

Mitchell County 4-H Newsletter

July/August 2023



Hello 4-H Families,

We are one month away from fair! With that, July 1st is an important fair deadline day. Fair entries are due online at <https://fairentry.com/Fair/SignIn/18590>. **This deadline is for both livestock and building projects.** A reminder that for each project you bring to fair, they need an individual entry i.e. three photos will need three separate entries.

An online version of the Fair Book with rules and fair classes can be found at <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/mitchell/county-fair>.

YQCA certificates are also due to the Extension Office by July 1. Certificates can be emailed or a paper form submitted. YQCA training is required each year for livestock exhibitors.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Extension Office staff by calling 641-732-5574 or emailing bdohlman@iastate.edu.


We look forward to seeing you all soon!

Sincerely,

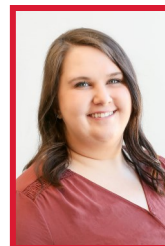
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Challenge Recipe Update—Ingredient Change

Due to difficulties in finding mini milk chocolate chips, the recipe is being updated to require mini semi-sweet chocolate chips. Semi-sweet chocolate chips are more prevalent in local stores.

Fair Ground Clean Up—July 26

We will be having a fair ground clean up on Wednesday, July 26th at 6pm. If you are able to help get the fairgrounds ready, please do so. You may bring rakes, shovels, and other hand tools. A pair of working gloves is strongly advised!

Clover Kids, Bucket Bottle and Pee Wee Shows

Registration for Bucket Bottle, Pee Wee Lamb, and Pee Wee Pig shows are now open. Registration materials can be found at the Extension Office. Registrations are due July 1. For any questions or more information, please email xmitchell@iastate.edu.

Pee Wee Pig—Thursday, Aug. 3

Pee Wee Lamb—Friday, Aug. 4

Bucket Bottle Calf—Sunday, Aug. 6

Clover Kid Judging at the Mitchell County Fair will take place on Tuesday, Aug. 1st from 9:30am-11:00am. Registration sheets have been emailed to all Clover Kid families. If you are in need of a new registration sheet, please contact the Extension Office. This event is only available to those enrolled in Clover Kids or summer Clover Kids camp participants.

Reminder: No live animals are allowed for Clover Kid judging.

Addy May joins our team!

Hello everyone, my name is Addy May and I am so excited to be the Mitchell County Intern this summer! I grew up in 4-H showing both working exhibits and livestock, so I am thrilled to be a part of the fair once again. A little bit about me... I am a recent University of Northern Iowa graduate, where I received a degree in Elementary Education, so I am also looking forward to helping lead this summer's Clover Kid camps. Earlier this summer, I got married to my now husband, John May and moved onto an acreage. This summer at the fair, I am most excited about attending the grandstand events and tasting some yummy vanilla ice cream from the dairy trailer!



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Record Books—Due September 18

Junior 4-H members in grades 4th-6th grade turn record books directly into club leaders to be evaluated.

4-H members in grades 7th-12th submit their record books to the Extension Office to be evaluated by the record book task force.

Record books must be turned in by Sept. 18th to be eligible for Record Book Awards handed out at Awards Night this fall. You can find ALL the forms needed for Record Books online at <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/mitchell/club-resources>.

Record Book Workshop

A Record Book Workshop will be held on Monday, August 14 from 4:30-6:30pm. Please RSVP by Aug. 11th. You are not required to stay the whole time. Please bring photos, receipts, and any additional information you may need to complete records.

Teen Council

If anyone is interested in becoming a member of Teen Council, applications can be picked up at the Extension Office. Please have applications turned in by July 14th. Teen council members host a variety of 4-H events, bring new ideas to 4-H, help with fair, and much more.

2023-2024 4-H Enrollment

Enrollment for the new 4-H year opens on September 1. Enrollment can be found online at <https://v2.4honline.com>.

Enrollment fees will be decided soon. Please wait to pay any enrollment fees until you are given further information in the newsletter.

Brand new 4-H members will need to fill out a pre-enrollment form and return it to the Extension Office. Forms are available on our website, will be given to 4th grade classes, and are available at our office .

Club information can be found on the Mitchell County Extension Office's website under the Join 4-H tab.



New Required Frosting for Iowa 4-H Fair Foods

If you plan on including frosting on your 4-H food project, this frosting recipe is required.

For more information and full recipe, please visit <https://blogs.extension.iastate.edu/answerline/2023/02/14/safe-frosting-for-iowa-4-h-fairs/>. This blog post must be referenced and recipe included in fair write-ups.

Recipe:

1 cup unsalted butter, slightly softened
4 cups powdered sugar
1/4 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
3 Tablespoons dairy milk (skim, 2%, or whole)

Communication and Clothing Judging

Communication judging will be held Tuesday, July 18 from 6pm-7pm in the CRC lobby and conference room.

Clothing judging will be held from 9am-12pm on Wednesday, July 19 at the Extension Office.

Youth who enter into these classes will receive more information after July 1.

DATES TO REMEMBER

July	1	Fair Entries Due (www.fairentry.com)
	1	YQCA Certificate due to the Extension Office
	6	Astro Camp Day Camp
	18	Communication Judging Day, 6pm-7pm
	19	Clothing Judging Day, 9am-12pm
Aug.	1	Static Judging Day
	2-6	Mitchell County Fair
	10-20	Iowa State Fair
	11	Record Book Workshop
Sept.	1	4-H Enrollment Opens
	18	Record Books Due
Oct.	9-13	National 4-H Week

