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Welcome to Club Leader Corner!

This new addition to the newsletter is to bring resources to the clubs! Check out some of the available resources!

Club Officer Handbooks:

Tis the season for club officer elections and training! Here are great resources for each officer position! Below is a google folder that has handbooks for the following officer positions:

- President
- · Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Historian
- Reporter
- Recreation Officer
- Photographer

Google Folder:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1aUvm78fseaHVQJHuwooXQxcmgHDs_pWY/view?usp=sharing

Clover Connections:

Clover Connections is a video series that is available on YouTube. Educators from Wisconsin 4-H have put together a series about running meetings and many other details that can help your club run smoothly! This is an excellent resource for new and experienced club leaders! Some videos were filmed during Covid, but the information is still relevant! Check them out at the link below!

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLWYkTfJ_LDJbQxoDTzctjb3emV956zvO7

Club Administration Resources:

Here are some great resources for leaders who need guidance with club administration! You will find information on Bylaws, Financial Tools and Resources, 4-H Online, and Forms.

<u>Bylaws</u> are super important to all clubs and groups! If your club has lost its bylaws or wants to create new ones, check out the new bylaws template! This is a project I have been working on for over a year with other educators to help support community clubs! We only have one geared toward Community Clubs, but we will soon have one for Project Groups and Leaders Associations.

<u>Financial Tools and Resources</u> Money Management resources and financial policies. If you want to touch on these details, feel free to check them out!

<u>4-H Online</u>, here are some resources to help you navigate 4-H Online. There is a resource library to help you use the program.

Be sure to check out these at this link:

https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/start-here/4honline-for-families/

Charter Updates:

As the 4-H year comes to a close, we are looking at charters and the new 4-H year. Charters are due to the **Extension office on November 1**st. Here is a link to the updated version:

https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/resources/volunteer-esources/administrative/charter/

With some new club leaders this year and the updates with the charters, I have one, Charter Workshops, that club leaders can attend. The first one is on **September 22**nd, **from 6-8 pm at the Jackson County UW Extension Office**. There will not be registered for these workshops, but I will give you time to work on your charter and ask questions.

Another part of the Chartering process is the Annual Financial Report. This summarizes clubs checking and saving accounts for the entire year. These are due to the Extension Office on **September 1**st. There are a couple of critical pieces that need to be included in the annual financial report each year:

- 1. Annual Financial Report
- 2. Checklist
- 3. A copy of the bank statement ending on June 30 or July 1st for EACH account.
- 4. A current inventory of any land, buildings, property, or project equipment with individual values of \$1000 or greater. This is a good way to keep track of things your club has purchased and has a record is.
- 5. Monthly Treasurers reports for 4-H Clubs or Groups with annual income greater or equal to \$20,000.

VIP Training:

VIP or Volunteers in Preparation training is for anyone who wants to work with youth one-on-one and teach sessions like a project or club leader. If you have signed up to be a volunteer in 4-H Online and I have not approved you yet, it is because of this. You must complete either VIP (inperson Training), mandated reporter training (Online), and Titel IX Training(Online). I am going to shift towards less pre-scheduled VIP trainings and more to working with your schedule. I am also willing to come to club meetings and training adults there! Please contact Andrea if you are intrested in scheduling a VIP training!

Upcoming VIPs:

October 26th from 6-8 pm at the Jackson County Extension Office

https://forms.gle/KFwJ88uDJm3ZUnSK7

November 15th from 6-8 pm at the Jackson County Extension Office

https://forms.gle/Go5yTyuqQiwMCoHx7

The mandated reporter is an online course in 4-H Online that you can complete on your own time. VIP, however, has to be taught by either myself or another educator virtually or in person. This training covers topics like creating a safe environment for youth, insurance, what to do in an emergency, and more. It takes about 90 minutes.

I prefer to do VIP training on weeknights in September-May because the rest of the year gets pretty busy for everyone, especially in the summer.

Want more information about VIPs? E-mail me! I would be happy to answer your questions!

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At first glance, this may seem like a lot of paperwork, but this is how our clubs and groups keep their tax-exempt status. Failure to complete this will result in a loss of tax-exempt status. This will be covered during the Charter Workshop, so please bring questions and your treasurer's paperwork!

Charters and Annual Financial Reports are how clubs plan out their year, audit their finances, and report how they used their funds the year before. If you have questions about them, please let Andrea know!

Fall Forum:

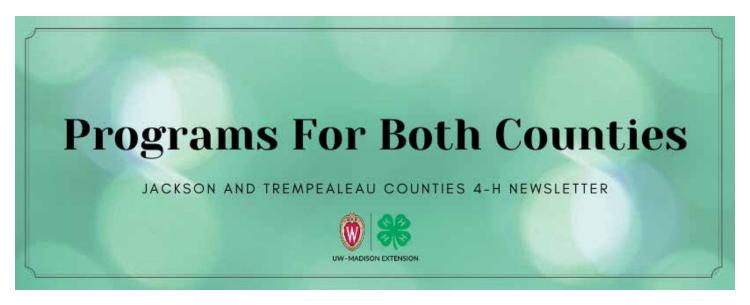
Mark your calendars for Fall Forum! This is an excellent opportunity for youth leaders and club leaders to gain more leadership skills and network with members from around the state! Regestration is open in 4-H Online!

State Policies:

Here is the link to the State 4-H Policies. This is a great resource for clubs who are planning events this fall or if members are curious about a specific project. There is policies for use of the clover to financal management and everything inbetween!

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Future 4-H Member on the Way:

My husband and I are expecting our first child in January 2023! With that I have been working on deligating tasks to be done in my absence. The newsletter will be handled by Tami Monson in Trempealeau County. Her contact information is:

tjmonson@wisc.edu and 715-538-2311 Ext:208

During my maternity leave, I will not be available by phone or email. I am working on details for how inquiries will be handled in my absence.

WI 4-H Horse Leadership Conference:

Are you in the Horse Project and want to learn more? Mark your calendar for the weekend of November 12-13th at UW River Falls! Regestration is open in 4-H Online!



Clover College Updates:

Clover College has been a struggle to get off the ground the last two years. It has a rich history in our program and it pains me to not host it like we normally would. After two years of struggling to find presentors I am planning to move the program to the spring of 2023. I know there really is not a perfect time of year for this type of event but my though is that with it in the spring youth can plan to take some of their completed projects to the fair. This also might free of some volunteers.

Clover College is the type of program that takes many weeks to plan and needs lots of hands to make it happen. If there is somehthing you would like to see at Clover College let me know! I may also ask you to teach a session, I can't do it without you!

National 4-H Week:

I want to give everyone who called in for National 4-H Week a huge thank you! I always set a goal for how many youth I can get on the radio each year and this year we had 16! This is a great way to promote 4-H, but also talk about all the great things you have done throughout the year! My goal next year is to have 20 youths on the radio; it could be you! I have no pre-requirements

4-H Re-Enrollment:

On September first, 4-H Online will go offline to prepare for the new 4-H year. If you plan to stay enrolled in 4-H for 2022-2023, you can re-enroll on **September 15**th. Enrollment is important! This is how I make mailing lists and out project members list to leaders and contact members. Please make sure to enroll members by **December 1**st. I will keep including members from last year's list until December 1st. After that, you will have to be currently enrolled to be included in any communication.

When reenrolling, please take the time to update any ways you want to receive communication. Here is a list of what I am talking about:

- Email addresses
- Any parent/guardian numbers that should be included.

Parents and guardians do not need to sign up for 4-H Online unless they want to volunteer. If you are in any of the following roles, be sure to re-enroll:

- Club leader
- Project volunteer

A general rule of thumb is that if you have access to club funds (the checkbook) or are planning to work with youth, you should become a certified 4-H volunteer. If you have any questions about this, please contact Andrea.

If you need to have, your password changed or updated, please either email or call Andrea. She can reset passwords and change your main email address in case you want it to be a different one.

Want to Add Something to the Newsletter?

Do you have something you want in the following newsletter? Club Leaders, did you do something remarkable? Add it to the newsletter! Have your information typed and sent to andrea.rippley@wisc.edu by the 15th of the month! Getting knowledge in by the 15th will ensure your addition is added. I will not type something up for you, so please have everything ready.

Parents and Leaders Meetings:

Parents and Leaders are looking for more members to join their meetings. There are currently open positions for re-election, so leadership opportunities are available! Do you want to see new programs in the county? Are there changes you want to see? This is the place to accomplish just that. The county programs need volunteers to

Jackson County Parents and Leaders are looking for more participation from the county program. The Group meets on the 3rd Monday of the month.

https://uwmadison.zoom.us/j/93816484689?pwd=VmxMdWYwYmxHRUYwZjlFeFlUUUx3Zz09

Meeting ID: 938 1648 4689

Passcode: 536020

Join the **Trempealeau County** Parents and Leaders meetings virtually for the Winter! Their panels are on the 4th Monday of the Month. Below is the URL for the meeting.

Meeting ID: 984 3711 0302

Passcode: 892384

October Birthday List:

If you see one of these members, be sure to wish them a happy birthday!

Clair C. 10/18 Bryce L. 10/06 Ciena S. 10/08 Aspen K. 10/26

Jackson E. 10/03 Rubee P. 10/05

Where is My Newsletter?

I often get this question: "Can I be added to your newsletter list?". You must have to enroll or re-enroll in 4-H Online to be on the mailing list. This is where I pull my lists from. Before sending out large emails, I update this list.

Check your SPAM folder if you have enrolled in 4-H Online but have not seen an email lately. I switched email systems to avoid this issue, but I need your help. This will help keep you connected and informed!

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th	Jackson County Programs				
	Trempealeau County Programs				
October	· 2-8 th - National 4-H Week				
2022	 11th- Small Animal Project Mock Auction @ 6 pm. Location to be announced. 				
	 17th- Parents and Leaders meeting 6 p.m. @ Jackson County Extension Office https://uwmadison.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJcldu-spj8sEt1sQCtaWR69M86MOuVgq4Nz 				
	• 22 nd -Clover College at Blair Taylor High school Canceled.				
	 24th- Parents and Leaders Meeting 6:30 p.m. 				
	https://uwmadison.zoom.us/j/92462026552?pwd=Z2xldWNpbU1NbjN XRE13OXpMSHYzZz09				
	• 26 th - VIP Training @ 6 pm. Jackson County Extension Office.				
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	· 1st – December 1st- American Spirit Registration Opens in 4-H Online				
	· 1st-December 1st- Space Camp Registration opens in 4-H Online				
	· 4-6 th - Fall Forum @ Hotel Mead in Wisconsin Rapids				
	5 th - Horse Project- Bronco Bux Auction				
	• 5th- Livestock Socks Auction.				
	8th- Small Animal Meeting				
	• 9th- Livestock Education Meeting, 7 p.m. Location, to be announced.				
	· 12-13th- Wisconsin Horse Leadership Conference @ UW-River Falls				
	· 13th- Jackson County Annual Banquet				
	15th- VIP Training @6 pm at the Jackson County Extension Office				
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	· 15th-December 15th- Registration for Citizen Washington Focus (CWF)				
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	 21st- Parents and Leaders Meeting 6 p.m. @ the Jackson County 				
	Extension Office.				
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• 8-10 th - Horse Camp		• 8-10 th - Horse Camp
· 19-22nd-Pathways Confrence @UW Madison		

July	· 1st- Horse Project- All fair requirements are due
2023	• 5th- Horse Project- Buissness Meeting
	· 8th- Fair Clean Up
	 9th- Horse Project- Stall Decorating
	· 12-16 th - Trempealeau County Fair
	· 18-20 th - Farm Tech Days, Baraboo WI
August	 1st- Horse Project- Champ Show Marshfeild
2023	 1st- Horse Project- District Gymkhana Show
	 1st- National 4-H Congress- All Team Applications and Exemption Forms
	Due.
	 1st- National 4-H Congress- Last date to cancel without financal penalty
	· 1-6 th - Jackson County Fair
Septem	 9-10th- Horse Project, State Gymkhanna Show @ State Fair Grounds in
ber	West
2023	 23rd- Horse Project Buissness Meeting



Awards Banquet:

The Parents and Leaders Board is looking for a club interested in hosting the Awards Banquet on November 13th at the Comfort Inn and Suites of Black River Falls. The club duties would include:

- · Finding a food vendor or catering the event
- · Creating the scrip

If a club is interested in hosting this year, please contact Andrea!

Mound View Happy Workers Officers Elected:

A new officer team was elected at the Moundview Happy Workers meeting in September. Congradulations from left to right too:

- Macie Casper-Secretary
- Briley Nemitz-Treasurer
- · Riley Laufenberg-Vice President
- · Luke Fischer-President



Livestock Project No-Bake Bake Sale:

The Livestock Committee is hosting their-Bake Bake Sale! This sale supports the Livestock Program for their education even throughout the year. The money also

purchases the belt buckles used as trophies for livestock exhibitors. Donations are gladly excepted if you do not wish to buy anything. All the funds go to support youth programming in the county directly. The link below has the order form.

https://go.wisc.edu/2ccw17

Funding Requests:

Recently Parents and Leaders have had many funding requests come in after an event occurred. We encourage participation in training and conferences but we are requesting to see these before you attend the event. Next time you have a funding request please attend a Parents and Leaders meeting before. These meetings are every 3rd Monday of the month at 6 pm in the Extension building. This will help us plan out our budget for the future.

Cook Book Fundraiser:

Jackson County Parents and Leaders need your help! They have so many cook books they want to sell but they are having trouble selling them. They have come up with a challenge for each club to help! Clubs will receive 20 books to sell. Books are \$10 each. Clubs will be responsible for picking up and selling cookbooks. Club Leaders Should Contact the Office to schedule a time to pick up their books!

Jackson County 4-H Clubs and Groups

Check out the Club List on the website for more information!

https://jackson.extension.wisc.edu/4-h/how-to-get-involved/4-h-clubs/

Club	Leader/s	Contact Information	Location
BRF Trailblazers	Amy Carrier	715-896-6527	Black River Falls
Countryside Crystals	Karen Kling Kathlene Zipfel	715-662-2600 715-299-7912	Taylor

Hixton Lucky Clovers	Molly Kniseley	715-299-2470	Hixton
Irving Sticktights II	Craig Kubaski	715-896-2559	Irving
Melrose Satellites	Becky Radcliffe	715-896-1157	Melrose
Milk Duds	Mary Giese	715-896-1039	Garden Valley
Mound View Happy	Linda Mosely	715-597-3949	Garden
Workers	Angela Fischer	715-299-2872	Valley
Northfields Go-Getters	Carolyn Mann	715-797-1517	York
	Stephen Smith	715-984-2267	
Osseo Wild Mustangs	Cathy Franck	715-586-0762	Osseo
Whispering Hills	Ellie Hurlburt	715-284-4917	Black River
	Maribeth Graham	715-896-3040	Falls
Livestock Committee	Jerome Laufenberg	715-284-7598	Jackson County
Dog Project	Tina Windsor	715-797-7753	Jackson County
Shooting Sports	Justin Pleinis	jcpleinis@gmail.com	Jackson County
Small Animal	Jasmine Lucus	jacksonsmallanimal@gmail.com	Jackson
Committee			County
Horse Project	Craig Kubaski	craigkubaskie@yahoo.com	Jackson County
Dairy Project	Holly Meimann	hjmeimann18@gmail.com	Jackson County
Parents and Leaders	Maribeth Graham	715-284-7598	Jackson County

Trempealeau County Programs

JACKSON AND TREMPEALEAU COUNTIES 4-H NEWSLETTER



Wisconsin 4-H Horse Expo:

The Wisconsin State 4-H Horse Expo is an annual event, that is held at the State Fairgrounds in West Allis. This event draws over 900 youth and 700 horses and is open to 4-H members who are in the 6th grade or above. To qualify for the State 4-H Horse Expo, the horse and exhibitor team must have won a blue ribbon in a qualifying class at the county fair.

One member of the horse project made the trip to the Expo on September 16th to compete with her horse. In her first year of eligibility, and by winning a blue in Western Showmanship at this year's fair, Katelyn Hogden and her horse, RY Major Hot Spot aka Bey, were able to move on to state. Katelyn is the daughter of Erik & Rhea Hogden and is a 7th grader at G-E-T Middle School. Katelyn joined the Ettrick Eagles 4-H Club when she was in the 3rd grade and has been showing horses



since she was 4 years old. Katelyn and Bey competed in Hunter Showmanship, Western Showmanship, In Hand Trail and Western Pleasure, placing in the Top 10 in each of her classes. In addition, Katelyn participated in the Horse Judging competition on Friday evening, tying for 12th place out of 26 competitors. Congratulations Katelyn, what a great first State Expo for you and Bey!

Disc Participation Order Form:

Here is the information to order achievement discs for your members.

https://trempealeau.extension.wisc.edu/4hyd/forms-applications/participating-disc-catalog/

2021 Plat Books Available:

Just in time for hunting season! Check out the 2021 Plat Books! Books are \$30 and will be available at the office and around the county at the usual bank locations:

- State Bank of Arcadia
- · State Bank of Arcadia- Whitehall
- · Centerville Coop
- · Co-op Credit Union-Galesville
- · Independence State Bank
- NCRS Office- Whitehall
- Pietrek Service Station
- Waumandee State Bank- Arcadia
- · Waumandee State bank Whitehall
- · Waumandee State Bank- Blair
- Register of Deeds Office-Trempealeau County Government Center in Whitehall
- · Extension Office- Trempealeau County Government Center in Whitehall
- · Howards Hardware Hank- Arcadia
- Johnsons Hardware Hank- Whitehall
- Holtan's TnC Sporting Goods- Whitehall

Remember, plat books are one of the parents' and leaders' biggest fundraisers. They support scholarships for Educational Experiences such as American Spirit, Space Camp, and other county programs like Clover College and Summer Camp. Supporting this fundraiser means you are supporting youth here in Trempealeau County.

Trempealeau County Club Leader List

Check out the list of 4-H Clubs on the website!

https://trempealeau.extension.wisc.edu/4hyd/how-to-get-involved/4-h-clubs/

Club	Leader/s	Contact Information	Location
Arcadia Hummingbirds	Rosa Mooney	608-863-3483	Arcadia
Coulee Clovers	Cindy Peterson	608-989-2249	Blair
Ettrick Eagles	Dawn Corcoran	608-525-4200	Ettrick
Frenchville Clovers	Heather Olson	608-484-0447	Frenchville
Glasgow/Hardies CreekBusy Bees	Heidi Johnson	608-484-0492	Galesville
Hale and Hardy	Lindsey Nelson	nelson.lindseya82@gmail.co m	Pleasantville
Lincoln Pioneers	Kim Pryzbylla	715-985-3902	Independence
Silver Valley Creek	JoAnn Reinholdt	608-582-2237	Galesville
Sunnyside	Charlotte (Charlie) Everson	608-989-2310	Blair
Trempealeau TrustyWorkers	Jenny Hilton Laura Rosselor		Centerville
Whitehall Happy Hus-tlers	Sharon Pederson	715-538-4856	Whitehall
Dog Project	Judy Betker	608-989-2386	Trempealeau County
Horse Project	Becky Hynes	608-865-1038	Trempealeau County
Parents and Leaders	Valerie Erickson	608-385-5654	Trempealeau County

Shooting Sports	Open Position!		Trempealeau County
4-H Ambassadors	Rosa Mooney	608-863-3483	Trempealeau County
Llama Project	Becky Poulos	715-538-1444	Trempealeau County

Exploring 4-H for New Families



Beyond the Club

You're a part of something big! 4-H is the nation's largest youth development organization, with more than 6 million members and over 90,000 clubs. Because of how big 4-H is, it can be hard to understand where you (and everyone else) fits into the greater scope of 4-H from a state and national level.

Wisconsin 4-H

The 4-H Program Management team directs state 4-H program. State 4-H Program Specialists provide resources for educational areas.

Area Extension Director

The Area Extension Director (AED) supervises county-level Extension staff and fosters the relationship between state and the county partners.

Did you know?

Nationally, 4-H is administered by the National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA). Each state's 4-H program reports to the USDA annually.

County-Based 4-H Staff

County staff work in the local Extension office. Staff provide education, supervision, and administration for the county 4-H program.

What is Extension?

Extension is a division of UW-Madison that brings the resources of the University to people where they live and work. Extension program areas include youth, family, and community development as well as agriculture & natural resources.

Chartered 4-H Clubs

4-H clubs meet regularly, and members work with adults together toward a common purpose. While community clubs are most common, clubs can also be found in afterschool, inschool, and military settings.

Chartered 4-H Groups

4-H groups meet regularly, focus on a specific educational goal, and are open to 4-H members throughout the county. Examples of groups are a countywide Dog Project or a Shooting Sports Program.

Chartered 4-H Leaders Organizations

Leaders Organizations conduct countywide events, fundraise, coordinate recognition, and advocate for 4-H in the community.

Wisconsin 4-H Program OversightEmployee and Volunteer Supervision

Where do I fit?

Most members get their start with a 4-H club. If your child wants to get more involved with 4-H beyond the club level, check with your club leader or your county-based 4-H staff to learn about additional 4-H opportunities. Getting involved with your county's groups or the Leaders Organization can be great ways to connect with new opportunities.



Have a minute? Please provide feedback by filling out this <u>5-question survey</u>





Exploring 4-H for New Families Member Edition



YOUth Matter!

Youth lead and make decisions in 4-H clubs, groups, and experiences. That means that the most important piece of 4-H is YOU. As a 4-H member, you help to make decisions and can make your voice heard.

You can help to lead and make decisions in 4-H. Each statement is a way that you can get involved. Decide if you think the statement shows how you can be involved in 4-H at the club, county, state, or national level. Circle where this might apply. Some statements might apply to more than one level of 4-H.

EXAMPLE

Sign up for a committee to help run a local 4-H event.

Club County State National

Vote on topics at meetings.

Club County State National

Represent my region on the Wisconsin Leadership Council.

Club County State National

Lead other young people and be a mentor as a camp counselor.

Club County State National

Attend Leaders Organization meetings and share my opinions.

Club County State National

Apply to be a delegate for National 4-H Conference.

Club County State National
Run for an officer position.
Club County State National

Be on the 4-H Communications Team.

Club County State National

Apply for the 4-H Drama Company.

Club County State National

Be a counselor for Space Camp.

Club County State National

Teach other members something I know.

Club County State National

Be on the 4-H Arts Team.

Club County State National



4-H Drama Company performing at 4-H & Youth Conference

Don't know what one of these statements is talking about? Ask your club leader, county-based 4-H staff, or do an online search with your parent/caregiver!

Which of these leadership opportunities sounded the most interesting? Why is it interesting to you?

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