



## Broadwater County 4-H News

September 2016

### Thank You for a Successful Fair!

With fair behind us, we want to congratulate you all on the hard work on your projects during fair and throughout the year. We saw many high quality projects! Thank you to Beth Ihle and all those who helped and participated in putting together the 4-H parade float as you won the 1<sup>st</sup> place plaque!

### Indoor Auction

Congratulations to everyone who sold projects in the first annual 4-H Indoor Silent Auction. It was a success, and 13 items were sold for a value of \$495. As you start planning your projects and goals for the new 4-H year, consider an indoor project and including it in the auction next year!

### Award Winners

If you won an award during Fair (hat, belt buckle or other), please take the time to write a thank you to the individual or business who sponsored the award. If you do not know who that is, please contact the Extension Office for the name and address.

### Public Fair Results

You can view Fair results at <https://faireentry.com/fair/results/727>. You will only be able to view the results for 4-H classes.

### 4-H Record Books

It is time to put the finishing touches on your record book and turn it into your club leader by Thursday, **September 15<sup>th</sup>**. This is the place to record your achievements and experiences. Your books will be evaluated with suggestions for continued growth. A copy of the record book checklist is available online. Record books will not be judged, but will be reviewed to determine if it has met the minimum qualifications for being "**COMPLETE**". If the record book is **NOT** complete, each member has time to work on his/her book and bring it up to minimum standards. Every completed record book will receive a "Gold Seal of Excellence" sticker and members will be eligible for awards. See page 2 for a description of the types of record book forms and what to include.

### Project Awards

If you would like to apply for a project award, please include the project award application with your record book by Thursday, **September 15<sup>th</sup>**. A copy of the application and award checklist is available online. A 4-H story is also required to qualify for a project award. A template for the story is available online with the record book forms.

### ATTENTION Club Secretaries

All Secretary Books are due **September 15<sup>th</sup>** to qualify for the Secretary Book Award.

I wanted to shout-out this month to all of our awesome 4-H volunteers! We would not be able to have such an amazing 4-H program without you! 4-Hers, I encourage you, as you are writing your Fair thank yous, to also take the time to thank the 4-H leaders who have made a difference in your year. As we are entering a new 4-H year, I would highly encourage parents to consider a leadership role in the county. We'll be looking for new members for the 4-H Council, Livestock Committee, Indoor Committee and project leaders. Please call and we can visit about your interests and options to find a good fit and role for you with the program. Volunteers truly are the heart of 4-H!

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## Understanding Record Book Forms

Forms can be found on the county webpage, [www.msuextension.org/broadwater](http://www.msuextension.org/broadwater), on the 4-H Forms & Resources section. You have two options, either a computer fillable form that you can update and save throughout the year or a printable form that you can handwrite in.

Types of Forms:

- My 4-H Year – One form required each year at the front of your record book. This form summarizes all of your general 4-H activities and achievements. You can also record non-4-H activities.
- Animal Project Journal & Financial Record – Use one form for **each** animal project (i.e. market lamb, breeding beef, rabbit, horse, etc.). This helps track your project specific activities, feed records, financials and health care.
- Non-Animal Project Journal and Financial Record - Use one form for **each** indoor project (i.e. sewing, foods, leadership, leathercraft, etc.). This helps track your project specific activities and financials.
- Cloverbud Record Sheet – One set per year for each Cloverbud. This is a journal of your 4-H activities. There is a section on the back page for “other areas”.
- 4-H Story – Optional for yearend completion, but required to be eligible for awards. This is your opportunity to be creative and share you experience from the 4-H year.

Use the record book checklist to make sure you have covered all of the necessary forms. Contact the office or your club leader if you have questions.

## Financial Reports

All Treasurers (including Exchange, Teen Club and Archery) are required to complete the Yearend Financial Report and have the financial reports reviewed after September 30<sup>th</sup>. Financial reports

will be due in October. Watch for more information.

## Re-Enrollment

The New 4-H year starts October 1<sup>st</sup>. Enrollment information will be sent in late September. This is the time to sign up for the projects you wish to take for the year. Remember if you wish to take a project to the fair you must be enrolled in that project. If you know someone or a new family that might be interested in joining 4-H encourage them to contact the Extension Office.



## Countywide 4-H Activities

### 4-H Council

The council will meet on Tuesday, **September 27<sup>th</sup>** in the Ambulance Meeting Room. We'll be discussing county awards at **6:00 pm** and have the regular business meeting at **7:00 pm**. Anyone is welcomed to attend and nominate a deserving 4-H member, club or business for an award. Council elections will take place at the October meeting, so please consider taking a leadership role in the county. All four offices will be up for election this year and more information will be in the next newsletter. Contact President Karen Noyes at 266-5115 or the Extension Office with any questions.

### Teen Club

We will be meeting on Monday, **September 26<sup>th</sup>** at **7:00 PM** in the Ambulance Meeting Room to plan the Awards & Recognition program. Come with your ideas! Contact Samantha Rauser or Julie Mikula with any questions.

### Indoor Committee

The committee is meeting again on Monday, **September 26<sup>th</sup>** at **6:00 pm** in the Ambulance Meeting Room. They are going to start planning fall and winter workshops for the new 4-H year. Bring your ideas!

### Exchange:

If you are interested in joining the Exchange Club you have until Oct 31<sup>st</sup>. Any question please call Teresa Romo at **980-0293**

### Livestock Committee

The next meeting is Tuesday, **October 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm** in the Ambulance Meeting Room. Election of officers will take place and we will discuss educational workshops for the upcoming year. If you have any questions contact the office or Chairman, John Rauser at 266-3804. Anyone interested in joining the committee is welcomed!

### National 4-H Week

National 4-H Week is **October 2-8**. I encourage each club to find a way to celebrate! For inspiration, you can find 102 ideas here:

<https://agwebv01.ag.utk.edu/4h/4hwkcsc/102ways.htm>.

Here are just a few ideas:

- Giveaway green 4-H balloons at school.
- Do a radio PSA.
- Put a 4-H message in grocery bags.
- Announce the “4-H Club of the Day” during school announcements along with highlights and achievements of that club.
- Host a 4-H baking marathon. Share treats with teachers, public officials, community organizations, etc.
- Put something “4-H” on every bulletin board around town or at school.
- Make a 4-H promotional video.
- Do a service learning activity.
- Hang 4-H Flags along main street.
- Organize a “green day” at school and give prizes.



### Awards & Recognition Day

Help celebrate our county’s 4-H achievements on Monday, **October 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm** at the 4-H Building. All members, even new ones, are encourage to attend and cheer on all of our award winners. The event is planned by the teen leaders and the theme this year is “Boots, Chaps & Cowboy Hats”. Awards given include years of participation, project awards, specialty awards

and community recognition. Watch for more information!

### 4-H Family Orientation

Are you new to 4-H? Or have you been around for a couple of years and still feel lost? Then come to the 4-H Family Orientation to get more information on the ins and outs of the 4-H program, learn what to expect and what is expected and meet some of our county’s leaders. The program will be Tuesday, **November 15<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm** in the 4-H Building (prior to the Countywide Club Meeting). Contact the Extension Office with questions.

### Countywide Club Meeting

Because of the success of last year’s meeting, we are hosting another Countywide Club Meeting for the entire program on Tuesday, **November 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm** in the 4-H Building. It will feature a model business meeting, educational opportunity and recreation. Following the countywide meeting, individual clubs can have a regular or shorten monthly meeting. Watch for more information!



## 4-H Indoor Project Activities

*Stay tuned for some fun hands-on workshops for indoor projects! The Indoor Committee is currently in the planning stage. They are looking for new volunteers to cover a variety of indoor projects. Contact the Extension Office or a committee member or attend a meeting if you have any ideas!*

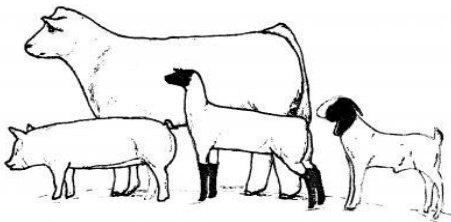
## 4-H Animal Project Activities

### Carcass Data

Carcass data is available on the county 4-H webpage under "2016 County Fair." Awards will be presented at the Awards & Recognition Day on October 24<sup>th</sup>. There were lots of high quality animals again this year! Way to go Broadway 4-H!

### Livestock Judging

If you are interested in joining the livestock judging program, please



contact Hugh Braaten at 266-4763. They are tentatively planning on practicing on Wednesdays after school and are planning on attending three judgments this fall. Junior or younger members are especially needed! Judging is a great way to become more knowledgeable and competitive as a livestock member. You learn what makes a qualify animal, what to look for and improve your communication skills.

## Statewide 4-H Opportunities

### Montana 4-H Horse Show



The State 4-H Horse Show is **September 22-25<sup>th</sup>** at the Montana Expo Park (fairgrounds) in Great Falls. It is open to any member who participated in the

County Horse Show. You must complete in the same level at the state show as you did in the county. Entries are **due September 7<sup>th</sup>**. Rule book and entry forms are available at the Extension Office.

### Montana 4-H Leadership Forum

This year the Forum will be held in Lewistown on **September 30-October 2**. It is primarily geared towards adult leaders. However, there is a

separate track for teens who participate. There are over 50 workshops and 11 tours. Full workshop and tour descriptions are available online or from the Extension Office. Main Cabin (Regular) Registration continues until **September 12<sup>th</sup>** for \$100 and then Box Car Registration (Late, paper only) is from September 13-23<sup>rd</sup> for \$150. Registration is done through 4HOnline and the Council has agreed to cover the registration costs for registered volunteers to attend. There is a group going from the county, and if you are interested in riding along contact Allison in the Extension Office.

### 4-H Shotgun Qualifier

If you are interested in taking shooting sports to the next level in shotgun, you are encouraged to participate in the 4-H shotgun qualifier on **Saturday, October 8** in Billings. Entries are **due September 30**. The top four competitors will qualify for the National 4-H Shooting Sports Tournament in June 2017 in Nebraska. Details and registration materials are available from the Extension Office.

### 4-H Shooting Sports Leader Training

The next training will be **September 30-October 1** in Lewistown (in coordination with State Leadership Forum). All disciplines will be offered if there is enough interest. We are currently in need of an air rifle leader if you or someone you know is interested! The Council will cover registration costs. Registration is **due September 16<sup>th</sup>** and is available from the Extension Office.

### NILE Stock Show & Contests

Entries are now being accepted for the Northern International Livestock Exposition (NILE) Stock Show on **October 15-22** in Billings. There are a variety of livestock and horse shows in addition to a Livestock Evaluation contest. More information can be found at [www.thenile.org](http://www.thenile.org). Early deadline is **September 7<sup>th</sup>**, but late entries will be accept until September 15<sup>th</sup> with an additional fee.

### Montana Make it With Wool Contest

Get out your favorite pattern and start hunting for that perfect wool fabric. Wouldn't it be great to make a wool outfit for the contest this Fall and then already have an outfit finished for your



sewing project this next 4-H year? The district contest is **October 29<sup>th</sup>** in Great Falls. Entry Forms are due to the director by **October 3<sup>rd</sup>**. If you are interested contact the Extension office or the District Director: Amanda Powell at 406-265-8046.

### National 4-H Livestock Skillathon Contest

The 17<sup>th</sup> annual National Livestock Skillathon Contest will be held on Monday, **November 14<sup>th</sup>** in Kentucky, during the North American International Livestock Exposition (NAILE). Entries are **due October 1<sup>st</sup>**. Contact the Extension office for more information.



## EXTENDED OUTLOOK CALENDAR



### OCTOBER 2016

- 1<sup>ST</sup>** New 4-H Year Begins
- 2-8<sup>TH</sup>** National 4-H Week
- 20-22<sup>ND</sup>** Ambassador Fall Training, Bozeman
- 24<sup>TH</sup>** Awards & Recognition Day, 6:30 pm, 4-H Building
- 25<sup>TH</sup>** County Policy Review, 6:00 pm, Ambulance Meeting Room  
Council Meeting, 7:00 pm.

### NOVEMBER 2016

- 1<sup>ST</sup>** Re-enrollment Deadline
- 15<sup>TH</sup>** 4-H Family Orientation, 5:30 pm, 4-H Building
- 15<sup>TH</sup>** Countywide 4-H Club Meeting, 6:30 pm, 4-H Building
- 22<sup>ND</sup>** Council Meeting, 7:00 PM, Ambulance Meeting Room

# September 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5 Office Closed	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13 Winston Eager Beavers Crow Creek Clovers Toston Blue Ribbon	14	15 Record Books Due to Club Leaders	16	17
18	19	20 Old Baldy	21	22	23	24
25	26 6:30 pm Teen Club	27 7:00 pm 4-H Council	28	29	30	