

SUMMER PROGRAM, CAMP AND SHOW REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW OPEN!

Your summer awaits and there is no better time to register than right now! So be sure to secure your spot and capture some great early bird pricing (available until May 15) before it's too late!

Junior Camp: July – 12 & July 30 – August 3
Combined Camp: July 15 – 19 & August 12 – 16
Intermediate Camp: July 22 – 26
AIM Camp: August 5 – 10
Club Week: July 28 – August 3
Counsellors In Training (CIT): July 2 – 6
Beef Heifer Show: July 9 – 12
Sheep Show: July 10 – 13
Multi Species Judging: August 10 - 12



For a complete listing of provincial/regional dates and descriptions, and to register, simply visit the 4-H Alberta website at www.4h.ab.ca.

Please note: To further streamline and simplify the payment process, program payments via credit card through our secure online registration system are strongly encouraged. If circumstances prevent this, payment via credit card over the phone and/or cheque will still be accepted in 2018.

4-H Horsemanship Clinic (Levels 1-3)

June 16 & 17, 2018, Olds Regional Exhibition

Join equine leaders from across the province and gain a fuller understanding of 4-H Levels 1-3 in a hands on environment. Work with other leaders and the clinician to learn how to properly teach members the skills required for the Mounted Assessments. In pairs, one leader will be mounted and other teaching to practice the new techniques and skills learned. A limited number of rider participants will be accepted; spectators are welcome to join. Come and learn about the 4-H program rider mounted levels!

Registration is open April 1st through the online registration system.

Ready to move your animals out? Don't bring diseases in!

As we approach livestock show and sale season we need to ensure the safety of our animals by trying to prevent, reduce or eliminate the introduction and spread of disease into a herd, between herds and between species.

Biosecurity starts with education. Everyone involved in the event needs to be informed of the importance of biosecurity prior to any animal movement. We can only make good decisions when we have knowledge about the issue. Attached is a checklist of best practices to follow prior to, during and after the event; these practices apply to different species including cattle, sheep, goats, horses, and others. Click [here](#) to view the checklist.

COMING SOON... CLICK EACH LINK FOR MORE INFORMATION

April 2018

Summer Programs, Camps and Shows Registration opens!!

4-H Alberta Provincial Communications

Date: April 7, 2018

Location: Reynolds Museum, Wetaskiwin

Calgary Stampede Youth Judging Clinic

Date: Friday, April 27 from 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Registration form is available on the Calgary Stampede website. Look under the Agriculture page for the '2018 Dairy Classic Championship Show'

Location: Calgary Stampede Grounds

Always check the calendar of events on the 4-H Alberta website for a full list of updated events.



May 2018

FortisAlberta Work Bee Weekend

Dates: May 4 – 6, 2018

Deadline: April 1, 2018

Location: Alberta 4-H Centre, Westeros AB

Selections

Date: May 4 – 7, 2018

Location: Olds College, Olds AB

Highway Clean Up

Date: May 5, 2018

Deadline: April 20, 2018

2018 'Celebrating Agriculture in Alberta' Poetry Contest

Deadline: May 5, 2018

4-H Alberta Scholarships

Application Deadline: May 15, 2018

4-H Summer Programs, Camps and Shows

Earlybird Deadline: May 15, 2018

CAUTION: EVENT TIMES AND PLACES MAY CHANGE

Every event or opportunity listed above is a link to the 4-H Alberta Calendar or to a relevant website. **ALWAYS** check the link for updated information.

What's Happening In The South Region

Spring is finally here (at least on the calendar) – time for thinking of outdoor activities, your approaching Achievement Days and pre-planning summer activities! Watch for the **upcoming Events and Opportunities** Guide, check out the 4-H website and read the Scoop to get exciting information about upcoming 4-H programs! Many registration dates will open soon with early bird fees, so check it out! And if you have **questions, please contact** your leader, key leader, 4-H council person, 4-H Section specialist – we are all happy to help!

The time is now for those graduating high school, or already in post-secondary, to work on your **4-H scholarship application!** The deadline is May 15th for submission, but don't wait until the last minute – the application has changed this year, and still requires some thought and time to do the data input, regardless if you are a new applicant or a returning one. There are great opportunities for scholarship funds – and we all know that it would be great to receive some extra funds!

Congratulations to all of those 4-H members who took part in the recent **Southern 4-H Regional Communications** competition in Medicine Hat! And thank you to ALL of the wonderful volunteers who helped in all sorts of ways! It takes a lot of people to make this competition run smoothly and they are all appreciated! Remember to send a thank you to any of our sponsors – AltaLink, KPMG and Medicine Hat College. They are VITAL and should be recognized. The addresses and contact information was on the Communications program, but please let me know if you require an email or mailing address and I would be happy to provide it to you.



Top public speakers of the day:

Junior: 1st – Derek Ivanics (40 Mile District), 2nd – Lucy Woolf (Warner District), 3rd – Kadence Albrecht (Cactus Country District)

Intermediate: 1st – Mardi Kitchen (Willow Creek District), 2nd – Landon Porteous (Cactus Country District), 3rd – Anna Lundgren (Vulcan District)

Senior: 1st – Holden Heppler (Warner District), 2nd – Ellie Stauffer (Pincher Creek District), 3rd – Justin Schoening (Pincher Creek District)

Top Presenters of the day:

Junior: 1st place TIE – Vane Ferguson (Taber District) and Taylor Broderson (Willow Creek District), 2nd – Lauren Chalifoux (Cactus Country District), 3rd – Maddison Dykshoorn (40 Mile District)

Intermediate: 1st – Taiya Nickel and Boeden Nickel (Lethbridge District), 2nd – Jessie Ferguson (Taber District), 3rd Peyton Groenenboom (Lethbridge District)

Senior: 1st – Erica Mackenzie (Pincher Creek District), 2nd – Odessa Kopp (Newell District), 3rd – Nyles Clark (Lethbridge District)

The Southern 4-H Regional Judging Competition, sponsored by Farming Smarter, will take place on Thursday, April 5th at the Claresholm Agriplex. Registration starts at 9 am, followed by workshops (for members and leaders/volunteers) and critiques, provided lunch and the competition. It will be a great day and a good opportunity to practice your decision making skills. Clancy Holthe and Vanessa Wever can be contacted if you have questions - clarenc holthe@yahoo.ca or sunnyvet@telusplanet.net. Seeking volunteers to help that day, and lots of members to have a great experience! No pre-registration required.

New and exciting this year will be the upcoming Southern 4-H Regional Beef AND Sheep Learning Day, combined for the first time! Saturday, May 19th at the Taber Agriplex. Everyone is welcome to attend and participate in one or both, regardless of your project. Registration times: for Beef – 8:30 am, and for Sheep – 10 am. This will be a great opportunity to learn through hands on experiences, and from informative guest speakers. Check out the 4-H calendar for the poster, and further details. Questions – Beef: Carey Kopp at 403-501-9310. Sheep: Arlene Good at 403-793-0875.

That same day, Saturday, May 19th will also feature the Southern 4-H Regional Beef Breeding Project Show, following the Learning Sessions, at 1 pm. Please have all cattle in before 8:30 am. The entry form is available via the 4-H calendar. Entry deadline is April 25th. Questions – Carey Kopp 403-501-9310. This is always a very popular show, and there is a great learning opportunity for a senior or intermediate member to work with the official judge. Come to the Beef Learning Day in the morning for your chance to have your name chosen!

PLAN AHEAD...

Click each link for more information

Beef Learning Day and Beef Heifer Show

Date: May 20, 2018 9:00 AM

Location: TBD

For all your District-specific events and opportunities check the calendar on the 4-H Alberta website.



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What's Happening In The Peace Region

From the Desk of Shelly Ann!

April showers bring May flowers! REALLY – first the snow has to melt!! Here is hoping green grass is on its way! Reminder that the **Peace Regional Meeting is on April 14th in Fairview**, watch for agenda SOON!

Special recognition to Dyan and her Team, the Northern Region 4-H Club and Community for Hosting the 2018 Peace Regional Communications

Congratulations to all the speakers and presenters at the Peace Regional Communication

Public Speaking Intermediates

Kyley Binks – Grande Prairie
Layne Cuthbertson – Valleyview
Addison Haddow – Central Peace

Presentations Intermediates

Clare Taylor – MacKenzie
Clayton Roberts – Valleyview
Kathryn Smith – Grande Prairie

Seniors (Top Two qualify to represent Peace at Provincial Competition on April 7th in Wetaskiwin)

Presentations – Sharman Bigler (MacKenzie) & Alia Kolodychuk (North Peace)

Congratulations to Emma Balisky who placed 2nd but is unable to attend the Provincial Competition

Public Speaking – Becca Bollock (Grande Prairie) & Kellie Brown (East Peace)

Congratulations to Moira McRann who placed 1st but is unable to attend the Provincial Competition



ALL 4-H MEMBERS!

The Peace 4-H Region is searching for a new LOOK! Deadline: **April 14th**
As we move into the 101st year of 4-H we are needing a new LOGO for the Peace 4-H Region. If you are creative and have a great idea for the new Logo please enter the Contest Send your submissions to: peaceregionaldays@gmail.com

Peace Regional Days 2018 – NEW DATES June 15-17, 2018 @ Valleyview Ag Grounds

Peace Region Members, get ready for the annual Peace Regional Days! The EARLY BIRD Deadline is **April 14th** this year, with the regular deadline May 15th (Watch for application and information booklet in an email) submit applications to the **Regional Office**.

PEACE REGIONAL BURSARY – Deadline May 5, 2018

Peace Regional Bursary is available to all Senior Members, the link to where they are on the website: <http://www.4h.ab.ca/regions/peace/news.html>

The bursary applications are to be sent to the Fairview Regional 4-H Office.

Peace Junior Summer Camp July 21-25, 2018 @ Camp Artaban

Peace Region Members, get ready for the Peace Junior Summer Camp! Application to ALL SUMMER CAMPS is ON-LINE starting April 1st with the DEADLINE June 1st. Payment must be submitted to the **Regional Office**.

Keep 4-Hing!
Shelly Ann

PLAN AHEAD...

Click each link for more information

Regional Council Meeting

Date: **April 14, 2018 10:00 AM**

Location: GPRC Fairview FAC 144

WHAT IS HAPPENING IN APRIL 2018

April 1

- ALL Summer Camps and Shows **EARLY BIRD** Registration Open – ON-LINE
- PEACE Junior Camp Registration Opens – ON-LINE

April 14

- PEACE Regional Meeting – Fairview College
- PEACE Regional Days Early Bird Registration **DEADLINE**

WHAT IS HAPPENING IN MAY 2018

May 4-7

- 4-H Alberta Selections – 61st Annual – Olds College

May 5

- Highway Cleanup
- PEACE Regional Bursary **DEADLINE** – Fairview 4-H Office

May 15

- Summer Program Regular Registration ON-LINE
- PEACE Regional Days Registration **DEADLINE**

WHAT IS HAPPENING IN JUNE 2018

June 1

- **ALL SUMMER PROGRAMS REGISTRATION DEADLINE**

June 15-17

- PEACE Regional Days - Valleyview

For all your District-specific events and opportunities check the calendar on the 4-H Alberta website.



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What's Happening In The Northwest Region

A huge **THANK YOU!** to the **Yellowhead and Westlock districts** for all the work in coordinating the East and West Half NW Regional Communications Competitions. **Congratulations** to all of the members who participated! Representing the NW at the provincial competitions in April will be Kyle McIntosh (Lakemere 4-H Beef), Kianna McGregor (Namao 4-H Trail Busters), Maisy Southron (Parkland 4-H Pups & Pals), and Adam Burnett (Fort Saskatchewan 4-H Beef). **Good Luck!** I'm sure you'll all do the region proud!

The **Northwest Regional 4-H Council Meeting** was held at Lillian Schick School on March 17th. Thank you to those who made the effort to attend. General council minutes have been shared, and are posted on the regional page of the 4-H website. Regional committee minutes will be shared soon. **Horse** members and leaders will need to pay close attention as some show rules and by-laws were changed. **Beef** members and leaders need to pay close attention to the discussion around record book competitions.

Record Book Competitions at the regional level: ALL books are due from the districts Sept. 1st. Current marking guides are posted to the regional page of the 4-H website, and have been sent directly to clubs.

E-transfer payments: The region has been accepting e-transfers for regional programs, since September. A couple of reminders when making these payments:

1. **Please include, in the message, which program you are paying for, as well as which members/leaders.** This is critical for our treasurer to ensure that your payment is applied in the right place.
2. The question should be "Who is the 4-H Mascot?" and the answer is "Cleaver".
3. Please send your payment to northwest4htreasurer@gmail.com. The regional office staff cannot accept these payments and they should not be sent to a personal email.

The regional **Consumer Decision Making and Multi-Species Livestock Judging competitions** will be held in **Barrhead April 21st**. Information is available on the 4-H website calendar, and has been sent to each club. There is a workshop for beginner judges as well, but space is limited. Registration **deadline** is **April 10th**.

Join us again in **Thorhild from July 5-8 for Focus on 4-H**...the 20th anniversary edition! Watch your email for news about registration. Information packages are now available on the Northwest page of the 4-H website. Registration deadline will be by May 15th!

Any members who are keen to hone their judging skills.... There is a **youth judging clinic**, being hosted by the Calgary Stampede Dairy Classic Committee, **Friday April 27th from 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm**. This workshop is **open to all youth**. Participants will have the opportunity to learn how to judge dairy heifers and how to give reasons with instruction from some of the best dairy people and judges in the industry. The clinic starts in the International Room at 5:30 pm and then move down to the Agriculture Barn; both located in the Agriculture Building at Stampede Park in Calgary. Registration forms can be found at https://ag.calgarystampede.com/upload/media_element/attachments/386/2018%20Dairy%20Classic%20Youth%20Judging%20COMPLETE.pdf

Trying to finalize your summer plans? Don't forget 4-H camp! **NW Regional Junior camp, at Camp Mackinicholea, will be Aug 15-19**. All summer camp registration is open **on-line April 1st**, with a **deadline** of **June 1st!** Payment can be made with a cheque to the region, or an e-transfer, for regional camp. Provincial program payments can be made while registering with a credit card.

Finally, a thought on the next piece of the pledge:

For my community: We are so lucky in Alberta! We have fantastic support in most communities for the 4-H program. Sponsorship! Opportunities! Facilities! All these things make it possible to run one of the best programs in the country.

Members are required to participate in at least one community service project each year. This is not just to say thank you in return, but also to emphasize the importance of everyone working together to make our communities better places to live. Without the effort of volunteers across the community so many things (including your 4-H club) simply wouldn't happen. Members learning this from a young age help to ensure our communities thrive for years ahead. Remember: community service is about offering your time and effort without receiving payment (or benefits - ie free use of the hall) in return. **4-H is stronger because of our communities, just as communities are stronger because of 4-H! 4-H on!**

PLAN AHEAD...

Click each link for more information

Regional - 4-H Fair

Date: April 07, 2018 9:00 AM

Location: Thorhild Central School - 21410 Hwy 18, Thorhild AB

Consumer Decision Making Competition and Regional Multi Species Judging Competition

Date: April 21, 2018 9:00 AM

Deadline: April 12, 2018 4:30 PM

Location: Barrhead Seniors Centre 5103 53 Ave and Barrhead AG Barn 4802 67 Ave

For all your District-specific events and opportunities check the calendar on the 4-H Alberta website.



Remember, that dates (and generally registration information) can be found on the 4-H website calendar (<http://www.4h.ab.ca/4hweb/public/calendar/calendarView>) for all the events happening in the region and province! You can filter the events you see with the checkboxes at the top of the calendar.

Remember to check out the calendar at www.4h.ab.ca for up to date district, regional, provincial and national opportunities! Many districts offer workshops throughout the club year, check out these fantastic opportunities to have a well-rounded 4-H experience!

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What's Happening In The Northeast Region

From the Desk of Shelly Ann!

April is another a busy month in the NE, with EASTER, Spring Fling, Lamb Jam, Regional Meeting and the Kirk Stierwalt Clinic and SUMMER PROGRAMS registration opens April 1st!

Thank You to Lamont & Smoky Lake Districts for Hosting the 2018 Regional Communications

Congratulations to all the speakers and presenters at the NE Regional Communication

Presentations

Juniors

Allana Homeniuk – Two Hills
Keaton Xu – Wainwright

Intermediates

Rebecca Kotowich – St. Paul
Cadence Stafford – Wainwright

Public Speaking

Juniors

Noah Jacula – Vermilion River
Amaya Myhovich – Minburn

Intermediates

Quinten Albrecht – Beaver
Olivia Elder – Vermilion River



Junior/ Intermediates
Presentation Winners



Public Speaking Winners

Seniors (Top Two qualify to represent NE at Provincial Competition)
Presentations – Rachel Sawchuk & Rebekah Sawchuk (Bonnyville)

Public Speaking – Morgan Elliott (Vermilion River) & Meagan Rudolf (Minburn)
Kailey Wirsta (St. Paul) will be representing the NE with Morgan as Meagan will be unable to attend the Provincial Competition on April 7th.

Western Canadian Judging Competition

March 9th was a great day!! Thank you to the Lakeland College and the Judging Team for hosting this event. There were over 55 individuals judging and the following Senior Members will be going to the 4-H Alberta Multi Judging Competition in August.

Matthew Trefiak (Edgerton), Taylor Pashulka (Mrynam), Riley Pashulka (Mrynam), Nick Wasylik (Vermilion Beef), Kailey Wirsta (Elk Point), Alex Wasylik (Vermilion Beef), Meagan Kowalchuk (Vegreville), Ashley Jones (Vermilion LH), and Morgan Elliott (Vermilion LH)

LAMB JAM 2018 – NEW DATE APRIL 8th, 2018 @ Vermilion Ag Grounds
Sheep and Goat Members, get ready for the annual LAMB JAM! Learn more about the Sheep Industry, nutrition, showing, and 4-H. Deadline is [April 3rd this year](#), submit applications to the **NE Regional Office**.

Kirk Stierwalt Steer and Heifer Show and Spectators

The Clinic is full but there is still room for NE members to attend the Steer and Heifer show on Sunday, April 22nd. Beef members watch for entry forms and more information in your email and on-line. Deadline is [April 3rd](#), submit applications to the **NE Regional Office**.

NE Regional Beef Heifer Show Saturday MAY 12, 2018 (Vermilion Ag Ground)

DETAILS have been sent out!! Entry Deadline is [April 27th](#)

NE Moose Lake Summer Camps

Junior Camp August 9-13th

Intermediate Camp August 13-17th

Application to ALL SUMMER CAMPS is ON-LINE starting April 1st with the DEADLINE June 1st. Payment must be submitted to the **NE Regional Office**.

Keep 4-Hing!!
Shelly Ann

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Spring Fling Camp

Date: [April 06, 2018 6:30 PM](#)

Location: St. Paul District

Lamb Jam

Date: [April 08, 2018 9:30 AM](#)

Deadline: [April 03, 2018 4:00 PM](#)

Location: Vermilion Ag. Society Sheep Barn

Regional Council Meeting

Date: [April 12, 2018 6:00 PM](#)

Location: Provincial Building, Vermilion

Stierwalt Clipping Clinic

Date: [April 22, 2018](#)

Deadline: [April 3, 2018](#)

Location: Myrnam Arena

Regional Beef Show

Start Date: [May 12, 2018 7:00 AM](#)

Deadline: [April 27, 2018 4:00 PM](#)

Location: Vermilion Ag. Society Beef Barn, VERMILION AB

WHAT IS HAPPENING IN APRIL 2018

April 1

- ◇ ALL Summer Camps and Shows **EARLY BIRD** Registration Open – ON-LINE
- ◇ MOOSE LAKE Camp Registration **EARLY BIRD** Open – ON-LINE

April 3

- ◇ Kirk Stierwalt Steer/Heifer Show & Spectator – **APPLICATION DEADLINE**
- ◇ NE Lamb Jam 2018 – **APPLICATION DEADLINE**

April 6-7

- ◇ Spring Fling (St Paul District Hosting)

April 8

- ◇ NE Lamb Jam 2018 – Vermilion Ag Grounds

April 12

- ◇ NE Regional Meeting – Vermilion Prov Building ****6 PM START****

April 20-22

- ◇ Kirk Stierwalt Clipping/Fitting Clinic (Myrnam Arena)

April 27

- ◇ NE Regional Show Entry Deadline

WHAT IS HAPPENING IN MAY 2018

May 4-7

- ◇ 4-H Alberta Selections - 61st Annual - Olds College

May 5

- ◇ Highway Cleanup

May 12

- ◇ NE Region Beef Heifer Show

May 15

- ◇ Summer Program Regular Registration ON-LINE

WHAT IS HAPPENING IN June 2018

June 1

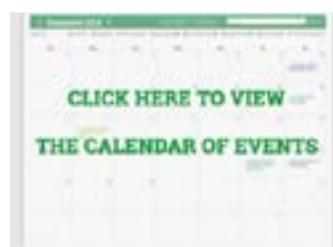
- ◇ **ALL SUMMER PROGRAMS REGISTRATION DEADLINE**

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What's Happening In The East Central Region

Flagstaff District hosted their annual **Multi Species Judging Competition** on February 19th. Congratulations to the overall winners: Junior – Wyatt Ziegler, Killam Light Horse Club; Intermediate – Kelsey Zimmer, Wavy Lake Beef Club and Senior – Kira Axley Czar Metiskow Beef Club. A shout out to the Wavy Lake Beef Club for hosting the day.

Winter Camp 2018 was a huge success! There were 80 campers who participating in a variety of sessions, from rock wall climbing to horseback riding to dance! A shout out to the senior members and alumni who lent a hand planning and working the weekend! Thank you to Terri Huxley for taking the group photo.



Over 700 4-H families and friends attended the **4-H Night at the Red Deer Rebels** on March 10th! It was a great turnout for a fantastic night of hockey!

Good luck to all of the Senior members who will be competing at Provincial Communications on April 7th at the Reynolds Alberta Museum in Wetaskiwin.

The East Central 4-H Region's **Time Capsule** was opened at Fun Day! There were a number of interesting items from the year 2000 in the Time Capsule – a club hat, club photos, beef project show catalog, Fun Day participants and a number of other interesting and historical articles. The Ambassadors will be collecting items for the rest of the 2017-18 club year. Please connect with the East Central Region Ambassadors or send the items to the 4-H office in Stettler. Won't it be fun to leave behind some mementos for the next generation of 4-H members?!

Grama Shirley's Horse Camp will be held May 18-22 at the Donalda Riding Arena. Here is the [registration form](#) for more information.

A reminder that the next **East Central Regional 4-H Council meeting** is Friday, April 13th at the Coronation Hall, Coronation. Meeting starts at 6:30 pm.

For more information about what's happening in the East Central Region
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PLAN AHEAD...

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Regional Council Meeting

Date: April 13, 2018 6:30 PM

Location: Coronation Hall, Coronation AB

Grama Shirley's Horse Camp

Start Date: May 18, 2018

Deadline: April 13, 2018

Location: Donalda Riding Arena

Multi Species Judging - Drumheller District

Date: April 22, 2018

Location: TBA

Multi Species Judging - Coronation District

Date: April 22, 2018

Location: TBA

Horse Event- Hosted by Hanna Prairie Riders 4-H Club

Start Date: May 25, 2018

Deadline: May 16, 2018

Location: Big Country Riding and Roping Club, Hanna

For all your District-specific events and opportunities check the calendar on the 4-H Alberta website.



What's Happening In The Calgary Region

Through March and April there is a lot happening with 4-H within the Calgary Region and on top of your normal project, club and district opportunities there are a number of regional opportunities as well!

Kudo's and well done to the 128 4-H'ers that participated in the **Calgary Regional Multi Judging hosted by Mountain View District.**

Official judges and reason takers were impressed with all members and their ability to judge the classes and present their reasons on those classes. Your hard work is paying off and you are developing decision making and communication skills that will help you in everyday life! Thank-



you to the organizers- the event was well run! Results will be available/announced at the April 4th Regional Council meeting.

Congratulations to those members who advanced to **Regional Communications** and **good luck** to those who will represent the Calgary Region at the provincial level on April 14th! As always, judges are impressed with the abilities of 4-H members! Thank-you to the Communications committee and volunteers for all the work that goes into planning and running the Regional Communications day.



4-H on Parade- have a read, even if your club does not attend!

Saturday Night at 4-H on Parade... coming to a location near you!

This year Saturday night will be different. We are coming to a location near you... as long as you are in the overnight parking area... and the weather permits!! Complete with **Food Trucks, Fiddlers and Games** this is a prime opportunity to come out as a club and interact with 4-H members from across the region! More information will be sent to club contacts very soon. Not attending 4-H on Parade? Come on down for this social event!

Registration deadline is **April 1!** Club contacts have been sent the appropriate documents for registration, please connect with them if you have an urgent needs.

Be sure to check out the calendar for all the upcoming events in the Calgary Region! 

Interested in honing your multi judging skills? Reviews of this event are outstanding! I encourage all 4-H'ers to check it out.

Youth Judging Clinic

Friday, April 27, 2018 - 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm. The Calgary Stampede Dairy Classic Committee is pleased to offer an enhanced youth judging workshop at this year's show. The workshop is open to all youth and is a great chance to improve your judging skills. Participants will have the opportunity to learn how to judge a class of dairy heifers and how to give reasons with instruction from some of the best dairy people and judges in the industry. This clinic will start in the International Room at 5:30 pm and then move down to the Agriculture Barn; both venues are located in the Agriculture Building at Stampede Park.

[Registration form](#) is available on the Calgary Stampede website. Look under the Agriculture page for the '2018 Dairy Classic Championship Show'

Youth and Agriculture in Action- this will be a different opportunity than in previous years. Watch for more information on this CANstruction opportunity!

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Click each link for more information

Mountain View District Invitational Female Show

Date: May 19, 2018

Deadline: April 01, 2018

Location: Cow Palace, Olds

Diary Workshop

Start Date: April 10, 2018 7:00 PM

Deadline: April 04, 2018 4:00 PM

Location: Genesis Place (ECHO ROOM)
800 East Lake Boulevard NE AIRDRIE AB

Regional Council Meeting

Date: April 04, 2018 7:00 PM

Location: Airdrie Ag Bldg, Airdrie

Regional Jr and Intermediate Fun Day

Date: April 14, 2018 10:00 AM

Location: Genesis Place 800 East Lake Boulevard NE, Airdrie

Canine Fun Day

Start Date: April 21, 2018 10:00 AM

Location: TBD

Consumer Decision Making Workshop

Date: April 22, 2018 1:00 PM

Location: Golden Rod Hall

4-H on Parade Leader Meeting

Date: April 23, 2018 7:00 PM

Location: Balzac Hall, Balzac AB

Mountain View District Invitational Female Show

Start Date: May 19, 2018 9:00 AM

Deadline: April 01, 2018 4:00 PM

Location: Cow Palace, Olds Alberta

Spring Spectacular Schooling Show

Start Date: May 27, 2018 8:00 AM

Deadline: May 18, 2018 4:00 PM

Location: Lazy S Arena (approx. 17.5 km west of Airdrie on Hwy 567)

4-H on Parade

Start Date: May 31, 2018 12:00 AM

Deadline: April 01, 2018 4:00 PM

Location: Calgary Stampede Grounds, Calgary AB

For more information about what's happening in the Calgary Region contact:

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Remember to check out the calendar at www.4h.ab.ca for up to date district, regional, provincial and national opportunities! Many districts offer workshops throughout the club year, check out these fantastic opportunities to have a well-rounded 4-H experience!

For all your District-specific events and opportunities check the calendar on the 4-H Alberta website.



What's Happening In The West Central Region

Campers and their families braved the snow for this year's edition of Winter Camp! Campers enjoyed the weekend tobogganing, making banana boats and participating in all sorts of fantastic sessions. A shout out to the 4-H senior members and alumni who helped to plan and run the weekend!



Over 700 4-H families and friends attended the **4-H Night at the Red Deer Rebels** on March 10th! It was a great turnout for a fantastic night of hockey!

The West Central Regional Multi Species Judging and Consumer Decision Making competition is scheduled for **Saturday, April 14th** at the **Bashaw Ag Grounds**. A reminder that the [registration](#) deadline is April 1st. Members will have an opportunity to judge different livestock classes along with a class of jeans and breakfast cereals. Looking forward to seeing everyone at Judging!

Congratulations to Matthew Salsbury, Central Lacombe Beef Club and Julie Sharp, East Lacombe Beef Club! Matthew and Julie will represent West Central 4-H Region at **Provincial Communications**. Good luck to the senior members who will be speaking at Provincial Communications on April 7th at the Reynolds Alberta Museum in Wetaskiwin.

The **Horse Marketing Clinic** is scheduled for Sunday, April 8th in Ponoka. The workshop is open to all equine 4-H members who would like to learn more about marketing their equine project animals. A reminder that the [registration](#) deadline is March 29th.

The **West Central Regional Horse Sale** is scheduled for June 23 in Delburne. [Terms and conditions](#) are available on the 4-H website.

Grama Shirley's Horse Camp will be held May 18-22 at the Donalda Riding Arena.

West Central Regional 4-H Centennial Cookbooks are still available! These would make great communication judge's gifts or year-end. Cost is \$20. To purchase, please contact Sherry Wardley at wardleym@xplornet.com.

A reminder that the next **West Central Regional 4-H Council meeting** is Wednesday, April 11th at the Lacombe Memorial Centre, Lacombe. Meeting starts at 7 pm.

For more information about what's happening in the West Central Region
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PLAN AHEAD...

Click each link for more information

Horse Marketing Clinic

Date: April 08, 2018 9:00 AM

Location: Hudson's Green Community Activity Center, 6210 61 St Ponoka AB

Regional Council Meeting

Date: April 11, 2018 7:00 PM

Location: Lacombe Memorial Center - 5214 - 50 Ave, Lacombe

Multi Species Judging and Consumer Decision Making

Date: April 14, 2018 9:00 AM

Deadline: April 01, 2018

Location: Bashaw Ag Society (Bashaw is off Hwy 21)

Light Horse Committee Meeting

Date: April 24, 2018 7:30 PM

Location: Kozy Korner (5024 53 St), Lacombe

Grama Shirley's Horse Camp

Start Date: May 18, 2018

Deadline: April 13, 2018

Location: Donalda Riding Arena

Shadow Riders Pre-Regional Fun Show

Start Date: May 27, 2018

Deadline: May 15, 2018

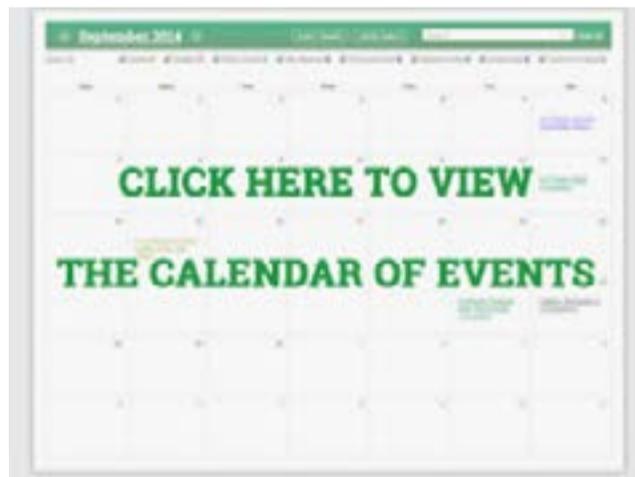
Location: Benalto Ag Grounds, Benalto AB

Regional 4-H Horse Show

Start Date: May 31, 2018

Location: Western Park, Red Deer AB

For all your District-specific events and opportunities check the calendar on the 4-H Alberta website.





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Cleaver Kids

Thank you to all those who joined the second Cleaver Kids webinar! The webinar focused on the 4 areas of skill development. Please find a few of the activities that were shared on the webinar.



Developing new friendships:

- Put all Cleaver Kids, Members, Parents, and Leaders names in a hat. MIX THEM UP!
- Have each individual draw a name!
- Then take 5-10 minutes to find that person who's name was drawn, introduce themselves.
- Options: give hints on what to tell their new friend i.e birthdate, dogs name, etc
- The partners could develop a SIMPLE secret handshake as a greeting.
- With large clubs this can be done at each meeting .

Creating belonging to the club and the community:



4-H Clubs are made up of many ages. Cleaver Kids can do a fun craft project to showcase their club. Have each Cleaver Kid select 3 people from their club. They can all be Members, fellow Cleaver Kids, Parents or Leaders. One at a time they will place a green hand print on a canvas. They may vary in size. The Cleaver Kids then can write Head, Heart, Health and Hands, their club name, name of the people that they used etc. These can be used for gifts, achievement day displays etc.



You will need green washable paint, paper plate to put the paint on, a canvas or thick piece of paper, black paint(or color of your choice) and paint brushes. You also may want access to water or wipes for clean up. Supplies can be purchased at a dollar store.

Listening Skill and Ability to Express themselves:

Write a story or just say it! Cleaver Kids are full of interesting stories and fun ideas. Help them build their listening skill and provide an opportunity for them to express themselves through a story. Write 5-10 beginnings to a sentence, for example: The farmer went to the field and..... Have the Cleaver Kids complete the sentence. You can continue with the same beginning to develop a story or draw a new topic for each participant.



Set Goal, Track Progress and Celebrate Success:

For this age group, goals are simple and can be few in number. What's important is that the goals that are set are appropriate and achievable for the age group, and that they are flexible enough for every child's unique needs and abilities.



Tracking progress for Cleaver Kids is not necessarily formal or rigid, it is simply a way for leaders and parents to make sure that the group is on their way to attaining goals, developing skills, and having a successful and fun year. Keep your goals simple! For example: 1. Make a project to display, 2. Go on a tour, 3. Meet a new friend, 4. Have FUN! you can incorporate the skill developments in each activity and focus on your goals throughout the year.

NEXT WEBINAR:

You can now register for the next webinar! April 17, 2018 at 7 pm. The next webinar topic is: How to use Cleaver Kids Resources that are available. . You only need your computer with sound and internet connection. It's FREE! To register click this link:

https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Hmouq_loSqiW3xPeMbyu8Q

PLEASE NOTE: your club have received all Cleaver Kids resources via Canada Post or Courier. If you have not please contact 4-H Council of Alberta.

If you have any questions please contact: Susann Stone at susann.stone@4hab.com or 780.898.4223.

4-H Alberta Store



Product feature of the month! Stay hydrated with the great quality double walled Debco water bottle! The water bottles are durable and are white with the 4-H logo on them! Retail price is \$18.00 which is very competitive to retail stores for similar products. How do you get it? 1. Place your order via phone or email 2. Orders will be shipped on Wednesdays. Note you can save shipping if you arrange for pick up at the Alberta 4-H Centre with advance notice. Visit other great 4-H Alberta logoed products at www.4h.ab.ca or call 1.877.682.2244

thank you!!

for doing so much more than pledging your hands to larger service. Our 4-H Alberta Leaders are the lifeblood of the program and without all of you actually putting your hands to work to screen and serve as leaders, there would be no program!

Remember to forward your police checks! If you called and reported a delay due to fingerprinting, remember to forward your police check as soon as you receive it. Extensions granted for this or any other, pre-approved reason are not indefinite. Do not delay! Send it in today!



Only screened leaders may work with Members, Cleaver Kids or in other positions of trust within the 4-H Alberta program. Until all the components of screening are completed, even elected leaders are considered to be volunteers. To attain full leader status, screening is one of the items that must be completed. Volunteers may also assist and, in these instances, a screened leader must be present at all times. Volunteers also play an important role but it is different than that of Leader. You can find detailed definitions of the roles of Leader and Volunteer at www.4h.ab.ca.

4-H Alberta Leaders complete leader screening to help ensure a safe environment for delivering learning opportunities and mentorship for 4-H Members and Cleaver Kids. Screening also helps us to ensure that the 4-H program as a whole provides a safe an environment for all 4-H Alberta participants.

For more information, call 1.877.682.2244 or 780.898.3037 or email leaderscreening@4hab.com.

Happy Spring! ... Enjoy the joys and fun and melting and mud and snow and sun of Alberta in springtime!



Foundation News & Opportunities

4-H Alberta Scholarships

The 2018 4-H Alberta Scholarship online application is open as of March 1, 2018, closing on **May 15, 2018 at 3:00 pm**. When completing the application, please carefully read the instructions as the application has changed from years past. To access the application, click on the following link: <https://registration.4hab.com/Login.aspx>

Please feel free to contact Bianca von Nagy at scholarship@4hab.com if you have any questions.

The Elmer and Ona Hansen Memorial Scholarship

For the past months, we have indicated exciting updates in regards to the Elmer and Ona Hansen Memorial Fund Scholarship structure and award monies. The 4-H Foundation of Alberta is pleased and proud to announce the following:

Since 2008, the Elmer and Ona Hansen Memorial Fund Scholarship has awarded multiple \$2,000 scholarships each year in honour of Elmer and Ona.

Thanks to the generosity, leadership, and passion of those incredible 4-H enthusiasts, the 4-H Foundation will now be able to award its biggest scholarship yet.

Starting in 2018, the 4-H Foundation of Alberta will award ten (10) Elmer and Ona Hansen Memorial Fund Scholarships, worth a total of \$80,000! The scholarships will be awarded as follows:

- First place will receive a \$20,000 scholarship;
- Second place will receive a \$15,000 scholarship;
- Third place will receive a \$10,000 scholarship; and
- Fourth to tenth place will receive seven (7) scholarships at \$5,000 each.

We are thrilled, honoured, and proud to continue the Hansen/ Ness Legacy in such a meaningful way!

The application will be posted on the 4-H Alberta website on May 1, 2018. The following rules and criteria apply:

- Applicants must complete and submit the application, as posted on the 4-H Alberta website (starting May 1, 2018), no later than June 30, 2018
- Applicants must be Alberta rural farm young persons
- Applicants must be enrolled as first year students at an acknowledged post-secondary institution and not have previously started or completed a post-secondary program
- Applicants must have graduated from high school and be no older than 25 years of age
- Applicants must need to leave home to pursue a post-secondary education or trade
- This grant is open to all rural farm youth and 4-H experience is not mandatory to qualify for this award

If you meet these criteria, you are encouraged to start your application come May 1, 2018 and to submit it no later than June 30, 2018.

You are welcome to forward this information to a youth who matches the criteria outlined above and may not have received this information because he/ she is not a 4-H member.

Please feel free to contact Bianca von Nagy at scholarship@4hab.com if you do have any questions.

Fundraisers

Click [Here](#) to see information on Calahoo Meats, Phil's Fudge, Meadowbrook Greenhouse and My Deals Discount Card Fundraisers! Email fundraisers@4hab.com to see what is available!

Ivomec BoxBack Program

We have been advised by 4-H Canada that the Ivomec BoxBack program has been discontinued. The 4-H Foundation of Alberta will continue to look for additional fundraisers to help clubs support their projects and events.

Thank You Sponsors Emerald Clover Sponsors



Explore World Food Sustainability with Journey 2050

Journey 2050, a virtual simulation that explores world food sustainable encourages youth to experience agriculture like it's never been taught before. In this virtual farm simulation, youth make inquiry-based decisions to see the ripple effect on social, economic and environmental factors locally and globally. Participants can explore careers in agriculture and learn more about land use around the world. Leaders can register online for this free program to access step-by-step lesson plans, animated videos, interactive games, agriculture news, answer keys and much more. Visit www.Journey2050.com to learn more.

Spring is in the Air!

It's that time of year again, when 4-H members, clubs and volunteers help to clean up the 4-H Centre site during the FortisAlberta Work Bee Weekend! The FortisAlberta Work Bee Weekend will be held May 4-6, 2018.

Come out and join us for site clean-up, games, team-building activities and more! Meet some new friends and reconnect with old ones. Enjoy fellowship and great food, while helping to prepare the 4-H Centre for another great year of hosting a variety of exciting provincial 4-H programs!

Any club or volunteers interested in registering can contact Meredith Kruger, 4-H Foundation of Alberta, 1.877.682.2153 or email: centre@4hab.com.

Alberta 4-H Centre

RR1 Westeros, Alberta, T0C 2V0
Bookings: 1-877-682-2153 or centre@4hab.com





4-H ALBERTA STORE

The 4-H Foundation of Alberta has led the charge of branding items with the recognizable 4-H Clover and providing merchandise for sale since the 90's. Thank you to all the Foundation Staff and Directors for their dedicated time to this service over the years.

Transitioning the management of merchandise will bring changes to how this service is administered. Please take note of these changes effective February 1, 2018.

- To purchase 4-H Alberta merchandise NOW contact:
4-H Council of Alberta Phone: 1.877.682.2244 or 780.682.2648
- Order payments and shipping will be only be processed on Wednesdays each week - Please don't delay if you require merchandise by a certain date.
- For February 2018, items will be in limited quantities only.
- New items or sales will be added each month - Visit www.4h.ab.ca for the most current catalogue.
- We will accept cash, cheques, Visa, MasterCard.
- No order will be processed without payment.
- Shipping costs will apply to all orders being sent by Canada Post and are subject to change, based on size and weight of the order. Please note: no orders will be sent through Government Courier services.
- Arrangements can be made to pick up merchandise at the Alberta 4-H Centre, Council/Foundation office with prior notice. If you are attending an event at the Alberta 4-H Centre, please pre-order items for pick up. Same day, walk in orders are not available at this time.

Don't forget that deals on **4-H Alberta Centennial Merchandise** are still available for larger quantities purchased. This is perfect for club prizes or gifts! T-shirts, caps, USB wrist bands, paintings and cards are available!

Pheasants

4-H Pheasant members and leaders in the Peace will have a new Alberta Conservation Association staff person to work with, in the area! Please join me in welcoming:



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Northwest Boreal Region
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e-mail ken.wright@ab-conservation.com

More information will be coming to ALL Pheasant members and leaders shortly via email with updates as we approach the arrival of the 2018 chicks!

Youth Advisory Committee Update

By: Cassidy Barnert, Alberta Representative

June started off with 4-H on Parade at the Stampede Grounds. On Thursday night, I volunteered as a multi-judging judge and listened to over 50 seniors give their reasons. Saturday and Sunday were spent at the dog show as I am a member of the organizing committee and had 5 members from my club participating.

A week later, I flew to Tucson Arizona to participate in the Careers on the Grow experience at the Tucson Village Farm. During our first week in Arizona we worked on the farm doing daily chores, silk screening T-shirts, and prepping for Adventure camp! For our second week, we were staff members at Adventure Camp. This experience motivated and inspired me to think about the connection between my degree and future career options.

To continue reading click [here](#).

Connect with 4-H Alberta on Social Media



Ribbons

As of March 1, 2018 4-H Alberta will no longer be distributing ribbons this show season. If you require a supplier orders can be placed with Pinz Plus of Lacombe. For more information contact info@pinzplus.com.

Show Numbers

It is now easy to create your own show numbers! A fillable show number template is available on the 4-H Alberta website.

Ear Tags

As of March 1, 2018, 4-H Alberta will no longer be distributing ear tags.