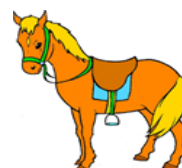
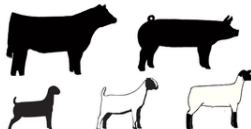




Cloverleaf Chronicle July 2021

It's Fair Time! GOOD LUCK to all of our 4-H Exhibitors and a huge THANK YOU to our judges, superintendents and volunteers! Just a reminder, this publication is a forum for you, our 4-Hers, Clubs, and Volunteers! As we begin to return to in person programming, don't forget to submit pictures and articles highlighting your activities, ideas, and outstanding accomplishments! To be included in our next issue, please email all submissions no later than 8/5/21 to Marylisa Schaedel at mschaede@umd.edu.

Harford County 4-H Fair Entries Due July 15th!



Outdoor Exhibits must be registered using the online link:

<https://harford.fairwire.com/>

If you registered earlier and did not receive a confirmation email, please re-enter your exhibits!

Indoor Exhibits must use the paper form which can be found on page 13 of this newsletter.



Online registration must be submitted online by 11:59 PM on 7/15 and paper forms must be in the office by 7/15 . If you are planning to mail the form please do so early to ensure it arrives in time! Forms can be scanned, faxed, dropped off or placed in the drop box outside the main entrance.

University programs, activities, and facilities are available to all without regard to race, color, sex, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, marital status, age, national origin, political affiliation, physical or mental disability, religion, protected veteran status, genetic information, personal appearance, or any other legally protected class.

If you require special assistance, please contact the 4-H office 2 weeks prior to the event—410-638-3255



UPDATES FROM THE 4-H OFFICE



As many of our 4-H volunteers know, the University has implemented a comprehensive background check policy for all new and returning volunteers. Most volunteers will receive an invitation from Sterling Volunteers to complete the online check and the cost will be \$15 every three years. The process is quick and easy, however, if you do have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact our office. New volunteers were contacted first and returning volunteers will be contacted based on your last name, alphabetically beginning in April. Currently, we are up to the letter "L". If you are a returning volunteer and your last name begins with A-L and you have not received an invitation, please let us know as soon as possible.

If you plan to chaperone or work with Camp, you will need to be fingerprinted and will not need to complete the online check. Instead you will be contacted by the State 4-H Office and given a code to use at your fingerprinting appointment. We realize this is a big change for all but rest assured it is being implemented not only for the safety of our 4-Hers but for our volunteers. Thank you to all of our volunteers for your continued commitment to our 4-H Program!



Conditions are improving and Covid 19 Restrictions are being relaxed! We are no longer requiring our volunteers to complete the Return to In Person Training to hold in person meetings or events. Approval of meetings are no longer required, however, the updated attendance record is still needed and should be uploaded to the portal within 48 hours of your meeting or event. Outdoor events have no size restrictions but masks are strongly encouraged for any individuals that are unvaccinated. Indoor events must comply with local HCPS directives on social distancing and/or masking requirements. If you have any questions regarding the new baseline conditions, please contact the office!

**WE'RE
BACK!!**

We are back in the office! With the exception of an occasional holiday or vacation day, someone from the 4-H office is in the office each day of the week! The building is also open, so feel free to stop by and say hi!



Livestock Updates

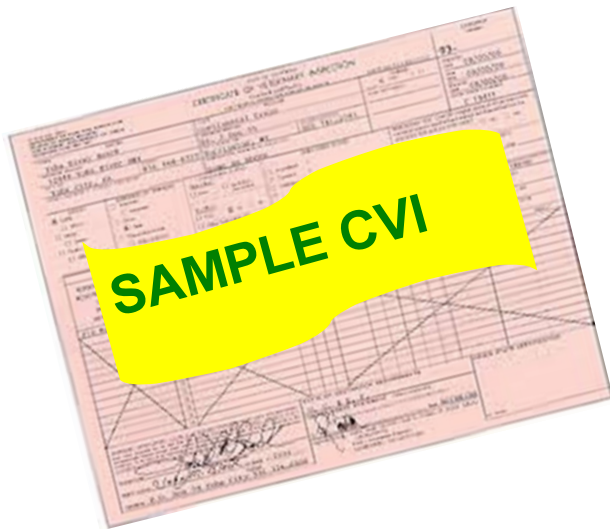


Livestock Exhibitor Dress Code Change for the 2021 Harford County 4-H Fair:

All Exhibitors are expected to appear in the show ring in clean clothing that results in a neat appearance. You must wear the provided t-shirt. Pants may be clean jeans blue or black, non-distressed, no low rise, no holes, no tears, and no destructed look. Footwear must be closed toe shoes and/or boots. The Outdoor Superintendents and your Department Superintendents will enforce these rules.



Congratulations to Leah Anderson, age 16, (pictured at left) of the Harford County Livestock Club placed 9th at the Maryland 4-H Livestock Skillathon. Great job, Leah!



Just a reminder, Health papers (CVI) and self certification papers must accompany each livestock animal upon entry to the Fairgrounds. Animals should not be unloaded until paperwork is checked by a Livestock Superintendent. Please note, if you show your livestock out of state, the health papers are only valid for 30 days.

As the Fair draws closer, be sure to check your email for correspondence from your Department Superintendent!



Horse Happenings



Standards Testing for Equine will NOT BE REQUIRED to show at the 2021 Harford County 4-H Fair. However, if you plan to show at the MD State Fair, testing will take place during Horse Clinic (August 8-11). If you are not attending Horse Clinic, please contact the office to make alternate arrangements.



Congratulations to Angelyn Wiggins, age 17, of the Easy Riders Club placed 12th at the MD Horse Judging and Hippology Contest. Great job!



Coggins Tests are due to the office by 7/15. Copies can be dropped off to the office, scanned, faxed or mailed.



Volunteers are needed for the 4-H Horse Show on Saturday, July 24! Any help is greatly appreciated, even just an hour! No Horse Experience Needed! Help is needed with the Registration Table, Prizes, Gate, Announcers, etc to name a few! Interested? Contact Brittany bmajewski38@gmail.com or Jackie at jhfarmgirl09@gmail.com

The Harford County 4-H Horse Council will be hosting the 2021 Horse Clinic at the Equestrian Center August 8-11. This will be a day program. All registrations must be received by 7/23. The cost will be \$195.



2021 Virtual Equine Art & Photography Contest will be held July 1-12. For more information visit <https://extension.umd.edu/programs/4-h-youth-development/program-areas/animal-sciences/4-h-horse-program>



The AH&QA online program is up and running for 2021! If you are showing for the first time, changing age groups, and/or showing a specie for the first time, you must complete the online training by 7/15! Visit <https://ahqa.umd.edu/> to complete the training.

For more information check out: https://extension.umd.edu/sites/default/files/2021-04/MD%2BWV_4-H%2BFFA_Online_AHQA_%20Program_InfoSheet-2021_0.pdf

Poultry Testing Reminders!



Mandatory Poultry Testing for any birds that will be shown in the Harford County Farm Fair will take place on Monday, July 12th from 3:30-8:00 pm at the Widman Farm (2417 Ady Road, Forest Hill, MD 21050). Time slots are being reserved to expedite the testing process. Please use the sign up genius (link below). If you need to test more than 5 birds, please reserve two time slots.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084EACAB2AAAFE3-poultry1>

There will be a \$2 per bird charge to cover supplies, collected at the time of testing. Please bring cash or check made payable to Paws and Claws 4-H Club. Also, please bring your Premise ID as that will be needed for the paperwork. If you do not have a premise ID from the state, please go to the link below and fill out the application ASAP.

<https://mda.maryland.gov/AnimalHealth/Documents/poultry-registration-form.pdf>

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Lisa Andrews lisamandrews@comcast.net





The Maryland State Fair online entry system is up and running-
<http://www.marylandstatefair.com/exhibitors/junior-livestock>
You may notice that some department premium books are not live at this time. Check back often as the site is being updated as information arrives. Entries will be due by 11:59 PM on Saturday 7/31. The State Fair will take place August 26– September 6, 2021.

For a schedule of events, please visit: <http://www.marylandstatefair.com/uploads/files/2021%20Open%204H%20Fair%20Schedule.pdf>

The banner theme for 2021 is *“Adventure Awaits in 4-H!”*



Just a Reminder....



Rabies Certificates are due to the 4-H Office for all Dog and Cat Exhibitors by 7/15. If you are a member of the Dog Club and *actively attending Dog Obedience at the Camp*, your club leader will scan your certificate to our office. If you are unsure, check with Debbie Flock. All others must be dropped off, scanned, faxed or mailed.





Club Notes



As a new monthly feature, we will be including pictures and reports from our 4-H Clubs to highlight an activity, event, or a 4-Her! If you would like your club featured in our August edition, please submit your information by 8/5/21 to Marylisa at mschaede@umd.edu.



Pictures courtesy of Lisa Andrews

Joyce Browning, leader of the 4-H Horticulture Club, has been meeting with her 4-Hers weekly to learn more about plants! She is working hard to educate all of her members about different types of plants by visiting many different locations across our county. She is also busy helping the 4-Hers in her club prepare for the State Horticulture Test on September 4th! If you like to join in the fun, contact Joyce at jbrowni3@umd.edu or contact the office. See below for upcoming meetings!

Date	Theme	Time	Location
7/8 Food Truck Thursday	Vegetables/ Fruit	5-6:30 pm	Veg Garden of Joan Parris
7/16 Fruity Friday	Fruit/ Vegetables	6-8 pm	Ortt's House
7/21 Wow-Flower Wednesday	Flowers	4:30-6 pm	Gene's Evergreens
7/24 Practice Test	Practice Test	6-8 pm	Joyce's Barn
7/27	Judging Practice at the Fair	1-2:30 pm	Equestrian Center
7/30 Fruity Friday	Mock Test on Fruits	6-8 pm	TBD



Harford County 4-Hers Andrew Fulco and MD Teen Council President, Lindsay Larkin, both attended the MD Teen Leadership Summit held at the Carroll County Ag Center this past Monday, June 28.

Special thanks to Lisa Fulco, pictured at right with her son, for contributing the pictures!



Harford County 4-H Graduate

Angelyn Wiggins



I have been in the Easy Riders 4-H club for about 6 years now. This club is what helped further my love for horses and all things equine. Through my club and 4-H I tried so many different things. I competed in horse bowl, horse judging, public speaking, and so many others. It was these experiences that helped me become who I am today. The club inspired me to enter the large animal magnet program at North Harford High School, which is where I discovered my dream job of being an animal geneticist. I plan on attending Sweet Briar College this fall so I can focus on my biology major while fostering my ever bright love of horses.

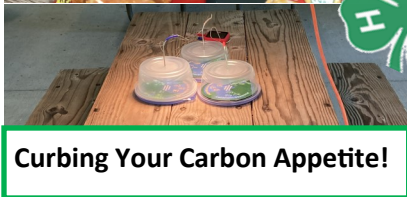
4-H Junior Camp!



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LAST DAY :(



Curbing Your Carbon Appetite!



CRAFTS!!



Special Thanks to Jessica Cochran for sharing all of the great pictures!!

4-H Clover Camp!



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Maryland Beef Webinar Series

Join us on the first Thursday of each month from 7:30-8:30 pm

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AgFS
Agriculture & Food Systems

Registration:
go.umd.edu/2021-beef-webinars

Topics:

- **July 1:** Managing Heat Stress in Cattle
- **August 5:** Pasture Management for the Fall Season
- **September 2:** Weaning Beef Calves: Reducing Stress and Building Immunity
- **October 7:** Limit-Feeding Cattle
- **November 4:** Cattle Nutrition 101
- **December 2:** Winter Herd Management Strategies

This institution is an equal opportunity provider. If you need a reasonable accommodation to participate in any event or activity, please contact your local University of Maryland Extension Office.

To Register for the Maryland Beef Webinar Series visit: go.umd.edu/2021-beef-webinars

Maryland Dairy Field Day

When:

Tuesday, July 13th @10:30 am

Where:

CMREC Clarksville Dairy Farm
4240 Folly Quarter Rd., Ellicott City, MD

Registration:

Event is free, but registration is required.
Visit <https://go.umd.edu/2021-dairy-field-day> or contact Sarah Potts (301-432-2767 or sbpotts@umd.edu) to register.

Program Agenda:

- 10:30 am – Welcome and Introductions
- 10:40 am – Dairy Economics
- 11:00 am – Effect of Soil Fertility on Triticale Quality and Yield: Preliminary Findings
- 11:20 am – What, When, and How of Colostrum Management
- 11:40 am – Beef on Dairy Project and Insights
- 12:00 pm – Lunch and Networking
- 12:30 pm – Impact of Improved Pasture Management on Pregnant Holstein Heifers: Updates and Pasture Walk
- 1:45 pm – Overview of Research with Cannulated Cows
- 2:00 pm – Adjourn

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Partial funding for this event is provided by the University of Maryland Agricultural Experiment Station Competitive Grant Program.

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To Register for the Maryland Dairy Field Day visit: <https://go.umd.edu/2021-dairy-field-day>

"What It Takes" Farm Tour Series

Organized by the Young Farmers of Harford County Farm Bureau



EXCLUSIVE!

BEHIND-THE-SCENES!

FOR ALL FARMERS AGES 16-35

FARMER - LED
FARM TOURS
+ Q&A

Summer - Fall 2021

Join us as we gather as a community and learn "What It Takes" to grow a long-term farm business! Harford County Farm Bureau members and future farmers ages 16-35 are invited to join the Harford County Young Farmers on a series of tours of established farms in the county. We will observe pastures and fields, tractors and equipment, and farm stands and processing facilities (as available). The information will be geared toward sharing business strategies for producing and selling local products to the surrounding community. No farming experience necessary. Just come ready to learn and ask questions! *Light refreshments will be provided.*

TOUR DATES & TIMES:

Monday, June 28 5pm - Broom's Bloom Dairy

Tuesday, July 13 5pm - Foxborough Nursery

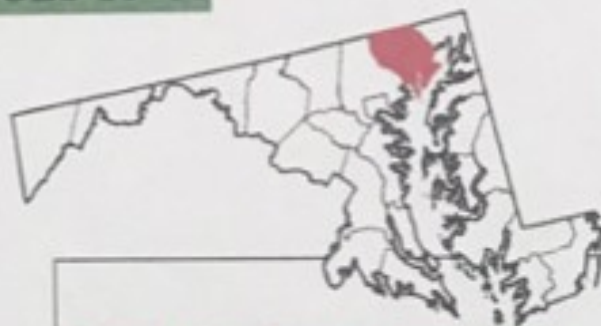
Wednesday, August 4 5pm - Molly Hill Farm

Monday, September 20 - seeking farmer!

Friday, October 15 - seeking farmer!

Monday, November 22 3:30pm Jones Family Farm +

5pm 1st Annual Thanksgiving "Local" Potluck Challenge



Please RSVP! Contact Reese Jones
Co-Chair of Young Farmers

Text/Call 443-987-4259 for directions or questions

Accommodations for physical disability or dietary restrictions can be made with advanced notice. Young Farmers strives to be inclusive and does not discriminate based on physical ability, gender, religion, sexual orientation, race, or national identity. Farmers interested in this event who are over age 35 may be included, at the discretion of the organizers.

For events for all ages,
see the "Harford County
Farm Bureau"
Facebook page.



Harford County Farm Fair 4-H Indoor Entry Form

Name: _____

4-H Age (as of January 1 of this year): _____

4-H Club: _____

Address:



Phone number: _____

Email Address: _____

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Gray areas of this form are for fair use only. Do not fill in these areas.

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If you require special assistance, please contact the 4-H Office 2 weeks prior to the event at (410) 638-3255.



Harford County Fair Schedule



Friday, July 23	9 am 4-H Dog Show (check in at 8 am)
Saturday, July 24	9 am 4-H Horse and Pony Show (check in at 8 am) Fashion Revue Bethel Presbyterian Church *Time TBD*
Sunday, July 25	Indoor 4-H Exhibits Received beginning at 11 am* 10 am 4-H Small Pets Show
Monday, July 26	9 am 4-H Archery Contest (check in at 8 am) 12 pm 4-H Lawn Tractor Contest 4 pm 4-H Bicycle Rodeo
Tuesday, July 27	4-H Families invited to view Indoor Entries 2-7 pm
Wednesday, July 28	7 am 4-H Arrival and Weighing of Steers, Heifers arrive 9 am 4-H Poultry Show (Poultry to arrive at 8 am) 1 pm 4-H Beef Heifer Show, Steer Show to follow 3-7 pm Indoor Exhibits Released <i>(Beef Cattle and Poultry must leave the grounds at the conclusion of the Show)</i>
Thursday, July 29	7-9 am Arrival and weighing of Sheep and Market Goats 9 am 4-H Dairy Goat Show 12 pm 4-H Market Goat Show, 4-H Sheep Show to follow 3 pm 4-H Dairy Show
Friday, July 30	7 am Swine Exhibitors enter Fairgrounds 10 am 4-H Rabbit Show 12 pm 4-H Swine Show <i>(Swine only will remain on grounds. Rabbits must leave after show)</i>
Saturday, July 31	All Livestock being sold at Sale must be on the Fairgrounds by 11 am. Sale will begin at 3 pm

UPDATED 7/1!

Restoring Maryland 4-H In-Person Programs

Baseline Conditions as of July 1, 2021.



LOCATION

4-H Activity may be held outdoors or indoors.

- Outdoors: Physical distancing restrictions have been lifted. Please continue to respect the personal space and comfort level of participants.
- Indoors: 4-H activity must comply with local school system directives on physical distancing.



DIRECTIVES

4-H Activity must comply with local directives for indoor or outdoor gatherings. Please note, some 4-H activities are required to follow additional guidelines (i.e. camp & overnight activities).



SIZE

There are no restrictions on capacity sizes. 4-H activity must comply with local school system directives on physical distancing. All 4-H activities must include **at least 2 UME Volunteers or 4-H Faculty/Staff leaders**. Please be mindful of 4-H youth/adult ratios.

- 1 adult volunteer for every 10 youth ages 8-18.
- 1 adult volunteer for every 5 Cloverbud members ages 5-7.



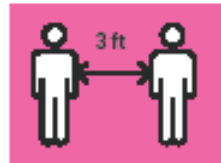
HEALTH PLEDGE

All youth and adult participants must affirm they are well enough to participate in the 4-H activity when signing the attendance form for the 4-H activity. Individual health pledges will no longer be required.



FACE COVERING

- Outdoors: 4-H, as guided by the Maryland Health Department, strongly recommends that all non-vaccinated individuals over the age of 2 continue to wear face coverings in all outdoor settings where physical distancing cannot be maintained.
- Indoors: 4-H activity must comply with local school system directives on mask requirements indoors.



PHYSICAL DISTANCING

4-H activity must comply with local school system directives on physical distancing.



HAND HYGIENE

All 4-H Activity participants must have access to supplies for hand hygiene (hand sanitizer, sink with soap and water, etc).




CLEANING

Cleaning and sanitizing supplies must be available. High-touch surfaces and shared equipment or materials must be sanitized.



July 2021



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
		Clover Camp		Start of New Fiscal Year for Clubs		
4  Independence Day	5 Office Closed- Independence Day (Observed)	6	7	8	9	10
		Intermediate Camp				
11	12	13 "What It Takes" Farm Tour Series Foxborough Farms 5 PM	14	15 Harford County 4-H Fair Entries Due AH&QA Training Due!	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23 Harford Co. 4-H Fair Horse Clinic Registration Due	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31 State Fair Entries Due 4-H Live-stock Sale 3pm
Harford County 4-H Fair 7/23/-31						

August 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4 "What It Takes" Farm Tour Series 5 pm Molly Hill Farm	5 MD Beef Webinar Series- Pasture Management for the Fall	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Horse Clinic						
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
				Maryland State Fair		
29	30	31				
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