Poultry Project at Field Day

Poultry Super Field Day by Makena Lawson, Santa Rosa Valley 4-H

For Super Field Day, the poultry project had some great events - Showmanship, Knowledge Testing, an obstacle course and a day of practicing poultry judging. For Showmanship there were 11 kids in the primary class and a total of 24 participants in total. It was a very tough competition and all of the participants scored very close to one another. In the knowledge testing, we were given questions about basic poultry care, breed identification and poultry anatomy. We were also given silhouettes of certain breeds of chickens and we had to use our knowledge of body shape, number of toes and comb type to figure out the breed. In the obstacle course, we had to make our chicken go over a bridge, in and out of a nesting box, through rungs and walk on top of a skinny bench without touching them, all while being timed. It was all very exciting. We also practiced bird judging. We had to place four birds using our knowledge on confirmation. Everyone had fun while receiving practice for Showmanship and Knowledge for the upcoming fair.

Rabbit Project at Super Field Day

By Julia Garcia, Loma Vista 4-H

On April 25, 2015, the Hansen Agricultural Research and Extension Center hosted Ventura County's field day. There were many 4-H’ers in the rabbit projects such as, Rabbit Showmanship, Rabbit Hopping, Rabbit Demonstrations, Rabbit Posters, and the Rabbit Knowledge test. Participants were judged on rabbit knowledge and anatomy. 4-H’ers had to do multiple steps in rabbit showmanship, including flipping the rabbit over and telling the anatomy of the rabbit to the judge. The age divisions that practice showmanship range from Primary to Senior.

Another activity that 4-H’ers like is rabbit hopping. Rabbits compete by jumping over mini fences and try to do the course in the fastest time while being on a harness. It depends on the rabbit and owner to train and practice well to be ready for field day. All ages in the rabbit hopping project can participate in this activity. At the end of the day, there were many awards given out to 4-H’ers who participated in rabbit hopping.

Rabbit demonstrations were situated near the Iron Chef contest. 4-H’ers talked about their rabbits and rabbit posters. This activity was called Speakers Corner. Another fun activity that 4-H’ers participated in was rabbit posters. There were unique and resourceful posters explaining subjects from “Your Rabbit’s Diet” to “What Does a Good Show Quality Rabbit Look Like?” There was also the rabbit knowledge test for all categories. Depending on the age category, everybody received a different knowledge test and was asked to answer questions in general about rabbits. Super Field Day gives all 4-Hers a great opportunity to train and practice all year for field day and the Ventura County Fair.

Super Field Day 2015 Winners

POULTRY

Educational Poster
Junior Medalist - London Fletcher – Loma Vista
Intermediate Medalist - Lorelei Velez – Loma Vista
Senior Medalist - Thorin Rosten – Santa Rosa Valley

Showmanship
Junior - 1st Dane Rhodes – Santa Rosa Valley
Intermediate - 1st Katie Cook – SRV
Senior - 1st Thorin Rosten – SRV
Super Field Day 2015 Winners Continued

POULTRY CONTINUED
Obstacle Course
1st Ruby Snowber – LV

Knowledge Bowl
Junior - 1st Dane Rhodes – SRV
Intermediate - 1st Katie Cook – SRV
Senior - 1st Landon Lujan – SRV

BEE PROJECT
Educational Poster
Junior Medalist - Anna Sorensen – SRV

Knowledge Test
Junior -1st Anna Sorensen – SRV

TABLESETTING
Competition
1st Makayla Good – Citrus Valley

Knowledge Bowl
Junior - 1st Anna Sorensen – SRV
Senior -1st Tryssa deRuyter – SRV

Educational Posters
Junior Medalist – Anna Sorensen – SRV

HORSE PROJECT
Knowledge Test
Junior - 1st Macy Obringer – SRV
Intermediate - 1st Shira Cohen-Sitt - SRV
Senior - 1st Hannah Nandor – SRV

Educational Poster
Junior Medalist - Anna Lenehan
Intermediate Medalist - Shira Cohen-Sitt – SRV
Senior Medalist - Hannah Nandor – SRV

DAIRY GOAT
Educational Poster
Junior Medalist – Anna Sorensen
Intermediate Medalist – Rebecca Paxson

SWINE PROJECT
Swine Bowl
1st – Mupu – Emilee Inez, Joey Moreno, Joseph Olivo & Francisco Robles
2nd – Citrus Valley – Astrid d’Alton, Haley Garcia, Lucas Hoyt
3rd – Santa Rosa Valley – Pilar Martinez, Alison Reiman, Kevin Brookshire & Billy Reiman

Educational Posters
Junior Medalist – Alison Rieman – SRV
Intermediate Medalist – Billy Rieman – SRV
Senior Medalist – Lexi Janisch – SRV

RABBIT PROJECT
Rabbit Knowledge:
Junior 1st - Claire Hadley, Loma Vista 4H
Intermediate 1st- Jordan stivers, Agoura 4H
Senior 1st - Jessica Nichol, Santa Rosa Valley 4H

Rabbit Showmanship
Junior – 1st Julia Garcia, Loma Vista 4h
Intermediate - 1st Jordan Stivers, Agoura 4h
Senior – 1st Jessica Nichol, Santa Rosa Valley 4h

Rabbit Hopping
Junior – 1st Claire Hadley, Loma Vista 4h
Intermediate - 1st Shannon David, Loma Vista 4h
Senior – 1st Jessica Nichol, Santa Rosa Valley 4h

Educational Poster
Junior Medalist - Anna Sorensen, Santa Rosa Valley 4h
Intermediate Medalist - John Dodwell, Santa Rosa Valley 4h
Senior Medalist - Jessica Nichol, Santa Rosa Valley 4h

IRON CHEF
1st- Citrus Valley: Haley Garcia, Justin Ledesma, Scarlett Billisine & Astrid D’Alton
2'nd- Loma Vista: Kai Mayashiro, Nicole Bellmore, Jason Bellmore, Shannon David
3rd - SRV: Diego Martinez, Pilar Martinez, Elizabeth Paxson, Macy Obringer

LAMB
Educational Poster
Junior Medalist – Anna Sorensen – SRV
Intermediate Medalist - Rebecca Paxson – SRV
Senior Medalist - Jessica Nichol - SRV
PYGMY GOAT
Showmanship
Junior 1st - Julia May - Somis 4H
Intermediate 1st - Makena Lawson SRV

Knowledge Bowl
Junior 1st - Makayla Good - Citrus Valley
Intermediate 1st - Shane Morony Santa Rosa Valley 4-H
Senior 1st - Kristen McEachron Santa Rosa Valley 4H

Educational Poster
Junior Medalist - Julia May Somis 4H
Intermediate Medalist - Shane Morony Santa Rosa Valley 4-H
Senior Medalist - Kristen McEachron Santa Rosa Valley 4H

CAVY
Educational Posters
Junior Medalist – Austin Weiss – SRV
Intermediate Medalist – Grace Nichol – SRV
Senior Medalist – Jessica Nichol – SRV

Cavy Showmanship
Junior – Julia Cook – SRV
Intermediate – Lorelei Valez – LV
Senior – Milia Miyashiro – LV

Cavy ID
Junior – Natalie O’Brien – SRV
Intermediate – Lorelei Valez – LV

Knowledge Test
Junior – Natalie O’Brien – SRV
Intermediate – Lorelei Valez – LV

DOG PROJECT
Dog Knowledge
Junior – Parker Roberts - SRV
Intermediate – Grace Nichol – SRV
Senior – Maddie Roberts – SRV

Dog Poster
Junior Medalist – Anna Sorensen – SRV
Senior Medalist – Tryssa de Ruyter - SRV

Rally
Meagen Miller - LV
Senior - Tryssa de Ruyter - SRV
Teen Judges

Tablesetting – Anna Sorensen - SRV
Market Poultry Posters – Joshua Phillips - SRV
Lamb Posters – Caleb Phillips - SRV
Lamb Section – Elizabeth Paxson - SRV
Dairy Goats Posters – Alison Reiman - SRV
Swine Posters – Alison Reiman, Pilar Martinez & Diego Martinez - SRV
Rabbit showmanship - Spencer Wittrock - LV
Rabbit posters - Jason Bellmore, Shay Traverse & Emma Medina
Iron Chef Judges – Izzy Clark & Victoria Bell – Mira Monte
Poultry judges – Landon Lujan & Grace Van Splinter – SRV
Cavy Judge – Rebecca Paxson – SRV
Pygmy Goat Judges - Kristen McEachron, Hannah Harvey, Shane Morony- Santa Rosa Valley and Cassandra Larson- Chief Peak 4-H
Dog posters – Emma Medina – Loma Vista
Featured Club Happenings!

Featured Club: Loma Vista 4-H
Meetings: Second Tuesday of Every Month at Poinsettia Elementary School Club
Club Leaders: Lisa Wittrock and Leslie Bellmore
Club Co-Presidents: Morgan Penny and Nicole Bellmore, both 16
By Nicole Bellmore

Loma Vista 4-H has had a very busy and exciting year. Our Community Service officer, Malia Miyashiro lined up more than a dozen community service opportunities for the club, including our TOTSOCE food drive, Beach Clean-up, Winterfest Dog Show, Operation Christmas Child, Birthday in a Bag for foster children, Dudley House Holiday Boutique help and others.

We raised 1,200 total pounds of canned food for Food Share during TOTSOCE in October. Our sewing project made pillowcases for the 4-H State Pillowcase Challenge, and donated a dozen pillowcases to the cause. Our rabbit leader, Lisa Wittrock, worked tirelessly to make sure members had the knowledge and practice to perform well at competitions. Member Spencer Wittrock earned his Emerald Star for organizing rabbit visitations at senior centers throughout the year. Members also had fun at our annual Halloween Carnival with music, costumes and games.

New projects this year included poultry, monarch butterflies and old-fashioned foods. Members in the Iron Chef project practiced their culinary skills at April’s club meeting in a "make the best snack" program where club members voted for the best one. Focusing on our goal of providing healthier and more engaging programs, we hosted a Hula Hoop program where members learned techniques and tricks, and eliminated sugary snacks.

Our members performed well in Food and Fashion Revue, Presentation Day and Super Field Day. We look forward to our largest community outreach at Summerfest the end of May where we will have rabbits and poultry as well as posters that members created this year to share with the public. Of course we also plan to be at the Ventura County Fair.

The Gift of a Story

By Anna Sorensen, Santa Rosa Valley 4-H

I am doing a 4-H Revolution of Responsibility Project. My project is called “The Gift of a Story,” and it is about bringing a smile, and a little happiness to very ill children in the form of a story. We will be making beautiful cards that will hold a funny, or happy story that you experienced. We all have such 4-H stories to share. One can write about something funny that happened during baking a pie, or while finishing a sewing project, or a happy, silly animal story. If you would like, you can even bring a picture of your animal or project to include in the card, use stickers and cut outs, or draw it. I did this project on my own last year, and the response has been so much more than I ever imagined. It made me realize how truly fortunate I am, we all are, and how little it takes to make a difference in the life of these children. So please come and help me make these card. I will be at the Ventura County Fair August 7, 2015, in the Youth Building, from 11a.m. – 5p.m. If you are at the Fair just come over and help out. There will be an additional workshop in the fall (date to be announced.) All materials will be provided. Should you have questions, please contact me at kesorensen@yahoo.com.

I hope I will have the honor of making some cards with you. Thank you.
4-H Summer Day Camp

Monday, June 15 & Tuesday, June 16
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**Council Corner**

The Council met on May 27th. Reports included Super Field Day, South Section Field Day, Presentation Day and PDC Reports. All-Stars discussed the upcoming Summer Day Camp in June.

The proposed budget for the 2015-16 program year was presented and discussed (available online). Questions, comments and suggestions regarding the budget are requested by June 12th. The budget will be voted on at the next meeting.

The next meeting will be **Wednesday, June 24, 2015 at 7 p.m.** at the 4-H Office in Ventura.

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 venturaco4Hcouncil@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/](http://ceventura.ucdavis.edu/Youth_Development/4-H/Ventura_County_4-H_Council/).

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**Clover Safe Notes**

_Clover Safe Notes Spotlight for June:_

**CAMPFIRE SAFETY (Note #61):**

Enjoying a campfire is an integral part of the camping experience, but one that also requires caution and safety. Use this one page sheet to remind your fellow campers about the importance of being safe around the fire...then, make the s'mores.

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/](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.

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**Healthy Living**

**4-H Healthy Living Event/Club Assessment**

National 4-H has adopted the Healthy Living Event Assessment created right here in California. This checklist can be used as a guide to ensure that your 4-H events and activities are the healthiest they can be. The checklist is available here: [http://4h.ucanr.edu/files/213332.pdf](http://4h.ucanr.edu/files/213332.pdf).

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**4-H Library**

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- Exploring Beef Health & Husbandry
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It’s That Time of Year …

· Reconnect with 4-H on Facebook. There were so many great pictures from Super Field Day and other recent events that they can’t all fit in CloverLines. Log on to check them out. Forward interesting pictures and stories to either Gwyn Vanoni at the 4-H Office gwvanoni@ucanr.edu or Jenean Bass, Council President at venturaco4-Hcouncil@gmail.com.

· Get ready for Fair! More than just livestock, the Fair offers tons of opportunities for 4-Hers to show off their hard work. Visit the Fair website for the Entry Guide, entry dates (many in July) and other contests. Online entries will begin in June. http://www.venturacountyfair.org/fair/entryguides/

· 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. Then be sure to have internet access the first week of July wherever you travel so that you can watch for the important systems go e-mail and complete your online enrollment well before the deadline set by your Club Leader and Enrollment Specialist. A mighty Thank You in advance for all of your assistance for a smooth enrollment for the 2015-16 Program Year.

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ARTICLE SUBMISSION

E-mail articles to CloverLines@ucdavis.edu. Include your name, council name, the name of your activity, and if you are submitting images, please identify those pictured. All submitted articles and images become the property of 4-H to be used in print and/or online at the editorial committee’s discretion.

Submission Deadline is the first Monday of the month for consideration in the following issue.

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Calendar

6/8 Mira Monte & Mupu Club Happenings Article Due
6/15-16 Summer Day Camp @ Hansen Ag Center
6/24 4-H Council Meeting @ 4-H Office 7 pm for leaders & 9th grade +
6/30 Deadline: Complete Record Book Quick Start Course (for seniors)
7/23-26 State Leadership Conference at UC Irvine
7/1 Large Livestock PDC @ 7 pm
7/17-19 VCF Horse Fair
7/22 Record Book Judges Orientation, 9 a.m. at 4-H Office
7/27 Record Book Judges Orientation, 6:30 p.m. at Vacca Home
8/5-16 Ventura County Fair
8/20 Record Books Due at 4-H Office for County Judging
8/26 4-H Council Meeting @ 4-H Office 7 pm for leaders & 9th grade +
9/1 Year-End Reporting Due
9/11 Record Book judging, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
9/21 Record Book Special Award Interviews 3:30 – 5:30 p.m.