

4-H News



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Fair Awards Ceremony

We need your input. **When would you like to see the Fair Awards Ceremony held?**

The choices are: **Sunday, August 10**, the last day of the fair

or Sunday, August 17, first Sunday after the fair

If it is held on August 17, a pot luck celebration would be held. Please call in your vote to Campbell at 258-4203 or email cbarrett@montana.edu

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If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call Colleen or Campbell.

Fair Entry Forms Deadline

- ▶ Fair registration deadline is **June 30**. Fairbooks are in our office, at the Fair Office, and online at www.missoulaeduplace.org for 4-H section or for the entire fairbook, go to www.westernmontanafair.com/premiumbook.html

Fair Passes . . .

- ▶ Free fair passes to 4-H members who exhibit at the fair available in the 4-H Exhibit Bldg starting Sunday, August 3
- ▶ Leaders may purchase a fair season pass for \$10.00 at the Fair Office (must be on the leader list that Colleen submitted to the Fair Office)
- ▶ Parents may purchase a season pass for \$20.00 at the Fair Office

Sheep/Lamb Shearing . . .

- ▶ **Wednesday, July 30, 4:30 – 6:30 pm**, Ag Education Center on South Avenue. The sheep do not need to be washed, unless they have been sheared before. The cost is \$3.00 per animal.

Sewing Machine Application . . .

- ▶ Due **June 30** at the Extension Office.
- ▶ To be eligible, you must have completed one year in sewing or quilting, be enrolled in at least your second year, and you must exhibit in sewing or quilting at the fair this year.

Photography Project . . .

- ▶ The criteria were updated to better match the new 4-H photography manuals. Please read the fairbook carefully.

Poultry Project Fairbook Correction

- ▶ Poultry exhibits will be accepted in the barn on August 3, 4 pm - 8 pm, and August 4, 8 am - 8 pm.

Veterinary Science Project . . .

- ▶ Vet Science manuals are due in the Extension Office on **June 30**.

Shooting Sports Project . . .

- ▶ Shooting Sports posters are due and interviews will take place at the **Shooting Sports Exhibition on Thursday, July 31, 5:00 pm** on the fairgrounds.

Interview Judging

- ▶ For Horse project interviews you will need to interview one of these days:
July 8, 15, 22, 6:00 pm, Equestrian Park
- ▶ Dog project interviews will take place during dog judging **August 2**
- ▶ Lamb, sheep, beef, hogs, goat, & llama interviews will take place **Sunday, August 3, 1-5 pm** on the fairgrounds. No appointment necessary. Show up with your up-to-date blue and yellow 4-H journals, and be prepared to discuss something you learned about raising your animal.
- ▶ Make up livestock fair interviews for those who cannot interview on Sunday, August 3, will take place during sheep shearing at the Ag Center on **Wednesday, July 30**, starting at 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm?
- ▶ Other projects including rabbit & poultry require an appointment. The interviews will take place **Sunday, August 3, 1-5 pm** on the fairgrounds. Call to schedule your interview, 258-4201.

Pig Raffle

- ▶ Tickets are \$1.00 each
- ▶ Two winners will receive $\frac{1}{2}$ of a cut and wrapped hog.
- ▶ If possible, please sell your tickets and turn in ticket stubs and money to Colleen prior to the fair

If you did not help with the phonathon, you are required to sell pig raffle tickets.

Work Days . . . we need all the able bodies we can get

- ▶ **July 19** set up livestock pens, Country Fair fence, etc.
- ▶ **July 26** finish up what didn't get done on July 19

4-H Café . . . contact Robin Miotke with questions @ 360-0758

- ▶ Remember to bring your club sign (approx. 6"x18") so the public knows which club is working the café.
- ▶ Please donate a jar of homemade jam to the cafe
- ▶ Pies: every family is responsible for one pie for the 4-H café.
 - A homemade pie is always welcome, however, no pies with eggs or milk products can be brought in from home - Health Department rule.
 - If you don't have time to bake, take frozen fruit or nuts to the 4-H Café on Sunday, August 3, and pies will be made for you.

▶ **2008 4-H CAFE SCHEDULE — *Mark your calendar for your café shift***

Sunday, August 3

Interview Judging Day

1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Petty Mountain Trackers

Monday, August 4

No café shifts

Tuesday, August 5

10:45 am - 4:00 pm

Rocky Mountain Packers

3:45 pm - 9:30 pm

Bear Creek Buckaroos

Wednesday, August 6

6:15 am -11:00 am

Missoula Meadowlarks

10:45 am - 4:00 pm

Potomac Valley

3:45 pm - 9:30 pm

Frenchtown Valley

Thursday, August 7

6:15 am - 11:00 am

Blue Mountain

10:45 am - 4:00 pm

Clinton Kodiaks

3:45 pm - 9:30 pm

Seeley Lake Trailblazers

Friday, August 8

6:30 am -11:00 am

Garden City Sowers

10:45 am - 4:00 pm

Jocko Rangers

3:45 pm -9:30 pm

Mullan Trail Mustangs

Saturday, August 9

7:00 am

Cenex breakfast for 4-H families & livestock animal buyers

7:30 am -11:00 am

4-H Alumni café shift

10:45 am - 4:00 pm

Nu Hope

3:45 pm - 9:30 pm

Swan Valley Whippersnappers

Sunday, August 10

7:30 am - 1:00 pm

Lolo New Kidz

12:45 pm -6:00 pm

Lolo Creek

5:45 am -8:00 pm

Winchester Dukes

Contests open to all 4-H'ers

- ▶ Win \$10.00 for: best fruit pie, best cake, best cookie or bar, best yeast bread, best muffins, best quick bread - you can enter only once. Start baking and freezing items now because you know how fair week can be.

Bowling Alley Parking

- ▶ The bowling alley has new owners. Blue Mountain 4-H club hopes to manage the bowling alley parking lot this year, but that has not been finalized. Watch for email messages to learn more.

Camping Spots on Fairgrounds

- ▶ Those of you who reserved a camping spot will hear from us or the Fair Office soon about camping policy and payment.

Tips for a Successful Fair Interview

A complete list can be found at www.missoulaeduplace.org/4H_forms.shtml

- ▶ Do not chew gum
- ▶ Use a confident handshake
- ▶ Look the judge in the eyes
- ▶ Speak intelligently about your project
- ▶ If you need special equipment such as a computer or VCR, call the office NOW

Tips for a Successful Project

- ▶ Follow requirement in Fair Book
- ▶ Sewn articles must be clean & pressed
- ▶ All food is to be on a plastic or paper plate, in a zip lock bag, with the recipe included The recipe must be neatly printed on an index card

Additional Information

4-H Multi County Camp is taking place right now.

One of our camp counselors was left out of the May newsletter and her name is **Kelsey Christopher**.

Do you want to visit the **Sugar Loaf Wool Carding Mill in Hall, MT** with a group of 4-H members? **Sarah DeNitto** from Ravalli County has organized a tour on Sunday, Sept. 14th. The tour begins at 2:00 pm. Anyone interested is invited. Call Sarah for details: 273-4645.

4-H Council Board of Directors

Are you interested in setting policy and making decisions for the 4-H program? If so, we need your help. Please submit your name & a little bit about yourself for the ballot that will be mailed to all 4-H leaders. Deadline to toss your name in the ring is **August 15**.

June 2008		
2-30	Call office & schedule fair interviews	
30	Fair entry form deadline	
30	4-H Congress Orientation	6:00 pm
July 2008		
2	4-H Council meeting	7:00 pm
8-11	State 4-H Congress, Bozeman	
10-16	Colleen out of office	
16	Livestock Committee meeting at the fairgrounds	
26 & 27	Fair Horse Show, Fairgrounds	
30	Sheep Shearing, Ag Center	4:30 pm
30	Make Up Livestock Interviews, Ag Center	5:30 pm
31	Shooting Sports Exhibition, Fairgrounds	5:00 pm
August 2008		
2	Fair Dog Show	7:00 am
3	Fair Interview Judging, Fairgrounds	1:00 pm
4	4-H Goats arrive on Fairgrounds	2:00-6:00 pm
4	Deadline: Poultry & Rabbits in Barn on Fairgrounds	8:00 pm
5	4-H Goat judging	8:00 am
5	Llamas arrive on Fairgrounds	8:00-10:00 am
5	Poultry & Rabbit judging	9:00 am
5	All 4-H/FFA livestock required to arrive on Fairgrounds	4:00-9:00 pm
6	Dairy judging	9:30 pm
6	Livestock Exhibitor Meeting (brief)	10:00 am
6	Breeding sheep judging	11:00 am
6	Breeding beef judging	2:00 pm
7	Market hog judging	7:30 am
7	Market lamb judging	1:00 pm
7	Market beef judging	5:30 pm
8	Hog showmanship	7:30 am
8	Sheep showmanship	1:00 pm
8	Beef showmanship	6:00 pm
9	Livestock Sale	8:00 am
9	Round Robin judging	4:00 pm
10 or 17	Awards Ceremony	
15	Deadline to submit intent to run for 4-H Council Board	