



## San Benito 4-H Newsletter July 8, 2021

**4-Her's - We are back to meeting in person for 4-H events, club projects, meetings, and council meetings.**

We appreciate everyone's support of each other during this crazy time in our lives. We have all missed each other but the light is shining at the end of the tunnel, we can now meet in person again participating in 4-H activities with our 4-H friends, leaders, and family.

We can now meet in person outside with no mask abiding by the COVID guidelines.

We can meet in person inside wearing a mask to protect ourselves from the COVID virus.

**See the end of the newsletter for the updated information on COVID meeting guidelines.**

We can use the veterans' hall and Bolado Park for our meetings as well as other locations. We have the 4-H insurance in place for these locations. Check with your 4-H leaders for meeting information.

### **YMCA Petting Zoo- July 16th**

Lorian Lange is chairing this event for our 4-H program. She will need help from our 4-H community. Come join us on July 16th from 10 am to noon with your animal to share with the youth in our community. You will have to provide your own pens. Please arrive 15 minutes early to set up at Sunnyslope School at 1475 Memorial Dr, Hollister, CA 95023. If you do not have an animal to share come anyway and help us with the event. We can use extra hands. See you on July 16th!

### **Fair Updates:**

## **San Benito Fair:**

**Small animals** (sheep, meat goats & swine) 4-H leaders email your livestock tag request with species to [dara@sanbenitocountyfair.com](mailto:dara@sanbenitocountyfair.com) from July 6th to July 12th. Leaders will pick up the livestock tags at the office on July 13th at the fair office from 4 pm to 6 pm. Leaders must have the livestock tagging paperwork turned into the fair office no later than July 30th.

The deadline for rabbits, poultry, and turkeys will be announced at a later date. The fair is bringing back chickens since Newcastle disease has been lifted.

No exceptions if you miss any of these deadlines for tagging livestock or entries to show and sell at the fair.

We will have a 4-H & FFA Horse show prior to the fair. Check the fair entry book for dates and deadlines for all areas.

Junior still exhibits updates will be announced at a later date.

Livestock exhibitors will arrive on Tuesday, September 28th show will run Wednesday thru Friday. Live auction on Saturday.

Fair is open to the public from October 1st-3rd.

Fair has a shortfall of \$60K in their budget to cover expenses this year. Visit the fair Facebook page for fundraising events this summer to help offset the shortfall.

**Dara Tobias will be posting fair updates on the San Benito Fair Facebook page.**

We are having a live show with livestock market animals, breeding, dairy goats, dairy cattle, rabbits, and poultry.

**Monterey Fair:** The 4-H & FFA youth and families will attend the fair prior to the fair opening to the public. We will be showing in person for livestock, breeding, dairy goats & cattle, rabbits & poultry. Visiting the fair entry book has been delayed due to some technical issues. The fair staff is hoping to get the online entry book posted by the end of next week. Visit the online entry book for deadlines and schedules for entries, requirements, and show dates.

## **Santa Cruz Fair:**

**New swine rule:** No whips are allowed to be used during the swine show ring or sale ring. As a result of seeing an exhibitor beat the heck out of her hog with a whip at the 2019 fair, the fair staff has placed a new rule that hog whips will **NOT** be allowed in the swine show ring and sale ring. An exhibitor may use pig bats or crops, as well the old-school cane and pvc pipe. If you have questions or concerns regarding this new rule, please email the livestock committee chairman's at "SCCF Livestock Committee" at [santacruzlivestockcommittee@gmail.com](mailto:santacruzlivestockcommittee@gmail.com)

### **2021-2022 Enrollment updates:**

Our online 4-H enrollment system is being updated until August 15th. We are not able to log onto the system but you are welcome to complete the paper enrollment forms if you prefer prior to the registration opening online.

Here is the link for paper enrollment forms:

List of [San Benito County 4-H Clubs](#)

- YOUTH ENROLL IN [4-H ON-LINE](#)
- YOUTH [PAPER](#) ENROLLMENT FORMS.
- ADULT ENROLL IN [4-H ON-LINE](#)
  - COMPLETE LEADER [ONLINE TRAINING](#)
  - NEW LEADERS ALSO COMPLETE [LIVE SCAN](#)
- ADULT [PAPER](#) ENROLLMENT FORMS.

### **2021-2022 4-H ENROLLMENT FEE PAYMENT:**

Payment options:

- CASH/CHECK DISCOUNT -Pay directly to your 4-H community club leader.
- ON-LINE *payment survey* system! - Additional \$10 processing fee will apply for credit card transactions.
- PayPal App. use "sbc4hcouncil@gmail.com" as payee.
  - Add an additional \$10 processing fee to your credit card payment.

FIRST TIME 4-H YOUTH MEMBERSHIP (New 4-H membership)

- Paid within 30 days of registration =\$75
- If paid after 30 days of registration -see the payment schedule below for the month.

#### RETURNING YOUTH MEMBER ENROLLMENT FEE (cash/check discount)

- Early Clover Special: July 1st - September 30th = \$75
- Fall Clover: October 1st - November 30th = \$85
- Late Clover: Enrollment: December 1st to June 30th = \$95

#### RETURNING YOUTH MEMBER ENROLLMENT FEES (with credit card processing fee)

- Early Clover Special: July 1st - September 30th = \$85
- Fall Clover:: October 1st - November 30th = \$95
- Late Clover: December 1st to June 30th = \$105

#### NEW & RETURNING ADULT LEADERS ENROLLMENT FEE:

- Cash/check discount = \$30.00
- Credit card payment = \$40.00

Fee waiver assistance is available for families to cover the 4-H enrollment in financial need. A family will need to complete the 4-H fee waiver form. After completing the 4-H fee waiver form, turn it in to your 4-H community club leader or 4-H office staff.

*Just a reminder to all youth, parents, and leaders. A 4-H member needs to be in good standing to be eligible to show livestock at the county fairs and state fair! A member in good standing is current 4-H enrollment, 4-H registration paid, minimum of 6 hours completed in the project plus 80% of the additional meeting required by the project leader, members APR (Annual Project Report) completed.*

#### **4-H Farm:**

We are honored to announce the new 4-H Farm managers:

Nick Peter - 831-673-0203 or [quailsprings02@gmail.com](mailto:quailsprings02@gmail.com)

Spike Shoaf - 408-710-4749

Committee Members:

Richard Perry

Kim Perry

Mike Pfeiffer

Laura Salinas

Leonard Espinoza  
Jim Mistretta  
April Mistretta  
Denise Palmer

If you have any questions or concerns about the 4-H farm contact Nick or Spike. The 4-H farm committee is also available to assist.

4-H youth may house their livestock at the 4-H farm for a bargain price of \$10 per animal a year plus 6 hours of honest work to help maintain the 4-H farm. Submit your 4-H farm agreement by email to [jkatawicz@ucanr.edu](mailto:jkatawicz@ucanr.edu) or drop it off in the white box outside the 4-H conference room at 3228 Southside Rd, Hollister. Once we receive the farm agreement you may speak to the 4-H office about housing your animal at the 4-H farm. Just remember COVID guidelines apply with social distancing.

4-H farm agreement: <http://ucanr.edu/sites/UCCESanBenito/files/296805.pdf>  
<http://ucanr.edu/sites/UCCESanBenito/files/296425.pdf>

### **Beth Kadluboski All-Star project - Wrap up**

Beth is hosting a Red Cross Blood Drive event at LDS Church on May 29th. Many people from 4-H and the community came out to participate in the Red Cross blood drive. We would like to thank all the donors of blood.

It was a huge success and a selfless gift to people in need in our community. Thank you Beth for sponsoring this project.

### **4-H COVID Guidelines per UCANR (4-H state office):**

Please review this information prior to attending a 4-H event or meeting regarding the latest COVID guidelines:

4-H clubs may start meeting in person for meetings and activities as of July 1, 2021.

- For indoor 4-H activities, everyone must wear masks, regardless of vaccination status, and should maintain 3 feet distancing.
- For outdoor 4-H activities, no masks are required, including unvaccinated people. No distancing is required for outdoor 4-H activities.

- However, if there is a 4-H meeting with youth at our office, then that is a youth activity and everyone should wear a mask.

For more information refer to the UCANR handout:

Volunteers/leaders review these two websites before resuming in-person activities:

1) [http://4h.ucanr.edu/Resources/StaffResources/In-Person\\_Guidelines/](http://4h.ucanr.edu/Resources/StaffResources/In-Person_Guidelines/)

2) [https://ucanr.edu/sites/ca4H/COVID\\_Update/](https://ucanr.edu/sites/ca4H/COVID_Update/)

- All volunteers and participants who are working onsite, in the field, or conducting in-person activities may not engage in in-person UC ANR-sponsored activities if they have symptoms of, have been exposed to, or diagnosed with COVID-19 until symptoms have resolved or negative test results are provided
- Volunteers who come into the office for extended periods of time must complete a screening survey upon arrival and may not stay in the office without clearance.
- All materials/announcements for programs, activities, events, etc. must clearly state that UC ANR [COVID-19 Safety Standards](#) will be maintained. This includes notice that persons should stay home when they have symptoms or have been in close contact to someone who has COVID-19; that UC ANR employees, volunteers and participants who are not vaccinated are required to wear face masks when gathering indoors (see [UC ANR Mask Protocol](#)), and cleaning/hygienic practices must be maintained.



### **Office updates: OUR OFFICE IS OPEN!!!**

Our new schedule:

4-H staff in the office on:

Wednesdays & Thursday from 8:30 am to 5 pm

Monday our office manager is in the office with no 4-H staff. Please drop off or pick up items from the office. The office is open from 7 am to 3:30 pm.

We have missed working with everyone in person. We look forward to seeing you and having a great 4-H year.

*Sincerely,*

Julie Katawicz,

4-H Youth Development Program Rep

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Schedule: Monday -Thursday

4-H County Website: [http://cesanbenito.ucanr.edu/4-H\\_Program/](http://cesanbenito.ucanr.edu/4-H_Program/)