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## **Message From the CEO**



### **Greetings 4-H Alberta Youth and Families,**

It's shaping up to be another outstanding year across 4-H Alberta! Several of our clubs are experiencing record membership numbers this season, and we're thrilled to welcome new clubs joining the 4-H movement across the province. We also recently held an excellent Senior Symposium at a new venue, where we introduced our new Premier's Award winner and welcomed this year's ambassadors. A heartfelt thank you to our outgoing ambassadors for their dedication, and congratulations to Grace Tabler, our new Premier's Award recipient and our many new ambassadors. Your efforts to represent and promote 4-H make a tremendous impact!

Recently, I spoke with an old friend and youth development expert from the sports field who shared insights about the value of 4-H in today's world. Based on recent trends in youth programming, he believes 4-H might be exactly what today's youth need most. He noted a concerning trend: resiliency among youth seems to be declining due to the intense focus many young people place on a single sport. While their dedication is admirable, it can often lead to overuse injuries. When these youth can no longer participate, they often struggle with motivation and identity—an experience I saw all too often in my work in kinesiology with high-level athletes.

In 4-H, our youth engage in more than just one activity; they build resilience through diverse life skills grounded in our key pillars. These skills and experiences promote flexibility, resourcefulness, and a balanced approach to personal growth—qualities essential for navigating life's ups and downs. Likely, the most important element of 4-H is the community that is willing to journey with our youth through these ups and downs.

To introduce these principles to newcomers, we've launched a pilot program called "Intro to 4-H." This program was highlighted in our recent town hall, and the response from our community has been overwhelmingly positive. Many members shared how much the info session helped them understand this project and its importance to the broader 4-H community. If you'd like to learn more, please visit our current Intro Club program.

I look forward to hearing and sharing stories throughout the year on how this incredible program continues to impact our youth and their communities. Here's to another fantastic year for 4-H Alberta!

Best regards,

Kurt Kinnear, CEO, 4-H Alberta

# We have an amazing opportunity for all 4-H Alberta Supporters!

We have sold over \$5,600 in tickets for 4-H Alberta's first 50/50 raffle!

Don't miss your opportunity to support 4-H Alberta youth across the province through 4-H Alberta provincial programs and youth leadership development opportunities and a chance to win some great early bird prizes.

Purchase your tickets today to get entered into the early bird grand prize draw to win one of two \$250 Save-On-Foods gift cards or one of two \$500 UFA gift cards. Early bird deadline is November 13, 2024 at 12:00 pm MST.

### Winner takes home their half of the 50/50 jackpot. You could win up to \$25,000!

### Don't delay, the deadline to purchase tickets is December 4, 2024 at 11:59 pm MST.

For more information and to purchase tickets, please click here:

https://4halberta.rafflenexus.com/a/november-scoop



Early Bird Prizes Available purchase before November 13th, 2024

### WIN UP TO \$25,000



All draws will be held at Airdrie UFA Farm & Ranch Supply Store Tickets must only be purchased or sold within Alberta. For more information visit: https://4halberta.rafflenexus.com/ License #687507 There are 10,500 tickets available. All ticket sales are final. Single Ticket for \$6, 2-Ticket Pack for \$10, 5-Ticket Pack for \$20.





### **Early Bird Draw:**

Thursday, November 14, 2024 at 2:00 p.m.

### **Final Draw:**

Thursday, December 5, 2024 at 2:00 p.m

All draws will be held at Airdrie UFA Farm & Ranch Supply Store

Tickets must only be purchased or sold within Alberta. For more information visit: <u>https://4halberta.rafflenexus.com/a/october-scoop</u>

License #687507 There are 10,500 tickets available. All ticket sales are final. Single Ticket for \$6, 2-Ticket Pack for \$10, 5-Ticket Pack for \$20.

# Announcing the 2025 4-H Alberta Premier's Award Winner: Grace Tabler





We are thrilled to announce that Grace Tabler has been selected as the 2025 recipient of the 4-H Alberta Premier's Award—our highest honour for 4-H members! This prestigious award, first introduced by the Honourable E.C. Manning in 1964, recognizes a member who exemplifies leadership, community service, and commitment to 4-H values.

Grace's kindness, passion, and willingness to lend a hand have made her a standout in the 4-H community. Over the next year, she will represent 4-H Alberta at various events and have the privilege of meeting Alberta's Premier and the Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Rural Economic Development.

Grace Tabler started 4-H at a young age and completed 11 years as a Hay Lakes Multi 4-H Club member. She participated in many life skills projects like cooking, gardening, and her favourite- leadership. She has a passion for helping with the Cleaver project in her club, and this year, she has taken on the role of Cleaver leader. Grace was a West Central Ambassador for the last two years, and in that role, she had the opportunity to attend various 4-H events where she learned a lot and made many connections. Grace currently serves as the Youth Representative on the 4-H Alberta Board of Directors. For the upcoming 4-H year, Grace is excited to continue building connections across the province and hopes to positively impact 4-H youth.

We also extend our deepest thanks to Vanessa Hadwin, the outgoing Premier's Award winner, for her exceptional service over the past year. Vanessa's contributions will leave a lasting legacy as she completes her role at the end of December.

Congratulations, Grace, and thank you, Vanessa, for your dedication and leadership!





# Fall Senior Symposium Summary

Another fabulous Fall Senior Symposium has come and gone! We had record numbers this year, with 100 delegates and ten chaperones over the October 18-20 weekend. Senior member delegates and chaperones spent the weekend at the Circle Square Ranch exploring and participating in their many fun activities. The delegates learned about career opportunities in the province, budgeting for post-secondary life, preparing for interviews, and much more.

We want to thank the volunteers for their time over the weekend and our sponsors for helping make the Symposium possible.

# **Ambassador Announcement**

We are excited to introduce our 27 Ambassadors for this year! With 13 returning Ambassadors and 14 new members from across Alberta, this group is passionate about 4-H and dedicated to supporting their communities. They are eager to connect with members, assist in their regions, and help grow 4-H Alberta across the province.

If you would like to get in touch with an Ambassador to assist at the club, district, or regional level, please fill out this form here: <u>https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1</u> <u>9yNddZsKgHJvdxcGXZXBvLfR3voQQsuqlZGIe5WuVMg/</u> edit#response=ACYDBNhXD7W\_A2h-DPrAR8D9HPN5oK ZGiEEo7nPW4yvuRJENQmAEoGC3rrzido9IA0v02gY.</u>

Our Ambassadors are here to help and look forward to making a positive impact!





















### **NEW AMBASSADORS:**

South Region: Nora J.
Calgary Region: Dawson D., Devyn H., Maiya R.
West Central Region: Bella S., Evangeline H., Jenalee S.
East Central Region: Taylor M.
Northeast Region: Ruby S., Jalynn W., Darby M.
Northwest Region: Sarene C., Max B.
Peace Region: Jennifer F.

### **RETURNING AMBASSADORS:**

South Region: Emma B., Tenley W. Calgary Region: Abby W., Kiersten G. West Central Region: Holly B., Kolton H. East Central Region: Colby S., Kate H. Northeast Region: Shelby D. Northwest Region: Claire M., Rory M. Peace Region: Garret F., Waylon K.

We are confident that this dynamic team will contribute significantly to 4-H Alberta's success!

# Retiring Ambassadors: A message from the Provincial Programs Team

On behalf of the entire 4-H Alberta Program Team, we want to take this opportunity to thank our retiring Ambassadors. Over the past two years, you have made a significant impact on 4-H Alberta, and your contributions have truly been invaluable. You've worked hard in your regions and across the province, embodying the spirit of 4-H by connecting with members, supporting initiatives, and promoting growth in ways that will be felt for years to come.

Your dedication and leadership have not only strengthened our program but also taught us the value of learning through doing. You've set an incredible example, and in doing so, you've helped all of us—staff and members alike—grow alongside you.

We are so grateful for your commitment and hard work. As you move forward from this role, we know you will continue to inspire those around you, just as you've done within the 4-H Alberta community.



Some retiring Ambassadors volunteering at Fall Senior Symposium

Corbin N. Hailey M. Charlotte C. Grace T. Chance S. Vanessa H. Courtney W. Cooper M.

# **4-H Alberta Grassroots Fund**

Dear Members and Leaders,

The online application for the 4-H Alberta Grassroot Fund is OPEN! Complete this application to receive up to \$300 in club funding from Agriculture Financial Services (AFSC).

Through their Sponsorship & Community Initiatives program, AFSC supports the next generation of agriculture and agri-food by investing in the development of life-long skills such as co-operation, leadership, interpersonal relations, critical thinking, decision making, organization, public speaking and community service.



Applications are reviewed and for each successful application, AFSC provides up to \$300 for 4-H clubs in Alberta, on a first-come, first-served basis until all funds are allotted.

Registered clubs that are verified with 4-H Alberta to be in good standing are eligible to apply.

Applications for the AFSC 4-H Alberta Grassroots Fund open October 3 and close December 20, 2024.

To learn more, visit AFSC.ca/4-Hfund link

# **Hall of Fame Ceremony**

# You're Invited

4-H Alberta will once again be celebrating the induction of two esteemed members of 4-H in Alberta into the Hall of Fame. The ceremony will take place at the 4-H Centre on November 23, 2024. Our 4-H community is welcome to join via Zoom by clicking here or visit the 4-H Alberta website and search for Hall of Fame.

The event details can be found <u>here</u>.

# 4-H Alberta Programs QUICK LOOK Guide.

The CO-OP Growing Leaders Program is back for a second year in a row with even more Co-op locations!

Do you know of someone who wants to participate in 4-H Alberta? Want to invite a new friend to join your 4-H Club? If you are located in one of the 13 local Co-op trading areas below, you may be eligible to join 4-H Alberta through the CO-OP Growing Leaders program.

We are thrilled to announce that 4-H Alberta has partnered for a second year in a row with Federated Co-operatives Limited and Arrowwood Co-op, Central Alberta Co-op, Cornerstone Co-op, Irma Co-op, Lloydminster & District Co-op, New Horizon Co-op, North Central Co-op, North Corridor Co-op, Pembina West Co-op, Pincher Creek Co-op, South Country Co-op, Westview Co-op, and Wild Rose Co-op, as generous sponsors of the new CO-OP Growing Leaders program, an exciting initiative that will fund new 4-H Alberta members.

Each of these Co-op locations will be supporting 4-H Alberta by funding new member registration fees for first-year members (to a maximum of \$200) and up to 50% (to a maximum of \$100) for second-year returning CO-OP Growing Leader Member applicants. Please visit one of the thirteen (13) local Co-op stores for more information or apply below.

Funding will be provided on a first-come, first-serve basis. All information entered in the application below will be confirmed with the local Club and Co-op. Applying for funding does not guarantee that you will be approved.

### **Process:**

- Please reach out to a Co-op location in one of the participating Co-op trading areas below (please see links) and let them know you are interested in joining 4-H Alberta.
- Complete the new member application form to get your registration fees waived or reduced if applying as a new member or as a returning a second year member
- Once 4-H Alberta has received all the information, we will connect with the new member's club and confirm registration
- Once confirmed, your information will be shared with your designated Co-op for approval, then the club will receive the approved registration fees (please note you will be responsible for paying any amounts not covered by the CO-OP Growing Leader program.)



# CO-OP GROWING

## Application Guidelines:

- You must be in one of the 13 local Co-op trading areas- please connect with one of the 13 local Co-ops closest to you
- You must be a new or second year CO-OP Growing Leader member to 4-H Alberta (NEW/ Returning CO-OP Growing Leader Members are welcome to apply)
- Please contact one of the Local Co-ops mentioned above/ below to talk about the Co-op Growing Leaders 4-H Alberta New Member Registration Program; a complete list of participating Co-ops can be found below in the application
- Please fill out all questions in the application form below

### **Information Required:**

- The name of the Club you wish to join
- The name and contact information of the General Leader of the Club you wish to join

## The deadline to apply is December 15, 2024

Please <u>click here</u> to apply. If you have additional questions please contact <u>development@4hab.com</u>





## The 4-H Alberta Store

Don't forget to check out the 4-H Alberta Store! Our latest catalogue is available online, offering a wide range of 4-H branded merchandise perfect for members, leaders, and enthusiasts alike. Find everything you need to show your 4-H pride, from apparel to accessories. Plus, ordering is easy with the Store Catalogue and Store Order Form directly on our 4-H Alberta Store Page website.

# **Insights from Intro Club**

WHAT WORKED? A Fun, Safe Twist on a Classic Game



## **Sock Dodgeball**

At our 4-H Intro Clubs, we've come up with a creative and safe twist on dodgeball using simple materials—rolled-up socks!

## When to Play?

This playful activity is perfect for indoor spaces and ensures that everyone can participate while having a blast!

## How to Facilitate

By making balls out of two rolledup socks (easy to purchase at the dollar store), we turn an everyday item into a fun game that keeps everyone active without the sting of traditional dodgeball.



### Got any easy, fun activities to boost energy?

What games are popular in your club? We would love to hear what works for you: introclubs@4hab.com

# Save-On Foods Savings Ahead!

Save-On-Foods is a generous and supportive partner of 4-H Alberta. We are thrilled to share the following information on behalf of Save-On-Foods and let you know that they are giving you extra by extending an offer on Western Family products:

Western Family is more than just a brand; it is part of the family of Save-On-Foods shoppers. Trusted for over 50 years, the proudly Canadian brand offers a range of over 2,800 reliable, affordable, high-quality products – from everyday family favourites to indulgent signature treats, comparable if not better than national brand equivalents.

Western Family proudly supports over 1,000 Canadian produced products and partners with passionate manufacturers and producers who value the same things they do – high quality ingredients, that taste great and offer real value for money.

Visit Save-On-Foods website to check out the weekly flyer and other great deals. To help you with your shopping needs as you return to routine, we have included a \$5 off coupon for a purchase of any Western Family product (please read coupon for additional details and restrictions).



## Save-On-Foods – giving you extra!

# **VOLUNTEER AND CHAPERONE OPPORTUNITIES**

Experience new opportunities and spend time with 4-H Members from across the province. 4-H Alberta annually seeks volunteers to help chaperone and facilitate the programs. Come and learn to do by doing!

Check back often for added opportunities! If interested, reach out to <u>programs@4hab.com</u> or complete this form:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc\_X7GQlv8EKezr\_vwjFcYzh0U7p9Ke6xBXbBUs-RsZLVka2g/ viewform?usp=sf\_link

## **Members / Parents**



# Hello 4-H Alberta Cleaver Kids Parents!

The 2024/ 2025 Club Year is here and there is always room for more young 4-Hers to join the 4-H Alberta Program!

The Cleaver Kids project is an early introduction to 4-H Alberta through fun and hands-on learning appropriate for youth aged 6 to 8 years.

Cleaver Kids participate in activities that follow these skill developments:

- Develop new friendships;
- Listening skills and the ability to express themselves;
- A sense of belonging to a club and a community; and
- Setting goals, tracking progress, and celebrating successes.





### Check with your local club if they are operating the Cleaver Kids project!

<u>Viterra</u> and <u>AFSC</u> are proud supporters 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.

# The Financial Assistance Program is returning for the 2024/ 2025 Club Year!



Please <u>click here to apply</u>. The deadline to submit your application for the 2024/ 2025 provincial registration fee is December 15, 2024. To access Financial Assistance for provincial programs, Members in good standing can apply year round.



In late 2022, 4-H Alberta secured initial funding from the McCall MacBain Foundation to roll out a financial assistance pilot to 4-H Members who may not have the financial means to participate in 4-H Alberta but would love to join.

Due to the high demand on the pilot program and thanks to the generosity of our 4-H Alberta community, the McCall MacBain Foundation, as well as UFA, we are excited to confirm that we will once again be offering the **Financial Assistance Program for the 2024/ 2025 Club year and will be able to increase the number of youth we can serve!** 

Our goal is to ensure that those who are in financial need are able to access provincial programs offered by 4-H Alberta.

Any Member(s) who are considering to opt out or may not be in a financial position to join the 4-H Alberta program due to financial constraints/ limited financial resources, are strongly encouraged to apply.

# REMINDER - Provincial Steer CARCASS Competition -2024-2025

The 4-H Alberta Provincial Carcass Committee will be hosting this exciting Competition again this year. With the growing popularity of the carcass beef project this year, members will once again have the opportunity to compete in a province-wide carcass competition.

Check out The guidelines for the competition at <u>https://www.4hab.</u> <u>com/member/4-h-alberta-2024-</u> <u>25-steer-carcass-competition/</u>

# Please register before Dec 1, 2024





# 4-H Alberta Scholarships



We are happy to update that all scholarship applications for the 2024 4-H Alberta Provincial Scholarship program were reviewed in September. Successful Provincial applicants have been notified. Some additional 4-H Scholarships are still under review and applicants will be notified as recipients are selected by the committees.

Thank you, <u>AgCall</u> for their continued support during this scholarship season and to all of our donors who make these awards possible. We could not do it without their support!

Once again, we'd like to send a HUGE shout-out to AgCall for their development and support of our 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!





# Pheasant Project

Are you interested in raising Pheasants - caring and watching the birds grow and then releasing them. Contact programs@4hab.com to find out more!!

# **Pheasant Project**

4-H Alberta and the Alberta Conservation Association are partnering to provide to 4-H Alberta members, the opportunity to raise pheasants, from day old chicks to their release as 13 to 14 week old birds.

# 4-H Alberta's Alumni & Friends Membership Program

4-H Alberta is capturing success stories from our Alumni & Friends membership to share and inspire our community. If you have an inspirational story about success in your life and/or career that you would like to share, or if you would be willing to volunteer to provide an educational session in your area of expertise, please complete the form and we will be in touch.

### Please click the link to fill out the <u>online form</u>.

If you have not already signed up as an Alumni please visit <u>www.4hab.com/alumni</u>

# Leader Virtual Project Webinars

### Fall 2024

Virtual - Registration will be available in the leader section of the ORS. All sessions begin at 7:30

Sheep Leaders - November 12 Communication - November 14 Cleaver Kids - November 20

# Join the 4-H Alberta Programs team for a fun interactive virtual session about the Projects.

We will discuss 4-H Alberta Standards, what they are for and how they affect the 4-H members. Provincial Advisory Committee - Who sits on them? How are they elected? What is their purpose?

It is a time for you to ask questions and collect information about the projects you are involved in?

Sessions will only be one hour long.

# 4-H Alberta Provincial Equine Leaders Forum - 2024





### November 15 - 17, 2024, at the 4-H Centre, Battle Lake.

Call all 4-H Equine enthusiasts and join like-minded volunteers who want to learn about the 4-H Equine project and guide 4-H members to be successful in the 4-H Equine Project.

Open to all General Leaders, Assistant Leaders, Equine Project Leaders, Future Leaders, volunteers

(Non-registered volunteers or leaders to use the guest link)

For registration assistance or changes, contact programs@4hab.com.

Program information contact:

Taylor Rose <u>tntrose1@hotmail.com</u> 403-352-2464 Corine Verbeek <u>crverbeek@xplornet.ca</u> 780-982-1173

**Registration on the ORS :** https://www.4habregistration.ca



# Ordering Your 4-H Alberta Club Supplies Has Never Been Easier!

We hope your new 4-H year is off to a fantastic start! As the leaves turn golden and we embrace the crisp autumn air, it's the perfect time to start planning your 4-H activities for the upcoming year. And what better way to set the stage for success than by equipping your club with all the essential supplies?

### **Important Dates and Guidelines for Supply Orders**

We're pleased to announce that General Leaders and club registrars can begin the 4-H Alberta Club supply ordering process starting October 1, 2024. If your club's registration is in 'pending' or 'approved' status, rest assured that your supply orders will be given the green light.

The approval process is swift, with orders typically being approved within three business days in the order they have been received.

### How to Place Your Order

All resources can be ordered using the Staples e-print site: <u>4-H Alberta Club Supplies Ordering</u>.

### **Existing Users**

If you've used the Staples e-print site before, simply log in using your existing username and password.

### **New General Leaders or Registrars**

New to the Staples e-print site? Click on the "need a login" option to receive your personalized username and password.

### Plan Ahead for a Successful Year

We encourage you to plan ahead and **limit your club's supply order to once annually.** This will help us manage our resources more effectively and ensure that all clubs get a fair share of the available supplies. Please look for some new things that we have added to the resource list:

- Leader Project Info Sheets
- Exploring 4-H insert
- Diary

## **Have Questions?**

If you have any questions about the club supply process or need more information about the available resources, please don't hesitate to contact us at <u>4hsupplies@4hab.com</u>.

Let's make this 4-H year the best one yet, equipped with all the supplies you need for a fulfilling and impactful experience.



## Leaders

SECURE Metals is a generous 4-H Alberta Silver Clover Sponsor who provides \$25,000 in funding support to 4-H Alberta and 4-H Alberta youth.



For more information and to register to your club, please click **here**.

We're also thrilled to partner with SECURE Metals on a new and exciting initiative - the Metals4Good Program! Metals4Good aims to empower 4-H Alberta clubs by teaching the importance of sustainability through metal recycling, all while raising funds for local clubs.

4-H Alberta clubs can partner with SECURE's metals recycling locations across Alberta to have proceeds from scrap metal drop-offs donated directly to their programs. Additionally, SECURE will be donating an extra percentage of the scale price to support fundraising efforts.

SECURE's roots are rural and they are as proud and excited as we are for this opportunity to give back in a meaningful way.

# On behalf of our partners at Alberta Beef Producers:

Alberta Beef Producers takes pride in our members' dedication to stewardship. As an organization, we support initiatives that improve the sustainability of our practices. This is beneficial to our image with consumers and government and ensures that we pass on healthier land and communities to the next generation, something that is also integral to 4-H Alberta.

To this end, Alberta Beef Producers has been actively participating in finding a permanent solution to agricultural plastic waste since 2015. We were one of the founding members of the Agricultural Plastics Recycling Group (2016) and are the program administrator of the provincial Recycling Pilot program for twine and grain bags, which has been operating since 2019.

To further enhance awareness and experience with recycling agricultural plastics, particularly with twine, Alberta Beef Producers - with the help of Cleanfarms- is launching 'The Great Twine Round-Up' contest on November 1, 2024. Eligible contestants can Win Big Cash Prizes just by recycling used baler twine.





## Leaders

# Connect with Our Provincial Advisory Committees: Here to Guide Your 4-H Projects

We are gearing up for another year. The Provincial Advisory Committee is always there to listen and help you navigate the Project Standards. Please contact them at any time to ask questions or discuss ideas you may have. They meet three times a year and discuss a wide variety of issues.

You can also contact the Committees by email:

Beef Advisory Committee- <u>BAC@4hab.com</u> Provincial Equine Advisory Committee- <u>PEAC@4hab.com</u> Sheep Advisory Committee- <u>SHAC@4hab.com</u> SALTT Advisory Committee- SALTT@4hab.com

	Beef	Equine	Sheep	SALTT	Communication
Peace	Emma L.	Jenn K.	Brady D.	Stuart A.	Cathy B.
Northeast	Garrett T.			Crystal B.	Lyle A.
Northwest	Jocelyn T.	Kelly W.	Jackie S.	Lorna P.	Donna Z.
East Central		Bernie M.	Shane D.	Janet N.	
West Central	Brent F.	Laurie M.	Laverne S.	Tanya R.	Chris P.
South	Jay G.	Charity A.	Nikki P.	Marie L.	Dorthea M.
Calgary	Lindsay S.	Meghan D.	Tiffany M.	Angela F.	Shirley S.



# PROVINCIAL 4-H PROJECT LEADER WEEKEND

Included in this weekend will be LITE -Leader in Training Experience More Details will follow in November

Save the Date - January 17 & 18, 2025

### Lacombe, AB

# **Regional News**

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### **CLUB SUBMISSIONS**

You must submit your club by November 15/24

Club fees are due December 1/24

If you need support with submitting your club, please reach out to your <u>Area Coordinator</u>

Adult and Youth Registration forms are found on our website under Resources>Downloads>Club Operational Tools.

### NEW DEFAULT CONSTITUTION FOR CLUBS AND DISTRICTS

It's time to prepare for the 2024-25 club year. If you are not already using the default constitution provided, it must be adopted for the next club year (2024-25), as per the Reference Guide. What this means is that you need to include the information from the default constitution (you don't have to include the sections that show "Optional") but then you may add to it so that it fits your club or district. Remember that a constitution is a set of rules for running your club or district. It helps provide guidelines for conflict resolution. It also is the framework for action so that your club can accomplish its goals.

### REMINDER ABOUT GOOD STANDING REQUIREMENTS FOR 2024-25

The dates for submitting documents for the 2024-25 year are changing. Why are they changing? We have heard the community. In order for a club to plan their year, they need to know when the district and region are planning their events. Members want an opportunity to participate at all levels.

**District Due Date:** *November 1/2024* **Club Due Date:** *January 15/2025* 

If you have any questions regarding these new due dates, please contact your Area Coordinator.

# LEADER/VOLUNTEER SCREENING FOR THE 2024/2025 CLUB YEAR

- If your last screening date was 2021/22, you are due to rescreen in the 2024/25 club year.
- To be a LEADER in 4-H, you need current screening (updated every 3 years) PLUS completion of Youth Safety Training (or Youth Safety Refresher if it has been 3 years since your first training) and Commit to Kids training.
- To be a VOLUNTEER in 4-H, you need current screening (updated every 3 years)
- If you have a new leader or volunteer joining your club, please contact your Area Coordinator so that they can start the screening process before the club year starts.

### LEADER TRAINING FOR THE 2024/2025 CLUB YEAR

Leaders who last completed the Youth Safety in Canada Training in 2021/2022 are required to complete the Youth Safety Refresher Training in 2024/25 Club year. If you did not receive your email reminder in August, please contact Marisa at <u>leadertraining@4hab.com</u>



### CLUB REGISTRATION PROCESS IS NEW THIS YEAR

Emails went out to the General Leaders, Club Registrars and Key Leaders regarding the new process. Your club will move from "Pending" to "Registered" if the following standards are met:

- The General Leader or Club Registrar must be screened & trained at the time you submitted your club
- The Club must meet the <u>Rule of Two</u> (refer to the 4-H Alberta Reference Guide, under supervision ratios (*minimum of 1 trained leader* & 1 screened volunteer or 2 trained leaders)
- Club and project meetings may occur as long as 4-H Canada Youth Safety requirements are followed
- There are 8 members minimum (not including Cleaver Kids, unless approved by your Area Coordinator)

\*Please note that your Area Coordinator will send an email to the leadership team stating that the club has met **Registered Club** standards.

\*\*Also note that Leaders and Volunteers have 30 days to complete their mandatory requirements from the date the club is registered.

# PROVINCIAL MEMBERSHIP FEES FOR THE 2024/2025 CLUB YEAR

- Member fees \$120
- Cleaver Kids fees \$30
- Club payment due to the Province: December 1/24
- Full Refunds are provided until December 15/24
- No refunds are provided after December 15/24
- Contact your <u>Area Coordinator</u> for support or questions

### **MEMBERS and 4-H FAMILIES**

If you are attending a 4-H event (beyond the club level. or high risk) this permit means the event is sanctioned by 4-H Alberta. If you don't see it .. you may not be covered under 4-H Alberta insurance! Ask the event organizer to see the permit!





# Jump To: South Calgary East Central West Central Northeast Northwest



If you have any questions about upcoming deadlines, events, club registration or anything 4-H Alberta, please don't hesitate to contact your South Region Area Coordinator, Connie Harder at <u>connie-lyne.harder@4hab.com</u>!

## **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"

November 1, 2024	<b>DISTRICT</b> Budget, Program Plan & Constitutions Due for Good Standing
November 15, 2024	Club Registration CLOSES
December 1, 2024	Club Fees Due to province (last day to avoid penalties)
January 15, 2025	<b>CLUB</b> Budget, Program Plan & Constitutions Due for Good Standing
February 12-13, '25	Farming Smarter & Silent Auction!
March 15, 2025	South Region Communications Competition, Lethbridge College
March 21, 2025	4-H Alberta Night with the Lethbridge Hurricanes (more info to come)
April 26, 2025	South Region Multi Species Judging. Location TBA

## **CLUB PROJECTS & INSURANCE**

If you are attending a high risk activity, or any activity that involves more than one club- an activity plan must be filed and sanctioned before members are covered by insurance. Please check with the event organizer to ensure an activity plan has been filed!

If you have a question about projects that are or are not covered- please review the **INSURANCE OVERVIEW** document found on the <u>4-H Canada</u> website, at the bottom of the link.

- Page 7\* identifies all excluded activities. If your activity is not listed, please proceed with your activity or project.
- Page 7\* identifies all excluded activities. If you want to organize any of these activities, please reach out to your Area Coordinator for more assistance:

- Snowmobile, Alpine Skiing, boxing/kickboxing, fireworks, gymnastics, lacrosse, rugby, snowboarding, tackle football, trampolines.

\*Subject to change. Please consult the current Insurance Overview posted on the 4-H Canada website to ensure you are in compliance.

## **South Region**

### **MEMBERS and 4-H FAMILIES**



## REGIONAL REMINDERS

### FEES

- Provincial fees remain unchanged from 2023-2024
  - \$120 / Junior, Intermediate, Senior Members
  - \$30 / Cleaver Kids
- South 4-H Region fees remain unchanged from 2023-2024
  - \$20 / Junior, Intermediate, Senior Members
  - Cleaver Kids- no charge

Please do not pay your regional fees until you have received your invoice!

If you are attending a 4-H event (beyond the club level, or high risk) this permit means the event is sanctioned by 4-H Alberta. If you don't see it .. you may not be covered under 4-H Alberta insurance! Ask the event organizer to see the permit!





- South 4-H Region Horse Committee fees (all members registered in a horse project)
  - Will be due upon receipt of invoice. Amount TBD
- South Region District Fees- please consult your district

#### **PROJECT STANDARDS - UPDATED**

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#### SCREENING

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**Register Your Club by November 15/24:** If you haven't done so already, please do so quickly as the deadline is fast approaching. Remember you can add people later to your club. To register, you only need either your GL or Club Registrar screened & trained plus 8 members (and of course be able to meet the rule of 2).



**Calgary Region AGM:** Nov 6/24 @ Goldenrod Community Hall 7pm start

**Calgary Regional 4-H Awards:** Sunday November 24/24 @Long Ranch Saloon Building 2:30pm start

**Calgary Region Winter Bonanza Overnight Camp:** Registration opens Nov 1 and closes Dec 2

Regional Communications: March 22/25 @ Strathmore Civic Centre

4-H on Parade 2025: May 29/25- June 1/25 @ Calgary Stampede Grounds



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snacking on Sandwiches, Beverages, Veggies, Fruit, and Desserts. Registration required through your online 4-H member page.



## Calgary

Come to the Long Ranch Saloon (building beside the Heritage Centre, Cremona) and help us celebrate the achievements of leaders and members while munching on some sandwiches, fruit & veggie platters and sweet treats. Hot and cold beverages will be served. The event will start at 2:30pm. We need to know how many are attending so **please register through your online profile!** 



2025 WINTER Bonanza Overnight Camp

January 3-5, 2025

**Deadline to Register for 4-H Calgary Region Winter Bonanza Overnight Camp is December 2/24.** *This is a Junior and Intermediate winter camp experience that will spark the members imagination and build confidence, independence and communication skills. Seniors will have the chance to hone their leadership skills plus participate in activities.* Moved to Camp Horizon this year, near Bragg Creek. Cost is \$125

**If you are a senior and looking to create and lead sessions, please register under the program "SENIOR YOUTH LEADERS 4-H Calgary Region Winter Bonanza Overnight Camp".** We are looking for energetic, creative camp Youth Leaders/Seniors who would like to join in the fun of creating and leading skill sessions at our winter camp, January 3-5/25. Do you have what it takes to make the members camp experience a fun-filled learning experience? And all for a discounted price of \$35.



### The 4-H office is closed November 11/24

"Let us never forget the solemn truth that the nation is not constituted of the living alone." —Sir Robert Borden, 8th Prime Minister of Canada.

### **QUESTIONS?**

You will find many answers to your questions in the <u>4-H Reference Guide</u>. If you can't find your answer, please contact your 4-H Alberta Area Coordinator, Calgary Region, Jane Ellen Forbes at <u>accalgary@4hab.com</u>

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

For all regional news click <u>here</u>.

## **Upcoming East Central Regional Events**

- **Council Meeting** November 15, 2024, 6:30 pm Coronation Hall, Coronation
- Intermediate Camp November 22-24, 2024, Circle Square Ranch
- EC Regional Fun Day January 4, 2025, Wm E. Hay Secondary Campus, Stettler
- Provincial Leaders Gathering January 18, 2025, TBD- Lacombe
- Key Leader Meeting February 7, 2025, Zoom
- 4-H Night at the Red Deer Rebels Feb 8, 2025, Westerner Park, Red Deer
- Junior Winter Camp February 21-23, 2025, Circle Square Ranch
- Council Executive Meeting March 7, 2025, 8:00 pm via ZOOM
- **Presentations** March 22, 2025, TBD- Stettler District- host
- Public Speaking March 23, 2025, TBD- Flagstaff District- host
- Leader Recognition Night March 29, 2025, TBD- Hanna District Hosts
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- Judging Workshop & Competition April 26, 2025, Shorncliffe Park, Czar
- Key Leader Meeting TBD June 2025, TBD- In Person
- Beef Female/Ovine/Judging Show June 14-15, 2025, Stettler Ag Building
- **Casino TBD -** 4th quarter 2026, Jackpot Casino, Red Deer



# **East Central Reminders!**

**Club Registrations closes November 15th** 

# Provincial Membership fees have been paid and received by December 1, 2024.

they will not be eligible for any funding between October 1/24 and January 30/25 and will be moved to "non-compliant." The club will also be charged a \$100 late fee.

Club Documentation (program plan, budget & constitution) submitted to your Area Coordinator by January 15, 2025.

Supporters, Members, and Cleavers have signed their online forms by January 30, 2025.

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## **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"

November 1, 2024	<b>DISTRICT</b> Budget, Program Plan & Constitutions Due for Good Standing
November 24, 2024	WC Communication Workshop at 4-H Center
November 30, 2024	Regional Fun Day- Dodgeball Tournament
January 15, 2025	<b>CLUB</b> Budget, Program Plan & Constitutions Due for Good Standing
January 10-12, 2025	WC Region Winter Camp- Junior members & 1st year Intermediates
January 29, 2025	WC Regional Council Meeting at Lacombe Memorial Center 7 PM

# GET YOUR TICKETS TODAY

# **4-H ALBERTA**

Join friends and family from 4-H Alberta on February 8 as the Red Deer Rebels take on the Lethbridge Hurricanes!

### 4-H Alberta Group Discount: \$11/Youth & \$15/Adult

### Option #1 - Promo code link

https://ticketsalberta.evenue.net/promotions/4HALBERTA

- Click on BUY NOW
- · Select section (highlighted in red)
- Select available seats (green circles)

Checkout

### **Option #2 - Contact Red Deer Rebels**

Shaun Richer, <u>sricher@reddeerrebels.com</u>, 403-341-6000

## SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8th

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Doors open at 6:00 pm | Puck drops at 7:00 pm Country & Western Night! Tickets may be purchased online up until 5:00 pm on game day.

Trickets may be purchased online up until 5:00 pm on game day. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Children under 2 do not need a ticket for entry, but do not get a seat No refund or exchanges can be made on group tickets.





# WEST CENTRAL REGIONAL Communication Workshop

Mandatory for those District organizing committees hosting a regional competition this year. Open to everyone who wants to learn how to put on a competition.



SUNDAY 24, NOVEMBER 1:00-4:00 PM REGISTRATION STARTS AT 12:30 4- H CENTRE, MAIN LODGE WESTEROSE, AB

- How do I get started?
- Decipher the rules
- Speeches
- Judges
- Dreaded paperwork
- Prizes
- Equipment needed?
- Presentations

FREE event, must register in the ORS **Deadline to register**: Nov 15/24



4-H Alberta

# For more info contact:

**Chris Patten** 

gpatten@xplornet.com

780-898-4800



LOCATION: WETASKIWIN COMPOSITE HIGH SCHOOL AGES: ALL JR. INT. & SR. MEMBERS WELCOME HOW TO REGISTER: PLEASE REGISTER ON THE ORS BY NOVEMBER 9TH

For all regional news click here.

## **Northeast Region**

# NE Regional Council

### NE Region Council Meeting - November 2, 2024; 1:00 pm -Hybrid Zoom & In Person

Location: 5615-48 Street, Elk Point, Alberta (Just north of the Co-op Cardlock in Elk Point)

# Lest We Forget

With Remembrance Day just around the corner, we remember and honour those who served our beautiful country; those who are responsible for our freedom. Their sacrifices will never be forgotten.

Robert F.





### DEADLINES

- Districts In Good Standing Approved Documents: Due November 1
- Club Registration Deadline: November 15
- Provincial Membership Fee Deadline: December 1
- Clubs In Good Standing Approved Documents: Due January 15
- \* Approved Documents' mean that your membership have reviewed it, voted on it and made a motion with majority approving them.

**Approved: NE 2024-25 Program Plan:** found on our Northeast Region page on the 4-H Alberta Website: <u>https://www.4hab.com/northeast-region/</u>

**2024-25** <u>NE Hosting Rotation</u> of Events Note: Budgets for these events need to be approved at the NE Regional Council meeting prior to the event.

- Horse Sense Oct TBC; Host: NE Horse Committee
- Fall Fling (JR Members) Nov 29&30; Host: Minburn District
- You Be the Judge Feb 1; Host: St Paul District
- Senior Member Camp Feb TBA; Host: TBA
- Communications Competition Mar 22; Host: Beaver District
- Beef Learning Event Mar 23; Host: Wainwright District
- Spring Fling (INT Members) Apr 4&5; Host: Vermilion River District
- Female Beef Show June 7; Host: Wainwright District
- Horse Camp Aug 20-23 TBC; Host: Lac La Biche/Wood Buffalo Districts
- Explore 4-H TBD; Host: Two Hills District
- August TBC
  - Junior Camp (9-11 yrs)

### **NE Region Is Seeking Volunteers for the following:**

- Northeast Region Provincial Committee Representative:
  - ShAC Rep (Sheep Advisory Committee)

- PEAC Rep (Provincial Equine Advisory Committee) Please contact Crystal at <u>crystal dechaine@4hab.com</u> if you are interested.

# NE Committee News

NE Beef Committee Meeting: December 4, 2024; 7 pm zoom via zoom NE Horse Committee Meeting: TBD NE Female Beef Show Committee Meeting: TBD NE SALTT Committee Meeting: TBD



# **NE Member Programming**

CHECK OUT The 4-H Alberta Registration Site Programs Section to Register



WATCH OUR NE FACEBOOK PAGE & YOUR EMAIL FOR MORE DETAILS



# **NE Leader Info**

### Leaders:

- Don't forget a best practice as mentioned in the Default Constitution is to have your club financials reviewed by 2 adults at year end.
- Anyone who last screened in 2021-22 are due to rescreen in the 2024-25 club year
   You can contact your AC or leaderscreening@4hab.com
- Anyone who last completed their Youth Safety Training in 2021-22 are due to complete the refresher training
  - You can contact your AC or <u>leaderscreening@4hab.com</u>
- Tools and resources for all levels of 4-H can be found on our 4-H website www.4hab.com under Resources>Downloads: <u>https://www.4hab.com/downloads/</u>
  - 4-H Alberta Brochure for promoting your club located **Resources>Downloads>Club Operational Tools**

### The NE Region Cleaver the Beaver is available for rental:

• Contact Crystal.Dechaine@4hab.com for more info!

# Any Questions, For More Information, or to share any highlights from your club year, please email me: Crystal.Dechaine@4hab.com

### **CHECK OUT:**

<u>The NE Region Facebook Page</u> <u>The NE Region Calendar</u> <u>The NE Region Page</u>



Please don't hesitate to contact Pam Gitzel, Northwest Region Area Coordinator, at <u>pam.gitzel@4hab.com</u> if you have any questions or need assistance with your 4-H journey!

# **Insurance Information**

Review the Insurance update found in the Region News - All Regions section.

# **NW Committee's - MEETING DATES**

Get involved - Committees need volunteers to help provide & support programming for our youth! Please contact me at pam.gitzel@4hab.com if you are interested in volunteering or the Committee Chair:

NW Horse Committee - Leslie Majeau <u>Imajeau4@gmail.com</u> - October 27, 2024, minutes will be available NW Beef Committee - Jocelyn Toronchuk <u>djtoronchuk@gmail.com</u> - November 7, 2024, <u>ZOOM LINK</u> NW Judging Committee - Colleen Whittal <u>colleen.whittal@gmail.com</u> - Fall 2024 @ TBA NW SALTT Committee - Donna Zons <u>donnazons@gmail.com</u> - November 4, 2024, <u>ZOOM LINK</u> NW Camp Committee - Dorothy Carlson nicbar@telusplanet.net - Fall 2024 - TBA

# NW Regional IMPORTANT DATES & UPCOMING EVENTS

### The Regional Calendar and Hosting Rotation Schedule are located on the <u>Northwest Regional Page</u>. EVENT CALENDAR TAB

November 1, 2024	<b>DISTRICT</b> Budget, Program Plan & Constitutions Due for Good Standing	
November 15, 2024	CLUB Registration CLOSES	
November 23, 2024	REGIONAL MEETING & LEARNING @ Sturgeon Agriplex	
November 23, 2024	REGIONAL Record Book Competition Book Drop-off	
December 1, 2024	<b>CLUB</b> Fees Due to province (last day to avoid penalties)	
	<ul> <li>Provincial Fees (same as 23/24)</li> <li>\$120 / Junior, Intermediate, Senior Members</li> <li>\$30 / Cleaver Kids</li> </ul>	
January 1, 2025 January 15, 2025	<b>CLUB</b> Budget, Program Plan & Constitutions Due for Good Standing <b>DISTRICT</b> Fees Due to region (avoid late fee)	
	<ul> <li>Regional Fees (same as 23/24)</li> <li>\$40 / Club</li> <li>\$4 / Member (excluding Cleavers)</li> </ul>	
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January 15, 2025 REGIONAL Communication Judges Names Due (3 names- avoid penalties)

# NORTHWEST REGIONAL MEETING

November 23, 2024 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM

# STURGEON AGRIPLEX

\*Please remember that you have 2 adult representatives and 1 member representative to vote for each district.

All non-voting participants are welcome to the meeting at anytime.



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> JOIN US FOR A DAY OF BRAINSTORMING & LEARNING!

WORKSHOPS, TIPS, NETWORKING, & BRAINSTORMING

> STURGEON AGRIPLEX November 23, 2024 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM



REGISTER ONLINE IN THE ORS Registration Deadline:



# NW Region - RECORD BOOK COMPETITION - NOVEMBER 23, 2024

**REMINDER** that the Northwest Region Record Book Competition is running for the 2023-2024 Club Year. All Record Book Competition Guidelines and Marking Guides are located on the <u>Northwest Regional Page</u>. REGIONAL FORMS TAB



RECORD BOOKS advancing to REGIONAL LEVEL COMPETITION are to be handed in at the NORTHWEST REGIONAL MEETING on NOVEMBER 23, 2024 @ Sturgeon Agriplex.

The 2023-2024 Marking Districts are:

- JUNIOR Record Books > Drayton Valley District
- INTERMEDIATE Record Books > Leduc District
- SENIOR Record Books > Athabasca District

4-H Alberta and the Provincial Advisory Committees want your FEEDBACK on RECORD BOOKS: <u>https://www.4hab.com/forms-surveys/</u>

For all regional news click <u>here</u>.

## **Peace Region**

# **Upcoming Dates:**

November 2	<b>Regional Fall Meeting</b> Friedenstal Hall, 10 am
November 15	<b>Club Registration Closes</b>
November 16	Frosty Fest & Leader Training TBA
December 1	<b>Club Provincial Fees Due</b>

### **Reminders:**

Interclub, District & Regional Events please remember to fill out an activity plan <u>https://4h-canada.i-sight.com/</u><u>external</u>

# Check Out Our Peace Regional Chronicles!

Our member driven regional committee putting out club and district articles to connect all of the Peace Region!

Spring Chronicle - <u>https://heyzine.</u> com/flip-book/119fcfcbb2.html



# Upcoming Regional Programs

Frosty Fest Registration Closes November 8, 2024

For all regional news click <u>here</u>.

Peace Region Facebook
Peace Region Page

## Thank You

We would like to express our sincerest appreciation to our partners and supporters for their continued investment and support.

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## **Useful Links**

4-H Alberta website link: <u>4-H Alberta</u>
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Connect with 4-H Alberta on Social Media

