Grand County 4-H Clover Connect



Calendar Spotlight

February

- February 9: Record Book Workshop
- February 16: Beef Weigh In/Tag In
- February 18: 3rd Session Thrive Mentorship
- February 19: Office Closed in observance of President's Day
- February 23: Cloverbud Meeting Kremmling

March

- March 1: Last day to register for 2024 District Retreat
- March 3: MQA This is the re-scheduled date
- March 4: Middle Park 4-H Council Meeting
- March 5: MPFR Fair Board Meeting
- March 15: Middle Park 4-H Council Bingo Fundraiser
- March 15: District Retreat Officer Applications Due
- March 17: 4th Session Thrive Mentorship
- March 22: Record Book Workshop

April

- April 1: Last day to add or drop 4-H projects
- April 5-7: 2024 District Retreat
- April 12: Record Book Workshop

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MIDDLE PARK 4-H COUNCIL NEWS

Middle Park 4-H Council February Agenda Items Old Business:

- 2023/2024 Plan of Action approval (tabled until March)
 2023/2024 Annual Budget approval (tabled until March)
 2023/2024 Officer Vests Update
 Henderson Mini Grants
 Ignite Funding for Foster Krempin
 - Beef Member Brand Inspection Fee Payment

New Business:

- Approval to write checks for mini-grant after Henderson
 Approval
- St. Patrick's Day Bingo Fundraiser Planning Committee

Community Service:

Valentine's Day Favors for Cliffview Residents and Seniors Middle Park 4-H Council Meeting Schedule: March 4 @ 7pm April 1 @ 7pm May 6 @ 7pm Town Hall in Hot Sulphur Springs

Kremmling members let us know if you need a ride to and from the meeting! Typically Brianna or Taedra is going and can transport from the Extension Office.



CALLING ALL GRAND COUNTY 4- CLUBS!

Reminder! We would love to have the President and Member Delegate from each club at the Council Meetings, however we understand that sometimes that's impossible! Please try to send (2) members from your club to represent!



The 2024 Officer Team & Council Advisors at SkyZone for the annual officer retreat in January!

Middle Park 4-H Council Calendar:

- Feb. 29/Officer reports due (President=Agenda, Secretary = Minutes)
- March 1/Officer report due (Treasurer meets with Kristi to put together report)
- March 4/ Middle Park 4-H Council Meeting
- March 15 Middle Park 4-H Council Bingo fundraiser
- March 29/Officer reports due (Treasurer meets with Kristi to put together report)
- April 1/Middle Park 4-H Council Meeting
- May 3/ Officer report due (Treasurer meets with Kristi to put together report)
- May 6/Middle Park 4-H Council meeting



GRAND COUNTY 4-H NEWS CLOVERBUD CORNER

FEBRUARY CLOVERBUD MEETING

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23 KREMMLING, EXTENSION HALL 5:30PM - 6:30PM

"Let's learn about LEATHER CRAFT!"

PLEASE RSVP BY FEB. 19TH SO CAN BE SURE WE HAVE ENOUGH SUPPLIES FOR EVERYONE.





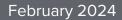
CLOVERBUD RECORD BOOKS

If you missed the last meeting the kids were given Cloverbud Record Books to work on this year! Please stop in the office and pick up your Cloverbud's book so they can get started. The record books are great to take to your club meetings as well! We'll collect the record books at fair to put with their posters to show everyone their hard work this year:) PLEASE CALL KIISTI AT 970-724-3436 IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS!

4-H FUN FACTS

The official emblem is green with white H's - the 4-H colors. The white symbolizes purity. The green represents nature's most common color and is emblematic of youth, life and growth.





GRAND COUNTY 4-H NEWS

WELCOME new Cloverbuds and new Club Members! We're so glad to have you as part of the Grand County 4-H Program!

> **CLOVERBUDS: Ellis Banks** Wren Clark **Miller Illyes Maguire Murdoch** Wyatt Regenold **Caroline Richardson Isabella Travis CLUB MEMBERS: Peyton Anderson** Lily Baker **Jaylee Behnke Olivia Bruchez Evalyn Churchill Raleigh Culbreath Maggie Culbreath Oaklee Emore Ravyn Elverum Graham Farzin Gwendelyn Greenleaf Adeline Hammond Tilden Harthun Berkley Hughes Maverick Murdoch** Sylvia Murdoch **Stella Porcase Tristen Stiefel** Ellie Snow Waylon Towne **Nellie Webb Ranger Wutz**

What is the difference between a **PROJECT/RESOURCE BOOK** & a **RECORD BOOK**?

PROJECT/RESOURCE BOOKS

A **Project/Resource Book** is an informational book geared toward the project you have enrolled in. Some projects require some of the resource books to be turned in with the record book.

<u>4-H members are responsible for purchasing their own Project/Resource</u> <u>Books.</u>

Follow these steps to find the appropriate book to purchase for your project and unit:

1. Click on the link: <u>Colorado 4-H Project Areas</u>.

2. Find your project area and project unit.

3. If your project is highlighted then your project/resource manual can be downloaded and printed. The Extension Office can also print this for you just let us know.

If your project is <u>NOT</u> highlighted it should say on the website where you can order the manual and what it is called. For example: Outdoor Adventures - Hiking Trails (Shop 4-H).

RECORD BOOKS

A **Record Book** is required of <u>ALL</u> 4-H projects and must be turned in every year to complete the project. Record Books can be found on the same link as the Project or Resource Books: 1. Click on the link: Colorado 4-H Project Areas.

2. Find your project area and project. For example Animals-Beef. Look for the section under your project that says, "e-records". 3. Find the appropriate age level:

-Juniors (8-10 years of age as of December 31) -Intermediate (11-13 years of age as of December 31)

-Senior (14-18 years of age as of December 31) 4. Download the record book. It is personal preference whether you would like to fill it out online, or complete a handwritten copy. The Extension Office can print copies of the record books with advance notice.

5. Record books are part of the completion requirements and are due: -General Project on Exhibit Day.

-Animal Project the first Friday in September.

RECORD BOOK WORKSHOPS

The next record book workshops are scheduled for: MARCH 22 ~ 1pm-3pm APRIL 12 ~ 10-12

THIS IS OPEN TO ALL 4-H MEMBERS!

Please RSVP at least 24 hours in advance so we know if anyone is attending!

PROJECT MANUAL BOOK EXCHANGE

Do you have 4-H project manuals that you never use??? Do you have more than 1 of the same 4-H manual??? Are you tired of looking at old 4-H project manuals???

If you answered "YES" to any of these questions then we have a solution for you! !!

You can donate your current or expired 4-H manuals to the Grand County CSU Extension Office !!!

We will review if the donated manual is applicable for a current project. Those books will be kept in the office for 4-H members to have free of charge. If the manual is expired we will place it in our "free" library that

contains all sorts of books for people to have or exchange. Because we are limited on space we will only be receiving 4-H manuals and project books.

Please call the Extension Office if you have any questions 970-724-3436!



RECORD BOOK TIP!

Be sure to take pictures from the start of your project through the end! If you're in Cake Decorating be sure to take pictures of each cake you bake. If you are in Livestock take pictures from the first day you got your animal through fair! If you're in Shooting Sports take pictures of your demonstration, community service and fundraisers. The record book judges love pictures! The more the better!

> To help families save on the resource books shipping costs Taedra is planning on putting in a bulk book order a few times between February and May. If you're interested in having her order a 4-H resource book for you please send her an email to thickam@co.grand.co.us with the specific project/book/unit.

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4-H PROJECT COMPLETION REQUIREMENTS
These requirements are what every 4-H standard
member must do to complete their project:
1. Club Meetings - attend a minimum of 6 meetings for
the club you belong to.

 2. Community Service - participate in at least one community service project through your club.
 *If necessary a 4-H Council community service project can count toward completion but must be approved by club leader.

3. Demonstration - do one demonstration for your 4-H club that is about your 4-H project or 4-H in nature.

4. Exhibit Project - Show your project at either Exhibit Day, County Fair or if needed for the CSU Extension Office.

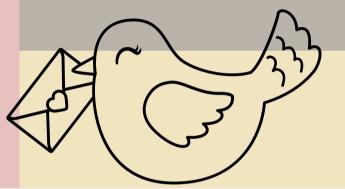
5. Record Book - Get a minimum score of 70% on your record book.

6. Club Requirements - Some 4-H Clubs have additional requirements like attend one 4-H Council meeting, participate in fundraising, etc.

If a 4-H Member does not complete all of the requirements they are ineligible to take that 4-H project for one full year.

THANK YOU TO ALL THE FAMILIES THAT WERE ABLE TO ATTEND THE NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION!

If you were unable to attend please contact the Extension office and we can schedule a time to meet with your family. CALL THE OFFICE OR EMAIL KRISTI TO SET UP A TIME: 970–724–3436 OR KMOYER@CO.GRAND.CO.US



ATTENTION

Grand County 4-H General Project & Livestock Members! Below are links to websites that are incredibly beneficial for your projects!

Project Descriptions/Units/RECORD BOOKS can be found at the link below.

THE 2023/2024 Record Books are now available! Click the link below to find record books for your projects: <u>https://co4h.colostate.edu/program-areas/colorado-4-h-project-information/</u>

Colorado 4-H State Fair Link: This has multiple areas that are incredibly helpful when finishing your project.

https://co4h.colostate.edu/program-areas/state-fair-information/ https://co4h.colostate.edu/program-areas/state-fair-information/contest-score-sheets/ https://co4h.colostate.edu/state-fair-information/judging-guides/

> ATTENTION Grand County 4-H LEADERS! Below is a link to helpful resources for your club! <u>https://co4h.colostate.edu/club-and-community-resources/</u>

**As always, if you would like to have the Extension Office print your record books please let Kristi know.



GRAND COUNTY 4-H NEWS LIVESTOCK

2024 MARKET BEEF TAG IN DAY Friday, February 16, 2024 10am to 12pm

Beef Barn, Fairgrounds, Kremmling

To be able to Tag In your Market Beef you need the following: - Completed 2023/2024 4-H Enrollment through 4-H Online - Paid in full 2023/2024 4-H Dues

- BRAND PAPERS (NO EXCEPTION ~ Animal will not be tagged in without your brand papers)

Brand registration papers must be in the 4-H member's name for exhibiting at county and state fair and

the NWSS.

Do not register your 4-H animal registration papers jointly with your parents.

A BRAND INSPECTION IS REQUIRED EVERY TIME CATTLE, HORSES, MULES or DONKEYS... are sold, purchased or when any change of ownership occurs. will be transported over 75 miles within the boundaries of Colorado. leave the state of Colorado, regardless of the circumstances. If you have questions, please call the Colorado Brand Board at 303-869-9160 or <u>https://ag.colorado.gov/brands</u> or the Extension Office.

Please let us know if you plan on nominating any of your beef for State Fair. We will have to order kits or see if we can get ahold of a retinal scanner. If you are unable to attend at this time please let the Extension Office know in advance of this date! We would prefer that you make every attempt to be at tag in.

Thank you!

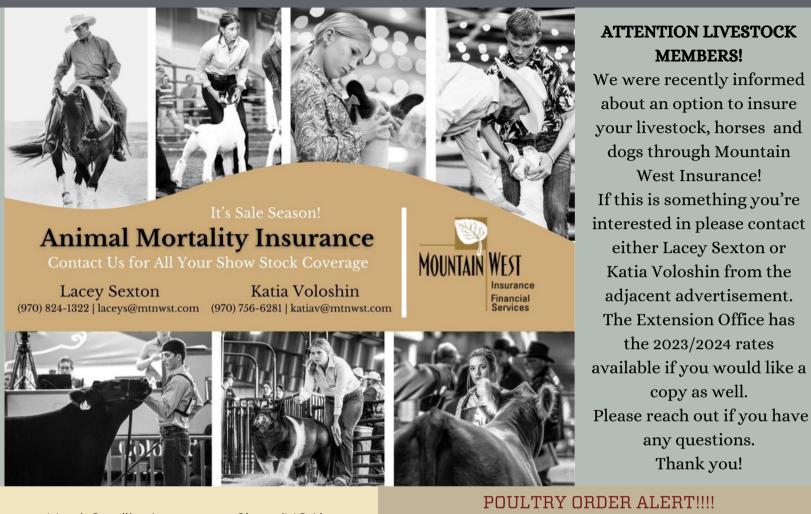
FAIRGROUNDS LIVESTOCK HOUSING DO YOU LIVE IN KREMMLING? DO YOU NEED A PLACE TO KEEP YOUR 4-H ANIMALS? IF YOU ANSWERED YES TO ANY OF THESE QUESTIONS DO WE HAVE AN OPTION FOR YOU!

- 4-H MEMBERS ENROLLED IN A LIVESTOCK PROJECT CAN KEEP THEIR 4-H PROJECTS AT THE KREMMLING FAIRGROUNDS.
 - THIS OPPORTUNITY IS LIMITED TO ONLY 4-H MEMBERS.
- 4-H MEMBERS MUST BE IN GOOD STANDING.
- COMPLETE THE COLORADO STATE ANIMAL HOUSING FORM.
- 4-H MEMBERS & PARENTS MUST SIGN A FAIRGROUNDS STALL AGREEMENT
- CHECK WITH EXTENSION OFFICE AND FAIRGROUNDS MANAGER BEFORE STALLING ANY ANIMAL
 - PAY A \$100.00 REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT
- CHECKOUT WITH THE EXTENSION STAFF & FAIRGROUNDS MANAGER WITHIN 2 WEEKS AFTER FAIR.

Animal Care Housing Form Attention ALL LIVESTOCK, HORSE, DOG, CAT and COMPANION ANIMAL 4-H Members, it has come to our attention that every 4-H'er in an animal project per the State must fill out and have on file with the Extension Office an Animal Care and Housing Form. Please see the link below. Complete the form and return to the Grand County CSU Extension Office:

Colorado State Animal Housing Form

GRAND COUNTY 4-H NEWS LIVESTOCK



Meat Quality Assurance Class (MQA) When: Sunday, March 3 from 10am-12pm RSVP: Monday, February 26 MQA is required for all 1st year 4-H and FFA livestock members and all 1st year 4-H and FFA Senior Livestock members. This includes rabbit & poultry and all breeding projects. If you're unable to make this date you can attend a class in a surrounding county or pay to take it online. The Extension Office will be sending emails to those members who are required to attend. Please contact the Extension Office if you have any questions. Thank you!

Christy Horn with Old Time Feed 'N Things is taking orders now with a new hatchery for 2024!! Please contact Christy at:

> Old Time Feed store ~ 970-887-3235 or Cell phone ~ 970-531-7437

GET YOUR ORDERS IN NOW SO YOU HAVE THEM IN TIME FOR THE 2024 MPF&R!!!

GRAND COUNTY 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS NEWS



Mark your calendars! The next Shooting Sports Council Meeting is Sunday, March 10 @ 2pm Hot Sulphur Town Hall

SHOOTING SPORTS COUNCIL FUNDRAISING

DON'T FORGET TO CHANGE OVER YOUR CITY MARKET REWARDS! THIS COSTS YOU NO MONEY!

City Market Card Community Rewards -

Community Rewards makes fund-raising easy by donating to local organizations based on the shopping you do everyday. Link your card to the Grand County 4-H Shooting Sports, all you have to do is shop at a local City Market

and swipe your Shopper's Card!

See the links below for details:

COMPUTER:

https://grand.extension.colostate.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/25/2023/12/Community-Rewards-How-to-Sign-

up.pdf

CITY MARKET APP:

https://grand.extension.colostate.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/25/2023/12/Community-Rewards-Mobile-How-to-Sign-

Up.pdf

Calling all GRAND COUNTY 4~H MEMBERS!

The Shooting Sports Council meetings are open to ALL Grand County 4~H members over the age of 8. Please contact your club leader to see if attendance to the Council meetings can count towards your required 6 meetings!



Grand County 4-H News

We are thrilled to be working with Bailey Palmer and the Thrive Mentorship Program! This program is open to all high school aged youth and Senior 4-H members. These beneficial workshops are free! Be sure to RSVP in the link below for Session 3 coming up on Sunday, February 18.



February 2024

Grand County 4-H News





Critter Wood, Penny Myer and Sabra Forquer making Valentine's Day favors at the February Middle Park 4-H Council meeting for Cliffview Residents and Seniors.

Huge shout out to Carly and Critter wood for helping me with my breeding goat project! Thank you for being excellent examples of what 4-H is truly about. -Penny Myer





Final day of the 2024 LDC (Leadership Development Conference) at the Capitol Building in Denver for 4-H Day! Grand, Routt, Jackson and Eagle counties were fortunate enough to meet with Senator Dylan Roberts, Speaker Julie McCluskie and Representative Meghan Lukens.

Grand County members Christopher Mullinex & Mackenzie Moyer at the top of the Capitol in Denver for 4-H day!



DISTRICT 4-H & STATE 4-H NEWS

District 9 Retreat, April 5-7, 2024

Riding for the Brand

District Retreat will be held in Glenwood Springs, CO Join us at District Retreat by registering online at <u>4-H Online</u> Registration open February 1 - March 1, 2024 Registration Information:

- \$70.00/person
- Lodging and Travel expenses are not included and will be determined by your County 4-H office
 - 4-H ages 10 and up
- Includes a free t-shirt and water bottle
- Sweatshirts and Long Sleeve T's are extra
- Officer Applications are available online at <u>Office Apps</u> deadline for is March 15 for Officer Applications

Citizen Washington Focus Citizen Washington Focus Applications are now available through 4-H Online! Colorado 4-H will be sending qualified delegates to the 2nd cohort of the CWF trip scheduled for June 20-June 27, 2024. The projected cost for this event per delegate is \$3, 550.00. The state will put \$300.00 towards the first delegate from each county. There may also be some budgeted trip assistance from Middle Park 4-H Council to assist in covering the cost for gualified members. Please note that delegates must be 15 years of age and they must apply and be selected. If you are interested in finding out more please contact the Extension Office. Deadline to apply is February 21.



CSU Scholarship Applications for 2024-2025 Academic Year:

Awarded annually in late Spring for the following academic year. Award amounts vary; most are one-time scholarships. Scholarships have a minimum of 2-3 year 4-H participation required. Applicants are ranked by the scholarship committee by specific scholarship criteria and 4-H accomplishments. As part of the Office of Engagement & Extension, Colorado 4-H awards scholarships to outstanding 4-H youth who have actively engaged in Colorado 4-H clubs for at least 3 years. The scholarship process is competitive and open from November 1, 2023, through March 1, 2024.

Scholarship recipients will be announced by early May 2024. There are opportunities available for a variety of students, including for those attending CSU or other universities, trade school, junior colleges, transfer students, and continuing students.

To begin the application, click

<u>https://co4hfoundation.academicworks.com/</u> to see the scholarship opportunities available. Once signed in, the first step is to apply using the General Application, where specific questions will be asked to determine which of the scholarships you are eligible for using defined criteria.

