors, to compete in the Vegas Tuffest Jr. World Championship

#### News Release

LAS VEGAS—Kolbe and Gus Chant will be two of over 1300 entries from 31 different states including 3 provinces in Canada competing December 4-10 at the Mike and Sherryllyn Johnson Vegas Tuffest Jr. World Championship which is held the first weekend of the National Finals Rodeo in Las Vegas, Nevada.

"We held 50 qualifiers across the United States and Canada to give our rodeo youth an equal chance to make it to Vegas and the opportunity to win their share of \$1.75 million + in cash & prizes," said Sherryllyn Johnson, the event's organizer and four-time qualifier for the National Finals Rodeo.

Mrs. Johnson and her husband Mike Johnson, an ironman of rodeo who has qualified for the National Finals Rodeo a whopping 23 times, said the event offers barrel racing (including a 7 & Under Barrel Racing specialty event), double mugging, goat tying, break-away roping, tie down roping and team roping.

"We have different age groups, 19 & Under, 15 & Under, 12 & Under and 10 & Under," Johnson said. "Each Vegas Tuffest Jr. World Champion will take home \$10-40K in cash. We're the highest stakes

payout in five events for youth in rodeo history."

Mike also noted that the total payout, including three Dodge Ram dually trucks is to exceed \$1.5 million in cash and awards this year. "Winners will take home electric Trek bikes, Crickets, saddles, rope cans, World Championship rings, and plenty of swag from our A-list group of sponsors. We'd like to thank our Title Event Sponsor 5 Star Equine Products plus our event sponsors Cowgirl Tuff,

Total Feed, Spalding Fly Predators, Wrangler, MVP American Hat Co., SmartPak, Boot Barn, CVS Controls, Hebert's Town & Country Dodge, Red River Arenas, and Re-Vita EQ."

It is free to attend, starting each morning at 8:15 a.m. at The Expo @ World Market Center Las Vegas located at 435 S. Grand Central Parkway in Las Vegas, Nevada. The event will also be live web-casted at [www.johnsonsportline.com](http://www.johnsonsportline.com).



L-R: Kolby and Gus Chant

Community  
Business Development  
Abortion

Each month more and more volunteers come forward to help with the "Gather at the Table" free meal, including, from left, Bexton Berger, Landon Robinson, Becky Strickland, Bryndi Berger and Bayla Berger. Not pictured is Stacy Berger.—Courtesy photo



Carbon County Comet

## Sports High School Rodeo Comes to Rawlins

By Mike Armstrong  
Reporter, Carbon County Comet

The Wyoming High School Rodeo Association descended upon the Carbon County Fairgrounds in Rawlins over the span of three days, from September 27th to 29th, providing local youth with the thrilling opportunity to showcase their rodeo talents and compete against their peers from across the state.

The fairgrounds transformed into a hub of energy and anticipation as contestants from all corners of Wyoming converged, each determined to test their mettle in the arena. Among the hopeful participants were several standouts from Carbon County, including Kolbe Chant and Tyler Harrison hailing from the town of Baggs,

Jaure representing Rawlins, and Ryley Alemeda and Raden Miller representing Saratoga. These local kids stepped into the spotlight, ready to pit their skills against the best the state had to offer in events such as shooting and cutting. The air was electric with the cheers of supportive spectators and the rhythmic pounding of hooves as the competitors pushed themselves to the limit, driven by a passion for the rodeo lifestyle and a fierce pride in their communities.

Though the final scores had not been tallied by the time this report was filed, the mere fact that these young athletes had the courage to step into the arena and test their mettle against the state's finest was a testament to their dedication and the

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Snake River  
Press

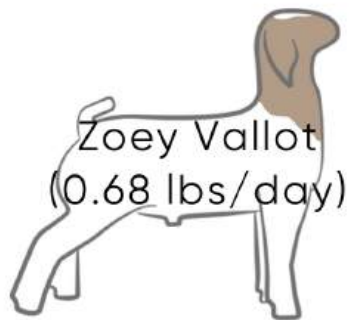


# CARBON COUNTY FAIR PUBLIC PLANNING MEETINGS

LAST ONE: November 12th- Rawlins

Meetings are open to the public at 10:00 AM  
If you have new ideas, there are things you want to  
change, add, or help with, this is your chance!

## *Rate of Gain Results*



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