



Weston County CHATTER



June 2023

Erin's Notes

Summer is here and I hope you are ready for the wild and crazy month of June!

The Chatter is packed full of information this month with lots of new dates for events and opportunities so please take the time to look it over from top to bottom and make note of all the events and deadlines that affect you! We are just 7 weeks and a few days away from County Fair so there is lots to do! Please check out the information from the Junior Livestock Committee as there are a few new things for this year. There are also a few changes to the Fair Schedule so look it over and get events on to your calendars!

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out - I'm always happy to help!

I hope to see many of you at 4-H Camp in the very near future!

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4-H Camp Countdown: 14 DAYS
County Fair Countdown: 48 DAYS

UPCOMING DATES



JUNE

June 1 – Camp Registrations Close/Livestock Ownership Deadline

June 1 – Muzzleloader and Robotics Practice

June 6 – Dog Agility Practice

June 6 – Teen Leader Pre-Camp Fun Meeting

June 7 – Dog Practice and Junior Livestock Committee Meeting

June 8 – Muzzleloader County Shoot – Upton

June 8 – Robotics Practice

June 10 – Youth Hunter Education Challenge – Upton

June 10 – Robotics Practice

June 12 – Shooting Sports Awards and Fair Board Meeting

June 13 – Dog Agility Practice

June 14 – Dog Practice

June 15 – Robotics Practice

June 16-18th – 4-H Camp at Mallo

June 19 – State Shoot Registration Due

June 20 – Dog Agility Practice

June 20-22 – Showcase Showdown

June 21 – Dog Practice

June 26 – Food, Fun, 4-H Capstone Trip

June 27 – Record Book Help Session

June 27 – Dog Agility Practice

June 28 – Horse Safety Certifications

June 28 – Dog Practice

June 29 – Swine and Beef Workshop

UPCOMING DATES



JULY

July 4 - Independence Day - Office Closed

July 5 - FAIR ENTRIES CLOSE & HORSE SAFETY CERTIFICATIONS DUE

July 5 - Junior Livestock Committee Meeting

July 6-9th - State Shooting Sports - Douglas

July 10 - Fair Board Meeting

July 11 - Beef Workshop

July 11 - Dog Agility Practice

July 12 - Dog Practice

July 17 - Fabric and Fashion Judging Day

July 17 - Ultrasound/Carcass Contest

July 18 - Dog Agility Practice

July 19 - Dog Practice

July 19 - FAIR SET UP DAY

July 22-30 - WESTON COUNTY FAIR - see 4-H Event Schedule



WESTON COUNTY 4-H CLUBS

Elk Mountain Outlaws

Leaders:

Kami Lopez
Kara Fladstol

Next Meeting:

Dewey Wranglers

Leaders:

Kendra Paulton
Dani Stearns

Next Meeting:

Sagebrush Maids & Wranglers

Leaders:

Melinda Huff
Becky Swentesky

Next Meeting:

June 10th
Annual Garage Sale

Borderline Bandits

Leader:

Crystal Stevens-Benson

Next Meeting:

Prairie and Pines

Leaders:

Kasi White
Nastel Dean

Next Meeting:

June 5th
4:00 PM
Planting flowers on Main
Street
Meet at the Indoor Gun
Range

Stock Show Junkies

Leaders:

Briley & Ty Miller
Hale & Alicia Redding

Next Meeting:

TBA

What is the benefit of being in a 4-H club ...

There are many benefits of being in a club; friendship and fellowship, opportunity for leadership development, plus strides in self-confidence, learning to work with others, communication skills, decision making, problem solving, citizenship, expanded horizons, organizational skills, respect for and from others, patience, tolerance, and real-world experience! The club leader will help you with decision making, keep you informed about project announcements and deadlines, and will be a great encouragement!

why? RSVP

RSVP'S ARE IMPORTANT BECAUSE:

- IS THERE ANYONE PLANNING TO ATTEND THE ACTIVITY OR EVENT?
- BUYING THE CORRECT AMOUNT OF SUPPLIES
- KNOW WHO TO NOTIFY IF THERE ARE CHANGES OR CANCELLATIONS

RSVP BY THE DEADLINE!

Remind

Remind is a communication platform that can reach students and parents via text or email. Remind allows us to quickly send notifications to an entire group about upcoming events, changes, cancellations, etc. There are 2 easy ways to join - go to the website address listed or text the @newcss to 81010. Please take a few moments and join the applicable Remind groups from the list below:

Newcastle Shooting Sports - rmd.at/newcss or text @newcss to 81010

Dog Project: rmd.at/newcdog or text @newcdog to 81010

Food, Fun & 4-H: rmd.at/newcff4-h or text @newcff4-h to 81010

Horse Project: rmd.at/newchorse or text newchorse to 81010

Newcastle Tumbleweeds: rmd.at/n4htumble or text @n4htumble to 81010

Robotics: rmd.at/newcrobots or text @newcrobots to 81010

Upton Cloverbuds: rmd.at/u4htumble or text @u4htumble to 81010

Weston County 4-H: rmd.at/weston4h or text @weston4h to 81010

RECORD BOOK

PROJECT RECORDS

You will complete a Project Record Book for each project that you are enrolled in (i.e. Market Sheep, Foods & Nutrition, Robotics = 3 Project Record Books)

For each Project you will answer questions about:

- Goals
- Supplies
- Expenses & Income
- Summary
- Pictures

Project Record Books can be completed online through ZSuite or can be printed from the Weston County 4-H website and completed by hand.

You DO NOT have to complete a separate project record book for each fair project that you exhibit.

Foods & Nutrition Project

Fair Entries

- Chocolate Chip Cookies
- Biscuits
- Thumbprint Cookies

Foods & Nutrition
Project Record Book

Robotics Project

No Fair Entry required -
just participation at
Showcase Showdown,
County Robotics
Showcase, etc.

Robotics Project
Record Book

Market Lamb Project

Fair Entries

- Hamp Cross Ewe
- Speckled Face Wether

Market Lamb Project
Record Book

Project Record Books plus My 4-H Involvement are then submitted via ZSuite or printed and turned in to the Extension Office by the Record Book Deadline - **September 15th, 2023**



Registration OPEN in ZSuite

MALLO RENDEZVOUS 2023

CROOK • NIOBRARA • WESTON 4-H CAMP



REGISTRATION CLOSES JUNE 1

REGISTER AT [HTTPS://4H.ZSUITE.ORG/EVENT-REGISTRATIONS/20287](https://4h.zsuite.org/event-registrations/20287)



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Registration Deadline (including payment): Friday, June 1

Minimum age for overnight camp: 8 years old.

Camp Check-in: Friday, June 16th, at 5:30 p.m.; please do not bring campers before this time.

Camp Check-Out: Sunday, June 26th at 10:00 a.m.

What to Bring to Camp: Sleeping bag or bedroll, (If lightweight, please bring extra blankets), pillow, heavy coat, rain coat, or jacket, comfortable shoes, either hiking or supportive tennis shoes and bring an extra pair, towel, wash cloth, soap, comb/brush, shampoo/conditioner, etc., clothes that can be layered for changing weather. Optional: flashlight, camera, fishing pole, etc. (labeled with name and telephone #), water gun to use ONLY during water fight, guns used any time other than the water fight will be confiscated and returned at the end of camp.

NOTE: Please leave any valuables such as watches, money, and jewelry at home! We are not responsible for lost items.

Parents: Adequate food and snacks are provided. Extra candy is not necessary.

We are always in need of adults to help. If we do not have enough chaperones, we cannot take kids to camp. Would you consider coming to camp for a day, a night or the whole time? (It's not true that you have to get up early or stay up throughout the night.) We need adults to organize, assist, supervise, and make camp fun for the kids. Our goal is to teach them some independence and responsibility, but we need more adult help, ESPECIALLY DADS!

4-H PROJECT NEWS

BEEF PROJECT

COUNTY FAIR UPDATE:

**MARKET STEER MINIMUM
WEIGHT: 1100 POUNDS**

**MARKET HEIFER MINIMUM
WEIGHT: 1050 POUNDS**



LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES:

You can watch the recording of the Market Beef Nutrition and Management workshop at:

<https://youtu.be/jcACMunjRw>

Chance shared some great information about how to monitor weight gain throughout the next few months to make sure your market beef will make weight at fair.

Kansas State Extension

Beef Across Kansas Series

- Ask Before You Buy
- What's In Your Bucket
- Ready for the Ring
- Quality Matters
- The Next Step

<https://www.twincreeks.k-state.edu/youth-ag/beef-across-ks/index.html>

UW Extension Beef Workshop

July 11th in Newcastle, WY

2-3pm - **Youth Beef Session**

6-8pm - **Beef Producer Session**

- Heifer development
- Digital grazing management tools
- University research update
- Question & answer session



Presented by

Dr. Shelby Rosasco,

UW Extension Beef Specialist &

Micah Most,

Johnson Co. Ag Educator



Extension

Beef Fitting and Showing Workshop

June 29th

Weston County Fairgrounds

10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Taught By Tallie Miller, past
Niobrara County 4-H member

Bring your steer/heifer and
supplies

4-H PROJECT NEWS



HORSE PROJECT

Horse Safety Certification

Deadline

July 5, 2023

Safety Certifications will be done on June 28th at 8:00-9:00 AM at the Weston County Fairgrounds.



ROBOTICS

SCHEDULE

June 8th - 4:00-5:30 PM @ the Extension Office

June 10th - 3:00-6:00 PM at Senior Center

June 15th - 5:00-7:00 PM at Senior Center

Robotics will meet on the dates listed to prepare for the State Robotics Competition to be held at Showcase Showdown in June!

LEADER

CALEB CARTER



JUNE 20-22, 2023

State Robotics Competition
Laramie, WY
June 20-22nd, 2023

ROBOTICS SHOWCASE AT COUNTY FAIR - THURSDAY, JULY 27TH @ 6:00 PM

MORE DETAILS TO COME

4-H PROJECT NEWS

SHEEP PROJECT



LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES:

Kansas State Extension

Sheep Across Kansas Series

- Ask Before You Buy
- Feeding & Showmanship
- Quality Matters

<https://www.twincreeks.k-state.edu/youth-ag/sheep-across-ks/index.html>

If you are wanting assistance with your sheep project prior to fair, please reach out to Hale Redding at 746-5982.

County Fair Minimum
Weight: 90 pounds

GOAT PROJECT



County Fair Minimum
Weight: 50 pounds

4-H PROJECT NEWS



SWINE PROJECT

Swine Fitting and Showing Workshop

June 29th

Weston County Fairgrounds

8:00 AM - 9:30 AM

Taught by Tallie Miller, past Niobrara County 4-H member
Bring pigs, grooming and show supplies



LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES:

Kansas State Extension

Swine Across Kansas Series

- Ask Before You Buy
- Feeding & Showmanship
- Quality Matters
- Judge's Choice
- The Next Step

<https://www.twincreeks.k-state.edu/youth-ag/swine-across-ks/index.html>

County Fair

Minimum Weight: 200 pounds

Maximum Weight: 270 pounds

RABBIT PROJECT

The Campbell County 4-H leader has agreed to let us come learn and practice with them! Contact Erin for more information!

Showmanship Practice

June 8th & 29th
5:30 pm
Clover Corrals

These two dates will include showmanship practice. Bring your Rabbit!!



4-H PROJECT NEWS



DOG PROJECT

First Year and Second Year dog project teams will meet from
5:00-5:30pm*

Third Year and above teams will meet from 5:30-6:00pm*

SCHEDULE

- June 7 - Rally
- June 14 - Rally
- June 21 - Obedience
- June 28 - Obedience
- July 5 - Q&A and Equipment Overview
- July 12 - Mock Show - Agility and Showmanship
- July 19 - Mock Show - Obedience and Rally
- July 24 - Dog Show set up and Pizza Party
- July 25 - SHOW DAY!

LEADERS

Kendra Paulton
Lauren Pickle

COME JOIN THE FUN!

AGILITY SCHEDULE

- June 6
- June 13
- June 20
- June 27
- July 11
- July 18



4-H PROJECT NEWS



FABRIC AND FASHION PROJECT

This year we are going to judge the fabric and fashion, crocheting, quilting and fashion revue entries on July 17th and then have the public fashion revue and awards on July 24th. All events will happen at the Weston County Senior Center.



SCHEDULE

July 17th - Judging Day

10:00 AM

Weston County Senior Center

July 24th - Practice and Decorating

4:30 PM

Weston County Senior Center

Practice for Fashion Revue, Decorate Stage and have a light snack!

July 24th - Public Fashion Revue and Awards

7:00 PM

Weston County Senior Center

Sewing Workshop
June 30th

Come make a fun tote bag!
No supplies needed
RSVP by June 27th



SHOOTING SPORTS

Fees

Archery (If using our equipment)- \$10

Shotgun - \$25

Muzzleloading (if using our equipment and ammunition) - \$25

Please pay these fees as soon as possible. Fees can be paid at the Extension Office



YEAR END AWARDS

June 12th

**6:00 PM **TIME
CHANGE****

Kilpatrick Park -
Weston County
Fairgrounds

Join us for ice cream
sundaes and celebrate!

Wyoming 4-H State Shoot

July 6-9, 2023

Registrations due: June 19, 2023

On-line Registration Link:

https://wyoming4h.formstack.com/forms/state_shoot



FUNDED IN PART BY:



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State 4-H Events Coordinator

University of Wyoming Extension

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The Wyoming 4-H State Shoot is held in Douglas, Wyoming on the State Fairgrounds and at shooting ranges four miles south of Douglas.

What you need to know to register:

- Which disciplines will you be competing in? What class in each discipline?

• You will need to be in the qualifying for the award trip to Ra-

• Payment is due to your local 4-H county extension of-

• You can find more information about state shoot on the

state 4-H website:

<http://www.uwyo.edu/4-h/opportunities/state-contests/state-shoot/index.html>

All range officers and those helping at each range are Wyoming 4-H volunteers. This event would not be possible without their time and dedication!



STATE SHOOT

July 6th-9th

Douglas, WY

Registration is due June
19th

State Shoot Meeting
June 19th @ 5:30 PM -
Extension Office
****Parents and Youth
need to attend****

SHOOTING SPORTS

WYOMING YHEC YOUTH HUNTER EDUCATION CHALLENGE

June 10, 2023 at the Upton Gun Club



A fun time, beautiful range & upbeat atmosphere

- Every contestant goes home with a prize
- The beautiful Upton Gun Club is nestled in the boulders, ponderosa and sagebrush of the Black Hills

Registration is limited.
Sign up now!



Young hunters get to display their shotgun, .22 rifle, muzzleloader and archery marksmanship, plus their hunting judgement and wildlife ID

Register online or download the form on the Game & Fish website at wgfd.wyo.gov

For more information call (307) 281-9980



2023 WYOMING STATE YOUTH HUNTER EDUCATION CHALLENGE

Sponsored by: Upton Gun Club Shooting Sports Program, Wyoming Game & Fish Department and a variety of Wyoming businesses

Good Luck to Trevon White at the National Shooting Sports competition in Grand Island, Nebraska.

Trevon is competing in the Outdoor Skills Competition.



Wyoming State 4-H Foundation

15th Annual Boulder Big Draw

Saturday, June 17, 2023

Fremont Butte Ranch

OPEN TO ANY ADULT OR YOUTH

514 Highway 353-Boulder, Wyoming

Turn East on Highway 353 at the Boulder Store and follow signs

Shoot 40 Rinehart targets and never see the same one twice!
fun challenges and great raffle items available

SPONSORSHIP

Stations at the shoot can be sponsored for \$25 each and your name/logo will be displayed!
o YES! I would like to be a station sponsor! My check for \$25 is included!

REGISTRATION Entries can be made before the shoot as well as at the event.

Entry Fees: Family--\$25 Adults--\$10 Youth (12 and under) \$10

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ Email: _____

T-shirt size: S M L XL XXL

Division: (please circle one)

Men's: Release Fingers Traditional

Women's: Release Fingers Traditional

Youth Senior (13-18): Open

Youth Junior (12 & under): Open

Awards will be presented to 1st through 3rd place in each division.

Send your registration and a check payable to:

Wyoming State 4-H Foundation
Steve Mack, Director
1000 E. University Ave., Dept. 3354
Laramie, WY 82071

Questions?

Steve Mack, Director
Email: smack@uwyo.edu
Greg Schamber, Board Member 307-260-7505
Email: greg.schamber@jonahenergy.com

EVENT SPONSOR – RINEHART TARGETS

Course Information

The course will open at 8:00 a.m. and close at 12:00 p.m. Four people will rotate to each of the 40 stations together, you should allow two hours to complete the shoot.

For Camping information contact Greg Schamber at 260-7505



4-H Shooting Sports
Learn by Doing

2023 WYOMING 4-H PLATTE RIVER YOUTH INVITATIONAL SHOOT

Friday July 14, 2023 at the beautiful Silver Spur Ranch. Open to youth only, ages 8-18.

Register at:

https://wyoming4h.formstack.com/forms/platte_river

For more information, contact
Steve Mack: (307) 766-2528 or
smack@uwyo.edu



CLOVERBUDS

The 4-H Cloverbuds Program in the University of Wyoming's 4-H program is a non-formal education program designed for children ages 5-7. Participation, safety, personal development, learning and fun are the highest priorities for Cloverbuds programs. Cloverbuds is designed to introduce young people to cooperative learning and the many things they can do in 4-H. These programs are adult led, activity-focused, and are built on cooperative learning rather than competition. There are two different Cloverbud clubs that meet in Upton and Newcastle.

UPTON SCHEDULE

You can join Upton Cloverbuds class at <https://www.remind.com/join/u4htumble> or by texting @u4htumble to 81010.

NEWCASTLE

TUMBLEWEEDS SCHEDULE

You can join Tumbleweeds class at <https://www.remind.com/join/n4htumble> or by texting @n4htumble to 81010.

MALLO RENDEZVOUS 2023

CROOK • NIOBRARA • WESTON 4-H CAMP



REGISTRATION CLOSES JUNE 1

REGISTER AT [HTTPS://4H.ZSUITE.ORG/EVENT-REGISTRATIONS/20287](https://4H.ZSUITE.ORG/EVENT-REGISTRATIONS/20287)



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WESTON COUNTY
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Cloverbuds at Camp

June 17th

9:45 - Arrive at Mallo

10:00-12:00 - Camp Activities

12:00-1:00 - Lunch

1:00 - Head Home

Register at ZSuite
No Cost



- July 5 - Fair Entries Due - see the June Chatter for instructions on how to enter
- July 24 - Fashion Revue @ 7 PM - need to enter on Fair Entry
- July 25 - Static Exhibits to Event Center - 9:00 AM - 7:00 PM
- July 28 - Cloverbud Pet Show @ 11:30 AM

Cloverbuds can also do Pee wee Showmanship at County Fair during the livestock shows. Do not need to pre-enter, just be there before the show begins.

DIVISION 442: TUMBLEWEEDS

Pre 4-H Program

SUPERINTENDENT:

NO PREMIUM PAID • PARTICIPATION RIBBONS ONLY

RULES:

1. This class is open to those youth who are enrolled in the Tumbleweeds project through the Weston County Cooperative Extension Office.
2. A member may have unlimited entries.
3. Animals will be shown Friday at 11:30 a.m. under the Clay Ertman Memorial.
4. Each child must be in total control of their animal; parents, friends, and other relatives may not enter the show ring unless child needs assistance.
5. Animals are to be brought in just prior to the show and are to be removed from the grounds immediately following the show.
6. Non-animal exhibits will be released 1-4 p.m. on Saturday. No items may be removed before this time.

ANIMALS

CLASS DESCRIPTION

105: Dog	106: Cat
107: Burn Lamb or Kid Goat	108: Rabbit or Poultry
109: Any other animal project (Must be manageable for the size of the child.)	

EXHIBITS

CLASS DESCRIPTION

110: Arts and crafts	111: Foods and Nutrition
112: Sewing	113: Gardening and Horticulture
114: Any other non-animal item	

CONTESTS

CLASS DESCRIPTION

115: Presentations Contest	116: Fashion Revue
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Food, Fun & 4-H

Capstone EVENT!!

JUNE 26TH

CSU SPUR

4777 NATIONAL WESTERN DR.,

DENVER, CO 80216

10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

AWESOME LUNCH PROVIDED

REGISTER VIA THE SURVEY BELOW

CHECK OUT CSU SPUR AT [HTTPS://CSUSPUR.ORG/](https://csuspur.org/)

Survey

Please complete the survey for the Food, Fun & 4-H project if you participated at all during the year!

There is an awesome reward for completing the survey plus you'll give us some valuable information as we plan for Year 2 of the project!



Jr. Livestock Committee

Fair Set Up Day
July 19th
6:00 PM
Pizza afterwards

Next Meeting:
June 7th @ 6:00 PM at
Weed & Pest Building

NEW IN 2023

1. **Thank you notes will be required for all animals sold in the Junior Livestock Sale. An addressed, stamped thank you note for each buyer or add-on donor must be turned in to the Extension Office before your sale check will be mailed.**
2. **All sale checks will be mailed on September 1, 2023 (if thank you notes have been received)**
3. **A mandatory livestock exhibitor meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 26th at 1:00 PM at the show ring. All exhibitors are asked to attend.**
4. **A short bio will be required for all youth with livestock in the sale. Bios will be due to Erin by noon on Friday of Fair.**
5. **Sale brochures will be available for youth to distribute to possible buyers. Please take the time to invite a few buyers to the sale. A packet of information will be in the mail to you in the near future.**



Fair Board

Next Meeting: June 12th
@ 6:30 PM at
Fairgrounds

2023 Fair Theme



Summer Days
Country Ways





Weston County Fair 2023

"Summer Days, Country Ways" 4-H Event Schedule

Monday, July 17th

- Fabric & Fashion, Quilting, Knitting and Fashion Revue Judging - 10:00 AM - Senior Center
- Carcass Contest - 6:00 PM

Saturday, July 22nd

- Parade Line Up - 9:00 AM
- Parade - 10:00 AM

Monday, July 24th

- Horse Show - 9:00 AM
- Cat Show - 2:00 PM
- Public Fashion Revue - 7:00 PM - Senior Center

Tuesday, July 25th

- Dog Show - 8:00 AM
- Static Exhibit Check In - Event Center 9:00 AM - 7:00 PM
- Rabbit and Poultry Check In - 5:30-7:30 PM
- Horse Show Awards - 6:00 PM

Wednesday, July 26th

- Sheep, Goat, Swine Weigh-In - 7:00-8:00 AM
- Beef Weigh-In - 8:00-9:00 AM
- Rabbit Show - 9:00 AM
- Static Exhibit Interview Judging - 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
- All Livestock Exhibitors Meeting - 1:00 PM - Show Ring
- Swine Show - 7:00 PM

Thursday, July 27th

- Sheep and Goat Show - 8:00 AM
- Poultry Show - 1:00 PM
- Robotics Showcase - 6:00 PM

Friday, July 28th

- Beef Show - 8:00 AM
- Pocket Pet Show - 11:00 AM
- Cloverbud Pet Show - 11:30 AM
- Round Robin Contest - 1:00 PM
- Junior Livestock BBQ - 4:30 PM
- Junior Livestock Sale - 6:00 PM

Saturday, July 29th

- Static Exhibits Released - 1:00-4:00 PM

Tuesday, August 1

- State Fair Meeting - 6:00 PM



Weston County Fair 2023

"Summer Days, Country Ways"
July 22nd-30th

Fair Entry Deadline: July 5th

Step 1: <http://www.fairentry.com>

Step 2: Find Your Fair

Step 3: Login (use account from last year or create a new one)

Step 4: Create Entries

Step 5: Submit!

Find Your Fair

Search by keyword (optional)

Sorted by: State

Filter by State: Wyoming

Search

Wyoming 11 Fairs

- 2023 Goshute County Fair
July 28 - August 06, 2023
- 2023 Weston County Fair
July 22 - July 31, 2023
- 2023 Carbon County Fair
July 29 - August 05, 2023
- 2023 Crook County Fair
July 22 - July 29, 2023
- 2023 Nebraska County Fair
July 26 - August 03, 2023
- 2023 Platte County Fair
July 26 - August 06, 2023
- 2023 Sheridan County Fair
July 27 - August 06, 2023
- 2023 Sublette County Fair
July 21 - July 30, 2023
- 2023 Teton County Fair
July 17 - July 31, 2023

Full instructions on how to enter exhibits into Fair Entry can be found on the Weston County 4-H Website under the Fair Information Tab.



Just because you are enrolled in 4-H, does not mean that you are automatically registered to take those projects to county fair! Entries must be submitted via FairEntry by July 5th to be eligible for County Fair!

Tips for Exhibitors making Online Entries:

- Recommended browsers: Google Chrome or Mozilla Firefox. Older versions of Internet Explorer may cause unexpected results.
- Register all entries for each exhibitor in the family before proceeding to the Payment section.
- Be sure to click the "Submit" button when you have completed your entries. Entries are not final until they have been submitted.
- Check your email inbox for a confirmation email with a list of your entries and any related fees.
- You will receive a second email when your entries have been approved by your fair.



Mandatory



Livestock Exhibitor Meeting

Wednesday, July 26th

1:00 PM

Show Ring

**All youth who are showing cattle, sheep,
goats, swine, rabbits and poultry that plan to
sell at the Junior Livestock Sale**

MUST ATTEND



State Fair Info



Ask the Director

6:00 pm

May 9th and June 6th



Courtney Conkle

Got a who, what, when, where, or why question about the Wyoming State Fair?

Get your questions answered!

Wyoming 4-H is hosting two nights with WSF Director, Courtney Conkle, where you can ask questions and get answers. At 6:00 pm Tuesday, June 6th, 4-H members, parents, and volunteers are invited to participate via Zoom. Courtney has been the Wyoming State Fairboard's director since 2019. She orchestrates the State Fair with the help of her staff and volunteers. She's has an extensive background in fair management and will be able to answer your questions. If you've competed at the Wyoming State Fair in the past, or are considering attending, here's a chance to chat about the 2023 Wyoming State Fair and what to expect. Join us online at <https://uwyo.zoom.us/my/jdespain>.

NEW THIS YEAR! Animal Drug Testing:

NEW for 2023, the Wyoming State Fair will be drug testing Swine, Beef, Goats and Sheep. For these market species, drug testing will be mandatory for the Grand Champion and Reserve Champion award winners and two randomly selected market animals from each species.

Why: At the Wyoming State Fair we value education, animal welfare, protecting the food chain, and fostering fair competition. Drug testing is a valuable tool to help exhibitors and families to understand the possible implications of using substances on their animal.

How: By 12 pm on opening day of the 2023 Wyoming State Fair, exhibitors MUST turn in their drug declaration forms to the Exhibitor Office drop box **ONE FORM IS REQUIRED PER MARKET ANIMAL**. Drug Declaration forms can be found at wystatefair.com or picked up at the Exhibitor Office.



Grow A Little Extra

UW Extension is partnering with the Wyoming Hunger Initiative (WHI) for their Grow a Little Extra program. We would like you to encourage your local 4-H clubs to use their Hands to Larger

Service by growing and donating garden produce to be distributed to local food pantries and anti-hunger agencies. The Cent\$ible Nutrition Program (CNP) is offering \$500 to the club that donates the most produce. The clubs that come in second and third place will receive \$300 and \$200, respectively. Clubs can create their own garden for donations, donate from personal gardens and/or community gardens, or collect donations from neighbors.

Produce donations can be delivered to your local county Extension Office. Donations will be received through September 30, 2023. The donations will be weighed and recorded, and then delivered to a local food pantry or neighbors in need. Make sure to specify the 4H club name when donating. Tracking will be sent to the state CNP office to tally the results. Awards will be given the first part of December. Make sure your clubs know that to get credit for their donations, they will need to connect with their local county Extension Office to coordinate produce drop off, weighing, and recording. Please feel free to contact the CNP State Office with any questions or additional information.

Cent\$ible Nutrition Program State Office

cnp-info@uwyo.edu

(307)766-5375

nohungerwyo.org



Fair to Fork

86,000 of our neighbors struggle with food insecurity. *Fair to Fork* is making a difference.

Sources of high-quality protein are notoriously expensive and difficult to procure for local food pantries, but we can help alleviate that problem! Wyoming Hunger Initiative's *Fair to Fork* program will purchase one hog from every county in Wyoming through a **lottery selection** (only second animals not sold in the local livestock sale are eligible). Visit with your local 4-H educator or FFA advisor to learn more!

Join us. It's as easy as 1-2-3!

- 1 Sign up for the lottery through your local University of Wyoming Extension Office or scan the QR code below.
- 2 If you are selected, your hog will be purchased for \$500, processed, and delivered to a local pantry of your choosing in your community.
- 3 Come to the Wyoming State Fair to be recognized by Governor Mark Gordon and First Lady Jennie Gordon!



Scan to complete the form indicating your interest

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RECORD BOOK HELP SESSIONS

Last Tuesday of the month

5:30 - 6:00 PM

at the Extension Office or via Zoom

<https://uwyo.zoom.us/j/99160838599>

June 27 - Project Records

August 29 - My 4-H Story and
Submitting

Now is the time to get a head start on your record books. Investing 30 minutes a month will make the final push in September to finish them quick and easy!

YOU MUST BE ENROLLED WITH **ACTIVE** STATUS IN 4-H IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN **ANY** 4-H ACTIVITIES. YOUTH MUST HAVE **ACTIVE** STATUS BY **MAY 15TH** TO PARTICIPATE IN SUMMER ACTIVITIES (CAMP, FAIR, ETC.) ENROLLMENT FEES ARE DUE AT THE TIME OF ENROLLMENT

PLEASE NOTE:

YOU ARE NOT COVERED BY THE 4-H INSURANCE UNTIL YOU HAVE ACTIVE STATUS IN ZSUITE!

2023 IMPORTANT DATES

- June 1 - Market Lamb, Swine, Goat and Poultry Ownership and Tagging Deadline
- June 10 - Youth Hunter Education Challenge - Upton
- June 12 - Shooting Sports Awards BBQ
- June 16-18 - 4-H Camp
- June 20-22 - Showcase Showdown
- June 28 - Horse Safety Certifications
- **JULY 5 - FAIR ENTRIES DUE**
- July 5 - Horse Safety Certification Deadline
- July 6-9 - State Shooting Sports - Douglas
- July 17 - Ultrasound Contest
- **July 19 - Fair Set Up Day @ 6 PM**
- July 21-30 - Weston County Fair
- August 15-19 - Wyoming State Fair
- September 15 - Record Books Due
- October 1-7 - National 4-H Week
- October 29 - Achievement Day



VOLUNTEER CORNER



CROOK/WESTON 4-H CAMP

June 16-18th, 2023

Mallo Camp

Camp will be here before we know it! For camp to be a fun, exciting, successful event we will need parents and volunteers to help be:

- Chaperones
- Help teach or assist with workshops

If you are interested in helping with camp planning, being a chaperone or have a great activity to use at camp - please give me a call!

PROJECT WORKSHOPS



Have a talent or skill to share? I'd love have you teach a workshop for the 4-H'ers! It can be a project specific skill or just a fun activity for all of the youth!



4-H BULLETIN BOARD



WELCOME

NATIONAL 4-H CONGRESS

NOVEMBER 24-28, 2023
ATLANTA, GEORGIA



A chance for youth to expand their skills, engage with other 4-H members, and be inspired to make an impact in your club, community, county and world

Ages 14 (as of January 1st of that year) and older, are invited to be part of the 2023 Wyoming delegation.



Apply by September 1st, 2023 online.
More information at <http://www.uwyo.edu/4-h/opportunities/travel.html>



“Ask 4-H Anything”

The State 4-H Office is going to start a communications support process where parents, volunteers, youth- anyone- can email in questions about 4-H. Then, on at least a monthly basis, the question will be posted with the answer to the State 4-H Facebook page. Sort of a “Dear Abby” (now I’m dating myself!) or Ask-A-Vet approach to answering questions. Emails can be sent to 4-H@uwyo.edu with “Ask 4-H” in the subject line for inclusion. This will be anonymous, and we will monitor the questions that will be answered and posted- complaints will not be posted! The goal is to educate many by answering the questions from the few.

2023 District Make It With Wool Contest

Date: November 12th

Place: Niobrara County Fairgrounds,
Lusk

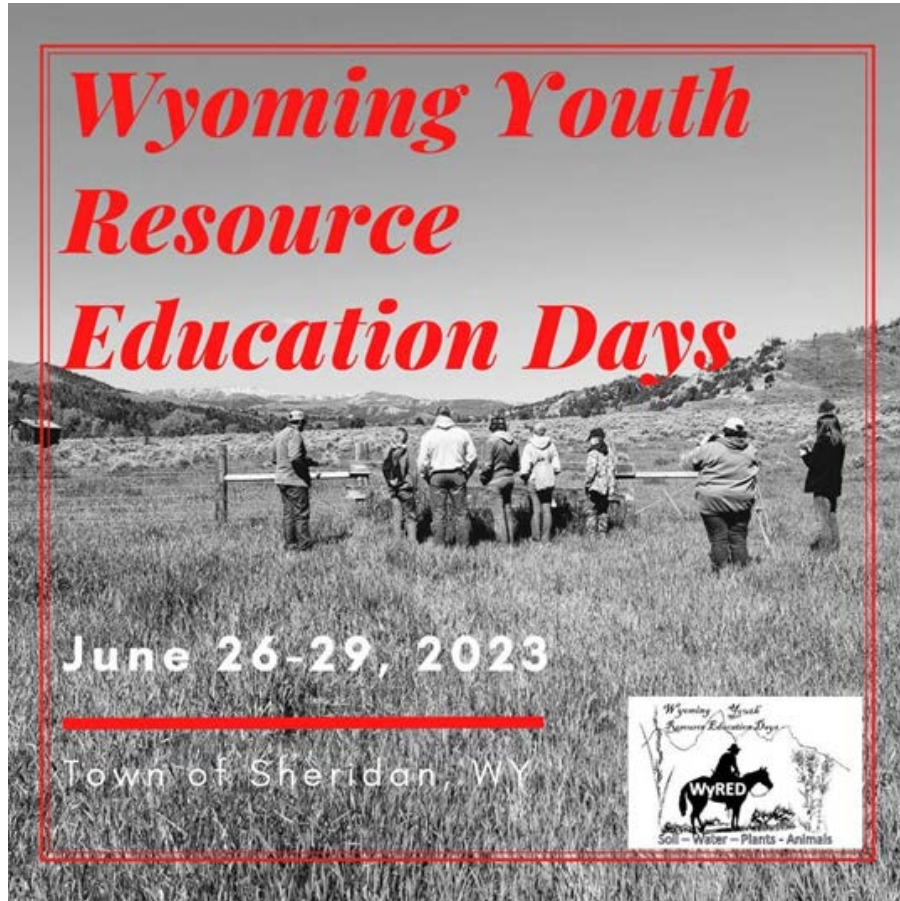
Who: Open to Weston, Niobrara,
Goshen, Converse and Natrona
County

Age: 5 and up

If you have questions, reach out to
Erin



OPPORTUNITIES THROUGHOUT THE STATE



WyRED is an activity of the Wyoming Section Society for Range Management.

Visit

<http://wyomingrangelands.org/>

Wyoming Resource Education Days (WyRED) is an exciting trail of education for our future land stewards on the management and wise use of the natural resources on Wyoming's Rangelands.

What happens at WyRED?

Youth and Adults alike can attend the week long camp that focuses on all aspects of natural resource (range) management. Professionals and experts volunteer from across Wyoming to teach about plant identification, soils, wildlife habitat, water resources, GPS and map skills, and much more. The week is spent on the ground working with local ranches and seeing best management practices (conservation) at work. Be prepared to get your hands dirty!

The week ends with the State Judging contest to test your knowledge and skills learned throughout the week.

OPPORTUNITIES THROUGHOUT THE STATE



IN CASPER

June 30th - July 2nd
Laramie, WY

2023 Rabbit Clinic

Clinics start @ 9AM, Location: ARLC Building

Sign up at : <https://www.facebook.com/oil-city-thumpers-398801110535193/>

- **June 3, 2023:** Mandatory Meat Pen Tattoo Clinic/Mock Show- Casper Room
- o We will have separate areas set-up for showmanship. Please make sure your rabbits are clean and healthy. We also ask you to dress like you will for the show at fair and bring a clean carpet square for showmanship.
- We will only be offering two tattoo clinics this year. Please plan accordingly.

ALBANY COUNTY FAIR ALUMNI ASSOCIATION 2023 GEM CITY SHOWDOWN SCHEDULE		
Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Garment Bag Day Cattle - Buckle Day	Banner Day	Buckle Day
10AM - BARNS OPEN SCALES OPENS TO DECLARE WEIGHTS CHECK-IN BEGINS IN FAIR OFFICE RING A: 1PM - MARKET CATTLE SHOW FOLLOWED BY BREEDING CATTLE 3PM - SHOWMANSHIP BEGINS ORDER CATTLE SHOWMANSHIP (RING A) SHEEP SHOWMANSHIP (RING B) GOAT SHOWMANSHIP (RING B) SWINE SHOWMANSHIP (RING B) 6PM - SCALES CLOSES (ALL BARNS) 7PM - MARKET SWINE BY BREED JACKPOT (RING B) SCHEDULE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE. EACH DAY IS SEPARATE - MUST ENTER EACH DAY INDIVIDUALLY.	8AM - CHECK-IN BEGINS IN FAIR OFFICE SCALES OPEN WEIGHTS DECLARED BY 8:30AM RING A: 9AM - SHEEP BY BREED SHOW FOLLOWED BY BREEDING SHEEP SHOW FOLLOWED BY GOATS BY WEIGHT FOLLOWED BY BREEDING GOAT SHOW RING B: 9 AM - MARKET SWINE BY SEX SHOW FOLLOWED BY BREEDING GILT SHOW FOLLOWED BY TBD - EVENING EVENT	8AM - CHECK-IN BEGINS IN FAIR OFFICE SCALES OPEN WEIGHTS DECLARED BY 8:30AM RING A: 9AM - GOATS BY WEIGHT FOLLOWED BY BREEDING GOAT SHOW FOLLOWED BY SHEEP BY WEIGHT FOLLOWED BY BREEDING SHEEP RING B: 9 AM - MARKET SWINE BY WEIGHT SHOW FOLLOWED BY BREEDING GILT SHOW SEE YOU IN 2024! RING A: OUTDOOR SHOW RING RING B: INDOOR SHOW ARENA

June 2-4, 2023
Gillette, Wyoming

3rd Annual!

POWDER BASIN CLASSIC

Breeding
Heifers, Ewes, Does, Gilts
Can be dual registered in Market and Breeding. Breeding Shows both Saturday and Sunday.

Market
Beef, Sheep, Swine, Goat
Beef- Steer & Heifer Classes both days
Sheep- Black, White, Speckle & Natural Division both days
Swine- Saturday show by weight / Sunday Barrow/Gilt
Goat- Show by weight both days

Showmanship
Senior, Intermediate, Junior, PeeWee
All species shown by exhibitor age both Saturday & Sunday

Saturday
Cash, Awards, Banners

Sunday
Cash & Banners

Class Payouts Both Days
2 Days-2 Judges-2 Seperate Shows

Park County

Show Clinic

JUNE 23RD, 2023

Come improve showmanship techniques and training PLUS inside tips on nutrition, exercise, and daily care!

Limited Spots Available
Lunch Included

\$50 • **Register By June 15th**

For more information contact
Park County 4H: 307.754.8836

4H Wyoming 4-H



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Monday - Friday

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

1:00 PM - 4:30 PM



Weston County Extension Website:

<https://wyoextension.org/westoncounty/>



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