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Livestock Skillathon Results



Juniors	Intermediates	Seniors
Sarah Mager 1st	Dustin DeBerry 1st	Hannah Frazee 1st
Lane Miller 2nd	Revie Miller 2nd	Lauren Friend 2nd
	Kyle Kepple 3rd	Krista Rinker 3rd

Each year, 4-H members select projects in areas that they wish to learn more about. For those members interested in animal science topics, the 4-H program offers educational events such as skillathons that provide an opportunity for young people to demonstrate their knowledge. The Livestock Skillathon provides a framework for youth to learn about livestock management, breeds, anatomy, judging meat, hay quality, feeds and equipment. Recently, 11 youth participated in a local event and one senior-level member traveled to the Maryland State contest. Emma Michael brought home an impressive 6th place award at the Maryland State Contest with nearly 100 youth participating. Other participants: Isabelle Hauser, Preston Miller, Cole Kepple, Jameson Bolyard and Madison Bolyard.

4-H Achievement Program

The 4-H Achievement Program is held annually to recognize the successful completion of projects by 4-H youth and a celebration of the work of volunteer leaders. The 4-H staff enjoyed reviewing the 221 record books that were completed by members for 2021. In addition to project awards, youth are recognized for service hours earned and receive special awards for achievement. In 2021, the Lowdermilk family was named as 4-H Family of the Year. Rick and Cindy Lowdermilk, and their children, Darrick, Brianna and Rileigh were recognized for their many years of participation as volunteer leaders and active 4-H members.



2021 4-H Family of the Year-The Lowdermilk's

Calendar of Events

May

- 6 **Entry Deadline:** Spring Weigh In & District Show
- 13 Spring Weigh-In 1 pm - 8 pm
- 14 Western Maryland District Show starting at 9:00 am

June

- 1 **DUE:** Livestock Workshop Entries
- 1 **DUE:** Horse ID Cards, Dog ID Cards & Breeding Animal Leases
- 10 **DUE:** Broiler Show Records to 4-H Office by noon
- 11 Rabbit Show -GC Fairgrounds @ 9:00 a m
- 13 Broiler Show-4-H Office @ 6:00 pm
- 25 Livestock Workshop-GC Fairgrounds@ 8:00 am
- 26-30 4-H Camp ALGAWA

July

- 12 Poultry Testing

July 30th to August 6th ~ Garrett County Agriculture Fair

Safe Animal Handling

There is increasing concern about youth bringing steers to the fair that are uncontrollable. It is important to work with your animals to prepare them for show. Showing your animals prior to the fair and working with them regularly is encouraged. Remember that the fair rules state, "If an animal is uncontrollable, unsafe or in an undesirable condition, it may be removed from the fairgrounds at the request of the Livestock Advisory Committee."

No one wants to have to send a market animal home, but the safety of other exhibitors and fair visitors is very important.

Poultry Exhibitors—Testing Date: All poultry, both in state and out of state poultry, must be tested for Avian Influenza within **21 days** prior to entry or originate from a NPIP Avian Influenza Clean or Monitored flock. Avian Influenza testing will require 15 birds or all birds in the flock if fewer than 15 birds from the exhibitors flock. Those individuals planning to bring poultry to the Garrett County Agriculture Fair are reminded that all poultry for exhibition must meet the Maryland Department of Agriculture requirements. To assist with this process, arrangements will be made for the testing to be done on **July 12th from 4:00pm—7:00 pm at the Garrett County Fairgrounds in the rabbit barn**. Cost for the testing is \$20.00 per flock to be paid at the time of the testing.

Information needed:

1. Source of birds-hatchery, raised or other. 2. The age of the birds. 3. The number of birds in your flock. Leg bands will be affixed upon testing. Please call 301 334-6960 to register for the testing by July 5, 2022.

Livestock Entries for State Fair:

If you are planning to take a market animal to the State Fair, the animal must be tagged at the May 13th weigh-in. Contact the UME Office at 301-334-6960 to obtain your State Fair Animal ID card to bring with your animal to weigh-in. Animals must be registered using the online state fair entry form.

The guidelines and the 2022 Online Entry Systems are available at <http://www.marylandstatefair.com/exhibitors/4-h>.

Notice that the deadline for State Fair entries is earlier this year, the deadline is July 15, 2022.

Animal Leasing: Any member wanting to lease an animal for a 4-H project this year, please contact Ann Sherrard at 301-334-6960 or by email at anns@umd.edu.



Animal Quality Assurance Is Opening Soon!

All 4-H members enrolled in alpacas, beef, dairy, goats, horse and pony, llamas, poultry, sheep, swine and rabbits are required to have completed the on-line training prior to July 1st to be eligible to exhibit their project animals at the 2022 Garrett County Agriculture Fair or the Maryland State Fair.

The 2022 program must be completed using Firefox, Chrome or Safari web browsers. The program is not supported by Internet Explorer. The program contains two levels, a Junior-aged Level and an Intermediate/Senior-aged Level. The program automatically directs members to the correct level based on their birthdate.

4-Hers are required to complete the on-line training program:

- If this is their first year as a 4-H member
 - When they reach each 4-H age division (juniors (8-10), intermediates (11-13), seniors (14-18) – all as of January 1 of the current year)
 - When an Intermediate or Senior 4-H member chooses to show a new species since last completing the program within their age division - they must return to the program and complete it for the new species area (The Junior program does not have species specific sections like the Intermediate/Senior program does). Passcodes issued in 2019-2021 should still be viable for returning members. Passcodes may be retrieved by clicking on the "Forgot Your Passcode" link on the AH&QA homepage.
- We will let you know when the site is available for the required trainings.

Horse and Dog ID Cards

Horse & dog ID cards can be obtained from the 4-H office or can be found on the state website under the animal science resource tab at: <https://extension.umd.edu/programs/4-h-youth-development/program-areas/animal-sciences> and are due to the 4-H Office by June 1st.

Maryland 4-H Foundation Scholarships for academic Year 2022-2023

The Maryland 4-H Foundation offers 4-H members the opportunity to apply for academic scholarships. Each year scholarships are awarded to current Maryland 4-H members or alumni who will be enrolled at an accredited college, university or post-secondary technical training program for the fall and spring semesters of the upcoming academic year. The Maryland 4-H Foundation awards an average of \$50,000 in scholarships annually.

The Maryland 4-H Foundation Scholarship Application for academic year 2022-2023 is open!

For more information including a complete list of scholarships, eligibility requirements, the application and instructions, visit: <http://www.mymaryland4hfoundation.com/how-we-give/scholarships>. To be considered for any of the Maryland 4-H Foundation Scholarships, a completed application must be submitted online before June 15, 2022.

Rabbit Show to be held at Garrett County Fairgrounds

The Garrett Hopper's 4-H Club and the UME-Garrett County office will be sponsoring a 4-H Rabbit Show at the Garrett County Fairgrounds on Saturday, June 11, 2022 starting at 9:00 am. Any Garrett County 4-H youth who shows rabbits, or would like to learn more, is encouraged to attend. See enclosed insert for the registration form. Registration deadline is June 6, 2022.

Issue Forum-Climate Change

Maryland 4-H is excited to welcome youth ages 14-18 to the 3rd 4-H Issue Forum at the University of Maryland College Park Campus June 28-30, 2022. Youth will learn how they can make a difference in their communities and learn more about climate change, environmental sustainability and how to work with legislators, community leaders, and their 4-H programs to effect change.

For more information, contact Kamaria Cheyenne Massey at kcmassey@umd.edu or 301-405-0850.

Look for registration soon for this excellent opportunity.



Tractor Supply Paper Clover Campaign~April 27th-May 8th, 2022



National 4-H Council announced the launch of the Spring 2022 4-H Paper Clover Campaign in partnership with Tractor Supply Company (TSC). Shoppers will have the opportunity to support the Maryland 4-H Program by choosing to donate at the checkout while at the store. The success of these campaigns has impacted many youth with opportunities to attend 4-H camp or leadership events. Consider donating today.



Market Livestock Workshop-June 25, 2022~Sign up Today!

This workshop is geared towards 4-H members who are interested in learning basic feeding tips, market animal care, and showmanship for their project animals for this upcoming fair season. Featured species will be swine, goat, sheep & beef. Ben Williamson, Assistant Teaching Professor of Animal Science and Livestock Judging Coach at Penn State University will be the instructor for the workshops.

A limited number of 4-H families will have the opportunity to work directly with the livestock coach while showing their animals. Each family may bring up to two animals to be used during the workshops. This will be on a first come first serve basis after registration and payment are received. The cost for this opportunity will be \$10.00 per animal.

General Admission Cost: For any 4-H member attending one or more sessions as an observer (without bringing an animal) the cost will be \$10.00 for one or more workshops.

Workshop Agenda:

8am-10am~Swine

10am-noon~Sheep & Goats

1pm-3pm~Steers

Food Truck will be on site (B-Rad's)



Registration Deadline: June 1, 2022

Registration Link: <https://go.umd.edu/20224HLivestockWorkshop>



How About Adding A New 4-H Project This Summer

You can earn credit towards your next Diamond Clover award by completing one new project this year. Give us a call at the 4-H Office at 301-334-6960, if you want to add a project. We have project guides at the 4-H Office on these fun summer projects: Forestry, Woodworking, Hiking, Camping, Entomology, Fishing Bicycling and more!

GEAR Up 4-H Robotics Club Sessions to Begin

The Gear Up 4-H Robotics Club will begin regular monthly sessions at the GEARS building in Accident, MD on the 4th Saturday of each month from 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm. These sessions are open to everyone, please contact the office to register. Each meeting will have a different STEM Activity:



May 28	Using Sensors with WeDo
June 25	Drones
July 23	Coding
August 27	3-D Design
September 24	Sphero and Ollie Robotics
October 22	Squishy Circuits
November 26	LEGO Masters Earthquake Challenge
December	No Meeting

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Happy Mother's Day

The Garrett County 4-H Staff celebrate all
of the mothers of our 4-Hers and their
families!



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