## The 4-H Forecast



### October Newsletter

### 2024

### Sheridan County 4-H

### WHAT'S IN THIS NEWSLETTER:



# SHERIDAN COUNTY 4-H CLUBS



For more information please contact the Sheridan County Extension Office at 307-674-2980 sheridan.county@uwyo.edu

	Oct. 1	Wyotana 4-H Club Meeting @ 6:00 pm Exhibit Hall Enrollment Opens
ALL	Oct. 2	Livestock Committee Meeting @ 6:00 pm Ext. Office
	Oct. 5	Critters, Crafts, and Cooking 4-H Club Meeting @ 10:30 am Ext. Office
	Oct. 6	Goose Creek 4-H Club Meeting @ 3 pm Ext. Office
////	Oct. 7	Council @ 5:30 pm Ext. Office
ALL	Oct. 8	Lucky 7 4-H Club @ 5:30 pm Ext. Office
	Oct. 10	The 5th H 4-H Club Meeting @ 10:00 am Ext. Office
	Oct. 11	Renegades 4-H Club Meeting @ 6 pm Ext. Office
	Oct. 13	Tongue River Roundup 4-H Club Meeting @ 2 pm Ranchester Townhall
	Oct. 15	Big Horn Cowboys 4-H Club Meeting @ 6:30 pm Ext. Office
	Oct. 16	307 Pioneers 4-H Club Meeting @ 6:00 pm Exhibit Hall
	Oct 21-27	Sheridan 4-H Week
	Oct. 21	Teen Leadership Council @ 6 pm Ext. Office
	Oct. 22	Cloverbuds @ 5:30 pm Ext. Office
	Oct. 27	Achievement Program @ 2:00 pm Ignite Wesleyan Church
	Oct. 29	Food Fun @ 6 pm Ext. Office

	Nov. 1	Livestock Superintendent Applications Due
	Nov. 2	Critters, Crafts, and Cooking 4-H Club Meeting @ 10:30 am Ext. Office
and a second	Nov. 4	Council @ 5:30 pm Ext. Office
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	Nov. 6	Livestock Committee Meeting @ 6:00 pm Ext. Office
	Nov. 8	Renegades 4-H Club Meeting @ 6 pm Ext. Office
	Nov. 10	Tongue River Roundup 4-H Club Meeting @ 2 pm Ranchester Townhall Goose Creek 4-H Club Meeting @ 5:30 pm Ext. Office
	Nov. 12	Lucky 7 4-H Club @ 5:30 pm Ext. Office Cake Decorating Workshop @ 6 pm Ext. Office
	Nov. 14	The 5th H 4-H Club Meeting @ 10:00 am Ext. Office Food Fun @ 6 pm Ext. Office
	Nov. 17	4-H Expo @ 2 pm-4 pm Ext. Office
	Nov. 18	Teen Leadership Council @ 6 pm Ext. Office
	Nov. 19	Cloverbuds @ 5:30 pm Ext. Office Big Horn Cowboys 4-H Club Meeting @ 6:30 pm Ext. Office
	Nov. 20	307 Pioneers 4-H Club Meeting @ 6:00 pm Ext. Office
	Nov. 28-29	Extension Office Closed

# SHERIDAN COUNTY 4-H ENROLLMENT OPENS OCT. 151 OCC.

Aerospace Livestock Judging Archery Beef Cake Decorating Sheep Cats Swine Child Development Goats Horticulture Horses Hunting Horse Judging Dogs Range Management Interior Design Poultry GPS/GIS Vet Science Web Page Design Welding

Wildlife Crocheting Wood Working Wool Judging Youth Leadership Electricity Entomology Fabric & Fashion Gardening Food & Nutrition Health Knitting Leather Craft Rifle Robotics Shotgun Rope Craft Muzzle Loading Pistols **Pocket Pets** Quiltina Rabbits Vegetable Judging

## HELPING OF YOUTH THREADE POSITIVE YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

### sign up here 4H.ZSUITE.ORG



SCAN ME

Oct. 27th Q 2 pm Ignite Wesleyan

Church

Shooting Sports Awards

Door Prizes 9 Year Member Recognition Record Books Awards

Heifer Futurity Presentation

Club Awards

Volunteer Recognition

## New faces at the SHERIDAN COUNTY UW EXTENSION OFFICE



Tanya grew up in Sheridan, Wyoming and currently lives in the Tongue River Valley. She was the program coordinator at the Tongue River Community Center for the past twelve years. She enjoys gardening, watching her family compete in sports activities, and music. Tanya is excited about her new role as a Cent\$ible Nutrition Educator and sharing healthy eating habits and recipes with members of our community, and forming partnerships with other agencies. Larissa was born and raised in Sheridan, WY. She has a master's degree in Counseling and Human Services. Since returning to Sheridan, she has been working at Sheridan College and is excited to transition into the Community Health and Vitality Educator role. She is excited to offer learning opportunities of all varieties and learning what the 4-H community would like to see happen and develop. Larissa is involved in the community as a Big Brother Big Sister volunteer, soccer referee, and hockey volunteer.

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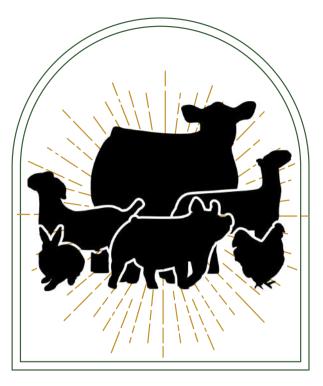


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## SHERIDAN COUNTY LIVESTOCK COMMITTEE



If you are interested in one of the Livestock Committee positions, please call or come pick up an application at the office. Applications are due no later than <u>Nov. 1st</u>

to the Extension Office.

\*BEEF RABBIT DAIRY CATTLE POCKET PET DAIRY GOAT SHEEP MARKET GOAT \*HORSE SECRETARY

\*These positions were vacated and will be appointed by the Executive Committee. Applications still requested.



# Please Call the Office to RSVP 307-674-2980

November 12th December 10th

> 6:00 pm Extension Office



- Learn to prepare home-cooked meals and try new foods
- Receive a FREE kitchen utensil kit per family related to that month's recipe
- Can attend classes at the Extension Office or at home with your family
- Open to any currently enrolled 4-H member

### Please Call the Office to RSVP for in person classes 307-674-2980

Classes will be monthly at the Extension Office at 6 pm

Oct. 29th Nov. 14th Dec. 19th Jan. 16th Feb. 13th Mar. 13th April 17th

Scan HERE to see previous recipes



### **THANKS FOR INVITING US** FIRST NORTHERN BANK!





### JOIN US! TLC MEETING Oct. 21st 6 PM Ext. Office



## Supporting the community





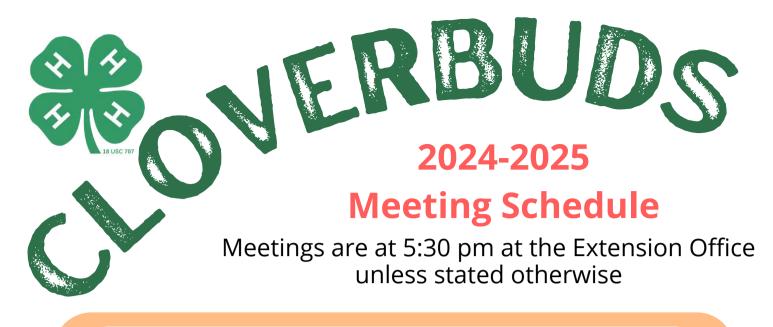
## and **4-H** youth!



#### Join us for a New "4-H Year" Party!

We will have snacks, games, information about the Cloverbuds program, plus the schedule for upcoming Cloverbuds meetings and topics. Invite your friends!

### For children ages 5-7



October 22

November 19

**December 17** 

**January 21** 

New 4-H Year Kickoff

Dog Project

Christmas Ornaments

Healthy Living

February 18 Outdoor Skills

March 18

April 22

May 20

June 17

Coring Dabies

Spring Babies

Seed Bombs

Veggies

Friends at the Fair \*at the Fairgrounds

#### 9-9-24 4-H Council Meeting Minutes

**Present:** Chandra Hendriks, Jody DeHaven, Jeff Hinton, Amber Jensen, Emily Swinyer, Crystal Mediate, Jessica Barnes, Lacey Sell, Katie Hiller, Jonalee Watkins.

Guests: NA

The meeting was called to order by President Chandra Hendricks at 5:30 pm at the Watt Ag Center.

Secretary's Report: The secretary's report was in the newsletter from July.

Treasurer's Report: No report due to Barb being absent.

Roll Call of Clubs: 307 Pioneers - Absent 5th H-Absent Big Horn Cowboys - Sept. 17th, 6:30pm @ Watt Ag Center (Jody DeHaven and Jeff Hinton) Critters, Crafts and Cooking - 1st Saturday of October, 10:30 am (Chandra Hendricks) Goose Creek Livestock - Sunday September 15th, meeting at Kincaids, 5:30 pm (Jessica Barnes and ) Lucky 7-absent-September 10, 5:30 @ Watt Ag Center Renegades -September 27 or 28-road clean up (Crystal Mediate) Sheridan Livestock - October some time Tongue River Roundup - October 13th @ 2:30 pm (Rachel Reinholtz and Jonalee Watckinsnew leaders) Wyotana - -Absent Teen Leadership Council - (not discussed)

#### **Old Business**

- Fair feedback
  - Switch the swine to have heavier weight classes first and then the feeders last.
  - Remind about bred and fed at the end of market
  - Static exhibits-the number of exhibits were down, but there were some amazing exhibits
  - Gave a feedback form to help plan for things members are interested in-static exhibits
  - Get locals to judge the static exhibits?
  - Lacey Sell will join the indoor committee
  - Why are our kids cleaning the fairgrounds the Monday of fair? Is this for the fairgrounds staff to do? Please pose a question to Kimber. Is this an old expectation/tradition?
    - Do we need to set the expectation that each club is in charge of cleaning a part of the fairgrounds before the fair?

- Need clarification of clubs delivering fair guides vs clubs/individuals inviting buyers. Amber said she will see if she can rework it for this next year.
- Community members asking where the animals are during fair week.
  - Uniform answer to public-we have such a big program that we have outgrown our facilities. We would love to have what people think is a traditional fair, but until some major changes happen, we just can't for the safety of our animals.
- Back numbers for pigs-can we just have one back number for each kid, not linked to each animal?

#### **New Business**

- Achievement Day (October 27th)
  - Special nominations form needs to be filled out by clubs-due by next council meeting
  - TLC info will be sent out
  - Door prizes-clubs will be asked if they would like to provide a door prize again this year.
    - A motion was made by Amber to say that door prizes will be at achievement day and clubs will be asked to donate. It was amended by Emily that based on club donations, the council will provide additional door prizes. Lacey seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Record Books (to be judged-need to be in by Sept. 17th)
  - Rubrics-We have decided not to use the rubrics for this year, we will be using the checklist again. Jeff and Jody will get together to rewrite the rubrics to be available by January 1st of 2025.
- Expo
  - Sunday, November 17th, 2:00-4:00 @ Watt Ag Center
    - Each club will be in charge of an activity
- Charter paperwork-each club needs to fill it out-due by October 30th
  - There will be meetings with each club
  - Secretary and Treasurer reports need to be turned in along with paperwork
- Council nominations
  - President and Treasurer are up for nominations-need to nominate Kelly Rhodes as Treasurer as she took over for Barb in the middle of her term.
- National 4-H week-1st week in October
- Sheridan County 4-H week-October 21st-27th)
- Pay "Scan Man" bill (Judging Card)-A motion to pay the bill of \$105 was made by Jonalee and 2nd by Amber. The motion passed.

A motion was made by Lacey to adjourn the meeting, and Jessica seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:04 pm.

The next 4-H council meeting will be October 7th @ 5:30 pm @ the Watt Ag Center.

#### Sheridan County Livestock Committee Meeting 09.04.2024.

Attendance: Katie Hiller, Susie Terry, Heidi Justus, Jennifer Forsness, Vicki Benedict, Tony Barnes, Chris Sorenson, Lacey Sell, Patti Alliot, Stewart Kincaid, John Masters, Emily Swinyer, Justin West, Amber Jensen. Guests: Amber and Andy Edwards, Liz Cassiday, Brittany Gorzalka, Troy and Savanna Cox,

Amber Jensen. Guests: Amber and Andy Edwards, Liz Cassiday, Brittany Gorzalka, Troy and Savanna Tad Tipton, Liz Kincaid, Julie Gerlach, Rindy West and Jessica Barnes.

The Meeting was called to order at 6:08pm by Chairman Justin West at the Extension Office on 09.04.2024. Approval of the consent agenda:

- Approval of minutes from the last meeting (sent out via email)
- Project area meeting dates and time (sent out via email)
- Sale Committee Checking Account Balance: \$502,456.62 with around \$96,076

left to collect. No outstanding bills to be paid.

Vicki moved to approve the consent Lacey 2<sup>nd</sup> motion passed.

#### Old Business:

- County Fair Review:
  - o Horse
    - Everything went smoothly at the Agri Park. It helps having two judges and Chris is an awesome announcer. Also really liked how we did <u>prizes</u> this year.
    - Recommended Changes: Set a safety certification by a certain date. Need to just have an overall gelding and mare. More communication on judge's contracts. Find a food group or food truck to be up there all weekend.
  - o Cat
    - Went really well and the kids loved the decorations. Also got great feed back about letting the Cloverbuds be a part of things.
  - o Dog
    - Went really well and was a success all the way around.
  - Poultry
    - No complaints and really enjoyed the judge. Appreciated the new lighting in the Barn and we are already working with the Fairgrounds Crew on making them a couple of things.
  - Rabbit
    - Went okay outside as the rabbits had a disease this year and only one got loose. The judge was great!
  - Swine
    - Show ran very smoothly. Everyone liked starting earlier and continued running so animals would not heat stroke from the high heat this year. Would like to get holding pens that match the new show ring and maybe some big fans around the ring to keep air moving.
  - Sheep
    - The sheep show went okay. Some people took over the show and got some things mixed up which left a lot of members and spectators confused. This caused the breeding sheep show to run a little long. Lacey would like to combine some of those classes. Would also like to look at maybe doing the sheep show a different day or a night show. Had great feedback on the Supreme Ewe Program.
  - Pocket Pets
    - Show continues to grow each year. The Cloverbuds really enjoyed it. Would like some help communicating rules with kids that show up to project learning.
  - o Sale
    - <u>Stewarts</u> report is that the Sale went great. Did some different things this year and got great feedback. Tried doing the VIP tent. This went okay but has room for improvements. Animals followed very timely in and out of the ring.

- o FFA
  - Did not have anything to report
- 4-H Educator
  - Bred and Fed
    - Questions were asked about how the animals were chosen to come back for the Beef Show. Amber explained she made this call that it should be the top two animals in Bred and Fed from each class.
    - Non-Sheridan County Kids
      - Fitting rules needs to be addressed as to who can show animals for members when they have multiple animals in the same class.
  - · Would like to combine some of the breeding classes.
  - All lease animals moving forward will need to have a housing agreement on file.
  - 2023 Heifer Futurity winner never received the Heifer that was donated, and Emily is wondering what we should do. The parent of winner said not to worry about it, but the committee will continue to work on this.
  - 2024 Heifer Futurity the office is just waiting for score sheets to be turned in. The Donor this year it Heart J Club Calves.
    - Some members in the audience offered up some great ideas on ways we could rework this program. This will be something that needs worked on at a later meeting.
- Community Comments
  - Julie Gerlach
    - Would like to start a Herdsmenship Award. Every year she tries to bring a new buyer with her to the sale. She has had buyers not come back because there are not any kids up at the barns. To help with this she will be donating \$1,000 to be used for some kind of award in this area.
  - Liz Cassiday
    - Had questions about how somethings worked at Fair as they are not the same as when she was in 4-H in Campbell County.
  - Troy Cox
    - Was just asking about combining County Fair and County Rodeo again. Justin kind of explained why those split back in the day. Everyone on the livestock committee seemed to agree that we would love for those to come back together if we could figure out how to make the scheduling work.
- Group Discussion
  - Julie and Liz's comments sparked a lot of discussion. Why do we have the show and go was the main topic. Once again, this is because we do not have the facilities to handle the number of animals that are registered for County Fair. The facilities also do not meet industry standards on pen sizes. We have outgrown the space we were given. Everyone on the livestock committee would love to have a regular County Fair where animals come in and stay. But, until we have something that can handle our numbers, and they are safe for animals to stay in all week this will continue. This was a long discussion with the ending thoughts that we need to make a better campaign to the community that Fair is the way it is because we have no more room and facilities that are safe for livestock.

#### New Business:

- Superintendent elections are fast approaching. Emily handed out the new applications and superintendent responsibilities. The list below is open positions and ones up for re-election.
  - o Beef (appointment)
  - o Dairy Cattle
  - o Dairy Goat
  - o Market Goat
  - o Horse (appointment)
  - o Rabbit
  - o Sheep
  - Pocket Pets
  - o Secretary

Chris motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:45pm and Patti 2<sup>nd</sup>. Meeting adjourned. Respectfully Submitted,

Amber Jensen Secretary

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