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CLOVERLEAF
Your Source for 4-H News and Events

June 2024

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County Council
Meeting
Tuesday
June 18th
7:00 pm

Join us for a food
challenge cook off

Council officers meet
@ 6:30 pm

Dear 4-Her's, Parents, and Leaders,

School is out and summer is here! YAY!

We would like to congratulate the graduating 4-H members: Alfredo, Braden, Caitlynn, Caleb, Elsie, Emrie, Hunter, James, Karlyn, Kylyn, Laurelen. We are so proud of all of your accomplishments and wish you the best on your next adventure in life!

Summer is a very busy and fun time in the 4-H world with judging contests, preparation for fairs and much more. Congratulations to all who participated in County Contest last month. You can see the results starting on page 5. Now it's time to practice and prepare for District and State 4-H Conference competitions. Dates and times for practices are listed in this newsletter so mark your calendars as we love seeing everyone show up and participate. **District Contest is June 17th-19th in Lovington!** A tentative contest schedule is included in the newsletter on page 4. We hope to have a lot of participation. State 4-H Conference is back in Las Cruces, July 8th-11th. registration is Due Monday, June 3rd.

For those of you who have 4-H livestock that need to be weighed, please call and make arrangements with an Agent.

PLEASE NOTE: Inside Exhibit forms AND Livestock entry forms are **DUE Monday, July 1st** by 4:30 pm in the Extension Office.

Make sure you attend your club meetings as it is required that members be in good standing with the club in order to participate in fairs!

Make sure to read the newsletter and mark your calendars with dates and deadlines!

If you have any questions, please let us know!

~ Tamara and Drew



MANDATORY
TAGGING & INSPECTION
for ALL County & State Fairs



Lambs, Swine, Meat/Dairy Goats, & Dairy Heifers

Last One!!!!

@ ENMSF - Enter Poe Gate

Saturday, June 1st; 8am-Noon

Please make sure to bring your animals on one of these days!



Chaves County 4-H CLOVERBUDS



Clover Crafts June 2024

Project Meeting Months!

February
April
June
August
October
December



Questions?
Please call,
575-622-3210

The Chaves County 4-H Cloverbuds allow 5-8 year olds to participate in their own projects! We do activities associated with the 4-H Cloverbud projects & other fun learning activities!

4-H Cloverbud Participation

PURPOSE OF THE CLOVERBUD PROGRAM:

The overall purpose of the 4-H Cloverbud program is to foster the development of life skills that are essential for the cognitive, social, emotional, and physical maturation of kindergarten through 2nd graders by providing a unique educational opportunity. Children in these grades are a distinct audience for 4-H, with unique learning characteristics and developmental needs that are different from older children and youth served through 4-H membership. As a result, the 4-H Cloverbuds program is designed with specific educational objectives and program policies focused on the kindergarten-2nd grade child.

Reminder: Cloverbuds in Chaves County have their own age appropriate projects in which they are enrolled. Chaves County Cloverbuds meet every other month to develop life skills and complete their projects during county club meetings, where 4-H project workshops (sewing, leathercraft, dog, shooting sports, etc.) are scheduled for traditional members (those who are 8 and in the 3rd grade or 9 to 18.) The Cloverbud program is a great opportunity and makes it easier for our Cloverbuds to transition into becoming a traditional 4-H member.

The Little Books Little Cooks program is specifically for Cloverbuds and their friends (don't have to be enrolled to participate).

Save the Date and plan to join us Saturday June 29th at 11:30 am for some literacy and food fun.

Please RSVP by June 21st.

Cloverbuds...

Cloverbuds meet in conjunction with our regularly scheduled 4-H club meetings. Choose a club from the back of the newsletter, that works with your family's schedule and/or has friends/family, to attend once a month.

Attend meetings monthly or just during the even months when Cloverbuds breakout and have their own project meeting!

Other opportunities with parent participation:

- 4-H Day at the Library
- Don't forget to be working on those projects for Fair. Check out page 27 in the fairbook.

GENERAL INFORMATION



HA HA HA

Mark the Calendar!



Laugh of the Month
What animal has more lives than a cat?
Frogs because they croak every day!



Who's reading their newsletter?

Each month there will be a hidden clover with 2-C's, for Chaves County, in the middle.

Find the clover, call the Ext. Office and reveal your answer. The **first 5 people** to call the office with the correct answer will be put into a drawing for a special prize.

County Fair Clean-Up

Saturday, July 13th

County Fair Inside Entries Due

Friday, July 19th

County Fair Horse Show

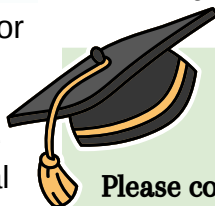
Saturday, July 20th

Chaves County 4-H & FFA Fair

July 19th-26, 2024



Scholarships



Please contact the office for full details or check out the Scholarship Notebook located in the reception area. Notebook is being updated weekly.

The Scholarship Notebook contains information on a variety of scholarships for high school seniors involved in Chaves County 4-H and FFA. Now is the time to start filling out applications.



**Congratulations to those who spotted May's clover! This month's winner is...
Kymber Boggs**

The May Clover was located on page 6

Who can spot this month's?



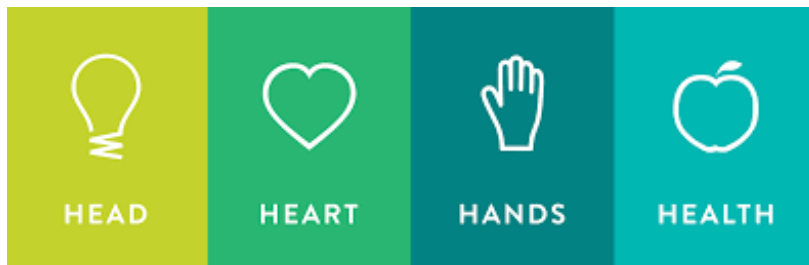
Chaves County 4-H Attendance

The Ext. Office is continuing to keep track of attendance based on club sign-in sheets.

In order for members to participate in the 4-H events (State Shoot, District Contest, State Conference, County Fair etc.) they will need to be active in their club meetings and activities.

Club leaders will be signing off on member eligibility to attend these events so make sure you attend your meetings.

If you have any questions please contact Tamara at the Ext. Office (575-622-3210).



RECORD BOOKS: ITS OKAY TO START NOW

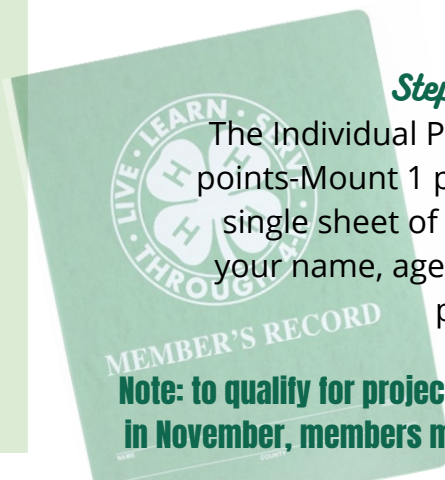
Although Record Books are not due until this fall, its never to early to start working on them. Each month we will give a few tips to get you started and look for workshops coming this fall. All forms are available on the county website.

Step/Tip: 2

The Individual Photo Page is worth 5 points-Mount 1 photo of yourself on a single sheet of paper. Print or type your name, age, and club below the photo



Note: to qualify for project completion pins at the awards program in November, members must turn in a record book by November 1





EVENTS AND DEADLINES



day at the



Come Explore Interior Design!!!!

Roswell: See you in August

Hagerman: Wednesday, June 19th @ 10:00am

Supplies will be provided

Open to ALL youth ages 5-18, so bring your friends! Do not have to be enrolled to participate!



Summer Dance

Date: Saturday June 8, 2024 8:00-11:00pm
ENMSF- Farm & Livestock Bureau Building



Time	Refreshments	Door/Chaperones
8:00-9:00	Valley Rascals/ Spurring	LB/OC & Wiley Draw
9:00-10:00	Berrendo	Barn Buddies
10:00-11:00	Diamond H	Shepherd's Flock
Clean Up	Rustic Arrows	Kountry Kids

Southeast District 4-H Contest

Open to Novice and Juniors Qualifying at County Contest

June 17th-19th, 2024
Lea County-Lovington/Hobbs, NM

Monday, June 17th

9 am - 2 pm	Open Contests- Agronomy, Entomology, Wildlife, Horticulture FCS Skill-A-Thon
Closed Contests	
8 am	Livestock Judging
9 am	Clothing Revue Construction Judging
9 am	Favorite Foods
12:30 pm	Clothing Revue Appearance Judging
2:30 pm	Parliamentary Procedure
4 pm	FCS Bowl
4 pm	Horse Bowl
6 pm	Dinner and Awards

Tuesday, June 18th

7 am - 10 am	Open Contests Meats ID Livestock Skill- A-Thon
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Tuesday, June 18th (cont.)

Closed Contests	
8 am- 11:30 am	Horse Judging
8:30 am - 10:30 am	Presentations
9:00 am - 11:30 am	Consumer Decision Making
9:30 am - 10:30 am	Public Speaking
10:30 am - 11:30 am	Poetry
11:30 am	Practice Clothing Revue
12:00 pm	Lunch
1:00 pm	Clothing Revue and Awards

Wednesday, June 19th

All Shooting Sports will be held at the Hobbs Range	
** Food Trucks will be on-site	
7 am - 12 pm	Shooting Sports Testing
7 am - 1 pm	Rifle (flights will be scheduled)
7 am - 1 pm	Archery (fights will be scheduled)
7 am - 12 pm	Shotgun (open contest)
11 am - 2 pm	Air Rifle Shooting (open contest)
5 pm	Awards Program

Contest

Contest Practice Dates

CDM

June 7th and 21st 3:00-4:00; Ext. Auditorium

FCS Bowl

June 7th and 21st 4:00- 4:30pm, Ext. Auditorium

FCS Skill-a-thon

June 7th and 21st; 4:30-5:00pm Ext Auditorium

Horticulture

June 5th and 12th; 4pm-5pm; Ext Auditorium

Horse/Horse Bowl/Hippology

June 3rd, 13th, 17th, and 20th; 5-6 pm; Ext Auditorium



EVENTS AND DEADLINES



.22 pistol

- Seniors
 1. Jace Williams
 2. Sierra Ervin
 3. Caitlin Campbell

.22 Rifle

- Novice
 1. Skylar Ervin
 2. Jackson Williams
 3. Emmett Pirtle
 4. Noah Flamme
 5. Jonathan Forrest

- Juniors
 1. Bohdi Smith
 2. Tuff Champion
 3. Josie Pirtle

- Seniors
 1. Caden Brink
 2. James Forrest
 3. Jace Williams
 4. Kymber Boggs
 5. Janice Forrest

Air Pistol

- Seniors
 1. Caden Brink
 2. Cooper Campbell
 3. Caleigh Scott
 4. Caitlin Campbell

Air Rifle

- Seniors
 1. Caden Brink
 2. JR Grinder
 3. Levi Therrien
 4. James Forrest
 5. Cooper Campbell

Agronomy

- Novice
 1. Jonathan Forrest
 2. Emmett Pirtle

- Juniors
 1. Josie Pirtle

- Seniors
 1. Rowdy Gray
 2. Luke Gray
 3. James Forrest
 4. Janice Forrest
 5. Grady Moss

Consumer Decision

- Novice
 1. Steven McIntire
 2. Emmett Pirtle

- Juniors
 1. Josie Pirtle
 2. Penelope Roebuck
 3. Mazie Pirtle

- Seniors
 1. Molly Pirtle
 2. Janice Forrest

Fashion Revue

- Cloverbuds
 • Sarai Gonzalez
 • Emma Boggs

Sewing 1: Totes

- Novice
 1. Melany Gonzalez
 2. Emmett Pirtle
 3. Steven McIntire

Sewing II: Apron

- Novice
 1. Carlotte Fox
 2. Kathryn Hicks
 3. Riley Anne Bell

- Seniors
 1. Kymber Boggs

Sewing II: Shirt

- Novice
 1. Carlotte Fox

Sewing II: Pants

- Novice
 1. Carlotte Fox
 2. Madeline Dubay

- Juniors
 1. Penelope Roebuck
- Mix and Match I

- Juniors
 1. Josie Pirtle

Mix and Match II

- Juniors
 1. Mazie Pirtle

- Seniors
 1. Molly Pirtle

Creative Touches

- Seniors
 1. Janice Forrest

Quilt

- Senior
 1. Kymber Boggs

Entomology

- Novice
 1. Riley Ann Bell
 2. Jonathan Forrest

- Seniors
 1. Caitlynn Trammell
 2. Janice Forrest

FCS Bowl

- Cloverbud
 • Sarai Gonzalez

- Novice
 1. Riley Anne Bell
 2. Steven McIntire
 3. Nathaniel McIntire
 4. Emmett Pirtle
 5. Jonathan Forrest

- Juniors
 1. Mazie Pirtle
 2. Penelope Roebuck
 3. Josie Pirtle

- Seniors
 1. Molly Pirtle
 2. Janice Forrest

Presentations

- Juniors
 1. Jessie Hale

FCS Skill A Thon

- Cloverbuds
 • Cassidy Adams
 • Faye Adams

- Novice
 1. Emmett Pirtle
 2. Riley Anne Bell
 3. Melany Gonzalez
 4. Steven McIntire

- Juniors
 1. Josie Pirtle
 2. Mazie Pirtle
 3. Savannah Trammell
 4. Penelope Roebuck

- Seniors
 1. Molly Pirtle
 2. Caysie Wood
 3. Janice Forrest
 4. James Adams
 5. Owen Adams

Favorite Foods

- Cloverbud
 • Faye Adams
 • Blake Heimark

- Novice
 1. Emmett Pirtle
 2. Nathaniel McIntire

- Juniors
 1. Charlie Heimark
 2. Josie Pirtle

- Seniors
 1. Molly Pirtle
 2. James Adams

Horticulture

- Cloverbud
 • Sarai Gonzalez

- Novice
 1. Emmett Pirtle
 2. Melany Gonzalez
 3. Riley Anne Bell
 4. Jonathan Forrest
 5. Lewis Roebuck

- Juniors
 1. Mazie Pirtle
 2. Penelope Roebuck
 3. Josie Pirtle
 4. Savannah Trammell
 5. Charlie Heimark

- Seniors
 1. Cally Wood
 2. Rowdy Gray
 3. James Forrest
 4. Luke Gray
 5. Molly Pirtle

Hippology

- Seniors
 1. Molly Pirtle
 2. Bailey Swinney
 3. Makenzie Kormendy
 4. Caysie Wood
 5. Dub Swinney

Horse Judging

- Seniors
 1. Caysie Wood
 2. Shayla Rodgers
 3. Riley Rodgers

Livestock Skill A Thon

- Novice
 1. Emmett Pirtle

- Juniors
 1. Josie Pirtle
 2. Mazie Pirtle

- Seniors
 1. Caysie Wood
 2. Bailey Swinney
 3. Luke Gray
 4. James Forrest

Livestock Judging

- Seniors
 1. Riley Rodgers
 2. Shayla Rodgers
 3. Caden Brink
 4. Mackenzi Bayes
 5. Grady Moss

Meats

- Seniors
 1. Wyatt Curry
 2. Rowdy Gray

Muzzleloading

- Seniors
 1. Raynen Melton
 2. Wyatt Curry
 3. Cooper Campbell
 4. JR Grinder
 5. Caleigh Scott

Poetry

- Novice
 1. Madeline Dubay
 2. Maverick Roebuck
 3. Lewis Roebuck
 4. Emmett Pirtle

- Juniors
 1. Penelope Roebuck
 2. Josie Pirtle

- Seniors- Talent
 1. Molly Pirtle

Shotgun

- Novice
 1. Jackson Williams
 2. Noah Flamme
 3. Skylar Ervin
 4. Bronx Champion

- Juniors
 1. Tuff Champion
 2. Hunter Therrien
 3. Cutter Adams

- Seniors
 1. Raynen Melton
 2. Levi Therrien
 3. Kase Taylor
 4. Sierra Ervin
 5. Caden Brink

Wildlife

- Novice
 1. Emmett Pirtle
 2. Riley Anne Bell

- Juniors
 1. Josie Pirtle
 2. Charlie Heimark

- Seniors
 1. Rowdy Gray

COUNTY CONTEST RESULTS



PROJECT WORKDAYS



Chaves County 4-H Project Workshops are for enrolled 4-H members. If you have friends/family wishing to participate, please have them enroll in our program first!

JUNE

CERAMICS WORKSHOP

June 6th, 13th, 20th
3:00pm

\$15

De Colores Studio

2105 W. Berrendo Road

Come join us and learn to pour molds, clean, and fire your own pieces.

WELDING WORKSHOPS

June 25th-27th

Roswell High School Ag Shop

9am- Noon

\$5

What to bring:

Name Plate (6"x12"x1/4" or 3/16")

Silhouette's (1/4" thick metal)

Clover: 12"x12"x1/4" or 3/16"

What to Wear:

Closed toe shoes (preferably leather; no tennis shoes)

Jeans with no rips/tears or fraying at the bottom

SMALL ENGINES

June 28th and 29th

9am- 1 pm

with ENMU-Roswell

Automotive and Welding Technology

78 University Blvd - Building #11 AWTC

Please RSVP to the Extension office by

06/24/2024 if you plan to attend.

more details to come..... stay tuned



Leathercraft Workshops

Join Justin and friends for Leathercraft workshops

4:00-5:00pm @ the Extension Office

Leather II and Ad: Monday, June 3rd

Leather I: Thursday, June 6th

You will need to bring:

- \$15 to buy Exhibit Board Kit (Kit includes all leather and articles needed to complete Leather II Exhibit Board)

What you will need to finish the project:

- 12"x 18"x 1/8" or 1/4" piece of peg board (Don't need at 1st workshop)

Afternoon with an Agent

Summer Project days are here- If youth will be spending the afternoon with us, please feel free to send a snack. Youth are not required to stay the whole time but are welcome to.

Friday June 7th- 1pm-5pm

Origami, Consumer Decision and FCS Bowl/skill a thon Practice

Friday June 21st 1pm-5pm

NM Education, Consumer Decision, and FCS Bowl/skill a thon Practice

More details under individual topics

NM Education Workshops

Friday June 21, 2024

1-3:00pm @ the Extension Office

Come join us for crafts and learning from Uniquely NM.

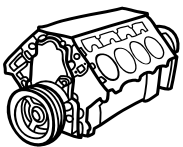
- Sand Art: bring 6"x6" or 12"x12" board
- Corn Husk Dolls: Supplies provided
- Pinatas: Bring several cardboard boxes

ORIGAMI WORKSHOPS

Friday June 7, 2024

1:00-3:00 pm; Ext. Office

Come join Tamara and Friends and discover the art of folding paper. Supplies provided





LIVESTOCK UPDATES



If you have any questions, please call the Ext. Office at 575-622-3210	2024 Livestock Deadlines				
	Chaves County 4-H & FFA Fair July 19-27	NM State Fair Sept. 5-15			Eastern NM State Fair Oct. 2024
	Ownership Deadline	Ownership Deadline	DNA Due	Entry Deadline	Ownership Deadline
Market Steers	April 1	May 1	June 15	Aug. 1	May 1
Breeding Heifers	April 1	May 1	N/A	Aug. 1	May 1
Market Swine	June 1	June 15	June 15	Aug. 1	June 30
Market Lamb	June 1	June 15	June 15	Aug. 1	June 30
Dairy Heifer	June 1	June 15	June 15	Aug. 1	June 30
Market Goat	June 1	June 15	June 15	Aug. 1	June 30

In order for livestock to be tagged: Please make sure to have your enrollment completed & make sure you have enrolled in the livestock projects you plan to show.

ALL livestock MUST be tagged at one of the dates listed. A tag is needed for any and all fairs (County, State, Eastern, etc.).

NO livestock will be tagged after June 30th.



MANDATORY TAGGING & INSPECTION
for ALL County & State Fairs



Lambs, Swine, Meat/Dairy Goats, & Dairy Heifers



LAST ONE!!!!

@ ENMSF - Enter Poe Gate
Saturday, June 1st; 8am-Noon



- June 12th-14th- Southern Regional Livestock School
- June 21st-22nd- Northern Livestock School-Valencia County Fairgrounds



Inspection Fees

\$5 plus
(If at tag in days)
\$0.16/hd sheep & goats
OR
\$1/hd swine OR
\$0.50/hd cattle

*A Form 1 Inspection is required for ALL livestock bearing the 2024 Youth Exhibitor Fair Tag, whether movement is in district or out of district.



Horse Open Ride

Pecos Valley Horseman's Arena
9 am -11 am
Saturday, June 15, 2024

Horse - free - Workshop

June 10 6:00-7:30 pm
Ext. Auditorium
Come learn about horses and participate in some fun activities.
Cloverbuds welcome!

Leader: Scott and Georgia Bader

NM 4-H Horse Show

June 1st- Roosevelt County at Cooper Arena
June 7th- San Juan County at McGee Park
June 29th- De Baca County at Fairgrounds
August 10th- Curry County at Fairgrounds (double judged show)
September 7th- NM State 4-H Horse Show at NMSF



NM Rodeo Dates

July 19-23: Farmington NM
July 26-27: Tucumcari NM
August 16-18: T or C, NM
State 4-H Finals September 20-22, 2024
Tentative Location- Bosque Farms



** Don't forget, in order to participate you must have attended a rodeo safety meeting prior to February 1st.



IT'S FAIR TIME!!



Chaves County 4-H and FFA Fair July 23th- 29th

- All entry forms DUE July 1st to the Extension
- Indoor/General Exhibits DUE Friday July 19th to the fairgrounds

We need your help!!!!
 If you are available to assist in accepting entries, judging, and/or displaying indoor exhibits on Friday July 19th, we need you. This is a great opportunity to see all the exhibits and get ideas for next year's projects and learn a little bit more about your projects as well.
 Call or email Tamara and pick a department.



ATTENTION: 4-H SENIORS!

Don't forget to apply for the Chaves County 4-H & FFA Fair Board Scholarship!
 Deadline is July 1st & See page 68 of the fairbook for all the details

2024
 Chaves County 4-H and FFA Fairbook is now available at the extension office and online.

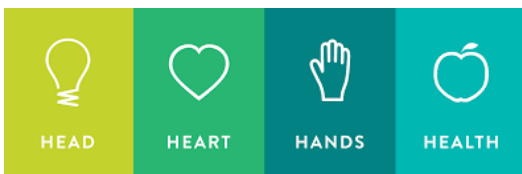
Chaves County 4-H & FFA Fair
 Horse Show
 July 20th @ 5 PM
 Bob Crosby Rodeo Arena
 Eastern NM State Fairgrounds

(Please note the date as this is scheduled BEFORE County Fair)



County Fair Clean - Up
Saturday, July 13th
7 AM @ Fairgrounds

Bring your rakes, shovels, & wheel barrows!



NM State Fair Jr Livestock Judges

- Breeding Heifer/Market Beef - Blake Nelson, MO
- Market Lamb Judge - Andy Sloan, OH
- Market Goat Judge - Cade Halfmann, TX
- Market Swine Judge - Will Taylor, IA
- Jackpot Steer/Heifer Show - Jenna Craft, OK
- Open Cattle Judge - Jenna Craft, OK

ATTENTION: Dairy Heifer Exhibitors! DAIRY HEIFER TB TESTING

is REQUIRED by the Chaves County & Eastern NM State Fair Boards. Please make sure you have a copy of the negative test report for each animal entered into the fair that is within the 120 days of the test. A copy must be shown at entry into the fairgrounds, and must be turned into Cindy Wooton at the Junior Livestock Office on the day of arrival.
 THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS.
 Animals will NOT be allowed on the grounds or to show without proof of a negative TB Test.

Questions? Contact the Extension Office.



Chaves County Sharp Shooters

Archery Practice

@ Killshot Outdoors

820 N Garden Ave

5th, 12th, 19th & 26th @ 5:00 pm

@ ENMSF - Southside

9th & 23rd @ 1:00 pm

Kevin Grinder 505-469-0122
Kennon Swinney 575-973-0959

Hunting Practice

(Seniors Members ONLY)

Ext Auditorium

See you next season
pending interest

Drew Garnett 575-840-2302
Robbie Scott 575-420-1901

Shotgun Practice

@ Chaparral Trap Club

@ Chaparral Skeet Club
(Seniors ONLY/ ages 14-18)

Justin Campbell 575-626-0725
Jamie Higgins 575-420-7388

.22 & Air Rifle Practice

Air Rifle @ ENMSF - Rabbit Barn

11th @ 6:30pm

.22 Rifle @ Chisum Cowboys

9th @ 1:00 pm

Shawn Brink 575-420-7005
Melissa Brink 575-910-6693

Muzzleloading

(Seniors Members ONLY)

See you next season

Robbie Scott 575-420-1901

.22 & Air Pistol Practice

(Seniors ONLY/ ages 14-18)

.22 Pistol @ Roswell Gun Club/
Chisum Cowboys

See you next season

Air Pistol @ Killshot Outdoors
13th, 20th 5:00 pm

Ray Melton 505-660-9852
Justin Campbell 575-626-0725



4-H Shooting Sports

Learn by Doing

Novice and Juniors

Southeast 4-H District Contest

Wednesday, June 19, 2024;

Lovington, NM

CHAVES COUNTY 4-H SHARP SHOOTER AND NATIONAL TEAM RAFFLE

Air Pistol

Drawing June 17, 2024

Need not be present to win

\$5/ticket OR 5 for \$20

- 1st Prize: Ruger American .308 w/scope
- 2nd Prize: Smith & Wesson .40 Caliber Pistol
- 3rd Prize: Bergara BMR .22 LR
- 4th Prize: Pelican 50-QT Cooler
- 5th Prize: Vortex Diamondback Binoculars
- 6th Prize: Benchmade Knife

All Federal, State, and County laws apply.



Don't forget, if you are participating in Shooting Sports. Please assist in selling raffle tickets. Proceeds will help provide funds for each discipline.



Interested in becoming a 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor? Contact Drew for more information!



REPORTER'S CORNER



Shepherd's Flock 4-H Club reporter: Molly Pirtle

The Shepherd's Flock 4-H club, for our May meeting, cleaned our portion of the fair grounds. Thank you to all who came and helped clean up!

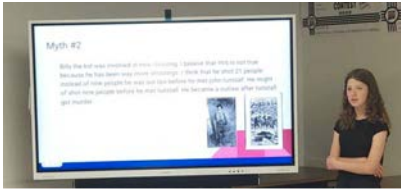


Rustic Arrows 4-H Club Fairgrounds clean up



Kountry Kids 4-H Club reporter: Kymber Boggs

The Kountry Kids 4-H meeting was called to order on May 10, 2024. In our meeting we started out with being led into the pledges, we went over our old and new business like how the state shooting competition went and what it was like up in Raton this year. We had a presentation done by Jada Dunn about Billy the Kid, the myth of him and what might have happened. Our second presentation was done by Jace Dunn about how to make a fake flower bouquet in a glass vase for your mother on Mother's Day. Once the presentations were done we all agreed to adjourn the meeting.



Barn Buddies 4-H Club reporter: Carlette Fox

At the Barn Buddies April meeting everyone participated in Fair clean up. Our club participated as a group in picking up trash. The Barn Buddies eventful meeting ended with a demonstration by Kessy King and a sweet snack from the King family.



County Council reporter: Molly Pirtle

The Chaves County 4-H Council called their meeting to order on May 21, 2024 at 7:05 p.m. We set the State Conference Reimbursements to 50% of the registration cost. We also discussed the council swim party in July. We did a scavenger hunt which consisted of riddles leading to a place in town. Then we had to take a picture of ourselves at that place. Congratulations to Mazie Pirtle, Emmett Pirtle, Audrey Perry, and Grammy (Arlene Rowland), our winners of the scavenger hunt.





State 4-H Office News



Citizenship Washington Focus

Rooted in legacy but reimagined for today, CWF is THE event for teens to learn leadership and communication skills through history, democracy, and our amendments.

For 7 days, teens from around the nation will gather to have meaningful discussions, hear from prominent speakers, influential leaders, and engaging young people who have created an impact. They will connect with 500 other teens and learn the skills they need to lead their local communities and become change agents to build a brighter future. Registration due in October for the summer of 2025



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SAVE THE DATE

**NM Southern Regional
4-H Livestock School**
June 12th - June 14th, 2024

Registration will Open May 1st!
Jackpot Information TBD

Luna Co. Fairgrounds
Deming, NM

Featuring:
Cattle, Sheep, Goat & Swine Tracks



New Mexico State 4-H Leadership Team



- ✓ Serve NM 4-H members (SLR, YGA, State Conference)
- ✓ Conduct workshops
- ✓ Plan and conduct sessions
- ✓ Plan and conduct community service activities
- ✓ Create and design theme, backdrop and t-shirt for events
- ✓ Team trip to Washington, D.C.



- Application available online and through your county extension office
- DUE in the State 4-H Office June 1 (submitted by the county extension agent)
- Information zoom meetings will be held (check with 4-H agent for dates)
- For questions, contact your county extension office or Cheryl Butterfield cheryl@nmsu.edu

SAVE THE DATE

2024 Adult Leaders Forum
November 9, 2024
Albuquerque, NM



Orders are now being taken for 2024 NM 4-H buckles. Orders will be placed through the State Office on July 1st, September 1st, and November 1st. Orders will take 4-6 weeks so please allow plenty of time when ordering. Buckles are \$80. Order forms are available online or through Tamara in the office.



Registration \$200

Why Choose New Mexico State University?

NMSU consistently provides one of the best educational values in the country. We also award more than \$100 million annually in scholarships, grants, work-study funds and loans to help you pay for school.

The Lottery and Opportunity scholarships can cover up to 100% of the cost of tuition for qualified students. Incoming students who are New Mexico residents can visit fa.nmsu.edu/scholarships to learn more.

What are Animals Fed and Why?

<https://animalsmart.org/animal-health-welfare/what-are-animals-fed-and-why>

Digestion occurs differently in animals like cattle and sheep. These species are referred to as ruminants and digest their food through fermentation in a four-chambered stomach. Their stomach is filled with bacteria that help break down plants that humans can not eat. These bacteria also help produce nutrients for their host species.

“You chew your gum like a cow!”

Cattle have a reputation for having bad table manners and being very loud eaters! This is because they never completely chew their food. Instead this partially grinded food goes to the chambered referred to as the rumen and is stored as “cud”. The cud then becomes swallowed and passes to the next three chambers known as the reticulum, omasum, and abomasum.

Depending on their stage of life, ruminant animals need different amounts of energy. For example, dairy calves do not have a four chambered stomach until later in life. When a ruminant is producing weight or need to gain weight, they need more energy. This energy comes from a total mixed ration (TMR) containing multiple mixed feeds. For dairy cattle, this TMR consisted mainly of hay or corn silage, which is produced by grinding the whole plant at harvest and then fermenting the mixture in a silo. This allows the dairy cow to produce milk high in butterfat, making the milk more valuable. This is usually fed as the animal is being prepared for market. For the majority of their life, ruminants should be fed a diet consisting mainly of forage (like grass) and roughage (like hay). Farmers are always cautious to not feed too much grain and not enough forage and roughage as this can make a ruminant sick.

Non-ruminants, which are animals like chickens and pigs, digest their food more like people do. They are fed mixed rations of energy and protein from foods such as corn and soybean meal.



Access the Chaves County 4-H
Full Year calendar
by going online OR download the app
& enter the link below!

<https://teamup.com/ksmicdqxb4wxbyhsjc>

Keep up with the dates on all
4-H events & activities!

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Look for the
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