

JUNE 2026  
**SANDERS COUNTY 4-H DISPATCH**  
**4-H NEWS**

## BIRTHDAYS

### June

- 1 Leahmarie Stover
- 1 Jayden Cook
- 12 Ava Taylor
- 13 Luthien Bennett
- 16 Brooklyn Crain
- 17 Cooper Lilly
- 20 Millie Mosher
- 20 June Olson
- 21 Chad Burnaroos
- 22 Stanley Brunaroos
- 22 Makaylyn Reinhardt
- 23 Garhett Viviano
- 24 Caydence Etienne
- 27 Daniel Berger
- 30 Phoebe Lilly

### July

- 1 Thea Myers
- 4 Troy Lewis
- 9 Montgomery Newton
- 10 Melodie Cook
- 11 Lilah Jo Coonan
- 12 Hannah Olson
- 17 Wylie Marier
- 26 Dakota Holotta
- 30 Kendall Spurr
- 30 Brylee Burbach

*Happy Birthday*



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## ▶▶▶ **Reminder** ◀◀◀ **Add/Drop Project Deadline is July 1st**

If you think you will not be able to complete a project you have enrolled in, be sure you call the Extension Office to drop the project or go to your profile in ZSuite and delete that project from your enrollment. This will prevent an incomplete year in the project.

If you are working in a project area and are not enrolled in that project, it is very important you contact the Extension Office to add that project to your enrollment so you get credit for it. Adding it to your enrollment will also allow you to enter exhibits at the fair in that project area.

**Contact the Extension Office or make changes in ZSuite (<https://4h.zsuite.org/>) by July 1st.**

## **FAIR ENTRY REGISTRATION** **is just around the corner**

Through the FairEntry program 4-H families are able to submit their fair entries online. If submitting your 4-H entries online poses a problem be sure to contact your leader and/or the Extension Office to make a plan to enter. Our first priority is ensuring that all 4-H members are able to enter in the fair. Starting **Wednesday, July 1st** Sanders County 4-H members may start registering online, selecting the exhibits they plan to enter in the fair. Members will be able to register through **Wednesday, August 5th**. After **August 5th** the program will be closed to any additional registrations. Be sure you register during that time period (**July 1st - August 5th**). Watch for email messages from the Sanders County Extension Office with more FairEntry details beginning of July.

# 4-H Family Campout



Our annual 4-H family campout at Fishtrap Lake is scheduled for **Thursday, Aug. 13th - Sunday, Aug. 16th**. Families are welcome to stay for however long they can or just come up for the day! If you are interested

**Please RSVP using the following link:**

[scotchmanpeaks.org/event/family-campout-at-fishtrap-lake/](https://scotchmanpeaks.org/event/family-campout-at-fishtrap-lake/)

**Hope to see you there!**

# 2026 Fashion Revue



Pictured Left to Right: Addy Havens, Hannah Olson, Abigail Bauer (modeling for Eliana Clarke), Eliana Clarke, Jaisynn Etienne, Samuel Clarke, Ailie Avilla & Anaelle Avilla

**Congratulations to the Fashion Revue participants on a job well done!**

**Knitting/Crochet/Embroidery - Senior**

Katherine Wrobleski - 1<sup>st</sup> place, Blue ribbon

**Sewing & Textiles - Juniors**

**Eliana Clarke** - Blue ribbons for 2 sewing projects, 1<sup>st</sup> place in sewing & textiles, 1<sup>st</sup> place overall Junior

**Quilting**

**Ailie Avilla** - Blue ribbon, 1<sup>st</sup> place in quilting

**Knitting/Crochet/Embroidery**

**Anaelle Avilla** - Blue ribbon, 1<sup>st</sup> place in knitting/crochet/embroidery

**Thank you Carla Kinzie, Trena Sanders and Karen Dwyer for judging!!**

**2026 STEER IN TRAILER SALES 4-H SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT**

**Kara Christensen**

**MONTANA 4-H FOUNDATION**

**Beyond Ready** With our donors, the Montana 4-H Foundation is proud to support a ready generation of youth!

**2026 W. DOYLE STOCKS SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT**

**Melodie Cook**

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## MEAT RAFFLE FUNDRAISER

**Our Meat Raffle Fundraiser is off to a great start!**

The drawing will take place **Sunday, September 6th** during the Sanders County Fair so we still have time to sell more tickets. As a reminder the top ticket sellers will be awarded a gift certificate to a local business.



*Congratulations  
2026 Graduated Seniors!*

**SANDERS COUNTY 4-H  
SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS**

**KARA CHRISTENSEN**

**MELODIE COOK**

**SOLVEIG NYGAARD**

**AWARDS AVAILABLE**

**Leader of the Year Award:**

Available to any Sanders County Leader who has not received it in previous years. Leaders or members may nominate a leader they feel has done an outstanding job as a leader. Leader of the Year Forms are due in the Extension Office no later than Wednesday, **August 5th**.

\*A list of previous winners is available with the form and on our website [montana.edu/extension/sanders/awards.html](http://montana.edu/extension/sanders/awards.html)

**LITTLE CHIEF AWARD:**

Available for any outstanding senior member in community service & citizenship areas, one who demonstrates life skills by taking responsibility for themselves and their choices and has acquired a concern for their community. An application must be filled out and an **interview** will be conducted with each applicant. Interviews will be scheduled after applications are received. This award is sponsored by Western Outdoors & Norm's News of Kalispell. Little Chief application forms are due in the Extension Office no later than **Wednesday, August 5th**.

**JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT AWARD:**

Available for a Junior member ages 8-13 who is an outstanding overall member including community service & citizenship activities. Members may apply or may be nominated by someone else. Junior Achievement forms are due in the Extension Office no later than **Wednesday, August 5th**.

**HONORARY MEMBER AWARD:**

The Honorary Member Award is intended to recognize community members and/or businesses that demonstrate support for Sanders County 4-H members and activities. Sanders County 4-H members, leaders & parents are invited to nominate a deserving community/business member for this award. One person/business will be selected to receive the award each year, and one person/business may only receive this award once.

**\*\*Completed nomination forms must be submitted to the Extension Office by Wednesday, August 5th.**

**All Application/Nomination forms can be found on our website at:**

[montana.edu/extension/sanders/awards.html](http://montana.edu/extension/sanders/awards.html)

**OUTSTANDING COUNTY MEMBER AWARDS**

**Anyone can nominate a member:**

**Members, leaders or parents can nominate a member or a member may apply for themselves**

- An outstanding member must have achievements that measure above and beyond other members. *Members must do more than completing the basic requirements to be considered for this type of an award.*
- Areas of Nominations: Any project area (e.g.: Beef, Clothing, Foods, Leather, Rocketry, Sheep, etc.), Achievement, Attitude/Willingness to help and be involved, Citizenship, Leadership, Safety, or design your own award area.
- Outstanding Member Nomination Forms are due to the Club Organizational Leader of the member being nominated by **Friday, September 11th**.
- Nomination forms will be emailed to 4-H families or may be picked up from the Extension Office.

## Guidelines for 4-H Fair Exhibits

Please review the guidelines below - they apply to everyone.

**If you have any questions, contact the Extension Office.**

- FairEntry registration online will be **July 1st - August 5th**. That deadline will be enforced. **No entry will be accepted after August 5th**. Any exhibits brought to the fair that were not entered by the deadline will not be eligible for competition or premium and will not be displayed. If a member is unsure whether he/she will finish an exhibit, the exhibit should be entered during registration when registering other exhibits. Members will not be penalized for not bringing a registered exhibit to the fair.
- All "any other" entries in the fair will be accompanied by a description of the exhibit during registration. "Any other" entries without a description by the entry registration deadline will not be entered in the fair. "Any other" entry items may not duplicate another entry item the member enters in the fair.
- Judges will have the authority to determine if an "any other" entry item duplicates another class entry listed, or duplicates another "any other" entry. In this case, the judge will ask the member which entry he/she would like judged. The remaining entry will not be eligible for competition or premium and will not be displayed.
- All classes are limited to one exhibit except for the "any other" classes. Members are allowed five exhibits in each "any other" class and Cloverbuds are allowed ten exhibits in the Cloverbud "any other" class.
- All exhibits (except cloverbuds) will be judged on the Danish system through interview judging. A purple ribbon may be given for an outstanding exhibit. All members who enter exhibits will participate in interviews for each item exhibited. Attire worn by the member should reflect the member's sincere respect for themselves, for the judge, and for the fine work the member has done on their exhibits.
- Members entering exhibits in the Home-Ec building will receive a color sticker to indicate how well they did with their interview(s) for each project area. (Stickers will not apply to each exhibit, but for each project area overall.)
- All exhibits must be the member's own workmanship during the 4-H year.
- Exhibitors will not receive premium money if the exhibits are removed prior to closing time on Sunday. 4-H exhibits may be removed at 6:00 p.m. Sunday unless prior arrangements are made with the barn superintendent.

### **Welding/Sewing/Quilting and Foods & Nutrition Project Members**

This is a reminder that Sanders County 4-H offers a sewing machine and microwave to an outstanding junior or senior member who apply during the Sanders County Fair.

#### ***Qualifications Include:***

##### **Sewing Machine**

- Enrolled in a Sewing/Quilting project
- Enter a minimum of 4 exhibits in a Sewing project
- Enter a minimum of 2 exhibits in a Quilting project
- Complete an interview for exhibits submitted
- Provide updated record book project forms from the current and previous 4-H years for judges to review for growth in the project at fair

##### **Microwave**

- Enrolled in a Food/Nutrition project
- Enter a minimum of 6 exhibits in a Food/Nutrition project
- Complete an interview for exhibits submitted
- Provide updated record book project forms from the current and previous 4-H years for judges to review for growth in the project at fair

##### **\$100 to go towards welding gear of your choice**

- Enrolled in a Welding project at the fair
- Enter a minimum of 2 exhibits in a Welding project
- Complete an interview for exhibits submitted at the fair
- Provide updated record book project forms from the current and previous 4-H years for judges to review for growth in the project at fair

If you are interested in either of these awards you can begin preparing yourself to qualify. **Member will let the Extension Staff know that you would like to be considered for this award when you check in your Home-Ec exhibits at the fair. Contact the Extension Office with any questions!**

## FAIR DINING HALL WORK SCHEDULE

Enclosed is the most up-to-date schedule of the 4-H dining hall work shifts at the fair.

Some of the Dining Hall shifts are still needing to be filled. For families who are not added to the schedule we ask that you contact the Extension Office at 406-827-6934 or sanders@montana.edu. We will be needing cashiers for the Dining Hall, help keeping the pavilion bathrooms and showers clean, judges helpers and aprons/towels need to be washed. We will also need additional help during the Potluck BBQ scheduled for Wednesday, September 2nd.

Parents, it is very important you take an active role with your child in these events. If all 4-H families participate, the jobs are made easier for everyone.



## THIS YEARS FAIR THEME IS.....

“Cowboy Boots and Back to Our Roots”

Congratulations to **Daniel Warnes** for winning this years fair theme!

## ELECTRIC CLIPPERS

Electric clippers were purchased by the Sanders County 4-H Livestock Committee and are available for 4-H use only to be checked out for three days at a time with a \$20.00 deposit. The borrower will receive back \$10.00 after returning them in good clean condition within three days.

The remaining \$10.00 will be applied to any up-keep/repairs the clippers may need in the future.



Contact the Extension Office if you are interested in using them.

406-827-6934  
[sanders@montana.edu](mailto:sanders@montana.edu)

## 4-H Silent Auction at the Fair

A silent auction will take place during the fair in the Home Ec building comprised of exhibits from 4-H members. The sale will be open Friday morning through Sunday afternoon at 2:00 pm. This auction provides 4-H members enrolled in non-livestock projects an opportunity to display their talents and to earn a return on the items that they have made. In addition, the public has the opportunity to purchase a high quality item made locally by a Sanders County 4-H member.

### How to Enter in the Silent Auction:

When registering exhibits for the fair online, in each division there will be an opportunity for you to indicate if you intend to enter an exhibit in the silent auction, with the exception of cloverbud and animal divisions. 4-H members wishing to participate in the silent auction may enter *one exhibit* in the auction. This exhibit will be judged along with all other exhibits before being displayed in the silent auction. If your item is perishable, please have one for the judging and display, and a separate one to give your buyer.

## 4-H VET INSPECTION ANIMAL HEALTH FORM

For the health & safety of all animals at the fair, please fill out the 4-H Vet Inspection Animal Health Form and turn it in to the appropriate barn superintendent when you check-in your animals at the fair. Fill out one for each animal you bring to the fair. Forms are available from the Extension Office or can be found on our website at:

[montana.edu/extension/sanders/sanderscountyfairpage.html](http://montana.edu/extension/sanders/sanderscountyfairpage.html)

**ENTER YOUR PROJECT WORKBOOK MANUAL AS A FAIR EXHIBIT!**

**Reminder for the fair!**

As an option, enter the work you have done and get credit for it! You may enter your project manuals that are workbooks as an exhibit. Meet the guidelines indicated in the manual and this will be your chance to share with the judge what you have experienced in your project. This is an option for all members entered in a project that includes a project workbook. When entering your fair exhibits online in FairEntry look for the listing of your project workbook and choose it just like your other fair exhibits. Members who are enrolled in projects that do not offer workbooks will not have this same opportunity but you may create your own project workbook that you may exhibit.

**4 - H**  
**Dance**



The Sanders County 4-H Ambassador's will be hosting a dance for the community, 4-H members & their families during the fair!

**When:** Saturday, September 5th  
**Where:** Fairgrounds Pavilion  
**Time:** 8:00 pm - 11:00 pm

**Our website has a lot of great resources!**  
**Check it out at:**

[montana.edu/extension/sanders/](http://montana.edu/extension/sanders/)

**SCALES FOR SMALL MARKET LIVESTOCK PROJECT MEMBERS**

The Livestock Committee has purchased a small animal scale for sheep, goats & pigs. If you wish to weigh your 4-H animal sometime this summer, please contact your project leader and arrangements will be made for you to do so! There is no fee to do this.

**Fair Barn Patrol**

4-H families entering animal projects in the fair are expected to take a turn at the barns to insure the **safety of the animals.**

The two hour shifts begin at 10:00 pm each evening of the fair and the last shift ends at 6:00 am, Wednesday through Monday. A minimum of two adults (*usually from two separate families*) are needed on most shifts, one of which must have large animal experience. Any family who signs up for a two hour shift may camp at the fair in the 4-H camping area, if they wish, without paying a camping fee.

Call the Sanders County Extension Office  
**July 1st to August 5th**  
to sign up to work a shift.  
827-6934

***Families who plan to camp on the fairgrounds and do not fulfill patrol/animal safety responsibilities are expected to pay normal camp fees through the Fair Office.***

Families who do fulfill patrol/animal safety responsibilities but wish to camp in the 4-H camping area must wait to see if there is room in the 4-H camping areas after all other families who sign up to do barn patrol are in their camping spots. This must be coordinated with the Camping Coordinator. Barn superintendents are exempt from Barn Patrol because of their many responsibilities during fair. The August Dispatch Newsletter will contain several details regarding time, dates, schedule, picking up passes, etc.

**ONLINE RECORD KEEPING**



Don't forget record keeping can now be done online through ZSuite if you choose!  
For more information go to:

[montana.edu/extension/4h/projects/support/record\\_books/zsuite.html](http://montana.edu/extension/4h/projects/support/record_books/zsuite.html)



## WHAT TO BRING TO THE FAIR

The following list was compiled to help you as you prepare for the fair. Please contact the Extension Office or your leaders if you have any questions about any of the item.

### *\*Indicates required items*

#### Clothes

- Appropriate summer clothes for Thursday interviews
- Warm clothes for Rodeo night, the trips to barns, bathrooms, and breakfast
- Flip flops for the shower
- Your own personal grooming aids - toothbrush, toothpaste, comb, brush, soap, deodorant, towels, shampoo
- Hair ties or scarves for kitchen duty shift

#### Projects

- \*Fair Entry tags for each exhibit
- Something to transport your projects from the car/camper to barns. For example - wheelbarrow, wagon, all your non 4-H friends
- First aid kit for projects: Extra poster board, art supplies, tape, permanent markers, etc. for projects that receive damage in route to fair

#### Animal Project Members

- \*White, long sleeved, collared, button up shirt and dark blue or black pants are REQUIRED for shows
- Rubber boots and rubber apron for wash rack
- Work boots and show boots
- Market Sale (Sunday): Nice shirt, clean jeans and boots

#### Animals

- \*Health Cards
- Feed for 5 days and feed containers. **Swine Members:** *Be sure your hog knows how to drink out of the self-waterer, otherwise bring peanut butter to teach it.*
- Posters to place above stalls/cages with information about your project animal
- Staple gun, hammer, nails, wire, rags
- Decorations for stalls/cages to match the rest of your club
- Spray bottles for cooling animals/old towels to wet for cooling down animals, sun screen for animals
- Traps for shading pens
- Rakes/shovels/wheelbarrow for cleaning pens and stalls
- Bridles/harnesses/canes
- Shampoos/grooming aids for washing animals
- Buckets

#### Campers

- Games to play with while not taking care of animals
- Lawn chairs
- Tarps in case of rain
- Snacks and lots of water
- Books, puzzles, music
- Bug Spray/sunscreen
- First aid kit for you
- Solar lights to help prevent people from tripping over your camp at night
- Wasp/yellow jacket traps

## Dates to Remember

2026

### April

- 7 Council meeting, 6:00pm - Linda Cook's Home, Plains
- 27 Livestock Committee Meeting, 6:30pm - Plains, 4-H Pavilion

### May

- 1 State Award applications Due
- 14 Congress Letters of Interest Due
- 18 Jake Legard Camp Scholarship Nomination Forms Due
- 25 Livestock Committee MEeting, 6:30pm - Plains, 4-H Pavilion

### June

- 2 Council meeting, 6:00pm - Minnie's Cafe, Thompson Falls
- 7 Sheep/Goat/Swine Tagging, Sanders County Fairgrounds, Plains
- 10 Fashion Revue/Patchwork Parade - Plains Bible Chapel
- 15 Montana State 4-H Congress registration deadline
- 16-19 Multi-County 4H Camp
- 22 Livestock Committee Meeting, 6:30pm - Plains, 4-H Pavilion

### July

- 1 Project Add/Drop deadline
- 1 FairEntry Registration Opens
- 1 Barn Duty Sign-Ups open
- 5-7 Pre-Congress - Bozeman
- 7-10 Montana State 4-H Congress - Bozeman
- 27 Livestock Committee Meeting, 6:30pm - Plains, 4-H Pavilion

### August

- 4 Council meeting, 6:00pm - Linda Cook's Home, Plains
- 5 FairEntry Registration Deadline
- 5 Leader of the Year and Honorary Member Nominations Due
- 5 Junior Achievement and Little Chief Award Applications Due
- 5 Deadline to sign up for Barn Patrol
- 13-16 Fishtrap Lake Family Campout & Backpack to Terrace lake
- 24 Livestock Committee Meeting, 6:30 pm - 4-H Pavilion, Plains
- 29 Fair Readiness Day

### September

- 2-6 Sanders County Fair
- 11 Member Record Books Due to Club Organizational Leader
- 11 Outstanding Member county award nominations due to Club Organizational Leader
- 13 Carcass Evaluation, Superior Meats
- 21 Record Book results due to Extension Office from Organizational Leader
- 21 List of Outstanding Member County awards due to the Extension Office from Organizational Leader
- 28 Livestock Committee Meetin, 6:30 - 4-H Pavilion, Plains

# 4-H/FFA FAIR SCHEDULE 2026

## WEDNESDAY, September 2

- 1:00 p.m. Begin checking in animals (lg & sm) Market Animal Weigh-in conducted upon arrival. This will be the sale wgt.
- 6:00 p.m. 4-H Horse Interviews
- 7:00 p.m. Deadline for all animal deliveries (large & small)
- 7:00 p.m. Potluck Barbeque

## THURSDAY, September 3

***Market animal pictures will be taken after each respective show***

- 9:00 a.m. 4-H Working Ranch Horse Show & Horse Show
- 11:00 a.m. Meat Goat Show, Dairy Goat Show, Dairy Cow Show, Dairy Cow Interview, Pack Goat Show
- 1:00 p.m. Swine Interviews
- 3:00 p.m. Cat Show & Interviews
- 1:00 - 4:30 p.m. Interview judging for all 4-H/FFA exhibits entering in the Home-Ec building**
- 4:30 p.m. Goat/Sheep Interviews

## FRIDAY, September 4

***Market animal pictures will be taken after each respective show***

- 9:00 a.m. Swine Show
- 10:00 a.m. Beef Interviews
- 10:00 a.m. 4-H Silent auction begins in Home-Ec Building
- 10:00 a.m. Rabbit Show & Interviews
- 1:00 p.m. Sheep Show
- 4:00 p.m. Poultry Show & Interviews



## SATURDAY, September 5

***Market animal pictures will be taken after each respective show***

- 10:00 a.m. Beef Show (Market Beef, Beef Breeding)
- 3:00 p.m. Small Animal Round Robin Showmanship (Rabbit, Poultry, Dairy Goat, Dog & Cat)
- 4:00 p.m. Large Animal Round Robin Showmanship (Horse, Beef, Dairy, Swine, Sheep & Meat Goat)
- 5:00 p.m. Livestock Superintendents' Meeting
- 8:00 -11:00 p.m. 4-H Dance, Pavilion

## SUNDAY, September 6

***Awards immediately following Market Sale***

- 10:00 a.m. Market Stock Sale
- 2:00 p.m. 4-H Horse Play Day
- 2:00 p.m. 4-H Silent Auction ends
- 6:00 p.m. Begin removing exhibits from building (Do not remove exhibits prior to this time).

## MONDAY, September 7

- 8:00 a.m. Delivery of Market Stock
- 10:00 a.m. Deadline for pens & barns to be cleaned

### Animal Interviews

All members with animal's report to the appropriate barn for your animal interview(s) at the time listed above. Members may draw numbers for the interview order. This helps prevent members from having to wait in long lines and free them to take care of other much needed business (like interviews in the Home-Ec building, participation in another animal show, etc)

**2026 DINING HALL SCHEDULE**

<b>Wednesday – Early Prep.</b>	
<b>10:00 am – 1:00 pm</b>	
<b>Adults:</b>	
1. Jen Sapp	
3.	
4.	
5.	
<b>Members:</b>	
1. Aneliese Sapp	
2. Oakly Bangen	
3. Hoyt Bangen	
4. Kiya Hjorth <b>FULL</b>	

<b>Wednesday – Early Prep.</b>	
<b>1:00 pm – 4:00 pm</b>	
<b>Adults:</b>	
1. Jodie Croneberger	
3. Corree Roofener	
4.	
5.	
<b>Members:</b>	
1. Dechlan Neeson	
2. Hailey Roofener	
3. Emalyn Roofener	
4. Dominik Roofener <b>FULL</b>	

The cook welcomes help preparing in the kitchen from a few adults & older members on Wednesday afternoon, September 2<sup>nd</sup> if other shifts do not fit in your schedule.

Anyone who is able and willing to clean towels and aprons at the end of a fair day and return them the next morning is encouraged to contact the Extension Office. Please think seriously about this if you think it may be possible for you to help in this area. Especially if you live near Plains. Thank you!

**Thursday, Sept. 3**

6:00 am – 9:00 am	9:00 am – 12:00 pm	12:00 pm – 3:00 pm	3:00 pm – 6:00 pm	6:00 pm – 9:00 pm
<b>Adults: Shft.1</b> <b>Older Members 10+</b> 1. Kari Bauer 2. 3. 4. 5.	<b>Adults: Shft.2</b> 1. James LeClair 2. Doug Horner 3. Rhonda Horner 4. Crystal Chenoweth 5. Virginia Chenoweth 6. John Thurston	<b>Adults: Shft.3</b> 1. Heather Wroblecki 2. Kendra Silva 3. Rob Silva 4. Bethany Myers 5. Todd Goode	<b>Adults: Shft.4</b> 1. Jenny Hafner 2. 3. 4. 5.	<b>Adults: Shft.5</b> <b>Older Members 10+</b> 1. 2. 3. 4. 5.
<b>Members:</b> <b>Older Members 10+</b> 1. Zoe Kifer 2. Arya Kifer 3. Hoyt Bangen 4. Daniel Warnes 5. Kyla Warnes 6. Abigail Bauer <b>FULL</b>	<b>Members:</b> 1. Harrison LeClair 2. Brianna Horner 3. Matthew Thurston 4. 5. 6.	<b>Members:</b> 1. Katherine Wroblecki 2. Kylie Silva 3. Isaiah Silva 4. Elsie Myers 5. Titus Myers 6. Crosby Goode <b>FULL</b>	<b>Members:</b> 1. Gavin Hafner 2. Emmalee Hafner 3. 4. 5.	<b>Members:</b> <b>Older Members 10+</b> 1. 2. 3. 4. 5.

**Clean Towels:** \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*\*Dirty towels must be picked up end of last shift and returned to kitchen, clean, prior to first shift of next day.

**Pavilion Bathrooms:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Showers:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Friday, Sept. 4**

6:00 am – 9:00 am	9:00 am – 12:00 pm	12:00 pm – 3:00 pm	3:00 pm – 6:00 pm	6:00 pm – 9:00 pm
<b>Adults: Shft.6</b> <b>Older Members 10+</b> 1. Matt Havens 2. 3. 4. 5.	<b>Adults: Shft.7</b> 1. Tia Burbach 2. Brooke Eldridge 3. Danielle Fagan 4. 5.	<b>Adults: Shft.8</b> 1. Rachel Bennett 2. 3. 4. 5.	<b>Adults: Shft.9</b> 1. Sunday Duto Sauter 2. Jeff Sauter 3. Shannon Hofstetter 4. Jenny Marier 5. Sara Dana	<b>Adults: Shft.10</b> <b>Older Members 10+</b> 1. 2. 3. 4. 5.
<b>Members:</b> <b>Older Members 10+</b> 1. Adeline Havens 2. Zoey Havens 3. 4. 5.	<b>Members:</b> 1. Brylee Burbach 2. Joshua Clarke 3. Brielle Clarke 4. Matea Keefe 5. Quentin Hagerman 6. Riley Keefe <b>FULL</b>	<b>Members:</b> 1. Luthien Bennett 2. Jack Bennett 3. Declan Finlay 4. Catherine Finlay 5. Solon Finlay 6. Warren Finlay 7. Mariah Finlay <b>FULL</b>	<b>Members:</b> 1. Colton Sauter 2. Samantha Hofstetter 3. Wylie Marier 4. Luke Dana 5. Cassidy Dana 6. Grady Dana 7. Ivan Dana CB: Chase Sauter <b>FULL</b>	<b>Members:</b> <b>Older Members 10+</b> 1. Josh Ekberg 2. 3. 4. 5.

**Clean Towels:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Pavilion Bathrooms:** Jim LeClair & Harrison LeClair

**Showers:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Saturday, Sept. 5**

6:00 am - 9:00 am	9:00 am - 12:00 pm	12:00 pm - 3:00 pm	3:00 pm - 6:00 pm	6:00 pm - 9:00 pm
<b>Adults: Shft.11</b> <b>Older Members 10+</b> 1. Sarah Turner 2. Austin Turner 3. Ailie Viviano 4. Kirsten Rodriguez 5.	<b>Adults: Shft.12</b> 1. Gina Cross 2. Mike Erwin 3. Natalie Erwin 4. 5.	<b>Adults: Shft.13</b> 1. Lacey Reinhardt 2. Brienne Champneys 3. Susan Crowder 4. Brenda Thornhill 5. Amy McClimans	<b>Adults: Shft.14</b> 1. 2. 3. 4. 5.	<b>Adults: Shft.15</b> <b>Older Members 10+</b> 1. 2. 3. 4. 5.
<b>Members:</b> <b>Older Members 10+</b> 1. Ben Turner 2. Annie Turner 3. Giada Viviano 4. Garhett Viviano 5. Reesa Rodriguez	<b>Members:</b> 1. Aveline Cross 2. Jasper Cross 3. Colt Browning 4. Trace Browning 5. Jebediah Browning 6. Lainey Erwin 7. Connor Erwin <b>FULL</b>	<b>Members:</b> 1. Makaylyn Reinhardt 2. Michaela Champneys 3. Moriah Champneys 4. Sophia LaFrimiere-Thornhill 5. Pepper McClimans CB: Isak Crowder <b>FULL</b>	<b>Members:</b> 1. 2. 4. 5.	<b>Members:</b> <b>Older Members 10+</b> 1. 2. 3. 4. 5.

**Clean Towels:** \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*\*Dirty towels must be picked up end of last shift and returned to kitchen, clean, prior to first shift of next day.

**Pavilion Bathrooms:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Showers:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Sunday, Sept. 6**



6:00 am - 9:00 am	9:00 am - 12:00 pm	12:00 pm - 3:00 pm	3:00 pm - 6:00 pm
<b>Adults: Shft.16</b> <b>Older Members 10+</b> 1. Rachel Doble 2. 3. 4. 5.	<b>Adults: Shft.17</b> 1. 2. 3. 4. 5.	<b>Adults: Shft.18</b> 1. Taylor Etienne 2. Matt Etienne 3. Brandi Whetzel 4. 5.	<b>Adults: Shft.19</b> <b>Older Members 10+</b> 1. Jennifer Avilla 2. Susanna Feiro 3. Carrissa McNamara 4. Stephaine Steeneron 5.
<b>Members:</b> <b>Older Members 10+</b> 1. Sage Doble 2. Dillyn Doble 3. 4. 5.	<b>Members:</b> 1. 2. 3. 4. 5.	<b>Members:</b> 1. Jaisynn Etienne 2. Caydence Etienne 3. Brooklyn Crain 4. 5.	<b>Members:</b> <b>Older Members 10+</b> 1. Anaelle Avilla 2. Ailie Avilla 3. Solveig Feiro 4. Soren Feiro 5. John McNamara 6. Katherine Wessely <b>FULL</b>

**Clean Towels:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Jenny Hafner**

**Pavilion Bathrooms:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Showers:** \_\_\_\_\_

## Sanders County 4-H Council Meeting

June 2, 2026 6:00 p.m, Extension Conference Room, Thompson Falls

The meeting was **called to order** at 6:10pm by Vice President Jen Avilla.

April **minutes** were approved as distributed.

**Agenda** was revised to include Kiss a Pig, Emblem rules, and Brianna's promotional video.

**Treasurer's report** was accepted as presented. Current expenses are higher than income; meat raffle ticket money is starting to trickle in.

**Correspondence** was received from Loon Lake Camp Executive Director requesting a donation for a new Camp pavilion; and from Montana 4-H Foundation informing of a grant of \$50 to the Heron/Noxon Explorers to support repairs on a van to be used for 4-H activities.

**Livestock Committee:** Fair schedule has been revised. Goat, beef and dairy cow interviews will be on Thursday. Variances were approved for three families to have swine weighed on an alternate day. Swine, goat and sheep weighing and tagging is June 7th.

**Ambassadors:** Brianna reports that 4-H Discovery Camp was set up at last meeting, and a committee branched off to work on current and future Ambassador fundraisers.

**Sanders County 4-H scholarships** were awarded to Kara Christensen, Solveig Nygaard and Melodie Cook.

**Award donor letters** have been mailed.

**Dining Hall** planting event was held at Wild Horse Lavender Farm, as 4-H members and leaders planted vegetables to be served in the Clover Café (dining hall) during the fair. Grants continue to be requested, and gardeners may receive t-shirts.

**Multi-county summer camp** theme is Fairy Tales. Brianna is Junior camp director. Three committees have been formed from 24 counselors so far. Camp needs more boys! Brianna's senior project is to create a five minute promotional video about 4-H to help with a nationwide goal of increasing enrollment in any 4-H sponsored events and clubs.

**4-H Discovery Camp** will be a day camp June 8-9 from 9:am-Noon each day. At least seven stations will be offered plus stations for snacks and games. Children 5-10 years old may participate, with eight per rotation. Preregistration brought in 16 responses, and fliers were distributed with a QR code. No lunch is provided this year, but is possible next year.

Be sure to sign up for your **dining hall shifts**.

**Multi-County Camp Scholarship** budget will cover scholarships this year; there were no applicants for Jake Legard, therefore money will be divided among campers for registration fees.

**Congress scholarships** and expenses will be close to budget.

**Kiss a Pig** voting buckets and posters are ready. Head shots of the lucky fellows are needed: Brian Crane (received), Tony Cox, Randy Woods, and Kevin Hill .

**Multi-county camp fees** – Six are registered plus one from Lake County. Budget will cover for five members.

**Congress** – Any ideas for a van to rent? If we need more drivers, registration and gas will be paid.

**Achievement Day** – South Side Sparks host this year. Pavilion should be reserved for first Sunday in November.

**4-H Logo/Emblem** – Jamie will handle an educational update for use of the 4-H logo.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Dwyer, Secretary

Those present were Jen Avilla, Vice President; Sarah Dana and Brianna Horner, Trout Creek Mavericks; Terry Stephens, Hot Springs Wranglers; Josie Uski, summer Extension office trainee; Jamie Schmidt, Extension Agent; Karen Dwyer, Secretary; and on-line Brooke Eldridge, Thompson Falls Mountaineers; Juli Thurston and Melodie Cook, South Side Sparks.

## Sanders County 4-H Livestock Committee

Minutes for June 15, 2026

6:30pm 4-H Pavilion, Plains

**Present:** Alan Hafner - Chair; Tara Browning-Vice Chair/Swine Superintendent; Terry Stephens-Council Treasurer/Secretary/HSW Club Leader; Raelyn Cox- Goat and Cat Superintendent; Presley Cox- Goat Assistant Superintendent; Wendy Carr- Extension Agent/ Horse Superintendent; Juli Thurston- Sheep Superintendent, Coby Guenzler- Beef Superintendent; Jennifer Avilla- SSS Club Leader; Carrie Guenzler, Josie Uski- summer intern; Kari Bauer; Jess Holland.

### **Meeting Called to Order: 6:33 pm**

Wendy introduced Josie Uski, who will be interning at the office for the summer. Anna Hafner is also interning this summer.

### **Minutes for April Meeting-** approved

**Treasurer's Report-** Terry reported that we had expenses of \$1151.38 and we put \$4000 plus the \$2500 grant money into a CD with First Security Bank. This leaves a balance of \$2569.35.

### **Agenda Review:**

#### **Old Business**

#### **Fair Improvements Update**

- **Outlet by announcer/clerk area in livestock arena-** Juli talked to Josh Smith and he will be at the fairgrounds tomorrow and would like to meet with someone to see what we want done. Alan will meet with him.
- **Upgrade electrical in camping area-** Mission West wants to help, it will have to be next year. Coby resubmitted his grant and hopes to hear something next week. Carrie suggested looking into grants from the Montana Department of Ag.
- **Microphone/speaker system in 4-H arena-** Wendy finally heard back from Josh. He sent her some ideas and wondered if we would be interested in a battery powered system. They will keep working on this. Josh is donating the system.

#### **Fair awards/Sponsor Report**

- Letters have gone out and money is coming in.
- Kari Bauer attended the meeting to talk about giving grand and reserve livestock members banners instead of ribbons. In the past, the champion animal has received a neck ribbon. Discussion included whether to give the banners or just the market animals, or possibly breeding animals and showmanship, as well. Bauer's offered to donate the banners. Terry made a motion that we give banners to the grand and reserve breeding and showmanship and find out the price difference of banners versus neck ribbons for the market animals. Raelynn 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed.

- Ribbon point system- At the last meeting, we had discussed eliminating premium money for white ribbons and putting that money in to the purple ribbons. The easiest way is to make purple ribbons worth 9 points, blue ribbons worth 7 points, and red ribbons worth 5 points. No points for white.

#### **Fitting Clinic/hoof trimming update**

- Coby is having the hoof trimming on July 24<sup>th</sup>, at the fairgrounds. The time isn't set yet. The fitting clinic is on hold until he gets some responses.

#### **Emergency Group Text Vote Update**

- It was decided to put the grant money in with the \$4000 that we had agreed on into a CD at First Security Bank.
- A family needed an exemption for swine tagging. It was agreed to give them the exemption if they brought the pigs to the fairgrounds on June 11, so Tara doesn't have to run all around the county tagging pigs.

#### **Kiss a pig update**

- Terry reported that council is moving head with this. We have 4 volunteers and the buckets should be getting put around the county very soon.

#### **Kitchen Update**

- Jen reported that planting day went very well. 12 members came to help out and the garden is growing. They are meeting June 24 to make some decisions as far as what the meal plans will cost.

#### **New Business**

**Fair theme-** "Cowboy Boots and Back to Our Roots" submitted by Daniel Bauer.

**Jessica Holland from 406 Ranch and Feed-** the store wants ideas on how they can help 4-H in the county. Jess would like to have a barbecue next summer and donate the proceeds to 4-H in the county. She would also like to donate donuts for the buyers before the sale and donate water bottles during the fair.

**We will add Public Input to the start of the agenda for meeting so people don't have to stay the entire meeting.**

#### **Swine/Sheep/Goat Weigh-in/Tagging Report**

- Wendy would like to have someone going to the vehicles before the animals are unloaded to collect paperwork. Tara said she has a system that works and this shouldn't be a problem going forward because she will be there. We could also turn the scale so that the person recording weights can see the screen.
- There were issues with the sheep tags. Possibly the tagger wasn't being used correctly because the point of the tags wasn't coming through all the way, and 2 lambs had their ears torn.

- We discussed whether tattooing is worth doing when is it difficult to read the tattoos on swine. We will continue to tattoo swine.
- It was suggested that an extra awine tagging day be added in the middle of the week to make it easier for kids involved in sports to attend. they will then have 2 options to get their pig tagged. This may cut down on exemptions. This is tabled until the September meeting.

### **One Exemption tot he rule per lifetime discussion**

- It was discussed at a previous meeting that we should possibly limit the exemption to the rule to one per lifetime per member. After a lot of disussion, it was decided that this was too harsh and that disasters can happen and that we should be able to decide, as a committee, if exemptions are warranted. The idea for only one exemption was tabled.

### **Photographer Update**

- Julie white has decided not to photograph at the fair anymore, so we need someone new. Some ideas were suggested and we hope to have someone by the next meeting.

### **Fair Assignments**

- Round Robin Judges- Superintendents find these. It was suggested that we try to find judges who don't have children showing in round robin. The office needs a mailing address, phone number and email address for all judges.
- Interview Judges- Superintendents find these.
- Market Sale Ring Men- Same as last year
- Veterinarians- Same as last year
- Shavings/Dumpster Containers- We have some shavings left form last year. We will need about 1 load this year.
- Photo Backdrop- The Wranglers Club will set these up.

### **Species Reports**

- Beef- Hoof trimming July 24.
- Horse- They have started riding on Tuesdays and Thursdays. There are 18 members. Horse Camp is June 22-23.
- Poultry- Raelynn has a couple kids at each meeting.
- Rabbits- There are lots of rabbits.
- Sheep- Had tagging and weighin. There are 11 or 12 market sheep. They will have a meeting at Bauer's on June 25 at 3:00.
- Goat- All good
- Swine- Tagging went well.
- Dog- Bailey is meeting with the kids a couple times a month.

### **Announcements**

Sale fliers and brochures and sponsor letters were handed out.

Next meeting is July 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 at the Pavilion.

Meeting adjourned at 8:33pm.