

Happy Summer!

Woo Hoo summer is here! We are kicking things up full swing now! General Show was a success, home visits are being scheduled for livestock, and the horse show is scheduled for July 12th. Thursdays are garden and cooking classes at the Dixon Springs Agricultural Center. I look forward to seeing new faces as well as our friends each week. We are also assisting with the art program at the Rosiclare Public Library. And don't forget we are trying to get a new Kayak Club started. Keep an eye on the Facebook page for updates!

See you all soon, Kendra



CALENDAR

7/7 Garden Class
7/7 Cooking Class
7/ 5-9 Memorial Camp
7/12 4-H Horse Show
7/14 Garden Class
7/14 Last Cooking Class
7/21 Garden Class
7/28 Garden Class

8/12 Illinois State Fair Exhibit day

If you need a reasonable accommodation to participate in this program, please contact Kassie at klcook@illinois.edu. Early requests are strongly encouraged to allow sufficient time to meet your needs.

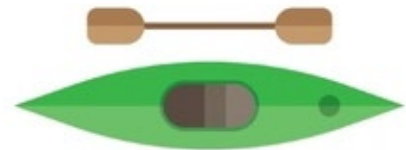
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Pope-Hardin County 4-H Newsletter

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Kayak Club Interest Form



Gallatin, Pope-Hardin, Hamilton, Saline & White Counties are asked to share their interest in having a flatwater **Kayak Club**. Scan the QR code or click <https://forms.gle/QPw5EnQBVM6iUL36> to sign up if interested. Participants would learn basic safety and skills while they travel to various small lakes and ponds in the area. We will stick to waters with minimal boat traffic for safety purposes.

Youth participants must be at least 10 years old.

ALL participants (youth and adult volunteer) MUST wear an appropriate, properly fitted life jacket at all times on the water. Life jackets must be either a Type I or Type III. The orange ones that go behind your head and down your chest do not meet the requirements set for safety.

Our first meeting would be a safety meeting. We all (youth participants and adult volunteers) take an online water safety course and check fit of life jackets. All participants MUST attend this certification.





Horse Show 101 Clinic

We had a great turnout for our clinic. Participants from Hamilton, Pope-Hardin and Saline Counties attended. Presenters Tommy & Crystal Miller covered basic grooming and presentation, showmanship and horsemanship skills. Each participant had multiple opportunities to present for a pattern, receive feedback and try again.

The improvement from the beginning of the clinic to the end was fantastic! Here is a link to the handout provided to participants <https://www.facebook.com/groups/GallatinCountyIL4H/permalink/5272543946165513/>



Multi-County Horse Show

July 12 is the Multi-County Horse Show. 4-H members from Gallatin, Hamilton, and Pope-Hardin will attend. Check in will begin at 4, with the show set to begin at 5. We suggest you arrive early to allow your horse time to settle and to ride around the arena and look around.

We will be having walk throughs of each pattern. Participants can expect showmanship patterns to include setting up the horse, leading in straight lines at both a walk and trot/gait, performing a turn and using the quartering system while showing.

Horsemanship patterns will have a walk, trot/gait and canter (unless a walk-trot/gait only class) and patterns will be made up of straight lines, circles, upward and downward gait transitions and backing.

Trail class participants can expect to work a rope gate, get mail from a mailbox, travel over poles, bridge/piece of mat, backing obstacle, carry obstacle and/or weaving through cones at the required gaits (walk-trot/gait-canter or walk-trot/gait).

If you have any questions please reach out to Kassy at kscates@illinois.edu. I'm happy to walk you through the process. For those that attended the clinic, the atmosphere of our show is very similar. We understand that our participants are learning, and we want this to be a low key educational event.

As a reminder- you must wear a riding helmet at all times when mounted. No helmet- no worries- we will be bringing extra helmets for those that do not have one.

QAEC Requirements

Exhibitors of Cat, Dog, Horse, Poultry, and/or Rabbits are required to take the **Quality Assurance and Ethics Certification** (QAEC) training. QAEC training is only required **once** in the member's career and is offered free of charge. Please visit: <http://web.extension.illinois.edu/qaec/> to take the training.



4-H Summer Foods

We have had a great time so far at the 4-H Summer Foods Classes. Our first class covered cutting, peeling and measuring. Youth learned how to safely slice and dice cucumbers and peel vegetables. They have learned about food preservation and made refrigerator pickles. They learned the correct methods for dry and wet measures. We have also made ice cream in a bag, grilled cheese, scrambled eggs, personal pizzas and pancakes. Tacos to come! Our last class will be held on Thursday, July 14th.



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. 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.

General Show Results

State Fair Delegates:

Ella Aly – Visual Arts, Food Decoration

Merrick Aly – Floriculture Display

Lacy Bailey – Animal Science

Fox Barnhill – Forestry

Remington Barnhill – Sportfishing & Outdoor Adventures

Alyssa Counts – Food Preservation Jams & Jellies

Remington Curry – Woodworking

Mary Floyd – Visual Arts Chalk/Carbon/Pigment Division B

Olivia Hansen – Creative Writing & Photography

Jillian Jones – Photography & Woodworking

Katlynn O'Neal – Visual Arts Chalk/Carbon/Pigment Division A, Visual Arts Food Decoration, & Animal Science

Khloe Stokich – Visual Arts Wood

Lily Vinyard – Photography & Cooking 201

Aaron Wallace – Esports



State Fair Alternates:

Turner Berger – Animal Science

Noah Curry – Woodworking

Jillian Jones – Creative Writing

Luke Vinyard – Woodworking

Aaron Wallace – Visual Arts Wood

County Champion:

Turner Berger – Poultry

Alyssa Counts – Dog

