

4-H Notes

April 26, 2019

What's New!

May 1 is the Last Day to Add or Edit Projects

If you plan to exhibit a project at the 2019 Manitowoc County Fair, please make sure you are enrolled in that project in 4-H. 4-H members will not be able to add or edit projects after May 1. Go to 4-H Online and check on your project enrollment today!

Demonstrations Done Right!

Are you interested in participating in the upcoming Demonstration Event, but don't know where to start? Join us on Monday, May 6 at 6:00 pm for **Demonstrations Done Right!** Learn how to choose a topic and title. Learn how to plan your demonstration and develop visual aids. Learn how to work with another youth and develop a team demonstration. We will also go over 4-H Demonstration resources and how to enter the event. A number of seasoned youth demonstrators will be on hand to share their demonstration experience and skills. **Demonstrations Done Right!** will be in room 111 at the Manitowoc County Office Complex, 4319 Expo Drive, Manitowoc. We hope to see you there!

Register Now - 4-H Demonstration Event!

Do you know how to do something that you could share with others, like building a bird house, caring for a pet or making snickerdoodles? These skills, and many more, qualify you to participate in the Manitowoc County 4-H Demonstration Event. We have confirmed a fair judge for the event scheduled for Sunday afternoon, May 19 at 2:30 pm. Everything you need to know about planning and giving a demonstration is outlined in **"Guide to 4-H Demonstrations"**. Struggling to find a topic for a demonstration? Check out **"What is the Best Topic for My Demonstration Speech?"**

Please follow the links below for more information about the event and/or to complete the entry form or enter by calling Wendi Holschbach at 683-4169.

Entries for the event are due by Monday, May 13. Ribbons and cash prizes for first (\$20), second (\$15), and third (\$10) place winners in each age. The event is non-competitive for Cloverbuds in grades K-2. All Cloverbuds who enter will receive a participation ribbon and \$10 cash prize!

Click on the following link for more information and to register [2019 4-H Demonstration Event](#)

Fair Project Spotlight

Country Visions is looking to spotlight 4-H kids and their fair project on their Facebook page every Friday. This would be a great opportunity for you to promote your fair project (dairy, beef, sheep, swine, goats, poultry, rabbit, horse, alpaca, dog) and help promote your 4-H Club! If you are interested in this opportunity, please complete the Google Form at the link below. Please note, no endorsement of Country Visions is implied or intended by Extension, Manitowoc County.

Manitowoc County Livestock Judging Team

How would you like to travel to new places and to meet and interact with some of the livestock industry leaders? Manitowoc County will be having a Livestock Judging Team this year. All 4-H youth ages 8-19 are encouraged to explore the opportunity to represent Manitowoc County.

Purpose of Livestock Judging:

To increase your decision making skills through judging and grading of livestock.

To improve your knowledge of animals through breeding, market evaluation, and management information.

Responsibility, leadership, maturity, pride, dedication, and success are all part of being on a Livestock judging team.

Judging consists of Live Animal evaluation of the Livestock Species (*beef, sheep, swine, and meat goats*)

Practices will be held weekly until our District competition on June 20th in Waupaca County. We will begin practicing at the MCOC and then we will be traveling to various livestock facilities to practice our skill with love animals. There will be an informational meeting on **Tuesday, April 23rd at 6:30 pm at the MCOC.**

If you have any questions, please contact Barb Kortens at 901-0300 or email her at wildcow@ymail.com or BKortens@americanfoodsgroup.com.

Next Rabbit Hop Practice

Friday, May 17th at 6:00pm

Whitelaw Town Hall, 147 W. Menasha Ave, Whitelaw

Enrollment Dues

It has come to our attention that a number of 4-H families have not paid their enrollment dues for the 2018-2019 4-H year. **Please be advised – although you may have enrolled in 4-H through 4H Online, you are not a 4-H member if you have not paid your dues!** This may impact your ability to participate in the 2019 Manitowoc County Fair. Enrollment dues are \$23 for 4-H members and \$24 for horse project members. If you are not sure whether or not you paid your enrollment dues, please check with your 4-H Club Main Leader or 4-H Club Treasurer at your April club meeting. If you are unable to pay your dues due to financial hardship, please contact 4-H Youth Development Educator, Kevin Palmer, at 684-4172 or kevinpalmer@co.manitowoc.wi.us.

New Requirements for Exhibiting Rabbits and/or Poultry at the County Fair!

1) **ALL POULTRY AND RABBIT EXHIBITORS** will be required to obtain (either by attending a meeting or online) 2019 YQCA training. The next meeting is scheduled for Saturday, April 20th at 3pm at Mishicot High School,. Preregistration is REQUIRED to attend either of these meetings. You can register by following the instructions attached.

2) In order to exhibit an animal in the small animal building you will be REQUIRED to attend an educational meeting or have record of attending an ARBA, APA, or ABA show. There will be at least 3

opportunities from the small animal committee for the meetings. April will be a rabbit meeting, May will be our Annual Fun Day and June will be a poultry meeting. You can attend ANY of these meetings to get credit. (To clarify, it is not a requirement if you exhibit poultry that you have to attend the poultry meeting). If any clubs are interested in hosting a meeting, please contact the small animal committee to see if we can accommodate.

Annual Fun Day: Saturday, May 4th 9:00am-12:00pm at the Small Animal Building at The Manitowoc County Expo, 4921 Expo Dr., Manitowoc.

Poultry Meeting: June –TBD-

3) **Antigen.** Again this year we are running into an antigen shortage due to the fact that there is none in production, currently. We will try to keep everyone informed with the latest information. As of right now, we are suggesting that you get in contact with either Bill Krueger or Nicole Peters and test your entire flock. You would then send in your tested flock paperwork and be covered through June 2020. Our current antigen expires by the end of April so with our information RIGHT NOW, this would be the way to make sure your birds are good to go. Just a friendly reminder as well, if you are purchasing chicks, ducklings, or goslings, or mature stock make sure you are getting their NPIP paperwork. If you are purchasing turkey poults or grown stock, mg testing is required. Any questions, contact Nicole Peters at 920-242-1412.

YQCA Sign up/ Log in

<https://yqca.learngrow.io/Account/Login>

Information about the YQCA Program

<http://yqca.org>

Small Animal Swap

Our annual Spring Small Animal swap. Saturday, April 27th at 6:00am in the Small Animal Building. Manitowoc County Expo, 4921 Expo Dr., Manitowoc.

Anyone 18 or older there is a \$2.00 fee, *no seller's fees*. Must bring required health paperwork if planning on selling.

Any questions contact Lora Eisner at 920-684-8561.

Small Engine project offered!

Tom Klesper, 4-H Mechanical Sciences Project Leader is again offering classes in small engines this spring/summer for 4-H members. Tom has a shop at his home, equivalent to the local high school shops.

In the past, kids in small engines have tuned up lawn mowers, repaired 2 and 4 stroke engines and repaired electrical appliances. The small engine projects should be selected from devices the child's family has that need repair. The goal of this class is to encourage repair rather than disposal and buying new. Projects

are limited by what can be readily transported. Some local retailers have offered damaged devices for teaching/repair, if families do not have any. There is no charge for the class, but some repairs may require replacement parts (belts, spark plugs, etc.) These parts are commonly available on-line. However, if a local retailer donates a device, parts should be purchased from that retailer. Understanding why a device has failed is one of the goals of the class and is required before any replacement parts are ordered. If replacement parts are needed, the decision to purchase replacement parts is yours. There is no requirement to repair a device.

Tom's schedule is flexible and class times will be selected that work for all participants. He is a retired professional engineer, and has substitute taught for the local schools. Because the classes will be hands on and some power tools will be used, he would like to keep the class sizes small (about 4 children). Safety glasses will be provided for kids that do not have their own. Older clothes should be worn for both classes. Parents are encouraged to stay for at least the first meeting. Please email or call me at ttklesper@gmail.com or 920 755-4646, if your child is interested in either class. Classes will not begin until the weather warms up, usually in May.

2019 Wisconsin State Fair Changes

If you plan on being an Adult Volunteer or a Junior Show Exhibitor at the 2019 State Fair, please click on the links below for important information.

[2019 State Fair Updates!](#)

Hunter Safety Camp and Summer Camp – Save the Dates!

Hunter Safety Camp – July 15-18, 2019

Summer Camp – July 22-25, 2019

More information to come!

Camp Clean Up and Archery Center Dedication

Is scheduled for Saturday, May 4th

Clean up will take place from 9 AM-12 PM

Lunch (*provided*) 12 PM-1PM

Archery Center Dedication: 1PM

Archery Fun: 1:15PM-2:30PM

We have a lot of work planned for that day, so please consider helping!

Please RSVP to 4hcamptapawingo@gmail.com

In Case You Missed It!

Reminder: State Law Requires Registration for all Livestock Locations

The Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) in partnership with the Wisconsin Livestock Identification Consortium (WLIC) is reminding anyone who owns livestock* to register the location where animals are kept. This is referred to as premises registration.

Please see attached brochure for complete information and how to register

Join Manitowoc County 4-H on Facebook!

<https://www.facebook.com/ManitowocCounty4H>

Reminder: Deadlines for articles

Updates to the Manitowoc County 4-H website are done on a weekly basis.

Please send your updates by Mondays at noon to wendiholschbach@co.manitowoc.wi.us.

If you have specific questions, concerns, or suggestions for our 4-H Youth Development Educator, please send those emails directly to Kevin Palmer at: kevinpalmer@co.manitowoc.wi.us