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4-H Alberta Shifts for Growth

I'm absolutely thrilled to share with you some fresh, inspiring takeaways from a fantastic staff retreat and our remarkable AGM, where your dedicated board of directors and voting members from every corner of our beautiful province came together. As we observe our 4-H members showcasing their efforts, it's a perfect moment to highlight the achievements of our robust, three-year-old organization.

CEO 
Report

The highlight that stirs the most excitement? The fantastic news that 4-H AB has seen substantial growth for the first time in many years! This surge signifies that more members are getting a taste of the unique 4-H experience, halting the slow decline in participation that had started to creep in since the late '90s. As we're witnessing this positive shift in the 2022/23 club year, it's with a united effort and continuous enhancements that we look forward to sustaining this momentum into our next club year.

Although we bask in the glow of this positive news and celebrate the relentless efforts of our team in fostering improvements, we remain acutely aware of the long list of factors that can enrich the experiences of our members and volunteers. We have been forging ahead for three years, and now is the time to turn to our invaluable community to unearth your remaining concerns and gain deeper insight into where our focus should lie next.

It's with immense enthusiasm that I reveal our board's recent decision to invest significantly into investigating concerns related to volunteer workload. Our aim is to offer each one of you a platform for providing feedback before the summer break.

Here's a fact that might surprise you: Roughly 2 out of every 3 newcomers to 4-H Alberta tend to leave after their first year. While this is a concern for the growth of our program and the distribution of volunteer workload, it's an issue we're poised to tackle. Imagine a world where we're not only introducing new faces to 4-H, but also retaining them for the long haul. If we can achieve this, the growth will organically follow. One possible solution? Launching a pilot program aimed at exploring and testing alternative models of 4-H to increase youth participation. This initiative will borrow from successful models used by 4-H clubs around the globe. And we're confident that by the end of this pilot, we'll have innovative methods and tools at our disposal to enrich the 4-H experience across our province.

We're excited about this forward-thinking approach, shifting from addressing pressing issues to fostering proactive and visionary strategies. I eagerly anticipate hearing from our volunteers as we delve deeper into solutions to ease workloads and pave the way for a bright future for our 4-H members. Please take some time to reflect on this club year and seize any opportunity to share your feedback. I'm excited to learn more from our dedicated volunteers and look forward to building a stronger 4-H together.

Kurt Kinnear
CEO 4-H Alberta

Get Ready for an Unforgettable Family Fun Day with 4-H Alberta!



The poster features a large central image of two children enjoying pink cotton candy. To the left, there are three smaller circular images: a family on a roller coaster, a child on a slide, and a child on a water ride. The 4-H Alberta logo is in the top left corner. A red banner at the bottom contains registration information.

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JUST A GIRL'S FUN
CAMPING PARK
IT'S ABOUT FAMILY FUN!

4-H Alberta Family Fun Day at Calaway Park

Saturday August 26/23
9:30-11:30am Sign-In
10:00am to 7pm Park Open

Cost: \$39 per ticket (2yrs & under free)
Pre-Purchased Food Voucher:
\$15.25 per voucher

Join 4-H Alberta for a day of fun at Calaway Amusement Park. Campsite available nearby. For more information visit calawaypark.com

One registration per family through a member's online profile.

Questions? Contact Jane Ellen at calgary@4hab.com

Mark your calendars, folks! 4-H Alberta has a thrilling day of family fun in store for you at the sensational Calaway Park (245033 Range Rd 33, Calgary AB) on Saturday, August 26th, 2023.

Think exhilarating rides, popcorn, laughter, and a grand old time shared with loved ones - that's what we've got lined up for you!

Whether you're a 4-H family, a friend, a neighbour, a co-worker, or just someone looking for a good time, you're invited! You can secure your tickets easily by logging into your child's online profile. A single profile is all you need to order tickets for your entire group!

Are you thinking of bringing the whole neighbourhood? No problem! For orders of more than 10 tickets, please reach out to our delightful Jane Ellen at calgary@4hab.com.

But wait, there's more! Don't let distance dampen your spirits. If you're from out of town, Calaway Park has you covered with a cozy campground right next to the amusement park. Imagine waking up to the sounds of laughter and excitement, knowing a day of adventure awaits.

If camping isn't your style, worry not! A comfortable stay is just a short drive away with several hotels located within a 15-minute radius of the park.

And for all your food needs, we've made it even easier to indulge! You can pre-purchase food vouchers if you'd prefer not to pack your own lunch & snacks. Treat your taste buds to an array of delightful treats available at the park.

Don't miss out on this fantastic opportunity! The last date to register is Monday, July 24th, 2023. Check out the detailed poster on your online profile for more information.

Let's make memories, have fun, and embrace the 4-H spirit. We can't wait to see you there!

Join Alberta Milk for Breakfast on a Dairy Farm!

Alberta Milk is a new Bronze Clover sponsor and joined the 4-H Alberta family in 2023. They are excited to extend the following invitation to our 4-H Alberta community:

On June 24th from 8:00 am - 12:00 pm, bring your family and friends to enjoy a hot and healthy breakfast served by local dairy farmers.

Enjoy a firsthand experience on what life on a dairy farm is all about with a barn tour, robotic milking display, and activities for kids.

Located in Bowden at Wendon Holsteins, 34477 Range Rd 274, Red Deer County.

For more information on Breakfast on the Dairy Farm and other events, visit albertamilk.com/events/

No tickets or sign up required- all are welcome. See you there!



Dive Into New Adventures with 4-H Alberta! Become a Chaperone or Facilitator Today!

Calling all 4-H supporters! The spirit of 4-H Alberta is calling your name, beckoning you towards a unique, fulfilling, and rewarding journey. We have opened new doors for chaperones and facilitators, and we want YOU to step up and shape the future of our incredible 4-H members!

For your safety and the welfare of our community, all volunteers will be guided through 4-H Alberta's volunteer screening process. Additionally, all overnight volunteers will be required to complete the Commit to Kids Training and Youth Safety Training if they haven't already done so.

Ready to step into this new chapter of your 4-H journey? Looking to reconnect with your 4-H roots? It's as easy as filling out [this application](#). Through it, you'll get more information on the available opportunities and how you can apply.

Hurry, though, the clock is ticking! [Applications close on June 15, 2023](#), and our fantastic 4-H Alberta Programs Team will be reaching out to successful applicants soon after.

If you're brimming with questions or simply want to learn more about these chaperoning and facilitating opportunities, we're just an email away at programs@4hab.com.

4-H Alberta is a family, and as part of this family, your support and enthusiasm could be the key to unlocking a 4-H member's potential. We can't wait to have you on board!

Alberta's Mark N. Represents 4-H at Prestigious Canada Wide Science Fair

What a phenomenal time it has been for our young researchers and science enthusiasts! The prestigious Canada Wide Science Fair, held this year in Edmonton, has seen some incredible talent from across the nation, with 400 finalists who presented their in-depth and innovative projects to over 10,000 curious visitors.

In the mix of these distinguished finalists were four extraordinary representatives from 4-H Canada. These exceptional young scientists, who were handpicked at the 4-H Canada Science Fair held in March at Olds College, put their hard work, dedication, and intellect to the test as they competed against their peers in this national event.

Our 4-H contestants truly embodied the 4-H motto of "Learn to do by Doing" by not only showcasing their comprehensive research projects but also engaging in detailed discussions about their work. The finalists had to be ready for anything as four judges visited each one, spending a grueling 20 minutes scrutinizing each project, asking probing questions, and really diving into the heart of the research.

But it wasn't all hard work! The Canada Wide Science Fair Committee ensured the finalists also had a chance to relax and explore. They organized fantastic tours for the contestants including a thrilling day at the West Edmonton Mall, an immersive experience at the University of Alberta Campus, and a mesmerizing evening at Telus World of Science.

Representing Alberta with utmost pride and distinction was our very own Mark N. from the Balzac Beef Club. His tireless dedication and ceaseless enthusiasm is truly inspiring and speaks volumes about the potential of our young scientists.



We want to extend a massive congratulations to all our 4-H Canada representatives! The stellar performances by each of these finalists demonstrates the incredible promise and talent present in our young 4-H members. Their accomplishments are a testament to the values and skills that 4-H Alberta aims to instill in its members, and they should be incredibly proud of what they have achieved.

To all our young scientists: keep asking questions, keep exploring, and keep making us proud! Your journey is just beginning, and we can't wait to see where it leads.

MCSnet - Surf & Stream in a Flash

MCSnet is a dedicated supporter of agriculture, youth, and technology. They have been a proud Bronze Clover sponsor of 4-H Alberta since 2021, investing in our youth and our youth programs like our summer camps and educational workshops such as coding tutorials.

MCSnet is also thrilled to launch GigAir within MCSnet service areas: a reliable and secure high-speed internet connection that will help connect rural families and businesses.

To learn more about GigAir, check out: <https://mcsnet.ca/internet/gigair/>



**SURF & STREAM
IN A FLASH**

GigAir

Get fiber speeds without the cable or cost.
Now available in towns and villages throughout our service area starting at \$39.95/month.

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Get Started **HERE:**
mcsnet.ca/internet/gigair OR call 1-866-390-3928

Embrace Global Connections: The 4-H AB/Japanese Exchange Program is Back!

Brace yourselves for a unique international encounter as the 4-H AB/Japanese Exchange Program is set to make a grand return in the Summer of 2024!

While this isn't an official 4-H initiative, we have joined forces with Labo International Exchange to provide an immersive cultural experience for our 4-H Alberta members.

There are three exciting ways to dive into this enriching adventure:

1. **Homestay** - AB 4-H members aged 16 to 18 can seize the opportunity to live with a Japanese host family for a month. Experience first-hand the nuances of the Japanese lifestyle. Find more information [here](#).
2. **Host Family** - Have a heart for hospitality? 4-H families with members as young as 10 years old can host a Japanese student for a month next summer. It's a wonderful chance to learn about Japanese culture while building lasting friendships. More details can be found [here](#).
3. **Coordinator** - For the adults among us, consider becoming a coordinator in your 4-H Region and play a pivotal role in facilitating this exchange program.

Stay tuned to our future 4-H Scoops for updates and to learn the name of your Regional Exchange Coordinator.

If you're seeking more information, or if you're interested in stepping up as a Coordinator in the Peace or East Central Regions, don't hesitate to reach out to Ellen Bonde at niels_ellen@telusplanet.net.

Embrace the global spirit of 4-H and get involved in this extraordinary cultural exchange. Your adventure awaits!

Calling all 4-H Alberta Supporters:

We are excited to be a participating charity for a third year in a row in the **2023 Shaw Birdies for Kids presented by AltaLink**.

Birdies for Kids (BFK) will match up to 50% of all Donations to 4-H Alberta. 4-H Alberta will receive 100% of all donations, which will go directly to supporting our youth programs. This opportunity also allows all monetary donations to be matched up to 50%, so your donation goes even further – it's a win-win!

If you would like to make a donation to 4-H Alberta and our first-class youth programming, then please click on the link to take advantage of the Birdies for Kids up to 50% matching opportunity:

<https://shawcharityclassic.com/4h-alberta/>

All donations will receive a charitable tax receipt through the Shaw Charity Classic Foundation. **Thank you for your support of our youth and youth programs!**



2023 Achievement Days

Achievement Days are underway! Our members have the opportunity to showcase their projects across the province. It's an exciting time in 4-H and we look forward to a busy, fun, and eventful Achievement Days season!



[Click on the banner to see the 2023 Achievement Days Information Sheet!](#)

Members / Parents

4-H Alberta Scholarships

The 2023 4-H Alberta Scholarship Application **closed** on May 1, 2023 at 12:00 pm (Noon).

Thank you and good luck to all who applied for a 2023 4-H Alberta Provincial & Additional scholarship through the 4-H Alberta Scholarship Program.

Please ensure you have submitted your most recent transcript prior to attending your fall 2023 post secondary term to scholarship@4hab.com no later than August 1, 2023 or you may be ineligible to receive scholarships.

We are always looking for ways to improve our scholarship application process.

Please feel free to email scholarship@4hab.com with any suggestions on improvements for the 2024 scholarship year.

Once again, we'd like to send a HUGE shout-out to [AgCall](#) for their design and launch of our new online scholarship application.

A great big thank you to all of our donors who make these awards possible. We could not do it without their support!



The Elmer and Ona Hansen Memorial Scholarship

The 2023 Elmer and Ona Hansen Memorial Scholarship application opened **on May 1, 2023!**

We are thrilled, honoured, and proud to continue the Hansen/ Ness Legacy in a meaningful way: we will again award ten (10) Elmer and Ona Hansen Memorial Fund Scholarships, worth a total of \$80,000! The scholarships will be awarded as follows:

- One (1) scholarship will be awarded at \$20,000;
- One (1) scholarship will be awarded at \$15,000;
- One (1) scholarship will be awarded at \$10,000; and
- Seven (7) scholarships will be awarded at \$5,000 each.

The following scholarship rules and criteria apply:

- Applicants must be Alberta rural farm young persons
- Applicants must be enrolled as first year students at an acknowledged post-secondary institution and **not** have previously started or completed a post-secondary program
- Applicants must have graduated from high school and be no older than 25 years of age
- Applicants must need to leave home to pursue a post-secondary education or trade
- This grant is open to all rural farm youth and 4-H experience is not mandatory to qualify for this award

If you meet these criteria, you are encouraged to submit your application no later than **Friday, June 30, 2023 at 12:00 pm (Noon)**. Please [click here](#) to access the application and carefully follow the guidelines outlined in the application.

Feel free to contact the scholarship team at scholarship@4HAB.com if you do have any questions.

Don't Miss Out on 4-H Alberta's Grand Carcass Competition Windup!

As we wrap up a busy season, we are excited to announce our annual ****4-H Alberta Carcass Competition Windup****, a highlight of the 4-H Alberta year. Scheduled for ****July 24, 2023**** at the esteemed Lacombe Research Station in Lacombe, AB, we've planned an incredible day packed full of learning, networking, and of course, some friendly competition!

Our agenda for the day looks like this:

- **9:00** – Kick things off with registrations.
- **9:30** – Once everyone's arrived, we'll dive straight into guided tours offering firsthand insights into different aspects of the meat industry.
 - Tour One: Kill Floor** - Take a behind-the-scenes look at the processing phase of the meat industry.
 - Tour Two: Cutting Floor** - Witness the precision and skills necessary to transform a carcass into market-ready cuts.
 - Tour Three: Meat Lab (Meat Attributes)** - Learn about the varied attributes of meat and what makes quality cuts stand out.
- **12:00** – Time to break for a hearty lunch and enjoy some networking.
- **1:00** – After lunch, our guest speaker, ****Cameron Olsen from Elanco****, will share his expertise and experiences in the field.
- **2:00** – We will then transition into the eagerly anticipated awards ceremony, where we'll celebrate the dedication and hard work of our 4-H participants.



To join us on this day of learning and celebration, please register through the [4-H Alberta Online system](#).

Whether you're a seasoned member or new to the fold, we're looking forward to seeing familiar faces and welcoming newcomers to our community. The Carcass Competition Windup is more than just an event; it's a celebration of our collective passion for agriculture, our commitment to learning, and our shared sense of community.

Please reach out if you have any questions or need additional information by emailing programs@4hab.com.

Level Up Your Archery Game at the 4-H Alberta Archery Day Camp!

Attention all 4-H members (Junior, Intermediate, and Senior) who have explored the world of archery! Get ready for an exciting weekend at the 4-H Alberta Archery Day Camp, taking place from August 18-20, 2023, at the Carbon Curling Rink & Archery Range in Carbon, AB.

Camp Highlights

- Engage in target and 3D archery
- Equipment maintenance
- Exciting camp activities
- Friendly competition

Expert Leadership

Rest assured, you'll be in the hands of capable and knowledgeable leaders throughout the camp. Your dedicated camp leader, along with a certified Intermediate Archery Coach (NCCP #563293), will provide guidance, support, and valuable insights to help you excel in archery. With their expertise and passion for the sport, you'll receive personalized attention and learn from the best.



Registration Details

Spaces for the Archery Day Camp are limited, so don't miss out on this incredible opportunity! Register early to secure your spot. Here are the essential details you need to know:

- **Date: August 18-20, 2023**
- **Cost: \$115**
- **Location: The Carbon Curling Rink & Archery Range, Carbon, AB**

Remember, this camp is exclusively for Junior, Intermediate, and Senior Members who are currently or have previously been part of a 4-H Archery Project.

To complete your registration, make sure to bring your own bow, arrows, and other archery equipment. Although we will have limited supplies available for use, it's best to come prepared. If you encounter any minor equipment issues, we'll have someone on-site who can provide assistance.

For any questions regarding the Archery Camp program, please contact Jody Wacowich at 4hleaderjody@gmail.com. If you have inquiries about the registration system, feel free to reach out to Tracy Dietrich at programs@4hab.com or call 780-781-1003.

[Take Aim and Register Now!](#)

Don't miss this fantastic opportunity to improve your archery skills, make new friends, and have a blast at the 4-H Alberta Archery Day Camp. Spaces are limited, so act fast to secure your spot. Register today and embark on an unforgettable archery adventure!



4-H Alberta Encourages Use of Kids Help Phone Resources Amid Wildfires

In the wake of wildfires affecting various parts of Alberta, 4-H Alberta would like to draw attention to the valuable resources offered by Kids Help Phone. These resources are designed to support our members, clubs, and communities coping with the impact of these wildfires.

Kids Help Phone provides several insightful resources to help manage stress and anxiety during these challenging times:

- [Current wildfires in Canada: How to get mental health support](#)
- [Coping with Tragedy](#)
- [How to Cope with Upsetting News Stories](#)
- [Tips for Navigating Unknowns](#)
- [I feel overwhelmed. What can I do?](#)
- [Climate change: 5 tips to get support and take action](#)

Furthermore, we recommend the *Resources Around Me* page on the Kids Help Phone website. This feature allows users to locate physical or virtual support resources specific to their individual needs in their local area.

For immediate assistance, Kids Help Phone operates 24/7, every day of the year, offering a completely confidential support service. Youth can connect with a compassionate listener through a phone call at 1-800-668-6868 or via text message at 686868.

During these challenging times, we invite you to take advantage of these resources. Stay safe and well!

Introducing Project in a Weekend: A Unique Opportunity for 4-H Senior Members

Complete Your Project and Record Book in One Weekend and Focus on Other Club Requirements

Are you a Senior 4-H member looking for a time-efficient way to complete your project for the 2023-24 club year? Look no further! We are thrilled to introduce "Project in a Weekend," a fantastic opportunity for members like you to complete your project and record book in just one weekend. This innovative approach allows you to focus on fulfilling other club requirements while also exploring new project interests.

Project in a Weekend Guidelines:

- Open to Senior 4-H members only
- Participants must plan to enroll in the 2023-24 4-H club year
- Full weekend attendance is required (12-15 hours of project time)
- A project record book insert must be completed during the weekend

Upon completion of the weekend, participants will receive a certificate to present to their club leader, confirming the completion of their project. With your project and record book out of the way, you can concentrate on meeting the other requirements necessary to be a member in good standing.

Don't miss out on this unique opportunity to make the most of your time as a Senior 4-H member! Stay tuned for more information on registration and scheduling for "Project in a Weekend."

[Project in a Weekend PDF Document](#)

Exciting Opportunities for 4-H Beef Members: Beef Breed Association Awards

Attention all 4-H Beef members! Did you know that several Provincial Beef Breed Associations offer awards and recognition for 4-H members who excel in exhibiting and winning with specific breeds? These awards provide an excellent opportunity for you to showcase your hard work and dedication while earning recognition for your accomplishments in the 4-H Beef program.

To learn more about these awards and the specific breed associations offering them, we encourage you to conduct a simple online search for "Provincial Beef Breed Associations" and explore their official websites.

Participating in these breed-specific awards programs not only highlights your achievements but also helps promote the breed and foster connections within the industry. Additionally, these awards can enhance your 4-H experience, expand your network, and potentially open doors to further opportunities within the agriculture sector.

Don't miss out on this chance to showcase your talent and commitment as a 4-H Beef member! Start your search today and uncover the exciting opportunities offered by Provincial Beef Breed Associations.

Calling All Young Agricultural Enthusiasts: 2023 Alberta Young Speakers for Agriculture (AYSA) Competition

Are you a young Albertan with a passion for agriculture and a knack for public speaking? If so, we have the perfect opportunity for you! **The 2023 Alberta Young Speakers for Agriculture (AYSA) Competition will be held on Monday, July 10th in Olds, Alberta.** This exciting event aims to bring together young, talented individuals who share a common love for the agriculture industry and are eager to speak up for its future.

The AYSA competition offers participants an excellent platform to enhance their communication and leadership skills, expand their agricultural knowledge, and showcase their enthusiasm for the industry. With the chance to compete for cash prizes, this province-wide, agriculture-focused event is an ideal opportunity for youth to put their speaking skills to the test while advocating for a cause close to their hearts.

Important Details:

- Date: Monday, July 10, 2023
- Location: Olds, Alberta
- Application Deadline: June 30, 2023

To enter the competition, simply contact AYSA at albertayoungspeakers@gmail.com for more information on how to apply or visit www.albertayoungspeakers.com. **Remember, the deadline for applications is June 30th, 2023, so don't miss your chance to make your voice heard and be a part of this significant event!**

Not only will the AYSA Competition provide you with an unforgettable experience, but it will also help you make lasting connections with fellow young agricultural enthusiasts from across the province. So why wait? Reach out to AYSA today and take the first step towards becoming a dynamic advocate for the agriculture industry in Alberta.

[AYSA Information Sheet](#)

Hello 4-H Alberta Cleaver Kids' Parents!



There is always room for one more aspiring young 4-Her and the Cleaver Kids program is an early introduction to 4-H Alberta through fun and hands-on learning appropriate for youth aged 6 to 8 years.

[Viterra](#) is a proud supporter of this amazing program and we truly appreciate their generous support and investment in Alberta's youth!

Pictures can be sent to development@4hab.com. Please let us know if we have permission to use these photos in our publications and on social media.

Win Big with Calgary Sports and Entertainment Corporation

If you would like to sign up for exclusive ticket offers, giveaways, and draws for signed merchandise and prizes from the Calgary Sport and Entertainment Corporation, please click here: <http://www.calgaryflames.com/4h>.



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Leaders

4-H Alberta's Alumni & Friends Membership Program

New volunteer opportunities have been posted on the Alumni & Friends website. For more information, please visit www.4hab.com/alumni.

If you have any questions or would like more information on the Alumni & Friends program, please email alumniandfriends@4hab.com.



Alberta Recycling and 4-H Alberta

Clubs **MUST** register for recycling **EACH QUARTER**. If you wish to register for Q1 (April 1, 2023–June 30, 2023), please fill out the **new online registration** form here: <https://forms.gle/YKGQPPLf67GjPsCz9>

More information on the recycling program can be found on the website [here](#).

A gentle reminder that tires and electronics are not to be stockpiled, and forms are due in the quarter the recycling is picked up. Any pickups from one location with more than 250 tires must be pre-approved. If you have any questions, please email admin@4hab.com.

Recycling forms for **Quarter 1 (April 1, 2023–June 30, 2023)** are due no later than **June 30, 2023**.

Please mail forms to: 4-H Alberta, RR1 Site 7 Box 1, Westeros, AB T0C 2V0

All Regions

As the 4-H year-end approaches, we wanted to thank everyone for such a great year and all the passion you put into your club and community as a member, leader, volunteer, and parent/ guardian.

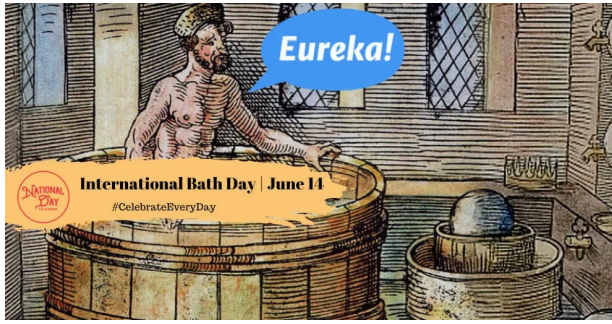
To conclude this club year and prepare for the next, please review this list:

1. **Member Forms:** those members who have not completed their forms are not in Good Standing and will not receive credit for this club year and their year will roll back. If you need support with this please contact your Area Coordinator
2. **General Leaders**, send your Area Coordinator a list of any members who did not complete the year with the reason why
3. **General Leaders**, if you are not in this role next year, please let your AC know so communication can be forwarded to the correct person for club start-up
4. **General Leaders and Club Registrars**, update all projects in your club profile: (remember, to edit, click on “CLUB ADMIN’ and then, click on the pencil beside your club name in the ORS)
 - a. Ensure all projects listed were offered
 - b. Ensure members completed each project they are listed in
 - c. Ensure leaders associated with the project worked on that project
5. **Screening:**
 - a. If you last screened in 2020-21 or before, you are due to screen
 - b. Contact leaderscreening@4hab.com or your Area Coordinator to start your screening today to give you time; your screening will be approved in the fall
 - c. Screening is not complete until you receive a confirmation email
 - d. If screening and training is not complete you will not be eligible for credit for this year (awards and recognition)
6. **Training:**
 - a. If you haven’t completed your training as a leader and volunteer, find information here:
 - i. Commit to Kids: <https://www.4hab.com/commit-to-kids/>
 - ii. Youth Safety: <https://www.4hab.com/youth-safety-at-4-h-in-canada/>

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South Region



[International Bath Day - June 14th!](#)

"Legend has it that on this day, Greek mathematician, scientist, and scholar, Archimedes discovered while taking a bath that an object's volume could be accurately measured by being submerged in water! Unable to contain his excitement, Archimedes leaped out of the bathtub and yelled, "Eureka, Eureka!" as he ran through the streets of Syracuse, Greece. No one knows the exact date of Archimedes' birth. However, we do know he was born in the year 287 BC. To honor Archimedes, we commemorate the date he leapt out of the bathtub, June 14th."

Upcoming Regional Programming & Events (Check out the [4-H Alberta Calendar](#))

[Please check regularly and register for open programs in your online account under "programs"](#)

June 1, 2023	4-H Alberta South Region Day with the Lethbridge Bulls
June, 2023	Achievement Days throughout the Region!
August 14-15, 2023	South 4-H Region Horse Show, Taber, AB
August 26, 2023	4-H Alberta Day at Calaway Park - Registration is OPEN

Achievement Days!

Achievement days are an exciting time for the South Region, with events scheduled throughout April, May, and June. For those who have already showcased their projects, we hope you had a fantastic experience! And for those preparing to celebrate in June, we wish you great success and, most importantly, loads of fun. Remember to express your gratitude to your leaders and parents, who look forward to Achievement Days just as much as you do!

A few tips and tricks for a successful day:

- Be in good standing
- Don't forget to "check in" at your event sign in sheet
- Dress for success (and the weather)
- Stay hydrated!
- When a community member compliments you on a job well done - look them in the eye, shake their hand, say "thank you" and take that moment to feel proud, because you HAVE done a great job!
- Capture the memories with lots of pictures
- Most importantly - HAVE FUN! With your club, district, fellow 4-H members, and family 😊
- If you have time, send your Area Coordinator a group photo of your Club /District Achievement

South Region Reminders (Click on Active Links for More Information)

PROJECT STANDARDS - UPDATED

[Beef Standards](#), and [Sheep Standards](#) have been updated by your Provincial Advisory Committees. Please ensure your clubs and district / regional committees are aware of all changes for the 2022 year!

New Leaders

- ★ If you have new leaders, please have them fill in an adult registration form and send it to me! I can open a profile for them in the system so they can begin screening and training!

Activity Plans

- ★ Activities beyond the club level require an approved [activity plan](#).
- ★ If your club has a high-risk activity planned, it too will need an activity plan.

Being in Good Standing

- ★ It is important to be in good standing at every level of 4-H Alberta
- ★ If you have any questions about what you need to do (as a Member, Club, District etc) to be in good standing, please consult the [4-H Alberta Reference Guide](#).

South Region Consumer Decision Making – HELP WANTED

- ★ The South Regional Council is seeking senior members and leaders to help organize the South Region Consumer Decision Making event. If you are interested, please contact Connie Harder.

For all regional news, click [here](#)

[South Region Page](#)



4-H on Parade: June 1-4 Everyone is welcome to come and cheer on those members who are competing. Family, friends, and neighbours are welcome to come out and cheer on the members who have worked so hard throughout this year. To see the schedule, go to the Calgary Stampede 4-H on Parade webpage at: <https://ag.calgarystampede.com/events/4h-on-parade> and scroll down to the bottom of the webpage to find the 4-H Schedule. It will open into a PDF and is printable.



4-H Alberta Family Fun Day at Calaway Park: Did you miss this information in the main body of the Scoop? Registration opens June 1 and closes July 24. To see more information regarding this event, please go to the page after the CEO's Report by clicking [here](#).

World Environment Day: Monday June 5 is World Environment Day. The theme this year is plastic pollution. Did you know that more than 400 million tonnes of plastic is produced every year, half of which is single-use plastic? Post a picture of you in your 4-H club shirt, helping the environment by using a reusable water container or a reusable straw or using reusable lunch containers and upload it to your social media using the hashtags #BeatPlasticPollution & #WorldEnvironmentDay



4-H Alberta Office is closed & the 4-H Alberta Area Coordinator, Calgary Region is off Friday June 30 to Monday July 3, inclusive. Hope you enjoy your **Canada Day** long weekend! Did you know that in 1867, on July 1, The British North America Act (today known as the Constitution Act, 1867) created Canada. General Lord Monck signed a proclamation, in 1868, that requested all of Her Majesty Queen Victoria's subjects across Canada to celebrate on July 1.



The 4-H Alberta Area Coordinator, Calgary Region is off every Friday starting July 7 to September 8, inclusive. As well, from Thursday August 3 to Sunday August 20, inclusive. During the summer holidays, another staff member will be monitoring emails. For urgent matters, please contact the main office at 780.682.2153.

Questions?

You will find many answers to your questions in the [4-H Reference Guide](#). If you can't find your answer, please contact your 4-H Alberta Area Coordinator, Calgary Region, Jane Ellen Forbes at calgary@4hab.com.

If you have questions regarding Calgary Region events or programs, please contact the Calgary Regional Council at calgaryregional4hcouncil@gmail.com.



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East Central Region

EC Region MSJ Workshop & Competition - hosted by Provost District!

The Provost District hosted Members from across the EC Region for a day of fun and learning about MSJ!



MSJ Workshop & Competition

April 29, 2023 -hosted by Provost District-

Coming Up (Click on Active Links for More Information)

June 17, 2023	EC Regional Heifer Show	Oyen, AB
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EC Regional Heifer Show – June 17, 2023

Crossroads Centre, Oyen, AB

COST: \$40 per member

- Includes first project animal, snacks, breakfast & lunch
- \$15 for each additional female project
- \$20 per Cleaver Kid
- \$10 per member – skills competition only

Register via your ORS profile [here](#).

Registration deadline: Jun 10, 2023

East Central Regional 4-H Heifer Show

June 17, 2023
Crossroads Centre
Oyen, AB

Showmanship
Judging
Conformation
Team Grooming

Purebred & Commercial Classes

Welcome are all 4-H members with female projects
All Ages

Entry: \$40 per member-includes first project animal, breakfast & snacks
\$15 for each additional female project
\$20 per Cleaver Kid
\$10 per member-skills competition only
Concession booth will be on site

FUN **Prizes**

Register via your profile in the ORS
at 4habregistration.ca
Registration Deadline: June 10, 2023

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The EC Ambassadors' have a Newsletter!

The EC Ambassadors have launched their very own NEWSLETTER. Click [here](#) to read the Spring edition and find out who they are and how they can help out.

Looking to get in touch with the EC Ambassadors? Don't hesitate to reach out: eastcentral.ambassadors@4hab.com.

Looking for Volunteers!

EC Region has a casino September 20-21, 2023 at the Jackpot Casino in Red Deer.

Contact Carole Tkach if you are interested at (403) 575-0483 or marvin.tkach@gmail.com.



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West Central Region

Coming Up (Click on Active Links for More Information)

June 2-4, 2023	WC Region Horse Show	Westerner Park, Red Deer
June 11, 2023	WC Region Heifer Show	Lacombe Ag Grounds

WC Region Horse Show

WHAT: WC Region Horse Show

WHO: Open to all 4-H AB equine project members

WHERE: Westerner Park, Red Deer AB

WHEN: June 2-4, 2023

OUTLINE OF THE WEEKEND: Detailed schedule available at the Show Office.

Friday start: 9:30am

Classes include: English/Western Dressage; Showmanship; English Pleasure/Equitation; Lunge Line; Jumping/Hunter; Trail

Saturday start: 9:00am

Classes include: Showmanship; Western Pleasure/Horsemanship; Ranch Horse Pleasure; Reining; Judging

Sunday start: 9:00am

Classes include: Drill Team; Command; Walk Trot Lead; Thread the Needle; Dream Weavers; Barrel Racing; Pole Bending; Keyhole

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Contact Amy Belec, Show Secretary wcr4hlhc@gmail.com.

WC Region Heifer Show

WHAT: WC Region Heifer Show

WHO: Open to all WC Region Beef Members

WHERE: Lacombe Ag Grounds, Lacombe, AB

WHEN: June 11, 2023

REGISTRATION: **The Registration Deadline was May 25, 2023**

Competitions will begin at 9:30 am.

Judging - Marketing - Team Grooming - Conformation Classes - Showmanship

For more information contact: Kyley Denschikoff dynastycattle@gmail.com

[WC Region Heifer Show Information Poster](#)

The WC Ambassadors' have a Newsletter!

The WC Ambassadors have launched their very own NEWSLETTER. Click [here](#) to read the Spring edition and find out who they are and how they can help out.

Eager to connect with the WC Ambassadors? Feel free to reach out: westcentral.ambassadors@4hab.com or follow on Instagram [@4hwestcentral_ambassadors](#).

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Northeast Region

NE Regional Council

- **April 29 Meeting Highlights**
 - Watch your inbox for the:
 - NE Approved 2023-24 Program Plan
 - NE Approved 2023-24 Budget
 - Hosting Rotation for 2023-24
 - Fall Fling Nov 24-25: St Paul District
 - You Be the Judge Feb 3: Minburn District
 - Communications Competition Mar 23: Lac La Biche & Wood Buffalo
 - Beef Learning Event/Regional Female Beef Show: Vermilion River
 - Spring Fling: Wainwright District
 - Horse Camp: Lamont & Smoky Lake District
 - Next Meeting November 4, 2023

NE Committee News

- **NE Beef Show Committee Meeting:** TBD
- **NE Horse Camp Committee Meeting:** June 8, 2023; 8:00 pm
- **NE Horse Committee Meeting:** TBD
- **NE SALTT Committee Meeting:** TBD

NE MEMBER PROGRAMMING

CANCELED - NE Female Beef Show: Due to low registrations the NE Region has had to CANCEL our NE 4-H Female Beef Show.

NE Horse Camp

- August 23-26, 2023, Vermilion Ag Society



NE AWARD OF DISTINCTION

- This award is to recognize 4-H Leaders in the Northeast 4-H Region who have shown leadership within 4-H. These people exemplify 4-H spirit dedication, commitment involvement and a true belief in the 4-H program. They are seen as forward thinkers in moving 4-H towards the goals and vision of 4-H in the Northeast Region.
- Who is Eligible: Any 4-H Leader (i.e. General Leaders, Assistant Leaders, Project Leaders), whether active or previously involved in 4-H within the Northeast Region is eligible.
 - This involvement should be for at least 10 years.
 - Posthumous nominations will not be accepted.
 - Individuals already recognized in the Provincial 4-H Hall of Fame are not eligible for this regional award.
 - Individuals not recognized may be re-nominated.
- **Deadline for Applications is September 01, 2023**

Reminders

Please reach out to your local Area Coordinator for help if you need it: crystal.dechaine@4hab.com

- Be sure to refer to the 4-H Alberta Reference Guide on our Website: <https://www.4hab.com/4-h-reference-guide/>
- Any club high risk activities or Interclub, District & Regional events please remember to fill out an activity plan <https://4-h-canada.i-sight.com/external-capture>.

**GOOD LUCK TO ALL MEMBERS ON
THEIR ACHIEVEMENT DAYS!!**



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Northwest Region

NW Committees - Meeting Dates

Get involved - Committees need volunteers to help provide & support programming for our youth! If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Pam at pam.gitzel@4hab.com or the Committee Chairs:

- NW Horse Committee - Leslie Majeau lmajeau4@gmail.com – June 4 @ 7:30 pm – ZOOM
- NW Beef Committee - Jocelyn Toronchuk djtoronchuk@gmail.com - Fall 2023
- NW Judging Committee - Colleen Whittal colleen.whittal@gmail.com – Fall 2023
- NW SALTT Committee - Donna Zons donnazons@gmail.com - Fall 2023
- NW FOCUS on 4-H Committee - Tasha Erickson tashae0@gmail.com – June 12 @ 7:00 pm - ZOOM
- NW Camp Committee - Dorothy Carlson nicbar@telusplanet.net – TBA
- NW Key Leader Meeting – June 15 @ 7:00 pm - ZOOM
- NW Regional Executive Meeting – June 15 @ 7:00 pm - ZOOM

NW Region Important Dates

June 10, 2023

NW CANINE WORKSHOP & SHOWCASE @ 54112-HWY 21 Strathcona County - [ONLINE REGISTRATION IS OPEN](#) ~ **REGISTRATION DEADLINE EXTENDED UNTIL JUNE 1ST MIDNIGHT.**
Open to Northwest Jr/Int/Sr Members in good standing registered in a Canine project.



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June 30 – July 2, 2023 **FOCUS on 4-H** is a 3-Day Event (Friday-Saturday-Sunday) @ Barrhead Ag Barn
NW Region FOCUS Committee has the unique privilege of carrying on with a traditional annual regional level event to celebrate and showcase 4-H Members and their Projects and everything 4-H has to offer in a weekend of non-stop fun!



July 22, 2023 **4-H Baseball Night** – RE/MAX Field – Edmonton Riverhawks
To ORDER TICKETS see your Club General Leader for details

4-H Alberta
BASEBALL
Night

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NW Region - GOOD NEWS & CELEBRATIONS

NW Region - NORTHWEST REGIONAL FAIR APRIL 29, 2023

The Northwest Regional Fair held at Bon Accord Community School on April 29 in person this time ,was very successful!

There were 64 members and over 30 volunteers and instructors for our 13 sessions, included in the sessions were barn board branding, decorating cupcakes, hot chocolate bombs, crate building, laser artwork, card making, canvas art, beehive house and honey tasting, archery, bracelets, and outdoor survival. We opened our morning with Courageous Canine Companions, light cookie snack, and right into our morning sessions. We thank the ladies in the kitchen for getting our salsa salad lunch together. After lunch the members enjoyed a scavenger hunt hosted by Ivy R (NW Ambassador) and Brooklynn F (NW Key Member). After the afternoon sessions and filling in the evaluations we enjoyed an ice cream treat that wrapped up the day.

Thanks to everyone for a great day and watch out for next year it will be Bigger and Better!

Host Committee - Sturgeon District



NW Region - GORDON FUHR TRIBUTE

The Northwest Region mourns the profound loss of a treasured advocate, close companion, and influential guide, Gordon Fuhr, with sincere sympathies. We lost Gordon on March 3, 2023. His monumental contributions to the Sturgeon District 4-H Council as a volunteer will forever remain in our hearts. Gordon tirelessly worked towards inspiring members to actualize the motto "Learn To Do By Doing". His outstanding commitment earned him a deserving place in the 4-H Hall of Fame in 1996.

For a more detailed tribute, kindly visit the Northwest Region's webpage or a low-resolution PDF version can be found [here](#).

For all regional news, click [here](#)

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Peace Region

Coming Up (Click on Active Links for More Information)

June 17, 2023	Regional Planning Meeting TBA
July 24-28, 2023	Peace Region Combined Camp Camp Artaban
October 1, 2023	Club Registration Opens

Upcoming Events

Register in the ORS: <https://4habregistration.ca/signin>

Reminders:

Interclub, District & Regional Events please remember to fill out an activity plan [4-H Canada Activity Plan Form](#).

Peace Regional Program Survey

The Peace Region Council is looking to gather feedback from our Members, Leaders, Volunteers and Parents. The Feedback will be used for the 2023/2024 Regional programming.

[Peace Regional Program Survey](#)



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