



4-H Forecast
St. Mary's County
January 2026

HEAD — HEART — HANDS — HEALTH

January 16, 2026

I Pledge
My **HEAD**
to clearer thinking,

My **HEART**
to greater loyalty

My **HANDS**
to larger service
and

My **HEALTH**
to better living,
for my club,
my community,
my country,
and my
world.



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Happy New Year!! 2026 is here and we are BEYOND READY! We are already learning lots & having fun in our county workshops & trainings.

4-H Online is open and ready for you to enroll. Here is the link: <https://md.4honline.com/>. Look in the newsletter for more information about enrolling. Please consider signing up to be a 4-H Volunteer. When applying in 4-H Online to be a new volunteer, please choose "New Volunteer Applicant". This will start your onboarding process.

Don't forget to check with your Club Leaders so you know when your Record Books are due to them. Don't forget that: "All 4-H youth, ages 8 to 18, who exhibited in the 2025 St. Mary's County Fair are required to complete and submit to the County 4-H Office one completed project record in order to be eligible to show at the 2026 County Fair.

- All 4-H Horse exhibitors are required to complete the horse project record.
- All 4-H Livestock participants are required to complete one project per species shown or sold at auction.
- All 4-H Exhibitors (non-Horse/non-Livestock) are required to complete the minimum, one project record on fair exhibit or competitions (i.e. horticulture contest) of their choice. All 4-H youth are required to complete a Record Book. Project Record Completion Requirements
 - Complete the project record form
 - Record project exhibits or competitions
 - Give a project related demonstration or illustrated talk to an audience of 3 or more non-related people."

We have a lot of exciting things planned for the year! Make sure to check out our St. Mary's County 4-H Google Calendar for the most up to date events that are happening. Here is the link: https://calendar.google.com/calendar/u/0/embed?src=umd.edu_lto3h2vn7u51bnavue1481mkm8@group.calendar.google.com&ctz=America/New_York

Can't wait to see you at one of our upcoming 4-H events!

Susan Russell



Upcoming Dates

- 1/15 - 2025 Completed Diamond Clover forms due to the 4-H Office
- 1/18 - Shooting Stars 4-H Club Safety meeting - Zoom
- 1/19 - 4-H Office Closed - Martin Luther King Day
- 1/22 - Livestock Knowledge Workshop
- 1/26 - State Horse Advisory Meeting
- 1/29 - Livestock Knowledge Workshop
- 2/3 - Livestock Knowledge Workshop
- 2/10 - State Rabbit Advisory Meeting
- 2/12 - Livestock Knowledge Workshop
- 2/15 - MD 4-H State Achievement Program
- 2/16 - 4-H Office Closed - Presidents Day
- 2/17 - Livestock Knowledge Workshop
- 2/19 - Public Speaking Workshop
- 2/21 - MD 4-H Dog Skillathon
- 2/23 - Livestock Knowledge Workshop
- 2/28 - St. Mary's County 4-H Livestock Skillathon
- 3/1 - Quality Assurance website opens
- 3/7 - MD 4-H Livestock Skillathon
- 3/15 - 2026 Diamond Clover plans due to the 4-H office
- 3/21 - County 4-H Banquet - Leonardtown Firehouse
- 3/28 - County 4-H Public Speaking contest
- 4/1 - Market & Breeding tag orders due for sheep, goats & pigs
- 4/25 - MD 4-H Public Speaking contest & MD Day
- 5/25 - 4-H Office Closed - Memorial Day
- 6/1 - Horse, Rabbit, Dog & Poultry ID cards & lease papers due to 4-H office
- 6/5 to 6/7 - Southern Maryland 4-H Regional Spring Show
- 7/1 - Breeding Livestock Registration papers due to 4-H office
- 7/31 - Quality Assurance website closes
- 8/1 to 8/5 - 4-H Overnight Camp in Western MD
- 9/24 to 9/27 St. Mary's County Fair
- 11/2 - 4-H Open House
- 12/6 - County 4-H Quarter Auction Fundraiser



Upcoming Events



Were you 8 years old as of Jan. 1st? Are you interested in learning more about Archery, Air Rifle and/or Shotgun? The first meeting of the year for St. Mary's 4-H Shooting Stars Club is January 18th from 1-3pm on Zoom. Please reach out to Wes Cory by email at wbcory@earthlink.net to receive the log in information.

2026 Maryland 4-H Dog Skillathon Contest - Registration Opening Soon

The 2026 Maryland 4-H Dog Skillathon will be held on Saturday, February 21st, at the Animal Sciences Building on the University of Maryland campus in College Park. This is a contest in which individuals compete. There will be NO team entries. There will be a \$5.00 entry fee for each contestant. 4-H members wishing to participate should contact their county/city 4-H office.

Official registration for the contest must be submitted via the 4-H Online registration system by February 12, 2026 (Registration will open soon!). There is no limit to the number of individuals that each UME unit may register for this contest. Individuals participating in the statewide contest must be enrolled as a Maryland 4-H member for 2026 in 4-H Online by February 12, 2026.

Contest rules will be available on the Maryland 4-H Animal Science webpage at:
<https://extension.umd.edu/programs/4-h-youth-development/program-areas/animal-sciences/>





Upcoming Events



2026 4-H Horse Advisory Webinar Meeting-

Monday, January 26, 2026, 7:00 pm

Please extend an invitation to interested individuals to join the 2026 Horse Advisory Meeting, which will be held virtually on Monday, January 26th at 7:00 pm. During the webinar session, we will review last year's 4-H Horse Project events and discuss plans for the 2026 events, including the Horse Bowl, Horse Communications, Hippology, Horse Judging, and Virtual Equine Art and Photography contests, as well as the Maryland State Fair 4-H Horse Show.

Individuals interested in joining the advisory session should email Chris Anderson at canders2@umd.edu to request Zoom connecting information.

2026 4-H Rabbit Advisory Webinar Meeting-

Tuesday, February 10, 2026, 7:00 pm

Interested individuals are invited to join the 2026 Maryland 4-H Rabbit Advisory Meeting, which will be held virtually on Tuesday, February 10th at 7:00 pm. During the webinar session, we will discuss plans for the 2026 Rabbit Project events, including the Rabbit Judging contest and State Fair 4-H Rabbit Show. Individuals interested in joining the advisory session should email Anna Glenn amglenn@umd.edu and Chris Anderson at canders2@umd.edu to request connecting information.





Upcoming Events



Livestock Knowledge Workshops



Come learn about pigs, sheep, cows & goats!



Topics that will be covered: Breeds, Anatomy, Wholesale & Retail cuts of meats, Diseases, Equipment id, Feed id, Quality Assurance, Hay, Meat & Wool Judging.

You do not need to carry a livestock project to join us.

January 22nd - 6 – 7:30 pm (Ag. Services Conference Room)

January 29th – 6 – 7:30 pm (Ag. Services Conference Room)

February 3rd - 6 – 7:30 pm (Ag. Services Conference Room)

February 12th - 6 – 7:30 pm (Ag. Services Conference Room)

February 17th - 6 – 7:30 pm (Ag. Services Conference Room)

February 23rd - 6 – 7:30 pm (Ag. Services Conference Room)

****Please RSVP to Susan @ susanv@umd.edu if you plan to attend.****

Other important dates that these classes will prepare you for:

2/28/26 – St. Mary's Co. 4-H Livestock Skillathon (St. Mary's Co. Fairgrounds)

3/7/26 – MD 4-H State Livestock Skillathon (Montgomery Co. Fairgrounds)

5/3/26 – Junior Sheep & Goat Skillathon (Howard Co. Fairgrounds)

If you need reasonable accommodation to participate in any event or activity, please contact Susan Russell at 301-226-7779, at least 2 weeks prior to the event.

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Upcoming Events



St. Mary's County 4-H
Overnight Camp

August 1-5, 2026

Western MD 4-H Center

Come join the
FUN!



Save the Date

For more info contact Susan

@ 301-226-7779 or

susanv@umd.edu

**Teen Counselors &
Adult Staff Needed
Please let us know if
you can help out!**

Equal Access Program



4-H
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Club Upcoming Events

**Crazy Critters 4-H Club
YARD SALE**

Saturday, February 7, 2026
7:00am – 1:00pm
27108 Mt. Zion Church Rd
Mechanicsville, MD

We are raising money for our drill team!


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Maryland Department of Agriculture Animal Health Update

Please note the following animal health update recently shared by the Maryland Department of Agriculture:

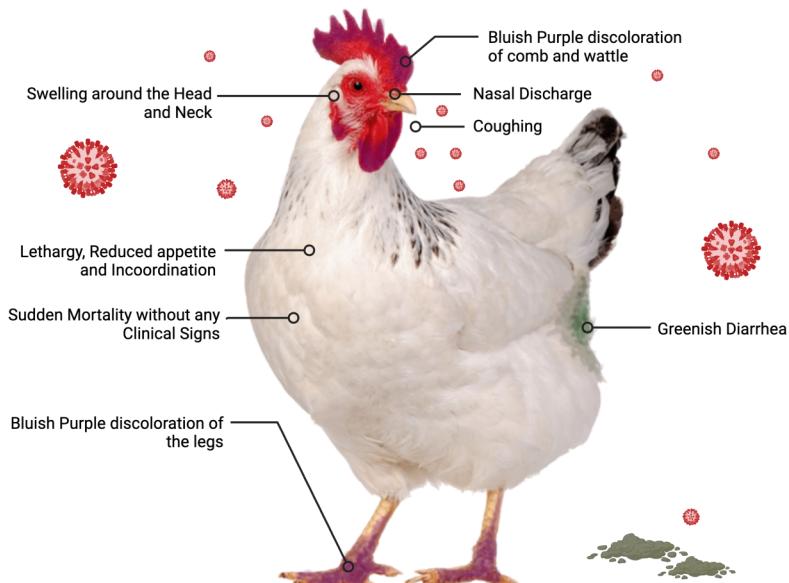
- UPDATE - Maryland CVI Requirements due to a Multi-State EHV-1 Outbreak - DATE: January 5, 2026. (Available at: https://mda.maryland.gov/Documents/EHV_EHM%2012%2031%202025%20Letter%20.pdf)

Avian Flu Letter from MDA State Veterinarian:

If you raise poultry (commercially or in a backyard flock), please see the below letter from State Veterinarian, Dr. Jen Trout, regarding biosecurity and urging producers to confine birds.

Additional resources on HPAI can be found on our website: <https://extension.umd.edu/programs/agriculture-food-systems/program-areas/animal-science/maryland-poultry/highly-pathogenic-avian-influenza-hpai/>.

Clinical Signs of Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) in Broilers





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Maryland Department of Agriculture

Office of Marketing, Animal Industries and Consumer Services

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Aruna Miller, Lt. Governor
Kevin M. Atticks, Secretary
Steven A. Connally, Deputy Secretary

Animal Health

Agriculture | Maryland's Leading Industry
mda.maryland.gov

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50 Harry S Truman Parkway
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

410-841-5810 Baltimore/Washington
410-841-5999 Fax

January 15, 2026

Dear Maryland Poultry Producers,

Since January 3, 2025, ten commercial broiler flocks on the Delmarva Peninsula have tested positive for H5 avian influenza. The most recent detection of H5 avian influenza in a commercial broiler flock in Maryland occurred in December 2025. These detections were initially identified by the National Animal Health Laboratories located in Maryland and Delaware, with confirmation from the U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Veterinary Services Laboratories (NVSL).

H5N1 continues to be detected in migrating wild birds as well. On January 2, 2025, the Maryland Department of Agriculture (MDA) confirmed that several snow geese found in Bishopville, MD, and at the Blackwater Wildlife Refuge were infected with H5 avian influenza. Delaware authorities reported similar findings on December 27, 2024, when snow geese discovered sick or dead in Sussex County tested positive for H5. These represented the first confirmed cases of Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) in wild birds in the Delmarva region since May 2022, when black vultures in Harford County tested positive through wildlife surveillance. More recently, HPAI was detected in black vultures in both Charles and Washington counties in September 2025—further underscoring that this virus remains ever present.

These detections serve as a reminder that a virulent strain of avian influenza continues to circulate among wild bird populations and poses an ongoing risk to both commercial and backyard poultry operations nationwide. As of January 8, 2026, HPAI has been confirmed in 2,009 flocks across all 50 states, including 914 commercial operations and 1,095 backyard flocks. In just the past 30 days, 68 new detections (16 commercial and 52 backyard) have affected approximately 1.21 million birds.

The Maryland Department of Agriculture strongly recommends that **all poultry producers move their flocks indoors** and maintain confinement until the risk associated with outdoor access can be reassessed. Producers who observe black vultures or wild waterfowl near their flocks should also keep their birds indoors. Any sightings of dead black vultures or wild waterfowl should be promptly reported to the Maryland Department of Natural Resources or USDA Wildlife Services.

All producers are urged to maintain **strict biosecurity practices, monitor flock health closely, and report any unexplained illness or mortality** to the Maryland Department of Agriculture at **410-841-5810**, available 24/7.

Thank you,

Dr Jennifer P Trout, DVM
Maryland State Veterinarian
Maryland Department of Agriculture



4-H Online Enrollment

Maryland 4-H is now open for enrollment and re-enrollment for families, youth, and volunteers. Please go to www.4honline.com to re-enroll. There is a new opening page (see photo below) with two options: "Sign In" (for re-enrollment) and "Sign Up" (for new members).



New this year for all Volunteers: how you will complete the training video and the completion survey. When you get to the types of volunteer roles, if you do not understand what you are doing, feel free to reach out to your local 4-H manager, and they will help you. If, however, you are confident and seasoned, please feel free to move on. After you have selected all your volunteer role(s) and screenings, you can watch the video through to the end. It has valuable information to help you succeed in our program. The videos are on the Maryland 4-H YouTube Channel and are easily accessible on any device with an internet connection and the YouTube app.

Volunteer Refresher Training Video: [2026 Volunteer Enrollment Training](#)

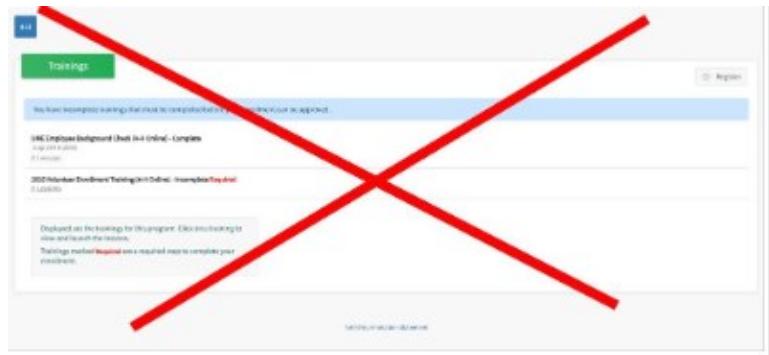
New Volunteer Training Video: [2026 Maryland 4 H Volunteer Orientation](#)

There is a Qualtrics survey you need to complete at the end, which will be sent to the Volunteer Specialist who moves your volunteer process forward.

Returning Volunteers: <https://tinyurl.com/bdz86xte>

New Volunteers: <https://tinyurl.com/2n7pkjsb>

When you get to the training screen, do NOT worry about completing this; your Video and Qualtrics completion will take the place of this step.





Returning 4-H Volunteer Enrollment



Maryland 4-H Online Handbook Family Enrollment

Returning 4-H Volunteer Enrollment Quick Click Guide

<p>4-H Volunteer Enrollment includes 3 steps.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> After you submit one step, the next step will appear Steps must be completed in order. All 3 steps must be completed before your local 4-H Office can approve your enrollment. 	<p>Step 1 – Enrollment Information About you and how you serve 4-H</p> <p>Step 2 – Enrollment Screening Confirm your continued eligibility to serve</p> <p>Step 3 – Enrollment Refresher Training Watch the video</p>
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Starting your Enrollment	
<p>Go to https://4honline.com</p> <p>There is a new welcome page that will include new items as time goes on.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Select Sign In or Get Started If you selected "Sign In", it will take you to your 4-H Online Screen. If you selected "Get Started," scroll down to the University of Maryland and select it. 	
<p>Log in to your 4-H Online family profile</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Log in ID is your family profile's email address Reset your password if needed Contact your local 4-H office if you need assistance <p>Initiate your enrollment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Click Enroll Now link next to your name Click Enroll after confirmation statement 	
<p>Step 1 – Enrollment Information</p> <p>Stop here and contact your local office.</p> <p>This page describes each volunteer type to help you choose the most suitable option. Consult your local educator, who will provide the relevant training link, whether you are renewing or starting as a new volunteer. The link for returning volunteers is https://youtu.be/zoOPMJh6zuA.</p> <p>Before you</p> <p>Add your Volunteer Role(s).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Select a Volunteer Type, then roles will appear. Add a role, then electronically sign the Volunteer Renewal Appointment Agreement and Volunteer Service Description for that role. <p>Select your club(s). (Club volunteers only)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Select your volunteer role, then add your club. You can only add one role to each club. <p>Select your project(s). (Project volunteers only)</p>	

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	<p>1/2026</p>



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- Select whether you are a club or a county project leader.
- Select your club, if applicable.
- Add the project(s) you lead. You can add more than one.
- Electronically sign project agreements as prompted.

Review and update your personal information.

- Previous answers will display.
- All **required** questions must be answered.
- Add a note to your local 4-H office (**optional**)

Electronically sign enrollment agreements.

- Click the agreement bubble & type your signature.

Submit Step 1 of your enrollment.

Step 2 – Enrollment Screening

Complete and submit your screening.

- Questions are based on your volunteer role(s).
- All **required** questions must be answered.
- Click the agreement bubble and type your signature.
- Click **Submit**.

Step 3 – Enrollment Refresher Training

Watch the Volunteer enrollment refresher training video.

- Your 4-H educator will provide the **video link** for you to watch. It is located on YouTube. The link for returning volunteers is <https://youtu.be/zoOPMjh6zuA>.
- You must watch the video all the way through and then conduct the **Qualtrics Survey** at the end for this training to be complete. The URL for the Qualtrics Survey is <https://tinyurl.com/2n7pkjsb>. The video contains important information for you as a volunteer, as well as what is needed to complete the volunteer process.





4-H Highlights



St. Mary's County Commissioners meeting, September 30, 2025:

On September 30, 2025, Susan Russell represented 4-H at the St. Mary's County Commissioners meeting where she was presented with a Proclamation for the St. Mary's County Extension Offices' collaboration with the St. Mary's County Public School System for the Farm to School Program. This year we were able to reach 1531 students at three schools (Mechanicsville Elementary, Benjamin Banneker Elementary and Evergreen Elementary) and teach them about agriculture, where their food comes from and how to eat healthy!

Maryland State Fair



The following St. Mary's County 4-H'ers competed in the Rabbit and Poultry & Egg Judging Contests at the MD State Fair: Madison Arcadipane, Delia Vallandingham, Leroy Kershaw, James Arcadipane & Levi Vallandingham.





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Congratulations to Delia Vallandingham for placing 2nd Overall Senior Individual in the Poultry & Egg Judging contest at the MD State Fair! She placed 1st for Live production hens, 1st for Live hen oral reasons, 2nd for Eggs and 2nd for Chicken carcasses. She also won a special memorial award & \$500 for placing 1st in the Senior Oral Reasons!! This also won her a spot on the MD Poultry & Egg Judging Team where she will compete in the National Poultry & Egg Judging Contest in Louisville, KY.

Way to go Delia!



Congratulations to Peyton Hutmaker for winning High Individual Overall Junior in Livestock Judging at the Maryland State Fair! She also placed 2nd Overall Junior in Beef, 4th Overall Junior in Swine and 12th Overall Junior in Sheep!!

Way to go, Peyton!





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Congratulations to Levi Vallandingham for Placing 2nd Overall Intermediate Individual in Poultry & Egg Judging at the MD State Fair!! He also placed 1st for Live Production hens.



Congrats to Wyatt Mast for winning Champion Spot Market Hog at the Maryland State Fair!!





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Thank You

A BIG THANK YOU goes to Johnny Butterfield for giving our youth a unique opportunity to learn from him and paint their own decoy!! Johnny donated the blank decoys, the paint, all the materials and most importantly his time, to teach these 4-H'ers a new skill. We would also like to thank Russell Brothers Farm for letting us use their shop to have the workshop! We really appreciate your generosity!!



Those pictured are Madison Jordan, Derek Van Ryswick, Johnny Butterfield, Maggie Russell, Kyle Russell, Delia Vallandingham, Trent Vallandingham, Josie Stewart, Jessica Graves and Emily Gale. Not pictured: Emma Smith.





St. Mary's County Fair
Livestock Judging Results

Junior

Gunnar Anderson	1st
Hayden Trossbach	1st
Kinsley Farrell	2nd
Peyton Hutmaker	3rd
Joey Humphreys	4th
John Trossbach	5th
Audrey Trossbach	6th
Bailee Johnson	7th
Maci Burroughs	7th
Lane Mast	8th
Colton Lawrence	9th
Morgan Raley	10th

Intermediate

Payton Helmick	1st
Hailey Hutmaker	1st
Mackenzie Buckler	2nd
Kenley Mast	3rd
Jace Buckler	3rd
John Hewitt	4th
Lane Burroughs	5th
Susannah Wathen	6th
Minnow Anderson	7th
Dolly Anderson	8th

Senior

Delia Vallandingham	1st
Trent Vallandingham	1st
Wyatt Mast	2nd
Matthew Van Ryswick	3rd
Weylin Anderson	4th





2025 St. Mary's County Fair Results

BEEF

Showmanship Market Beef

Grand Champion – **Brooke Buckler**
Reserve Grand Champion – **Wyatt Mast**
Junior Champion – **Kinsley Farrell**
Junior Reserve Champion – **Bailee Johnson**
Intermediate Champion – **Lane Burroughs**
Intermediate Reserve Champion – **Kenley Mast**
Senior Champion – **Brooke Buckler**
Senior Reserve Champion – **Wyatt Mast**

Market Steers

Market Steer Grand Champion – **Brooke Buckler**
Market Steer Reserve Grand Champion – **Kinsley Farrell**
Angus Steer Champion – **Kinsley Farrell**
Angus Steer Reserve Champion – **Kinsley Farrell**
Shorthorn Plus Steer Champion – **Kyle Van Ryswick**
Simental Steer Champion – **Lane Burroughs**
Crossbred Steer Champion – **Brooke Buckler**
Crossbred Steer Reserve Champion – **Wyatt Mast**

Commercial/Breeding Heifers

Best of Show Heifer – **Kinsley Farrell**
Best of Show Bull – **Kinsley Farrell**
Angus Heifer Champion – **Kinsley Farrell**
Angus Heifer Reserve Champion – **Kinsley Farrell**
Angus Bull Champion – **Kinsley Farrell**
Red Angus Heifer Champion – **Lane Burroughs**
Shorthorn Plus Heifer Champion – **Morgan Raley**
Shorthorn Plus Heifer Reserve Champion – **Morgan Raley**
Crossbred Heifer Champion – **Nathan Raley**

GOAT

Showmanship Meat Goats

Grand Champion – **Wyatt Mast**
Reserve Grand Champion – **Payton Helmick**

Junior Champion – **Peyton Hutmaker**

Junior Reserve Champion – **Morgan Raley**

Intermediate Champion – **Payton Helmick**

Intermediate Reserve Champion – **Kenley Mast**

Senior Champion – **Wyatt Mast**

Senior Reserve Champion – **Emily Gale**

Market Goats

Grand Champion – **Wyatt Mast**

Reserve Grand Champion – **Kenley Mast**

Pair of Market Goats

Grand Champion Pair of Market Goats –
Peyton Hutmaker

Reserve Grand Champion Pair of Market Goats –
Karlee Schroth

Champion Bred and Owned Market Goats

Champion Bred & Owned Market Goat–
Peyton Hutmaker

Reserve Champion Bred & Owned Market Goat -
Kyle Williams

Showmanship Dairy Goats

Grand Champion – **Emily Gale**

Reserve Grand Champion – **Levi Vallandingham**

Junior Champion – **Leroy Kershaw**

Intermediate Champion – **Levi Vallandingham**

Intermediate Reserve Champion – **Garrett Shaw**

Senior Champion – **Emily Gale**

Meat Breeding Goats

Best of Show Female Meat Goat – **Lashia Jordan**

Boer Cross Female Champion – **Lashia Jordan**

Boer Cross Female Reserve Champion – **Karlee Schroth**

Myotonic Female Champion – **Susannah Wathen**

Myotonic Female Reserve Champion –

Susannah Wathen





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Dairy & Commercial Breeding Goats

Best of Show Dairy Goat – **Emily Gale**
 Alpine Champion – **Garrett Shaw**
 Nigerian Dwarf Grand Champion – **Emily Gale**
 Nubian Grand Champion – **Logan Raley**
 Oberhasli Grand Champion – **Emily Gale**
 Saanen Grand Champion – **Leroy Kershaw**
 Toggenburg Grand Champion – **Garrett Shaw**
 Recorded Grade Grand Champion – **Leroy Kershaw**

SHEEP

Showmanship Sheep

Slick Shorn Grand Champion – **Dolly-Mae Anderson**
 Slick Shorn Reserve Grand Champion – **Kamber Hammett**
 Senior Slick Shorn Champion – **Kamber Hammett**
 Senior Slick Shorn Reserve Champion – **Delia Vallandingham**
 Intermediate Slick Shorn Champion – **Dolly-Mae Anderson**
 Intermediate Slick Shorn Reserve Champion – **John Hewitt**
 Junior Slick Shorn Champion – **Morgan Raley**
 Junior Slick Shorn Reserve Champion – **Kinsley Farrell**
 Wool Grand Champion – **Isabella Ortega**
 Wool Reserve Grand Champion – **Ariana Shannon**
 Wool Junior Champion – **Isabella Ortega**
 Wool Junior Reserve Champion – **Ariana Shannon**

Market Sheep

Grand Champion – **Dolly-Mae Anderson**
 Reserve Grand Champion – **Kamber Hammett**

Bred and Owned Market Lambs

Champion Market Lamb – **John Hewitt**
 Reserve Champion Market Lamb – **Collin Lacey**

Pair of Market Lambs

Grand Champion – **Kamber Hammett**
 Reserve Champion – **Karlee Schroth**

Commercial Breeding Sheep

Best of Show Ewe – **Chloe Williams**
 Best of Show Ram – **Brooklyn Lacey**
 Cotswold Ram Champion – **Isabella Ortega**
 Cotswold Ewe Champion – **Isabella Ortega**
 Cotswold Ewe Reserve Champion – **Isabella Ortega**
 Southdown Champion – **Brooklyn Lacey**
 Baby Doll Southdown Champion – **Ariana Shannon**
 Commercial Crossbred Ewe Champion – **Chloe Williams**
 Commercial Crossbred Ewe Reserve Champion – **Garrett Shaw**

SWINE

Showmanship

Grand Champion – **Wyatt Mast**
 Reserve Grand Champion – **Mackenzie Buckler**
 Junior Champion – **Joseph Humphreys**
 Junior Reserve Champion – **Peyton Hutmaker**
 Intermediate Champion – **Mackenzie Buckler**
 Intermediate Reserve Champion – **Kenley Mast**
 Senior Champion – **Wyatt Mast**
 Senior Reserve Champion – **Jessica Graves**

Market Hogs

Grand Champion – **Kenley Mast**
 Reserve Grand Champion – **Kenley Mast**

Pair of Market Hogs

Grand Champion – **Kenley Mast**
 Reserve Grand Champion – **Mackenzie Buckler**

Bred and Owned Market Swine

Grand Champion – **Kenley Mast**
 Reserve Grand Champion – **Kyle Van Ryswick**





4-H BUILDING

Breeding Swine

Best of Show Boar – **Willow Goddard**

Best of Show Sow – **Wyatt Mast**

Spot Sow Champion – **Wyatt Mast**

Crossbred Sow Champion – **Willow Goddard**

Crossbred Sow Reserve Champion – **Willow Goddard**

Yorkshire Gilt Champion – **Joseph Humphreys**

DIVISION 2 - POULTRY AND EGGS

POULTRY

Best in Show Poultry -**Briscoe-Solomon Anderson**

Reserve Best in Show Poultry – **Briscoe- Solomon Anderson**

Grand Champion Turkey - **John Hewitt**

Grand Champion Pen of Three Chicken -**Kyle Van Ryswick**

Reserve Champion Pen of Three Chickens – **Karlee Schroth**

EGGS

Junior Champion – **Brooklyn Lacey**

Junior Reserve Champion – **Elizabeth Butterfield**

Intermediate Champion -**James Arcadipane**

Intermediate Reserve Champion – **Josephine Dyson**

Senior Champion – **Alexander Goddard**

Senior Reserve Champion - **Emma Smith**

DIVISION 3 - RABBITS

RABBITS

Best in Show Rabbit – **Madison Arcadipane**

Reserve Best in Show Rabbit – **Susannah Wathen**

Grand Champion Market Pen of 3 – **Leroy Kershaw**

Reserve Grand Champion Market Pen of 3 – **Leroy Kershaw**

RABBIT SHOWMANSHIP -

Junior Champion – **Leroy Kershaw**

Junior Reserve Champion – **Olivia Faunce**

Intermediate Champion – **Madison Arcadipane**

Intermediate Reserve Champion – **James Arcadipane**

Senior Champion – **Delia Vallandingham**

DIVISION 4 – FIELD AND GARDEN CROPS

FIELD CROPS

Hay

Intermediate Champion – **Lane Burroughs**

Senior Champion – **Alexander Goddard**

Grain

Junior Champion – **Hayden Trossbach**

Intermediate Champion – **Lane Burroughs**

Senior Champion – **Matthew Van Ryswick**

GARDEN CROPS

Junior Champion – **John Trossbach**

Junior Reserve Champion – **Leroy Kershaw**

Intermediate Champion – **Karlee Schroth**

Intermediate Reserve Champion – **Karlee Schroth**

Senior Champion – **Alexander Goddard**

Senior Reserve Champion – **Alexander Goddard**

HERBS

Dried

Junior Champion – **Brooklyn Lacy**

Intermediate Champion – **Collin Lacey**

Intermediate Reserve Champion – **Declan Lacey**

Senior Champion – **Savannah Pierce**

Senior Reserve Champion – **Emma Smith**

Fresh

Senior Champion – **Savannah Pierce**

Senior Reserve Champion – **Savannah Pierce**





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DIVISION 5 - HOBBIES

HOBBIES

Junior Champion – **Brooklyn Lacey**
 Junior Reserve Champion – **Zayne DeGarmo**
 Intermediate Champion – **Bethany Weathersbee**
 Intermediate Reserve Champion - **Charlotte Walters**
 Senior Champion – **Matthew Van Ryswick**
 Senior Reserve Champion – **Josephine Stewart**

DIVISION 6 - CRAFTS

CRAFTS

Junior Champion – **Brooklyn Lacey**
 Junior Reserve Champion – **Hayden Trossbach**
 Intermediate Champion – **Hailey Hutmaker**
 Intermediate Reserve Champion – **Brandon DeGarmo**
 Senior Champion – **Madison Jordan**
 Senior Reserve Champion – **Rebecca Weatherbee**

DIVISION 7 – PLANTS AND FLOWERS

PLANTS AND FLOWERS

Junior Champion – **Brooklyn Lacey**
 Junior Reserve Champion – **Leroy Kershaw**
 Intermediate Champion – **Hailey Hutmaker**
 Intermediate Reserve Champion – **Josephine Dyson**
 Senior Champion – **Jessica Graves**
 Senior Reserve Champion – **Jessica Graves**

DIVISION 8 - TEXTILES

TEXTILES

Junior Champion – **Olivia Faunce**
 Junior Reserve Champion – **Leroy Kershaw**
 Intermediate Champion – **Susannah Wathen**
 Senior Champion – **Emma Smith**

DIVISION 9 – FOOD PREPARATION

FOOD PREPARATION

Junior Champion – **Leroy Kershaw**
 Junior Reserve Champion – **Kinsley Farrell**
 Intermediate Champion – **Trenton Ridgell**

Intermediate Reserve Champion – **Chloe Williams**

Senior Champion – **Emma Smith**

Senior Reserve Champion – **Savannah Pierce**

Decorated Item Champion - **Leroy Kershaw**

DIVISION 10 – FOOD PRESERVATION

FOOD PRESERVATION

Individual Entries

Junior Champion – **Harlie Farrell**
 Junior Reserve Champion – **Kinsley Farrell**
 Intermediate Champion – **Hailey Hutmaker**
 Intermediate Reserve Champion – **Hailey Hutmaker**
 Senior Champion – **Savannah Pierce**
 Senior Reserve Champion – **Savannah Pierce**

Freeze Dried Entries

Senior Champion – **Savannah Pierce**

Meals/Packs

Senior Champion – **Savannah Pierce**
 Senior Reserve Champion - **Savannah Pierce**

DIVISION 11 – CHILD CARE

CHILD CARE

Senior Champion – **Savannah Pierce**
 Senior Reserve Champion – **Savannah Pierce**

DIVISION 12 – EXPRESIVE ARTS

PHOTOGRAPHY

Junior Champion – **Zayne DeGarmo**
 Junior Reserve Champion – **Maci Burroughs**
 Intermediate Champion – **Bethany Weathersbee**
 Intermediate Reserve Champion – **Braden DeGarmo**
 Senior Champion – **Emma Smith**
 Senior Reserve Champion – **Jessica Graves**





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CREATIVE DRAWING AND PAINTING

Junior Champion – **Leroy Kershaw**

Junior Reserve Champion – **Callie Guy**

Intermediate Champion – **Paityn Dykstra**

Intermediate Reserve Champion – **Hailey Hutmaker**

Senior Champion – **Josephine Stewart**

Senior Reserve Champion – **Madison Jordan**

CREATIVE WRITING

Senior Champion – **Savannah Pierce**

Senior Reserve Champion – **Josephine Stewart**

DIVISION 13 – ANIMAL AND VETERINARIAN SCIENCE

ANIMAL/VET SCIENCE

Junior Champion – **Peyton Hutmaker**

Intermediate Champion – **Hailey Hutmaker**

Intermediate Reserve Champion – **Braden DeGarmo**

DIVISION 14 – ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES

NATURAL RESOURCES

Junior Champion – **Zayne DeGarmo**

Intermediate Champion – **Braden DeGarmo**

HONEY/BEES

Senior Champion – **Matthew VanRyswick**

DIVISION 15 – SCIENCE/TECHNOLOGY

SCIENCE/TECHNOLOGY

Junior Champion – **Zayne DeGarmo**

Intermediate Champion – **Braden DeGarmo**

Intermediate Reserve Champion – **Braden DeGarmo**

Senior Champion – **Kamber Hammett**

Senior Reserve Champion – **Kamber Hammett**

DIVISION 16 – EDUCATIONAL EXHIBITS

EDUCATIONAL EXHIBITS

Junior Champion – **Leroy Kershaw**

Intermediate Champion – **James Arcadipane**

Intermediate Reserve Champion – **Madison Arcadipane**

Senior Champion – **Savannah Pierce**

Senior Reserve Champion – **Savannah Pierce**

DIVISION 17 - CLUB PROMOTION, CLUB BOOTH

CLUB BOOTH

Champion – **Rope'n Wranglers**

Reserve Champion – **Crazy Critters**

CLUB BANNER

Champion – **Chaptico Chargers**

Reserve Champion – **Crazy Critters**

GROUP CLUB PROJECTS

Champion – **Tudor Hall**

Reserve Champion – **Wild Things**

CLUB SCRAPBOOK

Champion – **Crazy Critters**

Reserve Champion – **Chaptico Chargers**

DIVISION 18 – JUDGING CONTESTS

LIVESTOCK

Junior Champion – **Gunnar Anderson and Hayden Trossbach**

Intermediate Champion – **Payton Helmick and Hailey Hutmaker**

Senior Champion – **Delia Vallandingham and Trent Vallandingham**

HORTICULTURE

Junior Champion - **Rowan Rivera**

Intermediate Champion –
Braden DeGarmo

Senior Champion – **Emma Smith**





DIVISION 19 – SPECIAL 4-H CONTESTS

VISUAL PRESENTATIONS

Individual Demonstrations

Junior Champion – **Ella Hancock**

Intermediate Champion – **Madison Arcadipane**

Senior Champion – **Emma Smith**

Team Demonstrations

Senior Team Champions – **Nathan Raley and Morgan Raley**

Animal Demonstrations

Junior Champion – **Leroy Kershaw**

Senior Champion – **Nathan Raley**

Illustrated Talk

Junior Champion – **Hayden Trossbach**

Junior Reserve Champion – **Morgan Raley**

Intermediate Champion – **James Arcadipane**

Senior Champion – **Emily Gale**

Senior Reserve Champion – **Savannah Pierce**

PHOTO CHALLENGE

Intermediate Champion – **Branden DeGarmo**

Intermediate Reserve Champion - **Susannah Wathen**

Senior Champion – **Savannah Pierce**

Senior Reserve Champion – **Josephine Stewart**

PARADE ENTRIES

Champion – **Tudor Hall**

Reserve Champion – **Crazy Critters**

DIVISION 20 – 4-H HORSE SHOW

ENGLISH

Novice English Rider – **Malayna Ellis**

Youth English Rider – **Lucy Long**

WESTERN

Novice Western Rider – **Hannah Reagan**

Youth Western Rider – **Ryli Dykstra**

ENGLISH or WESTERN

Youth Showmanship – **Ryli Dykstra**

Novice Trail W/T - **Rowan Rivera**

Eng/West Walk 10 & Under – **Rowan Rivera**





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Tudor Hall 4-H Club Report
July 25, 2025
Submitted By: Olivia Faunce

The Tudor Hall 4-H meeting was at Tolerance Hall at St. Mary's Fairgrounds.

The meeting started at 7:08 pm.

We worked on making bunny cups for the club booth before the meeting began. Trenton Ridgell led the Pledge of Allegiance. Madelyn Russell led the 4-H Pledge. Roll call was taken by stating our names. New members were introduced. The last meeting minutes were read by Madison Arcadipane. The treasurer's report was given. Demos were done by Suzannah Wathen on Quail. Leroy Kershaw on Netherland dwarf rabbits and Madelyn Russell did a demo on cookies.

Old business was discussed: Weigh in Check In was July 26th with the Wild Things 4-H club. None of our members attended. New business was discussed: 4 -H dairy goat judging at the State Fair the end of August. An upcoming Nature Event for 8yrs or older with be at Sotterley. We discussed the booth for the 4-H building and the float. The theme will be Hop on over to Tudor Hall 4-H club. Wild Things club will be hosting a Livestock Skillathon on Aug. 5th and will also have a Hooves trimming event on Aug 9th. A Food Drive event will take place on Sept 13th at the Lex. Park U-Haul and also at Bay District Firehouse. Emily Gale will be collecting items for Three Oaks. She will have a bin at the fair and next meeting.

Meeting ended at 7:38

REPORTER'S NEWS
South County Patriots 4-H Club Report
September 2025
Submitted By: Savannah Pierce

No official business meeting was held in September. Club members participated in the various fair activities instead such as serving as building monitors in the 4-H building, participating in the cake auction, entering exhibits, showing livestock, and competing in the horticulture, photography, demonstration, and illustrated talk competitions.





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REPORTER'S NEWS
Crazy Critters 4-H Club Report
November 2025
Submitted By: Mandy Walters

We recently held our November meeting, where members presented thoughtful speeches and cast their votes to select club officers for the upcoming year. It was a great moment of teamwork and leadership as everyone came together to shape the club's direction.

The following week, we proudly participated in the Veterans Day parade. The temperatures were freezing and the wind was wild, but the energy from the crowd—and their excitement at seeing the horses—brought so much warmth to the day. Members bundled up, laughed through the cold, and made memories that will stick with us.

With November wrapped up, we're now turning our attention to the holiday season and are eagerly looking forward to our upcoming Christmas party.

Club Members: Adriana Costello, Ava Eagan, Malayna Ellis, Ellie Hayden, Baylee Hill, LJ Perry, Carley Roberson, Karlee Scroth, Jenna Stallard, Charlotte Walters

