



# Beaverhead County 4-H Newsletter

JANUARY 2021

February 6 ★ Steer Weigh-in ...Tolman Feedlot

February 26 ★ Baking workshop... 4-H Building, TBA

March 1 ★ Breeding, Self-Determined & Independent Study  
Project Plans due to Extension Office

March 12 ★ Outdoor Adventures Workshop ... 4-H Building, TBA

April 1 ★ Marmalade Workshop ... 4-H Building, TBA

May 7 ★ T-Shirt Rug Workshop ... 4-H Building, TBA

June 5 ★ Sheep & Swine Weigh-In ... Hog Barn at Fairgrounds

## CLUB MEETINGS:

- ★ BEAVERHEAD STOCK N' STITCH  
3<sup>RD</sup> MONDAY
- ★ BEAVERHEAD BUCKAROOS  
2<sup>ND</sup> TUESDAY
- ★ DILLON HI-LIGHTERS  
4<sup>TH</sup> TUESDAY
- ★ GLEN PIONEERS  
3<sup>RD</sup> MONDAY
- ★ HORSEPRairie HAYSHAKERS  
1<sup>ST</sup> THURSDAY (AFTER COUNCIL)
- ★ RATTLESNAKE WRANGLERS  
3<sup>RD</sup> TUESDAY
- ★ SADDLEBUMS  
3<sup>RD</sup> MONDAY
- ★ SAGEBRUSH & SNOWDRIFTS  
1<sup>ST</sup> MONDAY
- ★ WISE RIVER RANGERS  
1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY

**Monday, March 9, 2020**

★ 4-H Council at 7:30 PM

in the Commissioners Room of Courthouse

# People Partner Grants

People Partner Grants offer financial support to groups to work with people in a way that will enhance the “quality of living” in a community. Applications may be obtained at the Extension office. This is a great opportunity for your club to apply for financial assistance for a community service project.

**Available Funds:** Grants up to \$500 per application selected.

**Application Deadline:** Postmarked by February 1st.

**Awarding of Funds:** 4-H Groups and individual members, other youth groups & youth may also apply.

**Purpose of Grants:** Providing incentives & financial support to groups & individuals for programs that enhance the quality of living for people in their communities.

**Source of Funds:** Montana 4-H Foundation & Montana State University

## Grant Criteria

- ★ Youth should be involved in determining, planning, conduction & evaluating the project.
- ★ Project will make it possible for people to accomplish something educational & worthwhile that help them reach a higher quality of life.
- ★ There is community support & acceptance of the project, as evidenced by “partners” listed in the grant application, additional funding sources & resource persons & agencies involved.
- ★ The project has lasting benefits.
- ★ See the Montana 4-H website for more details & ideas at [www.montana4h.org](http://www.montana4h.org) Click on Programs/Grants & Scholarships/ MT 4-H Foundation grants.



## Application Process:

1. Submit a completed People Partner Grant application form.  
¶ Completed application must be postmarked on or before February 1st.
2. Agree to return funds if not used by December 31st of grant year.
3. Submit an evaluation form by September 1st of grant year.
4. Submit application to: Montana 4-H Foundation  
P.O. Box 173580, Bozeman, MT 59717-3580

## Just a couple of reminders for Fair 2021:

If you are enrolled in a FOODS project, you must include recipes with your entries. They can be handwritten or a copy. The rule is and will be enforced that if there is no recipe, you will be dropped down a ribbon color. Example - a purple ribbon will be dropped to a blue, a blue to a red, etc. In addition, your entry will not be able to compete for any Special Awards! Recipes are a vital part of the food project.

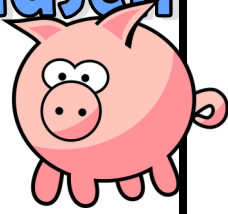
If you are enrolled in the SELF-DETERMINED project - please make sure you use the Self-Determined manual. This includes setting goals, making a plan, keeping a record and drawing a conclusion., To exhibit at the fair, you are required to enter a notebook (with the information listed previously), an exhibit, plus the interview. All three are required! If not, you will be dropped down a ribbon color and not able to compete for the Special Awards.

**Breeding, Self  
Determined &  
Independent Study  
Project Plans:**

Just a reminder that all members enrolled in the Breeding project, Self-Determined project or an Independent Study project should be completing project plans and goals. The Extension office will provide a template for you to record your intentions, goals and activities. A copy of your plans must be submitted to the Extension Office by **March 1<sup>st</sup>**.



# Swine Workshop with Dr. Madsen



**DATE:** Wednesday, March 31<sup>st</sup>

**WHERE:** 4-H Building

**WHEN:** 6-8 pm

We'll cover some of the philosophy of pig shows, proper facilities and nutrition, health, handling and welfare and other pertinent topics. Each workshop is about 2 hours long and qualifies for LQA certification.

☐ Make sure you check in to cover your Livestock Quality Assurance requirements for 2021.

**February 26:**

(No school in Dillon) Baking workshop. Caramel rolls from scratch. No need to be enrolled in the baking project. Limited to 10 participants. Call to reserve a spot by February 22<sup>nd</sup>. Masks required.

**March 12:** (No School in Dillon) Outdoor (Indoor) Adventures. No need to be enrolled in outdoor adventures. We will make fire starters and buddy burners to use on your next camping trip. Limited to 10 participants. Call to reserve a spot by March 8<sup>th</sup>. Masks required.

**April 1:** (No School in Dillon) Jams and Preserves workshop. Make homemade marmalade and learn to can in a hot water bath. No need to be enrolled in a canning project. Limited to 10 participants. Call to reserve a spot by March 29<sup>th</sup>. Masks required.

**May (Date TBD):** Lamb workshop. This workshop will be geared towards members making their lamb selections.

**May 7<sup>th</sup>:** Craft workshop. We will be making T-shirt rugs. Rugs may not be finished in the class but all the materials to finish will be provided. No need to be enrolled in a craft project. Limited to 10 participants. Call to reserve a spot by April 26<sup>th</sup>. Masks required.

# County Workshops

**Shooting Sports  
Contact Information**

Beaverhead County  
Shooting Sports Coordinator:  
Jackie Sutton

**4-H SHOOTING SPORTS**

*Beaverhead County 4-H is in need of  
shooting sports leaders. Please contact the  
Extension office at 683-3785 or  
[beaverhead@montana.edu](mailto:beaverhead@montana.edu)*

If you are new to 4-H, you have just begun to receive this newsletter. It is an important communication for all 4-H members & families. Topics covered in the newsletter are for the information of every member & leader. Your club does not have to be involved in a workshop or event for you to participate.

Please take the opportunity to try something new! We encourage you to adhere to registration deadlines. Sign up early! Some articles will have only a small part of the information. Feel free at any time to contact the Extension Office for further information. We enjoy having you stop in at the office, but also encourage you to contact us by phone (683-3785) or e-mail, [beaverhead@montana.edu](mailto:beaverhead@montana.edu)

#### REMINDERS:

★ Project enrollments and changes will be accepted until June 1, 2021.

★ Our office should receive a copy of your club meeting minutes each month. We would be glad to make a copy for our office or they may be typed on your computer and submitted. Submit by email if you would like, [beaverhead@montana.edu](mailto:beaverhead@montana.edu)

★ Educational Resources are available from the Extension office. Stop by & check out our learning kits (beef, sheep, pig, dog, rabbit, poultry & plant identification). Robotic kits are also available if anyone is interested in the Robotic project.

Leaders & Parents should inspire our youth in 4-H. Please encourage your 4-H members to “Learn by Doing” while completing their projects.

## LEADERS

As we begin the new 4-H year, we want to remind you that decisions are made by those who regularly attend council meetings. We encourage you to attend these meetings to participate in this process. Council meetings are the second Monday of the month (October, November, January, March, May, July & August) at 7:30 pm in the Commissioners Room of the Courthouse.

If you are new to 4-H, the leader meetings are an important resource of knowledge, people and information about various 4-H projects and programs. So...what are you waiting for? Jump in and get your feet wet! Our meetings are posted in the newsletter. We would love for you to join us! It's also a great way to meet others involved in similar projects to share information too!

### June 1, 2021

Is the last day to drop or add projects. If you're enrolled in a project that you have not worked in, you should drop it for this year. If you have been working in a project you are not enrolled in, you will need to add it to your enrollment by June 1st.

June 1st is also the last day for all registration/project forms for the current year to be returned to the Extension Office. Please check with your leader to make sure all your paperwork is turned in.

Also, check with your leader to see what projects you are currently enrolled in.

## 2021 4-H Horse Project Tentative Schedule of Clinics & Committee Meetings:

- ★ Monday, January 18<sup>th</sup> – Helmet Safety Clinic, YMCA Conference Room, Dillon, 6:00 pm  
Required attendance needed from: Cooper Miller, Paityn Tarter, Raelynn Tash, Carter Probst, Katelyn Smith, Heather Smith, Paige Smith, Colter Cullen
- ★ Monday, February 1<sup>st</sup> – Horse Committee Meeting, 4-H Building, 4:30 pm
- ★ Saturday, February 6<sup>th</sup> – Horse Conformation Clinic with Anne Hutton of Tammany Vet  
Montana Center for Horsemanship (red indoor barn near interstate), 10:00 am
- ★ Saturday, February 13<sup>th</sup> – WRH Project Clinic – Knot Tying with Wes & Jodi Miner,  
Lima Venue & Time TBD
- ★ Monday, March 1<sup>st</sup> – Horse Committee Meeting, 4-H Building, 4:30 pm
- ★ Saturday, March 6<sup>th</sup> – Horse First-Aid & Trailer Loading Safety Clinic with Dr. Megan Kelly  
Montana Center for Horsemanship (red indoor barn near interstate), 10:00 am
- ★ Tuesday, April 20<sup>th</sup> – Horse Committee Meeting, 4-H Building, Fairgrounds, 4:30 pm
- ★ Tuesday, April 20<sup>th</sup> – Horse Hoof Care Clinic with Cody Ostmeier, Fairgrounds, 5:30 pm
- ★ Friday & Saturday, April 23 -24 – Colt to Maturity Project Clinic, Hosted by UMW Equine Studies Students  
Montana Center for Horsemanship, Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup> 4:00-6:00 pm; Saturday, 24<sup>th</sup> 10:00-12:00 pm
- ★ April or May – WRH Project Clinic – Branding, Details TBD
- ★ Tuesday, May 18<sup>th</sup> – Horse Committee Meeting, 4-H Building, Fairgrounds, 4:30 pm  
– Horse Deworming, Vaccination, & Brand Inspection with Dr. Megan Igo of Pioneer Animal Health and Jodi Miner, Fairgrounds, 5:30 pm
- ★ Wednesdays, June 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30 – Ride Nights with clinics offered on alternating weeks,  
Fairgrounds Arena, 5:30 pm
- ★ Wednesday, June 16<sup>th</sup> – Horse Committee Meeting, 4-H Building, Fairgrounds, 4:30 pm
- ★ June – WRH Project Clinic – Roping, Details TBD
- ★ Wednesdays, July 7, 14, 21, & 28 – Ride Nights with clinics offered on alternating weeks  
Fairgrounds Arena, 5:30 pm
- ★ Wednesday, July 21<sup>st</sup> – Horse Committee Meeting, 4-H Building, Fairgrounds, 4:30 pm
- ★ July – WRH Project Clinic – Sorting, Details TBD
- ★ Tuesday, August 10<sup>th</sup> – Working Ranch Horse Schooling Show & Horsemanship Schooling Show,  
Fairgrounds Arena
- ★ Wednesday, August 18<sup>th</sup> – Horse Committee Meeting, 4-H Building, Fairgrounds, 4:30 pm
- ★ Tuesday, August 24<sup>th</sup> – Working Ranch Horse Fair Show & Horsemanship Fair Show, Fairgrounds Arena

### Important Rules to remember ...

\* Helmets are required for ALL 4-H horse events (including practice).

\* Please Note: All Beaverhead County 4-H Horse Project required paperwork **MUST** be completed and submitted to the Extension Office no later than **JUNE 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2021**. This paperwork includes:

1. Horse Identification Cards
2. Proof of Deworming & Vaccination
3. 4-H Horse Program Acknowledgment
4. Code of Conduct

\* All Horse project assessments **MUST** be started no later than **JUNE 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2021**. This includes the Colt to Maturity project.

\* All Working Ranch Horse project assessments **MUST** be started no later than **JULY 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2021**.

\* **ALL** Horse project **assessments** (includes Colt to Maturity, WRH, etc.) & **project manuals** **MUST** be completed and turned into the Extension Office by **Tuesday, August 10<sup>th</sup>, Schooling Show**.



### Horse Volunteer Contacts

*Jodi Miner: (406) 276-3362*

*Lia Jones: 925-3160*

*Dori McNeill: 925-2464*

*Brandy Hirschy: 660-0411*

*Amy Hoffman: (406) 570-6652*

*Nicole Streett: (406) 240-1386*

*Danielle Peterson: 925-2085*

*Melanie South: (406) 230-6114*

*Liz Westerbuhr: 925-1516*



# Market Steer Weigh-In

**Who:** 4-H & FFA Members taking Market Steer as a project for 2021

**Where:** Tollman Feedlot/Silo Meats on Hwy 91N

**When:** February 6<sup>th</sup>, 8 am - 10 am

Brand inspector will be present for any ownership transfer.

**COVID precautions:**

- ★ Each family must remain in their vehicle until they are unloading animals
- ★ Volunteers and members must have a mask on when outside of the vehicle

Members can also weigh, tag, and take a picture of their steer(s) at home. Steers tagged and weighed at home will not be eligible to compete in the rate of gain contest or move on to the state level to compete for Steer of Merit. Members who chose to weigh their steers at home must have the steers weighed and tagged (pick up ear tags at the extension office) prior to February 5<sup>th</sup> (NO EXCEPTIONS!!!) and have their tag numbers, weights and pictures turned in to the office by February 8, 2021 at 5pm. All steers should be tagged in the RIGHT ear.



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