

Hamilton County Clover News

Hamilton County 4-H

Exhibit Dates

Fair Clean-Up Day—July 2 at 9 a.m. at Fairgrounds
Rabbits & Poultry-July 8 at 9:00 a.m. at 4-H Livestock Barn
Small Pets, Cats & Dogs-July 8 at 1:00 p.m. at
4-H Livestock Barn
Early Weigh-In-July 8 at 4:00-6:30 p.m. at 4-H Livestock
Barn
Farm Follies-July 8 at 7:00 p.m. at 4-H Livestock Barn
Livestock Show –July 9 at 8:00 a.m. at 4-H Livestock Barn
Hospitality Tent—July 9 at 100 p.m. at 4-H Livestock Barn
Awards Presentation—July 9 at 1:30 p.m. at
4-H Livestock Barn
Livestock Auction—July 9 at 2:00 p.m. at 4-H
Livestock Barn
Tractor Show-July 10 at 11:00 a.m. at Floral Hall



**July
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Hamilton County 4-H Federation

The Hamilton County 4-H Federation will meet on July 15 at 11:00 a.m. following the cooking classes in the Court-house basement. We will discuss the upcoming dates the 4-H Food Stand will be open , as well as Family Fun Night!



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General Projects Show Results



Best of Show

Child Development	Jenna Wilson
Clothing & Textiles	Sarah Darnell
College & Career Readiness	Courtney Lynn
Communications	Terryn Launius
Crops	Braylee Waier
Exploratory—Collectibles	Sarah Darnell
Food & Nutrition	Maddie Karcher
Geology	Camryn Parker
Health	Emilee Cox
Horticulture	Gavin Douglass
Intercultural	Shiloh Willis
Interior Design	Emilee Cox
Natural Resources	Emilee Cox
Photography	Emilee Cox
Robotics	Aydan Hood
Visual Arts	Camryn Parker
Visual Arts— Food Decorating	Shiloh Willis
Woodworking	Caitlyn Richards

You MUST contact the office by July 7 if you plan to exhibit your project at the state fair on August 15.

State Fair Delegates

Child Development	Jenna Wilson
Clothing & Textiles	Sarah Darnell Jenna Wilson Emma Hood Laynna Wilson—Alt Willow Cross—Alt
College & Career Readiness	Courtney Lynn
Communications	Terryn Launius
Crops	Braylee Waier

General Projects Show Results—continued

Food & Nutrition	Leah Bowling Lily Rawls Braylee Waier Sarah Darnell Cecelia Lueke Maddie Karcher Leslie Davis Caroline Lueke—Alt Serenity Smith—Alt Shiloh Willis—Alt Hayden Davis—Alt Lainey Davis—Alt Brooklin Durbin—Alt Willow Cross—Alt
Geology	Camryn Parker
Health	Emilee Cox
Hort/Floriculture	Emilee Cox
Hort/Veg Gardening	Gavin Douglass
Interior Design	Emilee Cox Courtney Lynn
Nature/Outdoor	Courtney Lynn
Nature/Fishing	Emilee Cox
Photography	Emilee Cox
Robotics	Aydan Hood Emma Hood
Visual Arts—Food Dec	Shiloh Willis Benji Bernard—Alt
Visual Arts—C/C/P	Camryn Parker Caitlyn Richards Courtney Lynn—Alt
Visual Arts— Computer Generated	Emilee Cox Kate Miller—Alt
Visual Arts—Fiber	Emilee Cox
Visual Arts—Glass/Plastic	Lily Rawls
Woodworking	Caitlyn Richards

Reminder: Records due August 31, more information in coming newsletters and watch for e-mails!

Farm Follies Fun Awaits

Mark your calendars for an evening of fun and games! Thursday, July 8 Farm Follies (formerly know as Ag Olympics) will take place in the 4-H Livestock Barn at 7:00 p.m. Join the fun as we play various ag related games including wheelbarrow races, scoop shovel races, egg toss, feed sack races, three legged race, musical feed sacks, dice game, tug of war, and watermelon eating. This is great fun for participants and even more fun for spectators. All 4-H members are invited and you can bring friends if you choose! Let us know if you can provide a wheelbarrow, scoop shovel, some eggs and feed sacks.

Top three awards will be given in each category.



Fairground Clean-Up

All 4-H members are asked to help clean-up the fairgrounds on Friday, July 2 at 9:00 a.m. Please bring, brooms, rakes, shovels, and cleaning supplies. We will be cleaning the 4-H Livestock Barn, as well as the 4-H Food Stand. All help will be greatly appreciated.



Poultry and Rabbits Show Schedule

The Poultry and Rabbit Show will be held on Thursday, July 8 at 9:00 a.m. at the 4-H Livestock Barn at the Hamilton County fairgrounds. Poultry will be judged first followed by rabbits. All animals are to leave the fairgrounds at the conclusion of the judging, but the pens of three for the auction will need to be brought back on Friday for the 4-H Livestock Auction at 2:00 p.m. If you have eggs that you would want to donate for the Farm Follies, that would be greatly appreciated.



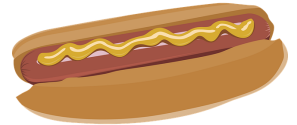
Cat, Dog and Small Pets Show

The Cat, Dog and Small Pet show will be held at the 4-H Livestock Barn at 1:00 p.m. on July 8. Make sure you read the show book and have all the papers required from your veterinarian ready at the time of the show.



Food Stand at Tractor Show

Hamilton County 4-H has been asked to provide the food stand at the Ageless Iron Tractor show on July 10. We will be selling all our favorites at the 4-H stand throughout the day. Any and all help would be greatly appreciated.



The finances in Hamilton County took a big hit because of COVID and we will be trying to make a little money so we can continue to offer the many 4-H activities in this county! Let me know if you will be available to help!

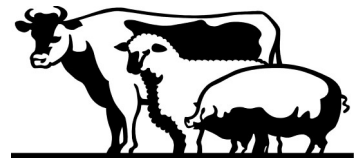
Family Fun Night at the Fair

This year 4-H will take an active role at the Hamilton County Fair. From 4-7 p.m. on July 23 we will offer many activities for families to learn about agriculture while having a great time at the fair. We will offer games, bingo, a bounce house, possibly a petting zoo and pony rides, and so much more. Make plans to help in various ways or let us know if you have an idea of a fun activity we could offer. The 4-H food stand will be open and the tractor pull will begin at 7:00 p.m.



Livestock Show Schedule

The Hamilton County 4-H Livestock Show will be held on Friday, July 9 at 8:00 a.m. in the 4-H Livestock Barn at the Hamilton County fairgrounds.



Just as in the past we will begin with sheep, then goats, swine, dairy, and beef.

All youth should be ready to show at 8:00 a.m.

National 4-H Congress

National 4-H Congress will be held November 26-30, 2021 in Atlanta, Georgia. This will be the centennial celebration of this event and a once in a lifetime opportunity!

National 4-H Congress is a world class event that is diverse, authentic, and challenge oriented. The workshops will be laser focused on the 4-H mission, the service-learning experiences promise to be hands-on, the speakers will be engaging and entertaining, and there will plenty of opportunities for networking and recreational activities.



Illinois 4-H is asking for your help in identifying 4-H teens, ages 14-18 (as of January 1, 2021) to apply for this once in a lifetime opportunity!

How do teens become a part of the Illinois 4-H Delegation:

Complete the National Congress Application by August 1, 2021.

We have spots for TEN Illinois 4-H teens to participate. National Congress Application will be used to select the ten Illinois teens. The Illinois 4-H Foundation has secured scholarship funds for the 10 selected delegates.

Cost – The total cost this year is \$2,000 per participant. Selected youth will receive a \$1,500 scholarship to the event provided by Illinois 4-H. They are responsible for the remaining \$500 balance which must be paid prior to the event.

Program Content – To learn more about National 4-H Congress visit <http://national4hcongress.com/> or check them out on social media. There is a delegate handbook that will contain details of the event and an example schedule (note- not updated for 2021 yet).

This is a fantastic opportunity, I highly recommend applying if you have any interest!

Volunteers Needed for Illinois State Fair

We are excited to open the registration for volunteers for the 2021 4-H General Project Show at the Illinois State Fair! The State 4-H Office is looking for volunteer judges and project assistants who are eager to interact with Illinois youth and provide a great state fair experience for them. This event will have face to face judging, and we would love for you to consider assisting us this year.

DATES OF THE FAIR: August 13-15 (Friday through Sunday)

Location: Orr Building, air-conditioned building at the Illinois State Fairgrounds

Apply online at go.illinois.edu/statefairhelp. Please feel free to sign up for one or up to all three days.

Once you sign up, more information will be forthcoming within the next two to three weeks.

If you know of anyone else who may have experience and would like to volunteer, please feel free to share this information with them!



Illinois State Fair

Hamilton County 4-H will exhibit projects on Sunday, August 15. If your project was selected to advance, you **MUST** contact the office by July 7 to let us know you want to exhibit at the state fair. Detailed information will be given to those who choose to exhibit.

However, here are some highlights:

In the past, the Extension office was able to order parking passes and advance admission tickets. We are no longer able to order parking passes. This year, we are choosing not to order advance admission tickets. Our exhibit day is a Sunday—admission at the gate on that day is \$5 so there is no savings in ordering in advance.

We are able to order load/unload passes—these are free. When you let the office know that you plan to exhibit, let us know at that time if you need a load/unload pass ordered for you.

Apply to Serve on Food Advocacy Team

**THE FUTURE
OF FOOD ADVOCACY
NEEDS YOU!**



APPLICATIONS FOR THE FOOD ADVOCACY TEAM
ARE OPEN 7/1-7/201

Are you ready to take your leadership to the next level? Applications open 7/1 for the Illinois 4-H Food Advocacy Team ~ the team dedicated to strengthening you as an advocate for food access for everyone in your community!

The COVID-19 pandemic has made food security a more urgent issue for many families. You can be a part of the solution as you educate yourself on issues of community health, assist in the planning of the annual Food Action Summit, and more.

Apply July 1st - July 23rd, 2021. Applicants will need one reference. Apply here: <https://form.jotform.com/211338226682152>

Learn more about food advocacy at our updated Food Secure Communities page: <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/programs/food-systems/food-secure-communities>

Food Stand at the Fair

The 4-H food stand will be open during grandstand activities at the fair. As of right now we are looking at

July 16 for Demo Derby

July 19 for Horse races

July 23 for Family Fun Night and Tractor Pull

All help would be greatly appreciated!

Please make plans to help out as this may be one of our only fundraisers this year!



Summer Classes Exhibit Day

The GIFT Garden summer class series will conclude on July 29 with an exhibit opportunity starting at 9 a.m. Make plans to exhibit an art project, a horticulture project and/or a cooking project. If you attended all three days you can exhibit in all three areas. If you can not attend that day, let us know and we can make other arrangements for you to exhibit on Tuesday, July 27. July 28 will be fun day at the garden, wear clothes that can get wet or a change of dry clothes!

4-H Shooting Sports Volunteers Needed

4-H Shooting Sports Field Day Trainings: Rifle, Pistol, Shotgun taught on Sat., July 17, 2021 in East Alton, IL. Archery taught on Sat., July 24, 2021 in Hull, IL

A 4-H Shooting Sports Volunteer is...

- 21 years of age or older
 - Interested in youth and their development
 - Interested in some phase of shooting and outdoor recreation
 - Willing to learn how to teach shooting safely and effectively
 - Willing to be open, helpful, and supportive
- State Shoots are for 4-H youth enrolled in a shooting sports club and must be age 13 by Sept. 1, 2021.



Archery State Shoot:
Sat., Sept. 18, 2021
at Pekin Archers,
Pekin, IL

Shotgun State Shoot:

Sat., Sept. 25, 2021 at Brittany Shooting Park,
Bunker Hill, IL

Rifle State Shoot:

Sat., Oct. 2, 2021 at Central Illinois Precision Shooters,
Bloomington, IL

Pistol State Shoot:

Sun., Oct. 3, 2021 at Central Illinois Precision Shooters,
Bloomington, IL

Contact your local U of I Extension Office for registration information.
<https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/programs/shooting-sports/4-h-shooting-sports-volunteers>
Questions? Contact Curt Sinclair at sinclair@illinois.edu

Upcoming Dates

July 2	Clean-up Day at Fairgrounds 9 a.m.
July 8	Rabbits & Poultry Show 9:00 a.m.
July 8	Dogs, Cats and Small Pets Show 1:00 p.m.
July 9	Livestock Show 8:00 a.m.
July 9	4-H Livestock Auction 2:00 p.m.
July 10	Ageless Iron Tractor Show (food stand)
July 16	Demo Derby Food stand
July 19	Horse Races Food stand
July 23	Family Fun Night/Tractor Pull Food Stand
July 24	4-H Shooting Sports training
August 15	Hamilton County Day at Illinois State Fair
August 31	Records due

4-H is Online 24/7

<https://extension.illinois.edu/global>



Be the first to email Paula with the correct answer and win a prize!

RIDDLE A man rides into town on Friday, stays three days and leaves on Friday, how can that be?

Congratulations to Blu Barrow for answering the last riddle.

You're running a race and at the very end, you pass the person in second place. What place did you finish the race in?

Answer: 2nd place

Join the Illinois 4-H in Space Mission Command Team



Are you ready to define, develop, and operate a space mission? Participate in a real satellite program and see your experiments launched into space through the Illinois 4-H in Space Mission Command Team!

This is a first in a lifetime opportunity to be a part of STEM history and be a member of this elite planning team! Becoming a member of the MCT is a serious commitment and will require plenty of dedication and time. The 4-H In Space Mission Command Team Application will open on Monday, July 5th and will close on

Monday, July 19th. Notifications will be made Monday, July 26.

Youth Sponsors: Consolidated Grain and Barge, Wabash Valley Service Company, Dahlgren Building Center, Farm Credit Services, McNeil Consulting, David & Susan Johnson, Edward Jones Investments, Town & Country Veterinary Clinic, Twilight HCE Unit, Dahlgren HCE Unit, Happy Neighbors HCE Unit, Hamilton County Home & Community Education, Wuebbels Repair, LLC, Trudy Wynn Country Financial, Larry Pauketat, Lisa Cross Financial Advisor, Food Park, Wilson's Computers, Corteva, York Pharmacy, Dick and Lucille Auten, Christopher Johnson, Bunge SCF, Hamilton County Rotary, Hamilton Memorial Hospital District, McLeansboro Kiwanis, Hamilton County Farm Bureau, Roger Swartz, Banterra Bank and Insurance, Hamilton County Telephone Co-Op, Pitchford Elevator, Miller's Welding, Peoples National Bank, Posey County Co-Op, Southern FS, Legend Ag/Stone Seed Group, KA Rich Inc., Hamilton County Telephone Foundation, City of McLeansboro, Katrina Roberson, EA, Monsanto, Wolf Creek Farm, Hall's Sawmill, Maschhoffs, Ferrell McLeansboro Family Medicine, Synenergy, Gavilon, McLeansboro Elks, Mike Harre/The Big Red Barn, Ayt Farms.