

# **4-H FORECAST**

June/July 2024

# Waupaca County 4-H AmeriCorps Update

Thank you to Alison Acker who has been serving as the Waupaca County 4-H AmeriCorps member since January. Her term of service ends in August and Waupaca County has been selected to have another member next January—August (watch for more info if interested). Some ways Alison has promoted and shared 4-H programming recently:

- Made super hero paper bag puppets with children at the Waupaca Fun Run
- Starting library programs with Waupaca and Fremont mid June
- Created two project kits based on 4-H Cloverbud Curriculum that will be handed out at both New London and Fremont Public Libraries



#### Reminder that entries for the Waupaca County Junior Fair are due online by July 1st!

Scan this QR code or click on the red registration link on the Waupaca County

Fair website <u>https://www.waupacacountyfair.com/</u> <u>fair-book/</u> Questions about fair entries should be directed to <u>wcfexhibitorcoordinator@gmail.com</u>.



#### Find Your Super Power at 4-H Camp Night for Grades K-4



Find Your Super Power Camp is being held on Tuesday, July 30th at the Fairgrounds in Weyauwega from 4:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Older youth are asked to

register as counselors. This event is a day camp type event for 4-H and non 4-H members and will feature activities around a super power theme. See flyer on page 14 for camp details.

# **COUNTY FAIR**

#### <u>2024 Waupaca County Fair</u>

The exhibit entry system is ready to go and each family received a blast email on May 24 with the details. Fair entries are due **July 1**. Exhibit



questions should go to the Waupaca County Fair •**FAIR** Exhibitor Coordinator at *wcfexhibitorcoordinator@gmail.com*. The updated 2024 fairbook is located here <u>https://</u> <u>www.waupacacountyfair.com/fair-book/</u> The Waupaca County Fair dates are August 21-25.

#### 4-H Food Stand Supervisors Needed



The Waupaca County 4-H Leaders' Board is looking for individuals willing to serve as supervisors in the 4-H Food Stand to oversee the running of the food stand during the week of the Waupaca County Fair. The number of hours to work will depend on the number of supervisors and can be divided by up

to 4 or 5 people for the week of fair. Supervisors will receive an honorarium from the Leaders' Board (up to \$600 divided between the number of supervisors and hours worked).

A summary of the services the supervisors will perform includes:

- a. Availability to work multiple shifts during the week of the County Fair (a schedule will be confirmed between all supervisors)
- b. Participate in orientation and training prior to the fair regarding food stand licensing requirements, operation, covid guidelines, and practices for working with 4-H youth and adult volunteers.
- c. Ensure the food stand is in compliance with license standards and that workers are following food safety, sanitation, cleaning, and other guidelines that may be in effect.
- d. Check inventory daily during the fair.
- e. Assist with proper running of food stand equipment.
- f. Oversee the worker schedule and orient youth and adults as they come to work in the stand.
- g. Communicate with the other supervisors, the Leaders' Board and other Food Stand volunteers
- h. Coordinate opening and closing of the stand each day depending on your scheduled hours

The need for these contracted supervisor positions is really during the week of the fair. Other responsibilities like initially ordering food for the stand, prep and clean up of the stand and equipment, and other pre and post fair duties are able to be covered by other volunteers. If you are interested in learning more contact <u>penny.tank@wisc.edu</u>. If somebody is interested that is not yet a certified 4-H volunteer, this can be completed prior to the fair.

#### Calling all 4-H Members and Parents for the Food Stand

Plans are underway for the 4-H Food Stand at the County Fair!! Watch for more information to come out soon and volunteer to work a few hours and help the county 4-H program raise funds to continue to offer the great opportunities all year. Sign up will take place again this year through sign up genius.

#### 4-H Projects vs. County Fair Exhibits

What's the difference between 4-H projects and fair exhibits? A **4-H "Project"** is an area of interest you want to learn more about (like a hobby) throughout the whole year. This is what you sign-up for during enrollment in 4-HOnline (i.e. horse, electricity, dogs, photography, etc.). A project is intended to help you explore, learn, and



practice skills in your areas of interest. Youth must choose their projects at the time of enrollment so they have plenty of time to learn about or practice with their project area before the fair.

A **County Fair "Exhibit"** is what you actually take to the fair – like the cabbage you grew, the animal you trained, or the rocket you built while exploring and learning about your projects. There may be some things you do while exploring your project area that you do not take to the fair as exhibits and that is ok. Youth sign up to exhibit at the County Fair during June based on the exhibits and rules listed in the Waupaca County Fair Premium book.

#### Last Year Judges Favorite Award

If you received a Judges Favorite Award at the 2023 Waupaca County Fair, you are eligible to enter your exhibit in the 2024 Wisconsin State Fair. Please visit the Wisconsin State Fair website at <u>https://wistatefair.com/competitions/youth-expo/</u>

# **COUNTY NEWS**

#### Waupaca County 4-H Graduates



We are interested in highlighting the accomplishments of Waupaca County 4-H graduates. Members can graduate from 4-H the same year they graduate from high school or they can choose to stay in one year after high school graduation. Some

graduates have already been highlighted. Youth in grades 12 & 13 will receive a reminder email in the next few weeks and will be asked to complete a google form about your experience in 4-H. We will put these together to post on Facebook.

#### June Dairy Month

Is your club celebrating June Dairy Month? Here is a website where you can look for



resources <u>https://wisconsindairy.org/Promote-Dairy/dairy-month-promotion</u>

#### <u>Record Book Pages</u>

For members, record books are a valuable part of the 4-H experience. They are intended to help you develop lifelong skills such as:

- $\Rightarrow$  Setting goals
- $\Rightarrow$  Planning and organizing
- $\Rightarrow$  Communicating in writing
- $\Rightarrow$  Evaluating effort and progress

Once completed, members experience personal satisfaction from completing a worthwhile task.

You also have a valuable record of accomplishments that can be used when applying for awards, scholarships, college or a job! Remember to begin saving information for your record books throughout the year and to start filling out the record book pages early. Refer to the guidelines you receive with the record book pages for details about completing your record book.

Similar to last year, **printed copies of record book pages will be given to those that want them**. Some club leaders have



already requested pages. If you still want printed record book pages, just contact penny.tank@wisc.edu or haley.nelson@wisc.edu. You are also able to access record book pages on the Waupaca County 4-H website here <u>https://</u> <u>waupaca.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/4-h-program</u> <u>-topics/record-book-pages/</u>. On this website there is a PowerPoint that you can look at for tips and sample record book pages/project story examples. More detail about awards and recognition for record books will be included in a future Forecast newsletter. Completed record books are due to your club general leader in early/mid-September and general leaders need to turn in to the Extension Office by September 20.

### **MEMBER OPPORTUNITIES**

#### National 4-H Congress

November 28-December 3, 2024; Atlanta, GA—Open to youth currently enrolled in Grades 9-12 (grades 10-13 for the 2024-25 4-H year). Registration is open in 4-H Online until June 30th.

National 4-H Congress is a five-day Educational Experience held in Atlanta, GA. Congress is the premiere nation-wide event for 4-Hers to network with others from around the United States, Canada, and Puerto Rico. While at Congress, 4-Hers engage in leadership, citizenship, global awareness, and inclusion. Highlights include educational workshops, exploring the city, international events, community service, educational tours, and the National Congress Gala. You can learn more on our website <u>https://go.wisc.edu/727h67</u>. The cost for this program is estimated to be \$1,500 per participant. The Waupaca County 4-H Leaders' Association offers scholarships up to half of the cost with an application and interview. After you register, you will receive scholarship details and next steps.

## VOLUNTEER LEADER NEWS

#### Volunteer Policy Reminders

With summer arriving, here are a few reminders of statewide 4-H policies that may impact activities your clubs or groups plan. This web link includes more information about each of these

items. <u>https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/resources/wisconsin-4-h-policies/4-h-volunteers/</u>

- The minimum standard for adult to minor supervision ratio is 1 adult for every 10 youth (more adults is better)
- Rule of 3—There must be at least two authorized adults and one minor, or one authorized adult and two minors, present for all programs unless the situation qualifies for or is approved for an exception.
- Transportation—Transportation to and from Extension activities is the responsibility of the participant and/or their parents/guardians. Individuals who choose to carpool to/from Extension programs assume any and all associated risks.
- Driver authorization for volunteers (for example, driving in a parade) In situations where transportation for youth is provided as part of the Extension program, authorized adults who are 21 years of age or older and are approved to drive as part of their roles must complete the UW-Madison Driver Authorization.
- Parade policy—<u>https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/files/2020/10/4-</u> <u>H-Members-Participating-in-Parades-FINAL.pdf</u>
- Swimming—Lifeguards are required when youth are participating in swimming-related 4-H activities.
- Bus rental—buses are an excellent alternative for club or group trips where multiple families are attending. If your club or group is looking at securing a bus, contact Penny at the Extension office to work through the contract, volunteers cannot sign contracts such as this due to liability.

## **LEADERS' BOARD and ASSOCIATION**

The next Leaders' Board Meeting will be held in person on Tuesday, July 23, 2024 at 6:30 p.m., at Manawa City Hall.

The annual Leaders' Association Meeting will be on Tuesday, July 23, 2024, at 7:30 p.m., at Manawa



City Hall or via zoom, watch your email for zoom connection details as it gets closer. Clubs in District II are asked to report during the meeting.

Membership and voting rights in the 4-H Leaders' Association

includes youth members in grades 7 and above with at least one year of 4-H enrollment. Every approved adult volunteer 4-H leader in Waupaca County 4-H is also a member. The purposes of the Leaders' Association are:

- To improve, foster, promote and develop youth through the 4-H program in Waupaca County.
- To provide an opportunity for 4-H youth and adult club leaders to coordinate their efforts.
- To accept funds for the advancement of the 4-H/Youth Development program.
- To assist in planning and carrying out the annual 4-H/Youth Development program.
- To provide an interchange of ideas, opportunities, and issues.
- To promote good public relations and service to the community.
- To establish policies.

You are encouraged to participate and help make the 4-H program the best it can be.

# **4-H PROJECTS**

#### Wisconsin Shooting Sports Project



If you are enrolled in shooting sports projects be sure to go to the State 4-H Shooting Sports website for the latest news and information, including certification

requirements of adult volunteers and safety guidelines that need to be followed for project meetings <u>https://fyi.extension.</u> wisc.edu/wi4hshootingsports/

#### 2024 Adult Shooting Sports Leader Certification Workshops

Check out the Wisconsin 4-H website for more information on the 2024 workshops: https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/ projects/shooting-sports/leader-certification-training-workshops/ 2024 Saturday Certification Workshops, 8 AM to 5 PM

• West Central Workshop, September 14, Marshfield, WI Disciplines offered: Archery, Coordinator, Muzzleloader, Rifle/Air Rifle, Pistol/Air Pistol, & Shotgun. <u>2024 Competitive Shoots</u>—For more information go to: https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/projects/shootingsports/competitive-shoots/ Registration forms are being updated.

- Shawano Co 4-HAll Star Summer Archery Shootout, July 13
- Shawano Co 4-H All Star Summer Shootout, July 14

**Dog** project started weekly agility, obedience, and showmanship classes on Monday nights at the Fairgrounds. <u>https://</u>waupaca.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-dog-project/

<u>Cloverbud Dog Project</u>—Cloverbuds are invited to learn about dog showmanship, grooming, anatomy, and more! Bring your own stuffed animal dog. Class information and registration form will be mailed soon to Cloverbuds.

*Horse* project also has weekly work nights on Wednesday nights. <u>https://waupaca.extension.wisc.edu/4</u> <u>-h-youth-development/4-h-program-topics/waupaca-</u> county-4-h-horse-and-pony-project/ For any horse



project members interested in showing at the State 4-H Horse Expo and/or the State 4-H Gymkhana Show in September, entry forms need to be COMPLETE and submitted to Penny Tank at the Extension Office by July 24<sup>th</sup> with checks, coggins, or whatever else is needed. This way I have time to sign and get any questions answered if needed. Entries need to be postmarked by August 1 and need to be submitted as a county.

#### Waupaca County 4-H Small Animal Fun Show

Save the date for the Waupaca County 4-H Small Animal Fun Show (both poultry and rabbits), **July 6, 2024**. This will be held at the Fairgrounds in Weyauwega with registration from 9:00-9:30 a.m. and the show from 10:00 a.m. to approximately 1:30 p.m.

<u>Small Market Animal</u> participants are encouraged to attend the pre-fair meeting on Thursday, July 11<sup>th</sup> at the Weyauwega City Hall at 6:30 pm. This is the meeting where details about the sale are discussed, members pick up raffle tickets, etc.

<u>Large Market Animal</u> participants are encouraged to attend the pre-fair meeting on Thursday, July 18<sup>th</sup> at the Fairgrounds at 6:30

pm. This is the meeting where details about the sale are discussed, members pick up raffle tickets, etc.

<u>Large Market Animal Education Day-June 29</u> This year's Large Market Animal Education Day at the Fairgrounds will be on Saturday, June 29. Register at this website https://waupacacountylargemarketsale.my.canva.site/. If you plan on taking YQCA, remember to register ahead of time and complete the pre-test at https://yqcaprogram.org/

# **CLUB HAPPENINGS**

We encourage all club secretaries to send minutes to the Extension Office at <u>penny.tank@wisc.edu</u>. Even if you do not have a formal meeting and plan a service project for a month or a team building activity that is important to keep track of for club records.

Dayton Community— Members enjoyed a outing to Tundra Lodge. They also participated in a club photography workshop.

Friendly Valley— The club participated in a roadside cleanup. They are also working on June Dairy month promotion plans.



Peterson Mill— The club went on a fun winter activity to the Waupaca Expo for ice skating.

Woodland Badgers— Members did a roadside cleanup, helped with bingo for Greentree residents, and held a club fundraiser at Culver's.

# THANK YOU

- Clint Beyer for setting up dairy judging practices for the seven youth attending Area Animal Science Day in Shawano County on June 18.
- Individuals who helped with the Cloverbud workshop held in Weyauwega in May— Deb Schneider, Denise Schultz, Sophie Stueck, and Abbey and Karen Acker
- Counselors and adults helping with 4-H Summer Campmore highlights and photos will be shared in the next newsletter.

# CONGRATULATIONS

- Trenton Baumgart, Macintyre McNamee, Micah Postel, and Eli Zempel for participating in 4-H Space Camp in Huntsville, Alabama at the end of April.
- Isabelle Dietzler for participating in National 4-H Conference in Washington DC in April.

## MISCELLANEOUS

Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program

Returning to Waupaca County in 2024! This program allows eligible seniors to receive check vouchers to purchase fresh produce at local Farmers Markets. For more info on program age and income eligibility requirements call 715-942-1900





# Waupaca County 4-H Kickball Tournament

# Save the Date!

# Sunday, September 22, 2024 at 1:00 p.m.

# at Memorial Park in New London



Free to participate! Watch for more details and registration coming late summer!



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# WAUPACA COUNTY 4-H Small Animal Fun Show

# WHEN **July 6**, 2024

# WHERE

Waupaca County Fairgrounds 602 E South St, Weyauwega WI

**Poultry and Rabbit Fun Show** 

Awards will be provided.

Food and drinks available for purchase

All proceeds benefit the Waupaca County 4-H Small Market Animal Project

Volunteers needed: Kari Riley 715-281-7003 OPEN TO ALL Youth 3™ To 13™ Grade

ENTRY \$1 per animal

Classes are based on the Waupaca County Premium Fair book

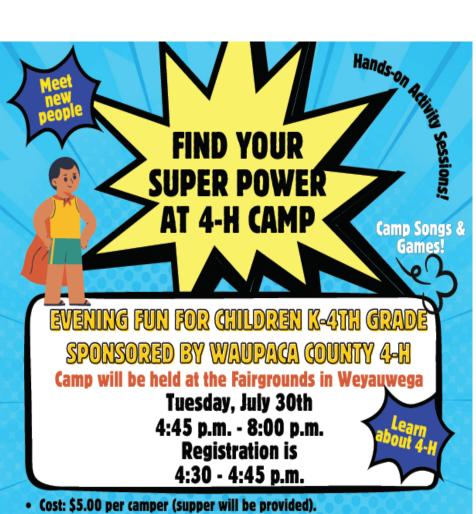
SCHEDULE Registration 9-9:30

Show 10 am to approx. 1:30

CONTACT INFO Tanya Zimmerman 715-823-5020 Tanyazimmerman197 8@gmail.com

EQUIPMENT Dealer

Roger Moeller 920-493-5568



- Parents/Guardians are invited at no charge.
- Camp will take place rain or shine! Please wear old clothes.
- Any youth who has completed K-4th grade is invited (no need to be in 4-H).
  Older youth grade 7 and above can register to be a counselor.



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# Register through the following Google link: https://bit.ly/SuperPower4-HCamp Registration is due July 12th



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