



4-H and You

Northwest 4-H Region Newsletter

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November is National 4-H Month

November 4th is Show your 4-H Colours Day
This national event aims to get everyone with
a 4-H connection to wear green.

Go Green, Go 4-H!

Upcoming Regional Events:

NW 4-H Learning Day – October 17th
Regional Meeting Villeneuve - Nov. 21
Regional 4-H Fair – Bon Accord - Nov. 28
Beef Record Book - deadline Sept 30th
Horse Record Book – **new deadline**
October. 15th

Northwest 4-H Learning Day

Plan on a group from your club driving to
Clyde on **Saturday, October 17th**. The
Regional Council Executive organized a day
of workshops and seminars for both leaders
and members. The event is free to attend,
but clubs are asked to register.

4-H topics include diaries, scholarships,
judging, member programs, and club and
communications training. Leaders can get
Level 1 Leader training, participate in a Little
Warriors session and get some forms filled.

Enclosures

Club Registration for your club 2008-2009
Club Registration Package 2009- 2010
Club Sponsorship form 2009 - 2010
4-H Member Club Registration
Leader Registration packages – new leaders
Welcome to 4-H Family Brochures – 3 NEW
Club Supply Catalogue –2000- 2010
Book Cleaver Mascot form
How to Receive 4-H Resources
2009 ARD publications
Public Speaking and Presentations Rules - 2009
Leader Training – fall / winter 2009-10
Leading the Way summary sheet and 3 LTW:
(Insurance; AB 4-H Website, Purchasing Club Assets)
AB 4-H Award of Excellence form 2009
AB 4-H Policies and Procedures - 2009
AB Farm Safety Program Resources
Fundraiser Article
Merial 4-H Box Back Program (Ivomec)
Ketchum Manufacturing
FCC 4-H 4-Ever; poster
ATB Financial Brochure
Champion Feeds sponsorship package
Northlands - 4-H Family Day at FarmFair

Regional Information

Northwest Calendar 2009-2010
Northwest Programs and Activities 2009
Northwest Contact Sheet Sept 2009
Northwest Scholarship Sheet
Northwest Learning Day

Project Information Packages

4-H Horse Project Information – fall 2009
4-H Beef Project information – fall 2009
Lifeskills: 4-H Fair, Project Book Guidelines
Handling Livestock Safely
Insurance: Hartford Insurance & CFI Insurance

Leader Registration

All leader registration forms are to be **returned to the provincial leader screening coordinator** within 2 months of your club starting. Please help your leaders meet this deadline.

Returning leaders due for update screening - last screened in 2004 - are being sent directly in the mail the leader screening package. Enclosed are copies for new leaders. More are available from the 4-H office in Barrhead.

For clubs with Leaders with EDMONTON addresses, please review the guidelines carefully and submit the forms submitted by **November 15th**.

Leader Training Opportunities

Check the 4-H Magazine, the 4-H website at www.4h.ab.ca or the project updates for the program details and application deadlines. Small Animal, Life Skills, Technology and Trade Leaders' Update (SALTT) (Nov 20-22) and the Horse Project Leader's Update (Feb 19-21) offer hands on training sessions

Leader's Conference in Red Deer, January 8 to 10, 2010.

4-H Leader Training Level One Workshop:

Options: district workshop, NW Learning day October 17th, AB 4-H Leader's Conference.

Club Grants

Please complete the enclosed club sponsorship form and return with your registration form. Information on the grants and sponsors are posted on the 4-H website. Remember to thank our 4-H sponsors and report on the activities they support.

Alberta 4-H Policy Updates

Please refer only to the 2009 version and recycle previous versions as one third of the policies changed each year.

Alberta 4-H Awards of Excellence

Send your application form to the 4-H Office in Barrhead. Please allow lots of time for the orders to be filled, Requests for platinum awards take 6 to 8 weeks as they are personally engraved and are only ordered once per month. Medallions will be sent to a local government office via courier.

Golden Clover Award

Recognizes individuals or groups showing outstanding leadership while initiating a special contribution (idea, program, activity or event) that made a significant difference to 4-H in Alberta. Members, leaders, sponsors, clubs, councils, alumni, & staff are all eligible. **Deadline is Nov. 1.** Application forms are available on the 4-H website: www.4h.ab.ca

The Cooperators Volunteer Leader of the Year Awards

Members can nominate leaders for this national award. Check the 4-H website for the nomination form. **October 23rd** deadline

UFA Young Adults Service Recognition

Award recognizes 5 4-H Alumni (ages 20-35) who pursue post-secondary education, return to rural roots and enhance their community as a 4-H volunteer for at least 2 years. Check 4-H website for details. **November 15**

Opportunities:

Please check in package for information on:

1. Northlands - 4-H Family Day at FarmFair International on November 9th
2. Canadian Petroleum Discovery Centre and Hall of Fame Museum – Youth programs
3. NW Alliance Conservation Initiative – Feeding Horses in a Drought – 3 workshops
4. Work Smarter Not Harder Livestock Handling - resources for 4-H and Youth workshop/CD/DVD
5. Alberta Cowboy Poetry Association – 4-H Cowboy Poetry / Music Project
6. Multicultural Heritage Centre, Stony Plain – Organic Master Gardener Course

NORTHWEST REGION EVENTS

Northwest 4-H Learning Day

October 17, 2009 Clyde School

Variety of sessions aimed at enhancing your knowledge about 4-H topics and events.

Regional Council Annual Meeting

November 21, 2009 Villeneuve 9:30 am

Elections: one NW Rep, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer.

Reports on regional shows and workshops; Marguerite Stark, 4-H & Ag Ed Branch Head; presentation by Northlands Ag. Department; Beef, Horse and Lifeskills project meetings

4-H Fair

November 28, 2009 in Bon Accord Meet

the entry deadline of November 9th as the workshops fill quickly. Open to all clubs with Life Skills and Other Animals projects.

Regional Summer Camps

Junior Camp at Mackinicholea had 55 campers from August 18 to 22. A re-introduced Intermediate Camp at Camp Wohelo enabled 29 4-H members to enjoy this Pigeon Lake camp August 10 to 14. Thank you to the camp Cooks, Irene Panting and Mavis McDonald and the camp moms, Darlene, Jo-Anne and Denise

Northwest Region Scholarships

Congratulations to the recipients in 2008.

Northwest 4-H Scholarship

Christina Walker

Northwest 4-H Safety Scholarships

Rebecca Zadunayski, Mathilda Gabert and Darlene Blanchette

A. P. Lefebvre Memorial NW Scholarship

Gina Grabler

Northwest 4-H Safety Grants

At the Northwest Regional Meeting March 21, 2009, the council voted to redirect the funds in this account towards supplementing the provincial 4-H insurance fees paid by each member.

Focus on 4-H

The 11th annual Focus on 4-H program was July 3 to 5, 2009 at Drayton Valley. It was a fun filled weekend with new events and revamped shows. Check the pictures. Clubs that attended the event, please ask your families to complete the survey included.

Northwest 4-H Key Members

4-H Key Members encourage other members to get involved and gain the most from 4-H.

Athabasca – Jason Bulas

Barrhead – Danielle Philibert

Drayton Valley – Rebecca Reich

Evansburg -

Lac Ste Anne -

Leduc -

Parkland -

Strathcona - Valentina Gabert, Emily Gruber

Sturgeon – Kiriana Chabaniuk

Thorhild – Rebecca Kassian

Westlock-Casey Morey, Samantha Pedersen

Yellowhead –

4-H Key Leaders

4-H Key Leaders are selected by districts as a resource for other leaders and the council.

Athabasca – Kimberly Anderson

Barrhead – George and Judy Andrews

Drayton Valley -

Evansburg – Olga Beniuk

Lac Ste Anne – Crystal Chittick

Leduc -

Parkland – Michele Weitzel

Strathcona – Flossie Bodell, Helen Andrews

Sturgeon – Leona Petherbridge

Thorhild – Linda Halun

Westlock – Bertha Kasbohm, Dana Zadunayski

Yellowhead – Diane Wigley, Joyce Kelly

Northwest 4-H Ambassadors

4-H Ambassadors promote the 4-H program and regional and provincial events.

Brittany Miller, Leduc

Jenna Huot, Vimy

Christina Huisman, Barrhead

Reanne Anderson, Busby