

# Clover Dispatch

## Trempealeau County 4-H Newsletter



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Hello Everyone!

We are only four months into 2020 and we already had a lot happen! With these are every change that has happened I am sure life has been stressful. During this time the University has been canceling events according to CDC guidelines of no meetings with more than 10 people in attendance. The end date for postponing events changes often so it is hard to say when we will be in the clear to have club, project and leaders meetings but I am working on keeping everyone updated.

What does this mean for you? Until further notice all 4-H programs and events are cancelled or postponed. Some have the option to meet virtually such as club project and leaders meetings. If you are interested in using a video conferencing service I can help you with that. Many platforms are free but during social distancing many have reduced rates.

I encourage any club or group that wants to try this form of communication to do so. If you are worried about internet access some have call in options so you do not need to use the internet.

Best Wishes,

*Andrea Rippley*

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# Upcoming Events

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### April

- 1st-Member and Horse Enrollment Due to the UW-Extension Office
- 4th- Trail Obstacle Course @ Dunn Ranch-**Postponed**
- 5th- Trail Obstacle Clinic @ Dunn Ranch-**Postponed**
- 14th- 4-H Town Hall Zoom @ the Packer Room 7 P.M.-  
**The Zoom will still happen but there will not be a in person meeting**
- 18th -Festival of the Arts @ Whitehall—**Postponed**
- 25th- Sheep and Pig weigh in @ 9 A.M. At the Blair Taylor High school- **Postponed Tags will be distributed at a later date.**
- 27th- Parents and Leaders Meeting 6 P.M. Court House- **No in person meeting, a Zoom link will be sent out the week before.**

### May

- 1st- Horse Camp Forms due to Becky Hynes
- 2nd- State 4-H Quiz bowl @UW- Marathon County
- 25th- Parents and Leaders Meeting @ 6 P.M. In the Court house
- **May 31st- The current cut off date for Covid-19 canceled events as of 3/27/2020**

### June

- 8th- Horse Project Meeting @ the Fair Grounds
- 11th- Area Animal Science Days @ Jefferson County
- 12th- Area Animal Science Days @ Marathon County
- 11-13th- Horse Camp @ the Fair Grounds
- 22nd- Parents and Leaders Meeting @ 6P.M. In the Court-house
- 29-July 1st- Camp K

### July

- 1st- Requirements for horse project are due.
- 1st- YQCA and Educational Requirements due.
- 15-19th- Trempealeau County Fair
- 16th- Sheep Show @ noon
- Goat Show @ 4 P.M.
- 17th- Hog Show @ 9 A.M.
- Beef Show @ 3 P.M.
- 18th- Junior Dairy @ 8 A.M.
- Livestock Auction @ 6 P.M.
- 27th- Parents and Leaders Meeting @ 6 P.M. in the Court-house

### August

- 1st- Trempealeau County WWHSA Horse Show @ the Fair Grounds
- 24th- Parents and Leaders Meeting @ 6 P.M. In the Court-house

### September

- 14th- Horse Project Meeting @ 6 P.M. in the Ettrick Fire Station
- 28th- Parents and Leaders Meeting @ 6 P.M. in the Court House

### October

### November

### December

### January

### February

## Video Conferencing Services

With the Corona virus forcing many people to stay home and tele-commute some of the video conferencing companies are offering reduced rates or free services. Below are some options including links to the reduced rates:

1. Zoom Basic – Free – Meetings for a limited number of participants for up to 40 minutes.
2. Zoom Pro – \$14.99 per month – Up to 100 participants per meeting. No time limit. (Zoom is available Free for educational use – <https://blog.zoom.us/wordpress/2020/03/13/how-to-use-zoom-for-online-learning/>).
3. Google Meet – Free – Restrictions vary based on whether they are using Google Suite or regular Gmail as a host account <https://cloud.google.com/blog/products/g-suite/helping-businesses-and-schools-stay-connected-in-response-to-coronavirus>.
4. Cisco WebEx – Free during the Pandemic – <https://help.webex.com/en-us/n80v1rcb/Cisco-Webex-Available-Free-in-These-Countries-COVID-19-Response>.
5. Microsoft Teams – Microsoft has tools within their MS Teams platform, both for paid and free users available as part of their response to the pandemic – <https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/microsoft-365/blog/2020/03/05/our-commitment-to-customers-during-covid-19/>.

If you choose to use a video conferencing service remember your etiquette! Here are a couple of tips and tricks to help your meeting go smoothly!

- When you are not actively talking mute your mike!  
This can help cut down on feedback and help everyone hear the person speaking.
- Keep your camera on if you are using the computer!  
It might sound silly but it is nice to see everyone's smiling faces.
- If you are not comfortable speaking or your mike will not connect most services have a chat option.  
I am not familiar with all of the conferencing services above but most have a chat option that is easy to use.  
You can message the whole group or individuals.
- Some of the above services offer recording options.  
If not everyone can meet but you don't want to forget what you discussed there are recording options! I know that Zoom has this option.

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## 4-H Club and Project Leaders

Please find the contact information for Trempealeau Counties 4-H Clubs and large project leaders below.

**Arcadia Hummingbirds 4-H Club:**  
Rosa Mooney, 608-863-3483

**Coulee Clovers 4-H Club:**  
Cindy Peterson, 608-989-2249

**Ettrick Eagles 4-H Club:**  
Dawn Corcoran, 608-525-4200

**Frenchville Cloverleaves 4-H Club:**  
Heather Olson, 608-484-0447

**Glasgow/Hardies Creek Busy Bees 4-H Club:**  
Heidi Johnson, 608-484-0492

**Hale & Hardy 4-H Club:**  
Sheri Daggett, 715-538-4385

**Lincoln Pioneers 4-H Club:**  
Kim Pryzbylla, 715-985-3902

**Silver Valley Creek 4-H Club:**  
Bob & Dara Braun, 608-525-2259

**Sunnyside 4-H Club:**  
Charlotte (Charlie) Everson, 608-989-2310  
Geraldyn Subra, 715-662-3003

**Trempealeau Trusty Workers 4-H Club:**  
Patti Sonsalla, 608-539-3202

**Whitehall Happy Hustlers 4-H Club:**  
Sharon Pederson, 715-538-4856

**Dog Project:**  
Judy Betker, 608-989-2386

**Horse Project:**  
Becky Hynes, 608-865-1038

**Parent and Leaders Association:**  
Valerie Erickson, 608-385-5654

**Llama Project:**  
Becky Poulos, 715-538-1444

**4-H Ambassadors Program:**  
Rosa Mooney, 608-863-3483

- For some of these services you will not need an account with the service.

The person who sets up the meeting is the only one who needs to have a user name and password. I know Zoom and Google Hangouts have this option.

I hope this helps everyone host their first meeting! If you have any questions or want help setting up a meeting let me know!

#### Covid-19 Updates:

During this time I am getting daily email updates about how Extension, Wisconsin 4-H, and the University are handling the Covid-19 situation. I am sure everyone is getting an abundance of emails on the situation like I am and it is getting hard to keep up.

In my attempt to prevent an email overload I have a post that I am updating on Trempealeau County Website that includes everything that is effected by cancelations in the county as well as other events that 4-H Members may be participating in that are cancelled. I encourage everyone to look at that post. I have the date it was updated at the top so you can keep up with it.

<https://trempealeau.extension.wisc.edu/2020/03/16/4-h-programming-cancelled-or-postponed/>

#### Virtual Team Building Activities:

Michelle Cummings of Training Wheels has released some great resources for virtual team building! I have the resource guide up on the above link!



**Camp Enrollment is now Open!**

[ Enrollment is open until April 15th]

<https://www.4honline.com/>



Love the Summer? Swimming? Tenting? Campfires? Well we need you Camp Counselors!!! We have totally extended the due date to April 13th for 2020 4-H Camp Counselor applications; and the fee has been put on hold, so send no money now, as we hope that our Camp will be a go, June 28-July 1 and NEED YOUR HELP.

Hey! We'll even train you using cool Zoom videoconference technology on these Mondays: May 4, 11, and 18 from 1-3 p.m.

So plan now to make some awesome new friends or get together with old ones and please join our team for some fun this Summer. Become a 4-H Camp Counselor today!

If you have questions about what is involved in being a Camp Counselor drop us an email or better yet, send in your application, hooray!!!

Camp K Team

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IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR!

# Camp Counselor Applications

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