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# Mindful March



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**Natrona Country Shooters 4H**  
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## Jay's Thoughts



Joshua Bliss  
University of Wyoming 4-H Youth  
Development Extension Educator

February was an active month for Natrona County 4-H! I greatly enjoyed leading a jam-making clinic for NC 4-H members. March is off to a great start with preparations for the carnival and future planning for the Natrona County 4-H Council's Leadership Training for Volunteers.

I am pleased to share that the Natrona County 4-H Council is making volunteer development training a top priority. Volunteers are the backbone of Natrona County 4-H, and equipping them with the necessary skills, knowledge, and resources ensures they can effectively contribute to our shared mission.

I encourage you to attend the training on March 29th—registration details are included in this newsletter. Participating in volunteer development opportunities helps you build essential skills in leadership, communication, problem-solving, and teamwork. These skills not only support the youth in our program but also help create a strong, supportive community dedicated to youth development. Parents are welcome to attend, even if they have not yet enrolled, as this training provides valuable insights into volunteering and tools for successfully engaging with youth.

I look forward to seeing many of you at the carnival and, hopefully, at the Volunteer Training!

Joshua "Jay" Bliss

University of Wyoming

4-H Youth Development Extension Educator



# Terry's Nook

Hello to all,  
Spring feels like it is here, yet we all know that it is just teasing us. I'm glad that I don't live where it is 80 degrees this time of year, however a visit would be nice.

My husband and I are struggling with our honey bees. We had 6 colonies alive at the beginning of the winter, now, as far as I know all but one are dead. I have heard that there might be a correlation with the bird flu and the decline of honey bees. If you are also beekeepers, I would enjoy talking with you.

I am looking for someone who does 3D printing. Here at the 4-H office I am looking to retire some of the old ribbon boxes and can not find anything even close to a replacement. If you know of someone, or do it yourself I would like to talk with you regarding this project. Speaking of projects, we have lots available for the kids to participate in this year. Please check this monthly newsletter. One of my goals is to increase the number of static entries into the Central Wyoming Fair. Please encourage your youth to participate in one or more of our many activities here at the ARLC Building. Most of them are at no cost.

I enjoyed my first jam making session with two outstanding 4-H boys. They were on task, took great direction and even washed the dishes. We made apple butter. The other two groups made tart cherry jelly and mixed berry jam. A good time was had by all.

On May 3, Project Palooza, a State Wide Static Event, is scheduled to be here in Casper. Although this is just in the planning stages, we are trying to focus on horticulture, visual arts with dried flowers and entomology. Stay tuned, more to come on this.

Don't let the wind blow you away

Terry



Terry Kipp  
4-H & Rural Living  
Program Assistant

# Zip's Reminders

Hello Everyone,

I just wanted to ask and remind everyone that if your email, phone number, or mailing address has changed to please remember to change it in ZSuites. That is where I get all my contact information from and if it isn't correct in ZSuites it not only is time consuming to find out the correct contact information it also costs money when letters are mailed out and they come back. If you are unsure how to change information in Zsuites, I would be happy to do it for you. Just call or email me with the updated contact information.

Thank you,



Ziphorah (Zip) Starkey  
4-H Administrative  
Assistant

# March

# Natrona County 4-H Monthly Schedule

**For more information about the clinics or events please refer to the page number associated to the clinic or event below.**

# 2025

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## 2025 SAVE THE DATE

### Wool and Meat Judging Contest

Date: April 25th & 26th, 2025

Date: September 16th at 6:00pm

### Goat, Sheep, and Swine Tagging

Date: April 29th, 2025 Alternate Tagging

Date: May 3rd, 2025 Main Tagging

### Quality Assurance

Date: April 30th

Date: May 15th

### Showcase Showdown

Date: June 17th-19th, 2025

### Show Clinic

Date: June 6th at 5:30pm

### CWFR

Date: July 6th-12th, 2025

### Get Outside

Date: September 2nd at 6:00pm

Date: September 9th at 6:00 pm

#### DISCLAIMER

All information (dates, times, etc.) is subject to change. We will do our best to give as much advance notice as possible. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

## Open Positions

# Natrona County 4-H

Applications  
for Static  
Coordinator  
Positions are  
now open.



All applications due by 4:30 pm on March 10.

Download application from  
Z suites or contact

[tkipp@natronacounty-wy.gov](mailto:tkipp@natronacounty-wy.gov)

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# Sale Guidelines

As many are by now aware, we have made significant changes to the format and eligibility requirements for the 2025 sale. These changes were in response to feedback from buyers about the excessive length of the sale itself, as well as the ever-increasing challenge of finding processing. These changes will impact all those involved, so we as the Sale Committee want to provide as much information as possible.

- ◆ 2025 sale will be capped at 300 total lots. This is a reduction from past years when total lots exceeded 350.
- ◆ Each exhibitor who is properly enrolled in and meets eligibility requirements for Natrona County 4-H or a Natrona County FFA chapter will be allowed to sell one animal.
  - ◆ Based on prior years, we estimate this will be approximately 225 participants.
- ◆ Any remaining slots after each exhibitor has been allotted their slot will be filled based on ultrasound performance data.
- ◆ Market parameter data will be collected via ultrasound for each market animal (poultry and rabbits excepted) and used to determine that animal's sale rank. The parameters are as follows:
  - ◆ Beef -Estimated carcass weight, quality grade and yield grade will be used to value each beef animal using a current USDA pricing sheet.
  - ◆ Swine- Calculated muscle in the carcass- figured using weight, LEA (loin eye area) and back-fat.
  - ◆ Sheep LEA/cwt
  - ◆ Goats LEA/cwt
  - ◆ Poultry- class placing
  - ◆ Rabbit- class placing
- ◆ Once data is collected, all animals within each specie will be ranked based on those parameters.
- ◆ Market parameter data will be available prior to sale contracts being due so exhibitors understand their animals' rank.
- ◆ If an individual has multiple animals, they must sell the highest-ranking animal first before requesting consideration for selling their second.
- ◆ Market Champions are NOT required to sell. There will be no Market Champion sale section.
- ◆ Sale order within species will be descending market parameter order.
- ◆ Second sale lots will be allotted in descending market parameter order and will be allotted to each species based on that species percentage of the total animals nominated for sale. For example, if there are 100 beef nominated for sale in total, beef will constitute 30% of the second sale lots (100 beef/300 total lots- 30%).

# Quality Assurance

The Quality Assurance for Natrona County 2025 will be taught through YQCA this year and there will no longer be the online option available through Uinta County for the Quality Assurance requirement.

The Central Wyoming 4-H and FFA Sale Committee requires that youth satisfactorily complete Quality Assurance training as part of the Central Wyoming Fair Junior Livestock Sale eligibility on July 12, 2025.

The in-person trainings will be completed **April 30 & May 15** here at the ARLC building with the YQCA format. You must sign up through YQCA, on line, for these trainings prior to the event AND pay the \$3.00 fee per child. If your child is not signed up and shows up, your child will not get credit for their attendance. Per the YQCA guide lines, the 4-H office CAN NOT sign up your child.

There is another option, your child can complete the on- line YQCA course, at any time, age specific for \$11. If the youth does not pass the required exam, another \$11 fee will need to be paid to retake the exam.

**All Seniors** will need to complete their age-appropriate trainings if they are not in FFA. If they are in FFA, the advisors will send the 4-H office a list of those youth that have satisfactorily completed Quality Assurance training. The previous rules that seniors only have to take QA for one year will still apply, at least for this year.

Per the YQCA there are Test out – Single Sitting options for seniors age 15 - \$48 OR age 19 - \$36. Also, per their web site it states;

“Entire exam must be completed in a single sitting. There is not an option to leave and resume later. Once a course is started, it must be completed and passed to receive certification. If the course is not completed or passed, this certification option will no longer be available.”

**Sign up for either educational opportunity through YQCA.com.**

All fees for all QA classes are paid on line directly to YQCA. No exceptions. QA Deadline is June 2nd, by 4:30.

If you have further questions, please contact Terry or Joshua in the 4-H office.



## 2025 Tagging

# Natrona County 4-H/ FFA

## Sheep, Goat & Swine Tagging 2025

April 29- (Hardship date) 6:00-7:00 pm ARLC

May 3 - 9:00am - 12:00 pm NC Fairgrounds

Swine Barn

**Cost is \$10 per head**

**Cash or Check only**

Must bring Bill of Sale for all species

Brand Inspector present for Sheep

ID forms available during tagging or at ARLC 4-H office  
prior to tagging.



## Project News

**MARCH 5TH 3:30 PM  
OREGON TRAIL ROOM**

**COME HELP  
DECORATE CAKES  
FOR THE CAKE  
WALK**



### 307 Livestock Judging Contests

Friday, March 28

Powell, Wyoming

719 Road

**\$10**

Registration 7:30am

Starts at 8:30am

Register on [judgingcard.com](http://judgingcard.com) (Deadline March 26)

Northwest College Contest

Bronson Smith

307-202-2813

Saturday, March 29

Casper, Wyoming

Ag Pavillion 125 College Dr

**\$10**

Registration 8:00am

Starts at 9:00am

email registration ~ [jeremy.burkett@caspercollege.edu](mailto:jeremy.burkett@caspercollege.edu)

Casper College Contest

Jeremy Burkett

307-630-6267

Friday, April 4

Riverton, Wyoming

2660 Peck Ave

**\$15**

Registration 7:30am

Starts at 8:30am

Register on [judgingcard.com](http://judgingcard.com) (Deadline April 3)

Central Wyoming College

Amanda Winchester

307-855-2258



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**QUILTS OF VALOR SEWING DAYS**  
 9:00 am - 6:00 pm  
 ARLC Building, 2011 Fairgrounds Road  
 Sewing Lab

**2025**  
 MARCH 1  
 MARCH 6  
 MAY 3  
 JUNE 7  
 JULY 12  
 AUG 3  
 SEPT 6  
 OCT 11  
 NOV 15

Come for an hour or all day,  
 Bring 100% cotton patriotic fabric, if able.

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# Natrona County



## 4-H



Make & Take - March 15, 2025  
Midwest/Edgerton Rooms

# Macrame Key chains

Clover buds & Juniors 12-2:00 pm  
Intermediates & Seniors 3:00-5:00 pm

Sign up on Z Suites



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# Natrona County 4-H Presentations Clinic

April 16 6:00 Pm  
Mills/Evansville Rooms

## Contest

May 7, 6:00 Pm

Mills/Evansville  
Midwest/Edgerton Rooms



Sign up on Z Suites for Clinic  
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## 2025 Natrona County Show Clinic

June 6th - Swine Barn, Natrona County Fair  
Grounds

Check In: 5:30 pm

Time: 6-8 pm

RSVP: Through ZSuites

With any questions regarding RSVP, call the  
Natrona County 4H Office



**GREAT Opportunity no matter what showmanship level... there is ALWAYS something to learn!**

**Required to bring your own livestock**

### Species

Cattle

Pigs

### Registration

Registration will be through ZSuite!

### Topics

Presenters will cover at home care, showmanship techniques, fitting and show day prep

### Questions?

NC 4H Office: (307) 235-9400



# Project News

Natrona County 4-H Council  
Presents

# Volunteer Leadership Training

How to engage youth in 4-H meetings and activities.

### Date/Time

March 29, 2025

Start at 9:00am

### Location

ARLC Mills Evansville



Scan QR Code to Register.

Lunch Provided. A \$20 donation is asked.

MARCH 29-30, 2025  
GILLETTE, WY

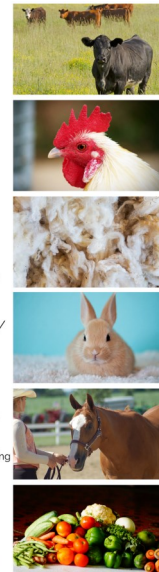
# Jump into Judging

Fun weekend for all ages of 9 condensed contests & fun. Come compete in 1 up to all 9! Check with us for study information and compete for fun! <https://wyoextension.org/campbellcounty/4h-youth-development/forms-and-registrations/fjj/>

Saturday, March 29, 2025  
10am-5pm- Floating Contests at GAMB; Produce Judging, Livestock Skill-A-Thon, & Dog Skill-A-Thon.  
Below at Barn 3 - Cam-Plex  
10am- Wool Judging, 12pm-Hippology, 4pm- Meats Judging

Sunday, March 30, 2025 - All at Barn 3 - Cam-Plex  
9am- Livestock Judging  
11am- Rabbit Skill-A-Thon & Avian Skill-A-Thon  
2pm- Awards Presentation

REGISTER BY MARCH 21ST  
<http://tiny.cc/jumpintojudging>



## READY, SET, EXPLORE!

IN ACTION!

MARCH 6TH AT 5:00 PM & APRIL 10TH AT 5:00 PM

NATRONA COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE

MARCH WORKSHOP IN THE MIDWEST ROOM & APRIL WORKSHOP IN THE OREGON TRAIL ROOM

### NATRONA COUNTY EXTENSION READY, SET, EXPLORE WORKSHOP

Get outside, get active, and explore the world around you! Join us for our March Ready, Set, Explore in Action workshop, where participants will enjoy hands-on activities, outdoor adventures, and fun ways to connect with nature.

#### What to expect:

- Several family friendly activities from our Ready, Set, Explore program!
- Hands-on fun with local Extension Educators!
- A chance to learn about Ready, Set, Explore! and connect with your community!

Join us for a luck of the Irish Scavenger Hunt and learn of ways to celebrate National Backyard day! This event is free and open to all ages.



SCAN QR CODE TO REGISTER.

## 4-H and FFA Jr. Fair Ambassadors 2025

Join the Junior Fair Ambassadors. This is a great project for youth that want to expand their leadership, teamwork, and mentorship skills. Youth will help during the Central Wyoming Fair. Apply Online.



Scan for  
Application Link



Applications due by April 30th .

QUESTIONS? Contact: Hailey Sorg or Joshua Bliss  
307-235-9400 readysetexplore.4h@gmail.com



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# Project News

## READY FOR THE SPOTLIGHT?

Apply to be the brand ambassador at Ignite 2025!

12-16 March  
Washington, DC

[4-h.org/ignite](http://4-h.org/ignite)

**BADLANDS SWINE GENETICS**

# Pig Sale

**SUNDAY, MARCH 23**  
WASHAKIE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS  
WORLAND, WY  
**APPROX. 40 LOTS**  
(SOME LOTS ACQUIRED FROM CAIN SUPER SIRE)

**PREVIEW @ 11:00AM**  
**SALE @ 1:00PM**  
LUNCH PROVIDED

FACEBOOK PAGE: BADLANDS SWINE GENETICS  
DANI: (307) 431-8986      MIKE: (307) 388-4329

## DEVILS TOWER ROCK CLIMBING

MAY 9TH-TRAINING 3-5PM  
MAY 10TH - CLIMBING 9AM

May 9th - Training with Devils Tower Climbing Guides @ Crook County Courthouse Community Room -Basement of Courthouse (Zoom available for out of county participants)

**Parent/Guardian must attend beginning of meeting!**

May 10th - Meet at Crook County Courthouse @ 8:15 am if you are getting a ride with Erica (spaces are limited and must make arrangements with Erica prior to May 10th) or meet at Devils Tower Lodge @ 9am.

There is a \$25 park entrance fee to the National Monument if driving separately.

Lunch/Snacks will be provided. You will need to bring water, sunblock, and wear closed toed shoes. Expect to return to Sundance about 5pm.

Please note this climb will NOT summit Devils Tower.



**\$25 FEE**  
CROOK 4-H MEMBERS  
**\$75 FEE**  
WY 4-H MEMBERS

REGISTER BY MAY 15

MAX 14 PARTICIPANT

MINIMUM 4-H AGE OF 10 & HAVE ACTIVE STATUS IN 4-H

REGISTER ON ZSUITE

[4H.ZSUITE.ORG](http://4H.ZSUITE.ORG)

SCAN HERE



## Campbell County 4-H Shooting Sports Jackpot

CONCESSIONS AVAILABLE



APRIL 12 • AG COMPLEX, WRIGHT • 9AM  
**THE COST IS \$2/DISCIPLINE OR \$5 FOR ALL**

ARCHERY • AIR RIFLE • AIR PISTOL

Please RSVP at <http://tiny.cc/jackpotshoot>



CAMPBELL COUNTY 4-H  
dream it | explore it | live it

Please visit Zsuites to open the links.

# 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.



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)

**Goshen County, Torrington, WY**

- Dates - March 1-2, 2025
- [Registration : Goshen County](#)

**Fremont County, Riverton**

- Dates - March 15-16, 2025
- [Registration : Fremont County](#)

**Johnson County, Buffalo, WY**

- Dates - March 29-30, 2025
- [Registration: Johnson County](#)

**Sublette County, Big Piney**

- Dates - April 12-13, 2025
- [Registration: Sublette County](#)

**Park County, Cody**

- Dates - April 26-27, 2025
- [Registration: Park County](#)

**Shooting Sports Development Committee Meeting**

- Date - February 15, 2025, 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."




# Clinics

## 2025 RABBIT CLINICS

DATE	TIME	DESCRIPTION	ARLC ROOM
01/04/25	9:00 am - 10: 30 am	Touch Base/Season Start	Evansville Room
02/08/25	9:00 am - 10: 30 am	Meat Pens	Evansville Room
03/15/25	9:00 am - 10: 30 am	Committee Meeting	Midwest/Edgerton Room
04/19/25	9:00 am - 11: 00 am	Breed ID, Breed tattoo, Showmanship, ID Forms	Casper room
		<b>**Bring your healthy, clean rabbits and a carpet square. We will not have any for you to use.</b>	
	TBD	Last Breed Tattoo Clinic	TBD
05/01/25	6:00 PM	Rabbit ID's due to Janel & Veronica	NA
05/10/25	9:00 am - 10: 30 am	Getting ready for Fair - Fair Prep	Evansville Room
06/07/25	9:00 am - 11: 30 am	Mandatory Meat Pen Tattoo Clinic/Mock Show	Casper room
		<b>**We will have separate areas set-up for showmanship. Please make sure your rabbits are clean and healthy. Don't forget to wear your show clothes and bring your carpet square for your rabbit. This will be similar to county fair.</b>	

**WE WILL ONLY HAVE 2 TATTOO CLINICS THIS YEAR.  
PLEASE PLAN ACCORDINGLY.**






**Natrona  
County  
4-H  
Poultry Clinic  
March 17  
7:00 Pm**

**Midwest/Edgerton Rooms  
Sign up on Z Suites**

**4-H  
Livestock  
Judging**



**Initial Planning Meeting:  
March 5th  
5:30 pm**

**At Casper College Ag Pavillion.  
Join if interested in Participating in  
the Livestock Judging Project this  
year.**

**Or contact the Coach Jeremy  
Burkett.**

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Carnival 2025

# NATRONA COUNTY 4-H CARNIVAL

Saturday, March 8, 2025 | 10 AM to 4 PM  
Industrial Building  
1700 Fairgrounds Road, Casper, WY

**FREE ADMISSION!**

Games, Petting Zoo,  
Bake Sale, Cake Walk, Face  
Painting, Concessions, and MORE!

**GAME TICKETS:  
1 FOR \$0.25  
OR  
4 FOR \$1.00**



CASH AND CARDS ACCEPTED.  
A 4% PROCESSING FEE APPLIES TO CARD TRANSACTIONS.



# BAKE SALE RAFFLE

Earn a raffle ticket for 3 bake sale items you bring to the Carnival.



\*Bake Sale Items must be checked in during set-up or before the Carnival starts.

# CAKE WALK RAFFLE

Earn a raffle ticket for every 3 cakes you donate.



\*Cakes must be checked in during set-up or before the Carnival starts.



# Carnival Bake Sale

ITEMS CAN BE: COOKIES, CAKES, BREADS, BARS, BAGS OF FRESH FRUIT, ETC.

\*Please bring donations during setup on 3/7 or before the Carnival starts on 3/8.

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The Carnival Committee is seeking cake donations for the Cake Walk. Please drop off your contributions during setup on 3/7 or before the Carnival starts on 3/8.

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## Carnival

### **CAKE DONATIONS NEEDED FOR CAKE WALK!**

The cake walk is a county booth, meaning that it is run for the benefit of the 4H Council, not one club. It is a group effort to run, and we need the 4H community's help! We need a minimum of 360 cakes to keep the cake walk open for the full carnival and we can't do it alone.

The carnival committee is baking 100 cakes that we will be decorating on March 5<sup>th</sup> and The Trailbuster's 4H club is baking another 50 cakes. We also have donations from grocery stores and The Dog House, but we need more cakes to make this booth successful.

Please bring at least one decorated cake to carnival set up on March 7<sup>th</sup> or the carnival March 8<sup>th</sup>, you will be helping us have an amazing cake walk. Smaller cakes are preferred, and one box of cake mix will make two 8" square cakes. Every donation is appreciated.

Remember, the 4H Carnival is a fundraiser for the Natrona County 4H Council. The 4H Council uses these funds to benefit all 4H members.





# Project News

## Natrona County 4-H Tractor Driving

### Clinics & Competition 2025

All Clinics in the Oregon  
Trail Room at the ARLC  
7:00-8:00 pm

- Jan. 6 - Introduction
- Jan. 20 - Tools & Battery
- Feb. 3 - Tools and Battery
- Feb. 17 - Sparks
- March 3 - Fuel
- March 17 - Air
- April 7 - Repair
- April 21 - Repair
- May 5 - Repair
- May 19 - Repair
- June 2 - Repair
- June 17 - Review

**June 21 - Driving  
Competition 9am- Noon**  
Sign up for the competition on  
ShoWorks by May 25

For more information  
Contact  
Dwayne Larson  
307-267-0516  
Joe Watson  
307-258-6401



# NATRONA COUNTY 4-H

**MAKE & TAKE**

**April 19, 2025 - Casper Room**

## Leatherwork

**Learn how to do Leatherwork by making  
a coaster, OR**

**Bring a project to work on.**

**Cloverbuds & Juniors 12:00-2:00 pm**

**Intermediates & Seniors 3:00-5:00 pm**

**Maximum: 10 per class**

**Sign up on Z Suites**



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## Demonstration Class



**Blacksmithing & Welding  
Presentation**

**Natrona County 4-H**

**April 27, 2025**

**1:00-3:00**

**ARLC Parking Lot**

(weather permitting)

**2011 Fairgrounds Road**

**4-H sign up on Z Suites**



**Public  
Welcome**

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## 4-H LEGO ENGINEERING

**MARCH 10TH**

**APRIL 14TH**

**MAY 12TH**

**4:30 PM**

**OREGON TRAIL**

**ROOM**

**ARLC BUILDING**



**PLEASE RSVP TO THE 4-H OFFICE, 307-235-9400,  
OR ON ZSUITE.**



# Project News

## 4-H OUTDOOR AND RECREATION



### SAVE THE DATE

**CLINIC 1: SEPT. 2ND @ARLC AT 6PM**  
**CLINIC 2: SEPT. 9TH AT 6PM**  
**CLINIC 3: SEPTEMBER 16TH AT 6PM**  
**CALL 307-235-9400 OR ON ZSUITES TO RSVP**



## Fly Rod Building Class

Build your own Fly rod!



### WHEN/WHERE:

Friday, March 14th 6:00PM - 8:30PM  
 Saturday, March 15th 9:00AM - 3:00PM  
 Ugly Bug Fly Shop 240 S Center St., Casper, WY

### COST:

Only \$100.00 – Registration is required. Scholarships are available. Get details and register with Cici Oliver – [coliver@uglybugflyshop.com](mailto:coliver@uglybugflyshop.com) Limited places available. Register today!

### WHAT'S INCLUDED:

All materials provided for you to create your own custom fly rod!  
 • 2 piece, 5 weight rod blank  
 Standard reel seat and grip  
 • Guides and threads  
 • All necessary epoxies and resins

### OPTIONAL UPGRADES:

4 Piece rods in 4-8 weights	
Greenback (Mod-Fast)	\$115
Bomber Mountain (Fast)	\$210
WYOJET Sky (Extra Fast)	\$280
WYOJET Stealth (Ultra Fast)	\$320
Grip and Reel Seat options	
Grade A Cork & Carbon Fiber	\$25-\$40
Double Wall Steel Reel Seats	\$27-\$45

For upgrade questions, contact Joey at (307) 258-4012



Register with Cici Oliver – [coliver@uglybugflyshop.com](mailto:coliver@uglybugflyshop.com)  
 5th through 12th grade.  
 For more information call Joey at (307) 258-4012.

TAUGHT & HOSTED BY



# Coming Soon

Wyoming 4-H has partnered with YQCA- a national quality assurance program for youth ages 8-21, with a focus on Food Safety, Animal Well-Being, and Character Development.

What does that mean? Classes will be offered in the Spring in person and online classes are available. Lets work together to become stronger caretakers of all animals!



NEW

## 4-H Visual Arts Class

For Intermediate & Senior 4-H members

Join us in this fun weekly class!  
 Learn advanced tips, techniques, and create your own unique visual art projects for fair.

Drawing,  
 Painting,  
 Collage,  
 Ceramics,  
 Felting,  
 & More!



Wednesdays  
 4pm-5:30pm,  
 Starting April 2,  
 In the ALRC Oregon Trail Room  
 Space and supplies are Limited.  
 Please Sign up on Z-Suites



## Project News

### Natrona County 4-H Wool Judging Clinics

Begins  
February 16  
at the Casper College  
Ag building  
Every Sunday February 16-  
April 13  
Time:~3:00 pm  
Directly after the Meat Judging  
clinic has finished.

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### SAVE THE DATE

Nature Inspired  
Expressive Arts

May 3, 2025  
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM  
Casper, Wyoming



### Camp Topics

- Container Gardening
- Visual Arts
- Range Management
- Nature Journaling
- Grow a Little Extra
- Entomology

Registration Deadline  
April 23rd, 2025

Register via ZSuite Events

Registration Fee: \$10 due  
day of

Questions

Mary Louise: 307-754-8836  
Josh: 307-235-9400

## Sale Committee Meetings

March 18th @ 6  
April 15th @ 6  
May 20th @ 6  
June 17th @ 6

### Natrona County 4-H Dog Training classes 6:00 pm Casper Room

Conformation/Showmanship

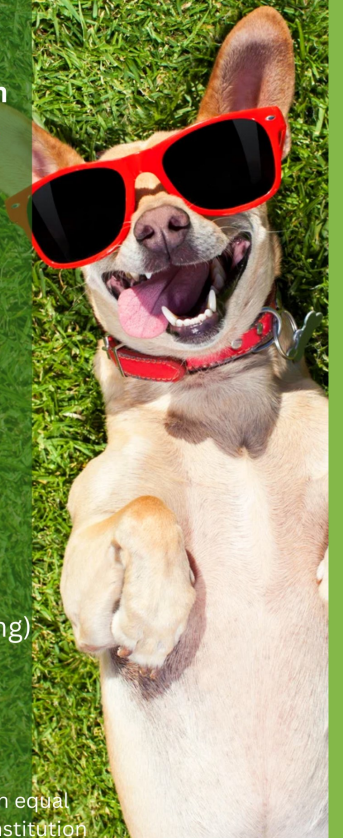
February 4, 11, 18 & 25  
March 4 & 11

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March 18 & 25  
April 1, 8, 15

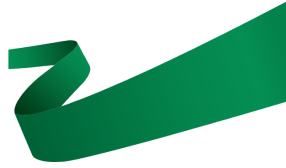
Rally  
April 22 & 29  
May 6, 13 & 20

Agility  
Outside (weather permitting)  
Mondays - 6:00  
April 7, 14, 21, & 28  
May 5, 12 & 19

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## Meetings/ Announcements



### Natrona County 4-H

#### Fair Review:

Please take a few minutes to provide general review of the 4-H portions of the Central Wyoming Fair.



Link:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdTod0TV1EJBLH8ovBlzEDhov2zN1pgHiYUR91LZR2xDcX8uA/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdTod0TV1EJBLH8ovBlzEDhov2zN1pgHiYUR91LZR2xDcX8uA/viewform?usp=sf_link)

### Natrona County 4-H Council 2025 Meeting Dates

April: 4/28  
June: 6/23  
September: 9/29

\*All meetings start at 6 PM in the Mills/ Evansville Room. If a cancellation should occur, an email will be sent out, and a notice will be posted to the Natrona County 4-H Facebook page.

### 4-H Foundation Meetings 2025 2024-2025 Meeting Dates

March 13th 2025 @ 5:00pm  
In Natrona Room  
(Business meeting starts at 5. Scholarship interviews start at 5:30)  
June 12th 2025 @ 11:30 am  
In Natrona Room  
October 9th 2025 @ 6pm  
In Mills/Evansville Room



# State Project News

## STATE 4-H FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS

# 2025



### UW:

- Edna Mae and Wallace McClafin
- 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:



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  
**FREE TO PARTICIPATE; GROCERIES NOT INCLUDED**



## UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING 4-H 2024/25 EVENTS CALENDAR



### OCTOBER

7th - 12th

National 4-H Week

### NOVEMBER

29th - December 3rd

National 4-H Congress

### JANUARY

8th - 11th

Western National Round-up (competitive trip winners only)

14th

7220 Wool Judging Contest

### MARCH

12th - 16th

Ignite by 4-H

### APRIL

11th - 16th

National 4-H Conference

25th - 26th

Wool and Meat Judging Contests

## UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING 4-H 2024/25 EVENTS CALENDAR



### JUNE

17th - 19th

Showcase Showdown

19th - July 2nd

Citizenship Washington Focus

22nd - 27th

National Shooting Sports Championships  
(invite only)

### JULY

10th - 13th

State Shoot

11th - 13th

Sheep/ Wool Festival

18th - 19th

Platte River Shootout - Foundation Fundraiser

### AUGUST

2nd

Apache Clear Creek Shootout -  
Foundation Fundraiser

11th - 16th

Wyoming State Fair

# ENROLLING IN ZSUITE NEW MEMBERS & RETURNING MEMBERS

Only after all of the following requirements are met will your membership will be activated.

Enroll using <https://4h.zsuite.org/>

You must be enrolled with ACTIVE status to participate in all 4-H activities. Your membership will not be activated until payment is received.

Enrollment fees are \$15.00 per 4-H member including Cloverbuds. The easiest way to pay is via credit card (with no transaction fee) through ZSuites. You may also mail your check made payable to the Natrona County 4-H; Casper, WY 82604 or pay via credit card (4% transaction fee applies) by calling the 4-H office at 307-235-9400

## NEW VOLUNTEERS

Only after all of the following requirements are met will your membership will be activated. Please call the 4-H office at 307-235-9400 with any questions.

Enroll using <https://4h.zsuite.org/>

Complete the mandatory background screening & training is valid for 5 years.

A break in service will require you to restart the process

Complete the mandatory online 4-H Volunteer Orientation.

Complete the MVR check. (For anyone to drive 4-H members)

There is no enrollment fee for volunteers.

## RETURNING VOLUNTEERS

Only after all of the following requirements are met will your membership be activated. Please call the 4-H office at 307-235-9400 with any questions.

Enroll using <https://4h.zsuite.org/>

Complete the mandatory background screening & training every 5 years.

A break in service will require you to restart the process.

Complete the annual leadership training.

Complete the MVR check. ( for anyone to drive 4-H members)

There is no enrollment fee for volunteers.

We are only able to communicate with you if you are enrolled in ZSuites with a valid email address; therefore, we ask that you get enrolled in ZSuites and pay the \$15.00 fee so we can activate your membership.

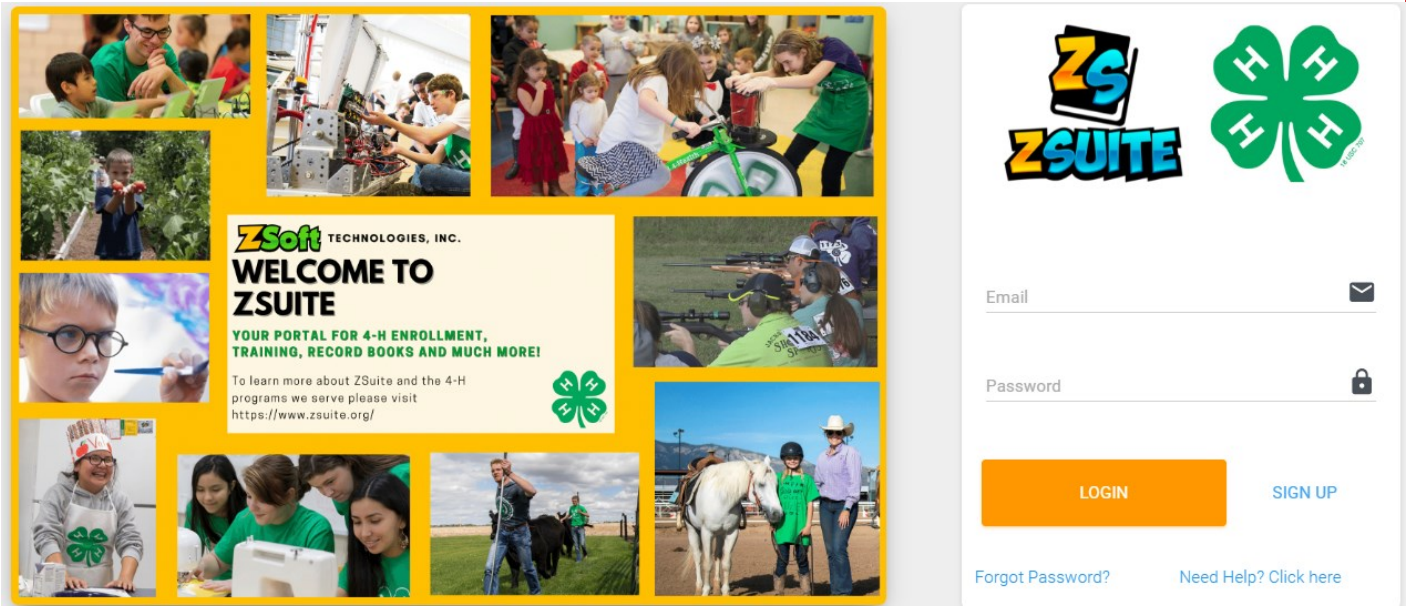
!!!! If you are enrolled in ZSuites but have not been receiving our communication via email, please log into your ZSuites account and verify that your email address on file is correct as we have been receiving notifications that some email addresses are invalid.

REMINDER: throughout the year, if your contact information has changed (name, mailing address, phone number, email address, etc.), it is your responsibility to update your profile in ZSuites. Failure to do so, may result in you missing an important deadline and/or information pertaining to your 4-H project(s). !!!!

# HOW TO SIGN UP FOR THE FIRST TIME IN ZSUITE

1. Website <https://4h.zsuite.org/>

New Users: [Click Sign up](#)



The image shows a collage of various 4-H activities on the left, including children working with a microscope, a child with a bicycle, a child with a sewing machine, and a child with a horse. In the center, there is a banner for ZSoft Technologies, Inc. that reads "WELCOME TO ZSUITE" and "YOUR PORTAL FOR 4-H ENROLLMENT, TRAINING, RECORD BOOKS AND MUCH MORE!". Below the banner, it says "To learn more about ZSuite and the 4-H programs we serve please visit <https://www.zsuite.org/>". On the right, there is a login/sign-up form with fields for "Email" and "Password", a "LOGIN" button, and a "SIGN UP" button. Below the buttons, there are links for "Forgot Password?" and "Need Help? Click here".

2. Fill out the Register New Household Information. Select a Primary Profile Access PIN which is needed to enter the primary household account. Click LET'S GO (if you get an error message that your email address is already used, go back to the main screen and click on Forgot Password? As some profiles were transferred over from 4HOnline.com)
3. You are now on the dashboard screen. Click + HOUSEHOLD MEMBER  
Enter the First Name, Last Name, Role (Volunteer or member), and Member's Birthday. You may choose a preloaded avatar or upload a personal photo by clicking CHOOSE PICTURE. Click continue.
4. Select the PERSONAL INFO tab. All fields marked with an asterisk (\*) are required. Click NEXT to get to the WAIVERS tab.
5. Select the WAIVERS tab. Click  next to each section to sign off on all the waivers. (You must agree in order to proceed.) On the health form, put N/A or none if the required field does not apply to your member. Click NEXT to get to the CLUBS tab.
6. Select the CLUBS tab. Choose your club from the drop down menu. Click ADD CLUB **NATRONA COUNTY 4-H FIRST TIME MEMBERS:** if this is your first year with the Natrona County 4-H please choose "1-Club Placement Requested Natrona". The Natrona County 4-H Office will assist you in placing your member in a club that has openings based upon the projects that your child has enrolled in.
7. Select the PROJECT tab. Choose project from the drop down menu. Click ADD PROJECT. Repeat process until all projects are selected. Some Animal Projects have a required field that you may not have information for. If this happened, please enter this 4-digit number "0000" in required field. CLOVERBUD MEMBERS: Choose only the Cloverbud project.
8. Verify all information is correct including your Club and Project selections. Click SUBMIT. After you Click SUBMIT, your enrollment will be sent to the Natrona County 4-H Office Administrators for approval.



# FRIENDLY REMINDER FROM THE 4-H DEPARTMENT

## ARLC ROOM RESERVATIONS

To reserve a room for your 4-H Club or committee meetings, call Ann at 307-235-9400. **The 4-H office does not maintain the building calendar.** *For security purposes, DO NOT prop open ARLC exterior doors.* When you reserve a room and check out the keys, you are responsible for the keys and the condition of the room(s) when you are finished. BE SURE EVERYTHING IS LOCKED UP when finishing after regular Extension Office hours. Necessary paperwork must be signed and dated annually, before any room reservations are made. Room rental request forms are available at the front desk. You can also reach Ann at [acormican@natronacounty-wy.gov](mailto:acormican@natronacounty-wy.gov) We are happy to be a valuable resource for all Extension programs and the community. We will be able to provide quality accommodations for generations to come with minimal expense to the people of Natrona County only through the responsible attention to care and cleanliness of our Extension programs and the community groups we cater to. When finished with your room please be sure to: wipe down tables, sweep and/or vacuum / mop if necessary, take trash bags to the dumpster (NE corner of the parking lot) be sure to lock all of your doors!!! And leave the keys in the drop box.

## COMMUNICATION

4-H has a wealth of educational opportunities and the majority of these will take place at the club level with others coming from the 4-H office and the Wyoming 4-H state office. We will communicate with you using the following communication sources; therefore, it's your responsibility to check them on a regular basis:

Follow us on Facebook @ Natrona County 4H

<https://www.facebook.com/NatronaCounty4H/>

UW Natrona County Extension 4-H Website

<https://wyoextension.org/natronacounty/newsletters-2/>


Natrona County 4-H Monthly Newsletter

Please check the links listed above for the latest edition! Because we will be unable to send mass emails, we are relying on our members to check these links for the latest edition.

Please read it carefully and take note of the items that apply to you, your family, your project area(s), and your club.

Natrona County 4-H emails

Please open and read the emails that the Natrona County 4-H office and its volunteers send you. In addition to the links mentioned above, this is how we will keep you updated and let you know of changes, scheduled activities, etc.



**Happy Birthday To  
All Of Those Who  
Share A Birthday In  
March**