



Mariposa County 4-H Youth Development

March 2022

## 4-H Spirit Newsletter

### April 2021

#### Events at a Glance

*4/9 – Mariposa Safe Families Event at the Fairgrounds 10am-1pm*

*4/16- Mariposa County Farm Bureau Rib Dinner in Hornitos.*

*4/23 – Mariposa Butterfly Festival. Parade through town begins at 10am and there will be festivities at the Fairgrounds afterwards.*

*4/24 – Camp Tweety early bird special ends.*

### May 2021

#### Events at a Glance

*5/7- Hornitos Bike-a-thon*

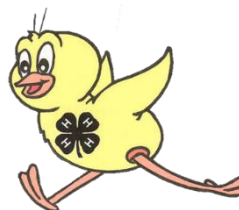
*5/13- Tentative 4-H Drive Thru Dinner.*

*5/14- Carcass Contest 9am at the Fairgrounds.*

*5/25 – Last day to register for Camp Tweety.*

## UNMASKING

Effective March 12th, masks and social distancing are no longer required for local indoor and outdoor 4-H activities.



## Camp Tweety Registration Opens

Camp Tweety is scheduled this year June 26-28<sup>th</sup> and we are now taking registrations. Camp Tweety is for youth in grades 4-8 or age 9 by Dec. 31, 2021. There is an early bird special of \$140 for those registered by April 27. After this date, cost will be \$160 for members. Non members must enroll at a cost of \$40. Last day to register is May 25th. Make checks payable to "UC Regents" or pay online at:

<https://surveys.ucanr.edu/survey.cfm?surveynumber=36722>

Fun activities include: swimming, hiking, a waterslide, climbing wall, giant swing, tie dye t-shirts, archery, BB guns, games, and more.

Come join the fun and bring a friend!

10th Annual **Multiple Sclerosis**  
**MS Bike Ten Miles**

**Saturday, May 7, 2022**



Walkers and runners welcome! Registration begins at 9:30 am at the corner of Indian Gulch Road and HWY 140 in Catheys Valley. The ride begins at 10:00 am and travels down Indian Gulch Road to the finish line at the Hornitos Park where a barbecue and awards await.

**ALL PROCEEDS WILL BE DONATED TO THE MS SOCIETY**  
FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO MAKE A PLEDGE, CALL  
**209-382-7062**

**Sponsored by the 4-H Citizenship Project**

# 2022 Bud Swift Memorial Carcass Contest

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

## Rules for Carcass Contest 4-H, Independent Youth, FFA

- Required ownership of animal is 120 days
- The initial weigh-in will be held on Saturday, May 14, 2022 at 9:00 am at the Mariposa County Fairgrounds. The animals will be weighed, ear tagged and photographed with the exhibitor.
- The second and final weigh-in will be held when you check your animal in at the Mariposa County Fairgrounds for the Jr. Livestock show and auction. A final photograph will be taken after the judging of the market/showmanship classes.

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 the quality and yield grade.

## Rate of Gain

The time period for the Rate of Gain component will begin May 14, 2022 and will conclude at the second weigh-in at the Mariposa County Fair.

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 winners.

## Contest Placing and Monies

### Carcass Grid System Contest

**1st** \$200.00 **2nd** \$150.00 **3rd** \$100.00 **4th** \$50.00

### Overall Carcass Score

**1st** \$200.00 Plus Jacket/Vest **2nd** \$150.00 Plus Jacket/Vest **3rd** \$100.00 **4th** \$50.00

Please contact the Mariposa Farm Bureau office at (209) 742-5875 or email [mcfarmbureau@sti.net](mailto:mcfarmbureau@sti.net) for more information.

## Beginner & Intermediate Clothing and Textiles Project

The Clover Pioneer's club will be hosting this project and we are currently accepting members to join. Meetings are expected to begin later this month or early April. If you are interested in adding this project, please contact: [irajones@ucanr.edu](mailto:irajones@ucanr.edu)

## News & Opportunities From The State

### Ag Discovery Program-

AgDiscovery is a summer camp outreach program designed to help middle through high school aged students explore careers in animal science, veterinary medicine, agribusiness, plant pathology, aquaculture, and much more. This 2-4 week program allows participants to live on a college campus, and discover agricultural science from university professors, participating veterinarians, industry representatives, and professionals working for the U.S. government. Students who participate in AgDiscovery experience hands-on labs, workshops, field trips, and other group and team building activities. *You can learn more about the program; eligibility requirements; and additional application info. by visiting:* [USDA APHIS | AgDiscovery Program](#).

**Note: California State University, Fresno will host an AgDiscovery Program this 2022 Summer. Making it the only west coast program of its kind.**

The following web-link will direct you to the 2021 AgDiscovery online application: [USDA APHIS | Application](#).

**The deadline for submitting applications is March 31, 2022 (by midnight, Eastern Standard Time).**

### Apply for the 4-H Youth in Action Awards

National 4-H and our partnering sponsors want to recognize four outstanding youth who are making a difference through their work in STEM, Healthy Living, Agriculture and Civic Engagement.

The 4-H Youth in Action Program recognizes four confident young leaders with diverse backgrounds and unique perspectives.

Each year, Pillar Winners will experience an exciting year of telling their 4-H story and celebrating their leadership. Winners receive:

- \$5,000 higher education scholarship
- Opportunities to showcase their 4-H impact story
- All-expenses paid trip to National 4-H Council event
- Networking opportunities with 4-H celebrities and other prominent alumni
- Recognition as the official 4-H youth spokesperson for their pillar

[Download the guidelines to apply.](#)

[Apply by March 28, 2022.](#)

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## Get inspired for the 4-H Coding Challenge at State Field Day

Want to create something for the Coding Challenge at State Field Day, but not sure how to get started? Looking for inspiration for your next computer science (or art!) project?

We'll be hosting a follow-along programming session over Zoom where we'll create some visual and sound art together. Participants will follow along and end up with the same start project to take in any direction they want.

Prior programming experience is helpful but definitely not required. The facilitators will create an art project from scratch while you follow along.

After folks have registered we'll set a date. We expect the session to be 60-90 minutes.

[Sign Up](#)

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## Have you participated in a Clothing & Textiles project or Fashion Revue event? We want to hear from you!

The Clothing & Textiles Advisory Committee is asking anyone who has participated in Clothing & Textiles projects or Fashion Revue events to fill out their survey linked below.

[Fill out survey](#)

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## NEW PROJECT for 8-11 year olds

We are planning an 8 week virtual statewide project focusing on decreasing food waste in households. The curriculum is based on the World Wildlife Funds' Food Waste Warriors program run in schools through grants.

Our goal is to run this project from March to May, ending with a capstone project. This is a great project to be part of during Earth Day, April 22 too!

**Club Leaders, Project Leaders, 4-H Professionals & Parents:**

[Yes, I'm interested!](#)

Please let us know if you are interested in participating in this project by filling out our survey and we'll keep you informed of next steps.

## State Field Day Updates

# Registration for all State Field Day contests open March 15 - April 29

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### State Fashion Revue 2022: Fashion Returns

State Fashion Revue will take place **in person** on May 28, 2022 at State Field Day in Davis. The in-person event is subject to change due to COVID guidance.

The categories for 2022 are:

- Traditional
- Consumer Science Purchased
- \$40.00 Limit
- Box Challenge: Pants
- Historical Challenge
- Trashion Fashion Challenge

See the [State Fashion Revue event page](#) for more information.

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### 2022 Fashion Revue Service Project: "Bag it, Don't Trash it."

The 2022 Service Project is "Bag It, Don't Trash It". All 4-H'ers are encouraged to make reusable bags out of t-shirts and collect and donate them in their home counties.

#### Learn how to make different styles of bags

Go to the [State Fashion Revue event page](#) and scroll down to 2022 Service Project for tutorials on how to make different styles of t-shirt bags.

#### Tell us about your successful project!

Please complete the [survey](#) to let the SFR committee know how many bags were made and donated.

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## Interview Contest

The 2022 Interview Contest will be held virtually in May and in-person on May 28 at State Field Day in Davis. This event gives 4-H members an opportunity to practice the real-life skills needed to apply for a job.

See the [Interview Contest event page](#) for the 2022 Job Descriptions and the Interview Contest Manual

[Evaluators needed for the Interview Contest!](#)

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## Coding Challenge

Open to all ages! This hybrid virtual and in-person showcase allows 4-H youth to share their coding projects in computer generated art or sound, game design, and “free play”.

Submissions will receive feedback from professional software engineers and teen leaders. Audience members are invited and may register to get the Zoom link. More details are on the [Coding Challenge event page](#).

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## Beef Cattle Health webinar series

UC Cooperative Extension in collaboration with UC Davis Veterinary Medicine is excited to offer series of free online webinars for cattle producers.

**Every Tuesday evening in March from 5:30-7:00** we will have guest speaker presenting with a question and answer session, covering topics important to cattle health and management. This session will be live and will include lots of visuals.

For questions or assistance please contact Tracy Schohr, livestock and natural resources advisor for Plumas, Sierra and Butte Counties at [tk schohr@ucanr.edu](mailto:tk schohr@ucanr.edu) or 916-716-2643.

Register for Cattle web series

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**36th Montana Natural Resources Youth Camp**  
**July 10-15, 2022**  
**Lubrecht Experimental Forest, Greenough,**  
**Montana**

Spend a week in rustic cabins at Lubrecht Experimental Forest east of Missoula. Learn about our natural resources & their management, and make lasting friendships. Experience activity packed days with hands-on instruction, rafting, swimming & more!

Must be ages 14-18 or have completed 8th grade to attend.

Registration \$300

Applications and \$150 deposit is due July 1st. the balance is due by start of camp.

Learn more at

[forestry.msuextension.org/mnryc](http://forestry.msuextension.org/mnryc)

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## Opportunities for Volunteers

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**National 4-H Shooting Sports Workshop**  
**May 2-5, 2022**  
**Winton, CA**

The National 4-H Shooting Sports Workshop will be hosted by California 4-H and held in Merced County this May! This workshop will certify adult participants as state instructors for the following discipline of their choice:

- Archery
- Coordinator
- Hunting
- Muzzle loading
- Pistol
- Rifle
- Shotgun
- Western Heritage

**Register by May 21**

The \$200 registration cost covers meals and course materials.



See the [National 4-H Shooting Sports Workshop event site](#) for more information on registration requirements.

Please share this information with leaders in your county who may be interested in an in-depth shooting sports training. *This is only the second time a national workshop has been held in California.*

Be sure to take advantage of this opportunity to attend a national level training, here in our own state. We hope to see you there!

Questions?

Nate Caeton ([nwcaeton@ucanr.edu](mailto:nwcaeton@ucanr.edu))

Russ Hill ([rdhill@ucanr.edu](mailto:rdhill@ucanr.edu))

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## **In-person and virtual evaluators for State Field Day**

This year State Field Day contests need evaluators for both the virtual and in-person contests. You will get an orientation so you can become familiar with the rubrics and process for evaluating presentations, interview participants, and Fashion Revue. Your participation helps our youth grow and improve their skills.

Check out our Volunteer page after March 15 to sign up for time slots to evaluate our 4-H youth and to save the date for the orientation time.

[State Field Day Volunteer page](#)

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## **Military Families Learning Network is now OneOp**

Beginning March 1st, the Military Families Learning Network (MFLN) is changing its name to OneOp. OneOp continues a tradition of free quality information and education for professionals helping military families.

[Learn more about this change.](#)

## **Going Virtual webinar series**

The MFLN (now OneOp) produces web-based professional development for professionals working with both military and civilian families. Our area focuses on early interventionists, early care providers, and early childhood special educators.

On March 23 we will kick off our 2022 webinar series “Going Virtual.” Webinars in this series will discuss equitable, culturally sustaining early intervention (EI) and early childhood (EC) care and education strategies and their application in a virtual, or telehealth, environment. These webinars address family coaching practices, aspects of the transition process in various contexts, and common challenges often experienced by families and practitioners in virtual settings.

We have applied and anticipate approval to offer FREE NCFR CFLE CE credits for both live and recorded webinar viewing.

Learn more at [oneop.org/goingvirtual/](http://oneop.org/goingvirtual/)

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