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# Edwards County 4-H Clover Chatter

May 2022

## May

- 1 Fair Entry Opens
- 1 Edwards County 4-H Cereal and Canned Vegetable Food Drive Begins
- 2 Dog Obedience at the Arena at 6:00 p.m.
- 7 YQCA training at Extension office 9:00 a.m.
- 9 Dog Obedience at the Arena at 6:00 p.m.
- 10 Bone Gap Cardinals Meeting Christian Church 6:30 p.m.
- 15 Little Wabash Ramblers Mtg. 11:00 a.m.
- 16 Dog Obedience at the Arena at 6:00 p.m.
- 17 Blue Ribbon Meeting 6:00 p.m. at COUNTRY Financial Hall
- 18 Yankee Meeting 7:00 p.m. at Moravian Church
- 23 Dog Obedience at the Arena at 6:00 p.m.
- 25 Ellery Panthers Meeting LPCC 6:00 p.m.
- 28 Shooting Sports Mtg./Shoot 8:00 a.m. at Sportsmen's Club
- 30 Dog Obedience at the Arena 6:00 p.m.

## June

- 1 QAEC Deadline!!!
- 1 Fair Entry Deadline
- 1 Lease Papers Due
- 1 Off Premise Forms Due
- 13 Food & Clothing Show Reg. 5:00 p.m. Judging 5:30 p.m.



ATTENTION, ATTENTION!!! You should have received in the mail instructions on how to register your projects for fair. With this online system, you can sign up day or night! Deadline is June 1st. Do Not Wait till the Last Minute to do this!

**I PLEDGE ... MY HEAD TO CLEARER THINKING**

## ACES Family Academies



The University of Illinois College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences will host ACES Family Academies on July 14-15, 2022. ACES Family Academies is a two-day learning experience for alumni to bring youth ages 8-13 to stay on campus, eat in the residence halls, and participate in interactive classes, all while learning about ACES majors, programs, and research. Cost is \$125. Registration deadline is June 3, 2022. [Full schedule and educational session information is available online.](#)

## Natural Resources



### State 4-H Fishing Tournaments Ready to Go!

Easy to enter, easy to win! Learn rules and how to enter here:

<https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/events/4-h-hooks-us-together-fishing-tournament>

Open to all current year 4-H members, but new rod & reel prizes only for 4-H members registered in the 4-H Sport fishing project for the 2021-2022 year. Entries just require a phone, tape measure and then upload information to: <https://go.illinois.edu/fish4H>

May – Largemouth Bass 4-H State Tournament

June – Channel Catfish 4-H State Tournament



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**I PLEDGE ... MY HEART TO GREATER LOYALTY**



## Crop Scouting Competition, August 4, 2022

Crop Sciences Research & Education Center, 4202 South 1st St., Savoy, IL 61874

Check-in and registration start at 8 a.m. The competition starts at 8:30 a.m. and will end by 1:30 p.m.

The competition is open to high school students completing grades 9-12 in the spring of 2022. They will work in teams of 2 to 5 students led by an adult coach. Coaches can be FFA advisers, agriculture teachers, seed dealers, co-op employees, and others. No more than three teams per sponsoring organization (e.g. company, school, club).

This will be an outdoor event.

Meals: Lunch, beverages, and snacks will be provided.

Prizes: \$500 for 1st, \$300 for 2nd, and \$150 for 3rd.

Questions? Contact program coordinator Chelsea Harbach at [harbach2@illinois.edu](mailto:harbach2@illinois.edu).

## Shooting Sports

### 2022 4-H State Shoots – SAVE THESE DATES (but keep practicing now!)

4-H State Archery Shoot- Saturday, Sept. 17, 2022 at Pekin Archers, Pekin, Illinois

4-H State Shotgun Shoot- Saturday, Sept. 24, 2022 at Brittany Shooting Park, Bunker Hill, Illinois

4-H State Rifle Shoot- Saturday, Oct. 8, 2022 at Central Illinois Precision Shooters (CIPS), Bloomington, Illinois

4-H State Pistol Shoot- Sunday, Oct. 9, 2022 at CIPS, Bloomington, Illinois

Save the Date June 4, 2022 Summer Sizzle Shoot Chillicothe Sportsman's Club Hosted by Marshall-Putnam 4-H Shooting Sports Registration opens April 25, 2022 – closes May 24, 2022 <https://extension.illinois.edu/blmp>

Our target is fun and we aim for a bullseye!

# State Events

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## May

May Largemouth Bass 4-H State Tournament  
 May 7 Adult Shooting sports leader certification 4-H Memorial Camp, Monticello, IL

## June

June Channel Catfish 4-H State Tournament  
 June 4 Summer Sizzle Shoot Chillicothe Sportsman's Club  
 June 5-9 Memorial Camp  
 June 12-16 Memorial Camp  
 June 20 State 4-H Livestock Judging Contest: U of I Stock Pavilion

## July

July 5-9 Memorial Camp  
 July 16 Shooting Sports Adult Certification Bi-State Sportsman's Club, Colona,  
 July 17-21 Memorial Camp  
 July 24 - 30 Illinois State Fair Junior Horse Show

## August

August 10 SYPA General Livestock  
 August 12-14 State Fair Junior Livestock Shows  
 August 13 - 15 Illinois State Fair  
 August 20 State Superior Young Producer Contest Dairy  
 August 20 State 4-H Dairy Judging Contest  
 August 27 State 4-H Dog Show: Granny Rose K-9 Enrichment Center

## September

September 17 4-H State Archery Shoot, Pekin Archers Pekin  
 September 24 4-H State Shotgun Shoot, Brittany Shooting Park, Bunker Hill

## October

October 8 4-H State Rifle Shoot, Central Illinois Precision Shooters, Bloomington  
 October 9 4-H State Pistol Shoot CIPS, Bloomington, Illinois

## Leases on Animals

If you plan to lease an animal be sure to have a written agreement with both parties involved. Also, drop a copy by the Extension office by June 1. Anyone needing a basic lease form may stop at the office to receive one or look on the website!

## Off Premise Forms

Off Premise forms are due to the office by June 1, 2022. You only need one of these if you have animals and they are not located on your own property. Stop in the office to pickup a form or go to the Extension website under Edwards Co. forms. Thanks!

# Congratulations to all of our 4-H 8th Grade & Senior Graduates!



## Dog Obedience Classes

Dog obedience classes have started. They are being held on Monday evenings at 6:00 p.m. at the 4-H arena.

## State Fair Jr Shows

Be sure to read complete rules and regulations for State Fair Jr. entries. The 2022 Illinois State Fair Premium Book is posted to the State Fair website: <https://www2.illinois.gov/statefair/competitions/premium-books/Pages/default.aspx>

Again this year Jr. Show Entries for the 2022 Illinois State Fair may be sent directly to the Entry Department by the Exhibitor. Again this year a signature is required to verify your 4-H status. Stop by the Extension office to have your entry form signed before you mail it. Entries must be postmarked by July 1.

## QAEC Still Needed

We still have a few that must complete the QAEC by the deadline of June 1st! This is an absolute date and it is your responsibility to do this. This rule applies to 4-H members who exhibit live animals and poster exhibits. It is a one time certification! Training is at:

<http://web.extension.illinois.edu/qaec>

## Project Grant Winners

If you were a project grant winner, please send a picture of yourself and what you purchased to Edwards County Farm Bureau. The pictures can be emailed to Rebecca Perry at [mangerecfb@gmail.com](mailto:mangerecfb@gmail.com)

## YQCA Certification

Next training is May 7, 9:00 a.m. at the Extension Office. Register at: [yqcaprogram.org](http://yqcaprogram.org). You will need to have this completed to show your livestock at the fair this summer.

## Barrow Booster Show Pig Clinic

A nice crowd attended the Swine Clinic on Saturday, April 23. Attendees learned many techniques of showmanship and the proper daily care and nutrition of your swine project. Thanks to Moore's Show Pigs and Thompson's Show Pigs for organizing the event, Citizens National Bank of Albion for show buckets and Wabash Valley Service Co.—Browns, for furnishing hats. Appreciation goes out to the Thompson Family and the Blue Ribbon 4-H Club for providing lunch. Thank you to Jordan and Stephanie Schippert of Milford, IL for traveling to Edwards County and sharing their knowledge of swine.

## Goal Sheets/Livestock Records

You should have received, goal sheets and livestock records, at your club meeting. You can, also, find them on the Edwards Co. Extension website or stop by the office.



### Edwards County 4-H Cereal and Canned Vegetable Food Drive

May 1, 2022 until June 15, 2022



Goal: To supply WADI & West Salem Zion food pantries with over 100 boxes of cereal and over 200 cans of canned vegetables

Clubs can earn \$150 for their club, plus coupons good for entrance to 1 grandstand show at the 2022 Edwards County Fair

Contact the Extension Office, the Farm Bureau, or club leaders for all the details



## Little Roots Gardening

A total of 42 youth have signed up for the Little Roots Gardening program. They will be receiving radish, pumpkin, sunflower, zinnia and basil seeds. They will also be receiving a tomato and pepper plant to transplant. We will be starting the gardening program soon. Be watching Edwards County Facebook this spring and summer to watch the progression of their gardens!

## Local County Fair Dates

Wayne—July 7-15

Wabash— July 15-22

Edwards—July 20-30

Richland- July 24-30

Lawrence—July 30-August 5

## 4-H Green Tree Communities Program

We had a great turnout at the oak tree planting event. We had 14 youth and 12 adult volunteers help plant the 28 trees. They were planted at the K-12 school location in Albion. We appreciate Edwards County Soil and Water purchasing the trees through the Green Tree program. We hope that the oak trees will be enjoyed by the community for years to come.



**JOIN US ON FACEBOOK!!**  
Edwards County 4-H