



Emmet COUNTY Clover Connection

January 2023

**SAVE
THE
DATE**

Extension Office is closed for the holidays and will reopen Jan. 3rd.

January 15: Applications close for Youth on Livestock Committees

January 30: New Member Meeting @ 5:00 pm

February 1st: All Mkt Beef IDs due on 4-H Online

4-H enrollment is open! Sign up or re-enroll today!

Visit:
<https://v2.4honline.com/>

Happy Holidays and Winter Greetings

It is finally time to wrap up 2022 and welcome the new 2023 year! Our 4-Her's have accomplished so much this year and shown us their skills, talents, and passion to help those in their community, country, and world. Thank you to all of our 4-H members, club leaders and volunteers, and support from the community as we strive for the Emmet County 4-H program to be it's best!



Important Announcements

Beef Weigh-In Wrap Up

Thank you to our beef committee and all the volunteers we had helping at our beef weigh-in!

Beef families, again this year, you will enter your own beef ID's and weights into 4-H online. To help navigate uploading ID's, click [here](#) to view the 4-H Online Help Sheet. The help sheet will also be attached to the Clover Connections.

All Market Beef **MUST** be uploaded by **February 1st** to 4-H Online!!

For more information on livestock for 4-H, visit the Livestock Homepage:

<https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/projects/livestock>



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Important Announcements Continued

Opportunity for Youth on Livestock Committees

Starting new this year, 10-12th grade 4-H members enrolled into the 4-H program will have an opportunity to apply to serve on a livestock committee, as well as a static committee. Applications are now open and **will close January 15th**. The application must be sent into the Emmet Extension Office or emailed to kzh@iastate.edu. Youth may serve on only one committee for a one year term and must reapply each year. Please read the application attached to the Clover Connection Email for the job description and responsibilities.

After the application deadline closes on January 15th, youth that submitted an application will also take part in a scheduled interview. This is a great opportunity to practice those interview skills!

New Members Meeting New Date

The postponed New Members Meeting has a **new date scheduled!** This meeting will provide helpful information on important dates throughout the year, learn about the different project areas, and more about the 4-H program. Parents/guardians are encouraged to attend as well!

Date: January 30th, 2023

Time: 5:00 PM

Location: Immanuel Lutheran Church, 409 N 6th Street, Estherville, IA 51334

Please RSVP with the Extension Office at 712-362-3434 to let us know how many plan to attend from your family.

Mark Your Calendars for Beef Bonanza!

Beef Bonanza is happening again this year! This is a great opportunity for youth interested in beef and want to learn more about the science and business behind them! There will be hands on activities and opportunities to connect with other youth and adults in the business!

Iowa State University Extension and Outreach is partnering with the Iowa Lakes Community College –Agriculture for this event.

When: March 25, 2023

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Location: Iowa Lakes Community College Farm, 4145 360th Street, Emmetsburg

Details and registration information will be coming soon, so stay tuned!

Here is a great video from Beef Bonanza 2022 if you want to see what it is all about! https://youtu.be/5SCKUEK_wGQ



Record Keeping Update

The record keeping committee has been working hard to re-evaluate the current record keeping system. Going in to the new year, the record keeping system will be shifting over to a new format/forms to use to keep track of your 4-H journey. Old forms will still be available to those that would like to continue with the current record keeping system.

During this first phase, we will be making available the new form that Junior 4-H members will use to help keep track of their 4-H involvement throughout the year. This form is **highly encouraged** for older 4-H members as a means of tracking their 4-H involvement throughout the year that they can use alongside their new intermediate/senior forms.

This is still in development for the record keeping committee and we appreciate your patience as we update this system. Beginning into the new year, the junior focused forms will be available for use. Once intermediate/senior forms are completed, those will then be made available for use.



Re-Enroll in 4-H Today!

Enrollment for the 4-H year is STILL OPEN! Current 4-H members are encouraged to reach out to people they know that might be interested in 4-H! Enrollments can be done through the following link:

<https://v2.4honline.com/>

*Reminder: Members must attend 4 of their club's meetings in order to show at the Emmet County Fair.

For any questions, please contact the Extension Office.



Advanced Cooking Club

If you have an interest in cooking and are looking for a club that specializes in learning new foods and building from the basics of cooking techniques, the Advanced Cooking Club is for you!

Must know the basics of cooking and be comfortable using a knife without hands on help from the instructor!

To join the Remind group, go to:

[https://www.remind.com/](https://www.remind.com/join/8ec6g7k)

[join/8ec6g7k](https://www.remind.com/join/8ec6g7k) for club announcements and updates!



Wildlife Club

Do you enjoy being out in the great outdoors? Do you think you can identify an animal based off of its tracks? Would you like to understand what is needed to improve the wildlife habitat in your neighborhood?

Come join and be a part of a specialty group that meets to learn about wildlife, their habitat, and how wildlife management is developed!

The Wildlife Club is open to all 4-H members. They will meet once a month from January to May and once a week in June.

Interested? Please email kzh@iastate.edu or call the Emmet Extension Office for more details!

Additional Announcements

CWF: Citizenship Washington Focus

CWF is a high impact program for 4-H members in grades 9-12 featuring national experts and leaders, along with opportunities for career exploration, using your voice, and building connections with teens from across the country.

Youth can understand the importance of civic and social responsibilities as they relate to the development of better citizens and leaders.

There are workshops, daily excursions, educational opportunities, and a chance to spend a day at the capitol with elected officials.

The trip is June 17-24, 2023

To learn more about registration, scheduling, and requirements, visit the CWF webpage to learn more!

<https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/cwf>

Iowa 4-H College Scholarships

The Iowa 4-H Foundation has announced the 2023 scholarship programs for Iowa 4-Hers attending or planning to attend college fall 2023. With more than 90 scholarship available, Iowa 4-Hers who are pursuing various fields of study at an Iowa Regent University, Iowa Private College, or Iowa Community College are encouraged to apply.

Applications are available online and are due by February 1, 2023.

Iowa 4-Hers must meet eligibility to apply for the 4-H scholarships dependent on the individual scholarship requirements, as well as applicants must enroll as a full-time student (minimum 12 credit hours) to receive scholarship awards.

Please visit the Iowa 4-H Foundation website for further information, eligibility and requirements, and to see the scholarships available.

https://www.iowa4hfoundation.org/en/funding_for_4hers/scholarships/

Iowa 4-H Enthusiasts: Clothing and Sewing

9-12th grad youth are invited to expand their learning in the clothing and sewing project areas by joining the Iowa 4-H Enthusiasts! This club meets through Zoom for their meetings where they can engage with volunteers and other resources for skill-building challenges. It is recommended that members should have basic sewing experience or have been in the given project area for at least a year.

Meetings will be held on the fourth Monday at 6:30 PM from January to August of 2023.

Interested? Youth can register to participate by going to 4-H Online in the events tab. Registration is free and is available to a limited number of registrants!

If you have any questions, please contact the Iowa 4-H Enthusiasts Team by emailing Bonnie Dalager at bdalager@iastate.edu



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