

# Carbon County 4-H Newsletter



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# MAY

MEMBERSHIP  
RENEWAL  
DEADLINE  
**JUNE 1ST**



## **Sheep, Goat, & Swine Tagging**

HEM: May 3, 10am  
*Shae Johnson's*

Saratoga: May 3, 2pm  
*High School*

LSRV: May 31, 3pm  
*New Ag Barn*

Rawlins: May 31, 3pm  
*Fairgrounds*

Questions? Call  
307-328-7811



If you have not renewed  
your 4-H membership by

**June 1st:**

- You CANNOT go to  
County Shoot
- You CANNOT go to  
County Fair
- You CANNOT go to Camp
- You will not receive any  
communication from 4-H

# May

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
RSS = Rawlins Shooting Sports PVSS = Platte Valley Shooting Sports HJ&H = Horse Judging & Hippology (Saratoga) DPC = Dog Project Class (Rawlins) SS = Savery Savers					1 Robotics Dog IDs DUE!	2
3 Market Tagging -HEM -PV	4 RSS Archery	5 4-H Foundation Mtg (County) HJ&H DPC SS .22 RSS .22	6 SS Archery PVSS RSS Shotgun	7 SS Shotgun	8 Robotics Small Animal Clinic	9
10	11 RSS Archery	12 Encampment Cloverbuds Leaders Council HJ&H DPC SS .22 RSS .22	13 Saratoga Cloverbuds SS Archery RSS PVSS Shotgun	14 SS Shotgun Rabbit Project	15 Robotics	16
17	18 RSS Archery	19 HJ&H DPC SS .22 RSS .22	20 SS Archery PVSS RSS Shotgun	21 SS Shotgun Rawlins Cloverbuds	22 Robotics	23
24 Market Tagging -Rawlins -Baggs	25 <b>CLOSED</b>	26 HJ&H DPC SS .22 RSS .22	27 SS Archery RSS PVSS Shotgun	28 SS Shotgun	29 Robotics	30 Showcase Showdown Registration DUE!

# June

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 * SEE BELOW FOR JUNE 1 <sup>ST</sup> - COUNTY FAIR ENTRY PORTAL OPENS!	2 HJ&H DPC SS .22 RSS .22	3 SS Archery PVSS RSS Shotgun	4 SS Shotgun	5	6 County Shoot Part 1 Saratoga
7	8 RSS Archery	9 HJ&H DPC SS .22 RSS .22	10 SS Archery PVSS RSS Shotgun	11 SS Shotgun Rabbit Project	12	13 County Shoot Part 2 Baggs
14	15	16 Showcase Showdown - Laramie	17	18	19	20
21	22 State Shoot Entries DUE	23 4-H Adventure Camp - Encampment	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	* ALL DEADLINES ARE JUNE 1, 11:59 PM. ANYTHING ON TUESDAY JUNE 2 WILL NOT ACCEPTED		* 4-H Membership Deadline * Horse ID's DUE (ZSuite) * Showcase showdown registrations DUE * County Shoot Registration DUE * Swine, Sheep and Goat Ownership Deadline	

# Happy May Birthday!

Sage Smith

Nixon Gillies

Madelyn Arradondo

Bexton Berger

Caleb Moore

Stella Hayner

Anna McLinskey

Niels Hansen

Wheaton Knotwell

Adelaide Noland

August Seitz

Tallin Webb

Eli Arnold

Braven Carnes

Ezekiel Jones

Easton Gillies

Hikari Harkins

Elliot Anderson

Murphy Smith

Riata Withers

Austin White

Seth Blasi

Scout Vogt

C.J Sutton

Makenlee Patterson

Porter Cozzens

Booth Parsons

Lilli Barber

Damian Watson

Nevaya Irene

Hazel McKee

Paisley Bennett

Tanner Hanson

Trevor Webb

## VOLUNTEERS:

Louis Braun

Melissa Donough



# 4-H Member Tasks for: May

Tag your market sheep, goats, swine

Attend May club meeting

Register for County Shoot

Thank your Mom for all she does to help you with your 4-H projects! <3

ID your dogs and horses

REMEMBER: MEMBERSHIP DEADLINE IS JUNE 1ST!!!!!!!!!!!!!!



# Club Reports

RAWLINS RELIABLES

The Rawlins Reliables 4H club met on April 16. We discussed and created our parade float committee for this year's county fair parade. Abby Perry did an ED OP on felting eggs for the club. We talked about upcoming events, the small animal show clinic on 5/8 and tagging on 5/31.



Leader: Kristen  
Dirck 307-710-1257

LEO  
COWPOKES

Leaders: Marla & Marquita 307-575-0366

ELK MOUNTAIN'S BEST

Leader: Freddie Wagner 307-703-0196  
Michaiah & Ryan Grossnickle

HARDY  
HANNA  
HARVESTERS

Leader: Chelsy & Brett Smith 307-220-1211

PLATTE  
VALLEY  
SHOOTING  
SPORTS

Leader: Nick Wamsley 970-222-7491

SAVERY  
SAVERS

Leader: Codey Stocks 307-380-6118  
Stacy Perry

B.E.V.O.

Leaders: Toni Kay Tolle 580-277-0615

WIND COUNTRY

Leaders: Heward family

SARATOGA'S FINEST

Leader: Josalyn Miller 307-710-7022



# CONGRATULATIONS

*Class of*



2026

Xavier Blackbonnet

Levi Hatch

Shylo Smith

Maeve Lally

Jori Maxson

Taylor Malcom

Jaidyn Booth

Alaina McNeas

Mckinlee Smith

McKennon Cook

Ashellia Hoffman

Makenlee Patterson

Sydney Seldomridge



# Graduating Seniors

## Jaidyn Booth



"My favorite memory is the sense of pride I felt after putting in months of hard work with my pigs and seeing it all pay off at the fair. Winning state-level awards in woodworking was also an incredible highlight that showed me what I was capable of creating."

Advice to 4-Hers: "Don't be afraid to try projects outside of your comfort zone, whether it's livestock, building something in the shop, or picking up a camera. The skills you learn now like patience, discipline, and craftsmanship will stay with you long after the fair is over."



## Makenlee Patterson

"My favorite memory was when Hannah Lee & I went to Showcase Showdown in 2023 and missed our classes so we had to find our way in Laramie and find things to do.

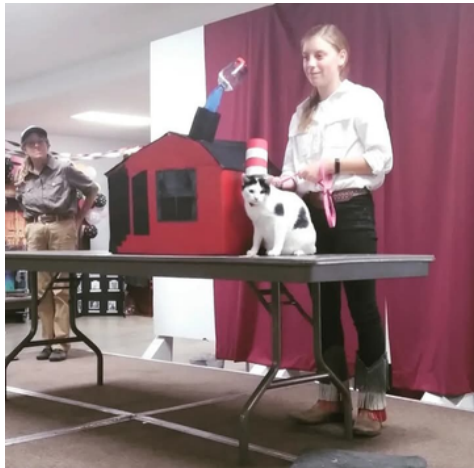


Advice to 4-Hers: "Always have courage in yourself and don't be afraid to ask for help and have someone to look up to for advice."

# Graduating Seniors

## Mckinlee Smith.

"My favorite memory was when I beat my older brother in the Round Robin."



Advice to 4-Hers: "Don't pick a project based on how much money you can make on it."



## Alaina McNees



"My favorite memory will always be my first time showing in the Large Animal Round Robin. I never in a million years thought I had what it took to compete against the others, but somehow I pulled it off and became the Champion that year!"



Advice to 4-Hers: Try as much as you can. The worst thing you can do is get to the end and wish you did more. Trying always means something!

# Graduating Seniors

## Shylo Smith



"My favorite 4-H memory is probably people's faces when I brought a goose that was the size of my torso out to the show table at age 11."



Advice to 4-Hers:  
"Focus more on having fun and not on how much money you can make with your project"

## Jori Maxson



## Levi Hatch



## Taylor Malcolm



# Graduating Seniors

## Maeve Lally



## McKennon Cook



## Sydney Seldomridge



## Ashellia Hoffman



# State 4-H

## SHOWCASE SHOWDOWN

LARAMIE, WYOMING  
JUNE 15-18 **2026**



- NIGHTLY EVENTS
- 13 STATE CONTEST
- 15± WORKSHOPS

### REGISTRATION OPTIONS:

#### PACKAGE 1 - \$50

- Event Registration
- Meals Included: Dinner on Tuesday and Wednesday, Lunch on Thursday

#### PACKAGE 2 - \$150

- Event Registration
- Lodging in Residence Halls
- All Meals (3x) at Dining Center

### NEW THIS YEAR:

- A \$50 Registration Fee Credit will be given out to the first 174 youth who complete registration in zSuites.
- If you sign up for Package 2, you will be responsible for the remaining amount after \$50.

### REGISTRATION:

- Register through your zSuites Account
- Registration, open now through May 31st



**ALL 4-H MEMBERS WELCOME  
INCLUDING CLOVERBUD AGE  
YOUTH!**



# County 4-H Events



## 4-H Adventure Camp

Ages  
9-13\*

SAVE THE DATE:  
June 23-25, 2026

2026 Theme:

"4-H Around The World"



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

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

Sign up  
on ZSuite!



Camper (9-13) and Counselor (14-18) spots available!

# County 4-H Events

Registration open in ZSuite:

**May 1st - June 1st**

**(\$20 fine for late entries!)**



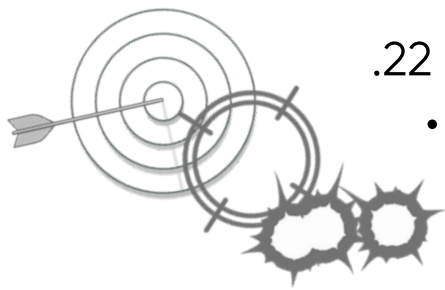
**June 6, 2026• Saratoga**

Air Pistol • Air Rifle

**June 13, 2026• Baggs**

.22 Pistol • .22 Rifle • Shotgun

• Muzzleloader • Archery



**CARBON  
COUNTY  
SHOOT**



**WY  
STATE  
SHOOT**



**July 9-12, 2026• Douglas**

Registration is also done  
online through ZSuite  
AFTER County Shoot!

# County 4-H

## Be A Student Election Judge!

This is your chance to engage in our democracy before you can vote! Student Election Judge in your Precinct on Nov 3rd!

### **Duties** of a student election judge:

- Set up the polling place
- Operate voting equipment
- Direct voters to the correct line
- Register individuals to vote
- Ensure all qualified voters are permitted to vote
- Demonstrate how to vote
- Distribute ballots to voters
- Close down polling place following voting

### **Requirements** to be a Student Election Judge:

- age 16 or 17
- be a Wyoming resident
- be a U.S. Citizen
- attend a 2 hour training
- work all day on Election Day

### **Benefits** of being a Student Election Judge:

- ★ Learn about the democratic process
- ★ Experience as an election judge looks great on a resume or college application
- ★ Gain practical experience serving your community and state
- ★ Payment (usually ~\$350)

### **How** to become a Student Election Judge:

Contact the Carbon County Clerk!

(M-F 8 am to 5 pm)

P: 307-328-2668

E: [ClerksOffice@carbonwy.com](mailto:ClerksOffice@carbonwy.com)

Visit: Carbon County Bldg  
215 W Buffalo, Rawlins.

(located on the 2nd floor -  
ground floor is the Library &  
Public Health)




This does not count as 4-H  
community service because  
you are being paid, but it IS a  
great Leadership opportunity!




# Project News

## Animal Ownership Deadlines



**2-1-26**

All Market Beef must be owned by February 1st




**6-1-26**

Sheep, Swine, and Goats must be owned by June 1st



**6--1-26**

All Market Poultry must be owned by June 15th




**6--1-26**

All Cats must be owned by June 15th



**6--1-26**

All Market Rabbits must be owned by June 15th



**5-1-26**

All Dogs must be ID'd with shot records by May 1st



**6-1-26**

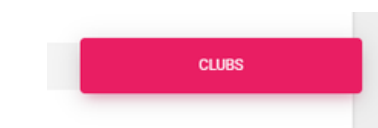
All Horses (owned or leased) safety certs are due July 1st



**Questions**

Call the Extension Office  
307-328-2642 or  
email Emily  
ehaver@uwyo.edu

If your animal does not have any paperwork that gets turned in, "proof of ownership" means entering all required information about your animal into your ZSuite profile! (This includes rabbits, poultry, swine, sheep, goats, beef, cats, and horses)



Animal Science - Poultry/Market



1. Once logged in and your profile selected, click on the "Clubs" tab
2. Click the pencil next to your project, and fill in the info you know about your animal

# Project News

## Cloverbuds

May Theme: Spiders

Saratoga - Wednesday the 13<sup>th</sup>

Encampment - Tuesday the 12<sup>th</sup>

Rawlins - Thursday the 21<sup>st</sup>

Elk Mountain - Monday the 18<sup>th</sup>

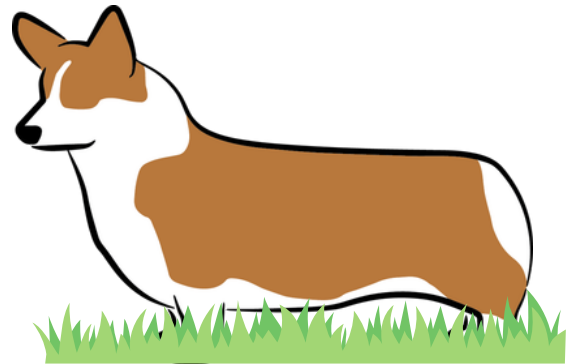
Baggs - check with club leader



## Dog

Dog Class in Rawlins has moved to the fair grounds! Message Ashlea to know which practices are with dogs and which without!

**REMINDER: All 1<sup>st</sup> Year Juniors must have a parent with them during live-dog practice!**



## Horse Judging & Hippology



NEW

Practices in Rawlins!

When: Tuesdays at 5:30pm

Where: Ext. Office

What: learn hippology, judging terms, and Zoom into Saratoga practices to place classes!

# Project News

## Livestock

**Elk Mountain**

**Sunday, May 3**

**Shae Johnson's**

**10:00 AM**

**Rawlins**

**Sunday, May 31**

**Fairgrounds**

**3:00 PM**

**Platte Valley**

**Sunday, May 3**

**Saratoga HS**

**2:00 PM**

**Baggs**

**Sunday, May 31,**

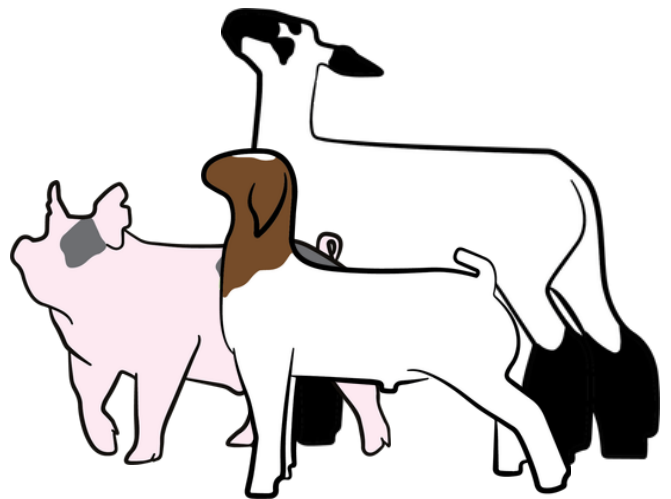
**New Ag Barn**

**3:00 PM**

You must attend one of the four tagging dates with your animals.

Fair Board members will not be handing out tags to do yourself.

If you have questions or concerns, please call your local Fair Board Member!



# Project News

## Robotics

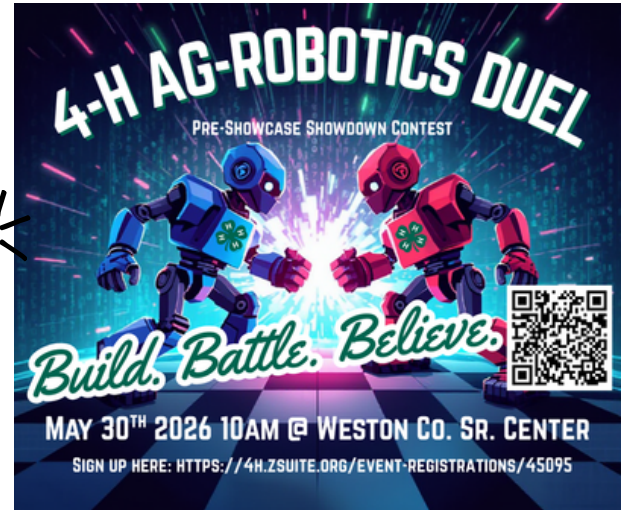
Practice hosted by Weston Co. 4-H!  
Location: Newcastle, WY



Lunch Provided!

Transportation available with Emily!

Register on ZSUITE!



## Rawlins 4-H Shooting Sports

- .22 Rifle and Pistol:
  - Practice: Rawlins Rec Center, TUESDAYS at assigned times
  - Contact Travis (307-321-6682) or Reese (307-320-8001)
- Archery:
  - Practice: MONDAYS at Multi-Plex, Fairgrounds
  - Juniors will shoot from 6 to 7pm
  - Intermediate/Seniors will shoot from 7 to 8pm
  - Please contact Kenny OUTSIDE of practice time for help setting up your equipment - 307-320-3219
- Shotgun:
  - Start - May 6th, Rawlins Outdoor Range
  - All shooters can come at 6pm on that day
  - Please contact Ryan for information about equipment and practices -701-681-0132



# Project News

## Platte Valley Shooting Sports

### May

- 2 Trap 9 am
- 6 **SEE NOTICE\***
- 9 Trap 9am
- 13 **Road Clean**  
**up before practice\***
- 16 Trap 9am
- 20 **SEE NOTICE\***
- 23 Trap 9am
- 27 **SEE NOTICE\***
- 30 Trap 9 am

### July

- 1 Practice any discipline @  
Saratoga Gun Club
- 8 Final Preparations for State Shoot  
9th - 11<sup>th</sup>  
WY STATE SHOOT @ Douglas

### JUNE

- 3 \*Practice any discipline @ Saratoga  
Gun Club \*Archery @ PVCC 6-7pm
- 6 \*COUNTY SHOOT: Air Rifle and Air  
Pistol @ PVCC 9am -11 am
- 10 \*Practice any discipline @ Saratoga  
Gun Club \*Archery @PVCC 6-7pm
- 13 \*COUNTY SHOOT:  
All other disciplines @ Baggs
- 17 \*Practice any discipline @ Saratoga  
Gun Club @ 8am  
\*Archery @PVCC 6-7pm
- 24 \*Practice any discipline @ Saratoga  
Gun Club \*Archery @PVCC 6-7pm

## Savery Savers Shooting Sports

- Archery:
  - Wednesdays
  - Juniors @ 5:30pm
  - Int/Sr @ 6:30pm
  - Location: LSRV Arena between  
Dixon and Savery
  - Contact Dan Larson for info:  
307-267-6590
- .22 Rifle and Pistol:
  - Tuesdays @ 6 pm
- Muzzleloader:
  - Tuesdays following .22 practice
- Shotgun:
  - Thursdays @ 6 pm
  - Location: LSRV Trap Club
  - Contact O.R. Wille for info:  
307-321-1299

# County Fair

## NEW STATIC EXHIBIT AWARDS!

### HIGH POINT NATURAL RESOUR. (1-\$60, 2-\$40)

This award goes to the 4-H exhibitor with the most points (ribbons) in the following projects: Entomology, Geology, Nature, Range, Static Shooting Sports, Wildlife, Sportfishing



### HIGH POINT SCIENCE & TECH (1-\$60, 2-\$40)

This award goes to the 4-H exhibitor with the most points (ribbons) in the following projects: Computers, Electricity, Robotics, Aerospace

### HIGH POINT (1-\$60, 2-\$40) EXPRESSIVE ARTS

This award goes to the 4-H exhibitor with the most points (ribbons) in the following projects: Cake Decorating, Crochet, Fabric & Fashion, Interior Design, Knitting, Leathercraft, Photography, Quilting, Rope-craft, Paint & Draw, Ceramics/Pottery, Welding, Woodworking

### HIGH POINT HEALTHY LIVING (1-\$60, 2-\$40)

This award goes to the 4-H exhibitor with the most points (ribbons) in the following projects: Food & Nutrition, Food Pres., Health, Outdoor Rec, Gardening

### HIGH POINT (1-\$60, LEADERSHIP 2-\$40)

This award goes to the 4-H exhibitor with the most points (ribbons) in the following projects: Civic Engagement, Self Determined,

**THANK YOU  
TO OUR  
DONORS!**

“Our goal is to inspire and reward more children to get them involved in the 4-H program.”



**Bob & Lexine Davis**

# 4-H Members & Volunteers in the news!

Carbon County Comet - Saturday, April 18, 2026

FCCLA winners from HEM going to Nationals- Left to right, Corbin Williams, Sammee Widdison, Isabella Vaipuna, Madison Widdison, teacher Jennifer Bowen and Ashellia Hoffman.



Photo courtesy of Jennifer Bowen

Carbon County Comet - Saturday, March 28, 2026



Snake River Press



Graysen Gillies and Lennox Weeldreyer



Wilder Weeldreyer, and Titan Gillies



Bexton Berger shows off his talent at last year's gathering.

Grand Encampment Cowboy Gathering

Saratoga Sun



Courtesy Photo

Bayla Berger presents her poetry last year.

# Carbon County 4-H

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