A Newsletter for Jersey County 4-H Families

Jersey County 4-H Competes at the Illinois State Fair





Jersey County 4-H members competed at the Illinois State Fair 4-H General Project Show on Monday, August 12. Project judges from the Jersey County 4-H General Show are allowed to promote a designated number of members within each project area to compete at the Illinois State Fair. The number of members allowed for promotion are determined by Illinois 4-H and the Illinois State Fair. Jersey County 4-H nominated nineteen delegates to move on and compete. Those members include: Colton Adams, Clark Blasa, Lucy Boes, Emily Carey, Katherine Cornelius, Kimberlee Ford, Cameron Little, Lauren Lyons, Cassidy Maag, Katelynn Perkinson, Hannah Pryor, Ava Pulley, Samuel Pulley, Alayna Rothe, Keeley Shoemaker, Dinah Slusser, Paul Slusser, Taylor Woodring and William Yurick.

This year the Illinois State Fair and Illinois 4-H implemented a new judging and awards system. Members were judged on a 10-point scale. Those awarded tops points received an Outstanding Award which means they earned a fair premium. Other awards included Champion and Reserve Champion for each class and a new inspire award to be awarded at the discretion of the project judge. Clark Blasa earned an Outstanding Award for his Woodworking 3 project. Cameron Little was awarded Outstanding for his Cooking 401 project. Lauren Lyons received Outstanding for her Visual Arts-Glass/Plastic project creation. Cassidy Maag earned Outstanding and Champion of her class for STEAM Clothing 1-Sewn Non-Clothing project. Katelynn Perkinson was awarded Outstanding for her project in Model Rocketry. Alayna Rothe earned Outstanding for her project presentation in Veterinary Sciences. Paul Slusser received Outstanding for his Photography 2 project and William Yurick earned both Outstanding and Reserve Champion for his Cooking 401 project. Congratulations to all the Jersey County 4-H members!

To keep up with 4-H happenings in Jersey County, including workshops, check us out on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/jersey4h



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On Sunday, August 25, 4-H Shooting Sports members participated in the sixth annual 4-H Fall Classic at Brittany Shooting Park in Bunker Hill. 4-H members from the Christian, Jersey, Macoupin, and Montgomery Counties competed in the shooting disciplines of archery, air rifle, .22 rifle, and shotgun. Despite the rainy weather, this shooting sports event hit the mark for family fun, friends, marksmanship, and competition. This 4-H event provided the opportunity for youth to enhance their shooting skills and build self-confidence. At the conclusion of each discipline a recognition ceremony was held where members received awards for their efforts.

4-H Members from Macoupin County who participated in the 2019 4-H Shooting Sports Fall Classic were Braxton Bounds, Josiah Schuette, Ethan Schuette, Madalyn Dugan, Casey Dugan, and Maxwell Dugan (Shipman); Evelyn Heyen (Plainview); Alex Behme, Gabe Pauline, Madison Dunn, Payton Harding, Anna Cloninger, Caleb Cloninger, Ethan Cloninger, Braylee Gilmore, Wyld Gilmore, Ariyah Stuemke, Jessi Michael (Carlinville); Malia Bowker (Medora); Cadeyn Box and Marissa Box (Palmyra); Carly Rhodes (Chesterfield) and Joscelyn Wagner (Virden).

Top Award Results from the 2019 4-H Fall Classic were as follows:

ARCHERY Ages 8-9 (Non-Sighted) Ethan Schuette (Macoupin) Audie Hale (Montgomery) Katelyn Marley (Montgomery)

ARCHERY Ages 8-9 (Sighted) Payton Harding (Macoupin) Wyld Gilmore (Macoupin) Charlee Dugger (Macoupin)

ARCHERY Ages 10-11 (Non-Sighted) Caleb Cloninger (Macoupin) Cheyenne Klemme (Montgomery) Alex Vest (Jersey)

ARCHERY Ages 10-11 (Sighted) Jenna Matli (Montgomery) Garrett Hale (Montgomery) Christian Dugger (Jersey) ARCHERY Ages 12-13 (Sighted)

Travis Broers (Montgomery)

ARCHERY Ages 12-13 (Non-Sighted) Jessi Michael (Macoupin) Josiah Schuette (Macoupin) Logan Vest (Jersey)



ARCHERY Ages 14-19 (Sighted) Jason Falter (Montgomery)

Braylee Gilmore (Macoupin) Isabella Dailey (Montgomery)

- **ARCHERY Ages 14-19 (Non-Sighted)** Jessica Prumm (Montgomery)
- AIR RIFLE Ages 10-14 Jon Schmidt (Montgomery)
- .22 RIFLE Ages 10-14: Evelyn Heyen (Macoupin) Braxton Bounds (Macoupin) Alex Behme (Macoupin)
- .22 RIFLE Ages 15-19: Joscelyn Wagner (Macoupin) Allen Schneider (Montgomery)

SHOTGUN Ages 10-14: Casey Dugan (Macoupin)

Mason LaChance (Montgomery) Madison Dunn (Macoupin) SHOTGUN Ages 15-18:

Max Dugan (Macoupin)

Dedicated volunteers who made this event a success were certified instructors and volunteers from Jersey County: Jeremy and Jessica Little; Macoupin County: Jenny Dugan, Amy Heyen, Tony Wagner, Greg Behme, and Mark Koskie; Montgomery County: Paul Pershing, Phil Crouch, Theola Broers, Josh Matli, and David Falter.

The event was held at Brittany Shooting Park in Bunker Hill. They have been supporters of Illinois 4-H Shooting Sports since it started in Macoupin County in 2011. They have a great venue where youth can practice their shooting skills in a safe and conducive environment.

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4-H Enrollment

OPEN ENROLLMENT BEGINS SEPTEMBER 7th for the new 4-H year! 4-H Online will be closed from September 1-6 so new projects can be added and changes can be made.

Youth must be 8 years old by September 1, 2019. Youth ages 5-7 can join a Cloverbud club.

4-H members may enroll in as many project areas as they have interest. Parents and 4-H leaders will help you as you choose areas of interest, set goals, and work on projects.

Remember, if you wish to continue in a project area from one 4-H year to the next, you must sign up for that project area every year. You are not automatically enrolled from one year to the next. In order to exhibit a 4-H project at the fair, you MUST be enrolled in the project areas by the enrollment deadline.

Steps in Choosing 4-H Projects

A few steps to make the project selection process easier are:

- ◊ Review the **NEW** Project Selection Guide
- ♦ Eliminate projects which don't interest you.
- ◊ Consider how much time you have for projects.
- Sign up for projects according to your age and skills.



• Don't enroll in a project too advanced . Make sure you have someone to help you with your projects.

As we venture into a new 4-H year remember 4-H is an organization with no limitations. So try something new. Take a new project, advance in an old one, but most importantly have fun!! If you have a question or need some help don't hesitate to call. We are happy to help. If you find a project you would like to learn more about and would like a workshop in that area, let us know. Please help us to strive to make the best better.

OFFICER'S CORNER

Electing Club Officers

Officers roles are an important part of helping the 4-H club run smoothly and gives youth leadership skills. Potential 4-H officers are commonly nominated in one of two ways. First, a nominating committee can meet and think of members that would do well as that officer. Or, nominations can be made from the floor during the election meeting. Either nomination procedure is correct. It is just as important, though, to focus on other aspects of 4-H officer positions such as:

- 1. Members should get to know the people running for an office.
- 2. Those running should be willing to share with the group why they should be considered for that officer position.
- 3. The 4-H group needs officers who will work with all members, be dependable, and show up for a majority of the meetings.



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1st Meeting Dates for Clubs

Eastside Farmhands—Sunday, September 8 @ 4:30 p.m.

Location: Leader Kari Fritz's home

Southwestern Hoof & Horn—Sunday, September 8 @ 6:30 p.m.

Location: Betsey Ann ball diamonds, North field

All American Clovers—Monday, September 9 @ 7 p.m.

Location: Dow Baptist Church

Happy Trails—Monday, September 16 @ 6:30 p.m.

Location: Trinity Hill Farm

Barnstormers Cloverbud Club—Sunday, September 22 @ 4:30 p.m.

Location: Leader Catherine Milner's home

Jersey Whiz Kidz—TBD

Jersey County Shooting Sports—TBD

Jersey County 4-H Achievement Program

Sunday, November 10

2—4 p.m. Farm Credit, Jerseyville



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JOIN THE JERSEY COUNTY YOUTH LEADERSHIP TEAM

Open to 4-H members ages 13-18 as of September 1, 2019

Join the JCYLT at their first meeting on September 10, 2019 6 p.m. Jersey County Extension Office 201 W. Exchange Street Jerseyville, 1L

Please contact Jessica at the Extension Office or at jjaffry@illinois.edu for questions.

The JCYLT holds monthly meetings, plans events for the county, takes trips and more!



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COOKING FOR FALL USING LOCAL FLAVORS: PUMPKINS & APPLES

> MONDAY, OCTOBER 14 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM JERSEYVILLE FARM CREDIT (27049 IL-16, JERSEYVILLE, IL)

Participants will learn how to safely use an electric pressure cooker to quickly prepare applesauce with a variety of seasonal apples

Make mini pumpkin pie bites

Learn what we can do with pumpkin seeds

Each participant will go home with recipes perfect for Fall!

TO REGISTER CALL JERSEY COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE AT 618-498-2913 OR REGISTER ONLINE AT EXTENSION.ILLINOIS.EDU/CJMM

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Open to all 4-H volunteers and 4-H club officers in Christian, Jersey, Macoupin and Montgomery Counties

Learn more about your role and take home helpful information to improve your clubs throughout the new 4-H year!

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Register by October 17th online at: go.illinois.edu/cjmm or call 618-498-2913

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If you need a reasonable accommodation to participate in this program, please call 217–532–3941. Early requests are strongly encouraged to allow sufficient time for meeting your access needs.

Saturday, October 19th

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HEALTH

9:30 - 11:30 AM Lincoln Land Community College - Litchfield Campus

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Information to make your new year sparkle!

It's the new 4-H year, and we've got lots of things to get the new year started! We've added four new projects: Child Development, Sports Nutrition, Family Heritage, and Visual Arts Leather! Our theme for the year and National 4-H Week is **Inspired to Lead | Called to Serve**. Download the new Project Guide @ <u>go.illinois.edu/4Hprojectguide</u>. 4-H Online new year enrollment begins September 7.



National 4-H Week is our time to tell the world about 4-H. This year's theme, INSPIRED to LEAD | CALLED to SERVE, captures what it means to be a 4-H member. You are encouraged to find ways to celebrate October 6 – 12. Use the hashtag #inspiredby4H and #inspiredtoLEAD as you share your 4-H activities on social media. Watch our Facebook page for contests all week long.

Just the help you need for your 4-H club

The Illinois 4-H Website has all of the resources and forms needed to guide 4-H club officers, committees, and members as they plan for the new 4-H program year. Go to go.illinois.edu/IL4H

- Click on the **Clubs** tab.
- Scroll to Meeting Resources near the bottom of the page
- Find these helpful documents:



- Club Meeting Agenda_– this fillable form is a useful fill-in-the-blank form your club officers can use as they plan each section of the meeting. This useful from provides them with the meeting structure they can use to identify who from the club should be in charge of each potential item that may be included in a meeting.
- Club Committee Planning Worksheet the Committee Planning Worksheet is an excellent tool to give to committee members as they plan club events and activities.
- Club Yearly Program Plan this helpful tool guides the club officers and club members as they identify club goals to work toward during the year and brainstorm what programs, events and/or activities to plan for the club to engage members in fun, hands-on learning experiences throughout the program year.
- More Don't forget to download your new secretary book, treasurer book, tips for good club meetings, tips for using the 4-H name, and more other important resources

SALUTE TO EXCELLENCE Nominate an outstanding volunteer



The Illinois 4-H program is built on the work of amazing volunteers, and we look forward to recognizing our volunteers for what they do! The National 4-H Council

sponsors the Salute to Excellence Award Program that targets 4-H volunteers who demonstrate exemplary service to 4-H, while promoting service through volunteerism. Nominate outstanding local volunteers for consideration by contacting the Extension office.

The award categories are:

- Volunteer of the Year recognizing individuals who have served as 4-H volunteers for less than 10 years at the local, county, region, and state level.
- Outstanding Lifetime Volunteer recognizing individuals who have served 10 or more years at the local, county, region or state level.

Nominations are due to the State 4-H Office by Friday, October 18, 2019.

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Register today for fall shooting sports contests

- This is the final call for youth wishing to compete in the 2019 State 4-H Shooting Sports contests.
 - State 4-H Shotgun Contest will be held Sept. 14 at Brittany Shooting Park near Bunker Hill.
 Register @ go.illinois.edu/4Hshotgun before Sept. 6.
- State 4-H Archery Contest will be held Sept. 21 at the Pekin Archers near Pekin. Register @ go.illinois.edu/4Harchery before September 6.
- State 4-H pistol and rifle contest will be held October 12 & 13 at CIPS near Bloomington. Register @ go.illinois.edu/4Hpistol or go.illinois.edu/4Hrifle before September 20.

Age Requirements for the State Shoots:

- Participants must be enrolled members of an active 4-H Shooting Sports Club for the 2019-20 year, so it is important youth re-enroll as soon as the new year begins in September.
- Youth may only compete in the discipline for which they have received instruction from a certified 4-H volunteer instructor. For example, youth who are members of a shotgun club led by a state-certified shotgun instructor cannot register for the pistol contest unless they have also participated in supervised instruction from a state-certified 4-H pistol instructor.
- Minimum Age: Youth must be at least 14 years of age by Jan. 1, 2020 to compete.
- Maximum Age: Youth must be no older than 18 on Sept. 1, 2019 to participate.
- To be selected for the national competition team, youth must not turn 19 before Jan. 1, 2020. Thus, youth in their final year of 4-H who turn 19 in September, October, November, or December 2019 may participate in the state contest but cannot be selected for the national contest.

Become a certified 4-H shooting sports instructor

Help ensure young people are exposed to everything the outdoors and shooting sports has to offer by becoming a certified 4-H shooting sports volunteer.

- Your first stop is the local Extension office where staff will discuss the current program in our county.
- Complete the required application and background checks. Volunteers must be at least 21 years of age.
- Pay the \$60 registration cost that covers three meals, snacks, instructor curriculum, hat, and all necessary equipment and materials for the training.
- Staff will complete your registration. Registration is due October 9.
- Attend certification training from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, October 19 at 4-H Memorial Camp near Monticello. Do not bring firearms or bows. Do bring eye and ear protection.
- Complete additional online training.
- Check back in with the county Extension staff to begin volunteering.

There are six concentrations of study, and volunteers must choose only one discipline: archery, rifle, shotgun, pistol, and hunting and outdoor skills, as well as the overall county coordinator training. Remember, volunteers will work with their local Extension 4-H staff to establish or add to an existing shooting sports program in the county. Learn more about the Illinois 4-H Shooting Sports program at: https://dh.extension.illinois.edu/programs/shooting-sports

Who will win \$5,000?

The Youth in Action Award honors four 4-H members who have gained critical life skills through their 4-H experience and have used those skills to overcome a challenge or challenges they have faced. Each of the honorees epitomize 4-H youth empowerment and leadership. In addition, the winners have demonstrated the positive impact they've made with their family, peers, and community through their 4-H experiences.



Nominate outstanding 4-H members in four different categories: Agriculture, Civic Engagement, Healthy Living, and STEM. Each winner will receive a \$5,000 scholarship for higher education, be featured as the 4-H youth spokesperson for their pillar area, receive an all-expenses paid trip to Washington, D.C. to be recognized at National 4-H Council's Legacy Awards, and network with celebrities and prominent 4-H alumni. Learn more at <u>https://4-h.org/parents/4-h-youth-in-action-awards/</u>. Deadline for application is October 21.

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Inspire your club to promote 4-H during National 4-H Week

- Have a flag-raising ceremony at a local bank, park, business, veterans club or school.
- Attend a city council meeting and have the mayor/councilmen sign the Proclamation.
- Give presentations at schools, home school organizations, and youth-serving agency boards.
- Have members bring projects and speak at local civic organizational meetings.
- Host a project fair for the community to see work of 4H members and recruit new members.
- Have a poster contest with your members, then display them in local business windows. •
- Ask banks to include a bookmark or flyer about 4-H at their drive-thru facilities.
- Host a special interest workshop open to the community sponsored by 4-H: \Rightarrow Emergency Preparedness Meeting
- Host a guiz night—Are You Smarter than a 4-Her?
- Sponsor a dance for Jr. High youth.
- Promote 4-H livestock projects at the feed store.
- Promote 4-H foods projects at the grocery stores.
- Promote 4-H entrepreneur projects at the banks. •
- Promote 4-H family projects at the doctor offices.
- Host a blood drive. .
- Host a fun run.
- Promote 4-H technology projects at the electronic/phone/computer stores.
- Host a "My 4-H Word Is " event in your community.
- Promote 4-H on local advertising signs, billboards, church message boards.
- Present a puppet show about how good it feels to be in 4-H. .
- Start an email chain letter—What did you gain in 4-H? and distribute it to your contacts lists, then watch it spread.
- Take a plate of 4-H cookies to local businesses with an appreciation poster for them to post. •
- Write letters to your congressional leaders about how important 4-H is to you.
- Take thank you flowers to all your club leaders. •
- Hold a 4-H talent show and invite the public.
- Host a 4-H fun day with games and prizes for families.
- Have a day to wear a 4-H shirt to work or school.
- Have a county-wide community service day and have the members all report back what they did, then prepare an impact story about how • important 4-H service is.
- Plant a tree in honor of 4-H.
- Have your 4-H flag displayed with the American flag at sporting events during the week.
- Carry groceries for customers at a store. .
- Create a county 4-H alumni club and solicit names through the paper and newsletter.
- Hold a dinner where everything made must come from a 4-H Food Project Manual.
- Hold a health fair where all the exhibits have something from a 4-H project or activity -for example, nutritional food labels, fitness, safety goggles when mowing, anti-bullying, safe driving.
- Carve pumpkins with a 4-H logo and take them to area homes, businesses.
- Post 4-H alumni signs, National 4H week signs, or join 4-H signs in the yards of current or past 4-H members.



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 \Rightarrow CPR

- \Rightarrow Internet Safety
- \Rightarrow Teen Driver Safety

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Take a trip across the globe

Visit exciting new places as part of the 2020 States' 4-H International Exchange program. Check out this line-up:

- Costa Rica: June 18 July 17. Cost \$1,775 (plus airfare \$800 to \$1,300). Ages: 15 18.
- Japan: July 8 August 6. Cost \$2,725 (plus airfare \$1,700 to \$2,600). Ages: 12 18.
- Japan: June 18 August 6. Cost \$3,875 (plus airfare \$1,700 to \$2,600). Ages: 12 18.
- Norway: June 24 July 24. Cost \$2.200 (plus airfare \$1,300 to \$2,000). Ages 15 18.
- South Korea: July 15 August 13. Cost \$2,430 (plus airfare \$1,300 to \$2,300). Ages 12 18.
- Taiwan: June 28 July 28. Cost \$2,200 (plus airfare \$1,300 to \$2,300). Ages 12 18.
- Romania: June 24 July 24. Cost \$1,775 (plus airfare \$1,300 to \$2,000). Ages 15 18.

The first deposit and application are due December 1. Second deposit is due February 1. For more information, check out their website @ <u>states4hexchange.org/</u>.



Paper Clover Campaign returns in October

Dates for the Fall Paper Clover Campaign, held in conjunction with Tractor Supply Stores and National 4-H Council, are October 9 - 20. Money donated during the campaign STAYS in that local county. The campaign runs twice a year.

Award deadlines moved up to November 1

IMPORTANT: The state deadline for the following awards has been changed to November 1. Don't miss your chance to apply. Award applications are available online at <u>go.illinois.edu/4Happly</u> for:

- Key Award
- Experience Award
- State 4-H Award
- Vet Science Award
- 4-H Leadership, Citizenship, and Professionalism Award

The deadline for **state scholarship** has also been changed to November 1. Apply online @ <u>go.illinois.edu/4Hscholarships</u> for these scholarship opportunities:

- Legacy of Leadership Scholarship
- Livestock Scholarship



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mark your calendar!



September 6	DEADLINE: Shotgun registration due
September 6	DEADLINE: Archery registration due
September 13 – 15	Family Camp at 4-H Memorial Camp
September 14	State 4-H Shotgun Shoot, Bunker Hill
September 20	DEADLINE: Rifle and Pistol registration due
September 21	State 4-H Archery Shoot, Pekin
October 5	State 4-H Awards Reception, by invitation only
October 6 – 12	National 4-H Week: Inspired to Lead } Called to Serve
October 9 – 20	Fall Paper Clover Campaign at Tractor Supply stores
October 12-13	State 4-H Rifle & Pistol Shoot, Bloomington
October 14	Cooking with Fall Flavors: Pumpkins and Apples Workshop
October 18	DEADLINE: Salute to Excellence nominations due
October 19	Field Certification Training for 4-H Shooting Sports volunteers
October 21	DEADLINE: Youth in Action award applications due
November 1	DEADLINE: for all state awards, including Key Award, Experience Award, State 4-H Award, Vet Med Award, and the Leadership, Citizenship, and Professionalism Award.
November 1	DEADLINE: for all state scholarships, including Legacy of Leadership and Livestock Scholarships