

4-H Spirit



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Mariposa County 4-H Youth Development Newsletter

May 2015

Teen Night May 8th

Teen Night is slated for May 8. Teens (7th –12th grades) meet at the Mariposa Park at 4p. Games, dinner, and dancing will take place. Parents are to pick up teens by 9p. Get registration form at <http://cemariposa.ucanr.edu/?calitem=237081&g=37458> and turn in at the office by May 4.

4-H Camp Tweety Registrations Due by May 15



Camp will take place June 5-7, 2015 at Lions Camp Pacifica. This camp is for 4-H members and non-4-Hers in grades 4-8 or 9 years old by December 31, 2014. Theme is “Masquerade”.

Chaperones are Alan Wright, Brandon Bertram, Roger Dacanay, Jennifer Metcalf, Glenda Brower, Mashawn Walker, with helpers of Sherry Peters, Niarja Marchand, Sage Hart, and nurse, Cathie Kirk. Teen Counselors are

Reannon Broomfield, Raegan Broomfield, Emily Metcalf, Josh Mandeville, Adam Sternberg and Brian Gamble.

Cost is \$90 for 4-H members and \$124 for non-4-Hers. Registrations along with fee are due by May 15 or sooner. We can take payment arrangements or check with office for scholarships. Make check payable to ‘Mariposa County 4-H Council’.

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Remember the
men and women
who have fought
for, and are
fighting for our
country & world!
May 25th





2015 Bud Swift Memorial Carcass Contest Held at the Mariposa County Fair/Homecoming And Junior Livestock Auction

Sponsored by Mariposa County Farm Bureau and Merced/Mariposa Cattleman's Association

Rules for carcass contest for 4-H, FFA, Independent youth-

Required ownership of the animal is 120 days

Weigh-in-

The initial weigh-in will be held on May 9, 2015, from 9 am to 10 am at Meyer Ranch, 3516 Bear Valley Rd., between Mt. Gaines Rd and #9 Road, Hornitos, on a certified scale. Project animals will be weighed, a hair sample will be taken, and all project animals will be ear tagged. In addition, a photo will be taken of the project animal and youth exhibitor/owner.

The second weigh-in will be held on September 4, 2015, at the Mariposa County Fairgrounds - time to be announced. A second photograph of the project animal and youth exhibitor will be taken September 5, 2015, after all classes completed.

There are two equally weighted parts of this contest that will be evaluated for the final placing.

The carcass grid system-

The carcass portion of the contest centers on the industry standard for producing beef. The carcasses are evaluated on fat thickness, intramuscular fat, and muscling in determining of quality and yield grade.

Rate of Gain -

The time period for the Rate of Gain component will begin May 9, 2015, and will conclude on September 4, 2015.

The overall project winner is determined by taking 50% from the results of the carcass grid system and 50% of the Rate of Gain results. These two components are blended to determine the overall winner(s).

Contest placing and monies-

Carcass Grid System Contest

1 st \$200	2 nd \$150	3 rd \$100	4 th \$50
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Overall - carcass score

1 st \$200 plus Jacket	2 nd \$150 plus jacket	3 rd \$100	4 th \$50
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Awards ceremony along with PowerPoint presentation by Dr. Randy Perry, Fresno State Animal Science & Agricultural Education Department, to be announced.

2015-16 4-H Enrollment Fee

The enrollment fee for the 2015-16 year will be \$38 for youth and \$17 for volunteer leaders.

Enrollment forms will be given to the Community Club Leaders to pass out to members at the August club meetings. Remember for current and re-enrolling members, forms need to be turned in by October 1 by 5p and new enrollments by November 15 by 5p. Must add or change projects NO LATER than Dec. 1 for fair purposes.

Come join the fun and bring a friend!!!

Understanding the PDR Last Part

By Codie Hart, 4-H Leader

For all of the remaining pages in the PDR, your Community Club Leader, or your County 4-H Advisor can help the member to determine which specific experience to put in each box. In Mariposa County, County 4-H Coordinator, Donna Wice, has created a directory of which experience goes in which box. This handy document is also available on the County 4-H web site, or from the U. C. Office at the fairgrounds. We will look at each category to see the types of experience that would count for each category. There are specific criteria for each kind of experience that must be met in order to list it. Again, your CCL, County 4-H Coordinator or the directory mentioned can help the member to determine if some specific experience qualifies.

Box number two lists Project Skill Activities. Again the totals are listed in the header. This box is where a member will note the things they did as a member of a project. Examples would be exhibiting or showmanship. The bottom of the box allows a member to count up to two instances of a project skill demonstrated outside 4-H. Examples would be showing at a “jackpot” show, or exhibiting something made in a project in a venue outside 4-H.

Box three is a list of 4-H events attended during the year. For example, events might include Achievement Night, Presentation day, a Club car wash, or some types of training.

Box four lists Leadership Development. Some things that might go in this box are: Acting as the Chairperson for a committee or activity, or working at a Club, Sectional or State event. Here again the 4-Her may list activities outside 4-H (Class Officer, Team Captains, Junior Instructors, etc.).

Box five is Citizenship and Community Service. 4-Hers get a lot of opportunity to gain experience here. Some examples are: volunteering with 4-H at a community event or working with the Club to beautify, clean or help the community. There is an opportunity to list this type of service outside 4-H as well.

Box six is for Communication Skills. This is a VERY important category, as it is a requirement for each Star Rank. This may be the single most important skill that 4-H teaches ALL members. Entries here may include speeches, demonstrations, presentations and performance of all types at all levels. Here again, there is an opportunity to list experience outside 4-H.

Box seven is Honors/Recognition. Examples are Gold or Silver medals, or other “Top Awards”. Again, a member may include such experience outside 4-H.

The last box is number eight. This is Lifestyle Experience, and it is the only category that does not limit experience outside 4-H. Examples are: choir, sports, band, other youth organizations, drama, etc.

It is important to remember that each type of experience and each instance of experience must fall within the criteria for the category the member places it in. If you are in doubt, speak to your Community Club Leader or the County 4-H Coordinator before submitting the PDR. It can be heart-breaking for a member to be counting on a Star Rank only to find out that the experience they listed doesn't count, or is listed in the wrong place. Each instance of experience can only be counted ONCE in the PDR. For instance, if a member gives a “Command Performance” at Sectional Presentation Day, they may count that experience in category six, or in category seven, but NOT in both. In most cases, the member may count both attendance at an event AND an award won at the event separately. If you are unsure, please ask!

I hope this explanation of the PDR will take some of the mystery out of the form. Members will find it MUCH easier to fill the form out if they pay attention throughout the year to what they are doing and where they are going. It may help to keep a 4-H diary that lists every event, project or participation a member has during the year. If a member is headed out the door for ANYTHING that has to do with 4-H, they should note it in the diary. This (coupled with the directory mentioned earlier) will take ALL the guesswork out of completing the PDR!

As always, for more information, see your Community Club Leader or the County 4-H Coordinator.



4-H Uniform

When you shop for white shirts and blouses, remember that sleeveless shirts and t-shirts are **not allowed** when showing or selling at fair and other 4-H events. Pants should be **dark blue jeans** and can not be too tight, no hip huggers or too baggy. **No shorts are allowed.** Long sleeves are required for Rabbit and Horse Showmanship and always appropriate in other species. The white shirts need to have a collar, have buttons or snaps. **Please check the fair premium book for uniform requirements.**

Note: When showing at other fairs or shows, please check if the Mariposa County 4-H uniform is approved or if white pants are required.

PDR Corner	
<u>Event</u>	<u>Section</u>
Regional Presentation Day-	
Medalist	7
Event attended in uniform	3
Command Performance	7
Room Emcee	6
Door Monitor	4
Community Service-	5
Kid's Night-	
Attended	3
Committee member	4
Decorated/clean-up	4
News Articles-	
Published	6
Horse Show-	
attended	3
Exhibited animal	2
Fashion Revue-	
Committee	4
Attended	3
County winner	7
Escort	4
Medalist	7
Style Show-	
Modeled	6
Medalist	7

Memorial Day Parade Scheduled for Saturday, May 23



On Saturday, May 23, the VFW and other organizations will be honoring our veterans beginning at 10:15a.m. at the Visitor's Center at the corner of 140 & 49N. All 4-H members and leaders are invited to participate in this parade. Members please wear your 4-H uniform. **Please be at the Visitors Center by 9:45a so we can get the members lined up for the parade.** 4-H Council will be presenting a wreath. If clubs would like to present a wreath or flowers contact the VFW to let them know.



Ironstone Concours d'Elegance 4-H Fundraiser

On Saturday, September 26 at the Ironstone Vineyard in Murphys, the Ironstone Concours d'Elegance 4-H Fundraiser will take place. This event is a vintage car show and some of the proceeds go to the California 4-H Program the Foothill Counties 4-H programs, and supports the California State Fair.

For the past 11 years, Mariposa 4-H along with other Foothill 4-H Counties have had members participate by doing presentations, displays, and give out the prizes to the car winners. This year will be the same. The County All-Stars or Leadership Teams will be presenting the gifts to the car winners while other 4-H youth will do their presentations, do public speaking, and put gift bags together.

Mariposa County 4-H Council and 4-H Staff would like to see many youth from our county attend this event to share what the 4-H youth have been doing in their projects and more. Members who attend get in for free along with one adult plus the member gets a free lunch. Admission is \$20 per adult or \$35 per couple or a family (a family is considered 2 adults and 2 children); children under 14 admitted free. Discount coupons available online <http://www.ironstonefoundation.org/ticket-information/>

If you are interested on attending this event, please contact Donna at the UCCE Office. Registration forms will be available in June.

For attending the 2014 event, Mariposa County 4-H Council received a donation of \$1500 which went towards Camp Tweety.

Thanks to those who participated!



2015 Mariposa Fair Entry Dates

- August 1:** Stills and Horse Show
August 22: Jr. Livestock
August 29: Jr. Horticultural & Floricultural

New 4-H members call the fairgrounds office or email at mariposafair.com name and address to be put on the mailing list for the premium book or get your entry forms on-line.

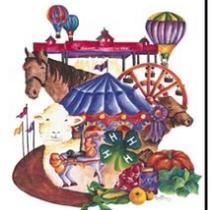
*****A reminder to all 4-H members-your record books must be up-to-date, have 80% attendance for club and project meetings, and must have done a demonstration at your project meetings as of July 15 to be eligible for fair. Please check with your project leaders and community club leader for they have to sign your entry form.

Attention Project Leaders and Members

Members who plan on transferring to FFA or independent must notify the UCCE office 120 for beef, and Alpacas (May 13), horses (4/30) or 60 days (July 7) for swine, sheep, goats before fair to qualify to show at the 2015 fair. Must complete the Livestock Transfer form which is attached by the above dates. Members, leaders and parents need to sign and also the 4-H Leader, FFA leader.

2015 Livestock Exhibitors

1. All Exhibitors will pay \$30.00 for a season pass for 12 & above and \$12.00 for 6 to 11.
2. Livestock insurance will be a group policy for all Livestock exhibitors. Cost per Child is \$3.00. This is all exhibitors even if parents have livestock policy.
3. There will only be one parking pass per family, no exceptions.
4. Carnival wrist bands will be \$45.00 per exhibitor.
5. **Entry Fees will be as following:**
 - Beef: \$10.00
 - Sheep: \$5.00
 - Swine: \$5.00
 - Goats: \$5.00
 - Poultry: \$2.00
 - Rabbits: \$2.00



Leaders– all eligibility reports will be due by July 15th for horses & stills and July 24 for animal and horticulture projects!! Remember all members need to do a presentation for each of their projects, attend 80% of project & club meetings, project record books must be up-to-date by July 15, and have the Community Club Leader and project leaders sign the form for the members to be eligible for the fair.

*****Please read livestock members and project leaders :**

IMPORTANT NEWS- MAKE SURE YOU CHECK THE SALES LIST TO MAKE SURE YOUR NAME AND CORRECT ANIMAL IS ON THE LIST. If there is an error please let someone from the Junior Livestock Auction Committee know, NOT the Livestock Superintendent, as soon as possible to correct and to prevent you not being eligible to sale. Also remember to have your picture taken with the correct animal to prevent a no sale.

If you want to sell at the 2015 junior livestock auction, remember you need to do showmanship with your animal. SHOWMANSHIP must be on your fair entry form along with your animal entry. Fair entries will need the community club leader and project leader's signatures. Without all of the above, you will not be able to sell!!

Photo Collage of 4-H Events



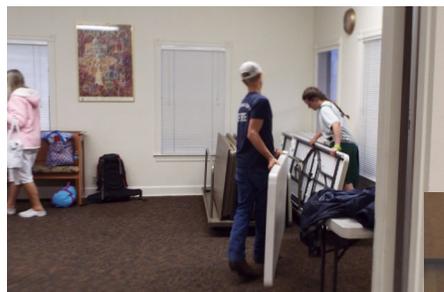
Presentation and Favorite Foods Day



Safe at Home Annual Community Event



Serving dinner & Talking to the Homeless



Important Information for Livestock Members

Rules for Enrolling in 4-H, FFA or as an Independent Member

There have been several questions concerning enrollment as an independent exhibitor for the Mariposa County Fair, or to change enrollment from 4-H to FFA or vice versa. The rules are as follows:

4-H/FFA/Grange

- ◆ You may change your PROJECT membership one time during a calendar year (January 1 to December 31) by **properly notifying** both organizations of your intentions. ***If a 4-H member plans on transferring to FFA or independent, that member must notify the UCCE office 120 or 60 days before fair to be qualified to show at the 2015 fair. (depending on species) and Must complete a livestock transfer form.***
- ◆ The same SPECIE may not be carried in both organizations, although you may have a leadership project in one and the project in the other (e.g. Teen leader for sheep in 4-H and a sheep project in FFA).
- ◆ Ownership requirements must be observed: (Bill of sale)
 - * 60 consecutive days– sheep, swine, veal, goats
 - * 120 consecutive days– beef , alpacas and horses
 - * 30 consecutive days– rabbits & poultry
- ◆ Projects must be under the direct supervision of a project leader, advisor or FFA instructor.
- ◆ Project enrollment: Must be enrolled in the project at least 60 days (120 days for beef, alpacas, and horses) prior to the first day of the fair and that any member who has been a 4-H/FFA/Grange member WITHIN 60 days (120 days for beef and horses) of the first day of the fair is NOT eligible to show as an Independent in that project. This applies to all projects including stills.
- ◆ **4-H POLICY IN MARIPOSA REQUIRES ENROLLMENT DATES OF OCTOBER 1 FOR RETURNING MEMBERS AND NOVEMBER 1 FOR NEW MEMBERS.**



Independent

- ◆ Ownership and enrollment requirement must be observed: (Bill of Sale)
 - * 60 consecutive days– sheep, swine, veal, goats
 - * 120 consecutive days– beef and horses
 - * 30 consecutive days– rabbits & poultry
- ◆ Must have supervision of project by parent or advisor
- ◆ Shall keep management records as provided by the Fair management
- ◆ Provide a picture of their animal, proof of ownership (permanent tag, tattoo, and/or hog ear notch information) as per Ownership ruling above.
- ◆ Youth may transfer a PROJECT from one organization to another only **ONCE DURING A CALENDAR YEAR.**

If you have questions about 4-H enrollment, please call the 4-H office for clarification. Questions about exhibiting your project in the Fair should be directed to the Fair Office at 966-2432.

4-H Summer Fun Day

July 15, from 5-8p will be the Mariposa County 4-H Summer Fun evening at the Mariposa County Park. We will have a BBQ and swim in the pool. The BBQ will be provided by 4-H Council and the cost for swimming is \$1 per member.



Registrations will be on-line and at the office by June 1 and due into the office by June 22. More information will be at the June club meetings.

Come join the fun!!!

4-H Club, Project and Council News



4-H Kid's Night

Thanks to the Triangle 4-H Club for being the chair for Kid's Night that took place March 20 at Grace Church. The members had a great time playing games, crafts, having dinner, and watching the movie "Big Hero 6".



Attention 4-H Community Club and Project Leaders

Are you returning for the 2015-16 program year? Now is time to let 4-H Staff know if you will be returning as a CCL or project leader for next year. If you are not returning, please begin asking parents or other leaders about taking your club or project over for next year so we can start the leader process early. Thank you.

Regional Presentation Day Winners

There were 112 presenters registered from Madera, Mariposa, Merced, Stanislaus and Tuolumne Counties. Gold medal winners will have the opportunity to advance to State 4-H Presentation Day on May 30 at UC Davis. If you plan on going to State Pres. Day you will need to register on-line by May 19, 2015 by 11:59pm. Register here: <http://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=13511>

We congratulate our Mariposa County presenters— Gold winners— Claire Gorham, Jack Bertram, Maria Loya, Laurel Wagner. Blue seal winners are Khily Brower and Zach Wagner.

Mariposa County 4-H Council Officers Needed for 2015-16

If you are interested on being a 4-H Council officer for the upcoming year, please let the 4-H office staff or Beth Broomfield, President, know. 4-H Leaders and senior 4-H members can be nominated. Nominations are being taken through June and election will take place at the August council meeting. Council offices are President, VP, 2nd VP, Secretary, Healthy Living Officer. Treasurer is appointed.

Upcoming 4-H Events

Record book workshop— May 5 at 4:30p call office to RSVP by May 1
Pow Wow— May 9—if you would like to help call 4-H Staff at 966-4829
4-H Council meeting— May 18 at 6p
State 4-H Field Day— May 30 at UC Davis
4-H Camp Tweety-June 5-7— registration & fee due by May 15
4-H Council meeting— June 15 at 6p
4-H Club Officer training— August 3 at Government Building
County Fun/Enrollment day— August 15 at Arts Park
Mariposa County Fair— Sept. 4-7
Ironstone Concours d'Elegance— Sept. 26 in Murphys

Catheys Valley 4-H club-

The club will not have a May meeting per Co-CCL, Bonnie Butler. They will have either a July or August meeting so members can get their 10 club meetings in for the program year.

Questions and Answers about 4-H Secondary Auto Liability Insurance for 4-H Volunteer Leaders



What is the minimum primary automobile coverage required of a 4-H volunteer to be covered under UC's secondary automobile liability insurance?

University policy requires employees or volunteers who are driving on University business to maintain insurance coverage in the following amounts: \$50,000 for personal injury to, or death of, one person; \$100,000 for injury to, or death of, two or more persons in one accident; and \$50,000 for property damage. These limits are commonly referred to as: "50/100/50". These University minimums are higher than the State minimum insurance requirements of 15/30/5. If a volunteer driver is involved in an accident, the secondary coverage from the University would apply only after the limits of the volunteers' vehicle primary liability insurance policy have been reached.

What if a 4-H volunteer does not have this minimum primary coverage? Are they afforded any UC automobile liability coverage? Are they still allowed to transport 4-H youth?

If a 4-H volunteer does not maintain coverage in accordance with the University's minimums, and the auto accident occurred as part of a 4-H activity, then the volunteer would be responsible for paying the amount between their auto insurance maximum coverage limits and the University's minimums. i.e., if the volunteer has the State minimum coverage of 15/30/5 and is involved in an accident while on University business and the policy limits are exceeded the volunteer would be liable for the difference between their policy limits and the University's secondary coverage 50/100/50.

Who pays for an automobile accident if I, as a UC volunteer, am negligent while driving my personal vehicle? If you are a formal volunteer who is involved in an automobile accident while in the course and scope of your UC activities, and you are found to be negligent, UC provides secondary coverage (as described above) after your personal auto insurance limits have been depleted.

How does a 4-H volunteer file an automobile liability insurance claim?

A claim is initiated by completing an incident report form and submitting it to the county UCCE office. The UCCE will forward the form to ANR Risk Services. The form is available from the UCCE office or from the Risk Services website at: <http://danr.ucop.edu/riskmanagement/ANR-IncidentForm1.pdf>

2015 California 4-H State Leadership Conference

4-H State Leadership Conference 2015 – UC Irvine July 23-26
This year's theme: "Dream Big-Bring Your Fairytale to Life"

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 2015 registration and youth financial aid applications are now available http://4h.ucanr.edu/4-H_Events/SLC/. Fee is \$499 or \$419 depending on your choice. More information on tours, tentative schedule are available here also.



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May Important Dates

- 8 Teen Night- 4p meet at Mariposa Park
- 10 Hornitos 4-H Club meeting- 4p
- 11 Don Pedro Rattlers 4-H Club meeting-6:30p
- 14 Bootjack 4-H Club meeting-6:30p
Triangle 4-H Club meeting-6:00p
- 15 **4-H Camp Tweety registrations due**
- 18 4-H Council meeting- 6p at office
- 21 Clover Pioneer 4-H Club meeting- 5p at office
- 23 VFW Parade-meet at 9:45a VFW Hall
- 25 Office closed-Memorial Day
- 30 State Presentation Day- UC Davis

June

- 5-7 Camp Tweety
- 15 4-H Council meeting-6p

*****Members please check with your
Community Club Leader if your June club
meeting date as changed due to graduations*****



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