



**Deadlines:**

- June 1 - SF Horse Entries
- July 1 - Stark Fair Entries
- July 1 - SF Livestock Entries

**Events:**

- June 27 - State Livestock Judging
- June 22-30 - Henry Fair
- July 20-21 - Shooting Sports Training
- July 26-29 - Stark Fair
- August 11 - State Fair Day
- August 24 - State Dog Show

**HALL of FAME**

Congratulations to Karen and Ron Horsley for being selected as this year’s inductees into the Illinois 4-H Hall of Fame. They were nominated by Stark County 4-H parents, leaders and members for their dedication to the shooting sports program. They will be inducted into the Hall of Fame during a ceremony on Tuesday, August 13 at 3 p.m. right before the Sale of Champions activities. The Illinois 4-H Foundation sponsors the Hall of Fame as a way to honor volunteer leaders across the state who inspire kids to do and dedicate their time to 4-H.



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**All Fair Updates**

- River Valley is providing t-shirts to all Henry County fair exhibitors again this year. Pick them up at general projects day or the 4-H Fair Office.
- All youth exhibiting at the county and/or State Fair must have their risk form on file.
- If you do **NOT** bring a general project that you entered, please let the judge or someone from Extension know so we can remove your name from the judge’s list

**Stark Fair Updates**

- Stark County Fair entries are due **July 1.**
- Stark County fair books and entry instructions will be available at the June 4-H meeting.



A big congratulations go out to the following people for their accomplishments:

**Megan Delille** - Megan placed 2nd in the Junior Non-Reasons division of the State Horse Judging contest held at Black Hawk East on April 27.

**Lindy Couch** - Lindy was selected as a State Key Award Winner for excellence in leadership. She’ll receive her award at a State ceremony in October.

**Kaley Rouse** - Kaley was awarded the Emerald Clover award. She will also be recognized at the State ceremony in October.

# Club News and Notes



## Upcoming Dates

### Shooting Sports Volunteer Training

The next shooting sports volunteer training will be held on July 20 and 21 at the 4-H Memorial Camp in Monticello. Interested volunteers must choose from six concentrations of study: archery, rifle, shotgun, pistol, hunting and outdoor skills or coordinator. The deadline to register is **July 1** and must be done through the local county Extension Office. If you are interested in attending the training, please contact Jennifer for the required paperwork.

### Fall Shooting Sports Contests

Registrations for the State Shoots open on **July 15**.

#### **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.

- 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.

#### **Shoot dates:**

- Shotgun will be held September 14 at the Brittany Shooting Park, Bunker Hill
- Archery will be held September 21 at the Pekin Archers in Pekin.
- Rifle & Pistol will be held Oct. 12 -13 at the Central Illinois Precision Shooting (CIPS), Bloomington



## End of Year Awards

Whether you are a first-year 4-H member or a longtime member, it's time to focus on pulling together information for your 4-H award applications. Even younger members can submit the 4-H Experience Application and be eligible for 4-H recognition. Older members can submit both the 4-H Experience Application and the Illinois 4-H Award Application to be eligible for state recognition, scholarships, and/or trips.



The **Illinois 4-H Experience Award Application** focuses on all of those events and activities that you have experienced during the 4-H year in four areas: *Participation, Community Service, Leadership, and Project Learning*. Depending upon the type and number of experiences you can report on, members can receive recognition on the Bronze, Silver, Gold, Diamond or Emerald Clover Award level. Your family calendar, 4-H notes or county summary, checkmarks, and a few written details are all that's needed for even the youngest members to submit this application. This application can be found @ <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/members/>



## We're Looking for New Members!

- **Eligibility:** Age 16 to 19 by September 1, 2019.
- **Length of service:** Two years. New Team members selected this summer will serve from September 1, 2019 through August 31, 2021.
- **Apply online:** [go.illinois.edu/4HYLT](https://go.illinois.edu/4HYLT). Look for the application at the bottom of the page under "Resources."
- **Deadline:** June 7 (for interviews during Illini Summer Academies); July 19 (for interviews during State Fair).



# NEWS & notes

## Livestock Edition

### IL 4-H Livestock Judging Contest

**Date:** June 17

**Location:** U of I Stock Pavilion, 1402 W. Pennsylvania Ave. Urbana, IL

**Time:** 8:30 –9:30 a.m. Registration; Contest at 10 a.m.

**Cost:** \$10 for seniors to cover cost of lunch.

Each county may enter a total of three teams, with no more than two junior or two senior teams. There will be three classes of beef, three classes of swine, and two classes of sheep. There may also be a class of meat goats substituted for one class of the other species. There will also be a class of 15 questions.

Get all the rules and details online at [go.illinois.edu/4Hlivestock](http://go.illinois.edu/4Hlivestock)

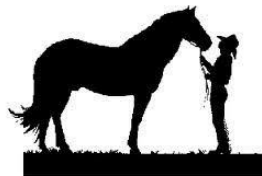
### REMINDER

The deadline to enter the Illinois State Fair Junior Livestock Show is **July 1**. The show is open to current Illinois 4-H and FFA members. 4-H membership is 8 to 18, thus youth who were 19 and older on Sept. 1, 2018 and too old for 4-H can only enter as FFA alumni. Your entry forms **MUST** be signed by either the county 4-H office where you are a member or by your local FFA instructor who must verify your membership. *There will be signed entry forms available to pick-up during the Henry County Fair. Stop by the 4-H Office on the fairgrounds to get a form.*

### Warren County Livestock Judging Contest

The Warren County contest will be held on Saturday, June 8 at the Warren County Fairgrounds in Roseville. The contest begins at 9 a.m. The cost to enter is \$3 per person. Register ahead by contacting the Warren County Extension Office at (309) 734-5161

### Upcoming Horse Shows



#### 4-H & FFA Shows:

**Dates** - Sunday, June 9 and Sunday, July 7

**Location** - Black Hawk East Arena

(26230 Black Hawk Rd. Galva, IL 61434)

**Time** - 8:00 a.m. Registration; 9:00 a.m. Show

**Cost** - \$3 per class OR \$15 all day per horse

**Required** - horse ownership/lease papers. Risk Form, negative Coggins

**Contact** - For a full show bill or questions contact the Galva Extension office at (309) 932-3447.

#### Western Illinois 4-H Horse Show:

**Date** - Sunday, June 23; Rain Date is June 29

**Location** - Galesburg Boots and Saddle Club Across from Carl Sandburg College

**Time** - 8:00 a.m. Registration; 9:00 a.m. Show

**Cost** - \$3 per class OR \$10 all day

**Register** - Online at [go.illinois.edu/HorseShow](http://go.illinois.edu/HorseShow)

**Contact** - McCala Miller at (309) 734-5161



### Superior Young Producer

The **Superior Young Producer Scholarship Program** is offered by the Illinois State Fair to 4-H members in beef, sheep, swine, dairy, and horses. Three \$1,000 scholarships will be provided in horses, and three \$1,000 scholarships will be provided in dairy. A total of nine \$1,000 scholarships will be provided in a combined contest for beef, sheep, and swine contestants. The SYPA contest is open to 4-H members who are 14 years of age or older doing project work in the species area for which they are entering. Participants do not have to be exhibiting animals at the Illinois State Fair to participate in the SYPA contest. Check out the dates of each contest: Horse: July 24, Beef/Sheep/Swine: August 7, Dairy: August 17. The contest is supported by the Illinois 4-H Foundation and its sponsors.



# NEWS & notes

## Around the State

### Celebrating Volunteers @ State Fair

If you are a volunteer leader, be sure to stop by the volunteer booth at the Illinois State Fair General Project Show to receive your special gift.

### Cream of the Crop Photo Entries



State Treasurer Michael Frerichs invites youth from across the state, ages 8-18, to submit their most innovative, scenic snapshot that depicts their vision of agriculture in our state. The contest winners will be featured on the new marketing materials for the Ag Invest program. Learn more at:

[https://illinoistreasurer.gov/Businesses/Ag\\_Invest/Cream\\_of\\_the\\_Crop\\_Photo\\_Contest](https://illinoistreasurer.gov/Businesses/Ag_Invest/Cream_of_the_Crop_Photo_Contest).

### 4-H STORYTELLERS

Be authentic | Share truth | Build connections

In July, 4-H members will be invited to become a 4-H Storyteller. In the fall, 20 youth selected from the applicants will be trained by some of Illinois' finest storytellers. The stories may take the form of written word: blogs, poetry, letters. They may take the form of art: photography, art, comics. They may take the form of sound: video, song, podcast. 4-H Storytellers will tell their personal stories, and in doing so, we will see 4-H in action in their lives. Look for more in the July newsletter. This opportunity is open to youth who will be in grades 8 to 11 this fall.

### New at State Fair

**\*Note\*** The new score sheets do NOT apply to the County Fair general projects judging for 2019.

4-H members selected at their county to exhibit at the state fair will see some changes in the way exhibits are judged and prizes awarded. Judges at the state fair will use a 10-point scale and give members a score for each element of their exhibit:

- Their knowledge about the project
- Their conference presentation of the project
- The presentation of the exhibit

The new scoresheets are all posted online @ [go.illinois.edu/4Hstatefair](http://go.illinois.edu/4Hstatefair). For each EXHIBIT CLASS, a **champion and reserve champion** will be awarded based on points received.

In addition, **INSPIRE AWARDS** will be given at the judges' discretion for work they wish to highlight or acknowledge. Awards will vary in quantity, description, and type between project areas. These awards will not be based solely on scores. Check back soon for more on the new judging and award systems.



Do you have a 4-H story to tell? Now, you can win \$50 for telling yours.

Your story must be told via video. Videos must be no longer than 90 seconds and should relate to one of the following topics:

1. Through 4-H, I've been able to...
  2. In my 4-H project, I've learned...
  3. 4-H has taught me to care about my community
  4. 4-H has helped me feel welcomed by...
  5. I've strengthened my leadership skills through 4-H
  6. Here's how 4-H prepared me for my future career.
- Every video needs to include your first name, county and 4-H club name. They all must end with "Because of 4-H, I \_\_\_\_\_. Thanks for helping me grow!"

Send video files to [illinois4H@illinois.edu](mailto:illinois4H@illinois.edu) or post to Youtube and share the link via email.

For more details contact Judy Bingman at [illinois4H@illinois.edu](mailto:illinois4H@illinois.edu)

### New in 2019-2020 4-H Year

Child Development and Sports Nutrition will return as projects with NEW manuals. GSI will no longer be offered.

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closed for lunch 12–12:30 p.m.



# Scribbles and Scrawl

Greetings,

The weather may not feel like it quite yet, but fair season is upon us. Please try to check your email for any updates and keep State Fair deadlines in mind.

**June 1 - State Fair Horse Entries**

**July 1 - State Fair Livestock Entries**

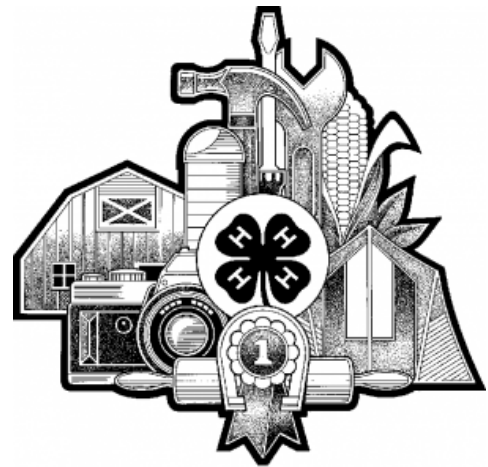
**August 1 - State Fair Dog Entries** (For those who qualify at the county)

**August 11 - State Fair General Project Day**

Please also be in contact with your leaders about set-up or tear-down times and food stand shift assignments. The food stand shifts are shorter this year!

We are excited to see all the projects that everyone worked so hard on all year. If you have any questions, let us know. Otherwise, we will see you at the fair.

*Jennifer & Teresa*



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