

Thanks For a Great 4-H Fair Season!



September always finds Saratoga County 4-H unwinding from a busy fair season. We missed that feeling in 2020, but our 4-H'ers came back strong this year! Whether it was showing your animals or working in the 4-H Snack Bar at the Saratoga County Fair or entering your projects in the 4-H Project Expo. THANK YOU for making the 2021 fair season one to remember. The 4-H staff has long lamented that 2020 robbed us of what we enjoy most about our jobs, and this is interacting with our 4-H youth. 2021 has provided many refreshing moments to bring our staff back to our #1 goal, which is providing our youth with positive experiences in 4-H.

We invite you to check out the centerfold of this months issue of 4-H Highlights to see some of our favorite photos from this year's fair events. Though we can't include all of the amazing moments, we can't help but smile when we look back at the great season that we had.

We are looking forward to many of our upcoming events, and hope that our 4-H families can join us for more fun and exciting learning opportunities. Be safe everyone, and we hope that you can join us soon!

UPCOMING EVENTS & DEADLINES

11th - Teen Council Zoom Meeting

19th-Leaders Banquet

September

20th-Leaders Meeting

22nd - Shooting Sports Committee

25th - Shooting Sports Course Starts

25th- Teen Council

October

1st- Project Record & Activity Books Due

1st-New 4-H Year Begins

6th-17th— TSC Paper Clover

27th- Shooting Sports Committee Meeting

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Calling All 4-H'ers

Achievement "Day" 2021

Achievement Night is a very special night in 4-H. It is an opportunity to celebrate the completion of the 4-H year and acknowledge everyone's accomplishments. The program is a unique combination of recognition, thanks, and fun. It is definitely an event for everyone – members, leaders, family, friends, and relatives.

In 2021 we'll have to do things a little differently. Achievement Night will be held on Halloween Sunday October 31st during the day outside at the 4-H Training Center It will be an afternoon of great proportion as everyone celebrates and participates in the event.

Mark your calendar, make your reservation with the 4-H Office, and be at the Training Center on October 31st!

There may be a Halloween twist! Stay tuned for more spooky details!

<u>Project and Activity Record Books</u> Due October 1st: Available Online!

The 2020-21 4-H year is coming to a close, and a great way to chronicle your accomplishments is to complete a Project Record book. For 4-H'ers, ages 8-18, the record book is a light green booklet; for Cloverbuds, it is a white booklet. Both can be picked up in the 4-H Office or found online. All 4-H'ers and Cloverbuds who turn in a completed record book will receive a certificate at Achievement Day Also, turning in a Project Record book is one of the requirements to be eligible for the county medals/rosettes. You can now find them online on our 4-H Website at ccesaratoga.org!!





County Medals

Each year 40 or more businesses and corporations make available county medals of honor in over 30 program areas which may be awarded to 4-H members, ages 12 and over, who have shown excellence in their project areas.

Letters will be sent to all leaders in the next few weeks concerning nominations. We are asking 4-H leaders and parents to help the county 4-H staff identify those 4-H members who have demonstrated an outstanding performance/achievement in one or more project areas. Please notify the 4-H Office by **October 1st** with any nominations you might have. Extra nomination forms are available at the 4-H Office.



2021–2022 CLUB ENROLLMENT MEETINGS

This fall, 4-H club enrollment meetings will be held at the end of September at the CCE Office, 50 West High St., Ballston Spa and via Zoom. Zoom meeting information will be sent to you after you sign-up, and club packets will be available for pick-up prior to your meetings. In-person attendees will get their club packets at the meeting.

<u>Club organizational leaders are required to attend one of the meetings or set up an appointment to pick up the packet.</u> Club packets will not be mailed or handed out without attending a meeting to discuss the enrollment process for 2021-22. These meetings usually take around 1 hour.

All meetings are open to all leaders.

The meetings will be as follows:

Wednesday, September 15th, 10:00am via Zoom

Thursday, September 16th, 6:30pm In-Person and via Zoom

Thursday, September 23rd, 6:30pm In-Person and via Zoom

Please pre-register for these meetings. To sign up for one of the 3 meetings listed above, contact the 4-H office 518-885-8995

Individual Members Re-enrollment

Individuals members enrolling for this year will be sent a form in the mail in September. It is important to complete the form. Forms should be returned to the office with a \$5 enrollment fee. Anyone who enrolled after August 1st, 2021 will have enrollment fees rolled over for 2021-2022, **but we will need to have re-enrollment forms signed by these members**.

Individual Leaders Re-enrollment

Individual leaders re-enrollment forms will also be mailed out in September. Please complete the enrollment form, sign the enrollment form and volunteer agreement and return both forms, along with the \$5 fee, to the 4-H Office.

All enrollment club packets/ forms are due back to the office by November 1st, 2021



A-H CHICKEN B B B C

Saturday, October 9th 4:00-7:00pm

\$14
1/2 Chicken
Baked Potato
Coleslaw
Dinner Roll
Smith Apple Pie
Bottle of Water

CCE Office 50 W. High St Ballston Spa Drive-Thru Service

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County Fair

4-H Animal Exhibition at the 2021 Saratoga County Fair

A job Very well done at our animal exhibitions this year at the county fair. 4-H members should be very proud to have such well cared for animals on display for the county. Here are the final results:

Dairy Cattle: Champion showman— Caitlyn Vandeusen, Reserve Showman— Ryleigh Wadsworth, Grand champion Guernsey— Caitlyn Vanduesen, Champion Jr. Holstein - Ryleigh Wadsworth, Reserve Jr. Holstein— Wyatt Swatling, Grand Champion other breeds—Thomas Frasier, Grand Champion of all breeds— Ryliegh Wadsworth, Reserve champion of all breeds— Wyatt Swatling.

Sheep: Champion Showman—Wyatt Short, Reserve showman—Colin Anderson, Champion Cotswold ram—Wyatt Short, Cotswold ewe champion—Carter Short, Reserve champion Cotswold ewe—Wyatt Short, AOB wool ewe champion—Addelayde Ross, Reserve AOB wool—Ethan Stone, Tunis ram Champion—Colin Anderson, Reserve Tunis ram—Eva Anderson, Tunis ewe champion—Colin Anderson, AOB meat champion—Addelayde Ross, Reserve AOB meat champion—Nathaniel McDevitt, Grand champion pair of rams—Wyatt Short, Reserve champion pair of rams—Connor Anderson, Supreme champion ram—Wyatt Short, Supreme reserve champion ram—Wyatt Short, Pair of ewes Grand champion—Colin Anderson, Supreme champion ewe—Colin Anderson, Supreme reserve ewe—Kieran Stone.

Goat: Champion Showman– Anna Venditti, Reserve champion showman– Kohlby Himelrick, Junior champion Nubian – Lillietta Mulford, Junior champion Nigerian Dwarf – Anna Venditti, Junior reserve champion Nigerian Dwarf– Kohlby Himelrick, Senior champion Nigerian Dwarf– Anna Venditti, Senior reserve champion Nigerian Dwarf– Kohlby Himelrick, Champion Senior animal– Kiri kergel, Reserve senior animal– Anna Vendetti, Best of show– Anna Venditti, Reserve Best in show– Kohlby Himelrick.

Rabbits & Cavies: Champion Cavy Showman—Bethany Myatt, Best in Show Cavy—Bethany Myatt, Champion Rabbit Showman—Kohlby Himelrick, Reserve Champion Rabbit Showman-Julia Bodein, Dutch best of breed—Isabella Winslow, Lionhead best of breed—Kohlby Himelrick, Holland Lop best of breed—Aaron Myatt, Mini Lop best of breed—Matthias Miller, Mini Rex best of breed—Eva Anderson, Mini Rex reserve best of breed—Lauryn Duell, Rex best of breed—Isabella Winslow, Rex reserve best of breed—Jacob Winslow, Champion Grade-Bethany Myatt, Any other Purebred—William Winslow, Best fur—Kohlby Himelrick.

Horse: Junior Champion-Miriam Evans, Senior Champion-Nikki Stark

Poultry: Champion showman— Jade Bradley, Reserve showman— Anna Venditti, Honorable mention showman— Connor Anderson, Bantom best of breed— Eva Anderson, Best in show— Anna Venditti, Reserve best in show show— Connor Anderson.

The Fred Sanders Award-

Fred had a passion for showing cattle and enjoyed watching the local 4-H'ers showing their cattle at the fair. Each year, in his honor, the winner's photo will appear on a wall plaque in the Saratoga County Fair Office as well as a \$250 cash award and an individual plaque presented in the show ring to the Saratoga County 4-Her who garners the highest points. This year's recipient is shown in the photo receiving her award.



Animal Ambassadors Tour Saratoga Race Track

The Saratoga County 4-H Animal Ambassadors enjoyed learning the ins-and-outs of the thoroughbred racing industry with Amplify Horse Racing at the Saratoga Race Track. They were able to speak with a professional trainer, tour the silk room, and walk through the paddocks. We are excited to continue to offer more unique educational experiences like these in the future!







Saratoga County Agricultural Promotion Committee

Presents Ag Movie Night! hosted at the



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FARMLAND

September 12th

Gates open at 6pm

Show time starts at Approx. 7:20pm

\$15 per Car load!

Purchase tickets
in advance by
Calling the CCE Saratoga
Office at

518-885-8995



ilitary Kids 4-H Family Fishing Derby

FREE fishing event for youth and their families of all branches of the military. Fishing Poles will be provided for youth. Youth may bring their own pole. Shirts for youth and adults.

Lunch will also be provided.

Saturday, September 25, 2021 10:00a.m.-2:00p.m 4-H Training Center Ballston Spa

Registration is limited to 50 youth participants plus families.

For more information or to register please call the 4-H

office at (518) 885-8995.

You must pre-register by September 3rd.

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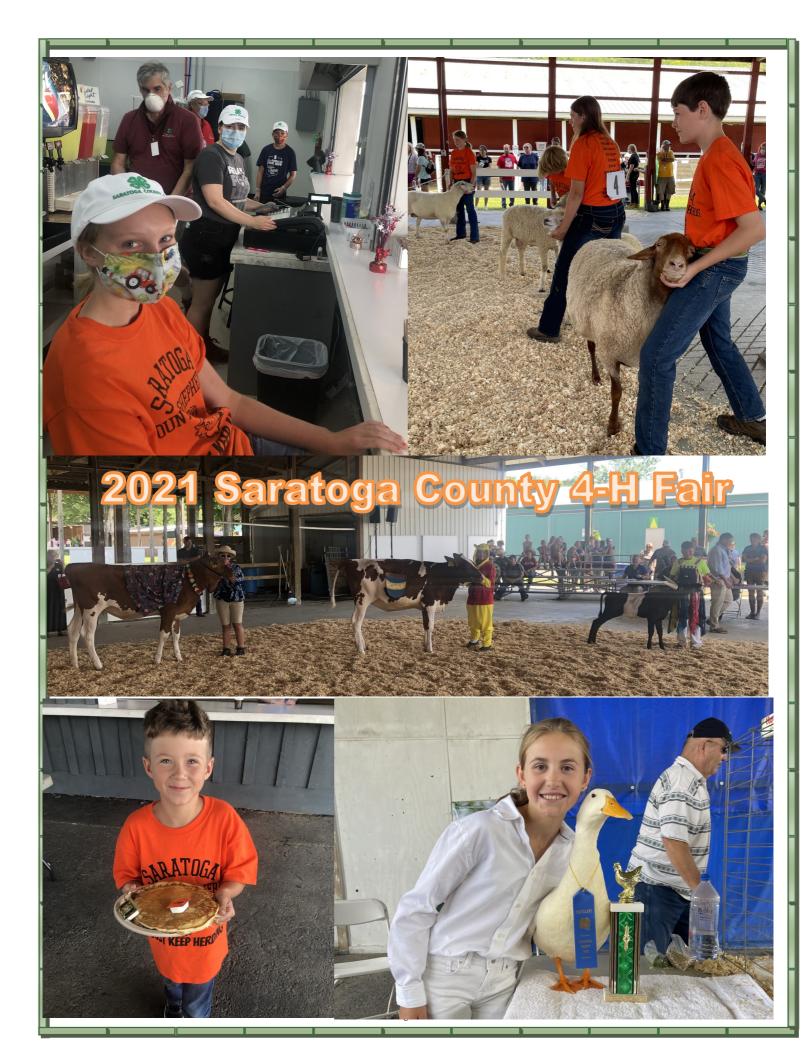












Saratoga County 4-H Animal Exhibitions 2021



Project Expo

Teen Council Update

Who: All 4-H Teens

What: Teen Counci Business Meeting When: Saturday, September 11th, 6:30pm

Where: Zoom

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Who: All 4-H Teens

What: Teen Council Paint and Snack When: Sat., September 25th, 6:30-8:30pm

Where: 4-H Training Center

We are so grateful for the Hard Work and Dedication showed by our members and volunteers at this year's 4-H Snack Bar. In what was certainly an odd year, you all made things come together, and for the first time in a while things felt "normal". Our shifts were full, our members and volunteers were pleasant and excited to be helping, and it was overall a great experience.

We want to extend an invitation to all 4-H Teens to join us for our September meetings. 4-H Teen Council is going strong, and it's time that you see what all of the excitement is about. We hope to see you all soon!

4-H Open House Halloween Extravaganza

Save the date!

Saratoga County 4-H will be hosting a Halloween Extravaganza at the 4-H Training Center on October 31st @1pm. We are inviting 4-H clubs to participate in creating games, informational booths, crafts, or handing out candy at the event. We are also looking for livestock animals to display in the indoor arena. There will be 4-H horse show held in the outdoor arena. The 4-Hers are encouraged to dress up in costumes.

This event will be open to the public to come learn more about the 4-H programs that we offer. There will be Trick or Treating and Halloween themed activities.

If you are a club leader and your club is interested in participating email Rylie Lear at rjl287@cornell.edu or call (518)885-8995



4-H For Leaders

Date and time: September 20th, 2021

Location: CCE (HYBRID)

The 4-H Leader's Association is a very special component of the 4-H Program. Open to all adult leaders, the group provides opportunities for training, program and idea sharing and support from fellow leaders. It is also the avenue for volunteers to have a voice in the 4-H program. **Every club should have at least one representative at the meeting. Now is the time to join!**

At this meeting we will be voting on officers for the 2021-2022 year, discussing goals for the upcoming year, talking BBQ and NES, as well as any other topics you the leaders want to discuss.

As leaders, we need your support, and in turn want to support your efforts. Please try to join us!

Summer BBQ- Over \$4,300 Raised for the Fair Grandstands

The 2021 BBQ at the Saratoga County Fair had a different look to it. Although this was not exactly put on by our Leaders Association, it was yhe leaders who worked tirelessly to make this event successful.

It takes many volunteers, both adult and youth, to make the event happen. Whether you made phone calls, shopped, slaved over the hot coals, scrubbed potatoes, made dressing, donated to pies, directed traffic, or wiped down tables, or stuck around to clean up the BBQ pits, ran back and forth from the TC to the fairgrounds or served the meal, you were an integral part of the event and its success.

This was a full countywide community service project. We did our part to support the new grandstands at the fairgrounds. The County Fair is a an integral part of our 4-H Year.

Special thanks to the members that came out from Big Sky Country who provided some entertainment and Sanders Meat Market for donating the Chickens.











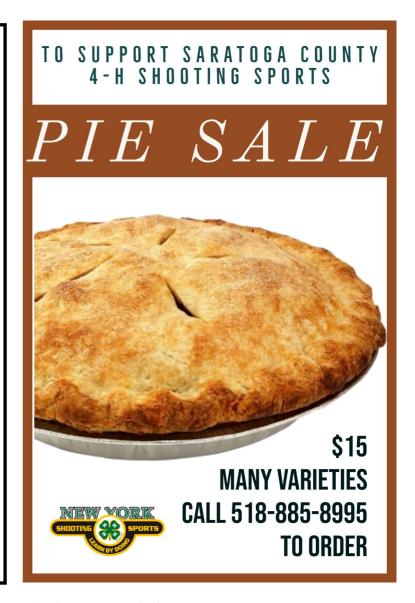
Saratoga County 4-H Shooting Sports Pie Sale

The Saratoga County 4-H
Shooting Sports Committee is
holding a Pie Sale featuring a
variety of pies from Mourningkill
Farm in Charlton. Proceeds from this
fundraiser will be used to
support and expand Youth Shooting
Sports opportunities in Saratoga
County.

Pies available for order include:
Apple, Pecan,
Strawberry-Rhubarb, Chocolate Chip
Cookie and "Red, White and Blue".

Orders may be placed through 4-H Shooting Sports committee members or by calling the 4-H Office at 518.885.8995.

Order deadline is October 9th, with order pick-up from 3-5 on October 23rd at the 4-H Training Center.



Attention all 4-H Animal Exhibitors

Saratoga County 4-H is hosting the first Annual Market Auction during the 2022 Saratoga County Fair!

The Livestock Auction is an opportunity for 4-H youth to understand the process of raising an animal for consumption. The 4-Her will be responsible for nutrition, animal husbandry, and marketing of the livestock animal. The animal will be sold at the livestock auction during the fair.

Species allowed in the meat auction are market lambs, market hogs, beef steers, meat goats, meat rabbits (roasters), and poultry (chickens, turkeys, and ducks). 4-H members 8 and older may participate. There will be a meeting to discuss the Livestock auction in December. If you are interested in selling an animal in the sale please be considering picking out a project soon for the 2022 fair. Raising a market animal is a yearlong commitment and there will be weight minimums and maximums the animal has to meet for it to be sold. For more information contact our livestock Coordinator, Rylie Lear, ril287@cornell.edu or call (518)885-8995.



PAPER CLOVER FUNDRAISER

Leaders, Clubs, and Families,

It is once again time for the bi-annual Paper Clover Campaign Promotion in partnership with Tractor Supply Company (TSC). This event marks the sixth year of collaboration between the organizations on the national in-store fundraiser, benefiting our state and local 4-H programming.

The Fall 4-H Paper Clover Campaign will take place October 6-17. Shoppers at both the Saratoga Springs and Clifton Park stores will have the opportunity to support 4-H in Saratoga County by choosing to purchase paper clovers for a \$1 or more at checkout. All funds raised will be donated to 4-H, and will directly support 4-H youth development program activities in our County.



We are able to participate IN-STORE in the fall of 2021.

Clubs are needed to volunteer at the stores and promote

clover sales. We have six slots available for 4-H Clubs to volunteer for. These are offered on a first come – first served basis. Once you choose a date and time (flexible), you must commit to being there. Clubs can greet customers, set up a table and 4-H display, bag customer purchases, answer questions, hand out enrollment forms, and promote 4-H in a positive manner to the local community. Some have even added a bake or pet-treat sale to their table to draw more attention and raise money for their clubs while being there. Also, you can be at the store for as little as two hours or as long as you want. Even better, this can count as community service for your club. **Let's get creative!** The dates and times available are:

Saratoga Store: Saturday, October 9th Saratoga Store: Sunday, October 10th Saratoga Store: Saturday, October 16th Clifton Park Store: Saturday, October 16th Clifton Park Store: Saturday, October 16th



IT'S PAPER CLOVER TIME!

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Funds support 4-H camp and leadership activities.





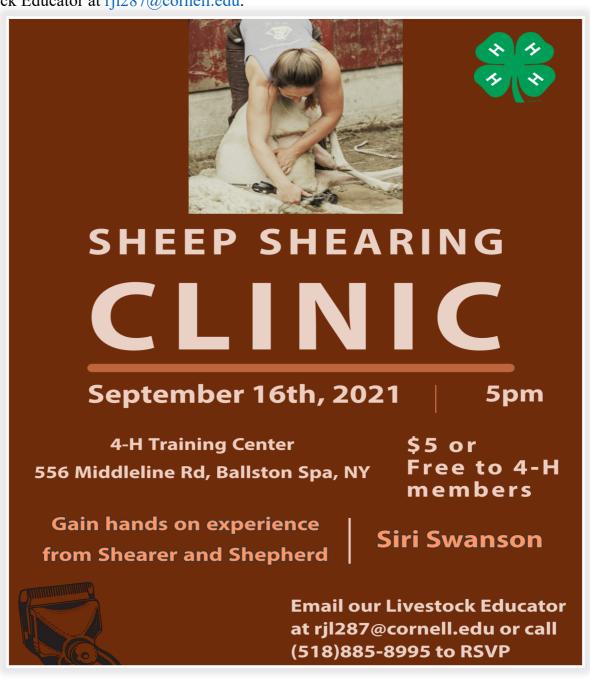
Contact Greg ASAP if your club is interested in volunteering for one of the dates above. Our presence at the event is truly beneficial to the overall success. Thank you for your support of this valuable fundraiser! With questions or to sign up: grs9@cornell.edu or 518-885-8995. We couldn't do it without your help!

Sheep Shearing clinic offered by Saratoga 4-H

Ballston Spa, NY – Saratoga County 4-H is offering a Sheep Shearing Clinic this fall to youth ages 10 and older. The event will take place at the 4-H Training Center on Middleline Road in Ballston Spa on September 16th, 2021 at 5pm. This clinic will exhibit the art of sheep shearing and preparing wool breeds for show. Participants will be provided a hands-on learning experience from professional shearer Siri Swanson.

Siri Swanson is a Shepherd and Shearer of Yankee Rock Farm. Swanson has abundant of background knowledge in the sheep industry and has been shearing for the last 5 years. Siri along with shearing partner, Colin Siegmund, strive to maintain animal comfort and top-quality clipping.

Space is limited and expected to fill quickly. Payment of \$5/family is required at entry or prior to the clinic. The event is free of charge for 4-H members and their families in Saratoga County. Please contact the 4-H office for additional information or to register at (518) 885-8995 or email our Livestock Educator at rjl287@cornell.edu.



	26	19 Leaders Banquet 1:30-3:30	12	5		SUN
	27	20 Leaders Association Meeting	13	9		NOM
	28	21	14	7		TUE
	29	Shooting Sports Committee Meeting	15 Re-enrollment meeting 10am	8	1	WED
	30	Re-enrollment meeting 6:30pm	16 Sheep Shearing Clinic 5pm Re-enrollment meeting 6:30pm	9	2	THU
Project Books and County Medals Due	October 1	24	17	10	3	FRI
		25 Military Kid Fishing Derby Teen Council	18	11 Teen Council Zoom Meeting	4	SAT

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