



March 23, 2016 4-H Newsletter

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1. County Presentation Day- Wrap up:

We had a very successful county presentation day event this year. We had 14 members that attended. Thank you to all the 4-H members and leaders for putting on a fantastic event.

2. Sectional Presentation Day:

Sectional Presentation Day registration for all gold medalist winners is DUE BY APRIL 1st to Monterey County 4-H office by 5 pm. No exceptions.

Call for help from all 4-H clubs: We need sectional presentation day judges, room monitors, check-in clerk, set up, food servers and cleanup crew. Sectional Presentation day will be on April 16th starting at 8 am until about noon. Sectional Presentation day will be held in Speckles, at Speckles school. You will earn points in your record book towards earning bronze, silver, gold, and platinum star. You will met other 4-H members from Monterey and San Benito counties, so come join the fun!! Please email the 4-H office at jkatawicz@ucanr.edu if you are interested in helping at sectional presentation day.

3. Snow Camp- Wrap Up:

We had a very successful snow camp this year. Many families attended this event to find a lot of snow. We would like to thank all the 4-H leaders and 4-H members that helped to make this event a success this year. We look forward to having more families attend snow camp next year.

4. Emerald Star Project:

We will be offering another training season for interview the project. We will be breaking down the interview process into age categories with new topics. We will be sending out more details in the future on this project, so look for more information to come. If you would like more details email rosiepony21@gmail.com.

5. 4-H Shooting Sports Leader training:

We have a great opportunity for leaders to be trained in shooting sports on the following dates:

- A. Shotguns Discipline, Bakersfield, CA at Kern County Gun Club
 1. April 16th & 17th
 2. Participants must attend both days of training to receive certificate.
 3. Register contact Nick Holman at NHolman@bak.it.com
- B. Rifle Discipline, Pajaro Valley Rod & Gun Club, 557 ½ Lakeview Rd, Watsonville
 1. Saturday, April 23rd from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm
 2. Sunday, April 24th 9:00 am to 4:00 pm
 3. Participants must attend both days of training to receive certificate.
 4. Lunch: \$6 each day
 5. Register contact Randy Turnquist, email randy@randyt.com or 831-566-2590
- C. Rifle Discipline, San Luis Sportsmen Association's Hogue Range
 1. Address: 3272 Girardi Rd, San Luis Obispo, CA
 2. May 14th to May 15th from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm
 3. Only 14 spots are available for the training
 4. Participants must attend both days of training to receive certificate.

6. Nasco Showing and Grooming Clinic:

Attention livestock members and leaders this is a great opportunity to attend a free clinic for beef, swine, sheep and meat goats from some of the top speakers in the livestock industry. You will learn feeding, selection and evaluation, daily care, showmanship and show day fitting.

The event will be held on April 9th at Modesto Junior College, A.C.E. Pavilion

Register on line at www.enasco.com/farmandranch

I highly encourage all the livestock 4-H members and leaders to attend this event. It will be worth your while. You are never too old to learn.

7. Spring Fair: May 14th

We will be having Spring Fair at the fairgrounds on May 14th. We are asking for all the 4-H clubs to be involved in this event. Contact 4hatcorralitos@gmail.com to sign up to help.

8. Range and Natural Resource Camp: June 19th - 24th

- A. Elkus Youth Ranch, Half Moon Bay
- B. Application Due: Friday, April 29, 2016
- C. Fee: \$450 make check payable to California Section, Society for Range Management
- D. More information contact CeCe Dahlstrom at 619-532-2269 or carol.dahlstrom@navy.mil or **application on line at www.rangelands.org**

9. 4-H Summer Camp: July 22nd- 25th

We have a call out to teen members and leaders to help plan summer camp. We are looking for a nurse and life guard. We cannot have this event without these two roles filled.

1. Next Camp planning meeting is: April 12 at 7pm at the Aptos Grange
2. Registration: open until May 31st on 4-H county website
3. Cost to attend Camp: \$125
4. Theme for Summer Camp is "**SUPERHEROS**"

Logo Design contest open now. Submit your drawings to kyle.middleton@yahoo.com or 4-H office. Prize is a T-shirt.

10. Countywide Gardening Project:

Gardening: all meetings are at 530 Light Springs Road, Aptos

- A. Project Fee of \$10
- B. April 10th at 1 pm
- C. May 7th at 1:00 pm
- D. May 22nd, May 29th, June 5th or June 12th at 1 pm (choose any two dates)

County Fair Garden and Display Project

- A. July 10th
- B. August 14th
- C. August 28th

D. October 9th

Contact Cecily Randolph at 831-728-5297 or clrand1950@gmail.com for more project information

11. End of the year reports and 4-H Club Officer Elections:

Your 4-H club needs to start preparing for the end of the year reports that will be turned into the 4-H office By July 31st. The secretary and treasurer books are due to the 4-H office. We are also asking the 4-H clubs to have their office elections completed by their June meeting.

12. 4-H Officer Workshop:

We are offering training for 4-H club officers in our county to help support and grow our program. The teen leadership team is working with their advisor and 4-H program rep to design and lead the 4-H club officer training in June. New 4-H club officers and any 4-H member interested in becoming an officer for their club is invited to attend. The workshop will give you the tools and skills to be a successful confident 4-H club officer. We will have a survey on the 4-H website to register starting by the end of April.

13. 4-H Livestock Leader Meetings – Wrap Up:

We had a very successful Livestock leader meetings in February and March. The leaders were given a folder with information on the species that they are leading. The leader will have role call at each livestock meeting with the 4-H member understanding that a minimum of 6 hours must be completed with 80% attendance at the required meetings the livestock leader is required. It is important that the 4-H members and leaders communicate about meeting times and dates in advance. The more you attend the meetings and apply yourself in a project the more successful you will be in your project. These are living animals that we are taking care of, so remember to attend the project meetings to gain the skills to properly care and show your animals. You never stop learning no matter how long you have been in raising animals or in a 4-H project.

14. 4-H Leader Workshops:

We will be offering a variety of 4-H leader workshops to help support our leaders by providing training and materials for projects:

The up and coming 4-H Leader Classes:

- Community Leader (club leaders) workshop on June 18th, Aptos Grange
- Non Livestock Project Leader workshop to be announced
- Record Book Training for leaders and members to be announced

Please contact the 4-H office with ideas of workshops you would like to see offered for leaders and members.

Thank you to all the leaders and members for your efforts to make this 4-H program a success! So invite a friend to check out 4-H at your next club meeting.

15. Santa Cruz County Fair Livestock Rule Changes:

Attention Livestock Exhibitors new livestock rule for 2016 fair. You can show:

- Show 2 lambs or
- Show 2 meat goats or
- Show 2 steers or
- Show 1 swine and show either 1 lamb, 1 meat goat, or 1 steer
- **ONLY SELL ONE LAMB OR ONE MEAT GOAT OR ONE SWINE in the livestock auction at fair**
- **Can Sell 2 steers in the livestock auction at fair or 1 steer and 1 lamb or 1 steer and 1 meat goat or 1 steer and 1 swine.** If you have any question please email or phone the 4-H office.

16. Announcements and Deadlines:

- Sectional Presentation Day Gold Medalist Applications Due April 1st
- Camping Conference, April 1st to 3rd

- All Star Application Due to 4-H office, April 2nd
- Nasco Field Day, April 9th
- Tractor Supply – Paper Clover Fundraiser April 13th – 24th
- Sectional Presentation Day, April 16th 8 am, Speckles School
- County Council Meeting, April 21st at 6:45 pm, Aptos Grange
- Easter Seals Open House for Felton 4-H & Quail Creek 4-H, May 7th 10 am to 2 pm
- Salinas Valley Fair, May 12th to May 15th
- Spring Fair, May 14th at 10 am, Fairgrounds in Ag History area
- County Council Meeting, May 19th at 6:45 pm, Aptos Grange
- Monterey Bay Youth Out Door Days, May 21st, 10 am to 4 pm Fairgrounds on lawn
- Summer Camp Registration Due, May 31st register on 4-H county website
- Bronze, Silver & Gold Medal Application due to 4-H office, June 5th
- Community (Club) Leaders Workshop, June 18th, 10 am, Aptos Grange
- Horse Show- June 26th – mark the date on your calendar
- 4-H Club Officer Workshop- June 29th register on line at 4-H county website
- Emerald Star Application –accepted year round in the 4-H office.

17. Submitting Updates:

If you have an announcement or opportunity you would like to promote in the 4-H community, please email me at jkatawicz@ucanr.edu or 831-763-8015. The newsletter comes out the following Monday after the 4-H county council meeting.

18. 4-H Program Representative Contacts Information and Office Hours:

Julie Katawicz at 831-763-8015 or jkatawicz@ucanr.edu

Office Hours:

Monday: 9 am to 4:30 pm

Tuesday 9 am to 1:00 pm

Wednesday 9 am to 1:00 pm

Have a great week,

Julie Katawicz and Lynn Schmitt-McQuitty

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Attachments:

Santa Cruz County 4-H Website: http://cesantacruz.ucanr.edu/Youth_Development/

State Newsletter: <http://4h.ucanr.edu/files/237032.pdf>

