

# CARBON COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER



2025

# DECEMBER



**Have a  
wonderful  
winter!**



Saratoga Cloverbuds deliver the food they collected in their Jump-a-thon to the Food Bank!

# December

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5 4-H Friday Crafting	6
7 Multi-Plex Open for Beef	8	9 Fair Board Meeting  Encampment Cloverbuds	10  Saratoga Cloverbuds	11  Rabbit Project	12  4-H Friday Crafting	13 Holiday Baking Challenge
14	15	16	17	18  Rawlins Cloverbuds	19  4-H Friday Crafting	20 Holiday Baking Challenge
21 Multi-Plex Open for Beef	22	23	24 CLOSED	25	26	27 Holiday Baking Challenge
28	29	30	31 CLOSED			

# January

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4 Multi-Plex Open for Beef	5	6	7	8  Rabbit Project	9	10
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18 Multi-Plex Open for Beef	19 CLOSED	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28  PVSS MANDATORY Safety Mtg	29	30	31

# Important Dates

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October 1 - NEW 4-H YEAR!!

October 14 - Achievement Award Nominations DUE

October 19 - 4-H Achievement Award Night (Zoom)

November 1 - Club Charter Paperwork DUE

December 1 - Holiday Baking Challenge Registration Deadline

January 13 - 7220 Wool Judging Contest

January TBD - Beef Market Tag/Weigh

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

February 15 - Fair Book Ads DUE

February 21 - State Shooting Sports Development meeting

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 6 - County Shoot Part I (Air Rifle/Pistol)

June 13 - County Shoot Part II (All Other Disciplines)

June 15-18 - Showcase Showdown (Laramie)

June TBD - Jr Livestock Sale Promotion Day

June TBD - 4-H Adventure Camp (Skyline Ranch)

July 1 - Dog Vet Records DUE

July 1 - Horse Safety Certifications DUE

July 9-12 - State Shoot (Douglas)

July 12 - County Fair Entries DUE

July TBD - Platte River Shotgun Shootout (Silver Spur)

August 1-8 - Carbon County Fair

August 10-16 - Wyoming State Fair

September 15 - Record Books DUE

# Club Reports

Rawlins  
Elk

Reliables

Meet every third Thursday of the month @  
6:30pm, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of Carbon Building,  
Rawlins  
Leader: Kristen Dirck 307-710-1257

Mountain

Meet every third Monday of the month @  
6pm, old Elk Mountain School  
Leader: Freddie Wagner 307-703-0196  
Michaiah & Ryan Grossnickle



We started off with yummy pizza. Then we did attendance and voted to see what person got what job. Our club got an amazing donation from Riverside Garage. Thank you so much, it helps our club a lot! William and Riata Withers baked goods to bless a veteran for Veteran's Day. The club discussed going caroling on 12/13. We are hoping our plan of caroling will work out before the parade of lights.

The next meeting is January 6, 2026. Next meeting we will have presentations from Owen Ervin, Karlee Leiseth, and William Withers. I just can't wait for it!

-Karlee Leiseth (Reporter)

Leader: Josalyn Miller 307-710-7022

Savory  
Savers

No meetings until January  
Leaders: Codey Stocks 307-380-6118  
Stacy Perry

MANDATORY Season Kick-Off Safety  
meeting:

Wednesday, Jan 28 @ 6pm, PVCC

Leader: Nick Wamsley

PVSS

Contact club leaders for  
next meeting time & place!

Leader: Heward Family

Wind Country

Meet every 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the  
month @ 6pm, Hanna Hills  
Church

Leaders: Chelsy & Brett Smith  
307-220-1211

Hardy Hanna  
Harvesters

Contact club leaders for  
next meeting time & place!

Leader: Marla & Marquita  
307-575-0366

Leo Cowpokes

Meet every second Monday  
of the month @ 6PM,  
Encampment K-12

Leader: Amanda Knotwell  
307-351-4019

B.E.V.O.



# Project Leaders & Advisors



**Metalwork**  
Ken Cureton  
(Rawlins)  
307-328-2642



**Rifle**  
Travis Schinkel  
(Rawlins)  
307-321-6682



**Robotics**  
Leslie McKlinskey  
(Encampment)  
307-710-2400



**Swine**  
Olivia Randolph  
(Rawlins)  
307-321-4737



**Beef**  
Sarah Barber  
(Baggs)  
307-



**Muzzleloader**  
Bill Orchard  
(Baggs)  
307-380-8243

Mike Moon  
(Saratoga)

O.R. Wille  
(Baggs)



**Dog**  
Ashlea Coulson  
Roberts  
&  
Olivia Randolph  
(Rawlins)  
Contact on  
Facebook  
Messenger

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

VACANT  
(Saratoga)

Kandis Fritz  
Micayla Maloney  
(Rawlins)  
307-321-4395

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

Lael Knotwell  
(Platte Valley)

Ashlynn Johnson  
(Platte Valley)  
307-710-6071



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

Mike Moon  
(Saratoga)  
307-329-8030

Reese Irvine  
(Rawlins)  
307-320-8001

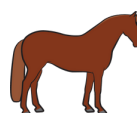
Angie Roybal  
(Elk Mountain)  
307-321-3455



**Archery**  
Kenny Raymond  
(Rawlins)  
307-320-3219

Louis Braun  
(Saratoga)  
307-710-8228

Tyson Cobb  
(Baggs)  
307-380-6188



**Horse**  
Linda Kraft,  
Aleshia Withers,  
Toni Kay Tolle  
(Platte Valley)  
580-277-0615

Callay Danford  
(Baggs)  
307-380-7047

VACANT  
(Rawlins)

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



**Hippology/  
Horse Judging**  
Aleshia Withers  
& Stacy Berger  
(Saratoga)  
806-422-0199



**Sheep**  
Sue Lee  
(Baggs)  
307-380-8314

Brad Dirck  
(Rawlins)  
307-209-1921

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

VACANT  
(Platte Valley)



**Poultry**  
Josalyn Miller  
(Saratoga)  
307-710-7022

Jessica Weber  
(Baggs)  
307-383-6076

Michaiah Grossnickle  
(Elk Mountain)  
307-703-0720

Emily Haver  
(Rawlins, Saratoga,  
Encampment)  
307-328-2642



**Rabbits**  
Brittany George  
(Rawlins)  
307-431-6864



**Shotgun**  
Ryan Shively  
(Rawlins)  
701-681-0132

O.R. Wille  
(Baggs)

Mike Moon  
(Saratoga)  
307-329-8030



**Fabric & Fashion**  
Ashlynn Johnson  
(Platte Valley)  
307-710-6071

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

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

# 4-H Member Tasks for: December

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Set a project budget: what do you  
already have? what do you need? cost?

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Attend your club's Holiday Party!

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Volunteer with a food bank or donate to a toy  
drive for your December community service

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Ask your club leader about your fair  
book ad sale assignment

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# Happy December Birthdays!

Orrin Perry

Esther Haderlie

Kase Perry

Noah Harris

Bayla Berger

Martin James

Hadley Ritschard

Liam Hartshorn

Cora Cary

Mykha Cry

Reid Damm

Cora Taylor

Wilder Weeldreyer

Clara Leiseth

Malakye Cyr

Blakely Palm

Emery Merrell

Aida Myers

Lincoln Lott

Riggs Russell

Luke Cooper

Ella Humphreys

Spencer Losee

Garrett Hullinger

Leader:

Mike Moon



# Volunteers

The following 4-H volunteers are not enrolled for the year. Volunteers may not participate in any 4-H activity, use the 4-H name/emblem, nor are they covered under our insurance if they are not enrolled:

<b>Ellen Carrico</b>	<b>Kie Foster</b>	<b>Alex Malcolm</b>	<b>Angie Roybal</b>
<b>Justin Carrico</b>	<b>Dori Fritz</b>	<b>Nikkole Maxson</b>	<b>Jordan Seitz</b>
<b>Tyson Cobb</b>	<b>Michaiah Grossnickle</b>	<b>Marla McNees</b>	<b>Freddie Wagner</b>
<b>Callay Danford</b>	<b>Ryan Grossnickle</b>	<b>Jessica Paul</b>	<b>Nick Wamsley</b>
	<b>Todd Heward</b>	<b>Kenny Raymond</b>	

If you do not intend on being a 4-H Volunteer this year, please let us know!

## Requirements Status:



The following volunteers need to update their background check this year:

- **Stacy Berger**
- **Ashlynn Johnson**
- **Linda Kraft**
- **Amanda Strand**
- **Sharon Watson**



The following volunteers need to complete the online orientation:

- **Kandis Fritz**
- **Amanda Knotwell**
- **Ashlynn Johnson**
- **Amanda Strand**
- **Sharon Watson**



# In The News!



President,  
Rawlins Reliables

**Voice of Democracy winners for VFW Post 6125:**  
1st: Raden Miller  
2nd: Kannon Gilbert  
3rd: Isaiah Guerrero

**Patriot's Pen winners for VFW Post 6125:**  
1st: Jamis McLinskey  
2nd: Lexi Vorn  
3rd: Zeva Adams

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Carbon County Comet - Saturday, November 22, 2025

## Education

# Next Generation Speaks Out on Patriotism Through VFW Programs

Jason Campbell and Bob Herring presented the winners with checks ranging from \$150 for third place, up to \$350 for first.

Photos courtesy of Natalie Adams



# 4-H FRIDAY CRAFTING

## JOIN US!

All Carbon County youth (members and non-members) are invited to join 4-H for Friday Crafting in December

Register at [4h.zsuite.org](http://4h.zsuite.org)

Make one to take home and make a second one to enter in County Fair!



## CRAFT PROJECTS TBD!....

DECEMBER  
5, 12, &  
19

1:30-  
4:30PM

\$10 (TOTAL  
FOR ALL 3  
DAYS)

# Project News

## Rabbit

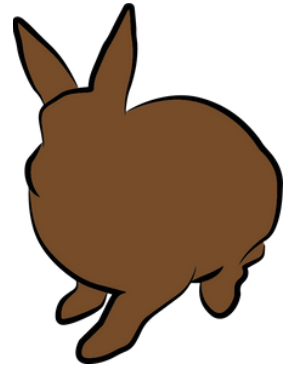
Project meetings open to all 4-H members

Project Leader: Brittany George

When: 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month @ 5pm

Where: 3<sup>rd</sup> floor mtg room, 215 W Buffalo St, Rawlins

The rabbit project group communicates through the BAND App. Call the office for the code to join!



## Rawlins Shooting Sports

There is a cap on all disciplines in the Rawlins 4-H Shooting Sports group!

.22 Rifle/Pistol – 36 members

Shotgun – 25 members

Archery – 35 members

Members will also be required to attend at least  $\frac{2}{3}$  of practices in the season to keep their spot on the team!



## Platte Valley Shooting Sports

PVSS will kick off their season with their Safety Meeting for all members on **Wednesday, January 28<sup>th</sup>** @ **6pm** at the Platte Valley Rec Center, Small Gym

This is a MANDATORY meeting for all members!

If you cannot make it, you need to call a leader and make arrangements to meet the requirement!



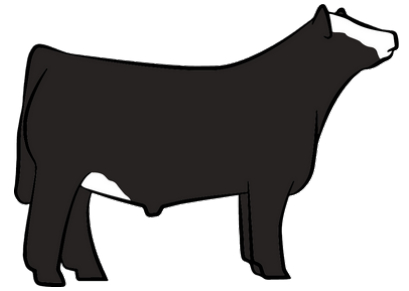
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## Beef

ALL BEEF PROJECT MEMBERS:

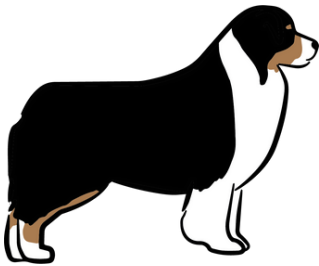
The Multi-Plex will be open the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Sunday of every month for interested youth!  
MUST CALL AHEAD!!! TEXT KANDIS OR  
MICAYLA!

All 4-H & FFA members are welcome to come  
wash, weigh, tie, walk, & brush your beef!!



Kandis  
307-321-4395

## Dog



Check back in January for a project  
meeting schedule!

In the meantime, be walking and caring for  
your dog every day!

## Hippology & Horse Judging

Practices will start in January

Day and time TBD

Location: most likely the PVCC in Saratoga

Coach: Aleshia Withers (806-422-0199)

Call her to be put on the interest list!



# Project News

## Livestock Judging

All Carbon County 4-Hers are welcome to attend any livestock judging contest held for 4-H members in the state of Wyoming!

Transportation is provided and entry fees covered for most contests!! Practicing livestock judging is fun and builds your skills in picking out a good project animal and answering showmanship questions!

Upcoming Contests:

Central Wyoming College-

Horse judging: March 20, Livestock Judging: March 21

Sheridan- Livestock Judging, March 2

Contact Emily for more info: 307-328-2642



## Cloverbuds

December Theme: Celebrations  
Around the World

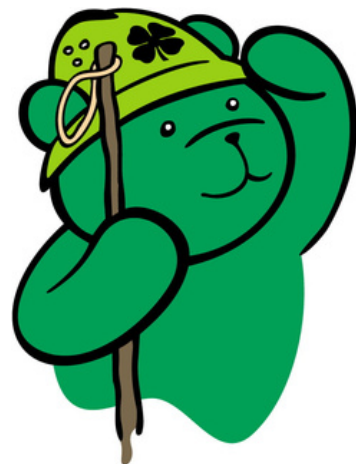
Encampment - Tuesday the 9<sup>th</sup>

Saratoga - Wednesday the 10<sup>th</sup>

Elk Mountain - Monday the 15<sup>th</sup>

Rawlins - Thursday the 18<sup>th</sup>

Baggs - check with club leader



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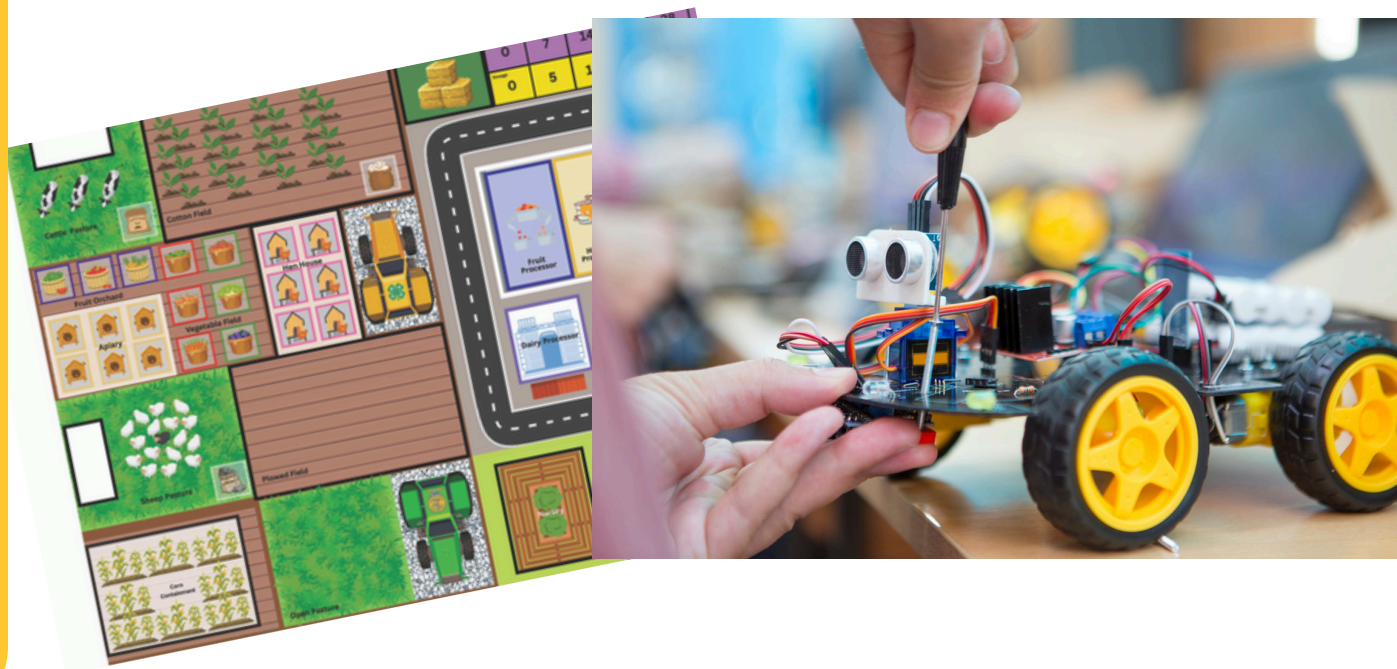
## Robotics

Always wanted to build and program your own robot? Join 4-H Robotics!

What You Need: you and at least 1 other team member

What We Provide: SPIKE Lego Robot, Expansion Kit, Challenge Mat, iPad

Interested? Call 307-328-2642 and talk to Emily!





# Project News

## Food & Nutrition

### Holiday Baking Challenge

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

**2025 Theme: Scones**

SIGN UP TO RECIEVE A BAKING KIT  
WITH RECIPES AND INGREDIENTS!



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



**Must sign up by December 1st!!!!**

## 2026 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.



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](mailto:Smack@uwyo.edu)

### Big Horn County, Basin, WY

- Dates - March 7-8, 2026
- [Registration : Big Horn County](#)

### Carbon County, Saratoga, WY

- Dates - March 21-22, 2026
- [Registration : Carbon County](#)



### Sweetwater County, Rock Springs, WY

- Dates - March 28-29, 2026
- [Registration: Sweetwater County](#)

### Crook County, Sundance, WY

- Dates - April 11-12, 2026
- [Registration: Crook County](#)

### Natrona County, Casper, WY

- Dates - April 25-26, 2026
- [Registration: Natrona County](#)

### Shooting Sports Development Committee Meeting

- Date - February 21, 2026, Casper
- Hilton Garden Inn - 10 am to 3 pm
- [Directions from Douglas](#)
- [Directions from Riverton](#)

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."



# State 4-H



This February, WY 4-H will hold a Cheyenne Civic Day. Inspired by the Leadership Team's Legislature Days, this event will give 4-H'ers the opportunity to spend a day at our State Capitol, experience firsthand how our democracy functions, and meet their representatives.

Exact Date: TBD based on Legislative schedule

# County Fair

## Fair Book Ad Sale Assignments will be coming in December!

All 4-H clubs and all 4-H members are asked to sell fair book ads to help print the fair book and support the cost of County Fair!

**Ad Sales Must  
be Done By: FEB 15th**



# Carbon County 4-H

## December 2025

### Newsletter

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