

>>> 4-H NEWSLETTER <<<



Serving Adams, Brown, Hancock, Pike and Schuyler Counties



SUMMER IS HERE, AND THAT MEANS FAIR SEASON! WE HOPE TO SEE YOU SOON!

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https://extension.illinois.edu/abhps



WELCOME ABBIE! ABBIE JOHNSON - 4-H SUMMER INTERN

We are excited to announce that Abbie Johnson is once again joining our Unit 14 4-H Team as our summer intern! Abbie just completed her sophomore year at Monmouth College, where she is an Elementary Education major. She is a

Hancock County 4-H alum, where she was a member of the LaHarpe 4 Leaf Clovers. Her favorite part about working as our 4-H intern last year was meeting the 4-H members and their families in Adams, Brown, Hancock, Pike and Schuyler Counties.

Welcome back, Abbie!



4-H CALENDAR - ADAMS - BROWN - HANCOCK - PI

June

- 6/3 or 6/4 Clay Your Way Pottery Class
- 6/5 Electricity School
- 6/9 Pike County 4-H Fair Set-up
- 6/9 Youth Trapshooting Competition Hancock County Gun Club
- 6/12-14 Brown/Schuyler 4-H Fair
- 6/13 Clay Your Way Pottery Class, Day 2
- 6/14 Poultry judging practice
- 6/17 State Livestock judging contest
- 6/17-21 Pick up pottery creations from your local extension office
- 6/18-21 Pike County 4-H Fair
- 6/20 Poultry judging practice
- 6/21 Hancock County Cloverbud Camp
- 6/24 Poultry judging practice
- 6/24-28 Hancock County Cooking 101 School
- 6/25 State Poultry judging contest
- 6/30 Fair Entry, YQCA, and QAEC Deadline for Adams County

July

- 7/1 Hancock County Fair Clean-up
- 7/8-11 Hancock County 4-H Fair
- 7/16 Adams County 4-H Fair Clean-up
- 7/17 Adams County 4-H Superintendents Meeting
- 7/23-30 Adams County 4-H Fair
- 7/27 Shooting Sports leader training

August

- 8/8-18 Illinois State Fair Dates
- 8/11 General Project Day for our counties
- 8/31 Hancock County Records Due to the Office

September

9/13 - Adams County Records Due in the office by 4:30 PM

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UPCOMING EVENTS

>>> CLAY YOUR WAY - POTTERY CLASS

June 3 or 4 and June 13 | Windsong Acres, Camp Point, IL | 9 AM to Noon

This is a reminder for those who signed up for the pottery class - don't forget which day you chose to start, June 3 or 4. We look forward to seeing your final projects on June 13. Also, don't forget to pick up your pottery pieces at your local Extension office the following week!



>>> ELECTRICITY SCHOOL

June 5 | Bailey Park, Camp Point, IL | 8:30 to 11:30 AM

We are excited for an electrifying day at Electricity School on June 5th at Bailey Park! Students enrolled in Level 1, 2, or 3, please remember to bring the following tools: wire strippers, phillips-head and flat-head screwdriver, and needle nose pliers. If you have questions, be sure to contact Siera at snthomps@illinois.edu.

>>> FAIR ENTRIES

The Fair Entry registration program is now open to sign up for the 2024 Adams County 4-H Fair!

Many of you have already signed up for projects in ZSuite, but may not have registered for the fair in Fair Entry. Copy the link to sign up: https://fairentry.com/Fair/SignIn/19653

Registration closes at 11:59pm on June 30th, but please don't wait until the last minute. Let me know if you have any problems! Also, don't forget that YOCA and OAEC must be complete before entries are approved. If your certificate expires before August 1, you must complete a new training.

>>> SUPERINTENDENTS MEETING

July 17 | Adams County Extension Office | 6 PM All fair Superintendents are asked to attend this meeting to prepare for the upcoming fair.



>>> POULTRY JUDGING PRACTICES

If you're interested in competing at the state poultry judging contest, we have six practices scheduled, all at the Adams County Extension Office. *Other times can be arranged.*

- May 23 1:00 to 3:00 PM
- May 30 1:00 to 3:00 PM
- June 4 3:00 to 4:30 PM
- June 14 1:00 to 3:00 PM
- June 20 4;30 to 6:00 PM
- June 24 1:00 to 3:00 PM

>>> STATE POULTRY JUDGING CONTEST

Date and Time: June 25 | 10 AM to 12:30 PM | Register on site at 10 AM Location: University of Illinois Stock Pavilion | 1402 W Pennsylvania Ave, Urbana If you need assistance arranging transportation or have questions, please contact Siera at snthomps@illinois.edu. See page 6 for more information!

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UPCOMING EVENTS

>>> YOUTH TRAPSHOOTING COMPETITION

Sunday, June 9 | 9 AM to 1 PM | Hancock County Gun Club Hosted by Illini West High School and Hancock County Gun Club





>>> COOKING 101 SCHOOL

June 24-28 | 9-11 AM | Memorial Hospital Teaching Kitchen | \$25 | Open to students entering 4th or 5th grade in Fall 2024, who did not complete Cooking 101 School in 2023.

This summer we will once again be partnering with Memorial Hospital to host the Cooking 101 School. Spots are limited so secure your registration as soon as possible. Participants are expected to attend all 5 days. Register by June 14 at https://go.illinois.edu/2024cooking101.

>>> CLOVERBUD CAMP

Friday, June 21 | 1-3 PM | Hancock County Extension Office

Cloverbuds, this one's just for you! 4-H members ages 5-7 are invited to join us for an afternoon of 4-H fun including arts & crafts, snacks, and other hands-on activities! Register by June 14 at go.illinois.edu/cloverbudcamp24

>>> 4-H! COMING TO A LIBRARY NEAR YOU!

We will be offering programs at the following libraries this summer! Join us on these dates for a fun activity to learn about recycling and conservation!

• Bowen: June 4 | 11 AM-12 PM

• Augusta: June 4 | 1-2 PM

• Plymouth: June 4 | 3-4 PM

• Hamilton: June 13 | 10-11 AM

Carthage: July 29 | 10-11 AM

>>> COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Hearts of Hancock Humane Society

Hearts of Hancock Humane Society in Carthage is looking for volunteers to help with various activities including, dog walking, painting interior rooms and exterior walls, constructing platforms and ramps, cleaning and enhancing the memorial garden. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Donna directly. (bainterdonna@gmail.com)

Hamilton Animal Control

The Hamilton Animal Control team is looking for volunteers to help with cleaning the kennels, taking the animals for a walk, play dates, cleaning bedding material, baths, and watering and feeding the dogs. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Anthony directly. (animalcontrol@hamiltonil.gov or 319-473-3630)

>>> DROPPING PROJECTS

If you are registered for a project in Fair Entry, but decide not to bring it to the fair, please let Madeline know as soon as possible. Projects can be dropped the day of the fair as well; just please bring your exhibit tag that will be mailed the last week of June. Please remember, no projects can be added after May 31! Madeline's contact information can be found on the front page of this newsletter!

PEE-WEE TROPHIES

If anyone has Pee-Wee Swine trophies they would like to recycle, they can be dropped off at the Extension Office!

Pike County News

Brown/Schuyler

UPCOMING EVENTS

>>> BROWN/SCHUYLER COUNTY 4-H FAIR INFORMATION

Brown/Schuyler 4-H Shows will take place June 12-14 at the Schuyler County Fairgrounds. Shows the morning of June 12 will take place at the merchant building, while the afternoon will be at the Schuyler County Extension Office. Shows June 13-14 will take place at the Schuyler County Fairgrounds livestock arena. The fair schedule is on the first page of the fairbook.

>>> NEW FAIR EVENT! 4-H AG OLYMPICS!

We are trying something new at the 4-H Fair - Ag Olympics! The 4-H Federation is excited to try this new event and we look forward to you joining us. The event will take place at the Schuyler County Fairgrounds on Friday, June 14 at 2 PM. Teams of 4-H members will compete in agriculture related obstacles and one team will walk away as the inaugural champions!

UPCOMING EVENTS

>>> 4-H LIVESTOCK SHOW SET-UP DAY

All members exhibiting livestock at the Pike County 4-H Fair (Western Illinois Fairgrounds, Griggsville) will set-up the livestock barn on Sunday, June 9th at 4pm. Gates will need to be moved to set up pens and the livestock arena. Bring wire and pliers for your pen(s).

>>> PIKE COUNTY 4-H FAIR INFORMATION

Pike County 4-H shows take place at the Western Illinois Fairgrounds in Griggsville. The 4-H fair runs June 18-21. Project exhibiting will take place at the American Legion building. Check the fair schedule on the first page of the fairbook. See you at the fair!

>>> NEW FAIR EVENT! 4-H AG OLYMPICS!

Celebrate the 4-H fair with our first ever Ag Olympics! The 4-H Federation is excited to try this new event and we look forward to you joining us Thursday (6/20) at the Livestock Arena at 10 AM. Teams of 4-H members will compete in agriculture related obstacles and one team will walk away as the inaugural champions!

>>> GENERAL PROJECT DISPLAY - NEW THIS YEAR!

NEW THIS YEAR – General Projects Display - 4-H General Projects will remain at the American Legion for viewing from Tuesday, June 18 until Friday, June 21. Watch for the sign out front and encourage friends and family to enjoy the talent exhibited by our 4-H members!

STATE OPPORTUNITIES

>>> STATE 4-H LIVESTOCK JUDGING

Beef, Sheep, Swine, and Meat Goats

Date and Time: June 17 | Registration is 8:30-9:30 AM | Contest starts at 10 AM **Location**: University of Illinois Stock Pavilion | 1402 W Pennsylvania Ave, Urbana, IL

Each county may enter a total of five, 4-member teams and an unlimited number of individuals in the junior and senior contests. Those five teams can be any combination of junior and senior teams as long as at least one of the five teams is in a different division. The scores from the three highest scoring individuals will be totaled for the team score. All individuals will be eligible for individual honors.

Junior Eligibility: Each county may enter a maximum of four, 4-member teams and an unlimited number of individuals. Contestants must not have passed their 14th birthday by January 1, 2021. All youth that are of junior age must judge in the junior contest and may not move up to senior division.

Senior Eligibility: Contestants must have passed their 14th birthday and cannot have passed their 19th birthday as of January 1, 2024. Each county may enter a maximum of four, four-member teams and an unlimited number of individuals.

Questions: Contestants will have one class of fifteen (15) questions, which will be worth fifty points. Contestants will answer (5) questions on one beef class, five (5) questions on one swine class, and five

(5) questions on one sheep class. The questions will emphasize carcass and production characteristics. Officials will inform contestants which classes will be used for questions prior to the contest. Contestants may take notes but notes may not be used to answer questions. All contestants will answer the questions at the same time.

For a full list of rules and information, visit: https://go.illinois.edu/StateLivestockJudging

Pictured: members participating in our 2023 judging clinic.

Contact your county 4-H Coordinator by June 15 if you'd like to participate in the contest!

>>> 4-H HOOKS US TOGETHER FISHING TOURNAMENT

Reminder: this contest started in April, but goes through the end of June. You still have one month to compete. Good luck!

Eligibility and Rules:

Open to all 4-H members from Illinois, but to win prizes, these requirements must be met:

- 1. Must be a current-year Illinois 4-H member and enrolled in a 4-H Sport Fishing Project.
- 2. All Illinois Department of Natural Resources fishing regulations must be followed

You will need a smart phone to take a picture of your catch (use this link: go.illinois.edu/fish4H) In the picture, you must clearly show the length of the fish in inches (take a picture of the fish with a tape measure for proof).

Gift certificate prizes will be awarded for the longest fish each month!

Dates remaining: June 1-30, Channel Catfish

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STATE OPPORTUNITIES CONT.

>>> STATE 4-H POULTRY JUDGING

Date and Time: June 25 | 10 AM to 12:30 PM | Register on site at 10 AM

Location: University of Illinois Stock Pavilion | 1402 W Pennsylvania Ave, Urbana, IL

A county may enter any number of 4-H participants. A county team may be made up of three or four contestants with no limit on the number of teams or individuals. The scores of the three highest scoring individuals from each team will be, totaled to determine each team score. All contestants will be eligible for all individual honors. The four highest senior 4-H'ers will be, selected to participate on the state team. A senior 4-H'er is one who is 14-18 years of age by January 1 of the current year. The individuals that score the highest will be invited to participate in the National 4-H Poultry and Egg Conference during the third week of November in Louisville, KY.



Classes: Three classes of past egg production hens, reasons will be given on one of these classes; two classes of ready-to-cook fryers (8 per class); one class of ready to cook heavy fowl (8); one class of 10 broken out eggs; two classes of shell eggs (candled) (20 per class), and two classes of exterior egg quality (20 per class). Ten (10) minutes will be, allowed for placing a class.

National 4-H Poultry Judging Manuals are available at https://go.illinois.edu/poultrymanual.

Contact your county 4-H Coordinator by June 20 if you'd like to participate in the contest!

>>> SHOOTING SPORTS VOLUNTEER TRAINING

Mark your calendars for the next Shooting Sports Leader training and join some volunteers from our area that have been certified! You don't have to be an expert marksperson to be an expert leader! If interested in registering, contact your local University of Illinois Extension office to get signed up. These dates are 9-hour "field days" which teach range management. An additional 3 hour online 4-H training will complete the certification process.

The next training will be July 27 at Rend Lake Shooting Complex in Whittington, IL.

>>> CALLING ALL LIVESTOCK EXHIBITORS!

Are you planning on showing livestock at the Illinois State Fair? They are using a new online entry system and it is now live. To enter, visit statefair.illinois.gov - you'll see "ShoWorks Entries" on the right hand side of the screen. Entries must be received by July 15.



>>> MASTER SHOWMANSHIP

Interested in learning more about your local Master Showmanship contest, contact your county 4-H coordinator with questions. The state contest will take place on Friday, August 9 at 5:00 pm OR 30 minutes following the conclusion of all Junior livestock shows.

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PAST EVENTS

>>> NATURE DAY CHALLENGE WINNERS

Thank you to all the 4-H clubs who participated in our Nature Day Challenge! From April 22-May 24, you all collected over 650 pounds of trash in your communities! The winner in Adams County is the Ellington Hilltoppers 4-H Club. The winner in Hancock County is the Lincoln Land 4-H Club. Congratulations!

>>> DAIRY CATTLE EVALUATION

On Saturday, May 11, 11 4-H members from Adams, Brown, Hancock, Pike, and Schuyler counties participated in the Unit 14 4-H and Section 11 FFA Dairy Cattle Evaluation contest, hosted by Udder Hill Dairy. Participants were scored on their ability to judge and place six rings, consisting of heifer calves, bred heifers, and cows. Pictured left to right: Maci Huls (Jr. Division



2nd Place), Nathan Weiman (Jr. Division 1st Place), Elaina Weiman (Sr. Division 1st Place), and Taylor Weiman (Sr. Division 2nd Place). Congratulations!

>>> STATE PUBLIC SPEAKING PARTICIPANTS

Congratulations to the following 4-H members who represented our five counties at the State Public Speaking Contest: Alexis Lucie, Hancock County; Kodi Duke, Adams County; and Louis Barnes, Pike County.

IMPORTANT NEWS

>>> ATTENTION POULTRY EXHIBITORS - POULTRY TESTING

Per Illinois Department of Agriculture County Fair Livestock Exhibition Health Requirements for 2024, all Poultry entries (except waterfowl, i.e. domesticated fowl that normally swim, such as ducks and geese) in a show or exhibition shall have originated from a U.S. Pullorum-Typhoid Clean or equivalent hatchery or flock OR have a negative pullorum-typhoid test within 90 days prior to exhibition. Exhibitor shall show proper information as to name and address of owner or exhibitor, name and address of the authorized testing agent, date of the testing and the number, breed, and species of those tested. We have secured certified testing agents to conduct the tests on site at each of our 4-H poultry shows. As soon as we have additional testing information, such as cost, exact time, etc. we will pass those details along to members who are registered for Poultry in the Fair Entry system.

>>> ORDERING PROJECT MANUALS

Need a manual to complete your project for the fair? Check out the Shop 4-H website (https://shop4-h.org/pages/illinois-approved-curriculum) and have it shipped directly to your house! Our offices only have a limited supply of manuals, so it's always good to call before to see if we have yours on hand!

>>> SAVE THE DATE - STATE FAIR GENERAL PROJECT DAY

General Project Day at the State Fair for Adams, Brown, Hancock, Pike, and Schuyler counties is Sunday, August 11. Each county will be in contact regarding information for ordering State Fair tickets and parking passes.

Glance ata Fairs County

E	-14	Wednesday, June 12	9:00 am	General Projects Judging Begins	9
	JUNE 12-14		3:30 pm 6:00 pm	Judging of Dog, Cat, & Rabbit Show Poultry Show Judging Begins	
NOS.		Thursday, June 13	7:00 pm 8:00 pm	Livestock Judging Contest 4-H Weiner Roast	
	COUNTY	Friday, June 14	8:30 am 2:00 pm 6:00 pm 6:30 pm 8:00 pm	Livestock Show Begins 4-H Ag Olympics - ALL INVITED! Livestock/Animal Awards Youth Livestock Auction 4-H Appreciation Dinner	
		Tuesday, June 18	9:00 am	General Show Judging Begins	
UNTY	8-21	Wednesday, June 19	9:00 am 10:00 am 5:00 pm	Poultry Show Begins Rabbit Show follows poultry show Goat Show Begins, followed by Sheep Show	
IKE COUNT	JUNE 18-2'	Thursday, June 20	10 am 5:00 pm Appx. 7 pm	4-H Ag Olympics Beef Show Swine Show follows beef show	
<u>-</u>		Friday, June 21	9:00 am 1:00 pm 5:30 pm 5:30 pm	Master Showmanship Contest, followed by Skill- 4-H Fun with Federation Auction Preview Livestock Auction	A-Thon
HANCOCK COUNTY		Monday, July 8	5:30 pm	Dog Show	
	8-11	Tuesday, July 9	9:00 am 9:00 am 10:00 am 5:00 pm	Cloverbud and General Project Judging Cat and Rabbit Judging Poultry Judging 4-H Olympics and Senior Recognition	
	JULY	Wednesday, July 10	9:00 am 10:00 am 5:00 pm	Sheep and Goat Show Beef Show 4-H BBQ, Auction, and Awards	
		Thursday, July 11	9:00 am 11:30 am 1:30 pm	Swine Show Master Showmanship Contest Livestock Auction	
		Tuesday, July 23	8:00 am	General Show Judging	
		Wednesday, July 24	8:00 am	Horse Show Judging	
000	0	Thursday, July 25	6:00 pm	Rabbit Show Judging	
	23-30	Friday, July 26	9:00 am 1:00 pm 4:00 pm	Sheep Show Judging Dairy Show Judging Master Showmanship Contest	
M S	ULY	Saturday, July 27	9:00 am	Swine Show Judging	
DA	7	Sunday, July 28	3:00 pm	Fight to the Finish	
A		Monday, July 29	8:00 am Noon	Goat Show Judging Poultry Show Judging	
		Tuesday, July 30	8:00 pm	Beef Show Judging	

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4-H Family Here



We hope you enjoyed this copy of the printed newsletter! Please remember to check your emails, our website, and Facebook page, for all your latest 4-H news!



ATTENTION ALL COUNTIES!

>>> REMINDER - OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE TO ALL MEMBERS

- CLAY YOUR WAY POTTERY CLASS
 - Please see page 3 for more information
- ELECTRICITY SCHOOL
 - Please see page 3 for more information
- POULTRY JUDGING PRACTICES
 - if you're a member wanting to participate in the State Poultry Judging contest, please make sure to let your 4-H
 Coordinator know. Adams County is hosting practices that any 4-H member is welcome to attend. A list of those practices can be found on page 3.

Events are added to our website all the time - make sure to check extension.illinois.edu/abhps/events for the latest updates!

