

Carbon County 4-H Newsletter



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MARCH



Cloverbuds learn about wool processing while making bracelets from llama wool!


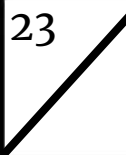
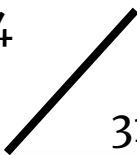
New This Month:

- Dog Project Workshops
- 307 Livestock Judging Series
- Horse Judging Contest
- 4-H Adventure Camp
- Goat, Sheep, Swine Selection Tips


Be sure and follow the link anywhere you see this icon in the newsletter:



March

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
HJ&H = horse judging & hippology practice (Saratoga) PVSS = platte valley shooting sports practice (Saratoga) Rawlins .22 = rawlins shooting sports .22 rifle/pistol practice (Rawlins) DPC = dog project classes (Rawlins)						1 Shooting Sports Leader Training (Torrington)
2 Shooting Sports Leader Training (Torrington)	3 Ed-Op @ Elk Mountain's Best Club	4 Rawlins .22 HJ&H DPC	5 PVSS	6 PVSS	7	8 Ed-Op @ Leo Cowpokes Club
9	10	11 Leader's Council Rawlins .22 HJ&H DPC	12 PVSS	13 PVSS Rabbit Project	14	15 Shooting Sports Leader Training (Riverton)
16 Shooting Sports Leader Training (Riverton)	17  Virtual Career Fair Night 6pm	18 Rawlins .22 HJ&H DPC	19 PVSS	20 PVSS	21	22
23  Shooting Sports Leader Training (Buffalo) 30	24  31	25 Rawlins .22 HJ&H DPC	26 PVSS	27 PVSS	28	29 Horse Judging Contest Shooting Sports Leader Training (Buffalo)

April

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
RSS Archery = Rawlins Shooting Sports Archery		1 Carbon County 4-H Scholarship DUE!! HJ&H DPC	2 PVSS	3	4	5
6 4-H to Finland Orientation	7 RSS Archery	8 Encampment Cloverbuds HJ&H DPC	9 Saratoga Cloverbuds PVSS	10 Rabbit Project	11	12 Shooting Sports Leader Training (Big Piney)
13 Shooting Sports Leader Training (Big Piney)	14 RSS Archery	15 HJ&H DPC	16 PVSS	17 Rawlins Cloverbuds Ed-Op @ Rawlins Reliables Club	18	19
20 	21 RSS Archery	22 HJ&H DPC	23 PVSS	24	25 Meats and Wool Judging Contest (Laramie)	26 Shooting Sports Leader Training (Cody)
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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
February 15 - State Shooting Sports Development meeting
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 March Birthday!!!

Ridge Larson
Mckinlee Smith
Colter Cozzens
Mesa Suttee
Aspyn Bartlett
Noah Blasi
Boyd Walker
Kinzley Barber
Daniel Martinez
Leslie McLinskey
Stacy Perry
Olivia Randolph
Chelsy Smith

Shylo Smith
Declan Schinkel
Delaney Schinkel
Slevin Weeldreyer
Arabella Watson
Wyatt Watson
Barrett Cary
Bristol Herring
Amelia Waldron
Jamis McLinskey
Levi Hatch
Raden Miller
Gracie Penner



4-H Member Tasks: MARCH



☐ Set up your pig, goat, sheep pens! _____

☐ Seniors: apply for scholarships _____

☐ Attend your March club meeting _____

☐ Start practicing for your Showcase
Showdown contests _____

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Club Reports

RAWLINS RELIABLES

No February Report

Leader: Tonya French 307-321-2928

LEO COWPOKES

No February Report

Leaders: Marla & Marquita 307-575-0366

ELK MOUNTAIN'S BEST

No February Report

Leader: Freddie Wagner 307-703-0196

HARDY HANNA HARVESTERS

No February Report

Leader: Chelsy & Brett Smith 307-220-1211

PLATTE VALLEY SHOOTING SPORTS

No February Report

Leader: Nick Wamsley 970-222-7491

SAVERY SAVERS

No February Report

Leader: Codey Stocks 307-380-6118
Stacy Perry

B.E.V.O.

No February Report

Leaders: Toni Kay Tolle 580-277-0615
Sam Buffington 307-640-8172

WIND COUNTRY



In February we attended a University of Wyoming girls basketball game.

Leaders: Heward family

SARATOGA'S FINEST

The club elected officers to represent the club for the 2025 4-H season.

President - Bayla Berger

Vice President - Riata Withers

Treasurer - Bryndal Berger

Pledge Leader - Bexton Berger

Activity Director - Shelly Larson

Reporter - Karlee Leiseth

Secretary - Ellie Laborde

I know they will do great. We had two amazing presentations after the January minutes were approved. The first presentation was given by Shelly Larson on Morse code. She got the idea from her Girl Scouts Troop. The next presentation was given by Bexton Berger. He showed us how to deal & play a round of Texas Hold 'Em.

The announcements were given by the President about fair book ads being turned in. Then she made sure that everyone was getting the Zsuite messages. Next, our Activity Director, Shelly Larson, had us play a game. We needed to say our name and our favorite food that started with the first letter in our name. With no other business, our meeting was adjourned. Our next meeting is March 4th at 6:00 PM.

Leader: Josalyn Miller 307-710-7022



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
&

Olivia Roybal
Randolph
(Rawlins)
Contact on
Facebook
Messenger

Angie Roybal
(H.E.M.)



Rabbits

Chelsy Smith
(Hanna)
307-220-1211

Brittany George
(Rawlins)
307-431-6864



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

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 McNees
(H.E.M.)
307-321-5532



Hippology/ Horse Judging

Aleshia Withers
(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 McNees
(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 McNees
(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



Explore careers today,
Shape your future tomorrow.



2025

4-H Virtual Career Night

March 17, 2025



Event Details:



Time: 6 PM (via Zoom)



Date: March 17, 2025



Cost: FREE and open to everyone!

We're thrilled about this year's Virtual Career Night—a fantastic opportunity for young people to explore their future and discover career possibilities! Be sure to check out the updated website, where you'll find some fresh and exciting features, you'll notice sections for both sponsors and potential speakers. One of the highlights of our website is the library of past speakers—four years' worth of incredible presentations covering a wide variety of careers. Be sure to explore this valuable resource!



DOG AGILITY

WORKSHOP

Join us for tips, tricks, and practice in 4-H Dog Agility



15 March 2025

Activities:

- ✓ On Leash (level 1) at 8:00am
- ✓ Off Leash (levels 2-7) at 12:15pm
- ✓ Lunch 11:45am to 12:45pm

\$10 per Dog

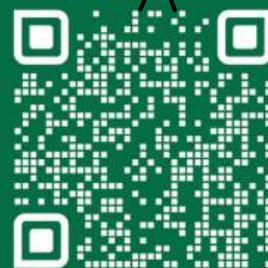


Goshen County
Extension Office
307-532-2436



Goshen County
Fairgrounds - Pavilion
4740 US Hwy 26/85
Torrington, WY 82240

**Scan to
Register**



tinyurl.com/goshenagility



State 4-H WOOL AND MEAT JUDGING CONTESTS



**FRIDAY,
APRIL 25TH**

ALBANY COUNTY
FAIRGROUNDS

**SATURDAY,
APRIL 26TH**

UW ANIMAL SCIENCE



INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM CONTESTS,
4-H EDUCATOR/ COACH WILL
FINALIZE REGISTRATION THROUGH
ZSUITES AND CONFIRM TEAMS.



WOOL JUDGING CLINIC

\$15 per person - Lunch Included




Dylan Laverell

UW Wool Judging
Head Coach

***Join us to learn from the
head coach for wool
judging at the University of
Wyoming and participate in
a practice contest.***

 **15 March 2025**

 **9:00 am - 4:00 pm**

 **Fremont County
Fairgrounds Annex -
875 Gasser Rd
Riverton, WY 82501**



Contact Us

307-857-3654

307-314-4495

REGISTER NOW



<https://tinyurl.com/fremontwool>



307 Livestock Judging Contests

Friday, March 28

Powell, Wyoming

719 Road

\$10

Registration 7:30am

Starts at 8:30am

Register on judgingcard.com (Deadline March 26)

Northwest College Contest

Bronson Smith

307-202-2813

Saturday, March 29

Casper, Wyoming

Ag Pavillion 125 College Dr

Registration 8:00am

Starts at 9:00am

email registration ~ jeremy.burkett@caspercollege.edu

Casper College Contest

Jeremy Burkett

307-630-6267

\$10

Friday, April 4

Riverton, Wyoming

2660 Peck Ave

\$15

Registration 7:30am

Starts at 8:30am

Register on judgingcard.com (Deadline April 3)

Central Wyoming College

Amanda Winchester

307-855-2258



UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING
EXTENSION





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SHOWCASE

showdown

EVENT DETAILS



June 17 - 19, 2025



University of Wyoming
Laramie, Wyoming



Stay in the UW
Residence Halls

ABOUT THE EVENT

- 11 State Contests
- Explore new contests and project areas
- Top placing seniors get to attend National Trip
- Project related Workshops
- Fun Workshops Activities
- Tour and Experience parts of UW Campus



EXTENSION

County 4-H Events

CARBON COUNTY HORSE JUDGING CONTEST



Saturday, March 29th

Time & Location in Carbon County: TBD

**Open to ALL Carbon County
4-H and FFA members!**

For More Information:

Call Aleshia Withers at 806-422-0199

County 4-H Events



4-H Adventure Camp

SAVE THE DATE:
June 24-26, 2025
Skyline Ranch,
Encampment

Ages
8-13*



This is a two night, three day tent camp focused on creating confidence and stewardship of our natural world through fostering a sense of:

- Belonging in nature
- Independence of discovery
- Generosity to plants and animals
- Mastery of outdoor skills



Looking for:

- Adult Camp Chaperones
- Teen Camp Counselors

Email ehaver@uwyo.edu

County 4-H Events



“Making
the best
better.”

Carbon County 4-H Foundation

P.O. Box 280 Rawlins, Wyoming 82301

Phone: (307) 328-2642

High School Senior Scholarship

(1st year of undergraduate study)

Open to any graduating senior who is or was a 4-H member, attending any in or out of state accredited educational institution of higher learning on a full-time basis.

Continuing Higher Education Scholarship

(2nd, 3rd, or 4th year of undergraduate)

Open to any undergraduate student after their first year of higher education, who was a 4-H member, attending any in or out of state accredited educational institution of higher learning on a full-time basis.

This scholarship may be earned more than once!

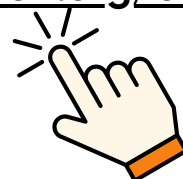
Horse Scholarship

(one time award to be used for higher education)

Any senior 4-H member (age 14-18 on 1/1/2024) enrolled in Carbon County who is or has been enrolled in the Carbon County horse program is eligible for this scholarship. Member may win scholarship only once, non-successful applicants may reapply. One scholarship will be awarded each year. This scholarship is to any college, university or trade school of the recipient's choice


DUE: April 1 each year

Applications can be found at www.wyoextension.org/carboncounty/




Other Scholarships


Wyoming CattleWomen Scholarship – Due February 28th, 2025

- Female residents of Wyoming
- Enrolled full-time in a certificate program, trade school, junior college, or university.
- Application: <https://www.wyocattlewomen.org/scholarship> 


Carbon County Stock Grower's Association Scholarship – Due April 1st, 2025

- All applicants must have graduated (or equivalent) from a Carbon County high school.
- All applicants must attend a school of higher learning in Wyoming or a bordering state.
- Open to: A) Any student enrolled in a field of agriculture – and/or B) Immediate relatives of paid Carbon County Stock Grower members (to include sons, daughters, and grandchildren) wishing to study any field.
- Application: <https://wyoextension.org/carboncounty/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/CCSG-Scholarship.pdf> 


Carbon County Farm Bureau Scholarship #1– Due April 15th, 2025

- Must be graduating from a Carbon County High School.
- Minimum 3.0 GPA, based on a 4.0 system.
- Attend a Wyoming College/University in the upcoming fall semester.
- Application and Essay must be handwritten, all question answered, and signatures signed.
- Failure to follow application requirements will result in disqualification.
- Application: https://s3.amazonaws.com/scschoolfiles/1507/regular_farm_bureau_scholarship_2022.pdf 

Carbon County Farm Bureau "Member" Scholarship #2 – Due April 15th, 2025

- Provide parent's Carbon County Farm Bureau Membership Number
- Be a graduating senior from high school
- Have at least a 3.00 cumulative grade point average, based on a 4.00 system. (Principal must sign to verify cumulative GPA)
- Attend an accredited college, university, or trade school
- Application and Essay must be handwritten, all questions answered, and signatures signed.
- Failure to follow application requirements will result in disqualification.
- Application: https://files.gabbart.com/1507/2024_cc_ranch_and_farm_bureau_scholarship_application_2024.pdf 

Carbon County Commissioners Scholarships: – Due Last Friday in April (25th), 2025

- Available to Students who plan on attending the University of Wyoming or any Wyoming Community College.
- Is not specific to graduating high school students. Non-traditional students are eligible.
- Must be a resident of Carbon County
- There will be 3 new scholarships and 1 renewal scholarship awarded each year.
- Application: <https://www.carboncountwy.gov/928/Scholarships> 



2025 Rawlins 4-H Shooting Sports



Carbon County 4-H Shooting Sports Leaders

Kenny Raymond- Archery – 320-3219
Kie Foster - Archery - 321-7943
Ryan Shively- Shotgun - (701) 681-0132
Travis Schinkel- .22 – 321-6682
Reese Irvine - .22 – 320-8001

Welcome to the 2025 Rawlins 4-H Shooting Sports season!

- **Equipment:** We highly encourage any new shooters/parents to contact the leader(s) for your discipline prior to purchasing any equipment. All programs have some equipment to loan out on a first-come basis. The leaders will also be able to advise you on specific features to look for if you are purchasing. **It is important to ensure that rifles, pistols, bows and shotguns meet 4-H requirements PRIOR to purchasing!**
- **4-H Registration:** Please register for your Shooting Sports discipline prior to the first practice. Register at 4h.zsuite.org.
 - Junior shooters (ages 8-10 as of Jan. 1)
 - Intermediate shooters (ages 11-13 as of Jan. 1)
 - Senior shooter (ages 14-18 as of Jan. 1)
- **Rec Center Membership:** All Rawlins 4-H shooters will need to purchase a Rec Center Shooting Range pass.
 - This pass will allow you a full year of access to the indoor and outdoor shooting range.
 - Purchase membership prior to the first practice.
 - Ask for the Nord Kirking Scholarship application to receive 50% off your Rec Center membership.
- **.22 Rifle and Pistol:**
 - **MANDATORY PARENT MEETING TUESDAY MARCH 4, 6:00 @ the Rec Center**
 - Practices will start on Tuesday March 11 @ the Rawlins Rec Center.
 - Practices will run from 4 to 8 each Tuesday (Leaders will reach out with *assigned times* for each shooter).
 - Please contact Travis or Reese for more information about equipment and practices.
- **Archery:**
 - Practices will start on Monday, April 7th @ the Rawlins Rec Center.
 - Juniors will shoot from 6 to 7 (there will be a meeting for new 4-H parents at 7!)
 - Intermediates/Seniors will shoot from 7 to 8.
 - All equipment will need to be ready to use prior to the first practice. Please contact Kenny if you need help setting up your equipment.
- **Shotgun:**
 - Practices will start on Wednesday, May 7th at the Outdoor Shooting Range
 - All shooters can come at 6pm on that day (there will be a meeting for new 4-H parents in the field house at the same time)
 - Please contact Ryan for information about equipment and practices.
- **Additional Information:**
 - Contact Emily Haver at the 4-H Extension office for any additional information.
 - All members must attend at least 3 practices before your leader can certify you are safe enough to participate in County Shoot!
 - We also have a private group on FB called the Rawlins Shooting Sports group. Please message Reese Irvine on FB if you would like to be added to that group.

2025 Platte Valley 4-H

Shooting Sports

March-PVCC Wednesdays and Thursdays

- 5/6 Archery (6-8pm)
- 12/13 Archery (6-8pm)
- 19/20 Archery (6-8pm)
- 26/27 Archery (6-8pm)

April-PVCC

- 2 Air Rifle/Air Pistol (6-8 pm)
- 9 Air Rifle/Air Pistol (6-8 pm)
- 16 Air Rifle/Air Pistol (6-8 pm)
- 23 Air Rifle/Air Pistol (6-8 pm)
- 30 Air Rifle/Air Pistol (6-8 pm)

May

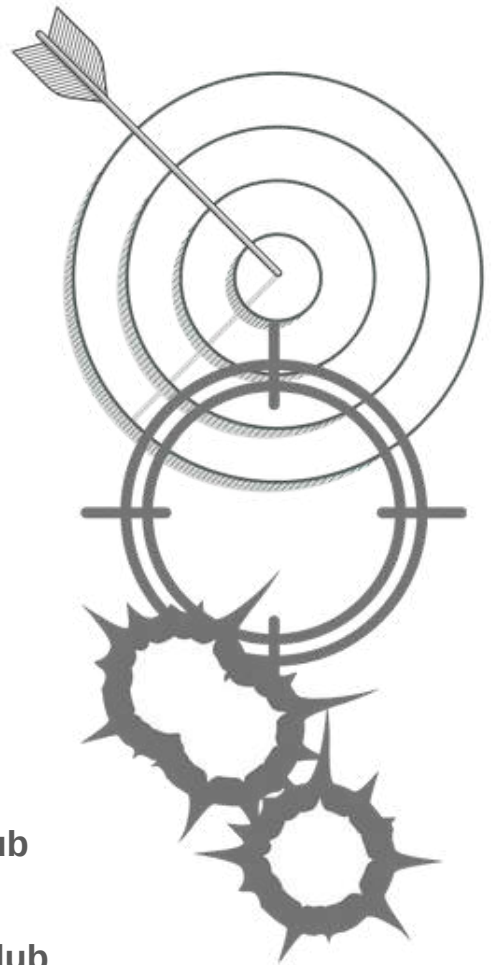
- 7 .22 Pistol/Air Pistol/Trap @ Saratoga Gun Club
Archery @ PVCC 6-7 pm
- 14 Road clean up before practice
.22Pistol/Air Pistol/Trap @ Saratoga Gun Club
Archery @ PVCC 6-7 pm
- 21 .22 Pistol/Air Pistol/Trap @ Saratoga Gun Club
Archery @ PVCC 6-7 pm
- 28 Practice any discipline @ Saratoga Gun Club
Archery @ PVCC 6-7 pm

June

- 4 Practice any discipline @ Saratoga Gun Club
Archery @ PVCC 6-7 pm
- 7 County Shoot: Air Rifle and Air Pistol @ PVCC
- 11 Practice any discipline @ Saratoga Gun Club
Archery @ PVCC 6-7 pm
- 14 County Shoot: All other disciplines (Baggs)
- 18 Practice any discipline @ Saratoga Gun Club
Archery @ PVCC 6-7 pm
- 25 Practice any discipline @ Saratoga Gun Club
Archery @ PVCC 6-7 pm

July

- 2 Practice any discipline @ Saratoga Gun Club
- 9 Final preparations for State Shoot
- 10-13 WY State Shoot (Douglas)



2025 4-H Shooting Sports Leader Certification Trainings

The Shooting Sports Training Team will be coming to a county near you! If you are a new shooting sports leader or have reached five years since your last certification, plan to attend one of these certification/training opportunities.



Goshen County, Torrington, WY

■ Dates - March 1-2, 2025

■ [Registration : Goshen County](#)

Fremont County, Riverton, WY

■ Dates - March 15-16, 2025

■ [Registration : Fremont County](#)

Johnson County, Buffalo, WY

Dates - March 29-30, 2025

■ [Registration: Johnson County](#)

Sublette County, Big Piney, WY

■ Dates - April 12-13, 2025

■ [Registration: Sublette County](#)

Park County, Cody, WY

■ Dates - April 26-27, 2025

■ [Registration: Park County](#)

Steve Mack, Director

Wyoming State 4-H Foundation

College of Agriculture and Natural Resources

1000 East University Ave. Dept. 3354

Laramie, WY 82071

(307) 766-5170

Smack@uwyo.edu



You can register using the links above or visit the Wyoming 4-H webpage at: <http://www.uwyo.edu/4-h/> then select “Volunteers” and “Additional Trainings.”

Project News

Dog Classes

Rawlins

Tuesdays from 6-7pm

Ext Office (215 W Buffalo)

Leader: Ashlea Roberts Colson

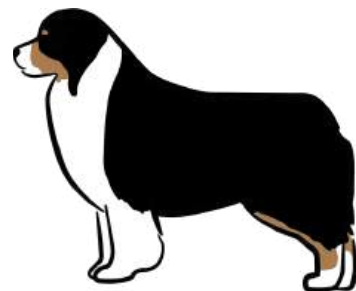
Contact: facebook messenger

Elk Mountain

(most) Tuesdays from 6-7pm

Elk Mtn Community Center

Leader: Angie Roybal



NEW CLINIC DATES: March 15th, Agility - Torrington;
April 12th, General - Evanston; May 3rd, Obedience - Wheatland;
May 3rd, General - Riverton; May 17th, Showmanship - Wheatland

Rabbit Classes

Rawlins

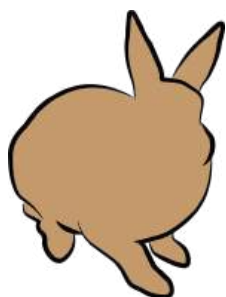
Second Thursdays from 5-6pm

Ext Office (215 W Buffalo)

Leader: Brittany George

Contact: BAND App

Brittany will be arranging a
tattooing opportunity for all
4-H rabbits to have their
ears tattooed with their ID
number



Cloverbuds

The following Cloverbud groups will NOT have a meeting
in March:

Encampment Cloverbuds

Saratoga Cloverbuds

Rawlins Cloverbuds

(Elk Mountain's Best Cloverbuds and Savery Savers
Cloverbuds will meet on their regular schedule)



MARKET GOAT SELECTION



The selection of a goat for a project is one of the most important decisions made by a feeder. The type of goat you select at the beginning of the project will have a major influence on the results at the end of the project. However, one must remember that a winning goat is a combination of good selection, good nutritional management, proper grooming, and outstanding showmanship.

People differ in their ability to select prospective animals. Some have a natural eye for selecting young animals, while others never develop this ability. Do not hesitate to take advantage of a person with these skills. It may be your county agent, FFA instructor, parents, or another leader in the county. Also, many breeders are willing to assist you in your selection program.

When selecting young goats one must be conscious of age and fat thickness. Young goats that are bloomy and fat always look good, while young goats that are thin do not look as good. Learn to look past fat and recognize muscle so that you can pick those goats that are genetically superior.

Anytime you purchase goats, it is important to know a little about the producer you are buying from. Do not hesitate to ask questions about their goat's bloodlines and the age of the goats in question.

When selecting goats there are five major areas of emphasis that need to be considered. They are structural correctness, muscle, volume and capacity, style and balance, and growth potential.

Structural Correctness

Structural correctness refers to the skeletal system or bone structure of an animal. Goats should be up-headed, with the neck extending out of the top of the shoulders. Goats should travel and stand wide and straight on both their front and rear legs, and their legs should be placed squarely under the body. They should have a strong level top, and a long rump with a slight slope from their hooks to their pins. Goats should be heavy boned and be strong on their pasterns. Open shouldered, weak pasterned, steep rumped goats should be avoided.

Muscle

Generally, goats that walk and stand wide are going to be heavier muscled. Goats should have a deep, heavily muscled leg and rump, with the widest part of the leg being the stifle area, when viewed from behind. They should have a broad, thick back and loin that is naturally firm and hard handling. Goats should be wide through their chest floor, with bold shoulders and a prominent forearm muscle. The chest and forearm of a goat are the best indicators of muscling in thin goats.

Volume and Capacity

Volume and capacity refers to the relationship of length of body with depth of body and width of body. Goats should be long bodied, with adequate depth and spring of rib. Try to avoid selecting goats that are short bodied, narrow based, and flat ribbed.

Style and Balance

Style and balance refers to the way all body parts blend together, how the shoulder blends into the rib cage, the rib cage to the loin, the loin to the rump, and how eye-appealing a goat is. When viewed from the side, a goat should be smooth shouldered, level topped, trim middled, and straight legged. A goat that is balanced, pretty, and holds his head up, is the first one you notice when you walk in the pen.

Growth Potential

The ability of an animal to grow rapidly is very important. Generally, the larger framed goats, as indicated by a long head, neck, cannon-bone, and body, will grow faster, be larger, and more competitive in the show ring.

Goat Selection Video from Utah Ext.

SHOW LAMB SELECTION



Muscle

Select show lambs with good expression of muscle. Pick a lamb that has firm, hard muscle tone in the legs, loin, and rump, where the higher priced cuts are located. Look for muscle from different views and areas.

From the Rear

Leg -The widest portion should be through the center of the leg or stifle area. A larger outside muscle right above the stifle joint is very desirable. A muscular lamb will stand and walk wide. This requires good development of inside leg muscle. A lamb can stand wide and not have a lot of inside muscle. They may just be structurally wide. Be sure to check for inside muscle.

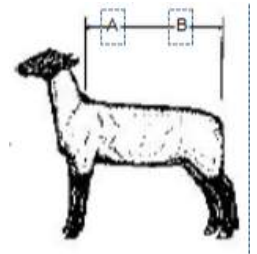
Top -A lamb needs to be wide across the top. The loin needs to be large and muscular. Look for a large rib cage which indicates a lot of capacity. Width is an indicator of muscle. However, be sure to feel your lamb to be certain that it is not fat. Feel down the back bone to determine the expression of the loin muscle. A good indicator of muscle is when you can feel a groove down the top of young lambs. This is like feeling the groove between your fingers when they are close together.



From the Side AB

Choose a lamb that has proper length in the areas of the higher priced cuts, legs, loin and rump. The back portion of the top or hind saddle (B) should be longer than the front part, rack or back (A). To calculate this, measure from the last two ribs to the pin bones, (where the tail connects to the body).

This should be two or more inches longer than the front part, depending on the lamb's size. Length of the loin is important. Measure from the last two ribs to the hook bone. Length and width of the loin are important. Short bodied, compact animals are undesirable. Be careful not to get carried away with length. If you select a lamb that is too long it may be weak topped.



From the Front

A bulging muscle from the knee to the shoulder is desirable. Large bone circumference of the cannon bone is a gauge of muscle, too. The larger the bone, the more area there is to attach muscle to. Select a lamb with a relatively long, thick cannon bone. The shoulder should be slightly prominent. Avoid getting a lamb with too large a shoulder as this will take away from a smooth, balanced appearance.

Structural Correctness

Show lambs should be correct in their skeletal or bone structure. The lamb's neck should be erect and extend out of the top of the shoulder. The top line should be long, level and straight. The legs should have a large circumference or diameter of bone. Its pasterns should be strong, and it should stand with its feet and legs wide apart. When it walks it should move with long, smooth steps, and track out wide. Do not select lambs that are open shouldered, weak topped and have steep rumps.

Style and Balance

These two characteristics describe how a lamb blends together. The front and rear ends should match. Looking at the lamb from the side view, it should have a clean, trim chest. The shoulder should be smooth while the top line should be long and level. A trim middle is desirable. Because lambs are shown with less than 1/4 inch wool, it is desirable that they have a tight, wrinkle-free hide. The most noticeable lamb in a pen holds its head up and looks long and straight with a level hip. Its walk is proud and wide based with a thick leg.

Look for potential

Select a lamb that shows good potential. Large framed, long bodied lambs, with a long neck, cannon bone, and thick loin show the most potential for growth. Lambs that are long in the loin and level in the rump have an advantage over others in the show ring.

Lamb Selection Video from Utah State Ext.

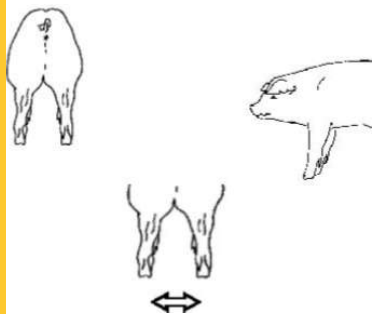


PIG SELECTION



There are basic areas that need to be considered when selecting your show pig. They are muscle, structural correctness, capacity, frame and style and balance.

Muscle



There are several indicators of muscle in pigs. The first place to look for muscle is the ham. The widest portion should be through the center of rump and ham. Select a pig that has a bulging forearm. Well muscled hogs are wide based and large boned. When viewed from the top look for an hour glass shape to the top. This will be a trim, heavy muscled hog. It should be long and full in the rump, with the center of the ham being the widest part of the body. The shoulders should be wider than the loin, but not as thick as the ham. The loin will be uniform in width. When the hog walks there should be no evidence of fat over the top of the shoulders and the shoulders should move. Also, there should be no fat behind the shoulders or elbow pocket.

Structural Correctness

Structural correctness refers to how a pig's skeleton is put together, more specifically the bone structure. To be sure your pig is structurally correct, pick a pig that moves with ease and smoothness. Pigs should take long strides. They also should have a proper angle to the pasterns and have flex to the joints like the hock, knee and shoulder. These joints should flex and the pig should take a long, flexible, fluid stride.

The pasterns should have an angle of 45 degrees and the hock should be at about a 22 degree angle for the best possible movement off the back end. Strong legs are important in market hogs. The bone should be large and the legs should be clean and solid looking.



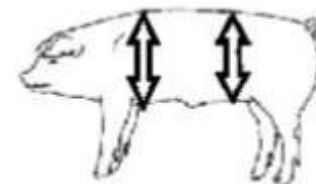
Proper hind leg structure



Poor hind leg structure

Capacity

Pigs need to have adequate capacity to allow their internal organs to function properly and efficiently. They need to have a wide chest floor, a good spring of rib, and be deep sided in both the fore and rear flank. Remember that a deep sided hog can still be trim and neat in appearance.



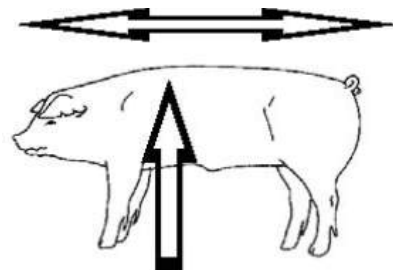
Frame

A moderate framed hog will grow well and have adequate size. Select a long-bodied, tall hog that stands well on its feet and legs. It should be large boned and show a lot of capacity, being boldly sprung at the ribs.

Style and Balance

A hog that has style and balance is one that holds its head up when it walks, and is smooth in its overall appearance. It will be clean in the shoulder blades, jowl and underline. Hogs that are balanced stand wide and tall on straight legs, are uniform in the arch of their back, and their shoulder blades are close together.

Select a trim hog that is free of excess fat. Fat gives the appearance of smoothness and shortness. A trim hog is clean behind the shoulders and down the top. The base of the ham should be firm, at the base of the hams (cut up or v-shaped) with the tail setting high, and the tailhead prominent.

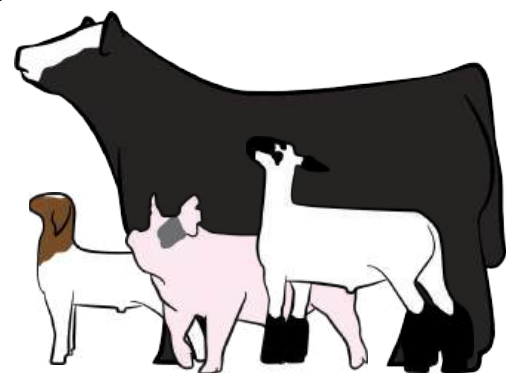


Swine Selection Video from Utah Ext.



Livestock Jackpots

February 28-March 2 - Blackout 9 - Loveland, CO (Beef Only)
February 28 - March 1 -Winners Shootout Cattle Clinic and Jackpot-Rifle, CO
March 15 - Northeastern Colorado Stock Show - Sterling, CO (Beef Only)
March 15 - Shamrock Showdown - Cedar City, UT (Beef Only)
March 27-29 Battle of the Bookcliffs - Grand Junction, CO (Beef Only)
April 12 - Aggie Classic & True Blue Jackpot - Tremonton, UT (Beef Only)
April 26-27 - I-80 Extravaganza - Rawlins, WY
May ? Dates TBD - SMSC Divas/Dudes Weekend - Spanish Fork, UT (Sheep & Goats)
May 3-4 - Onyx & Gold Showdown - Rangley, CO
May 3-4 - Rash Bash, Casper WY
May 11- Best of the West Showdown - Rangley, CO
May 24-25 - Battle of the Bighorns - Sheridan, WY
May 31-June 1 Powder Basin Classic - Gillette, WY
June 1 - Mofatt County Jackpot- Craig, CO
June 4 - Leggett's YGB Beef Camp - Cheyenne, WY
June 5-6 - Leggett's YGB Sheet and Goat Camp - Cheyenne, WY
June 6 - Hot Springs Jr Livestock Show- Thermopolis WY
June 6-7 RMSC Dino-Mite Classic - Vernal, UT (Beef, Sheep & Goats)
June 6-8 Springs Spectacular - Riverton, WY
June 7 - The Warm up Jackpot - Evansville, WY
June 7 -Golden Triangle Preview & Jackpot Show - Fairplay, CO
June 14-15 - The Showdown in Cheyenne - Cheyenne, WY
June 21 - Wind River Classic - Big Piney, WY
June 21 - Park County Summer Sizzler Jackpot Show - Powell, WY
June 22 - Rumble in the Tetons - Jackson, WY
June 27-29 - the Gem City Showdown - Laramie WY
June 27-29 - Black Hills Royale Livestock Show - Rapid City SD
June 28- Bear River Classic - Evanston, WY
Aug 11-17 - Wyoming State Fair - Douglas, WY



Show Animal Sales



BADLANDS SWINE GENETICS

Pig Sale

SUNDAY, MARCH 23
WASHAKIE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS
WORLAND, WY
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45th Annual Lamb and Pig Sale

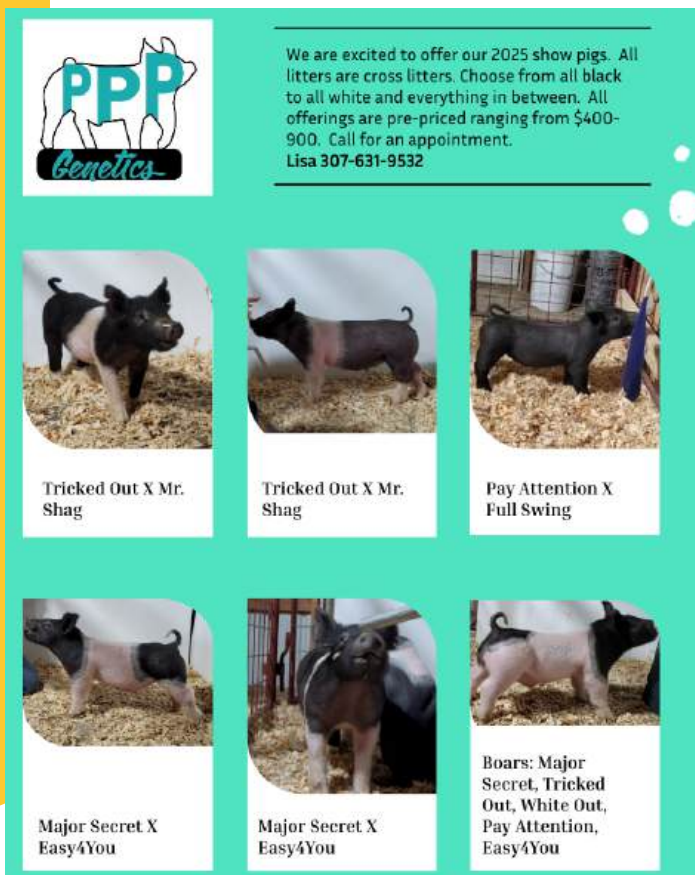
Join us at Casper College for the 45th Annual Lamb and Pig Sale
Saturday, April 5, 2025, 11:30 a.m.
 Grace Werner Agriculture Pavilion, Casper College Campus

Livestock viewing is available before the sale on Friday, April 4, at 6 p.m.

We can't wait to see which champion you choose!


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Tricked Out X Mr. Shag




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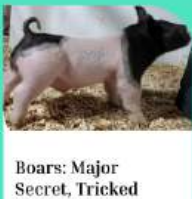
Pay Attention X Full Swing



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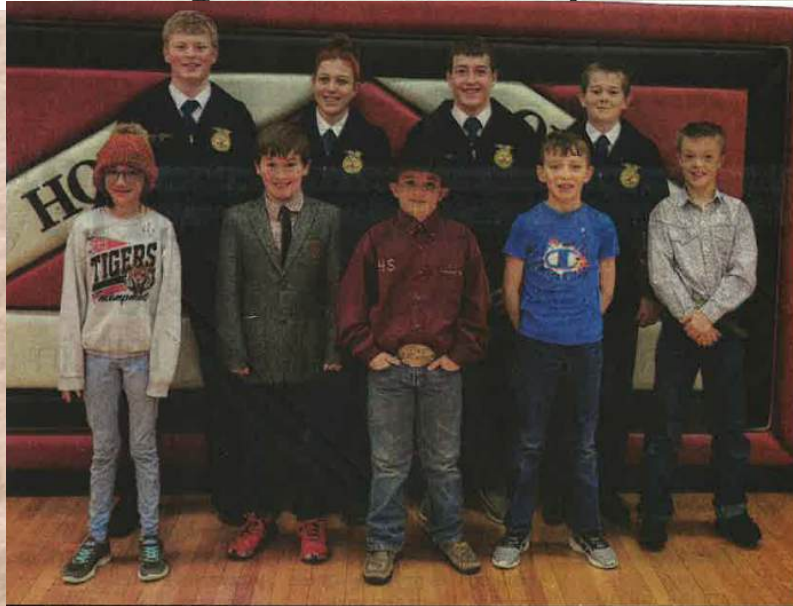
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4-H Members & Volunteers in the news!

by: Kyenna Jackson,
Encampment FFA Reporter

Encampment FFA Speaks Up



Contest competitors Backrow: Kannon Gilbert, Gentrie Meyer, Raden Miller, Kellan Swanson.
Front Row: Anna McLinksey, Connor Tolle, Cash Tolle, Lloyd Wamsley, Bergen Love.

Jamie McLinska and Bella Dugger on Generations Day.



Chatting Up The Refs



Martha Faust, left, strikes up a conversation with an official during the Saratoga Lady Panthers basketball game on February 7. Saratoga Elementary Students are selected by teachers for home games to help officials during timeouts and in between quarters with water and towels.



Rawlins Police Department

February 20 at 6:47 PM · 🌐

Congratulations to **Tonya** for 5 years of service as a volunteer with the victim assistance program. Your dedication to helping victims is astonishing and we are grateful to have you on our team!



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