



**HANCOCK COUNTY 4-H**  
February 2024  
Newsletter

**Dear 4-H Families, Volunteers, and Supporters,**

2024 is here and another 4-H year is underway! The 2024 4-H Handbook can be found on our website under the Handbook tab and has some changes so be sure to read your project guidelines. <https://extension.purdue.edu/county/hancock/hancock-county-4h-home.html> The judging schedule can be found on page 29-30 of the handbook.

We also have hard copies in our office ready for pickup with a limit of one per family. Be sure to follow the guidelines for each project carefully!

If you need project manuals, those are available at the office now. For a speedy pick up, call ahead and let us know when you want to pick them up so we can have the books pulled and ready for you when you arrive! Our number is 317-462-1113.



**Amber Barks**  
**4-H Youth Development**  
**Send her an email to learn more about Hancock County 4-H!**  
**[abarks@purdue.edu](mailto:abarks@purdue.edu)**





## 4-H Enrollment Dates

4-H Enrollment is still open through May 15th! We are rolling over our system so those that haven't enrolled may miss out on our updates.

## Help Needed: Jr. Leaders Food Booth

We are currently looking for someone that would be willing to serve as an adult volunteer overseeing the 4-H Jr. Leader Food Booth during the fair. The food booth will be open from 10 am till 9 pm June 22-June 27. The Jr. leaders are willing to pay approximately \$100 a day for someone to assist them. If you have the availability to be there all week that would be fantastic but we are also open to having a couple people split the week.

## Assistant Poultry Superintendent needed for 2024 to take over as Superintendent in 2025!

We are currently looking for someone to train under our current Poultry Superintendent to be able to take over as our Poultry superintendent next year. If you or someone you know would be interested please contact us at 317-462-1113.

## Assistant Dog Leaders needed

We are currently looking for individuals to train under our current Dog Superintendent to be able to help continue the program next year. If you or someone you know would be interested please contact us at 317-462-1113. You do not have to be a dog trainer to be a dog leader.



## State 4-H Building Project Guidelines

All State Fair project guidelines can be accessed through the Purdue extension website: <https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/index.html> these will also be available in our handbook at a later date.

## Follow us on Social Media

 Hancock County 4-H (Indiana)

 @hancockcounty4h

 @HancockCounty4H





# INDIANA 4-H QUALITY LIVESTOCK CARE

To exhibit **BEEF CATTLE, DAIRY CATTLE, SWINE, SHEEP, MEAT GOATS, DAIRY GOATS, POULTRY,** and **RABBITS,** 4-H members must be certified through the Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care training **OR** the online Youth for the Quality Care of Animals program (YQCA).

1. This certification must be done on an annual basis
2. Members must be registered **BEFORE** attending a training
3. Members may attend any training dates listed on this flyer  
**OR** a training in another county  
**OR** complete the online YQCA training

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## Training Dates

## Training Locations

February 21 at 6 pm

March 4 at 6 pm

May 2 at 5:30 pm

Hancock County Fairgrounds  
Sarah Burke Building  
620 Apple St.  
Greenfield, IN

To register for the Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care program, please use the <https://v2.4honline.com>.

There will be a \$3 fee for the program that can be paid the day of the class.

Those planning to be certified through the YQCA program, will register at [www.yqcaprogram.org](http://www.yqcaprogram.org) and will present their completion certificate to their 4-H Educator.



If you need to request special accommodations, please contact the Extension office

# 4-H SUMMER TRIPS

4-H has numerous trips that members can take this summer.  
More information will be sent out at a later date.

## 4-H Academy Tracks

Animal Science  
Civic Engagement  
Food Science  
Exploring Health Careers  
Introduction into EMS  
Natural Resources  
Plant Science  
Show Me the Money  
Computer Science  
Engineering the Environment  
The Science of Flight  
Investigating Forensic Science

4-H Academy (grades 9-12) - June 12-14  
Purdue Roundup (grades 7-9) - June 24-26  
State Junior Leader Conference (grades 9-12) - TBD  
State 4-H Band (grades 8-12) - June 22-24  
State 4-H Chorus (grades 8-12) - June 22-25

Contact the office if you are interested  
in any of the following trips:

Citizenship Washington Focus (grades 9-12) - TBA  
National 4-H Dairy Conference (grades 9-12) -  
September 29 - October 3  
National 4-H Congress (grades 9-12) -  
November 29 - December 3  
National 4-H Conference (grades 9-12) - April 19-24

## 4-H Camp Counselors

Calling all 9-12th graders! We are looking for camp counselors to help us bring the Magic to the Wizarding World of 4-H at camp May 30-June 1! Apply today to be part of this magical experience! Deadline February 29th.

Trainings on April 3rd and May 13th.

<https://forms.gle/9rKQanXn4hB3tMuE8>





# Important: Updated State 4-H Policies

4-H project exhibitions occur through a variety of methods: county fairs, career development events, and other statewide competitive events. **The following statewide deadlines are now in place and must be followed.**

## 4HOnline

**May 15** – All animals requiring 4-H Animal Identification must be identified v2.4honline.

## Fairentry

**June 10** - FairEntry Deadline for all building projects. Those missing the deadline may compete and the highest placing is “blue.”

**June 13**- Fairentry Deadline for all livestock projects. Those missing this deadline may **exhibit** and will have opportunities to receive feedback from the judge. Youth may still participate fully in showmanship classes.

**June 1** - 4-H'ers exhibiting beef cattle, dairy cattle, swine, sheep, meat goats, dairy goats, poultry and rabbits must complete Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care or Youth for the Quality Care for Animals (YQCA). If you take YQCA online you must have a copy of your certificate emailed to the office by June 1.

## Hancock County 4-H Fair

### June 18-28

# Livestock Tagging

Beef tagging: April 14 from 2-3:30 pm

Goat tagging: May 8 from 6-7 pm

Sheep tagging: May 12 from 2-5pm



**Mini 4-Hers  
Mark Your  
Calendars!**

**DON'T  
FORGET!**

Dear Mini 4-H Member,  
Listed below are the dates for all upcoming Mini 4-H meetings. They will be held at the Sarah Burke 4-H Exhibit Hall from 6:30-7:30 pm.

**Feb 26 March 25 April 29 May 28**

**SARAH BURKE 4-H EXHIBIT HALL  
620 APPLE ST., GREENFIELD**



2024

## Youth Engaged Service Indiana 4-H Foundation Grants

### TIMELINE

Application Live  
Dec 15th, 2023

Application Due  
March 1st, 2024

Grants Selected  
April 1st, 2024

Final Reports Due  
Dec 31st, 2024

Do you have a community service project you would like to implement in your hometown? Apply for a YES Grant today through the Indiana 4-H Foundation to help fund your idea!

YES Grants offer funds for youth across Indiana to complete a service project in their community. The purpose of these grants is to assess the need, then create and execute a youth led project. You can also invite your friends to join in on your project!

Visit our webpage to learn about these projects! The application link will be posted to the website on Dec 15th:  
<https://in4h.org/grants>

QUESTIONS? - Email [in4hfoundationyesgrant@gmail.com](mailto:in4hfoundationyesgrant@gmail.com)



# Hancock County 4-H Shooting Sports 2024 Projects

PARTICIPANTS MAY NOT SHOOT AT MEETINGS WITHOUT ACTIVE 4-H MEMBERSHIP. **Dates subject to change.**

Contact Greg Hall 317-376-3366, [Hancock4HshootingSports@gmail.com](mailto:Hancock4HshootingSports@gmail.com) for more information.

**Rifle 1.** Introductory Workshop emphasizing firearm safety and fundamental marksmanship. Air rifles (provided) will be used in the Workshop. A \$10 Supply Fee covers consumables. **Minimum age 9 years.**

**ONLY ONE 5-WEEK WORKSHOP WILL BE HELD IN 2024.** Tuesday evenings, Feb 13 - Mar 12, Sarah Burke 4-H Exhibit Hall

At each meeting, a 6:30 - 7:15 PM session will be for ages 9 - 10 years and a 7:15 - 8:00 PM session will be for 11 years and older. Attendance at 3 of 5 meetings and a poster for display at the county 4-H Fair required to receive credit.

Greg Hall 317-376-3366 [Hancock4HShootingSports@gmail.com](mailto:Hancock4HShootingSports@gmail.com)

**Rifle 2 (Advanced Rifle).** Advanced training in rifle marksmanship. Completion of Rifle 1 and/or instructor approval required. A \$20 supply Fee covers consumables.

Indoor air rifle segment (**required**): \$20 Supply Fee; Tuesday evenings, 6-8 PM, Sarah Burke 4-H Exhibit Hall, March 5 - April 9.

Outdoor .22 caliber rifle segment (**by invitation, contingent upon satisfactory performance in the indoor segment**): **THURSDAY** evenings, April 18 – May 9, Sheriff's Range. Attendance at 6 of the 8 indoor meetings and a poster for display at the county 4-H Fair required for credit.

Greg Hall 317-376-3366 [Hancock4HShootingSports@gmail.com](mailto:Hancock4HShootingSports@gmail.com); David Schutt 317-498-0295

**Pistol: Due to scheduling it is not possible to participate in both a Rifle and a Pistol project in the same year.**

Introduction and training in pistol marksmanship. Requires completion of Rifle 1 and/or instructor approval. Equipment is provided; a \$20 supply fee covers consumables. Attendance at 6 of the 8 indoor meetings and a poster for display at the county 4-H Fair required for credit.

Indoor air pistol segment (**required**): \$20 Supply Fee; **Tuesday evenings, 6-8 PM**, Sarah Burke 4-H Exhibit Hall, March 5 - April 9.

Outdoor .22 caliber pistol segment (optional and **by invitation, contingent upon performance in the indoor segment**): **THURSDAY** evenings, April 18 – May 9, Sheriff's Range.

Deb Cochard 317-223-5433 [quiverfull7331@gmail.com](mailto:quiverfull7331@gmail.com)

**Archery:** Emphasizes range safety and basic marksmanship. Equipment Fee = \$20. Attendance at 5 of the 7 meetings and a poster for display at the county 4-H Fair required for credit. Minimum age = 9 years.

Meeting Dates: **Mar 14, Mar 28, Apr 11, Apr 25, May 9, May 23.** First year: 6-7 PM; Repeat participants: 7-8 PM). 4-H Fairgrounds Show Arena.

Deb Cochard 317-223-5433 [quiverfull7331@gmail.com](mailto:quiverfull7331@gmail.com)

**Shotgun:** Emphasizes shotgun safety and trap shooting techniques. A \$40 supply fee covers consumables. Minimum age 12 years. Attendance at 4 of the 6 meetings and a poster for display at the county 4-H Fair required for credit.

Meeting Dates: **Saturdays, 10AM - 1 PM; Apr 20 - May 25**, Kingen Gun Club, 5112 W 500 N, McCordsville

Greg Hall 317-376-3366 [Hancock4HShootingSports@gmail.com](mailto:Hancock4HShootingSports@gmail.com)

**Muzzleloader:** THURSDAY evenings, April 18 – May 9, Sheriff's Range. Minimum age 12 years or instructor approval. Attendance at 3 of the 4 meetings and a poster for display at the county 4-H Fair required for credit.

Deb Cochard 317-223-5433 [quiverfull7331@gmail.com](mailto:quiverfull7331@gmail.com); Rusty Hansen [khansen@ninstarconnect.com](mailto:khansen@ninstarconnect.com)



# Country Kritters 4-H Club

February 12

March 11

April 1 (tentatively)

May 6

6-7 pm

Sarah Burke 4-H Exhibit Hall

# Sugar Creek 4-H Club

Cross of Grace Lutheran Church

3519 S 600 W, New Palestine

2:00-3:30pm

Feb 11

March 10

April 21

May 19

# LUCKY CLOVERS 4-H CLUB

*Meeting Dates*

**JANUARY 7**

**FEBRUARY 4**

**MARCH 3**

**APRIL 7**

**MAY 5**

Meetings will be held  
from 4 - 5 pm

at  
Eden UMC  
2122 E Eden Rd  
Greenfield, IN 46140

# Goats R US

6:30PM

Feb 15

March 21

April 18

May 16



# Hancock County 4-H Jr. Leaders

All 7th-12th graders may join Jr. Leaders

March 7-Fairgrounds @ 7 pm

April 1-Hancock County Jail tour @ 7 pm

May 2-Fairgrounds @ 7 pm

June 11-Set-up Exhibit Hall @ 5 pm



## Cool Clovers 4-H Club

Sunday, February 18

Sunday, March 17

Sunday, April 21

Sunday, May 19

Sunday, June 9

4:00-5:00pm

Mohawk UMC

## Clip Clop Clovers

Sunday, February 11

Sunday, March 10

Sunday, April 14

Sunday, May 19

Sunday, June 9

2:00-3:30pm

St. James Lutheran Church  
1741 S State Street, Greenfield

## Patty's Pak

Sunday, February 18

Sunday, March 17

Sunday, April 21

Sunday, May 19

Sunday, June 16

2:00-3:30pm

102 E 1000 N

Fortville, IN 46040

## Blue River Guys & Gals

Sunday, February 18

1:00-2:30pm

Purdue Extension Office

972 E Park Ave

Greenfield, IN 46140

## Bicycle Rodeo

Meeting & Practice: Thursday, May  
23, 2024 at 6:00

Bicycle Rodeo: Thursday, June 6th  
at 6:00

Hancock County Fairgrounds

## Junior Master Gardeners

February 27

March 25

April 22

May 28

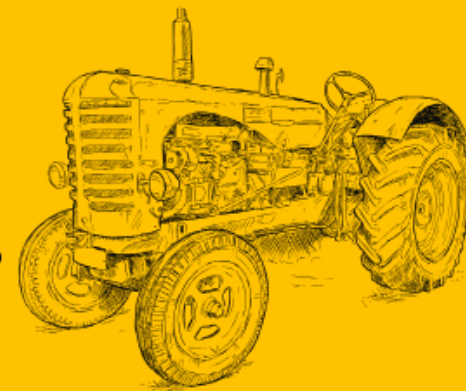
June 15



# 4-H ENGINE OVERHAUL WORKSHOP



Sunday, February 25 at 2:00pm  
Thompson's Barn  
185 W 300 N, Greenfield, IN 46140  
(see email for directions, maps will not  
pull up the correct location)



**This is the first in a set of workshops to  
overhaul an Oliver 880's engine.  
The Ag Tractor project superintendents  
will be demonstrating how to tear down  
an engine to overhaul.**

**4-Hers will learn about how an engine  
works and how to disassemble one.**

Open to all enrolled 3-12 graders  
interested in the topic or participating in  
the Ag Tractor, Lawn & Garden, Zero Turn  
Mower, or Small Engine projects.

Questions?

Blake Thompson:  
317-491-3392

Ashley Thompson:  
317-697-1336

## Dog Obedience Information Meeting

March 4 at 6:30 pm in the Show Arena

620 Apple Street  
Greenfield, IN 46140

No Dogs at this Meeting







# INDIANA 4-H

## UAV Competition

A free, statewide, drone/UAV competition will be held at the Madison County Fairgrounds, Alexandria, IN at 12:00 PM, May 4, 2024.

Both Junior Division (grades 6-8) and Senior Division (grades 9-12) members will receive awards.

Contact your local 4-H Educator for loanable practice "Tello" drones. They are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

### Three Competition Areas:

- ✓ Obstacle Course Flight
- ✓ FAA Rules and Regulations
- ✓ Programming--Using "Drone Blocks" App

**MAY 4, 2024**  
**ALEXANDRIA, IN**

Bill Decker

☎ 765-641-9514

🌐 [wdecker@purdue.edu](mailto:wdecker@purdue.edu)

Purdue is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Institution.

Register at:

<https://drone-uav-comp-2024.4honline.com>

## 2024 4-H EXHIBIT HALL JUDGING

All judging will be open judging, which means that the 4-H'er will have the opportunity to ask questions of the judge and the judge will have the opportunity to ask questions of the 4-H'er. The process should be beneficial as the judge will understand exactly what the 4-H'er is trying to accomplish with their project. The 4-H'er will be provided with feedback from the judge in a positive manner that should allow the 4-H'er to understand all of the skills they have done well, along with some helpful hints for next year's project.

### EXHIBIT DUE DATES

#### Friday, June 14, 2024, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

- Mini Arts & Crafts
- Mini Beef Posters
- Mini Cat Posters
- Mini Collections
- Mini Dairy Posters
- Mini Llama Posters
- Mini Pet Posters
- Mini Pig Posters
- Mini Photography
- Mini Rabbit Posters
- Mini Sewing
- Mini Wildlife



#### Saturday, June 15, 2024

- BBQ
- Lawn & Garden, Zero-Turn Operator Skills
- Tractor Operator Skills

#### Monday, June 17, 2024, 9:00 am–12:00 pm

- Achievement Portfolio
- Americana
- Careers "Take Charge"
- Collections
- Construction & Architectural Replica
- Crafts (Basic, Fine Art, Models, Needlepoint)
- Electric
- Genealogy
- Home Environment
- Small Engines
- Soil & Water Conservation
- Tractor Maintenance, Lawn & Garden, Zero-Turn Education Posters
- Woodworking



#### Monday June 17, 2024, 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm

- Animal Education (Cat, Dog, Goat, Horsemanship w/o Horse, Llama, Poultry & Rabbit)
- Computer
- Consumer Education (Beef, Dairy, Lamb, Pork)
- Creative Writing
- Llama Fiber Craft
- Photography
- Scrapbook
- Shooting Sports
- Vet Science
- Rabbit Ambassador Contest (6:00pm, 4-H West Arena)



**Tuesday, June 18, 2024, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm**

Aerospace  
Beekeeping  
Child Development Consumer  
Clothing Notebook Do Your  
Own Thing Entomology  
Forestry  
Geology  
Gift Wrapping  
Health  
Legos  
Recycling  
Sports  
Sportfishing  
Weather  
Wildlife



**Wednesday, June 19, 2024**

These exhibits are due for judging at **Trinity Park Church, 207 W. Park, Greenfield.**

- Sewing: Wearable and Non-Wearable
- Consumer Clothing Fashion Revue
- Wearable Sewing Fashion Revue
- Mini Fashion Revue

**Mini Fashion Revue: 9:00am**

**Sewing Fashion Revue:**

- 9:30 am–Junior Division (Grades 3-7)
- 10:30 am–Senior Division (Grades 8-12)

**Construction Judging will be immediately  
after exhibitor models**

**Order of categories to be determined the day of judging.**

Categories are: Casual Wear, Dress-Up, Formal, Free Choice, Suits & Coats and Separates.

**Non-Wearables Judging & Wearables (Not Participating in Fashion Revue)**

9:00 am–12 pm – All Divisions

\*Those entering exhibits in both wearable and non-wearable can have their non-wearable judged at the same time as their wearable garment(s).

**Consumer Clothing Fashion Revue**

- 12:00 pm–Beginner Division
- 12:45 pm–Intermediate Division
- 1:00 pm–Advanced Division

**Consumer Clothing Notebooks**

You will have the opportunity to discuss your notebook with the judges on **Wednesday, June 19 from 1:00pm-2:00pm only**. Notebooks with results will be displayed in the 4-H Exhibit Hall during the fair.

**Notebooks are due Tuesday, June 18, 9:00am–12:00pm at the 4-H Exhibit Hall, during project judging.**

**Friday, June 21, 2024, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm**

Cake Decorating  
Floriculture  
Food  
Food Preservation  
Garden  
Microwave  
Mini Bloom-N-Veggies  
Mini Cake Decorating  
Mini Foods



# MINI 4-H POSTER WORKSHOP

**March 27**

**2:00pm-4:00pm**

**Purdue Extension-Hancock County  
972 E Park Ave  
Greenfield, IN 46140**

**\$5**

**Mini Poster & Sleeve included!**

**Come complete a project!**

**Call the office to reserve  
your spot. 317-462-1113**

**Reach out to Olivia, [odickson@purdue.edu](mailto:odickson@purdue.edu)  
if you have questions!**



# COOKING CLASS

3rd- 6th graders

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March 25 & 27

10:00 am-noon

Purdue Extension Office

Cost: \$10

Class limited to 10 participants

Sign up by calling :  
**317-462-1113**

