



## **4-H Council of Alberta Update**

**Fall 2015**

### **Golden Clover Award**

Nominate an outstanding initiative, individual(s) or 4-H supporter for the 2016 Golden Clover award today! Deadline November 15. The applications can be found online or emailing [council@4hab.com](mailto:council@4hab.com)

### **Cleaver Kids**

MARK YOUR CALENDARS for the Cleaver Kids Leader Training December 5, 2015 at the Alberta 4-H Centre. This will be a fun filled day and that will assist you with incorporating Cleaver kids in your club and progression planning. Each participant will take home activities and a great network of other Cleaver Kids Leaders. Registration forms and more information can be found on [www.4h.ab.ca](http://www.4h.ab.ca) or by contacting Council. Deadline November 15, 2015.

Cleaver Kids Leader Guide can be found on [www.4h.ab.ca](http://www.4h.ab.ca) and three items for Cleaver Kids can be ordered through the club supplies instead of direct mail out to Cleaver Kids Leaders this year. Clubs can order Cleaver Kids cards, progress folders, yearend pennants/silver seals for registered Cleaver Kids.

If your club, district or Region requires assistance please contact council to answer questions or to provide an information session.

### **New 4-H Logo**

It is great to see the refreshed 4-H logo being used and embraced by clubs, districts, regions, members and leaders!

The 4-H clover is so much more than just a logo. It represents the unique and distinct experience you have when interacting with 4-H. Strengthening and aligning the 4-H brand across Canada will help us more clearly define and articulate our role as Canadian leaders in positive youth development. But more importantly, it will support us in maintaining relevance with today's youth. For more information on the Brand and the interactive Logo Generator go to.. <http://www.4-h-canada.ca/brand> Keep Sharing!

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## **Leader Screening**

If you are elected as a leader (in any capacity or level) please ensure your screening is up to date and/or complete. You will need your username and password and a few minutes of your time to complete the process. Step by step screening instructions will be emailed to you upon registration. A learning tutorial can be found on [www.4h.ab.ca](http://www.4h.ab.ca) .

Reminder: December 15, 2015 is the deadline to complete the online application, have references submitted and send in a criminal record check. Only those who are in a position of trust (leadership role) are to be registered in the online system. Volunteers can be documented in club minutes.

We have heard your concerns and worked very hard to address those issues. We had the opportunity to work directly with the development company to address issues and implement improvements. We also have one individual dedicated to the task of Leader Screening. The Leader Screening advocate committee will be having a conference call over the next few weeks. The names that were sent forward in the last club year from the regions will be used, unless there have been changes.

Need more help? The 4-H Council of Alberta encourages leaders to call in order to be walked through the online process, check your status, and get clarification and assistance. Encourage leaders to use their username and password to check their screening status. We have strived to make this process easier for you to complete and we appreciate any feedback or concerns that you wish to offer. The Leader Screening Coordinator office hours are Wednesday and Thursdays and can be reached at 780-898-3037(Cell), [leaderscreening@4hab.com](mailto:leaderscreening@4hab.com) or 1-877-682-2244.

## **4-H Alberta Policy Changes**

Please review the policy updates that have been implemented. Policies have been reordered and updated.

## **Insurance, accident incident reports**

Cleaver Kids, members, leaders and volunteers are covered by 4-H insurance through the Cleaver Kids registration fee and the 4-H Council of Alberta fee. As a reminder please report every incident or accident big or small by completing the report form and sending to the 4-H Council of Alberta. The report form can be found on the downloads section on [www.4h.ab.ca](http://www.4h.ab.ca). Be sure to document your 4-H events and or activity details in club, district and or regional

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minutes along with who participated. All 4-H events require a registered screened leader present. Please contact 4-H Council of Alberta for your insurance questions or visit the 4-H webpage or the Councils web page for frequently asked questions.

### **Fee Reminder**

As a review of the updated fee schedule for the 4-H Council of Alberta communicated March 2014

2015-2016 - \$25 per Member

2016-2017 - \$30 per Member

### **Financial Statement**

Attached is the 4-H Council of Alberta Audited Financial Statement. Please forward any questions on to us.

### **Regional Gathering 2016**

A reminder for Regional Executive to plan to attend the Regional Gathering 2016 at the Alberta 4-H Centre in March 2016. Watch for dates.

**Best of luck in your 4-H year!**

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