

Come One, Come

June 2024

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On the Horizon

- June 4 Livestock Committee Meeting, Courthouse Conference Room, 6 pm
- June 9 Beef LQA, Weatherbeater, 2 pm - open to all species
- June 17 Last Chance All-species LQA meeting at East Slope Vet Service, 5-6:30 pm
- June 23-28 4-H Shooting Sports National Championships, Grand Island, Nebraska
- June 25-30 Teton County 4-H Fair, Choteau, Schedule page 8
- July 9-12 Montana State 4-H Congress, Bozeman
- July 19 Teton-Cascade combined 4-H Working Ranch Horse Show, 406 Arena, Vaughn
- July 20 Teton-Cascade combined 4-H County Horse Show, 406 Arena, Vaughn
- August 15 Record Books Due



Record Books Due August 15, 2024

- A complete Record Book must be submitted (electronically via Zsuite or on paper) each year in order for 4-H members to exhibit, show or sell at next year's Fair.
- Market Animal members must bring a working version of their Record Book to Interview Judging with the market animal project section (on paper) nearly complete
- Record books are due to your club leader no later than August 15 so they can be checked for completion. Project forms and Record Book guidance can be found on our webpage.

Agent's Corner: A Bigger, Bolder Round Robin by Jenn Swanson

It's always good to keep things fresh, right? Well, the Livestock Committee has decided to **"go big"** in response to pleas from fans who enjoyed the Round Robin Showmanship contest so much that they want to be able to watch *all rounds at once*. Round Robin 2024 will be our very own 4-ring circus under our "big top" Weatherbeater arena.

What will be the same? The two top showmen in each age group and species (beef, swine, lamb, goat) will be invited to the Round Robin Showmanship contest. For example, in Swine, the Senior grand and reserve showmen, the Junior grand and reserve showmen, and the Pre-Junior grand and reserve showmen are eligible to compete. The top showman in each age group will receive an award belt buckle.

What will be different? Each round is divided into 2 sub-rounds so that the two same-aged exhibitors can trade animals. For example, the two pre-junior beef exhibitors will switch animals after the first sub-round so that they both get to handle both animals. When the two sub-rounds are over, exhibitors move to the next species round. And wait, there's more....

What will give it that 4-ring circus feel? All of the species will be in the Weatherbeater arena at one time, albeit separated by barriers. Swine will show in the east end in the paneled show corral; lambs and goats will show in the middle of the Weatherbeater arena; and beef will be on the west end of the arena. Beef, Lambs, and Goats will be separated from each other by straw bale barriers. This will be exciting to watch and safety will be a top priority - we'll be pulling in adult "ring leaders" to make sure things run smoothly.

FAIR ...IT'S THE GREATEST SHOW IN TETON COUNTY!



Agents Corner: by Shelby Jones-Dozier

The most exciting part of the 4-H year is upon us! Teton County Fair! Congress! Camp!

A huge shout out goes to Jamie and JoAnn who processed 579 fair registration entries over the course of a few days.

With fair registration complete, I am actively recruiting interview judges to evaluate 4-Hers work and provide meaningful suggestions and guidance. This is a great time of year for me to meet more members of the community and see how many adults are willing to share their expertise and time to support 4-Hers. Clubs should plan to arrive at the Chateau Pavilion on Wednesday, June 26th according to the times below. Parents, please be advised to keep the volume of side conversations to a minimum. We want to ensure that the judges and youth can hear one another and have a quiet, calm environment. Thank you in advance for your understanding and cooperation.

If your exhibit is not in the auction, please plan to pick up your exhibits by 1 pm on Saturday. (If your exhibit *is* selected for the auction, please pick it up by 1 pm and deliver it to the Weatherbeater for display in the Meat and Greet area.) Spring Creek will be leading clean-up of the pavilion which will begin at 9 am on Sunday, June 30th. Any orphaned exhibits will be taken to the Extension office until July 19th, at which time they will be disposed of or taken to the local thrift shop.

Interview Judging Times

Plan to arrive 15 minutes prior to your club's time to complete entry tags

Eager Eagles	1:30 pm
Challenging Champs	2:15 pm
Spring Creek	2:45 pm
Old Agency	4:00 pm

July is packed with opportunity and fun for 4-Hers of all ages.

For our senior 4-Hers who were 13 on October 1, 2023, consider taking part in Montana 4-H State Congress on MSU Campus July 9 - 12, 2024. Detailed information about the event can be found by clicking on the link 'Learn More about 4-H Congress' or scanning the QR code. Registration for Congress is through ZSuite. Teton County 4-H Council will cover half of the total cost of registration (not including a t-shirt or sweatshirt that can be purchased during registration). Transportation to and from Bozeman will also be provided by the county. Please make sure to bring your own spending money to cover the cost of meals on the road, to and from Bozeman. As well as spending money if any last-minute supplies are needed in Bozeman.

[Learn More About
4-H Congress](#)



For our junior 4-Hers, camp is a great opportunity to make new friends, learn new skills and spend two nights in a cabin at Camp Rotary in Neihart from July 23rd – July 25th. Registration for camp is currently open and can be completed through ZSuite. Please note that the fee for camp increases on June 8th to \$70 and on June 22nd to \$90. At registration campers can purchase an optional camp t-shirt for an additional \$14.00.

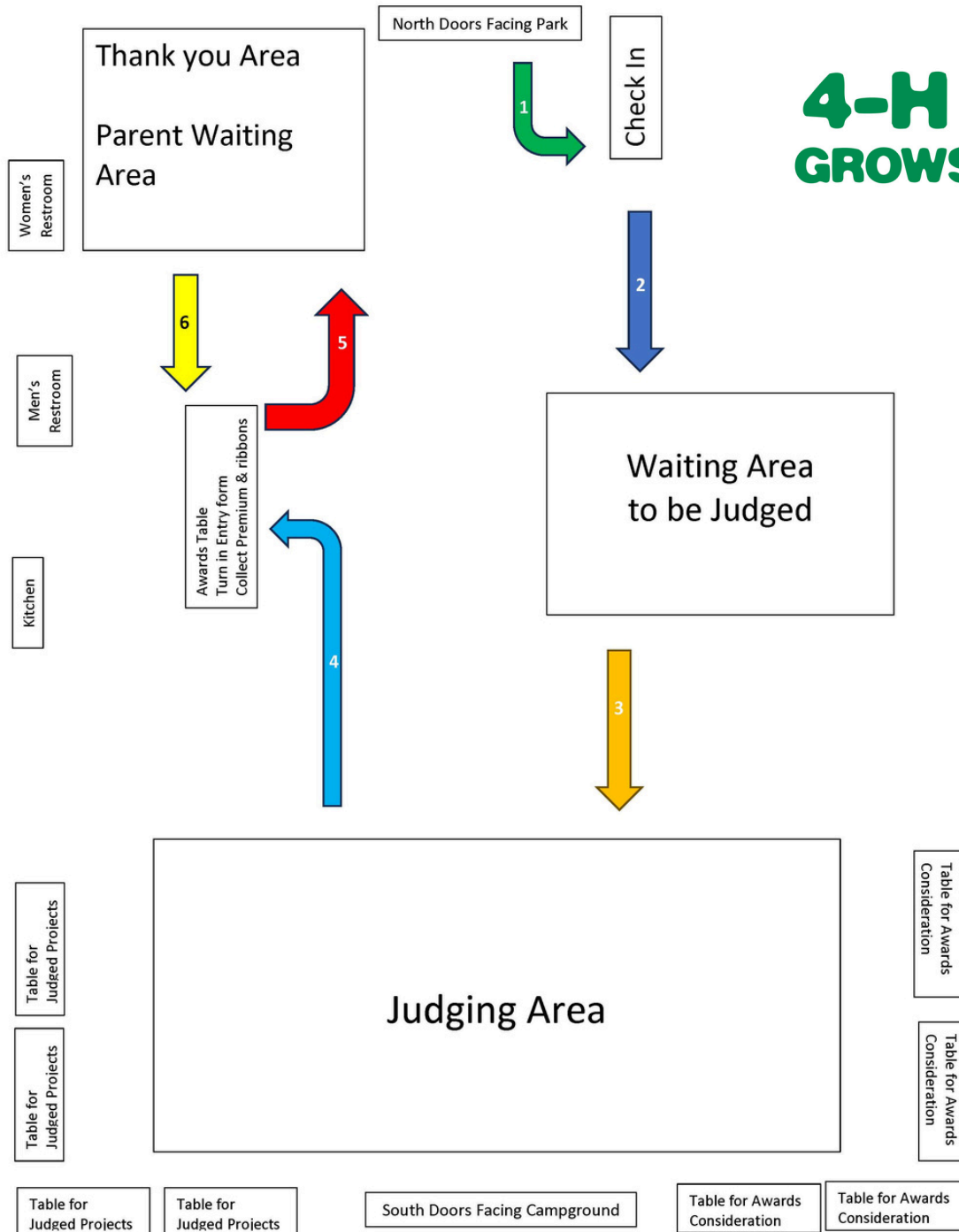
A huge shout out goes to Heather McCartney-Duty, who has volunteered as an adult camp chaperone. We are enthusiastically looking for more adult chaperones to join her! What would camp be without food? I am very excited to announce that Susan Anderson will be our camp cook assisted by Cynthia Rice.

Currently we have 24 kids registered, 14 boys and 10 girls. We need at least two male chaperones, and another female. Anyone who volunteers for camp will need to become a certified volunteer which includes a background check. It takes a few weeks to complete this process. If you or someone you know is considering volunteering, please have them contact the Extension office by Friday June 28th.

We are also in need of a camp nurse. At Camp Rotary we are approximately one hour from Great Falls, which makes accessing emergency medical services take more time. To provide our youth with the safest camp experience possible, an onsite camp nurse is an integral part of the team. If you or someone you know has an active Montana Medical License and can donate their time, please have them contact the Extension Office.



2024 Pavilion Interview Judging Map



1. Check in and pick up your fair entry form.
2. Wait until judges are available.
3. Enter judging area and complete judging.
4. When all your projects have been judged, take your fair entry form to the awards/premium table and pick up thank you cards to write.
5. Write thank you cards and return them to the awards/premium table.
6. Pick up your premiums (cash awards) and ribbons.

Congratulations! You have completed fair interview judging at the 2024 4-H Fair!

Agents Unite to Urge Clubs to Get Your Kicks and Earn Some Dough!

Looking for a **new fundraising opportunity for your 4-H club**? Here's an idea that is sure to be both lucrative and fun. **Get Your Kicks at 6** is a weekly music and farmers market event coming to Choteau this summer. The fun starts on Thursday evenings at (you guessed it...) 6 pm and lasts until 8 pm at the band shell in Choteau City Park. This community festival series is sponsored by Choteau Chamber of Commerce, Choteau Lions Club, and Teton County MSU Extension.

There are three ways you could make some money for your 4-H Club. The first is to sign up as a vendor at one or more of the events. Some ideas for items to sell include root beer floats, baked goods, crafts, woodworking, leathercraft, and flower baskets. There is no fee to set up a table at the **Get Your Kicks at 6** farmers market and all proceeds from your sale will go to your Club!

A second way to make money is to sign up to sell meals at an event. For example, as a Club, you could prepare tacos or other to-go plates in the Pavilion kitchen for sale to concert goers. This option would take some planning and requires cleaning the kitchen afterwards, but could offer good returns.

A third idea that requires zero preparation is to be the Park clean-up crew from 8 to 9 pm. The Extension office was awarded a grant from MSU that will allow us to offer \$150 per event to a 4-H Club or local sports team that cleans up for 1 hour. (Clubs can sign up for one or more events.)

If your Club is interested, please contact the Extension office to request a date (see below).

Friday July 5th and subsequent **Thursdays in July and August**: July 11, 18, 25, and August 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 (all concerts are 6 to 8 pm; clean up is from 8 to 9 pm)



2024 4-H Club Rotations

Club	Rotation	Club Rotation Description
Challenging Champs	Concessions and Meat and Greet	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Meat and Greet is our buyer appreciation event. It takes place on Saturday June 29, 2024, from 5 to 6:30 pm, in the Weatherbeater Arena • Your club will set up, serve food, and clean up after the event. Available club members should be divided into two teams: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ 4-6 p.m. Setup for the event and serve food ◦ 5-7 p.m. Serve food and clean up after the event • Your club has the option of selling baked goods as a club fundraiser, during Fair
Old Agency	Fair Project Display	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Projects are displayed, and decorations are put up immediately following interview judging <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Please wait to begin until all interview judging is complete • Clubs decide how to best exhibit fair entries (can be by club, by project type, etc.) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ A champions area is generally created to display the exhibits that were ranked as rosette and division winners • The office will supply tablecloths, easels, risers, magnets/pipes, etc. • No tape, nails, staples, etc. can be used on the Pavilion walls
Spring Creek	Fair Cleaning at Pavilion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clubs cleaning the Pavilion following the fair may either do so on Saturday night or on Sunday following the fair and should communicate their plan with the Extension agents • A cleaning list will be supplied with specific details for both cleaning the Pavilion and organizing 4-H/Extension supplies • Depending on the number of people who assist, this assignment will take 2-4 hours
Eager Eagles Prairie Stars	Fair Facilities Management and Greeter Scheduling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrange Pavilion greeters (work with Extension to determine schedule) • Plan and provide hospitality for judges at Pavilion during interview judging <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Work with Extension to arrange budget/payment/times ◦ Hospitality for judges varies depending on the time of judging <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Could include a light snack (bars, fruit) and water or a light meal • Manage the physical facilities at the Weatherbeater and Pavilion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Daily loading of paper towels, soap, toilet paper, dumping garbage, sweeping off bleachers, keeping areas clean and tidy, cleaning cement pad ◦ Water spray bottles should be used to keep dust down ◦ Managing inside and outside areas for cleanliness, safety, traffic, etc. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Safety announcements can be made prior to and during the fair
Eager Eagles Prairie Stars	Camp Rotary Cleaning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Rotarians set the date for cleaning at Camp Rotary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ As a user of Camp Rotary, Teton County is expected to participate • The Extension Office will forward information as it is received about the cleaning event • This assignment generally requires a smaller group of people with 4-10 able to complete the task <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ It is best to take gloves (cleaning and work), buckets, and rags. ◦ Wear comfortable shoes and cleaning clothes.

2024 Teton County 4-H Fair Schedule

Tuesday June 25	
Pavilion	Weatherbeater
5 pm: Fair Set Up	5 pm: Fair Set Up
Wednesday June 26	
Pavilion	Weatherbeater
1 to 5:30 pm: Interview Judging for all Fair Entries	
Thursday June 27	
Pavilion	Weatherbeater
4 to 7 pm: Pavilion open to the Community	
	5 to 7 pm: Swine Weigh-in
Friday June 28	
Pavilion	Weatherbeater
	8:45 am: Presentation of Flags
	9 am: Swine - Market and Showmanship Classes
11 am to 9 pm: Pavilion open to the Community	
	12 noon: Lamb and Goat Weigh in and Ultrasound
	2 pm: Lamb and Goat Breeding Classes
	2:30 pm: Lamb and Goat Market and Showmanship Classes
	4 pm: Small Animal Show
	5 to 7 pm: Beef Weigh-in
	7:30 to 9:30: 4-H Style Show and Dance; Community Social
Saturday June 29	
Pavilion	Weatherbeater
	8:45 am: Presentation of Flags
	9 am: Beef Shows - Breeding, Dairy, Market, and Showmanship Classes
9 am to 1 pm: Pavilion open to the Community	12 noon: Round Robin Showmanship Contest
1 to 5 pm: Pavilion Exhibit Pickup (Pavilion will be locked at 5 pm)	5 to 6 pm: Meat and Greet Buyer Appreciation Event
	5 to 6 pm: Registration for Livestock Sale
	6 pm until finished: Livestock Auction
Sunday June 30	
Pavilion	Weatherbeater
9 am: Pavilion Clean Up (Spring Creek Club)	6:30 am: Superintendents arrive to organize shipping of market animals
	6:45 am: Optional – 4-H market animal project members may attend, if desired; report to your species superintendent before moving any animal
	9 am - 12 noon: Fair Clean-up Party



2024 Teton County 4-H Fair Livestock Member Duty Roster

Setup Duty		Cleanup Duty	
Banner, Ariana	Hodgskiss, Grant	Bender, Caleb	Lytle, Boaz
Banner, McCoy	Hodgskiss, Hayden	Bender, Kamber	Lytle, Polly
Bradley, Bryden	Little, Waylon	Bender, Kaylie	Lytle, Theodore
Carlson, Lily	Miller, Nick	Bender, Keira	Martin, Ledger
Carlson, Iris	Morris, Alexis	Bender, Kinsey	Phillips, Lyndsy
Cherry, Keaton	Morris, Jorja	Brooks, Caden	Phillips, Wyatt
Cornelius, Ella	Morris, Katy	Brooks, Maci	Taylor, Trent
Cornelius, Izzy	Morris, Owen	DeBruycker, Ayden	Tschida, Tana
Crabb, Tate	Neal, Seeley	DeBruycker, Kinsley	Toeckes, Grace
DeBruycker, Ainsley	Neuman, Kamri	DeBruycker, Natalie	Toeckes, Isaac
Donnelly, MaClay	Neuman, Kinlie	Hodgskiss, Ty	Toeckes, Jackson
Drumm, Liam	Paulson, Anna	Jordre, Colton	Toeckes, Mikayla
Gagne, Tucker	Paulson, Leah	Lobdell, Kolman	Widmer, Micah
Greyn, Trent	Pearson, Knox	Lobdell, Audrey	Yeager, Casen
Harrell, Charley	Pearson, Ronnie	Long, Charlie	Yeager, Justyce
Heagy, Boone	Scott, Addy	Long, Claire	Yeager, Rusch
Heagy, Bromley	Ulsh, Dylan	Long, Laudi	

Teton County 4-H Camp 2024, It is going to be a



**Camp Fee Schedule (2024 Camp July 23 to 25)
Registration open now in ZSuite!**

REGISTRATION DATE 4-H MEMBER NON-4-H MEMBER

Until May 24, 2024	\$45	\$90
May 25- June 7, 2024	\$45 + 15 = \$60	\$90 + 15 = \$105
June 8- June 21, 2024	\$45 + \$25 = \$70	\$90 + \$25 = \$115
June 22-July 5, 2024	\$45 + \$45 = \$90	\$90 + \$45 = \$135

There will be an optional camp t-shirt available to campers for an additional \$14.

4-H Camp Counselors: \$25 registration fee and t-shirt provided.

Adult volunteers: no fee and t-shirt provided.

Club Commotion



On Tuesday, May 28th the Eager Eagles/Prairie Stars hosted “Soup Supper” at the United Church of Christ in Fairfield. This is something the church puts on the last Tuesday of each month. Different groups host. The club asked for May. The club was able to keep the proceeds of the free will offering of \$134.

Opportunity for 4-H Youth

The Life Enrichment Director for the long-term care facility at Benefis Teton Medical Center would like to invite 4-H members to share their projects with residents. A variety of projects would be suitable from all types of crafts to small animals that have been vaccinated. The residents love to meet 4-Hers and talk about their projects.

If interested, please contact Cheryl Woods at cherylwoods@benefis.org or 406-868-0286



Montana 4-H International Programs: Hosting



Montana families have the opportunity to host and positively impact an international youth this Summer 2024 and Academic Year 2024 - 2025. The host family will help select which delegate best matches with their family.

Summer 2024: July 22 - August 17

16 Japanese females and males ages 12 - 17

[Apply to host for Summer 2024](#)

Academic Year 2024 - 2025: ~10 months, arriving in August

1 Korean youth age 15 - 18

1 Japanese youth age 15 - 18

[Apply to host for 2024-2025 Academic Year](#)

Have further questions? Contact Christine at c.sommersaustin@montana.edu or 406.994.3504

Montana 4-H Congress 2024 Ticket to Leadership

- Explore- Travel to new places and experience new things.
- Discover- Step outside your comfort zone and discover people and places.
- Memories- Make friends and capture unforgettable memories.

To Be Eligible for Montana 4-H Congress in July a 4-H member needs have been at least 13 years old on October 1, 2023. (4-H age 13 or above)

Montana 4-H Congress registration is open!

Do not miss the train, boat, plane, or stagecoach to Bozeman for 2024 Montana Congress. It is here you will pick up your Ticket to Leadership.

Whatever your mode of transportation, this may be the most important ticket you ever acquire. The experiences you have, people you meet and memories you make will last forever and take you places you cannot even imagine. You have a choice when selecting activities and we hope you choose Montana 4-H Congress for your Ticket to Leadership this summer. Who knows where it will take you!

Book Your Trip Now

To access the registration for this event, log in to your ZSuite account and click on events in the left menu. State registration Deadline is July 15, 2024.

Contact Info/Resources

Teton County MSU Extension

Mailing Address:

- PO Box 130, Choteau, MT 59422

Phone (voice call):

- 466-2491/2492

Text only:

- 406-530-5373

Email (send club minutes, most questions/issues):

- teton@montana.edu

Other:

- <https://www.montana.edu/extension/teton>
- <https://www.facebook.com/TetonCoExt>
- <https://www.montana.edu/extension/4h>



Fair Dates

2024 June 24-30

2025 June 24-29

2026 June 22-28

4-H Congress, Bozeman

2024 July 9-12

Camp Dates

2024 July 22-26

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