Lake County 4-H Newsletter!

November 10th Newsletter!

This Issue:

Pg 2: Agenda for Clubs

Pg 3: Make your own dog bed!

Pg 4: Mask Advisory from MSU

Pg 5: Mini Library Instructions

Pg 6: Calendar

Pg 7: Shooting Sports Update

Pg 8-10: Stockmans Heifer Grant information

Happy Veterans Day!

1.) Zsuites– new way to enroll in 4H ENROLLMENT OPEN NOW!

3.) Attention: Council is voting on new officers soon for Vice President and Secretary.

4.) New Covid-19 Updates

5.) Mini libraries are nearing completion. Have your club planning for decoration and location!

6.) Market Livestock Checks must be cashed by December 30th, 2020!

7.) We are revamping our websites. Look out for changes soon!

MSU/Lake County Extension
300 Third Avenue NW
Ronan, MT 59864
(406) 676-4271
lake1@montana.edu

Jack Stivers
MSU/Lake Co. Extension Agent
Agriculture/4H
jstivers@montana.edu

Breton Homewood
MSU/Lake Co. Extension Agent
Family Consumer Sciences/4H
Breton.homewood@montana.edu

https://www.lakemt.gov/extension/extension.html

Like us on Facebook and share our page to your friends and family!

Like

Agenda/upcoming Items for our 4H Clubs

(Read this portion at your club meetings Online)

1) New updated policy regarding Covid and safety in 4-H. Please see attachment to this newsletter email.

1) Council will host a vote for Secretary and Vice President soon. If you are interested we'd love to support you!

2.) Zsuites– We are rolling out a new sign up system for 4H. Be sure <u>not</u> to sign up on 4honline anymore, as we are discontinuing that service. Enroll at
https://4h.zsuite.org/

3.) Shooting Sports needs you enrolled before you show up to the next lesson. There are also some policy and procedures to update on going forward. Please see the back of the newsletter for updates.

4.) Please pick up Market Livestock Checks! Checks must be cashed by December 30th!

5.) Policy change passed by council November 3rd:

Old policy reads: Member yearly enrollment fee will be paid at the club. Fees collected by each club will be submitted to the Extension Office by December 1.

Proposed Change: Member yearly enrollment fee maybe paid either of two ways: Directly to the club or Directly to the Extension office by December 1. Paid electronically using credit or debit card during enrollment through 4-H electronic enrollment system –"Zsuites"

MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY | EXTENSION

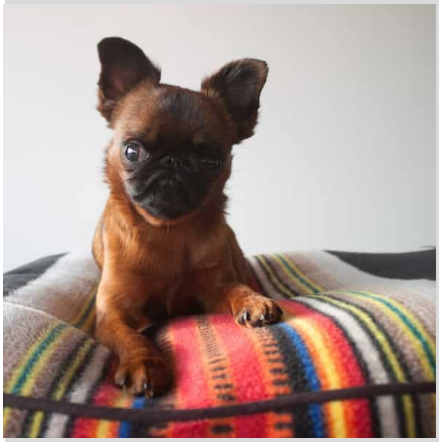
LAKE COUNTY 4-H
NEWSLETTER

Overflow Class

Weekend Workshop Series-
MAKE YOUR OWN DOG BED!

We are now full! Sign up for **overflow class** and we might plan a session!

Date: Saturday, November 21st, 1:00pm-3:00pm
Cost: $10
<u>Limit of 6</u>



LAKE COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER

New Update from MSU:

MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY EXTENSION

For more information regarding Montana 4-H Covid-19 guidlines for in-person club meetings and events, please visit montana4h.org.

Mini Library Instructions

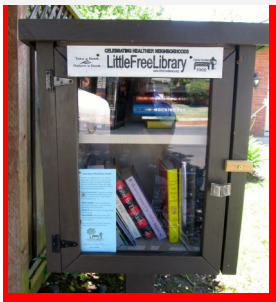
For now we request that clubs:

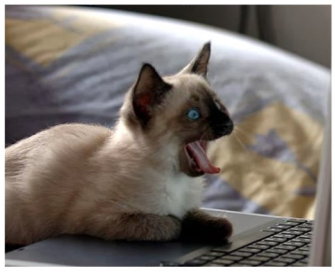
*Find a location, obtain permissions and bury the 4x4 stand assembly (We will provide your club with that shortly.)

*(Optional) Register your library and order the plaque for it at https://littlefreelibrary.myshopify.com/products/silver-aluminum-charter-sign?variant=17506180993

*Paint and decorate your box– **TAKE PHOTOS!**
*Make bookmarkers for it
*Find donation books and canned foods for your boxes
*HAVE FUN!!!!

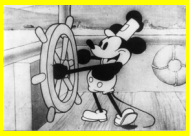
We have a head start of books and canned goods for the library at the office if you need it!





MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY | EXTENSION

November 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3 Council Meeting 6pm	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11 Veterans Day (Office Closed)	12	13	14
15	16	17	18 	19	20	21 1:00pm Workshop
22	23	24	25	26 	27 Black Friday Office Closed	28
29	30 Ambassador Meeting					

December 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15 Awards Committee Meeting 6:00pm	16	17	18	19 3rd Weekend Class
20	21	22	23	24	25 	26
27	28	29	30	31	2021! Finally!!!!	

Shooting Sports Update

Shooting Sports Meets at Lake County Community center and Horticulutre Barn <u>Tuesdays at 6pm.</u>
Help Setting up is appreciated!

Montana 4-H Shooting Sports Fall 2020 Guidelines

Montana 4-H Shooting Sports activities will follow the COVID-19 Guidelines for MSU Extension In-Person Events and Activities, Dated September 21, 2020 until an updated version is available.

- If you are not feeling well, please do not attend an event.
- If your county has less than four cases, facemasks do not need to be worn inside. If there are more than 4 cases, facemasks must be worn.
- Ensure that a certified leader appropriate for the discipline is present for the activity. Also ensure that there are two adults present to run the activity.
- To manage the numbers of shooters present, use sign up times for practice times. This will allow for management of numbers to allow physical distancing.
- If the event does not allow for physical distancing of six (6) feet, do not do the event if over 50 individuals are present.
- For the safety of the archer, do not use a face mask. Rearrange relays to maintain social distance of 6 feet.
- Rearrange firing points to allow for six feet of distance between shooters. For Airgun, smallbore, and, archery, a suggested two firing points between shooters would be sufficient. Shotgun activities such as Trap would satisfy the requirement. The squad of five shooters would need to maintain the 6 feet of distance.
- As under Standard Best Practices, Eye Protection and appropriate Hearing Protection need to be used.
- Do not share equipment unless to family members. Assign equipment to each shooter to minimize cross contamination.
- At the conclusion of the practice session, sanitize all shooting surfaces, tables, etc. Be sure to have shooters wash their hands with soap and water before and after the activity. A bleach solution may be used. Following the guidelines from the CDC; To make a bleach solution, mix: 5 tablespoons (1/3rd cup) bleach per gallon of water OR 4 teaspoons bleach per quart of water. **Alcohol solutions with at least 70% alcohol may also be used.** For complete CDC Guidelines, please see the following website address; https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/cleaning-disinfection.html.
- It is recommended to wipe down Firearm, Archery, and Airgun Equipment with appropriate cleaning and lubricating solvents at the end of each session.
- Contact your County Health Office to see if there are any further guidelines.
- Have Fun and Be Safe. Good Luck and Shoot Well.

LAKE COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER

Western Montana Stockmen's Association

SCHOLARSHIP HEIFER PROGRAM
APPLICATION DEADLINE December 10, 2020

Western Montana Stockmen's Association (WMSA) is making available a herd building heifer program to develop youth in the cattle business by awarding a yearling heifer to a youth chosen by the Board of Directors through an application process. This program is designed to encourage members of 4H and FFA to start and develop their own herd.

ELIGIBILITY: Any 4H or FFA member in the six-county area served by WMSA, between the ages of 10 and 16 as of January 1, 2021 is eligible to apply. Western Montana Counties include: Lake, Lincoln, Mineral, Missoula, Flathead, and Sanders.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Personal letter of application including:

Name and age of applicant, "All contact information, mailing, email, phone".

Introduction of applicant and their background.

Stated Goals and Objectives for the heifer

Current interests in agriculture

Name of 4H club or FFA chapter

Description of facilities and grazing that will be used

Why would you like to receive a scholarship heifer?

Mentor: Applicant needs to identify a knowledgeable adult other than a family member who will assist with knowledge and skills to help raise the heifer through yearly production cycles. "Include all contact information for the Mentor"

LAKE COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER

Two letters of reference, one may be from Extension Agent, 4H Leader, or FFA Advisor. Another letter must be from applicants chosen Mentor. Include mentor's address, phone number and email address.

Fair Exhibit: Required during the first year. The heifer must be enrolled in the FFA or 4H beef project and exhibited at one of the County fairs within WMSA's six-County region (unless an alternative option to fair exhibition is approved by the committee). A breeding beef futurity will be held (time, date, location to be announced) at a County fair in the six-county area. This Futurity will consist of all WMSA 1st year heifers, with past winners being invited to enter.

Committee Visitation: In April of 2021 a committee representing the Stockmen's Association will contact heifer recipients in order to view the heifer and how she is being cared for.

Fair Banner: A banner supplied by WMSA must be placed above the fair stall of the heifer.

Record Keeping: It is required that either 4H or FFA records be kept on the heifer. Recipients will be required to submit records kept through June 2021 and again in January to the Association. Mail records on or before June 12, 2021. Then again have records up to date in January 2022 at the annual business meeting.

Poster Display at WMSA Annual Meeting: One year after being awarded the heifer it is required that a display with pictures and records be set up at the WMSA annual business meeting January 2022, Polson MT. At which time the applicant will receive full ownership of the heifer. Until then, during the first year the heifer will be jointly owned with WMSA.

Heifers will be awarded January 30, 2021 at the Association annual meeting.

Questions Contact: Cody Sherman 406-261-0376, or Paul Guenzler 406-261-3566

Return Application To: Western Montana Stockmen's Association
35101 Willow Tree, St. Ignatius, MT 59865

Applications must be post marked on or **before** December 10, 2020 to be Considered.

LAKE COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER

Please review the attached cost estimates associated with raising the heifer for the first year.

Heifer Scholarship

Cost Consideration Estimates When applying for a Heifer

February – May, 120 days winter feeding Forage 27 lbs. per day = 2 ton $150.00 per ton $300

Grain 5 lbs. per day= 600lbs x0.35 per lbs. $192

Pasture – May – October 130 days

4 months $25.00 per month $112

Salt & Mineral for 12 months, 70 lbs. x0.55 /lb. $38

Other Cash Costs

Ex. Vet Med, equipment, Breeding Cost,

Extra grain, Etc. $100

Approximately $750.00 is what you will need to pay for one-year heifer maintenance costs. Actual expenses will very according to feed prices and management choices.