



Weston County CHATTER



April 2024

Erin's Notes

Where in the heck did the first three months of the year disappear to? I can't believe it is April 1st already!!! I'm ready for the warmer weather and the sunshine to come back!

I'll be in Casper most of this week for the 4-H Spring Training meetings and then in Lusk for the Project Palooza Camp Friday and Saturday. 4-H activities are starting to get really busy around the state. I've enjoyed seeing pictures of some of your market swine projects as you have gotten them home and settled in and I'm excited to hear all about what other projects you are planning for the summer. Robotics and Dog meetings are happening regularly from this point forward as well as lots of other fun opportunities so make sure to check the Chatter for all the details!

To make April even crazier, I am trying to get lots done ahead of time for summer and fair before I am on maternity leave for the majority of May and in to the summer. I am planning to be out of the office starting May 1st completely until after Memorial Day and then plan to work about a day or day and a half a week in the office until County Fair. I will be checking emails in May and Kristi will be available to answer questions. Please reach out to me at anytime with any questions or concerns, just know that it may take me a day or two to get back to you.

Make sure to look ahead and mark important deadlines on your calendar like horse, dog and cat ID forms as well as the summer enrollment deadline!

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UPCOMING DATES



April

- April 2 - .22 Make Up County Shoot - Newcastle
- April 3 - Junior Livestock Meeting
- April 7 - Dog Practice
- April 7 & 8 - Archery Practice Starts
- April 8 - Fair Board Meeting
- April 12 - Robotics
- April 12 - Sagebrush Maids & Wranglers Movie Night
- April 13 - Small Animal Project Palooza Camp - Casper
- April 14 & 15 - Archery Practice
- April 15 & 16 - Muzzleloader Practice
- April 16 - Upton Cloverbuds
- April 18 - Newcastle Tumbleweeds
- April 19 - Robotics
- April 21 - Dog Practice
- April 21 & 22 - Archery Practice
- April 21-27 - National Volunteer Week
- April 22 & 23 - Muzzleloader Practice
- April 26 - Robotics
- April 28 & 29 - Archery Practice



PURPLE UP DAY

April is the month of the Military Child. We are excited to support our young heroes by wearing **PURPLE**.

APRIL 12, 2024

Help us celebrate by sharing photos of you or your group wearing purple. We will share them on facebook and will be giving some fun prizes away. Send pictures to:
(307) 799-8780
or dawns@uwyo.edu

child & youth program

TAKING CARE OF OUR MILITARY CHILDREN

Wyoming 4-H

SUBMIT & WIN

May

- May 1 - Horse, Dog and Cat ID Form Deadline
- Ma 1 - Junior Livestock Committee Meeting
- May 5 & 6 - Archery County Shoots
- May 12 - 3D County Shoot
- May 13 - Fair Board Meeting
- May 15 - 4-H Enrollment Deadline for all Summer Activities (camp, fair, etc.)
- May 28 - Swine, Lamb and Goat Tagging and Weigh In



Calendar

New this year on the website is the 4-H Calendar. Look ahead at the entire year!

APRIL 2024

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3 Jr. Livestock Meeting	4	5	6
7 Archery Practice Starts - Newcastle Dog Practice	8 Archery Practice Starts - Upton Fair Board Meeting	9	10	11	12 Robotics	13
14 Archery Practice - Newcastle	15 Pines & Pines Meeting Volunteer Training Zoom Archery Practice - Newcastle & Upton Muzzleloader	16 Upton Cloverbuds Muzzleloader Practice	17	18 Newcastle Tumbleweeds	19 Robotics	20
21 National Volunteer Week Archery Practice - Newcastle Dog Practice	22 Archery Practice - Newcastle & Upton Muzzleloader	23 Muzzleloader	24	25	26 Robotics	27
28 Archery Practice - Newcastle	29 Archery Practice - Newcastle & Upton	30				

<https://wyoextension.org/westoncounty/4h-youth-development/important-dates/>

NOTES:



2024 IMPORTANT DATES

January 21 - Beef Weigh In and Tagging

February 1 - Market Beef Ownership and Tagging Deadline

February 15 - 4-H Scholarship Deadline

March 20 - Farm School Applications Due

March 23 & 24 - Shooting Sports Leader Training

April 21 - 27 - National Volunteer Week

May 1 - Horse, Dog and Cat ID Forms Due

May 15 - Enrollment Deadline for all summer 4-H Activities

May 28 - Swine, Lamb & Goat Tagging and Weigh In

June 1 - Market Goat/Lamb/Swine and Breeding Livestock
Ownership Deadline

June 17 - Shooting Sports Awards

June 18 - 20 - Showcase Showdown

June 28-30 - 4-H Camp

July 3 - Fair Entry Deadline

July 3 - Horse Safety Certification Deadline

July 11-14 - State Shoot

July 15 - Fabric & Fashion Judging Day

July 16 - Carcass Contest

July 17 - Fair Set Up Day

July 20-28 - Weston County Fair

July 30 - State Fair Meeting

August 12-17 - Wyoming State Fair

September 30 - 4-H Stories Due

October 6-12 - National 4-H Week

October 10 - 4-H Jubilee



Weston County Fair 2024 "BACK TO THE 80S" 4-H Schedule

Wednesday, July 3rd

- Fair Entries Deadline

Monday, July 15th

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

Tuesday, July 16th

- Carcass Contest - 6:00 PM

Wednesday, July 17th

- Fair Set Up Night - 6:00 PM

Friday, July 19th

- Cat Show - 2:00 PM

Sunday, July 21st

- Parade Line Up - 12:00 PM
- Parade - 1:00 PM

Monday, July 22nd

- Horse Show - 8:00 AM
- Public Fashion Revue - 7:00 PM - Senior Center

Tuesday, July 23rd

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

Wednesday, July 24th

- 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 - 3:00 PM
- All Livestock Exhibitors Meeting - 1:00 PM - Show Ring
- Swine Show - 7:00 PM

Thursday, July 25th

- Sheep and Goat Show - 8:00 AM
- Poultry Show - 1:00 PM
- Robotics Showcase - 5:00 PM

Friday, July 26th

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

Saturday, July 27th

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

Tuesday, July 30th

- State Fair Meeting - 6:00 PM



How We Communicate

The word "Remind" is written in a white, cursive-style font, centered within a solid blue rectangular background.

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:

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

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

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



<https://www.facebook.com/WESTONCOUNTY4H>

WESTON COUNTY 4-H CLUBS

Elk Mountain Outlaws

Leaders:
Kami Lopez

Next Meeting:
April 28th
1:00 PM
Highway Cleanup
Meet at the turn to Hwy 450

Dewey Wranglers

Leaders:
Kendra Paulton
Dani Stearns

Next Meeting:
TBA

Sagebrush Maids & Wranglers

Leaders:
Melinda Huff
Becky Swentesky

Next Meeting:
April 12th
6:30 PM
Fairgrounds Event Center
Movie Night
Ferdinand
Pizza, Pop and Snacks!

Borderline Bandits

Leader:
Crystal Stevens-Benson

Next Meeting:
TBA

Prairie and Pines

Leaders:
Kasi White
Nastel Dean

Next Meeting:
April 15
6:30 PM
Mrs. White's Classroom
Upton Elementary School

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!



Your 4-H Story

Creating Your Own 4-H Legacy

"The Magic of Your 4-H Story" A Captivating Story to Share

Who: Each 4-H member should write and submit a 4-H Story each year. This will replace the traditional record books of the past.

What is the 4-H Story: Your 4-H Story is the final chapter of your 4-H year. It is a way to capture the highlights of your 4-H experiences, a place to show your growth and the impact that 4-H has had on your life during the past year. It is your personal story of what 4-H means to you! It becomes a record of your time in 4-H that you can keep for the future to share with your children when they become 4-H members!

Submitting Your 4-H Story: A typed or handwritten story. There are no requirements for length, style, format, etc. This is your chance to let your creative voice shine.

Where to submit: Use the online form or drop a hardcopy off at the Extension Office.

- Link: <https://bit.ly/4608yze>
- Located on the website:
- QR Code:



When: Deadline for 2024 4-H Stories is September 30th. Stories can be submitted anytime throughout the 4-H year. If you only participate in shooting sports, write your story and submit it in March! You can start writing your story now and add to it throughout the year.

Why: Your 4-H Story is the summary of your 4-H year and it is a place to reflect on your experiences, capture your memories and create a record of your achievements. Your 4-H Stories will be used to highlight outstanding 4-H members on Facebook and in the local newspapers, in the Extension Office window, to showcase all of the different projects that 4-H offers and as a marketing tool for 4-H in Weston County.

Crafting Your 4-H Story

This is **YOUR** story! Write it in your own words and let your voice shine through. Tell about the best and worst moments of your 4-H experience this year. Did you try something new this year and absolutely love it? Or maybe you decided that new thing really wasn't for you. How did the skills you learned in 4-H help you in other areas of your life?

Weaving Your 4-H Story

- Introduce yourself
- Why did you join 4-H?
- Talk about your projects and your goals
- Highlight learning experiences and unusual situations that the year held
- Explain how 4-H has helped you to become a better leader and citizen
- Share how you were involved in your club, county and community events
- Showcase your favorite parts of 4-H
- What do you want to improve upon or do differently next year?
- Tell about how you have changed or grown as a person as a result of your involvement in your projects and 4-H this year
- Explain how you could use the life and/or project skills you learned from being in 4-H in other areas of your life
- Talk about your experiences at County Fair, Showcase Showdown, State Fair and other 4-H events
- How did you help others - members, volunteers, your community, etc.

Tips

- Proofread!
- Read your story out loud to someone - this is a great way to find mistakes and rough wording.
- Be creative - you can use humor, poetry, quotes, etc. to create your story

ADDING MAGIC TO YOUR 4-H STORY WITH PICTURES

"A picture is worth a thousand words"

- Select up to 5 photos to submit with Your 4-H Story
- Choose pictures that help tell your story
- Highlight your projects and your major accomplishments
- Show that you are learning
- Fill out the captions
- Photos can create a sense of place, personality, or emotion more clearly and quickly than the written word
- Images powerfully confirm and expand upon what we read in the text



Catching my very first fish at my first 4-H Camp



Shooting archery at the 2023 State Shoot. I placed 9th in the Senior Class D division.



Champion of Champions Market Lamb Show at the Wyoming State Fair. What an amazing experience, even if my lamb hated the drone!



Competing in the Robotics Contest at Showcase Showdown. We had the Champion Team!



Helping make cookies for the First Northern Bank Open House. What a fun community service project!

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

April 16

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

NEWCASTLE SCHEDULE

April 18

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

**Please RSVP for Cloverbuds and Tumbleweeds by noon on April 15th
Activities will be a surprise this month!**



Cloverbuds at Camp

June 29th
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 3rd - Fair Entries Due
- July 22 - Fashion Revue @ 7 PM - need to enter on Fair Entry
- July 23 - Static Exhibits to Event Center - 9:00 AM - 7:00 PM
- July 24th - Static Exhibit Judging at Event Center
- July 26 - Cloverbud Pet Show @ 11:00 AM

Cloverbuds can also do Peewee 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 Ertran 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	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

4-H PROJECT NEWS



SWINE PROJECT

Join us in going **whole hog** in the fight against food insecurity in Wyoming!



2023 Fair to Fork participants and partners with Governor Mark Gordon



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. Wyoming Hunger Initiative's *Fair to Fork* program will purchase one secondary hog — through a lottery selection — from every county in Wyoming. Visit with your local 4-H educator or FFA advisor to learn more!



Scan to complete the form indicating your interest

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.
- 2 If you are selected, your hog will be purchased for \$500. It will then be processed (at no cost to you) by a participating USDA or state-licensed facility, then donated to a local anti-hunger organization of your choice in your community.
- 3 Come to the Wyoming State Fair to be recognized by Governor Mark Gordon and First Lady Jennie Gordon!



WYOMING HUNGER INITIATIVE
5001 Central Avenue
Cheyenne, WY 82009
(307) 777-7398
nohungerwyo.com

Get signed up via the QR code shown below by July 1st. One youth from Weston County will be chosen in 2024. Please let me know if you have any questions. This is a great way to help our community and if you are already raising a second market pig this is the perfect place for it to go.

Swine Nutrition & Management

April 8th - 6pm
Washakie County
Extension Office
1200 Culbertson- Suite G



Register here:
<https://bit.ly/3VB0zDM>



Presented by:
Dani & Mike Warner
Badlands Swine Genetics



Join via Zoom
Register Here:

<https://forms.gle/bQAvps6uN4i8t1W38>

4-H PROJECT NEWS



BEEF PROJECT

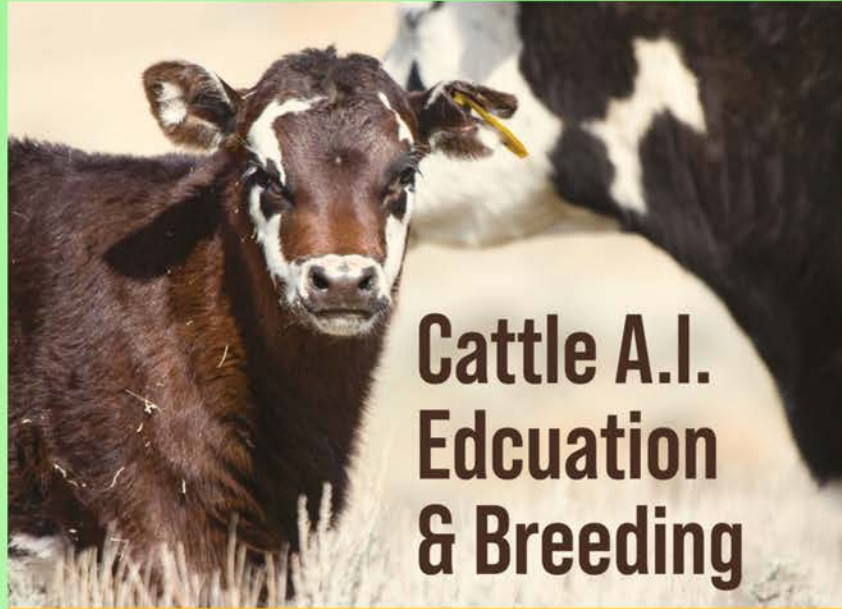
Coming Soon



Date: 06 Month: 06 Year: 24

Stay tuned

Crook County 4H
Sundance, WY
crookcty@uwyo.edu



Cattle A.I. Education & Breeding

Learn About
Artificial Insemination
Breeding | Nutrition | Selection
May 9th at 4pm

Get Females Bred
May 28th in Campbell
May 29th in Fremont

RSVP by May 1st! <http://tiny.cc/24cattleaibreeding>

Questions? Contact Us! Chance Marshall: cmarshal1@uwyo.edu | 307-332-2363
Kim Fry: kbell10@uwyo.edu | 307-682-7281

 UW John P. Ellbogen Foundation Grant Funded

COUNTY FAIR WEIGHTS:

MARKET STEER MINIMUM
WEIGHT: 1100 POUNDS

MARKET HEIFER MINIMUM
WEIGHT: 1050 POUNDS



CAT PROJECT

Cat ID forms are due on May 1, 2024. A new ID form must be completed for each cat every year. ID forms must be accompanied by current vaccination records. Vaccinations that must be current are Rabies, distemper and feline-leukemia.



WESTON COUNTY 4-H CAT IDENTIFICATION

4-H Member Name: _____

4-H Club: _____

Name of Cat: _____

Breed: _____

Cat's Birthdate: _____

Intact Male

Neutered Male

Female

Spayed Female

Identifying Features of Cat: _____

*color, markings, notches, scars, tattoos, etc.

Date Rabies Shot: _____

Date Distemper Shot: _____

****A copy of current vaccination record must be attached to ID form****

4-H Member Signature

Date

Parent Guardian Signature

Date

PHOTO OF CAT

PHOTO OF CAT

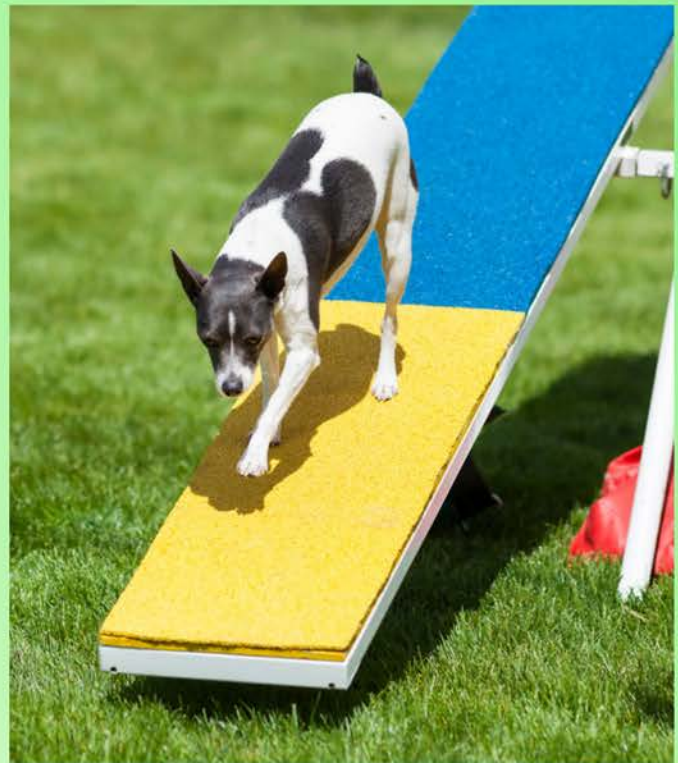
4-H PROJECT NEWS

★ ★ ★ DOG PROJECT

Dog ID forms are due on May 1, 2024. A new ID form must be completed for each dog every year. ID forms must be accompanied by current vaccination records. Vaccinations that must be current are Rabies and an annual Distemper-Parvo.

Practice Schedule:

- April 7 @ 4:30 PM
- April 21 @ 4:30 PM
- May 5 @ 4:30 PM
- May 19 @ noon for Agility with Denise
- June 2 @ 4:30 PM
- June 16 @ 4:30 PM
- June 22 - Dog Clinic and Mock Show (more details to come)
- June 30 @ 4:30 PM
- July 14 @ 4:30 PM
- July 23 - Dog Show at County Fair



Leaders:

Kendra Paulton
Lauren Pickle
Stephanie Kline
Cathy McAtee

Make sure to join the Remind group for all the up-to-date notifications at: <https://www.remind.com/join/newcdog>

Wyoming 4-H Dog Identification



Name of 4-H Member

4-H Club Name

Name of Dog

Sex of Dog: _____

Breed(s) of Dog

Date of Birth: _____

Color and Description of Dog:

Is the dog registered with a breed organization?
 Yes or No

Organization: _____

Reg. Number: _____

When the dog was purchased or acquired?
 Date: _____

**Please attach a copy of the dog's shot record.*

Additional Notes:	<u>4-H Awards Won:</u>	<u>Non 4-H Titles Earned:</u>
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We understand and agree to the following:

- A. The 4-H member will have sole responsibility of the training and competitive showing of this dog during the current 4-H year.
- B. Any infractions, as determined by a review committee, could disqualify the dog from showing or competing in any county or state 4-H contest.

Signature of Youth: _____

Date: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____

Date: _____

"As the owner, I understand that I will not, nor anyone other than the youth listed above, compete with this dog."

Signature of Dog Owner: _____
 (If different than youth)

Date: _____

4-H PROJECT NEWS

★ ★ ★ ROBOTICS PROJECT

Practice Schedule

April 12th, 19th, 26th

May 3rd, 10th, 17th

Leader

Caleb Carter

Practice will be from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM at the Forest Service Building (1225 Washington Blvd.)

We are going to need parents to help at each of the Robotics practices this year. You do not need to know how to run the robots! The April 12th and 19th practice will have to have parents there to hold practice. Please let Erin know if you are interested in helping at practice.

**Showcase Showdown
June 18th-20th
Laramie, WY**



4-H PROJECT NEWS



SHEEP AND GOAT PROJECTS

May 28 - Swine, Goat and Lamb Tagging and Weigh In

June 1 - Ownership Deadline for all market and breeding animals

July 16 - Carcass Contest

July 20-27 - Weston County Fair



Coming Soon

307

Date: 06, Month: 06, Year: 24

Stay tuned

Crook County 4H
Sundance, WY
crookcty@uwyo.edu

Save the Date! The 307 Northeast Livestock Show Clinic will be June 6 & 7, 2024 for beef, sheep, swine, and goats. Watch for more details about our fabulous clinicians!



Leggett's You Gotta Believe Livestock Camps

Gillette, WY - June 4th and 5th
Cheyenne, WY - June 6th and 7th

<https://ygbLivestockcamps.com/camp-schedule.html>

4-H PROJECT NEWS

SHOOTING SPORTS PROJECT

Shooting Sports Season is HERE!

Make sure that you have read the new Weston County Shooting Sports Guidelines, turned in your parent agreement form and paid your shooting fees prior to January 8th when practice begins.

The entire practice schedule for all of the disciplines can be found on the website. The website also has the Upton and Newcastle Shooting Sports calendars for you to look at and print.



Please take a few moments and make sure that you have joined the Remind class for shooting sports (<https://www.remind.com/join/newcss>) and that you follow the Weston County Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/WESTONCOUNTY4H>)

Upton	
Finnley Todd	.22 Rifle, Archery
Tanner Taft	.22 Rifle, Archery
Rylee Loebe	.22 Pistol, .22 Rifle, Shotgun, Archery, Muzzleloader
Trevon White	Air Pistol, Air Rifle, .22 Pistol, .22 Rifle, Shotgun, Archery, Muzzleloader
Tevon White	Air Pistol, Air Rifle, .22 Pistol, .22 Rifle, Shotgun, Archery, Muzzleloader
Ryder Hamilton	Air Pistol, Air Rifle, .22 Pistol, .22 Rifle, Shotgun, Archery, Muzzleloader
Kashus Keller	.22 Rifle, Archery
Myles Jenkins	.22 Rifle
Josie Dean	Air Rifle, Archery
Laila Vaughn	.22 Pistol, .22 Rifle, Archery

Upton Gun Club
710 Ash Street
Upton, WY

Leaders:
Cliff Abbott
Nick White

4-H PROJECT NEWS



SHOOTING SPORTS PROJECT

Members must be at practice 10 minutes before scheduled time (if you are not there when the line starts your place may be lost.)

If a practice must be cancelled due to weather, etc. notification will be posted on Remind, Facebook and an email will be sent. Please make sure you are signed up for the Shooting Sports Remind class so that you are notified of any changes.

Newcastle Archery Practice Schedule April 7th/8th, 14th/15th, 21st/22nd, 28th/29th Blue Face County Shoot - May 5th and 6th 3D County Shoot - May 12th - Upton Outdoor Course *weather dependent*				
Sunday 3:00 - 4:00	Sunday 4:00 - 5:00	Sunday 5:00 - 6:00	Monday 5:00 6:00	Monday 6:00 - 7:00
Aidan Butler	Isaac Whipple	Hailey Reiniger	Ethan Parsons	Ava Malsam
Adam Butler	Maize Owens	Samuel Ferguson	Harrison Gross	Skylar Workman
Annaliese Butler	Taylor Lenardson	Hunter Finley	Casey Dawson	Wes Ertman
Henry Haynes	Evelyn Rosse	Samantha Finley	Kinley Redding	Wesson Prell
Riggin Hammons	Roman Diaz	Dantae DeMerritt	Morgan Dixon	Tanner Lenardson
Thatcher Benson	Caleb Diaz	Avery DeMerritt	Peter Keeler	Oliver Koch
McCall Benson	Ryleigh Tupper	Payton overman	Colby Rich	Lydia Lanctot
Sydney Baker	Liam Gregory	Hailey Tacy	Jace Rich	Madeline Lanctot
Karla Wolfe	Adaleigh Himrich	Riley Rich	Libby Nissen	Dominic Lanctot
		Dustin Boyer	Masey Nissen	Ella Lund

**Archery Practice is held at
Cambria Bow Hunters
Indoor Range
214 Main Street
Newcastle**

Archery Leaders:
Tony Lenardson
Austin Baker
Glen Reed
Carl Lenardson
Craig Reed

As you can see, the schedule is very full, if you do not plan to participate or need to make a change, please contact Erin as soon as possible!

4-H PROJECT NEWS



SHOOTING SPORTS PROJECT

Light Rifle Competition 2024

Will be held at the
Weston County Sportsman's Club
Newcastle, WY, at the Indoor Range

On the following dates:

Jan 27, 2024

Feb 24, 2024

March 23, 2024

April 27, 2024

Competition starts at 10:00am.



Cost: \$15.00 Payout:10%
Biscuits and Gravy with Coffee included!

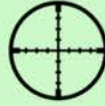
Youth Classes are free with a \$50.00 prize!

Requirements:

- .22 Long rifle caliber rifle that weighs less than 8lbs.
- No slings or shooting coats.
- Open sights, scopes and electric sights allowed.
- 60 Cartridges + Any Sighting Rounds.

Contact: Galen Stafford
307-746-5714

westoncountys shooting.net



Campbell County 4-H Shooting Sports Jackpot

CONCESSIONS
AVAILABLE



APRIL 6 • AG COMPLEX, WRIGHT • 9AM

THE COST IS \$2/DISCIPLINE OR \$5 FOR ALL

ARCHERY • AIR RIFLE • AIR PISTOL

Please RSVP at <https://forms.gle/L1bcn9VJ5kESBrHz6>



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

Cambria Bowhunters Memorial Tournament



May 4 & 5, 2024

Outdoor Archery Range Newcastle, WY
5 miles north of 4-way stop, turn on Musser Rd
.25 miles right on dirt road

Registration starts at 8:00 am

Score cards turned in by 3:00pm

We will be shooting 40 targets ~ Rangefinders allowed & marked yardage

Shooting Fees:

Adults - \$25 per day with 50% Paybacks figured each day
Hunter Class - \$15

Kids 12-18 years \$5 per day (Medals awarded)
Kids 11 years & under - Free (Medals awarded)



For more info please call:
Jason McFarland 307-746-8086
Austin Dixon 307-746-8770

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Bowling Pin Shoot

2024



Weston County Sportsman's Club
Newcastle, WY, Rifle and Pistol Range

Centerfire and Rimfire Pistol Categories
Registration Opens at 9am
Competition Begins at 10am

Dates:

May 25, 2024

June 22, 2024

July 27, 2024

August 24, 2024

September 28, 2023



Cost: \$10.00

Youth Classes are free with a \$50.00 prize!

www.westoncountys shooting.net

June 1 & 2, 2024

EXTREME SHOOT

6 miles East of Newcastle on Highway 16

At the old Gravel Pit ~ Signs will be posted on highway

Registration table open from 8am - 2pm both days

\$25 per person per day / \$10 per kid per day 11 & under

Come join us for 2 days of fun & **EXTREME** style shooting

3.5 - 4 miles hike so dress appropriately

& expect 3-4 hours to complete

No scores, No payback **JUST FOR FUN!**

(Score cards will be available if you want them)

40 Rinehart Targets bring your rangefinders!

Enter the Clay Pigeon Shoot at \$5 an arrow for a chance to win a

Dark Owl Archery Stealth 41 scope!



Any Questions, contact us!

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4-H PROJECT NEWS



HORSE PROJECT

Horse ID Forms

Due to Extension Office May 1, 2024

Each horse you plan to show must have a Horse ID Form on file in the Extension Office by the May 1 deadline. No exceptions!

Horse Safety Certifications

Deadline July 3, 2024

Please check the website for the current list of horses that have ID forms and safety certifications complete. There are several levels to the safety certification, so please check this as well.





Weston County Horse I.D.

Due in the Extension Office by May 1

Project Year Sticker

Member Information

Member Name: _____ 4-H Member FFA Member

Club: _____

Phone #: _____ Parent's Daytime Phone: _____

Horse Information

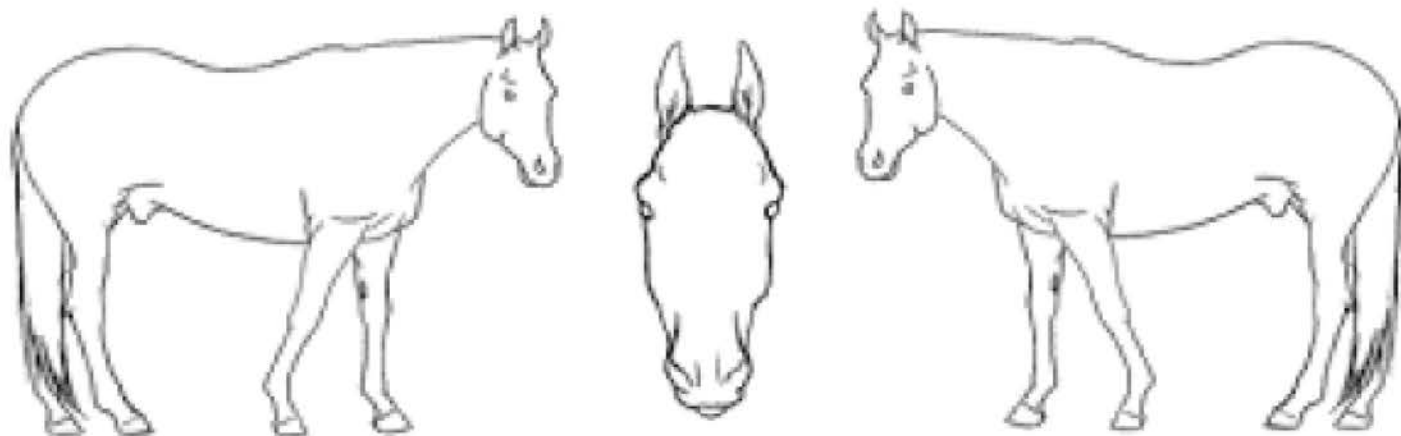
Horse Nickname: _____ Horse Registered Name: _____

Gelding Mare Date Born: _____ Breed/ Type: _____

Registered Registration #: _____ Registration Assoc: _____ Grade (non-papered)

Owned Leased Owner's Name: _____ Date Obtained: _____

Please list colors, brands, markings, and scars and mark these characteristics on the diagram below. Be as thorough as possible.



Please attach pictures of your horse to the back of this form.

I certify this horse is a project for this year and the above information is correct to the best of my knowledge. I also agree to follow both county and state guidelines pertaining to the horse project.

Member's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent or Guardian's Signature: _____ Date: _____

OFFICE USE ONLY

Date Filed at County Office: _____ Safety Certification: _____

4-H Educator/ FFA Advisor Signature: _____

Jr. Livestock Committee

Next Meeting:
April 3rd @ 6:00 PM at Event
Center



Fair Board

Next Meeting:
April 8th
@ 6:30 PM
at Fairgrounds

Members:
David Kline
Billy Jackson
Francie Hamilton
Mason Kaiser
Teigen Marchant

2024 Weston County Fair

July 20-28th, 2024

Wyoming State Fair

August 12-17th, 2024

MY HANDS TO LARGER SERVICE

COMMUNITY SERVICE CORNER



What is Community Service?

Community Service is voluntary work intended to help others without any payment or benefit in return.

WHY IS COMMUNITY SERVICE IMPORTANT?

Community Service teaches youth about the importance of giving back. It can strengthen a club or group. It boosts member commitment and involvement by giving members meaningful activities. It fulfills the “hands to larger service” part of the 4-H Pledge.

Looking for ideas? Keep an eye on this page of the Chatter each month, talk to Erin, ask your club leader, teacher or parent and keep an eye out for events that are looking for volunteers.

IDEAS

- donate pet food to a local animal shelter or rescue
- clean up a vacant lot
- plant flowers in public areas
- visit a nursing home
- donate food to the local food bank
- deliver holiday cards to the senior center, nursing home, hospital, etc.
- Organize a food drive
- shovel snow for a neighbor

Weston County Senior Center

Carolyn
746-4903

Weston County Food Banks

BREAD Office

746-3542

Upton Food Bank

307-941-0553

**VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED**

THE BLUE & GREEN CHALLENGE

WYOMING State Fair SINCE 1905

Wyoming Legislation has launched a match funding challenge for the Wyoming State Fair Endowment. If we can raise \$500,000 by June 1, 2024, they will give us \$500,000. To meet this goal we need your help! We have already launched a Text2Give donation option and hosted a Fundraising concert but there is still much to do!

Some 4-H Clubs and FFA Chapters are joining forces with us to help meet this goal. We've crafted a fun and unique way for them to participate, and their hard work will be handsomely rewarded. The club or chapter that raises the most funds will receive an exclusive first pick of our exciting rewards. We are immensely grateful to Wyoming FFA & 4-H for their invaluable support and dedication to the Wyoming State Fair's vibrant future.

For more details or to join this campaign, please reach out to Rindy West. Your involvement is crucial in securing the future of the Wyoming State Fair. Together, we can make this happen! Thank you for supporting the WSF Endowment Campaign!

RECOGNITION LEVELS

- \$500 Donations
- \$1000 Donations
- Top 3 Donations



PRIZES FOR THE TOP 3 CONTRIBUTORS

- Golf Cart for the week of State Fair
- First choice of a livestock trailer spot
- Old-fashioned ice cream party at State Fair



The Congressional Award was established in 1979 to “recognize initiative, service, and achievement in young people.” It is non-partisan, voluntary, and non-competitive. The program is open to all youth regardless of ability, circumstance, or socioeconomic status. It is a life-changing commitment.

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Earning the Award is a fun and interesting way to get more involved in something you already enjoy or something you’d like to try for the first time. You move at your own pace, on your own or with your friends. This is not an award for past accomplishments. Instead, you are honored for achieving your own challenging goals.

Regardless of your situation, you can earn The Congressional Award. The Congressional Award has no minimum grade point average requirements. It accommodates young people with special needs or disabilities who are willing to take the challenge.

For More Information:

Board Member

ZETA NUCKOLLS ANDERSON

zeta.anderson@gmail.com

BEHOLD THE SANCTUM OF SELFLESSNESS: THE VOLUNTEER CORNER

Volunteers Needed:

April

- **Volunteers to teach workshops in all project areas**
- **Robotics**
- **National Volunteer Week**
- **Cloverbuds/Tumbleweeds**

General Needs:

- **Volunteers to teach workshops in all project areas**
- **Project leaders**
- **4-H Camp volunteers**
- **Teen Leader project leader**

Contact Erin via phone or email to volunteer for these activities



4-H Camp - June 28-30th

- **Camp planning help**
- **Chaperones - must be 4-H volunteers and take the Chaperone training online**
- **Station Leaders**
- **Cloverbud Helpers**
- **Nurse**
- **Camp Cook**

BEHOLD THE SANCTUM OF SELFLESSNESS: THE VOLUNTEER CORNER

WYOMING 4-H

VOLUNTEER TRAINING SERIES

Helping Members Reflect

April 15, 2024

6:30 to 7:30 pm

<https://uwyo.zoom.us/j/92438361355>

4-H is about hands-on learning, but what happens when the learning is done? 4-H uses the experiential learning model, asking members to do something, reflect on their learning, and then apply it to their lives. In this workshop, we will discuss tricks and tools to help member reflect on what they are doing, taking their 4-H experience to the next level. Join us to help youth in your county or maybe even your own family think beyond their project learning.



Talk to your local 4-H Educator about hosting a watch party at the Extension Office!



WYOMING 4-H

VOLUNTEER TRAINING SERIES

Basic First Aid

May 2, 2024

6:30 to 7:30 pm

<https://uwyo.zoom.us/j/92438361355>

Does your 4-H club or project have a first aid kit? Is it stocked with the correct items, and do you know how to use them? Join us to talk more about basic first aid. This is a great training for volunteers, parents, and even older youth!



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OPPORTUNITIES THROUGHOUT



THE STATE



SAVE THE DATE

Small Animal

April 13, 2024
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Casper, Wyoming



Camp Topics

- Dog
- Cat
- Poultry
- Rabbit
- Pocket Pet
- Creating a Static Exhibit for Fair

Registration Deadline
April 5th, 2024

Register via ZSuite Events

Registration Fee: \$10

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



Dog Obedience Workshop

Saturday, April 20th, 2024

Platte County Fairgrounds Arena

Open to dog 4Hers from all counties.

For questions call

Claire (Platte Dog Superintendent) 208-315-2138

Brooke (Platte Dog 4H Leader) 307-331-0981

Cheryl (Goshen Dog Superintendent) 307-532-1543

Sign up Online!

<https://www.jotform.com/form/240855232648056>

Set up at 11am

Sign in 12-12:30pm

Introductions/discussion 12:30-1pm

Workshop starts at 1pm

Mock show about 4-5pm (all levels simultaneously)

Cost: \$10/dog



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

MAY 4TH-5TH

Casper Fair Grounds
2011 Fairgrounds Rd.
Casper, WY 82604
\$20 to Attend

Contacts:

Makala Riley, Campbell County
Emily Swinyer, Sheridan County
Joshua Bliss, Natrona County



2024



RSVP by April 22nd at NOON
<https://forms.gle/K6f1ypVeYsHAz4YEA>

OPPORTUNITIES THROUGHOUT



THE STATE

Wyoming 4-H

CROSS-CULTURAL EXPERIENCES 2025

ITALY OR FINLAND?

- **Italy** ~ Explore Ag in Northern Italy June 3-12, 2025. This tour travels down the west side of the Po River Valley from Turin through Cuneo, Langhe, and Liguria, ending in the French Riviera. Learn about centuries-old sustainable practices visiting a fruit orchard, an artisanal dairy farm, vineyards, olive farms, and more.
- **Finland** ~ Spend 2 weeks in Finland during July 2025 (exact dates TBA). You'll get to explore Helsinki, spend a few days at a youth camp, and immerse yourself in Finnish culture by living with a host families in Vierema.

What's the cost?

Italy - \$4,900 per person
Finland - \$3,200 per person

\$500 deposit required upon selection. Remaining balance can be made in monthly payments. **Scholarships are available, contact us for more info**

What's included?

- Roundtrip Airfare
- 2 Meals a day and Lodging
- In-Country Transportation & Activities
- Travel Insurance, accident and sickness protection

Additional expenses may include:

- Passport/Passport photos
- Immunization, if required
- Transportation to and from airport
- Spending money for souvenirs or other purchases
- One meal per day



APPLY TODAY!

Open to 4-H Members ages 14-18 (at time of travel)

<https://bit.ly/4-HTravel>

Applications are due:

April 1, 2024



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Monday - Friday

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

1:00 PM - 4:30 PM



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



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

Weston County 4-H:

<https://www.facebook.com/WESTONCOUNTY4H>

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