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CEO Report

It's been a wild ride in 2020 for the new 4-H Alberta and our amazing new team of staff, the 4-H Alberta Interim Board, the 4-H Alberta Foundation Board of Interim Trustees and past board members. We are recognizing the community contributions of our youth and leaders who have dedicated countless hours each week towards the shared goal of a single organization that puts our youth first and foremost.



A friend of mine and a leader in the youth industry asked me how it's been going, so I thought I would share my answer with my new friends in 4-H:

"It feels like I am back to managing a brand-new start-up, working with a brand-new team in new roles, and staff working remotely for the first time. However, with this start-up, we are continuing to honour the past but move forward in supporting 4-H in Alberta, and a new club year is beginning immediately. As well as being a 'new organization,' we also carry 100+ years of history, challenges, values, and traditions. All of these changes are occurring in the middle of a pandemic, a pandemic that has unfortunately caused many organizations to close their doors. Thankfully, there is no giving up for the sake of our youth members in 4-H, even if that means we have to adjust to a virtual space when ALL of us, and I mean ALL of us, would prefer to meet face-to-face."

My friend looked at me, laughed, and then reminded me that I thrive in situations like this. They encouraged me to remember why I do it, and highlighted the successes that have come from rising to challenges in the past. This time is no different, and I'm confident that 4-H will thrive and grow as we continue to rise to these challenges.

During the recruitment process, I talked to a few of my respected friends—reliable, resourceful, trustworthy, hard-working and friendly people who are excellent communicators. I quickly realized that many (if not all!) of them were in fact 4-H alumni. I was also able to participate in a Q & A with other alumni (Ellie and Amanda). Many of the 4-H individuals I know and have met along the way will make our community, country, and this world a better place.

This is why we all support 4-H, and why we support this program with whatever skills we bring to the table. This is also why I am excited for 2021. I love this new job and all the great people I get to work with and learn from.

In 2020, our team listened and worked through concerns and issues that were brought to our attention. We were able to provide clarity and transparency to our community and work together towards long-lasting solutions.

I look forward to 2021 when I shift to working more closely with the amazing programming team on a key passion—youth development, leadership and programming. I believe 4-H is the best youth development program in the world.

Thank you for continuing to serve our youth during this global pandemic. Your commitment speaks to this community's resilience and resourcefulness, and I look forward to continuing to work with this excellent team and serving our youth for a better future.

Community Service During COVID-19

Now more than ever, it's important that we as 4-H'ers get involved in our communities and provide services in a time where many need support. Here are some ways you can serve your community while still adhering to AHS COVID-19 protocols:

- Reach out to your local retirement or senior centre for ways to help (snow removal, recorded videos for seniors, social calls, etc.)
- Snow removal in your community
- Run a physically distanced drive for a local shelter (animal, homeless, vulnerable populations)
- Research how to recycle and record a "what goes where" video or design a flyer
- Find out what local brands and goods are available in your area's supermarkets. How can you support local farmers? Make a video or list to share with your community.

4-H Toques have arrived at the 4-H Store

Get your hands on these great new toques that are sure to sell quickly!



Item #20-007

- 100% acrylic
- 12" knit
- 3" cuff

\$20.00

To place an order, email store@4hab.com or call 780-682-2153

Members

Useful Links

Click image below to go directly to your 4-H Alberta sites:



4-H Alberta Projects - www.4hab.com/projects

Scholarships

Learn more about scholarship opportunities [here](#). For any scholarship inquiries, please email scholarship@4hab.com

4-H Alberta Steer Carcass Competition 2021

4-H Alberta Steer Carcass Competition registration has closed and we are excited to welcome 97 Members to this project.

Committee members are busy finalizing abattoir spots for the calves. We would like to thank Foothills Custom Meats, Deerview Meats, H & M Meats, Forestburg Meat Processing, Meat Chop, Loves Custom Meats and Sangudo Meats for their collaboration with 4-H Alberta.

Members are reminded to get pictures of their project to Tracy Dietrich: tracy.dietrich@4hab.com. Also please send the hair submissions to Neogen ASAP.

We will be doing a webinar with Neogen in February to analyze your DNA results. Please watch for details.

Make sure that you have read the Carcass Competition Guidelines: [2021 4-H-Alberta Steer Carcass Criteria](#)

For more information, talk to your leader or contact a committee member (Rod Turner, Carey Kopp, Calvin Grabler, Terry Elliot, Lyndon Mansell, or Paul Franz).

4-H Member Development Opportunities Starting January 2021

Thank you to all of the Members who participated in 4-H Alberta's Dashing Through December Challenge! The Dashing Through December Challenge was a 21-day virtual challenge open to all members providing an opportunity to get involved in 4-H and have some fun while earning points for prizes. It was fabulous to see the 4-H community come together for friendly competition and fun. We are so happy that over 600 members registered. What an excellent way to be a part of 4-H while staying safe at home!

The New Year is here and the 4-H Alberta staff team is working hard to plan opportunities for you, our Members! These activities will be a mix of virtual and hands-on activities you can do at home to keep learning. Keep checking back to www.4hab.com to learn more about some of the great opportunities coming your way in 2021, including:

- Exciting activities and experiences for Members that can be done at home
- Exploring 4-H project workshops and activities
- Active living competition
- Science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) workshops and activities
- Farm to table workshop and activities
- Virtual club connections
- At-home entrepreneurial activities
- Clever Kids hands-on activities

Check back often for updates. We can't wait to kick-start some of these great opportunities and continue to deliver programs that are relevant for our Members and the 4-H community!

PEAC - Start Your 4-H Year Off on the Right Hoof

Visit 4-H Alberta's Youtube channel for PEAC horsemanship videos:

Horsemanship Video Playlist on 4-H Alberta Youtube Channel: [4-H Alberta Youtube Horsemanship Playlist](#)

Individual Video links:

[Etiquette and Horsemanship - Part 1 \(Etiquette & Rider 1\)](#)

[Horsemanship - Part 4 \(Rider 4\)](#)

[Etiquette and Horsemanship - Part 2 \(Rider 1 & 2\)](#)

[Horsemanship - Part 5 \(Rider 5 & 6\)](#)

[Etiquette and Horsemanship - Part 3 \(Rider 2\)](#)

[Horsemanship - Part 6 \(Rider 6\)](#)

[Etiquette and Horsemanship - Part 4 \(Rider 2\)](#)

[Ground Work - Part 1](#)

[Horsemanship - Part 1 \(Rider 3\)](#)

[Ground Work - Part 2](#)

[Horsemanship - Part 2 \(Rider 3 & 4\)](#)

[Ground Work - Part 3](#)

[Horsemanship Part 3 \(Rider 4\)](#)

[Ground Work - Part 4](#)

Club Reporter Submissions

Thank you to all the club reporters who sent in an article or story. 4-H Alberta is currently reviewing all submissions and will make the selections in the new year.

4-H Communication

For the latest information and FAQs regarding 4-H communications activities, please visit the 4-H Alberta website at 4hab.com/communication.

Consumer Decision Making Webinar Coming Soon

The SALTT committee will be providing 4-H members and leaders with a Consumer Decision Making Webinar close to the end of January. Please watch for details about this event.

Members / Parents

Scholarships

2020 Additional 4-H Alberta Scholarships: Even if you were not selected for a Provincial Scholarship – Regional, ('additional') 4-H Scholarships are still under review, and you will be contacted as soon as 4-H Alberta is notified of the successful candidates.

Scholarship payments were transferred by December 31, 2020 if scholarship recipients provided their recipient documentation by December 11, 2020.

Please note: when sending transcripts to 4-H Alberta, please use the following address: RR 1 Site 7 Box 1, Westeros, AB T0C 2V0 or email a digital copy to scholarship@4hab.com.

For any scholarship inquiries, please feel free to contact scholarship@4hab.com or visit 4hab.com/scholarships.

Leaders

4-H Alberta Leader Sharing Platform Coming This Month

4-H Leaders have been requesting a platform to share their ideas and network with fellow leaders from across the province. We have heard this feedback and developed an opportunity for leaders to share and connect.

For 4-H Leaders only, there's now a Google Classroom set up for:

- 4-H Projects
- Communication activities
- Community Service
- Achievement Day
- 4-H Fun

4-H Leaders can register now by going to [4-H Alberta Registration](#). Those who register will receive detailed instructions on how to join in early January, along with the classroom information. 4-H Alberta staff will be here to help you learn about Google Classrooms.

We look forward to this fun opportunity for leaders to network, share and learn new skills.

Thank you for your dedication and creativity during a time where we are all learning to do by doing.

More information coming soon!

Leader Development Opportunities in January

4-H Alberta Leader development opportunities coming up this month.

One evening of information for Leaders:

- Terms of Reference - 1) What are they, and 2) Why are they so important
- Incident reports - 1) Why they are needed, and 2) How to fill them in
- Youth Safety Training - How do Leaders complete this training?

4-H Leaders can sign into their profiles by going to the registration login page, [4-H Alberta Registration](#).

Leaders should be noticing changes to their profile page with the completion of programs and training. 4-H Alberta updates your profile when you register for an event and when you have attended the event.

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