



HANCOCK COUNTY 4-H

March 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





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.



2024 Parade Theme: The Art & Nature of Fun

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)

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 @HancockCounty4H



Indiana 4-H Graduating Class of 2024

Graduation is approaching, which means hundreds of outstanding 4-H'ers across the state are nearing the culmination of their 4-H experience! We want to hear what 4-H has meant to you.

Please complete this survey at bit.ly/IN4Hgrad by April 1st, and you'll receive a commemorative 4-H graduate tassel.





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

Training Dates

Training Locations

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 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



Celebrate
Ag Week
with 4-H

March 17th-
March 23rd

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.

Swine vaccination affidavits are due to the office

DNA samples for State Fair are due to the office.

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.

In person 4-H Quality Livestock Care classes will take place March 4 at 6 pm and May 2 at 5:30 pm in the 4-H Exhibit Hall please register through the events tab on 4HOnline

Hancock County 4-H Fair

June 18-28



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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



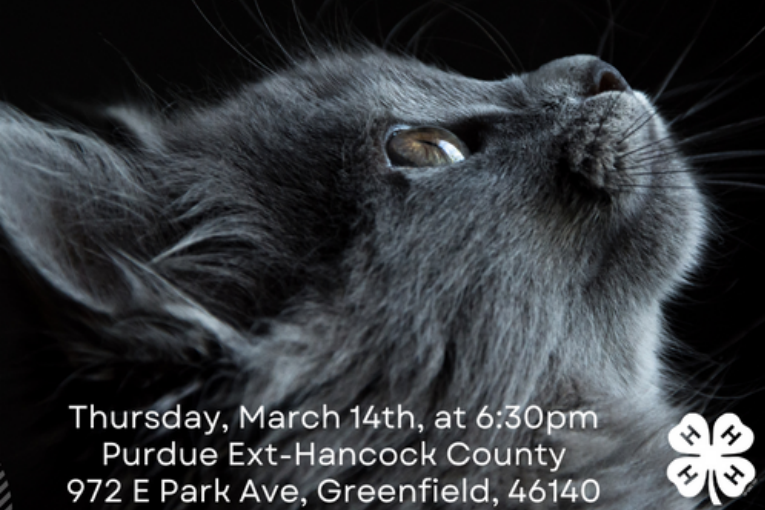
**Mini 4-Hers
Mark Your
Calendars!**

**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
March 25 April 29 May 28

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

4-H CAT CLUB WORKSHOP



Thursday, March 14th, at 6:30pm
Purdue Ext-Hancock County
972 E Park Ave, Greenfield, 46140

4-H POCKET PET WORKSHOP

Thursday, March 14th
6:00pm

Purdue Ext- Hancock County
972 E Park Ave, Greenfield 46140



Flower Arranging Workshop

Hosted by Edith Dupree from Earl Gray Fields

May 9 -6-7 pm

At the Extension Office

Cost- \$15 per person

Parent/Child Combo: \$25

Call 462-1113 to reserve your spot today



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 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

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; 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

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.

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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

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; Rusty Hansen khansen@ninstarconnect.com

Country Kritters 4-H Club

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

March 10

April 21

May 19

LUCKY CLOVERS 4-H CLUB

Meeting Dates

Meetings will be held
from 4 - 5 pm

at
Eden UMC
2122 E Eden Rd
Greenfield, IN 46140

MARCH 3

APRIL 7

MAY 5

Goats R US

6:30PM

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, March 17

Sunday, April 21

Sunday, May 19

Sunday, June 9

4:00-5:00pm

Mohawk UMC

Clip Clop Clovers

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, 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

March 17th

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

March 25

April 22

May 28

June 15



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

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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
if you have questions!**



COOKING CLASS

3rd- 6th graders

March 25 & 27

10:00 am-noon

Purdue Extension Office

Cost: \$10

Class limited to 10 participants

Sign up by calling :
317-462-1113



Getting Chicks for the First Time? Don't Know How to Start?

Discussion Topics

- How to get started with chickens successfully
- How to pick out chicks for the store and online
- Best suited chickens for your family's needs
- Proper housing & space



Time: 7-8pm EST

Date: March 13th

Virtual: <https://bit.ly/49tjHqX>



If you have questions please contact JP Pietrowski at jpietrow@purdue.edu or call 260-358-4826

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**IT'S CHICK
DAYS!**



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