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UW Natrona County Extension 4-H Website
<https://wyoextension.org/natronacounty/newsletters-2/>

Animal Opportunities
<https://wyoming4h.org/animalopp/>

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<https://www.facebook.com/groups/428485018384342>

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Natrona County Goat Members
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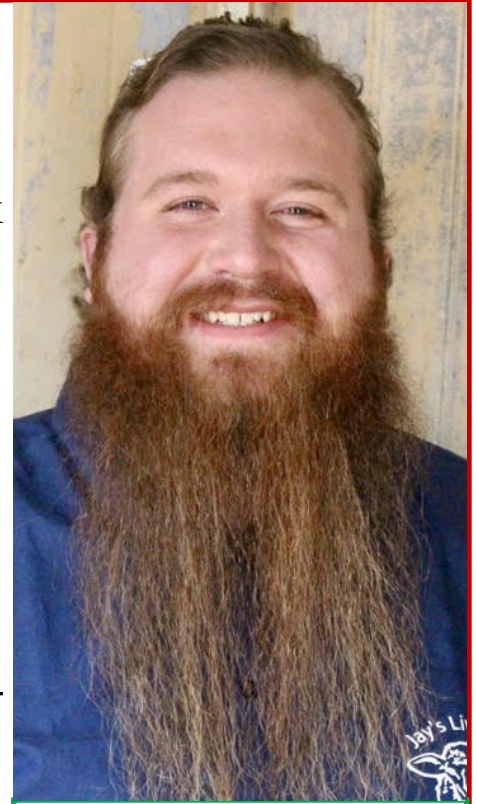
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Natrona County Swine Committee
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Natrona County 4H/FFA Jr. Livestock Sale
<https://www.facebook.com/centralwyomingjrlivestocksale/>

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Jay's Thoughts



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

March has flown by quickly. Carnival was a highlight of the month and it is with gratitude that I thank the 4-H members, volunteers, and the community that supported this fundraiser. The Carnival Committee did a fantastic job of planning, and making it a fun experience for the community. This truly helps to offer opportunities to the members of Natrona County 4-H. The time invested in the Carnival is returned to the members.

As April has arrived, I would encourage you to pay close attention to the clinic opportunities in this newsletter. Natrona County 4-H has many educational opportunities for you to learn, explore, and sharpen your skills. I would highlight the April 16th Presentations clinic. I am leading this one as a way for 4-H members to prepare presentations for the local contest on the 7th of May, but they are not re-

quired to do the contest if they attend the presentations clinic. This is a great way to challenge yourself to learn about a topic and be able to prepare information to talk about it to share and educate others. The RSVP for the clinic is up on zsuites and I look forward to working with 4-H members.

As we move forward into a new fair season, I would like to take a minute to offer some guidance. There have been changes made to the fair book by both the Central Wyoming Fair 4-H and FFA Sale and the 4-H/FFA Livestock Show Committee. The link to the 2025 Fair book is here: [https://](https://cdn.saffire.com/files.ashx?t=fg&rid=CentralWyomingFairAndRodeo&f=2025_CWF_Fairbook_4H_Premium.pdf&cb=49DAE225)

[cdn.saffire.com/files.ashx?
t=fg&rid=CentralWyomingFairAndRodeo&f=2025_CWF_Fairbook_4H_Premium.pdf&cb=49DAE225](https://cdn.saffire.com/files.ashx?t=fg&rid=CentralWyomingFairAndRodeo&f=2025_CWF_Fairbook_4H_Premium.pdf&cb=49DAE225) Please take the time to carefully review and pre-

pare for the Central Wyoming fair. I am looking forward to an excellent fair and I always enjoy seeing the youth display their excellent work, creativity, and passions through the exhibition of their projects.

Warmly,
Joshua "Jay" Bliss
University of Wyoming
4-H Youth Development Extension Educator

Terry's Nook

Welcome Spring!!!

Spring has always been my favorite season of the year. Love seeing the green grass, the budding of the trees, the longer and sometimes warmer days, and all the newborn animals.

Spring is also very busy in 4-H. Here in the office, there is already work being completed in the preparation of this year's fair. There are lots of changes this year. Much of the information is listed in this newsletter and in the fair book. You can look at or print a copy of the fair book. It's on Z Suites, the Dashboard Page.

I'm really excited about the new Robotics Program. We have most everything ready. What we don't have ready Josh and I will be picking up at this year's Spring Training in Pinedale. Josh and I will be out of the office for this event April 1-3.

I would like everyone to consider entering Statis Projects this year. The 4-H leaders and project volunteers have been working hard to provide a variety of clinics/Make & Take Events, etc. All in the hopes that our youth are becoming more confident in their abilities and enter these items in the fair. There is still Quilting, Leatherwork, The Dog and Mother's Day Make & Take available to sign up for. We also have a special treat with having a Black Smithing and Welding Demonstration Scheduled on Sunday April 27 1:00-3:00 pm. This newsletter has more information on all of these programs.

On a more somber note. With the last two county wide events we have had a good number of kids enrolled to participate, yet less than 25% participated. On all of the upcoming Events on Z Suites, there is a contact phone number and or email. I understand that life happens, kids get sick, etc. I ask that you reach out to the leader that is listed to let them know that your child can not attend. All of our time is valuable to each one of us and I ask that you respect the time given by our volunteers by attending the events that have been signed up for.

Looking forward to warmer days and working in the garden.

Have a great April.



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

April

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

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
		Dog Training Clinics pg. 21	Visual Art Class pg. 20			Easter Egg Hunt pg. 12
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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.

Announcements



Reminder:

Natrona County 4-H

All Animal & Static Projects
need to be added or deleted
by

April 30, 2025

This is completed in **Z Suites**
under each child's enrollment/
Club & Project Section.

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2025 Fair Schedule

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	ACTIVITY
May 7	5:00 pm	ARLC	Presentation & Impromptu Contest
May 23			Deadline: ShoWorks Online Shooting Sports Contest Entries
May 23			Deadline: ShoWorks Online Dog & Rabbit Show Entries
May 23			Deadline: ShoWorks Online Tractor Driving Contest Entries
May 31	10:00 a.m.	CWF Arena	4-H Dog Show
June 1	9:00 a.m.	CWF Arena	Dog Agility Match
June 7-15			Natrona County Shooting Sports Contest
June 6	6:00 p.m.	ARLC	Cake Decorating Contest
June 6	To follow Cake Decorating	ARLC	Table Setting Contest
June 7	10:00 a.m.	ARLC	Foods Cook Off
June 16			Deadline: ShoWorks Online Entries All Breeding Animal ID's Due Today
June 21	9:00 a.m.	ARLC Arena/ Oregon Trail Room	Small Engine Tractor Driving Contest
June 24	2:00-6:00 pm	ARLC Casper Room	General Projects Judging (excludes garden)
June 26	9:00 am-4:00 pm	ARLC Casper Room	Judge: Family Consumer Science Exhibits: Fabric & Fashion (sewing, Fashion Revue), Crochet, Knitting, Quilts, Interior Design, ALL Foods & Foods Preservation
June 26	6:00 pm	ARLC Casper Room	Public Fashion Revue
July 6	5:30-10:30 am		All Large Animals must be checked into barns
July 6	9:00a.m.-1:00 pm.	4-H Fair Office	Alpaca & Wool Fleeces Entries must be checked in
July 6	10 am Beef followed by Goat & Sheep		Beef, Goat & Sheep Ultrasound
July 6	2:00-4:00 p.m.	4-H Fair Office	Garden Exhibits Judging
July 6	6:00 pm		Market Swine Ultrasound
July 6	6:00-7:00 am		Poultry & Rabbit must be checked into barns
July 7	9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.	Fair Office	Alpaca Fleece & Sheep Wool Judging
July 7	10:00am-2:00pm	CWF Arena	Market Sheep Showmanship & Show
July 7	12:00 p.m.	CWF Arena	Alpaca Check in for Show & Go
July 7	3:00 p.m.	CWF Arena	Alpaca Show & Obstacle Course
July 7	5:00 p.m.	CWF Arena	Judge Poultry Meat Pen & Egg Contest
July 8	9:00 am	CWF Arena	Poultry Showmanship & Show
July 8	3:00 pm	CWF Arena	Market Beef Show, Showmanship,
July 9	8:30 am	CWF Arena	Rabbit Showmanship & Show
July 9			Rabbit Meat Pens, Breed & Fur Classes
July 9	11:00 am	CWF Arena	Market Goat Showmanship & Show, Breeding Meat Goat Show, Pack Goats
July 9	4:00 pm	CWF Arena	Market Swine Show (Gilts, Barrows)
July 10	8:00 am	CWF Arena	Dairy Goat Showmanship & Show
July 10	Noon	CWF Arena	Deadline: Breeding Beef & Feeder Calves due on grounds
July 10	Noon	CWF Arena	Breeding Sheep Showmanship & Show
July 10	To follow goat and sheep shows	CWF Arena	Breeding Beef Show
July 10	11:00 am	CWF 4-H/FFA Office	Deadline: JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SALE CONTRACTS
July 10	4:00 pm	CWF Arena	Market Swine Showmanship
July 11	9:00 am	CWF Arena	Pocket Pet Parade & Show
July 11	10:00 am-6:00 pm	CWF (under Grandstand)	Premium Payout
July 11	TBA	CWF Arena	Outrageous Poultry Show
July 11	Noon	CWF	Livestock Judging Contest
July 11	5:00 pm	CWF Arena	FFA Round Robin Contest
July 11	6:30 pm	CWF Arena	4-H Round Robin Contest
July 12	8:00 am	CWF	Junior Livestock Sale Buyer's Breakfast
July 12	9:00 am	CWF Arena	Junior Livestock Sale
July 12	10:00 am-6:00 pm	CWF (under Grandstand)	Premium Payout
Barns close to the public at 9:00 p.m. and to exhibitors at 10:00 p.m. daily All animal pens must be cleaned by 8:00 am and 9:30 pm daily			
July 13	7:00 am	CWF Arena & Annex	Mandatory For All Exhibitors: Arena & Annex Clean-Up
July 13	8:00 am-noon	Hall of Champions	Pick up County Fair Exhibits
July 14	2:00-6:00 p.m.	CWF (under Grandstand)	Premium Payout
July 16		ARCL Fair Office	Fair entries pick up
July 30	4:00-6:00 pm	CWF Indoor Arena	Horse Vet Checks
Aug 2	8:00 am	CWF Outdoor Arena	Horse Show
Aug 3	8:00 am	CWF Outdoor Arena	Horse Show

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

Use this QR code for hardship date.



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

Cloverbuds are kids 5-7 years
of age as of 10/1/24

Natrona County
4-H
Cloverbuds

It's Spring!! Planting Seeds, Lego's & Snacks
4/8 @ 6:00
All at the ARLC Oregon Trail Room
2011 Fairgrounds Road



Enroll with Z Suites for each event, or call Terry 235-9400
at the 4-H office to register.

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**DOG PROJECT
WORKSHOP**

Join us for hands-on practice for Agility,
Showmanship, Obedience, and Rally!

 **May 3rd, 2025**

What to Bring:

- ✓ Crate & Water bowl
- ✓ Leashes, Collars, treats
- ✓ Grooming Supplies

\$12 per person

Lunch included
Limited to the first 20 participants

Fremont County
Extension Office
307-857-3654

Fremont County
Fairgrounds
1010 Fairground Rd.
Riverton, WY 82501

tinyurl.com/fremontdogclinic

**Scan to
Register**



Project News

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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Easter Egg Hunt

The Buckaroos 4H Club invite our fellow 4H members to a 4H Community Easter Egg Hunt!

The Easter Bunny will be there for photos!

Saturday, April 5, 2025

11:00 AM

South Parking Lot at the Fairgrounds
Bring an Easter Basket

**PLEASE SIGN UP TO RSVP
in ZSuite by March 31, 2025**

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 Horse Clinic

**Saturday
April 12
1:00-3:00 pm
Midwest room
ARLC**



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Putting it all Together
REGIONAL LEADER SUMMIT

October 18, 2025 Buffalo, WY

Hey, fabulous adult and teen leaders, grab your calendars and circle October 18, 2025 for an epic regional leader summit coming your way in Buffalo! More details to come but save the date now!!

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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.

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



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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 .

Project News

Goat Meetings

April 8th, 2025 @ 6:00 p.m. in the
Midwest Room

May 13th, 2025 @ 6:00 p.m. in the
Oregon Trail Room

June 11th, 2025 @ 6:00 p.m. in the
Oregon Trail Room



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 PARTICIPANTS

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

REGISTER
ON ZSUITE

4H.ZSUITE.ORG



Natrona

County 4-H

CANCELLED

Rag Quilting

April 12

10am-4pm

Juniors & older

DUE TO ILLNESS

ARLC Sewing Lab

Sign up on Z Suites

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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

Carnival



CARNIVAL REVIEW MEETING



NATRONA COUNTY 4-H

APRIL 24TH
5:00 PM

OREGON TRAIL ROOM

Thank You

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO DONATED CAKES
FOR THE CAKE WALK AND HELPED WITH THE
BAKING & DECORATING OF THE CAKES THE
COUNTY MADE. IT WAS WILDLY SUCCESSFUL! WE
HAD ABOUT 50 CAKES LEFT AT THE END OF THE
CARNIVAL AND THEY WERE DONATED TO THE
RESCUE MISSION.

Shooting Sports Training

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

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Laramie, WY 82071

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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 **Bring your healthy, clean rabbits and a carpet square. We will not have any for you to use.	Casper room
	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 **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.	Casper room

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



Poultry Clinic

Showmanship Practice

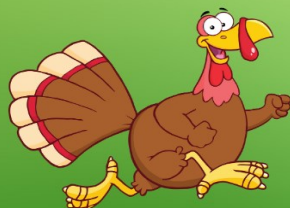
Natrona County 4-H

April 28

7-8:00 pm

Oregon Trail Room

ARLC



BRING A BIRD TO CLASS



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ATTENTION!!!

Photography & Visual Arts Members

Your project must be prepared for hanging with a secure hanger that will support the weight of the project. See the example below for the preferred hanging method. If the project is not in a wooden frame and is light, a string that is well secured with tape or glue will work. Photographs and drawings that are not framed need to be mounted on a stiff mounting board or foam. Loose photos and drawings will not be accepted. If we are unable to safely hang your project for display, it will not be judged!



If you are interested in learning more about static projects or need some examples to help you get started please visit Zsuites. I have attached a PDF with lots of examples and information .

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



4-H ALL THINGS SWINE NUTRITION CLASS

April 15, 2025

6 pm

Via Zoom

Register by April 14



Learn all about swine nutrition with Joe Bridges from 307 Genetics Showpigs



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

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

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

Conformation/Showmanship

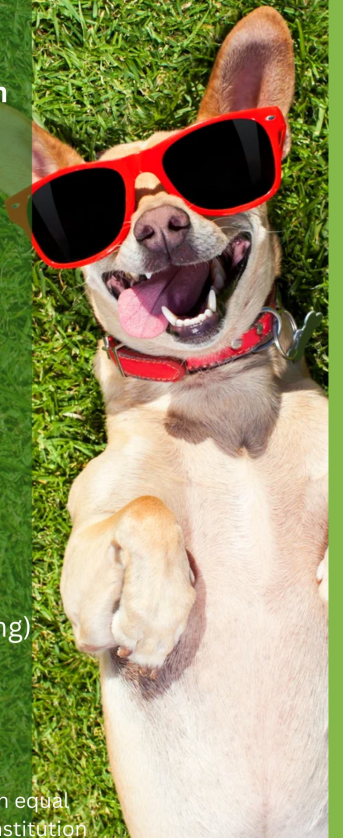
February 4, 11, 18 & 25
 March 4 & 11

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 March 18 & 25
 April 1, 8, 15

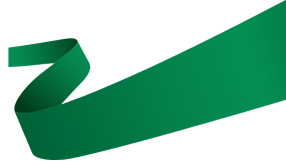
Rally
 April 22 & 29
 May 6, 13 & 20

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

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

June 12th 2025 @ 11:30 am
In Natrona Room

October 9th 2025 @ 6pm
In Mills/Evansville Room

State Project News



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



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.

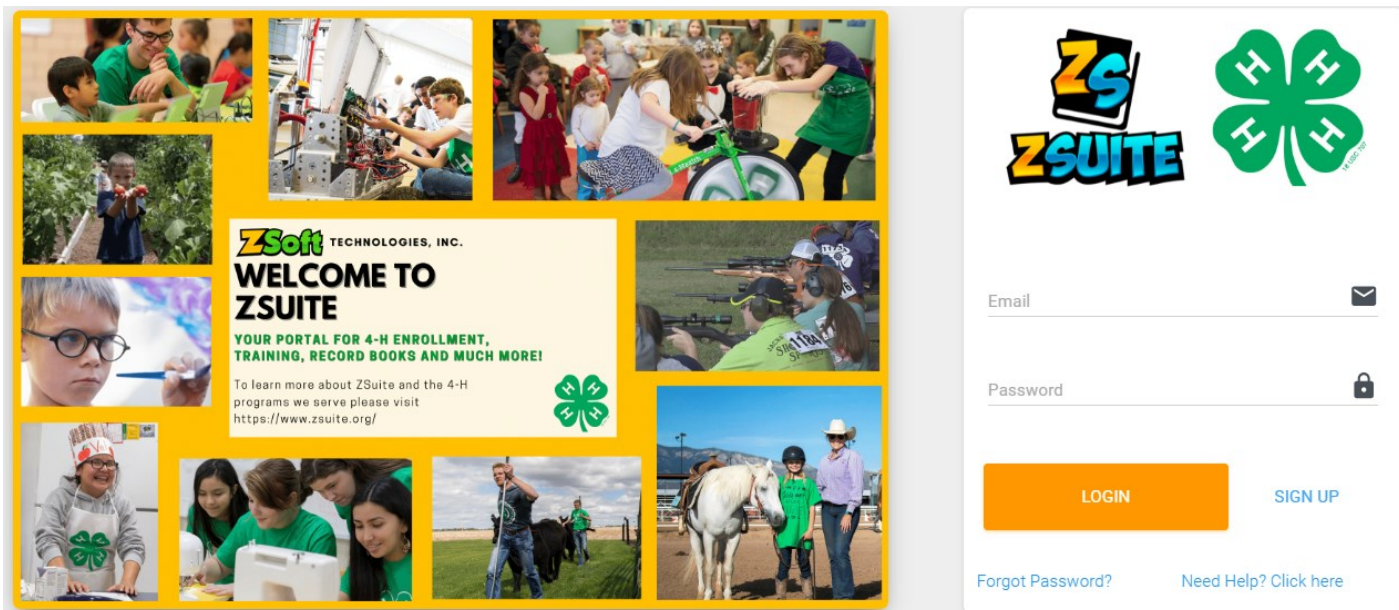
!!!! If you are enrolled in ZSuites but have not been receiving our communication via email, please log in to your ZSuites account and verify that your email address on file is correct as we have been receiving notifications that some email addresses are invalid.

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



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 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
April**

