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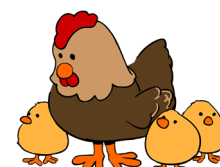
Members of the Garrett County 4-H completed their 2023 Broiler Project with the Broiler Show on June 5th. Members are given 10 Cornish Cross peeps donated by Bruceton AG Service in Grantsville, MD. The members then raise the peeps for 8 weeks to a market size. At the end of the eight weeks, the youth turn in a report showing the feed conversion, mortality rate, and profit/loss from their project. They include pictures and a story where they tell what they learned from their project. The members are then allowed to sell the broilers for meat or keep them for their families.

The Broiler Project is a wonderful, short term learning experience for 4-H youth and their families. We greatly appreciate the support of Bruceton AG Service for the donation of the broiler peeps to the youth members. For 2023, we had 23 youth participate. Below are the results for each 4-H age division. Others participating were: Weston Bolyard, Raylin Broadwater, Cheyenne McClean, Evan Rowe, Jake Sanders, Carlton Sisler, Brayden Sisler, Hunter Wolford, Kylie Bates, Luke Bolyard, Owen Bolyard, Lea Custer, Owen Rowe and Hunter Collins.

Placement	Junior Results	Intermediate Results	Senior Results
1st Place	Wade Yost	Rebekah Campbell	Molly Magruder
2nd Place	Rachel Campbell	Ava Cosner	Dayton Custer
3rd Place	Brenton Gnegy	Derek Cosner	Hunter Collins



Grand Champion:
Wade Yost



Reserve Champion:
Rebekah Campbell



Calendar of Events

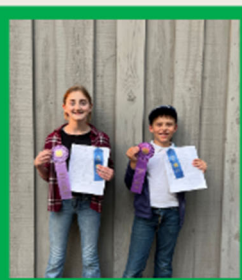
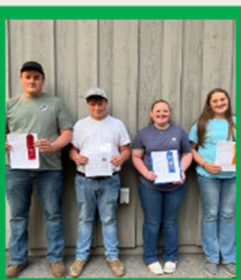
July

- 1 **Due:** Quality Assurance Online Training
- 10 Poultry Testing-GC Fairgrounds
- 14 **Due:** Registering Market Animals for Fair
- 15 **Due:** State Fair Online Registration
- 21 4-H Engineering Events-GEARS
- 26 Livestock Orientation (First-time Market Animal Exhibitors) 6:30 pm at fairgrounds -Show Ring
- 7/29—8/5 Garrett County Fair
- 30 Livestock Orientation 5:30 pm-Show Ring
- 31 4-H/FFA Livestock Skill-A-Thon at @ noon
- 31 Fashion Revue - 4-H Stage starting at 6:00pm

August

- 1 4-H Robotics Challenge-4-H Stage starting @ 2:30pm
- 4 Tractor Engineering Event - 4-H building starting at @ 9am
- 5 Youth Awards Program - Show Ring @ 2:00 pm
- 5 4-H & FFA Livestock Sale - Show Ring starting at 3:00 pm
- 6 Indoor Exhibits Released 11:00 am to 1:00 pm
- 6 Fairground Clean-up 10:00 am to 1:00 pm

Broiler Show





Mandatory 4-H Livestock Online Entry

The Garrett County Fair Board has online entry available for all 4-H livestock exhibitors. Online entry will be **mandatory for all livestock exhibitors**. The system is online and available and must be completed by July 14th. Indoor 4-H exhibits can be registered with your livestock entries, although indoor exhibit registration is not mandatory, registering online will save time on entry day, Saturday, July 29 from 10:00 am until 4:00 pm.

Register here: <https://www.BlueRibbonFair.com/BRFairProd/BlueRibbonStart.aspx?ID=2107>

If you have questions regarding the online registration, please call Shaina Saturday at 724-562-3036.

Important Club Leader Reminder ~ Financial Records

4-H club treasurer's books and annual financial forms should be closed out at the end of June. The new year begins July 1st. To complete your club's financial records, for the past year, the following three items are due to the Extension Office by **September 1st**:

1. Treasurer's book and bank statements. 2. Club inventory of property. 3. Club financial summary with the required signatures. The last two items; inventory and financial summary were mailed to leaders in June.

Poultry Exhibitors—Testing Date: All poultry, both in-state and out-of-state poultry, must be tested for Avian Influenza within **30 days** prior to entry or originate from an NPIP Avian Influenza Clean or Monitored flock (or 21 days for out-of-state birds). Avian Influenza testing will require 15 birds or all birds in the flock if fewer than 15 birds from the exhibitor 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 10th from 4:00 pm—7:00 pm at the Garrett County Fairgrounds in the rabbit barn**. Cost for the testing is \$25.00 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, 2023.

Maryland 4-H State Fair Deadlines

The Maryland State Fair Blue Ribbon Entry System is now open! The Maryland State Fair Blue Ribbon Entry System will be used to enter the Division shows and exhibits listed below. The Blue Ribbon entries will be accepted through July 15th. Entries must be verified by the county 4-H Extension Office.

- Divisions A-J (All animal exhibits except dogs)
- Divisions L-S (All indoor exhibits except Club Booths and Banners)
- Some Division T exhibits (4-H Promotional Posters and 4-H Promotional Graphic Art Design)
- Some Division X events (Costume Animal Parade, 4-H Photo Challenge, and 4-H/FFA Shepherd's Lead)



4-H Online will be used by 4-H exhibitors to enter the 4-H Competitive Events listed below. The 4-H Online link is <https://v2.4honline.com/#/user/sign-in>. The 4-H Online entries will be accepted until July 31st. 4-H Online entries must be verified by the county 4-H Extension Office.

- 4-H Club Booth & Banner Exhibits
- 4-H Fashion Revue
- 4-H Robotics Challenge
- 4-H/FFA Tractor Operator Safety Event, 4-H Bicycle Safety Event, 4-H Small Engine Event, 4-H Electric/Energy Event, and 4-H Lawn Tractor Event



Maryland 4-H Volunteer & Teen Forum Is Back!

"Light Your Spark" is the theme. The event is November 4-5 2023, at the Holiday Inn on 65th Street in Ocean City.

This is an excellent opportunity for teens (ages 13 - 18), adult volunteers, and professionals to re-energize, share enthusiasm, and learn the knowledge and skills necessary to be successful leaders in their local 4-H programs.

There will be hotel reservations available for Friday and Saturday nights (November 3rd and 4th), but all programming will be focused on Saturday and Sunday and will include the following:

- Volunteer and teen workshops to strengthen leadership skills
- Youth classes for 4-H members attending the conference with their parents
- Engaging evening activities on Saturday, including a service project
- Volunteer and teen connection session on Sunday
- State Council open house on Sunday

Look for registration information in August.

4-H Engineering Events

Do you enjoy working with tractors, lawn mowers, or bicycles? If so, you might want to participate in one of the engineering events. There are five separate events: Bicycle, Small Engines, Electricity, Tractor, and Lawn & Garden Tractor. Each of the contests have various components such as driving, parts identification, and visual presentations. You may enter as many of the contests as you like. If you should have additional questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the office. The following will be held at the **GEARS** Building in Accident:

July 21, 2023

- 9am to 11:30am - Bicycle (Bring your own bicycle & helmet)
- 11:30am to 12:00pm Lunch Break (Bring packed lunch or purchase at a nearby restaurant)
- 12:00pm to 2:00pm - Electricity
- 2:00pm to 4:00pm - Small Engines



Lawn Tractor and Farm Tractor Events are held during the fair.

Registration: Please call the Extension Office at 301-334-6960 prior to July 14, 2023.

If you compete in at least three (3) contests, you will qualify for the overall engineering event trophy. The Maryland State Fair hosts the statewide contests. Individuals must enter through the online registration system at www.marylandstatefair.com by July 15th for electric/energy, and small engine events. For bicycle, lawn tractor and tractor event entries are made by the 4-H Educator for the county first place members.

2023 GC Fair 4-H/FFA Livestock Skillathon

The Skillathon will be held on Monday, July 31st at 12:00 PM in the Ag Heritage Hall. If you have not preregistered please arrive 15 minutes early. Awards will be presented 1 hour after the conclusion of the contest in the Ag Heritage Hall. Participants will be tested on their general knowledge of farm & livestock. Parts of the test will include; identification of breeds, body parts, equipment, grains & minerals and meat cuts, quality assurance and written (multiple choice) exam.

We encourage new participants not to feel overwhelmed and to use this as a fun learning experience. Each year our participation continues to grow. There will be a Clover division. This is a learning opportunity for Clover members. Clover participants will not be judged and they will each receive a participation gift.

Early registration is encouraged. **Registration Link:** <https://forms.gle/VuD4TED8F8AiPsTH7>. The first 50 participants to register before July 15 will receive a complimentary t-shirt.

The fair board offers a \$5.00 Participation Premium to Skillathon participants. In order to receive this premium, it is your responsibility to include it on your Fair Entry Form before you turn it in to the fair office. The awards, premium and t shirts would not be possible without our generous group of sponsors! Many of our sponsors have been active every year and we are grateful for them. All sponsor names will be printed on the back of the t-shirts. New sponsors are always welcome.

Parents are not permitted to help their child during the Skillathon. If you feel your child will need special assistance during the Skillathon please include that in your registration.

If you are unable to complete the registration, have questions or concerns, or are interested in being a sponsor, please contact Crystal DeBerry at 301-268-5402, Emma Rush at 301-616-4769, Brianna LeMay at 301-616-6177 or Lilah Schmidt at 240-321-6755.



Equine Stall Decorating Contest

All you have to do is decorate your stall during the Garrett County Fair to automatically be entered into this contest. Random fair spectators will be chosen to walk through both equine barns, Monday through Friday. They will pick the most popular stall. The winner will be announced on Saturday during the Horse Awards Ceremony. A prize will be given to the one that receives the most votes. This contest is sponsored by Positive Motion Equine Massage Therapy and American Heritage Home Improvements. Start planning your decorating ideas now!



"North 40" Team Named Finalist

The "North 40" team from Garrett County Public School's FIRST LEGO League recently competed at the American Open Invitational FIRST LEGO League Robotics Competition. They were named FINALIST for the event's top award, the Champion's Award, and competed against forty-two other teams at the Liberty Science Center in Jersey City, NJ. "North 40" consists of four students from Northern Garrett Middle School, which includes Brady Garlitz an Avilton 4-H Club member. Brady is pictured far right.

"North 40" earned an invitation to compete at the American Open Invitational after being named a finalist for the same award at the Maryland State FIRST LEGO League Championship. The team was among the top seventy teams in Maryland and competed at UMBC in Baltimore in February. Prior to that, "North 40" won the same award at the Garrett Qualifier held earlier that same month.

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Important Dates

Maryland State Fair Registration Deadline

Remember that the closing deadline for state fair entries is fast approaching. Consider registering your entry prior to the July 15th deadline. Enter here: <https://marylandstatefair.com/4hffa/>

Self Certification of Animal Health Forms

All animal exhibitors (beef, sheep, swine, goat, poultry & rabbits) must fill out a Self Certification of Health prior to loading animals, and it shall be presented along with the completed health form to the superintendent at check-in.

Thank-You Cards/Letters

Thank-you cards/letters to all buyers and trophy/award sponsors are important and required, and should be done immediately after the fair. All trophies should have a sticker on the bottom with the award sponsor's name and address. All thank-you letters (stamped, sealed and ready to mail) must be turned in to University of Maryland Extension Office, or given to your 4-H Leader or FFA Advisor by September 1, 2023. If given to a leader or FFA Advisor, they need to notify the office. Checks will not be issued until thank-you letters are sent. You may also want to include other individuals who helped you with your livestock projects.

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