



Santa Cruz County 4-H Updates

April 20, 2015 4-H Updates

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1. **County Leadership Re-organization Meeting**

All 4-H volunteers, parents and teen members to a meeting on Wednesday April 29, from 7 – 9pm at the UCCE Office at 1430, Suite E Freedom Blvd. in Watsonville to discuss different options for managing the county-level 4-H program. The goals of this meeting are to explore methods for providing county-level 4-H leadership for activities and events with a mind towards:

- Creating an efficient and streamlined leadership structure
- Increasing the number of people in leadership roles, while at the same time decreasing individual responsibilities
- Defining which events and activities are most essential for the program

Following this meeting, attendees will be asked to seek input from their club members as to which options will be implemented in Santa Cruz County.

2. **State Leadership Conference Funding Requests**

The 4-H members and adult volunteers **must be register by APRIL 30th** to participate in State Leadership Conference held July 23rd thru July 26th. 4-H members from age 13 to 19 years old are eligible to attend this event. The 4-H State Leadership Conference brings together high school youth from across California in a four-day leadership training, networking, and learning experience. The conference provides advanced leadership training and is an opportunity for 4-H members to network and share ideas with other 4-Hers from across the state. SLC participants may take a bus to SLC information on registration form. See attachment #1 for the link to register for State Leadership Conference.

3. **Spring Fair Planning Meeting**

Spring Fair Committee meeting April 19, 4pm at 1215 Chanticleer Ave. – Chairman Mindy Gillen.

Save the date, May 9th is Spring Fair at the Santa Cruz County Fairgrounds in the Ag History department. This is an exciting event for the whole family. 4-H members may participate in

poultry and dairy goat shows. Poultry leaders will be hosting a showmanship clinic for 4-H'ers. Rabbit leaders are having showmanship workshops including breed I.D., judging contest, rabbit dress up and rabbit race. Poultry and rabbit showmanship clinics are to help prepare the 4-H members for fair. The deadline to enter the poultry show and rabbit events is May 1st. Rocketry launch and many other activities for the 4-H family to participate and volunteer. Your club will be receiving a sign-up sheet for Spring Fair. Please contact Mindy Gillman from Scotts Valley 4-H club for more detail on how to participate in this event. Add Mindy's contact information

4. Bio Security

Bio Security is a program designed to educate the livestock members on disease control within their livestock project. 4-H members are eligible to participate in this program if they are raising a market steer, market swine, market lamb, market goat or dairy cattle, breeding cattle, breeding swine, breeding sheep, dairy goats that will be exhibited at the Monterey, Santa Cruz or San Benito County Fair. **Your livestock leader will need to register and participate in a Bio Security training class on April 25th** at 4-H office located at 1430 Freedom Blvd, Watsonville. 4-H livestock members may not participate if the leader does not attend this training on April 25th. The 4-H members enrolled in the treatment group upon the completion of this program will earn a pin for their 4-H hat. This pilot program is a great way to incorporate common disease in the livestock industry and help stop the spread of these diseases. This program will not add a lot of extra work for the livestock leader or livestock members in their project. If you have any questions on this program, please call Julie Katawicz at the 4-H office.

5. 2015-2016 4-H Enrollment Fee's

Beginning July 1, 2015 the enrollment fee's for 4-H will be increasing to \$38.00 for youth members and \$14.00 for adult volunteers.

6. Community Club Leaders Needed

With the end of the 4-H year soon approaching (June 30), there will be community club leader positions available in the Boulder Creek and Felton 4-H clubs. Ideally we like to see teams of 2 – 3 volunteers share this responsibility so we can match your skill set and interests with appropriate duties. Community club leaders will be trained and supported by Julie, and will be connected to the vast knowledge base and expertise of leaders throughout Santa Cruz County. As you are all aware, without these very important positions, clubs will not exist. Everyone interested in exploring leadership opportunities in Felton or Boulder Creek is encouraged to contact me at jkatawicz@ucanr.edu, or 831-763-8015.

7. Sectional Presentation Day Wrap-up

Congratulations to all the 4-H members that participated in Sectional Presentation Day. The presentations were outstanding by all the 4-H members from our county. The 4-H individual, team and skit presentation that received a Gold are eligible to compete in State Presentation Day on May 30th. The 4-H members and 4-H adult volunteers will have to register on line.

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This event would not have been successful if it weren't for the help of volunteers. So, a big Thank You to all the 4-H members, leaders and parents that helped put on sectional presentation day for the 4-H members.

8. Summer Camp:

Chairman: Diane Sampson is having a planning meeting for all adult volunteer and teen leaders for Summer Camp at 7pm at the Safeway on 41st Avenue on the following dates: Thursday April 30, Wednesday, May 20, and Wednesday June 17.

4-H Summer Camp at Camp Loma is an old style family camp experience- Contact Camp Coordinator with specific questions. dianesampson@baymoon.com

2015 4-H Summer Camp is happening this year with the help of a new committee and volunteers, the dates are July 16-20, 2015

We need a lifeguard for three days, Friday, Saturday and Sunday 12:30-3:30, and an EMT or Nurse. Please ask your friends if they might join us!

Youth Registration, ages 9-19: Coming Soon!

Adult Registration: (Adults must be currently enrolled and live scanned)

We will offer more information at May Club Meetings.

9. April Leader's Council Summary

See attachment below

10. Free Goat

A family has a free goat to a 4-H family. He is about 4-5 yrs. old. Very tame. If you are interested please call Sari Mitch at 877-338-9130

11. The California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) is sponsoring, 2-day poultry training

Member will need to register by May 1st

Event will be held at UC Davis School of Veterinary Medicine, Monday, June 22 to Tuesday, June 23, 8am to 5pm

Please register with Myrna Cadena via email at: mmcadena@ucdavis.edu or by phone at: [619-761-1258](tel:619-761-1258).

12. 4-H Record Books

Time to think about working on your club record book. We have added some record book links to help the member and leader complete the record book forms. Club record books will be due to you club by July 1st.

13. Submitting to the Updates

If you have an announcement, need or opportunity you would like to promote in the 4-H Updates, please email me at jkatawicz@ucanr.edu, or 831-763-801 by 11am every Wednesday “copy ready” information, and I will gladly include your information into the weekly 4-H Update.

14. Program Representative Office Hours

Julie Katawicz:

Mondays:	9 am to 3 pm
Tuesdays:	8:30 am to 1:30 pm
Wednesdays:	8:30 am to 1:30 pm

Have a great week,

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Attachments:

1. State Leadership Link: http://4h.ucanr.edu/4-H_Events/SLC/#
2. Spring Fair Poultry Link: http://cesantacruz.ucanr.edu/Youth_Development/4-H_Horse_Shows_-_Fairs/Spring_4-H_Fair/
3. Spring Fair Rabbit Show Link: <https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=15372>
4. Bio Security link: <https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=13867>
5. 4-H Record Book links: <http://4h.ucanr.edu/Resources/Members/RecordBook/RBResources/>
<http://4h.ucanr.edu/Resources/Members/RecordBook/RBCompetition/>
6. April Council Meeting Summary <http://cesantacruz.ucanr.edu/files/211791.pdf>