



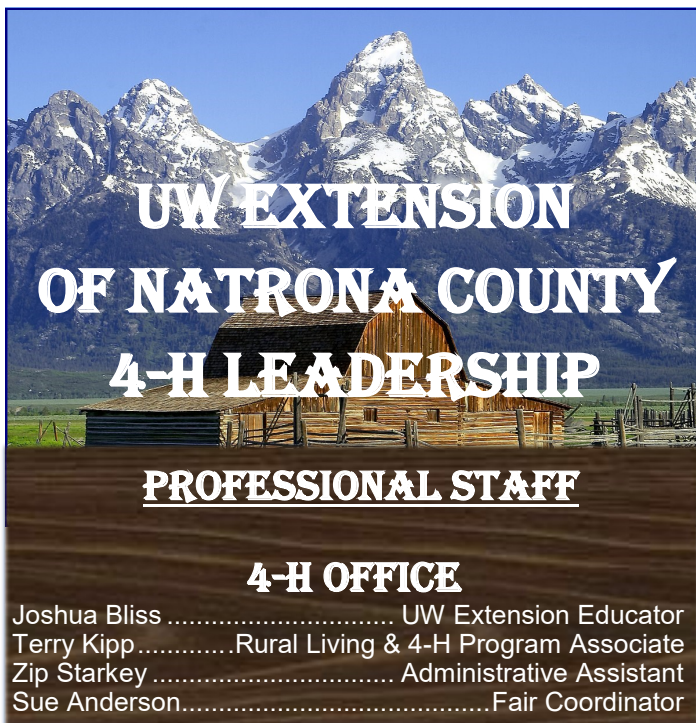
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**UW Natrona County Extension 4-H Website**  
<https://wyoextension.org/natronacounty/newsletters-2/>

**Animal Opportunities**  
<https://wyoming4h.org/animalopps/>

**Natrona County Dog Project**  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/428485018384342>

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<https://www.facebook.com/groups/517986822347457>

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**Natrona County 4-H / FFA Horse Show Committee**  
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<https://www.facebook.com/groups/242786253206671/>

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**Natrona Country Shooters 4H**  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/671664486269956>

**Natrona County Swine Committee**  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/410594339599618/>

**Natrona County 4H/FFA Jr. Livestock Sale**  
<https://www.facebook.com/centralwyomingjrlivestocksale/>

**Natrona County 4H - Fishing, Wildlife & More**  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/3033418846879020/>

## Jay's Thoughts



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

September 2024

4-H Families,

September has arrived. For some reason, this month's transition has given the stark realization that summer is nearly over. School is back in session, and the new 4-H year will soon be here. I have loved seeing each of the first day of school photos from our 4-H families on social media. It is also exciting to see a large group of former 4-H members starting college this year. I wish each 4-H member a school year filled with new experiences and accomplishments.

As school starts for the 4-H families, some things for the 4-H office slow down a little. I look forward to managing the Get Outside clinics. Please consider joining for the next one on the 17<sup>th</sup>

where the youth get a survival and fire-starting challenge. If interested, please email at [jbliss@natronacounty-wy.gov](mailto:jbliss@natronacounty-wy.gov) or call 307-235-9400 for the information. Over the next few months, the 4-H office will be working on planning achievement night, pumpkin fest, and eventually Flannel and Frost.

As a reminder, please consider attending the Wyoming 4-H Volunteer Summit in Casper on the Last weekend of September. There is a portion for teens and adult volunteers. The dates are Sept. 27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>, and 29<sup>th</sup>. The registration fee for the Volunteer Summit is \$100 (Our 4-H Council is covering ½) <https://forms.gle/TawK3FwJcvJhFLTk8>. The cost for the teen leadership portion is \$30 and the registration link is here: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc5BsYjNVznovWMkUdzqRbVHV5KaCjB6POC4kQ9kzqRKaxamQ/viewform>.

I am looking forward to the fall and all that we continue to work on together on for the 4-H program. Happy September!

## 2024 SAVE THE DATE

### Get Outside Clinics

Dates: September 3rd, 10th, and 17th, 2024.

### Sale Committee Meeting

September 11, 2024

### 4-H Leaders Council Meeting

September 30, 2024

### 4-H Volunteer Summit

September 27th-29th 2024

### Get Outside Hike

Date: September 28, 2024

### New Enrollment Year

Date: October 1, 2024

### 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.

### Pumpkin Fest

Date: October 5, 2024

### Cocoa Bombs Clinic

October 26, 2024

### Fly Fishing Clinics

Date: October 1st, 8th, 15th, and the 22nd

### Achievement Night 2024

Date: November 2, 2024

## !!!!Announcements!!!!

# CONGRATULATIONS

## Wyoming State Shooting 2024

### Competition Winners

### from Natrona County



#### Air Pistol Team Sr - 4th Place

Phebe Zeller                  Colin Valasek  
Breena Hopkins              Peter Smith

#### Air Rifle LT Jr. - 6th Place      Addison Lemons

Archery A Target Sr. - 6th Place      Colin Teague

Archery A 3-D Sr. - 6th Place      Kadin Pollock

Archery B Target Int. - 8th Place      Eviana Grigg

Archery C Target Int - 10th Place      Zachary Hilton

Archery C 3-D Int. - 9th place      Zachary Hilton

Archery C Target Jr. 8th Place      Tillie Shackelford

Archery C 3-D Jr - 8th Place      Tillie Shackelford

Muzzleloading Sr. - 10th Place      Colin Valasek

Shotgun with handicap Int. - 6th Place      Travis Peter

.22 Pistol Sr. - 10th Place      Phebe Zeller

.22 Rifle Sporter Sr. - 8th Place      Peter Smith

Come to the ARLC Building to pick up your ribbons!!

General Meeting Updates:  
**Natrona County 4-H/FFA**  
**Sale Committee Meeting**  
September 11th at 6pm.  
Location: ARLC Office in the Mills Evansville Rooms.  
The main Item of Business will be:  
Sale numbers and length of the sale.  
Please Join.

**Natrona County 4-H Leader's**  
**Council Annual Meeting**  
September 30th at 6pm  
At the ARLC Office in the Oregon Trail Room

## !!!!Announcements!!!!

Please keep Bean Mann in your thoughts. He was involved in a car accident. The 4-H office and community wish him a speedy recovery.

If you are seeking a way to help, the 4-H Office has further information. Please reach out.



## Fly Fishing Clinic



Please attend the fly fishing gathering at The Ugly Bug Fly Shop in downtown Casper.

Dates and Times:  
October 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd

Times are TBD at this time. We will update when we have further information.



## Project News

Central  
Wyoming

Join other Wyoming  
4-H Teens (13-18),  
to strengthen your  
leadership skills.

SEPT  
27-29

in Casper, Wyoming  
\$30 to Attend  
Contacts:  
Makala Riley, Campbell County  
Emily Swinyer, Sheridan County  
Joshua Bliss, Natrona County



RSVP by September 20th at NOON  
<http://tiny.cc/Wyoteens>

Natrona County 4-H Presents:

# HOT COCOA

# BOMBS

October 26th @ 10 am

Presenter: Jennie Bennett of Crafts by  
Jenn

In the Foods Lab at ARLC Office.

RSVP with the 4-H office or by zsuites by  
October 23rd.



Behold the return of the mystical Food, Fun 4-H! As the leaves turn and the winds whisper tales of autumn's arrival, we invite you to join us on a journey of culinary delights. Delve into the mysteries of new recipes, bask in the warmth of family mealtime, and revel in the enchantment of 4-H, all at once! The magic begins anew in October, dear seeker.

Free to participate, groceries not included.

REGISTER VIA THE QR CODE  
OR GO TO  
[HTTPS://BIT.LY/3QOZBW9](https://bit.ly/3QOZBW9)

Contact Kellie Chichester  
(307) 334-3534 or  
[kelliec@uwoy.edu](mailto:kelliec@uwoy.edu)



Wyoming Food, Fun & 4-H was made possible by funding from the John P. Ellbogen Foundation Wyoming Communities, Agriculture, and Rural Living Project Grant from UW Extension.



## Nominations

4-H Families,

Fall is here and it is time to reflect on our 4-H year. We have some amazing members and volunteers in this Natrona County 4-H program. We have 5 categories to help recognize our members and volunteers and all the countless hours you all put in.

1. Sportsmanship

Members that do phenomenal acts of kindness and their hard work. All the time spent going above and beyond to help their fellow members in contrast and shows.

[Sportsmanship Nomination Form \(google.com\)](#)

2. Outstanding Leader (Volunteer)

Volunteers that work hard in helping on with 4-H Events, Shows, Fair.

The volunteers that show a positive attitude in everything that they do to help the members to reach their goals and sparks. These individuals embody positive youth development with all that they do.

[Outstanding Leader Nomination Form - Google Forms](#)

3. Partner/Friend of 4-H

This can be a business or organization that has shown exemplary partnership to the Natrona County 4-H in some way. This can be financial or in partnership.

[Partner / Friend of 4H Nomination Form - Google Forms](#)

4. Rookie of the Year 4-H Leader

This is for an enrolled leader in their 1<sup>st</sup> year through their 5<sup>th</sup> year that has shown exemplary work. The goal of this award is to recognize how valuable they are even if just enrolled for a few years.

[4-H Rookie of the year Nomination Form - Google Forms](#)

5. Golden Leaders

This award is for leaders enrolled more than 20 years and has shown excellence in their work and support of 4-H youth. Leaders in this area are knowledgeable and love what they do. They have an easy way with 4-H youth and want to make their lives better.

[Golden Leader Nomination Form - Google Forms](#)

Nominations are greatly appreciated. This is a way to review and provide recognition for the amazing contributions of leaders and youth members

I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel."

Maya Angelou

Submission Deadline is: 9-30-24



## Project News

Saturday  
September 21st



# SAREC POTATO HARVEST

Lunch provided and  
volunteers take  
potatoes home!

Potatoes will be donated to the Wyoming Food Bank. In collaboration with University of Wyoming Extension, Cent\$ible Nutrition, and the Wyoming Food Bank. RSVP to the email or phone below if you can volunteer.

9:00 AM



2753 State Hwy 157  
Lingle WY 82223  
blee@uwyo.edu, (307)-837-2000



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## Natrona County

### 4H

## Reminder



New Year enrollment begins  
October 1.

Complete in ZSuites.com

Please wait to pay until after  
October 1st as it does not carry  
over into the new year.

## MEMBERSHIP NIGHT

Come and learn more about  
what what natrona county 4-H is  
all about and what the clubs  
have to offer. We have lots of  
great cluds and programs that  
Natrona County 4-H can offer  
you and our community.

10/24/2024  
FROM 5-8 PM  
AT THE ARLC

Dinner will be provided

RSVP to Brittany @ 307-235-9400  
or on Zsuits



## 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)

## Pumpkin Fest Committee Meeting

Aug. 21st 6-7pm in the Midwest room

Sep. 18th 6-7pm in the Midwest room

Set up Oct 4th TBA



## Natrona County Record Book Contest Deadline September 13,

4:30 pm to the ARLC office



## 4-H OUTDOOR AND RECREATION



## CLINICS

1: SEPT. 3 @ARLC AT 6PM

LEAVE NO TRACE

2: SEPT. 10TH AT 6PM

BUILDING A FIRE AND SMORES

3: SEPTEMBER 17TH AT 6PM

HIKING SAFETY AND SAFETY KITS

4: SEPTEMBER 21ST AT 9AM

HIKE ON CASPER MOUNTAIN

CALL 307-235-9400 OR ON ZSUITES  
TO RSVP



## Statewide Opportunities

Would you like to sharpen your skills as a 4-H leader? Or learn how to plug in to a 4-H club near you? This opportunity has your name on it! Join us for informative workshops and valuable collaboration with other leaders from the region. \$100 covers your registration and meals. Enrolled Natrona County 4-H Leaders only pay 1/2. The Natrona County 4-H Leaders Council is covering the other 1/2. We hope to see you there! <https://forms.gle/TawK3FwJcvJhFLTk8>



# WYOMING 4-H VOLUNTEER SUMMIT

9/27-9/29, CASPER, WY

In 4-H, we believe in the power of young people. We see that every child has valuable strengths and real influence to improve the world around us.



# 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 screenshot shows the ZSuite website interface. On the left, there is a collage of images depicting various 4-H projects: a boy reading, a girl working with a robot, a girl on a bicycle, a boy with a microscope, a girl with a sewing machine, a boy with a horse, and a girl with a horse. In the center, a yellow banner reads "ZSoft TECHNOLOGIES, INC. WELCOME TO ZSUITE YOUR PORTAL FOR 4-H ENROLLMENT, TRAINING, RECORD BOOKS AND MUCH MORE! 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 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

Please contact Ann at 307-235-9400 ext 838 to reserve a room for your 4-H Club or committee meetings. The 4-H office does **NOT** maintain the building calendar. Please do **NOT** prop open ARLC exterior doors as it compromises building security if they are accidentally left open once the event has ended. It also lets out cool air or heat and lets in critters that are not welcome. Please be mindful of the rules that keep the building as nice as possible.

## 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 Who  
Share A  
Birthday In  
September

