UW-Madison Extension's 4-H YD Report—7/26/2021



Important Dates:

July 26 Senior Leaders' Association Meeting, Fairgrounds 4-H Picnic Shelter, <u>6:30 p.m.</u>

July 28 Steak Cookout Walworth County Fairgrounds, Activity Center 4-7 p.m.

August 17 Junior Foods Judging
August 19-20 Youth Building Judging
September 1-6 Walworth County Fair

September 7 Youth Building Checkout, 3-6 p.m.

September 27 Senior Leaders' Association Meeting, County Government Center, 7 p.m.

Financial portion of club charters due

October 3-9 National 4-H Week '21

October 5 4-H Open House event, Walworth County Fairgrounds Activity Center, times TBA

Current COVID-19 Related 4-H Meeting Guidance

Current guidance is available at this link: https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-faqs-related-to-covid-19/. Effective July 8, all fully vaccinated Wisconsin 4-H staff, volunteers and participants are no longer required to wear masks during programs. We ask that individuals who are not fully vaccinated, including youth under 12, continue to wear masks. Staff and volunteers will not enforce mask wearing or ask for proof of vaccination for those not wearing masks. Masks may still be worn if preferred and individual masking choices should not be interpreted as an indicator of vaccination status.

- Outdoors: Physical distancing is no longer required outdoors. Individuals who are not vaccinated are encouraged to wear a face covering.
- Indoors: There are no group size limits on indoor gatherings. Individuals who are not vaccinated are encouraged to wear a face covering.
- Transportation: Any individual who is not vaccinated should wear a face covering when driving or riding with others.

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In-Person Meeting Record Keeping

In-person meeting record keeping continues to be required. If your club/group/project plans to meet in-person you must fill out a Google Form notifying us of your in-person programming and meetings. The form can be found by clicking here. It is still important that you review program guidance as there are still parameters around programming that happens indoors. If you have questions please reach out to Janel Heidelmeier at janel.heidelmeier@wisc.edu.

Club Leaders: If you have not submitted your club meeting plans for the summer please do so ASAP!

4-H GRADS '21

Congratulations to all of the following 4-Hers graduating from our program in 2021: Melissa Konkel, Big Foot Pioneers; Maddy Eggert and Gavin Storlie, Elkhorn; Amelia Guanci, Flame Throwers; Alexia Schroeder and Abigail Tollakson, Harvesters; Lillian Geuder and Dakota Horlacher, Lake Beulah; Ty Adams, Lakeland; Phoebe Phillips, Linn; Bethany Klein, Makayla Ohrwall, and Codey Schell, Sharon; Benjamin Laskowski and Owen Kramer, Spring Prairie; Jack Etten, Alexander Haacker, Claire Schilz, and Tommy Slack, Springfield; Anna Hansen, Sugar Creek; Julia Brost and Amanda Harder, Walworth; Theresa Bellrichard, Tiffany Bellrichard, and Ruth Tanis, Whitewater.

4-H Open House

Our annual county 4-H open house event is tentatively set for Tuesday, October 5, in the Walworth County Fairgrounds Activity Center. Club profile page updates are due during this meeting (July 26). Additional details about this year's event will be forthcoming!

Bankers' Night '21

This year's Bankers' Night program will be conducted as it was in 2020. The WCBA will package up the awards by club and distribute them for leaders to pass out at local awards programs after the fair. Depending on feedback, Banker's Night may continue in this format moving forward. If you have feedback, please share it with Debbie Harris via email to be passed along.

Certificate of Liability

The University of Wisconsin – Madison provides liability coverage for 4-H programs and activities. To obtain a certificate of liability insurance please submit a request to Janel Heidelmeier at janel.heidelmeier@wisc.edu subject line *Certificate of Liability*. The required information is outlined below.

- Where the event is being held
- Location of event
- Type of coverage proof requested
 - General Liability
 - Auto Liability
 - o Other
- Beginning date of active coverage
- End date of active coverage
- Description of the activity being performed and under whose authority (leader in charge)?
- Other information that you'd like to share

Important to note: Extension staff and volunteers should allow three weeks for processing.

WI 4-H Annual Charters

Just a reminder...this year's Annual Financial Charter Report and supported details have been mailed! They can also be found on our website under the *Toolbox for Club Leaders* tab or at this link https://walworth.extension.wisc.edu/files/2021/06/Annual-Financial-Report-2021.pdf. The financial report is DUE to Janel Heidelmeier no later than Monday, September 27. The rest of the charter document will be mailed to the club contact leaders as soon as it is available.

New Tax Exempt Numbers

Each chartered Club/Group should be receiving a new tax exempt number. As our office receives them we will distribute accordingly. If you have received any tax exempt paperwork from the Wisconsin Department of Revenue be sure to provide our office with a copy.

Shootings Sports Certification Workshop

Saturday, September 11, 8AM to 5PM - Wood County, Marshfield, WI. Disciplines offered: Archery, coordinator, muzzleloader, rifle/air rifle, pistol/air pistol, shotgun. All disciplines except shotgun will be offered at the Central Wisconsin Sportsmen's Club. Shotgun will be at the Marshfield Trap and Skeet Club. Registration deadline is September 4.

Note that volunteers who plan to become 4-H Shooting Sports leaders must allow time to become an approved 4-H leader in the county before they can register through 4-H Online. Certification workshop registration is open to approved adult 4-H leaders only and they must be age 21. Pre-registration is required through 4-H Online at "Events". Fee: \$52 credit card payment at time of online registration.

Upham Woods Day Trip

Twenty-four Walworth County 4-H teens traveled to Upham Woods on July 9 to participate in a day of hiking, canoeing, and teambuilding. The day also included the traditional counselor pizza party, campfire, and counselor awards. Three of our 2020 camp counselor grads joined us, having been shorted their final camp year by Covid-19, and were also honored. Four prospective counselors for 2022 also participated to round out the available seats on the bus. A big "thank you" goes to Colin Horlacher and Caroline Cornelison who attended as chaperones, and to the Walworth County Senior Leaders' Association for their sponsorship of this amazing trip.