



# Schoharie County 4-H Newsletter



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## March - April, 2021



Everything Under the Sun 4-H Club  
has a lesson on ice fishing.



## Schoharie County 4-H Meeting, Activity & Event Safety Plan

CCE prioritizes the health, safety, and well-being of the communities we serve. If Schoharie County 4-H Programs and Clubs choose to meet non-virtually, they must attend the CCE Schoharie & Otsego Counties 4-H Club Meeting & Activity Safety Plan TRAINING

For more information on in-person 4-H meetings, activities, & events contact 4-H Resource Educator, Catherine Roberts, at [cmr336@cornell.edu](mailto:cmr336@cornell.edu) or 518-234-4303 x113

UPDATES will be communicated as soon as possible.

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### 4-H Youth Development Mission Statement

The mission of Cornell Cooperative Extension 4-H Youth Development is to build youth-adult partnerships to enable youth to become fully engaged in their learning process. New York State 4-H is a leader in enabling youth to develop the knowledge, skills, attitudes, and abilities to become productive citizens and is a catalyst for positive change to meet the needs of a diverse and changing society.

#### Through 4-H Youth Development, youth will:

- Practice effective problem-solving and decision-making skills
- Possess positive work attitudes and skills
- Value diversity
- Accept community and social responsibility
- Contribute to positive relationships with families, peers, and community
- Demonstrate communication and leadership skills
- Value lifelong learning

#### Cornell Cooperative Extension values:

- 4-H Youth development as the focus of all youth development activities
- Partnerships for supporting, conducting, and extending the program

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## *4-H Calendar Events 2020*



<b>MARCH</b>	
4	Dairy Discovery Virtual Workshop, 6pm-8pm, via Zoom
11	Dairy Discovery Virtual Workshop, 6pm-8pm, via Zoom
18	Dairy Discovery Virtual Workshop, 6pm-8pm, via Zoom
20	4-H Public Presentation Day, starts at 9am, Virtual via Zoom & Pre-recorded Videos
24	4-H Day Old Pheasant Chick Program Order Deadline
25	Dairy Discovery Virtual Workshop, 6pm-8pm, via Zoom
29	4-H Million Trees Project Enrollment Deadline
30	4-H Earn An Animal Orientation
30	Virtual Statewide Hour of Code: Basic Game Design, 6pm
<b>APRIL</b>	
11	4-H Dog Training Class, Hessian Hill Farm Canine Center, 12pm-1pm
18	4-H Dog Training Class, Hessian Hill Farm Canine Center, 12pm-1pm
25	4-H Dog Training Class, Hessian Hill Farm Canine Center, 12pm-1pm
27-29	NYS 4-H Capital Days, Virtual
28 - May 10	Tractor Supply Paper Clover Sales
<b>MAY</b>	
2	4-H Dog Training Class, Hessian Hill Farm Canine Center, 12pm-1pm
4	4-H Virtual Animal Crackers Workshop, Via Zoom, 6pm
6	4-H Virtual Animal Crackers Workshop, Via Zoom, 6pm
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27	4-H Virtual Animal Crackers Workshop, Via Zoom, 6pm

# **4-H Clubs and Membership**

Below is the complete list of 4-H clubs and members enrolled for the 2020-2021 4-H year as of March 5, 2021. If your club or name is **NOT** on this list, **YOU ARE NOT ENROLLED** and **ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW OR SUNSHINE FAIR!** Contact the 4-H office **IMMEDIATELY** if there is an error or you wish to enroll. The deadline for enrollment is **QUICKLY** approaching.

## **ANIMAL AGGIES**

Alex Badger  
Sydney Benac  
Annika Falco  
Arrietta Kuehnle  
Nathan Kuehnle  
Caleb Levanites  
Emma Rogers  
Jackson Rogers  
Benjamin Walrath  
Claudia Walrath  
Jennifer Walrath  
Colleen Badger  
Andrea Falco  
Lisa Kuehnle  
Jennifer Rogers  
Michael Rogers

## **CLOVER COUSINS**

Ella Coons  
Lilah Coons  
Emma Slater  
Isabella Slater  
Kelly Coons

## **DIE HARD DAIRY**

Isaac Conard  
Isabella Cornwell  
Chandler Kniskern  
Kaden Korona  
Maya Korona  
Elise Kossmann  
Tyler Lloyd  
Augustus Mason  
Daisy Mason

## **DIE HARD DAIRY**

**Continued..**  
Carleigh Reed  
Ethan Reed  
Jackson Reed  
Aidan Rotman  
Aubree Stanton  
Cadem Stanton  
Logan VanEvera  
Olivia VanEvera  
Case Yacobucci  
Mason Yacobucci  
Lydia VanEvera  
Jennifer Conard  
Randi Korona  
Sarah Lloyd  
Eric Stanton  
Jacob VanEvera  
Kelly Yacobucci

## **EVERYTHING UNDER**

**THE SUN**  
Maeleigh Dinger  
Theoden Freiermuht  
Eleanor Gagnon  
Julian Gagnon  
Kai Hoose  
Parker Hoose  
Levi Lape  
Madison Lape  
Madeline Warner  
Amber Lape  
Jonah Dinger  
Gwendolyn Freiermuht  
Sarah Hoose

## **GREEN TREE CLUB**

Alexandria Lincoln  
Brooke Lincoln  
Hannah Sulas  
William Sulas  
Stephanie Lincoln  
Amy Sulas

## **HAPPY HOOFS**

Julianna Ainsworth  
Chloe Armstrong  
Jillian Barnett  
James Beretz  
Shyanne Beretz  
Janaja Cooper  
Elizabeth Echter  
Ransom Echter  
Dallas Foland  
Taylor Foland  
Ashley Moorhead  
Kayleigh Schoenecker  
Aiden Schoenecker  
Mackenzie Schoenecker  
Skylar Shook  
Aubree Stanton  
Gracie Styga  
Sophia Trombley  
Olivia Valhos  
Hannah Vedder  
MaKayla Vedder  
Michelle Echter  
Shelby Beretz

## **HOOF HEARTED**

Caroline Borst  
Michael Borst  
Kaycee DeJong  
Evelyn Echter  
Miriah Foland  
Allie Smith  
Jody DeJong  
Heather Palmatier  
Denise Foland  
Vicki Echter  
Michele Borst

## **MILKIN' MANIACS**

Peyten Johns  
Isabella Swartout  
Levi Blood-Szentmiklosy  
Chloe Wohlfarth  
Kaislyn Kane  
Garrett Hempstead  
Sarah Blood

## **READY TO RIDE**

Addison Gaida  
Declan Hahl  
Madailein Hahl  
Brook Haslun  
Ella Haslun  
Karleigh Kehrner  
Keagan Kehrner  
Ava Moreland  
Ty Moreland  
Jason Pinder  
Steven Pinder  
Kerry Moreland  
Heather Haslun

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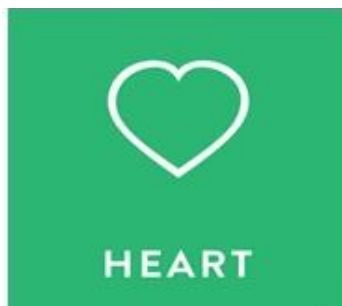
Peyton Hanh  
Anna King  
JoAnne King  
Andrew McConnelee  
Thomas McConnelee  
Addison Michalak  
Oliver Dalton  
Evangeline Pollard  
Rachel Pollard  
Lillian Parrish  
Olivia Parrish  
Jackson Shaw  
Rebecca Shaw

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Elizabeth Zurek  
Malachai Zurek  
Rosie Zurek  
Mollie Goblet-Schubert  
Liz Goblet-Schubert



**ENROLL  
TODAY**





Schoharie County



Cost is **\$50 per youth** (includes all 4 weeks)

# DOG TRAINING PROGRAM

Obedience \* Agility \* Tricks \* Therapy \* Scent Work

### Upcoming 4-Week Course

Teaches dog and handler basic obedience and canine knowledge.

Open to Schoharie County 4-H youth ages 5-19 with 4-H eligible dog 6 months or older.

Space is limited. Youth will be registered first-come first-serve.

For safety purposes, 4-H youth will ONLY be eligible to compete in the Schoharie County Fair Dog Show once they have received successful completion of this course.

**\*\*Proof of Rabies Vaccination REQUIRED\*\***

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Classes will be held on Sundays from 12 pm - 1 pm

**April 11** - Orientation and Temperament Testing

**April 18** - Training Theories

**April 25** - Positive Reinforcement

**May 2** - Tricks and Games

Location: Hessian Hill Farm  
Canine Center, Berne, NY



For more information or to register contact 4-H Educator Catherine Roberts at [cmr336@cornell.edu](mailto:cmr336@cornell.edu) or 518-234-4303 x113

# 4-H & TSC

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INSPIRING KIDS TO DO



## SPRING PAPER CLOVER SALES

COMING SOON!

FROM OUR FRIENDS AT  
**TRACTOR SUPPLY CO., Cobleskill**

Tractor Supply Co. is honored to support 4-H programs across the country. We would like to invite your 4-H Club to come by our store during the upcoming Paper Clover event. We know that when clubs are present in-store during the event, donations increase by more than 40%. Your club can get involved by setting up a table to sell Paper Clovers, help bag customer's purchases, display your animals, or even demonstrate projects.



# DAIRY QUIZ BOWL



4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl is a "quiz bowl" competition where all questions deal with dairy topics. Teams of four members compete with each other in giving oral answers to questions posed by a moderator. Teams receive points for correct answers and may lose points for incorrect answers. The team with the highest final score is the winner.

The contest is organized on a double elimination basis with winning teams advancing into further rounds until a champion team emerges.

Competition in the 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl encourages a 4-H member to develop a more complete knowledge of dairy animals and related subjects. This contest provides an educational dairy program for all dairy project members, including those who may not own a dairy project animal, and provides a way to develop alertness and self-confidence.

Novice Division -youth ages 10 and under as of January 1.

Junior Team-youth ages at least 9 and less than 14 years old as of January 1.

Senior Team-youth must be at least 14 years old as of January 1 and not pass 19 by January 1 of current year.

**TEAMS ARE FORMING NOW IN PREPARATION  
OF A JUNE 19 COMPETITION!**

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## New York State 4-H

All are welcome!  
**Virtual Statewide  
Hour of Code**

Basic Game Design



**TUESDAY, March 30 @ 6PM**



**Hour of Code** is an introduction to computer science, designed to demystify "code" and show that anyone can learn together the basics to be a maker, a creator, an innovator!

*This program is for youth ages 7-12 and requires an adult chaperone to join.*



NEW YORK STATE  
**4-H**

To register, contact 4-H Educator Catherine Roberts at [cmr336@cornell.edu](mailto:cmr336@cornell.edu) or (518) 234-4303x113

# 4-H Statewide Events

## **DAIRY DISCOVERY VIRTUAL WORKSHOP SERIES**

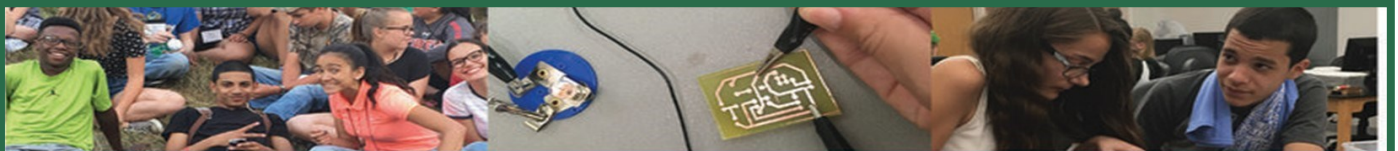
The annual Dairy Discovery program provides New York youth fun, science-oriented learning experiences on dairy production and management topics. This year, we are offering a virtual workshop series that will include short presentations from NY college agriculture programs and opportunities to meet youth from across the state through hands-on problem solving and small group discussions. Presenters are experts in the dairy industry and Cornell University.

Youth ages 14-19 years old as of January 1, 2021 are invited to attend. There is NO FEE, but all youth participants MUST register by March 1, 2021. One registration will give access to all four sessions.

For more information or to register, contact Catherine Roberts, Schoharie County 4-H Educator at [cmr336@cornell.edu](mailto:cmr336@cornell.edu) OR (518)234-4303 x113



**Sessions will be held from  
6:00pm—8:00pm  
Thursday, March 4, 2021  
Thursday, March 11, 2021  
Thursday, March 18, 2021  
Thursday, March 25, 2021**



## **New York State 4-H CAREER EXPLORATIONS CONFERENCE**

### **SAVE THE DATES**

Dates: June 17, 18-30, and July 1, 2021 Location: ZOOM

Time: 4:00pm-6:pm

Cost: \$50 per youth (No cost for adults) Registration: TBD

Career Explorations will be very different this year, but will still provide youth ages 13-18 the opportunity to connect with other youth across the state, to take virtual campus tours, meet Cornell partners and alumni, and learn about specific and general areas of study.

**MORE INFORMATION WILL BE AVAILABLE IN THE COMING WEEKS.**

**Scholarships may be available.**

**If you would like more information:**

**Catherine Roberts [cmr336@cornell.edu](mailto:cmr336@cornell.edu)**

# 4-H Schoharie County



## 4-H Million Trees Project

The 4-H Million Trees Projects is a youth founded service-learning project to inspire 4-H youth to plant trees to slow global climate change.

Capital District 4-H is hosting this program in conjunction with Earth Day (April 22) & Arbor Day (April 30). Youth participants will take an active role in learning about trees, climate change as well as giving back to their community by planting & maintaining these trees in an approved public location of their choosing.

### Why join this project?

Be a part of the 6 million 4-H youth from around the world who are personally committed to addressing the climate crisis.

Reduce the atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub> by planting trees in shared spaces  
Engage in service-learning projects that impact your community  
Learn & experience planting tree seedlings & how to care for them  
Have fun while getting your hands a little dirty!

To enroll, contact 4-H Educator, Catherine Roberts at  
cmr336@cornell.edu or 518-234-4303 x113

Participation is: \$1.00 per requested pine tree seedling

Deadline is **March 29, 2021**

\*Once you enroll, you will receive information about pick up times & locations, dates & times of the 3 virtual educational sessions, as well as guidance about selecting a location. All participants will be given a caregiver's agreement.

For more information on the project, visit [www.4hmilliontrees.org](http://www.4hmilliontrees.org)  
or checkout their Facebook page at *4-H Million Trees Project!*

After all, every day is a good day to plant a tree!

## Hands-On Horse Record

New York State 4-H Horse Program is introducing a  
*Horse Program Log Sheet* project.

This log sheet is for ALL New York State 4-H youth who ride, drive, and do groundwork with their horse. Keep track of all the hours you work with your horse(s)!  
Please use separate sheets for each horse.

This program will run from January 1, 2021 through December 30, 2021. Logs should be submitted by January 1st, 2022.

The three youth with the most logged hours will receive merchandise from the NYS 4-H Horse Program.

For further information or to download official logs, contact Jessica Tyson at [jms943@cornell.edu](mailto:jms943@cornell.edu).



Cost: \$3.00 per 25 chicks for 4-H members

\$4.00 per 25 for non 4-H members

## 2021 4-H Day Old Pheasant Chicks Program

The Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) is once again distributing day-old pheasant chicks for rearing and release projects to qualified 4-H youths.

The rearing and release of pheasants requires a great deal of responsibility by 4-H youth and a leader and must be familiar with *Pheasant Rearing Guide*, available at the 4-H office.

Contact Catherine Roberts [cmr336@cornell.edu](mailto:cmr336@cornell.edu)

518-234-4303 ext 113

Chicks must be pre-ordered and PAID on or before **March 24, 2021**



# Animal Crackers

## All Creatures Great & Small

### Virtual Workshops May 2021

Suggested age range is ages 9-12, however, all 4-H youth 9 and up are welcome to attend.

**Cost: \$50** for an individual registration, which covers all eight (8) sessions.

Scholarships are available! Contact your local 4-H extension office to register.

Registration closes **April 1, 2021** for planning purposes.

**May 4, 2021 - 6-7 pm:** "Dive into Equine Rehab" SUNY Morrisville Equine Rehabilitation Center virtual tour. Learn what it is like to nurse a horse back to health in a state-of-the-art facility. From acupuncture, to heat therapy, to water therapy learn about what it takes to get these athletes back to the best of their ability.

**May 6, 2021 - 6-7 pm:** "Fiber Sheep" Learn the steps that take fiber from "in the grease" to a finished spun or felted product, select fibers for finished products, how to prepare wool for your projects, and feel the difference in a variety of sheep fibers.

**May 11, 2021 - 6-7 pm:** "Poultry Anatomy" Overview of basic poultry anatomy, focusing on digestion, reproduction, and parts of the egg.

**May 13, 2021 - 6-7 pm:** "Constructing Reproduction" Participants will review and identify the basic parts of the cow's reproductive tract and then make a model of and demonstrate the fertilization process in cattle.

**May 18, 2021 - 6-7 pm:** "Basic Pet First Aid" Lessons on making pet first aid kits, how to take vital signs, recognizing shock and other ER's, and basic bandaging techniques.

**May 20, 2021 - 6-7 pm:** "Yikes! There's a Goat in my Tub" Explore the properties of goat milk soap and compare how a sample of goat milk soap measures up to your soap at home. Youth will receive a laminated sheet of the goat breeds, instructions on how to make a halter or macrame collar for your goat, AND some goat cheese and meat recipes.

**May 25, 2021 - 6-7 pm:** "Pigs Inside and Out" Explore pig anatomy, body parts as related to cuts of meat. Learn all about what makes a pig tick!

**May 27, 2021 - 6-7 pm:** "Basic Rabbit & Cavy Care" Tour a rabbitry and visit with cavies! Learn about what it takes to care for rabbits and cavies - housing, water, nutritional needs and more! Receive worksheets, samples of rabbit fur/wool and feed samples for both rabbits and cavies in your take home kit!





# Public Presentation Day

**March 20, 2021**

This year 4-H Public  
Presentation Day will be held  
*virtually!*

Youth are participating in the  
following ways:



**Option 1:** Attend the live Zoom event on Saturday, March 20th, 2021. (*Youth will be given a time slot to join the event and present in front a panel of evaluators.*)

**Option 2:** Submit a video recording of the presentation, instead of attending the live Zoom event. (*Video recordings will also be reviewed by a panel of evaluators.*)

## Tips for Public Speaking

- ✓ Practice
- ✓ Know the Subject
- ✓ Know your Audience
- ✓ Use Humor
- ✓ Make eye contact
- ✓ Use visual aids
- ✓ Speak clearly and in a friendly voice
- ✓ Take breaths between units of thought
- ✓ Use good posture and movements
- ✓ Talk at a normal speed but avoid being monotone

## Example 4-H presentations on YouTube!

Quiver & Bow Stand: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Vqe-z38-yAc&feature=youtu.be>

All Dutch to Me!: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HajfZUVaD-I>

How to Groom Your Horse: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8PFBuVRWBzU>

It's Showtime! How to Demonstrate the 4-H Way (a step-by-step guide through planning, organizing and displaying public presentations)  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WTytHTCkv8c>



## TIPS FOR RECORDING YOUR 4-H PUBLIC PRESENTATION



*Presenting to a camera is different from presenting to a live audience. Here are some tips for recording your public presentation on a smartphone.*

### HAVE EVERYTHING YOU'LL NEED

Have your presentation materials ready. Any note cards, props or visual aids you'll need should be within reach.

### FIND A GOOD LOCATION

Choose a quiet place to give your presentation. You don't want to be distracted or interrupted!

### POSITION YOUR PHONE

Consider how you will keep your phone steady. This can be as simple as stacking books on a table and propping your phone against them, or using a camera tripod, if you have one. Try to keep the camera lens a little below eye level; you should be looking slightly downward towards the lens.

### SETTING UP YOUR PHONE

In your phone's settings, switch to Airplane Mode. This will prevent you from being disturbed by interruptions or calls during recording. Turn your phone sideways in Landscape (horizontal) mode, not Portrait (vertical) mode. Have the camera's screen facing towards you. You'll be using the front-facing camera. (Have someone help you position yourself.)

### CLEAN THE CAMERA LENS

Phones pick up all kinds of smudges during daily use. You can use a soft cloth to wipe it off. (Microfiber cloths, used for cleaning glasses, are great for this!)

### CONFIGURE YOUR PHONE TO RECORD

Make sure you have enough space to record. You shouldn't need more than a gigabyte (GB) for your presentation. Your phone may allow you to record at a very high resolution, but a smaller file will be easier to upload later. Check your camera's settings and use the lowest resolution (720p on iPhone, 1280 x 720 on Android) Set your phone's camera app to video mode and switch to the front facing camera (aka Selfie mode)

### FRAME YOUR SHOT AND SET SOME LIGHTING

Make sure your phone is horizontal and level. Position yourself in the shot, slightly off from the center. (This assumes your phone's camera is positioned just above the screen when the phone is in portrait mode.) Use ceiling lights, floor or table lamps to make sure you're well lit. Move lights around to see what looks best when you're in position. Alternatively, you can record with a window providing light from the side.

### RECORD A TEST

Hit record and make a test video. Play it back to make sure you can be heard. (It's easier to make adjustments now, then finding out after your presentation!) Rehearse to make sure you've allowed enough space that you won't go in & out of frame.

### ACTION! TIME TO RECORD

Look at the phone's lens-not the screen. This allows you to keep eye contact with your viewers.

### WHEN YOU START

Hit Record, get into your position, and set yourself (count to three in your head), and start

### WHEN YOU FINISH

You won't be able to take questions as you would with an in-person presentation, so hold your position, look into the phone's lens, say something to indicate you're finished (ex. Thanks for listening to my presentation on \_\_) count to three again in your head and then click the Record button off.

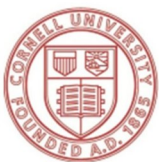


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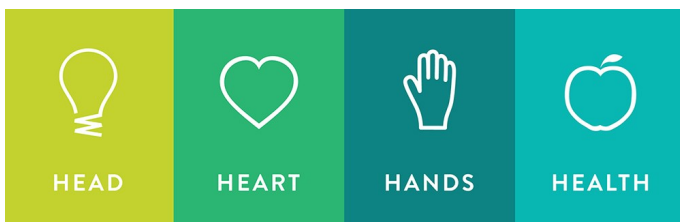


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## Cobleskill Office Hours

**Monday through Friday  
 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.**



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