

December 8-14th Clover Dispatch Flyer

For the month of December, I will send out a weekly newsletter with current updates via EMMA, the broadcast email service I use. After sending out the newsletter, I will also post an online version on the website and send paper copies to everyone on the current list. There will be a survey at the end of each communication. Please share your thoughts!



Mailing List Update

With the new enrollment year I am creating a new newsletter mailing list. Please fill out the <u>Google Form</u> to be included in the list. I will also send out a separate email in the next week. Please fill out the google form before **January 1st.**

Google Form

Policy Updates

With the start of winter I wanted to remind club leaders and members of some policies that might effect their plans.

below is the link to the Wisconsin 4-H Policy website. I want to make members aware of a couple of specific policies: Parades, Trampolines, Sledding and Tubbing.

Parades requires some planning before hand, if you are driving in a parade the person operating the vehicle has to be a certified volunteer and get drivers authorization BEFORE the event. If you want to hand out any 4-H SWAG let me know I have items available in the office!

Trampolines are not a not an approved 4-H Activity. This means that if a club wants to attend a trampoline park as a group you will have to talk to Andrea about it before hand.

Sledding and Tubbing can be a 4-H activity but clubs or groups might want to take out extra liability insurance before the event.

Explore some other policies on the Wisconsin 4-H website at the button below.

Wisconsin 4-H Policy Website

Training Reminder for Volunteers

Are you in the process of enrolling in 4-H Online? If you haven't received your confirmation email yet, don't worry! Here are a few steps to ensure everything is on track:

Complete Your Trainings: These trainings are a fantastic opportunity to prepare you for your role and ensure the safety and well-being of the youth you'll be working with.

Background Check: This is an important step to protect both you and the participants. Completing it helps create a safe and supportive environment for everyone.

Check Your Email: Sometimes, confirmation emails can sneak into your spam or junk folder, so it's a good idea to check there too.

If you've done all this and still haven't received a confirmation, try logging back into your 4-H Online account to check your status, or reach out to your local 4-H office. They're there to help and support you! Some trainings take a little bit to be submitted into 4-H Online but you have to be sure the trainings are complete.

You're doing great, and your dedication to becoming a 4-H volunteer is truly appreciated. Keep going, and soon you'll be making a positive impact on the lives of many young people!

4-H Online

Become a Volunteer

Matchey Receives Speckle Park MYBEP Heifer

Olivia Matchey of Independence, a member of Lincoln Pioneers 4-H Club received a Speckled Park Heifer through the Minnesota Youth Beef Experience Program (MYBEP). Each year cattle producers from across the region generously donate heifers to young cattle enthusiasts get their feet wet in the beef business.

Each MYBEP winner is responsible for raising, breeding and maintaining complete records on care of the animal, while providing monthly progress reports to the original owner and the Minnesota Beef Expo. MYBEP recipients must also commit to participating at the Expo in the following year. The breeders who donated heifers will serve as mentors to the MYBEP youth and help guide them through their first year as cattle owners.

Questions about MYBEP can be directed to Expo staff at info@mnbeefexpo.com or 651-643-6476.

This is a fantastic opportunity for Olivia and will jumpstart her beef project and give her a great support for her future growth. If youth are interested in learning more check out the link below or contact Olivia!



MYBEP Application & Overview



Thriving Survey

This fall, Wisconsin 4-H will be encouraging members (ages 13-18) to complete a survey about their 4-H experience. The survey will help Wisconsin 4-H to learn about the quality of our programs. The survey will be sent to all Wisconsin 4-H members by e-mail in the first week of November. Youths who complete the survey will be entered into a raffle to win a \$25 gift card! For more information on the 4-H Thriving Model, visit the 4-H Thriving Model – Wisconsin 4-H.

The survey is due on December 13th! This data really helps the state make decisions about program direction. Make sure your voice is hear!

Wisconsin 4-H Thriving

Clothing Survey

We are considering placing a new clothing order for Trempealeau County and need your input to ensure there's enough interest. The last attempt to create an online store through Edge Graphics didn't receive any orders, so we want to make sure this time is different.

Please take a minute to fill out this brief 3-question survey: Survey Link

Your feedback is crucial in helping us decide whether to proceed with the order. Thank you for your time and input!

Clothing Survey

Programing Focus Survey

Why Your Participation Matters

Your feedback is invaluable. By participating in this survey, you'll help us identify key areas for improvement and development. Whether it's enhancing our services, introducing new programs, or addressing specific concerns, your insights will guide our future initiatives.

How to Participate

Participating is easy and only takes a few minutes of your time. Simply click on the link below to access the survey. Your responses will be kept confidential and will be used solely for the purpose of this assessment.

Survey Link

Thank You for Your Support

We are grateful for your continued support and engagement. Together, we can create a better future for everyone. If you have any questions or need assistance, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Survey Link

Program Calendar

Upcoming state and county level programing. If you want something included in the calendar please let Andrea know.

- December
 - Happy Holidays!
- January
 - 12th Horse Project Business Meeting at Ettrick Town Hall
 - 18th Groupo Folklorico Dance Performance at the Trempealeau Library 9 am
 - 25th Hold for Winter Activity
 - 27th Parent's and Leaders Meeting 6:30 pm
 - Zoom Registration Link
- February

- 24th Parents and Leaders Meeting 6:30 pm
 - Zoom Link Registration
- March
 - 1-2nd Winter Invitational Marshfield (Shooting Sports)
 - 14-16th Art BEAT at Upham Woods
 - 15th Livestock Skillathon and Quiz Bowl at UW Madison Campus
 - 22-23rd Tri- County Tournament
 - <u>(Shooting Sports)</u>
 - 28-29th Tri-County Tournament (Shooting Sports)
 - 30th State BB Gun Championship (<u>Shooting Sports</u>)
- April
 - 1st Horse ID Forms due to Becky
 - 1st Postmark Deadline for Education Days Competition Entries
 - 5-6th Air Rifle Sectionals (<u>Shooting Sports</u>)
 - 5th Vet, Chiro, Equine Massage & Farrier Clinic- Fairgrounds
 - 10- noon clinic
 - Meeting noon-1pm
 - 11-16th <u>National 4-H Conference</u>
 - 11-13th Midwest Horse Fair, Madison
 - 19-20th Karl Petersen Competitive Shoot (Shooting Sports)
 - 25-27th Minnesota Horse Expo, Minneapolis
 - 28th Parents and Leaders Meeting 6:30 pm
- May
 - 1-5th <u>Space Camp</u>
 - 3rd Horse Project Fair Grounds Work Day
 - 9-10th <u>State Horse Educational Days</u>, Hippology, Horse Bowl, Speaking and Demonstration at UW Green Bay
 - 10-11th Annual Shawano County All Stare Shootout (Shooting Sports)
 - 15th Postmark Deadline for State Hunt and Dressage Show Entries
 - 17-18th Western Gateway Statewide Shoot (Shooting Sports)
 - 25th Broiler Days Parade, Horse Project
 - 27th Speed Show, Fair Grounds, 6 pm
- June
 - 7-8th Brown County Statewide Shooting Sports Competition
 - 10th Speed Show, Fair Grounds, 6 pm
 - 12-14th Horse Camp
 - 14, 11 am Speed Show
 - 14-15th Triple Crown Statewide Invitational Shooting Sports
 - 16-19th <u>Summer Academy</u> at UW Madison
 - 16th Annual Triple Crown Summer Blast (Shooting Sports)
 - 24th Speed Show, Fair Grounds, 6 pm
 - 27-29th State Hunt and Dressage Show and Clinic, Sheboygan
- July
 - 8th Speed Show, Fair Grounds, 6 pm
 - 9th horse Project business meeting and Fair brush up. all Fair Requirements Due. 6-8 pm
 - 13-14th Shawano County 4-H All Start Summer Archery Shootout
 - 15-20th Trempealeau County Fair
 - 22nd Speed Show, Fair Grounds, 6 pm
 - 26-27th Air Gun. Annual Dodge County 4-H Archery and Air Gun Invitational.
- August
 - 16th Country Classic Speed Show
- September
 - 1st <u>Annual Financial Report</u> Due to the Extension Office
 - 1st Record Books Due to the Extension Office



Parents and Leaders Meeting

The November meeting did not have enough participants to have quorum. The Bylaws were to be voted on along with officers voted in. Both of these things still need to be done. The Group will meet again on **January 27th at** 6:30 pm at the Trempealeau County Court House.

Bylaws Update

Sunny Side November Meeting

The Sunnyside 4-H Club had their November meeting on Sunday the tenth. Our Club decided to buy Christmas presents for one individual this Christmas. We will wrap the presents at our December meeting. We set our dues for our members at five dollars. We also decided to do our annual tradition of a sock exchange at our December meeting. We held our officer elections today. Our new officers are: president - Jadrean Borreson, vice president - Katerina Barczak, - secretary- Reed Borreson, treasurer - Abby Rulbiecki, reporter - Leah Oldendorf. After our meeting, our members made a mosaic block. Once our project was done we made ice cream Sunday Sundaes for an after meeting snack.

Respectfully Submitted,

Leah Oldendorf

2024-2025 Reporter









Horse Project November Meeting

Catherine Kampa called the meeting to order at 12:17pm on November 3, 2024. Pledges were led by Annesa Pehler, Rubee Pronchinske, and Natalie Nelson. Role call was done by Vice President Katelyn Hogden, the question was "What was your favorite part of the year". Secretary, Halle Fitzmaurice read the secretary's report, Carter Grotjahn approved this, Emily Young seconded this. Treasurer, Madison Grotjahn read the treasurer's report, Sophia Kampa approved this, Carter seconded this. Old business: 4-H tack swap - November 23rd there will be a tack swap at Club 16 in Sparta, Leader, Becky Hynes will take donated tack from announcers stand and will have a booth there from 9am-12:30pm. Becky went over how to earn Bronco Bux, this can be found on the horse projects Facebook. Bronco Bux forms are now due monthly on the 10th of the following month! Heather Young reviewed the Trick or Trot show. It was a successful event for the drill team; they raised over a thousand dollars. The funds raised will go towards drill team outfits, and tack. This speed show will take place again on October 18, 2025. This winter we have the Whitehall and Ettrick days parade for anyone interested in participating, contact Becky. Sunday Nov 10th is the State Horse Project meeting, Becky will be attending and plans to leave around 11:30. The meeting will start at 2:30pm and dinner will be provided. Horse ID sheets have been condensed to three horses on one page, these are due April 1st. New business: Those on a committee now will earn \$50 in Bronco Bux (similar to how officers earn \$100) Sophia approved this motion, Makayla Nelson seconded this motion. We will be hosting a pleasure/ranch show on 6/21/24. We are looking for an announcer, and office help at this time. Becky is pondering the idea of having a guest speaker for education purposes at meetings. There's an equestrian workshop on January 18 in Cannon falls, MN. Becky is attending and depending on how many youth would like to go with she may rent a van. Sunday Nov 17th there will be a pizza party at Angle's and a meeting for the upcoming drill season. They will also host a mock practice for those who are interested in getting a feel for drill. The award for Grand halter horse has been changed to a cooler with a Bluetooth speaker. Reserve is still a collapsible wagon. Peer awards were presented to youth by Becky. Meeting was adjourned at 1:14pm Sophia motioned to adjourn the meeting and John Young seconded this motion.

Respectfully submitted by, Secretary Halle Fitzmaurice.













Happy Birthday to all of our members with December Birthdays!

- Amaya S. 12/02
- Sydney B. 12/03
- Claire S. 12/03
- Brianna W. 12/05
- Paisley M. 12/09
- Samuel M. 12/10
- Emma N. 12/10
- Dariel G. 12/16
- Hailey T. 12/19
- Augustus H. 12/21
- Mason F. 12/28
- Sawyer Y. 12/29

Newsletter Survey

Thank you for reading the newsletter! This data will be used to see how the newsletter is doing being sent out weekly verses being sent out monthly.

Newsletter Survey



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