

September 2008

Calendar

September

- 12-14 Mendocino County Fair & Apple Show
- 14 End of 4-H Program Year
- 15 Beginning of 4-H Program Year
- 30 Club paperwork due to 4-H Office

October

- 5 New Record Book Training –
1:00-4:00 p.m., 4-H Office
- 5-11 National 4-H Week
- 31 Last Day for Re-Enrollment

November

- 7-9 2008 State 4-H Leaders' Forum –
Asilomar
- 11 Veterans Day
- 28 Last Day for New Enrollment

NEXT

4-H Council Meeting
 September 22, 2008
 6:30 p.m.
 4-H Office

Enrollment Changes 2008/2009

There are a few changes for the upcoming 4-H year.

This year, the program fees will increase to \$17.00 for members and \$6.00 for adults.

Also, the 4-H Program is in the process of changing over to online enrollments for both new and returning 4-H members & adult volunteers.

If you are interested in helping pilot the new system, please contact the 4-H Office at 263-6838.

CONSTITUTION DAY SEPTEMBER 17, 2008

On September 17, 1787, the U.S. Constitution was signed by thirty-nine brave men who changed the course of history. Now **Constitution Day** is a time for us to continue their legacy and develop habits of citizenship in a new generation of Americans.

Please join us as we celebrate Constitution Day 2008, the 221th anniversary of our nation's founding document.



Attention Community Club Leaders and Club Officers:

The new 4-H year is just around the corner. All club leaders and officers should be making plans to complete the following required paper work:

- Club Audit - 2007/2008
- Affirmative Action Outreach Report - 11/07-8/08
- Club Inventory - as of July 2008
- Club Budget - 2008/2009

If you have any questions on this process, or need assistance or forms, please contact the 4-H Office. All the above documents must be in to the 4-H office by September 30th.

The 4-H Club Budget



When planning your club budget, consider the different areas of your club's interest and support. A budget is best put together by a small group of officers, other members, and adult volunteers. It is reviewed, reworked, and presented to the club by your officer team. Present and discuss the budget at one meeting and seek a motion to adopt in the next. Record the results in the minutes; however, if agreement is not reached, table the vote for one more month while differences are worked out. The club should allocate anticipated revenues based on needs, goals, and interests of its members and support system. These can include shared equipment and project supplies (but not individual member project expenses), group field trips or fun days, Alexander Scholarship, youth and adult conferences and recognition (e.g. W.H.Y. Conference, State Leadership Conference, State Leaders' Conference, etc.), achievement and recognition (retiring officers, Leaders Dinner, etc.), whole club celebrations, countywide events or field days, community service, charities, enrollment payments, etc.

Keep in mind:

- (1) Club money is raised to be spent, keeping aside reasonable reserves.
- (2) The budget should be understood and agreed upon by the whole club.
- (3) It can be amended as needed, by contacting the 4-H staff.
- (4) It is a process in which members learn how to earn money, budget earnings, and spend thoughtfully; which are important life skills.

Are your forms filled out properly?

Filling out forms correctly is a life skill that can be developed by everyone!

- Are you in a hurry when you fill out 4-H forms?
- Do you double check to make sure all the necessary boxes are checked, all the signatures are there, and that you filled out all of the pages?
- Do you write clearly and with ink so if it is faxed the form can be read after it is received?

When you fail to fill out a form correctly, the receiving end has to spend extra time getting the form corrected and YOU ultimately end up spending additional time too.



So the next time you fill out a form, take a breath & take your time to complete the form!

Volunteer Leader Appointment Process

All new volunteer leaders are required to complete an adult enrollment application, be fingerprinted for a background clearance, and attend a leader orientation. Project leaders **may not** hold meetings until all three steps of the leader appointment have been completed. The 4-H Youth Development Program of the University of California is committed to providing a safe environment for young people involved in Cooperative Extension activities.

MISSING ITEMS FROM FAIR

Green Plastic Bucket
Green Plastic Feeder
Hay Feeder

If found, contact Cindy Nolan -279-8011

It is Record Book Time!!

Turning in your 4-H records is one of the requirements for completing the 4-H year and for receiving your year pin and stripe. Check with your club leader as to when your record book is due to your club. If you need any record book forms, or information on how to assemble a 4-H record book, please come by the 4-H Office or find them on the State 4-H website

<http://ucanr.org/4hforms/information>
go to the 4-H section click on Forms & Information and find the record book section.

Workshop

New Record Book Format

The forms and Manual are available at
<http://ucanr.org/4hforms/information>

Sunday, October 5, 2008
Time 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm
Location: 4-H Office

The workshop will cover:

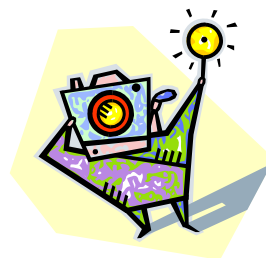
- ◆ How to complete the New PDR, APR and Jr/Teen Leadership forms
- ◆ Expanded Instructions for the Personal Development Report
- ◆ How to write a 4-H Story
- ◆ Moving from the old format to the new format

RSVP for this workshop is required by
September 29, 2008.

To register, please contact the UCCE 4-H office at 263-6838.



Club Reporters



The Club Reporters duties include submitting articles to be printed in the 4-H 4-1-1 or the newspaper.

Members or the reporter write brief articles covering club events, activities and projects.

Tips on writing an article include:

- Your first sentence should answer – Who, What, When, Why
- Put the most important thing first.
- Write all that you think will interest readers.
- Be accurate; check spelling, use first name or initials.
- Double check times and dates before printing.

All articles come to the 4-H office before they are submitted to the newspaper. We look forward to printing your club news in the next 4-H 4-1-1.

National 4-H Week October 5-11, 2008

Please start planning for your club's National 4-H Display and outreach. This is a wonderful opportunity to introduce 4-H to our community and recruit new members.



**Lake County 4-H and KRGC
Family Fun Shoot
Saturday Sept. 13th, 10 am to 3 pm**

The Lake County 4-H and Konocti Rod & Gun Club are having a FREE Family Fun Shoot on Saturday, Sept. 13th at the KRGC range at the end of Highland Springs Rd. There will be live shooting by all who attend. There will be air rifle, .22 rifle, .22 pistol, black powder rifle, center fire rifle, and shotgun. All guns and ammo will be provided, no personal firearms please.

There will be information on safe home firearms storage, laws and safe handling. FREE gun locks for all your guns. There will be educational displays including a Safari in a Box from Safari Club International, antique firearms and military firearms and more. There will be FREE door prize drawings every 15 minutes, large hot dogs for \$2 and water available for \$1.00.

Seating is limited so bring your own chairs. Hearing and eye protection will be available for all shooters. Earplugs available for all present. 4-H Shooting Sports members are encouraged to attend, shoot, help out and shoot some more.

Any questions, call Rick or Jill at 707-994-7531.

4-H Shooting Sports Leader Certification for Archery

A shooting sports training workshop for the archery discipline will be held in Clayton, CA on

Saturday, October 4th – 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. & Sunday, October 5th – 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Upon successful completion of the course, participants will be certified as archery volunteers and can instruct archery club projects and camp programs. Attendance at both days is required. In addition, on Saturday evening, there will be an optional no host dinner and further discussion about equipment.

The course will be held at Diablo Bowmen in Clayton. For more info and directions to the club go to www.diablobowmen.org. Cost for the course will be \$35 and includes morning refreshments, Saturday lunch and class materials.

For more information, contact Stacey Frost 510-468-1785 or frost_Stacey@hotmail.com. Please send “Training Request & Registration Form” and fees to Stacey Frost at 772 Palm Ave. Martinez Ca. 94553. Make checks payable to “Contra Costa County 4-H Council”. Pre-registration is due Sept. 26th. For the “Training Request & Registration Form” go to <http://ca4h.org/projresource/shootingsports/index.asp> or contact your county 4-H office.

**4-H Shooting Sports Course Shotgun Discipline - Ukiah, CA
October 18 - 19, 2008 - Cost \$30**

A shotgun trainer course will be held 9:00 am-5:00 pm, Saturday and Sunday, **October 18-19, 2008** at the Ukiah Gun Club, in Mendocino County. Upon successful completion of this two-day course, participants will be certified as 4-H leader trainers and will be eligible to serve as shooting sports project leaders, as well as instruct and certify other volunteers in the discipline of shotgun. Cost for the course is \$30, which includes shotgun shells, clay targets, continental breakfast and lunch both days, and class materials. Teen Leaders may attend, with a participating adult volunteer. Limited camping space is available, contact John Holder for arrangements. The course will be limited to twenty (20) participants. You must be an appointed 4-H volunteer or member to attend this training. Send Training Request Form (found at <http://ca4h.org/projresource/shootingsports/index.asp>) with fees payable to “Mendocino County 4-H Council” to UCCE 4-H Shotgun, 890 North Bush Street, Ukiah CA 95482.

For more registration information, contact Linda Edgington (707) 463-4495 or lgedgington@ucdavis.edu. If you have questions regarding the course or facility, contact the instructor, John Holder at (707) 485-8445 or bearhunt56@hotmail.com.

2008 Paul and Otha Alexander Memorial Scholarship Winners!!

The 2008 winners of the Paul and Otha Alexander Memorial Scholarship have been announced. Receiving \$400 each are Christie Buckner (Scotts Valley 4-H) and Caitlyn Falge (Upper Lake 4-H & FFA). Their names will hang in the fair office with past winners. Also recognized was Kelsey Sills, who received \$150 award and trophy. All three young women have spent nearly $\frac{3}{4}$ of their life involved in 4-H and listed many impressive accomplishments. Congratulations to all!!!

A BIG thank you to all those who contribute to the scholarship fund, making these awards possible.



Here is a list of individuals and businesses that helped make the 2008 Fair and Livestock Auction a great Success!!!

Please remember to send your 2008 Fair thank you notes to these individuals.

- Ernie Cocco, (Jr. Livestock Auction Committee & Chair Clean Stall Award), P.O. Box 302, Lakeport , CA 95453
- Dave McGrath, Livestock & Transportation, 7225 Gross Rd., Kelseyville, CA 95451
- Jr. Livestock Auction Committee, P.O. Box 70, Lakeport, CA 95453
- Lyle Coburn, Livestock Superintendent, P.O. Box 664, Upper Lake, CA 95485
- Jackie Hilderbrand, Livestock Secretary, 4074 Willow Creek Rd., Paso Robles, CA 93446
- Brian Rose, Auctioneer, 1398 Snowy Egret, Santa Rosa, CA 95409
- Brian Moniz, Auctioneer, P.O. Box 424, Sheridan, CA 95681
- Drew McElfresh, Aucioneer, P.O. Box 767, Quincy, CA 95971
- Umpqua Bank, (Auction Underwriters) P.O. Box 669, Lakeport, CA 95453
- Bryce Hayes (Costume Lead Sponsors), P.O. Box 1006, Lower Lake, CA 95457
- Roy Bruce, Auction Ringman, 3718 Hendricks Rd., Lakeport, CA 95453
- Walt Christensen, Auction Ringman, P.O. Box 953, Upper Lake, CA 95485
- Dave Andrade, Auction Ringman, 7771 Brower Ln., Kelseyville, CA 95451
- Rob Brown, Auction Ringman, 5120 Cole Creek Rd., Kelseyville, CA 95451
- Greg Giusti, Auction Ringman, P.O. Box 1073, Kelseyville, CA 95451
- Carrie Lauenroth, Poultry Barn, 5892 Bruce Dr., Kelseyville, CA 95451
- Mary Jane Fagalde, Rabbit Barn, P.O. Box 674., Kelseyville, CA 95451
- Val Schweifler, (Ice Cream Social Organizer), P.O. Box 175, Lakeport, CA 95453
- Jessie Head, Head Construction (Air Conditioning during Auction), 19565 Stinson Rd., Hidden Valley Lake, CA 95467
- Safeway of Lakeport (Buyers Luncheon), 1071 11th St., Lakeport, CA 95453

Judging	Name	Address	City, State, Zip
Dog Care & Training	Arlene Wilson	3073 Wolf Creek Rd.	Clearlake Oaks, Ca 95423
Dairy Goat	Karen Denton Smith	1794 Hilltop Drive	Willits, CA 95490
Meat Goat	Yvonne Armstrong	P.O. Box 153	Bieber, CA 96009
Rabbits & Cavy	Cathy Szychulda	11725 Wilder Rd.	Redbluff, CA 96080
Beef & Dairy	John Nicewonger	6706 Lon Dale Rd.	Oakdale, CA 95361
Swine	Adam Mendoza	2500 South Walton	Yuba City, CA 95993
Poultry & Turkeys	Jim Sallee	P.O. Box 697	Pine Grove, CA 95665
Poultry Inspector	Doreen Amaral	1625 Fremont Dr.	Sonoma, CA 95476
Sheep	M.C. Gomez	1948 Pinehurst Dr.	Merced, CA 95340
Horse Show	Crystal Ward	P.O. Box 246	Placerville, CA 95667