

Clover Lines

Meet the All-Stars



Please join us in welcoming and congratulating three new All-Stars—Hannah Hassien of Chief Peak, Francesca Cerri of Santa Rosa Valley and Harrison Hargleroad of Santa Rosa Valley. They will be joining Bailey Morris for the 2014 program year.

The All-Star rank recognizes members' leadership abilities, but it is also a working honor. Besides their regular projects and activities, All Stars assist with county events, and develop and perform service projects.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Club Officers Train To Be The Best

Club Officer Training is the best way to start the year for the club. All officers are welcome, but it is mandatory for all new officers and every treasurer.

This year, the Club Officer Manual has been updated and new material focused on personal leadership development and goal setting has been added and will be covered in the training. A new manual will be given to every officer attending a training.

Please R.S.V.P. for each individual planning to attend, so that we will have enough materials and food. Dinner is provided for officers, and club leaders/officer advisors. Additional dinners can be purchased for \$4 each. Please note that the agenda is different on each night.

These trainings will take place at the 4-H Office at 669 County Square Drive in Ventura. Please use the front doors, facing the condominiums.

Tuesday, August 19, 2014 5:30 - 8:00 p.m.

R.S.V.P. at <http://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=13287>

Dinner: 5:30 p.m. - 5:45 p.m.

Club Officer Training: 5:45 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.

Treasurer Training: 7:15 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

OR

Wed., September 3, 2014 5:30 - 8:00 p.m.:

R.S.V.P. at <http://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=13288>

Treasurer Training: 5:30 p.m. - 6:15 p.m.

Dinner: 6:15 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Club Officer Training: 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Menu each night will include
pasta, green salad
& water.



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Featured Club Happenings!

Mira Monte 4-H

By Logan Rutherford

Meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month, 6:30 p.m. at
Ojai Valley Grange Hall

Mira Monte 4-H is very fun and exiting. So far I have been able to meet many new friends and have been able to volunteer in many things. We gave food to the needy through the Help of Ojai for Thanksgiving. I was able to see the smiles on the peoples faces when we gave them there food box. Our club has been able to work together with the Ojai Presbyterian Church and Help of Ojai for at least 6 years. We made special desserts for the women who run the Grange Hall thanking them for letting us use their building for our monthly meetings. We had a Valentines basket auction for fundraising Mira Monte 4-H. Some of the other 4 -H members were able to take a field trip to the Old Fashioned Country Butcher to see how meat is processed. Along with many other things, I have only belonged to this group for a short time but we have already done many new and exiting field trips and fundraisings. I look forward to the future of what Mira Monte 4-H can offer me throughout this year and many more years to follow.



Emerald Star Project: 4-H Lamb Shearing Video

By Francesca Cerri, Santa Rosa Valley 4-H Market Lamb Project

Looking for a great way to expand your knowledge of shearing sheep? Look no further! As an Emerald Star Project, there is a video now available for sale that presents how to properly shear a market lamb. An Emerald Star Project allows 4-H members to become more involved in their 4-H community. The Emerald Star is a service project designed to meet a need, in this case in our 4-H community. To receive the Emerald Star, one must come up with an idea and find a mentor to help his or her 4-H community, then he or she must submit an application to the 4-H office. Once approved, one must complete his or her Emerald Star Project.

After completion another form is completed with a summary of the project and its successes and shortcomings. The applicant is then interviewed and the project is hopefully approved and the 4-H member can receive his or her Emerald Star.

My project was creating this educational video. It also covers the history and purposes of shearing sheep and includes a step-by-step process for shearing sheep. This video is a fun and interesting way to learn how to shear, and it is a great new skill to add to your 4-H resume. Each video is \$3 and can be received by either media mail or on a DVD. All profits made from the video will go to the Santa Rosa Valley 4-H Market Lamb Project. To place an order, email: frankiecerri@gmail.com



There are no Featured Clubs in September. Have a great summer!

Featured Club calendar is at http://ceventura.ucdavis.edu/Youth_Development/4-H/Newsletter/

Enrollment News

Enrollment for the 2014-15 program year is under way; the Application/Enrollment packets have been given to the clubs and passed on to the members and volunteers.

Please help your Club Leaders and Club Enrollment Specialists with the enrollment process by getting your completed 4-H Application/Enrollment packet back to them right away; follow all the instructions they provide to you. http://ceventura.ucanr.edu/Families_-_Communities/4-H/Enroll/

It is very important that you have internet access the first week of July wherever you travel so that you can watch for the important systems go e-mail from your Club Leader and Enrollment Specialist and then complete your online enrollment as soon as the go ahead e-mail arrives.

A mighty Thank You in advance for all of your assistance for a smooth enrollment for the 2014-15 Program Year.

4-H Pride is Country Wide

Share your experience with New Hampshire 4-H

If you would like to share what great experiences you have had in 4-H, New Hampshire 4-H would like to hear about it! NH members are collecting letters from 4-H members across the United States that tell about their 4-H Pride.

Letters will be included in a fair display called "4-H Pride is Country Wide". If you would like to submit a letter telling about your 4-H Pride, these can be mailed to

Chapel Valley 4-H
C/O Belknap County 4-H
635 Main Street, 3rd Floor
Laconia, NH 03246-3415

Letters will be collected until
August 1, 2014.

To ensure privacy of all CA 4-H members, please only include member first names, and leave out any addresses and other personal identifying information from letters.



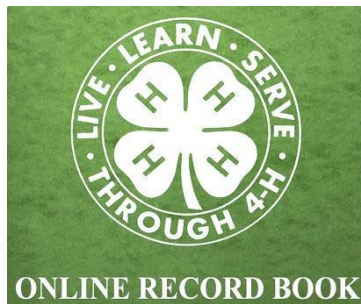
Online Record Book News & Rewards

Online Record Book Surveys are open until August 31, 2014!!!

We would like as many 4-H members as possible to complete surveys in the Online Record Book (ORB). It is our way to find out about you and how the California 4-H Youth Development Program is doing overall. To encourage 4-H members to complete surveys online we have established incentives for completing the required Spark Score Questions.

Want a chance to win?

All youth who completed all the required Spark Score Questions in ORB before January 31, 2014 and who complete all the required Spark Score Questions that



are available between May 1, 2014 and August 31, 2014 will receive a **\$50 gift card** in the fall of 2014. Make sure to logon and complete your surveys!

The 4-H Online Record Book Launches New Help Website

We have now launched a new ORB Help Website at www.4horb.weebly.com/. This site will be updated regularly with "How to" directions and video help in using the California 4-H Online Record Book.

To ask a question, report a problem or make a suggestion about the 4-H Online Record Book, please fill out the ORB Request Form which you can find at <http://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=11078>.

Fair Entry Dates at a Glance

Youth Expo & 4-H

General/Non-Perishable Entries - July 18, 19 & 20, 2014 between 10:00 AM and 5:00 PM

Foods – July 27, 2014 – 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Tablesettings – July 27, 2014 – 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Call (805) 648-3376 x 182 to reserve table – July 14-20, 2014

Kids, Camera & Crops—July 18, 19 & 20, 2014 between 10:00 AM and 5:00 PM

King Arthur's Baking Contest—Entry & Contest on Aug. 7

Glue-A-Shoe—Wednesdays July 30 and August 6 at 11 AM

Farm Derby—Friday, August 1 at 11:30 AM



Small Livestock – entry form deadlines

Decorated Eggs and Fantasy Pet – July 29, 2014, 9 AM—Noon

Uncle Leo's Agriculture Contest – bring to Youth Expo Bldg

How Does Your Garden Grow & Agriculture's Future on July 27, 2014 – 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM

The 2014 Ventura County Fair Entry Guide available on website at www.venturacountyfair.org.

Online Entry available June 1-July 14, 2014 at www.venturacountyfair.org

Cross Clubbing, 1-2-3's

Many 4-H members are interested in enrolling in projects offered by other clubs during the course of their 4-H career. This is called "cross clubbing". Cross clubbing can provide an opportunity for a youth to participate in a project that his/her club doesn't offer, or to enable two smaller clubs to join together to share leaders and project interests.

- Cross clubbing to another project is not permitted if the member's home club already offers this project.
- Approval of both community club leaders, the project leader AND the 4-H Office is required for cross clubbing.
- The enrollment process for a youth member is not finalized until the completed and signed form has been submitted to the 4-H Office.
- It is the youth and his/her family's responsibility to complete the appropriate form, secure signatures, and get the form into the 4-H Office.

Here are the specifics:

1. If it is during the re-enrollment process at the beginning of the new program year (now), please contact the Club Leader of the club you want to do the cross club project with to make sure it is agreeable with them and find out what their club requirements are for this.
2. Also contact the Project Leader of the club you want to do the cross club project with to make

sure they are agreeable with this, that they have the room in the project to take another member. Be sure to ask what additional requirements they might have.

3. Contact your Club Leader for their approval
4. Complete your parts of the Cross clubbing for Projects form and have the parent or guardian sign (the form can be found on our website at http://ceventura.ucdavis.edu/Youth_Development/4-H/Enroll/Youth/Cross/),
5. Take the form to your Club Leader for them to sign acknowledging their approval and knowledge of the Cross clubbing.
6. Take the form to the Club Leader of the Cross Club for them to sign.
7. Take the form to the Cross Club Project Leader for them to sign.
8. During your online enrollment, select and add the name of the club you will be cross clubbing with (your "Home" club will be the one that has the Green dot in the circle).
9. Add this project to your personal project list by first choosing the name of the club that you are cross clubbing with for that project, then select and add the project.
10. Complete the online enrollment process as usual.
11. Turn the form in to your club enrollment person with all of your other enrollment paperwork.

4-H State Leadership Conference

August 14-17, 2014
U.C. Santa Cruz

The 4-H State Leadership Conference brings together high school youth from across California in a four-day leadership training, networking, and learning experience.



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Youth delegates gain exposure to the campus by living in the residence halls, eating in the dining commons, and participating in educational sessions, many of which are taught by UC faculty and staff.

The conference is planned by a team of high school 4-H members and adult advisors. Working in strong youth-adult partnership, the team designs the educational, recreational and logistical components of the conference.

Participants must have graduated 8th grade in order to attend (ages 13-19). Registration will open in June. Presenter proposals are being accepted now.
<http://www.ca4-H.org/Programs/Conferences/SLC/>

Clover Safe Notes

Clover Safe Notes Spotlight for July/August: SAFELY

TRANSPORTING MEDIUM AND LARGE ANIMALS (Note #59). As part of 4-H projects, these animals are often transported to competitions. Accordingly, careful preparation is needed to assure the safe movement of medium and large animals. This Clover Safe provides information about how to safely transport medium and large animals.

Clover Safe Notes can be reviewed and printed from the UCANR website at http://safety.ucanr.org/4-H_Resources/Clover_Safe_Notes_by_Number/

The website has safety training and safety coordinator resources on this page. Clover Safe Notes are useful when incorporated into appropriate projects or shared with the club during monthly meetings.

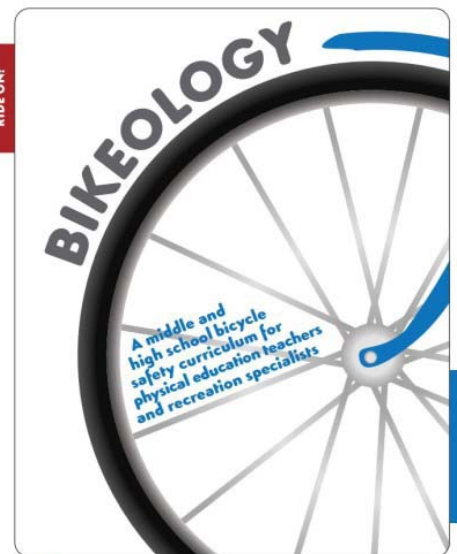


Healthy Living

New Bicycle Safety Curriculum Now Available

A new bicycle-safety curriculum is now available free of charge for those working with students in grades 6-12 from the Society of Health and Physical Educators (SHAPE America) and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA).

The curriculum includes lessons and assessments for the skills and knowledge students need to enjoy a lifetime of safe bicycling: http://www.shapeamerica.org/publications/resources/teachingtools/quality/bicycle_curriculum.cfm



American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance
NHTSA
Funding for this project was provided by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

COUNCIL CORNER

Highlights from the Ventura County 4-H Council



The Council met May 18th. Reports included Equine PDC which was given by Tracy Thomas, EPDC Chair Elect. Field Day was earlier this month with 11 participants. The new PDC board is in place and excited to start. Additionally, Large Livestock PDC Report was given by Kianna Denton on behalf of Virginia Reyes. She reviewed the large animal entry numbers and other issues pending for the upcoming Fair. The next meeting is scheduled for July 23rd at 7 p.m. at the 4-H Office.

The budget for the 2014-15 program year was reviewed again after the disbursement at the May meeting and was passed. The slate of officers as Jenean Bass, President; Heather Wray, Vice President; Heidi Marshall, Treasurer; Edith Sorenson, Secretary; Darlene Johnston, Corresponding Secretary was voted in.

Gwyn Vanoni from the 4-H Office announced that beginning this year provisional volunteer leader appointments will be issued until September.

The next meeting will be **Wednesday, August 27, 2014 at 7 p.m.** at the 4-H Office in Ventura and will include the Fair Review.

If you would like to join a committee, serve as a council board member or add an agenda item, please contact Jenean Bass, Council President, by email at venturaco4-Hcouncil@gmail.com. Agenda items should be received at least 2 weeks prior to the meeting for inclusion. All leaders, parents and members are welcome to attend. Leaders and members 14+ vote on business at the meeting. We hope you will join us! The Council's page on the VC 4-H website is http://ceventura.ucdavis.edu/Youth_Development/4-H/Ventura_County_4-H_Council/

NEW THIS YEAR Provisional Leader Appointments Until Sept.

New for 2014, Adult 4-H Leader Volunteer appointments will be provisional through the Ventura County Fair. Leaders positively representing the 4-H program will receive their official appointment in early September.

Please review the Adult Volunteer Code of Conduct prior to fair <http://4h.ucanr.edu/files/16404.pdf>

Enroll for the coming program year as you had already planned to do. If you have any questions about the enrollment process, please contact your club enrollment specialist.

LARGE LIVESTOCK PDC NEWS

Upcoming PDC meeting will be **July 23 at 7:00 p.m.** at the 4-H Office conference rooms. Any last minute fair news will be discussed.

Attendance is encouraged for Large Livestock Project Leaders and Teen Leaders.



The Large Livestock PDC program areas include Heifers/Beef, Swine, Goats, Sheep as well as the related care and showman skills. Chair, Virginia Reyes is available at LGLivestockPDC@gmail.com



4-H National Youth Science Day (NYSD)

October 2014 <http://4h.ucanr.edu/Projects/SET/NYSD/>

The 2014 NYSD is titled, *Rockets to the Rescue* where youth will be tasked with the mission: design and build an aerodynamic food transportation device that can deliver a payload of nutritious food to disaster victims. Youth will learn engineering concepts, develop math skills, learn about nutrition and help solve a relevant, global issue. The focus of 4-H NYSD is to

encourage youth to experience science in a fun, constructive manner, increase interest in the sciences and encourage participation in support of 4-H programs. **Pre-order NYSD kits.**



4-H Library

BIOSECURITY FOR ANIMAL SCIENCE PROJECTS

UC Cooperative Extension personnel in collaboration with scientists in the UC School of Veterinary Medicine and Veterinary Medicine Extension developed the *Bio-Security in 4-H Animal Science* curriculum. The FREE curriculum is available at <http://anrcatalog.ucdavis.edu/Search/biosecurity.aspx>. The Bio-Security Proficiencies Project teaches 4-H youth about animal health, disease transmission, risk analysis, risk reduction and disease prevention.



SWINE SPECIFIC—The National Pork Board and American Association of Swine Veterinarians have updated “A Champions Guide to Youth Swine Exhibition.” This comprehensive guide is available for free at <http://www.pork.org/filelibrary/NPB%20A%20Champions%20Guide%20to%20Youth%20Swine%20Exhibition.pdf>

4-H Office

The 4-H Office is open (except for County designated Holidays) Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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CLOVER LINES ARTICLE SUBMISSIONS:

It is best to e-mail articles about your Group's activities and events to the 4-H Office. Please e-mail your articles to CloverLines@ucdavis.edu

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS IS THE 1st MONDAY OF EACH MONTH FOR THE FOLLOWING MONTH'S ISSUE.

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July/August 2014

It's that time of year...

- Look for last year's **educational poster** to enter into the Youth Building at the Fair this year.
- **Plan and schedule your Fair entries.** Work together to carpool or bring a friend's entries. Project leaders: check in with your project members to ensure the work done in the project will be showcased at the VC Fair. See page 4 for entry date highlights.
- **Transition** the jobs between outgoing officers and the incoming officers in your club. This summer might also be a good time for doing some club planning. Make plans and set goals with the assistance of the Program Planning Guide <http://www.ca4h.org/files/76544.doc>
- Mark your calendar for **club officer trainings**... see page 1.
- Think about **National 4-H Week**, October 5-11th. This is a great time to do some recruitment, talk to the community about the amazing things you've learned and skills you've gained in 4-H.
- **Recruit new leaders!!** Talk to parents and other potential volunteers about becoming a 4-H leader. They can get their feet wet with the lighter schedule during the summer, experience their first Fair as part of the group and then get certified at the first New Leader Training of the year on August 25 or the other trainings soon to be scheduled in September.
- Start on your **Year-End Reporting.** Getting this done early in the summer saves you from the last minute headache that it can become at the end of summer.

4-H Calendar

http://ceventura.ucdavis.edu/Youth_Development/4-H/NewsMain/

To help ensure you receive e-mails from us, be sure to add to your Safe/Green/Accept e-mails lists: tifisher@ucanr.edu, 4-HOnline [\[mailto-no-reply@4-HOnline.com\]](mailto:mailto-no-reply@4-HOnline.com), gwvanoni@ucanr.edu and rmhaydensmith@ucanr.edu

7/4	4-H Office Closed for Holiday
7/7	Quality Assurance Meeting @ VC Fairgrounds 9am
7/11-27	California State Fair
7/15	Revolution of Responsibility Mini Grant Applications Due
July	Fair Entry Deadlines—See page 4
7/18-20	Horse Fair @ VC Fairgrounds
7/23	Large Livestock PDC @ 4-H Office 7 pm
7/30-8/10	Ventura County Fair
8/14-17	State Leadership Conference at UC Santa Cruz
8/19	Club Officer Training @ 4-H Office at 5:30 pm
8/25	New Leader Training Certification @ 4-H Office at 6 pm
8/27	4-H Council Meeting @ 4-H Office 7 pm for Leaders and Youth (9 th grade+)
9/1	Year-End Reporting Due
9/1	4-H Office Closed for Holiday
9/3	Club Officer Training @ 4-H Office at 5:30 pm
9/13	So. Section Meeting at Mt. San Antonio College
9/15	Revolution of Responsibility Mini Grant Applications Due
10/1	Quick Record Book Online Course Deadline

I drink water because...

I'm sure you know the answer. Now, you can join in the conversation.

Follow us on Facebook for Water Wednesdays as we share the best answers we've seen (and some funny ones too) and you can chime in too.



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