# 2023 Annual General Meeting South West Regional Meeting Minutes

**Date:** March 18, 2023 | 10:30am

Location: Delta Downtown Hotel, Saskatoon

**Chairperson:** Stacey Hawkins **Recorder:** Brynne Leppa



CANADA

4-H Saskatchewan

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NAME (Please Print)	DISTRICT	DELEGATE / VISITOR?
Sharon Condie	3/4	Leader Delegate
Gentry Glenn	3/4	Member Delegate
Julie- Ann Howe	8	Leader Delegate
Taylor Duncan	8	Member Delegate
Doreen Myers	9	Leader Delegate
Brayden Myers	9	Member Delegate
Olivia Keslick	10	Member Delegate
Emma Brost	10	Visitor
Jennifer Loken	17	Leader Delegate
James Loken	17	Member Delegate
Stacey Hawkins	17	BOD
Robyn MacNeil	8	BOD
Kylie Mackie- virtual	10	BOD
Brynn Leppa	9	AC
Haley McMillan	3/4	Visitor
Sierra Condie	3/4	Visitor
Lahnae Heggestad	3/4	Visitor
Annika Roberge	3/4	Visitor
Taylor McMillan	3/4	Visitor
Brooklyn Leppa	9	Visitor
Kaylor Rudd	9	Visitor
Brooklyn McNeil	8	Visitor
Dwayne Summad		BOD / Visitor
Kaitlyn Keller		Staff

## 1. Call this meeting to order & 4-H Pledge at 10:30am

Chairperson Stacey Hawkins called the meeting to order with the 4-H pledge at 10:30 am.

2. Welcome & Introductions

3. Appointment of Recorders:

a) Minutes: Brynne Leppa

b) To Do List: Robyn MacNeil

c) Presenter of Regional Report: Brynne Leppa

TO adopt the recorder.

Julie- Anne Howe/Annika Roberge

**CARRIED** 

4. Presentation and Adoption of Agenda

To adopt the agenda with the power to add. (Appendix A)

Sierra Condie/Kaylor Rudd

**CARRIED** 

- 5. Review points 1 and 2 from Procedures: Regional Meeting
- 6. Minutes from 2022 South West Regional Meeting

To adopt the minutes from the 2022 South West regional meeting as circulated.

Gentry Glenn/ Annika Roberge

**CARRIED** 

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

- 7. Reports (previously circulated):
  - a. District Reports

Districts 2,  $\frac{3}{4}$ , 8, 9, 10, 11, 16, 17, 40 presented and submitted reports that outlined the various activities undertaken by districts throughout the past year. (Appendix B)

**b.** Board Member and Advisory Council Updates (Appendix C)

Presented by Robyn MacNeil – presented a report about the board

Advisory Council Update – presented by Brynne Leppa

Ambassador Report – presented by Sierra Condie, Emma Brost and Brooklyn MacNiel

c. Regional 4-H Specialist Report and News & Opportunities

Kaitlyn Keller

d. Provincial Curling Report - Kaylor Rudd

THAT the reports be adopted as presented.

Sierra Condie/ Annika Roberge

CARRIED

### **NEW BUSINESS**

8. Reviewed the new proposed regional rotation

Regional Public Speaking Host District: 17
Regional Curling Host District: 8

Funtastic Host District: not held

THAT the South West Regional Rotation be adopted as presented.

Gentry Glenn/Emma Brost CARRIED

### 9. Upcoming 4-H Opportunities- Kaitlyn Keller

#### 10. Elections:

Kaitlyn Keller Reviewed points 3 to 8 in Procedures: Regional Meetings.

### a. Nominations / Elections:

Stacey Hawkins announces prior nominations for the position of Board of Directors Kylie Mackie – District #10, Reno Multiple 4-H Club

Kylie Mackie has successfully been voted to the 3 year BOD position.

To accept Kylie Mackie as our nominees to the Board of Directors.

Jennifer Loken/ Emma Brost CARRIED

### 11. Selection of (3) Member and (3) Leader Ambassadors (by ballot)

Stacey Hawkins reviewed previous nominations for the position of Member Ambassador

Brooklyn MacNeil- Missouri Coteau Multiple 4-H Club, District #8

Brooklyn Leppa- Clairbank Multiple 4-H Club, District #9

Kaylor Rudd- Wymark Drylanders 4-H Club, District #9

Stacey Hawkins announces the acclimation of Brooklyn MacNeil, Brooklyn Leppa and Kaylor Rudd for the position of member Ambassador.

THAT the SW Ambassadors be comprised of five members and one leader as the representatives.

Sierra Condie/Kaylor Rudd CARRIED

Stacey Hawkins called for nominations for the remaining Ambassador position.

Sierra Condie and Emma Brost volunteer as members. Sharon Condie volunteers as a leader.

The following six 4-H members/leaders were elected as the South West Ambassadors: Brooklyn MacNeil, Brooklyn Leppa, Kaylor Rudd, Sierra Condie, Emma Brost and Sharon Condie.

TO accept the above as the South West Regional Member/Leader Ambassadors.

Annika Roberge /Julie- Ann Howe CARRIED

#### 10. Other Business:

a) None					
11. Adjournment:					
THAT there being no further business present, we adjourn the meeting at 11:31 am.					
	Taylor McMillan				
Chairperson	Secretary				

APPENDIX A: 2023 SOUTH WEST REGIONAL MEETING AGENDA

2023 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING SOUTH WEST REGIONAL MEETING AGENDA

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1. Call to Order				
2. Pledge				
3. Welcome & Introductions				
4. Appointment of Recorders				
A) Minutes:Brynne Leppa	_			
B) To Do list:				
C) Presenter of Regional Report to wider	^ AGM:	_Brynne Leppa	a	-
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Date: Saturday March 18, 2023 Time: 10:30 am Chairperson: Stacey Hawkins

#### 5. Agenda

Presentation / Adoption of Agenda with power to add

- 6. Review Policy for Procedures: Regional Meetings \*
- 7. Minutes of 2022 Regional Meeting \*

Errors or omissions / Adoption of minutes as circulated

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

- 8. Reports
- A) District Reports: 3/4, 8, 9, 10, 11, 17, 40, 2, 16
- B) Board Member Report (Robyn MacNeil)
- C) Advisory Council Member Reports (Brynne Leppa)
- D) South West Ambassador Report (Sierra Condie and Emma Brost)
- E) Regional 4-H Specialist Report (Kaitlyn Keller)
- F) Other

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- 9. Review of Regional / Provincial Rotations
- **10. Upcoming 4-H Opportunities**
- 11. Elections for the Board of Directors and Advisory Council positions
- A) Review Voting Procedure: Regional Meetings
- B) Elections
- i) Board Of Director leader positions
- A) one 3-year BOD Position
- 12. Selection of a total of 6 Member /Leader Ambassadors
- 13. Other Business
- 14. Adjournment

**APPENDIX B: DISTRICT REPORTS** 

District 2 consists of 3 clubs, the Rockglen Multiple 4-H Club, Coronach Light Horse 4-H Club and the Ogema Light Horse 4-H Club. The Rockglen club has 8 members this year in Small Engine,

Welding, Sheep and Beef, Coronach has 9 members in Light horse and Ogema has 16 light horse members.

The district hosts two meeting a year. This year with a brand new executive and Club in the district. Public Speaking was held February 26<sup>th</sup> with their spring District meeting.

#### District 3&4

We have 5 clubs in our district: Val Marie (Light Horse), Aneroid Multiple (Sewing, Photography, Welding and Ranch Horse), Red Coat Multiple (Canine -Obedience and Agility), Wood River (Light Horse) and Mankota (Beef). Between our 5 clubs our district has 75 active members.

We meet twice a year, once in November to wrap up the year. Every second year we elect a new executive at the fall meeting. In the spring we hold a meeting in March and it always coincides with the district public speaking event. District 3&4 has not had the chance to hold our district speaking yet due to the blizzard that blew in the day before. Our new date to have the district speaking is on March 26<sup>th</sup> in Val Marie. The winners will move on to regionals that will take place in Ogema on April 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Individual Club reports:

### Val Marie 4-H Light Horse – submitted by Sharon Condie and Carol Masecar

We have 12 members: 2 Clover Buds, 6 Juniors, 3 Intermediates and 1 senior.

For a second year in a row, our club along with Mankota 4-H Beef club received a generous donation of feed hay bales that were auctioned off on November 4<sup>th</sup> and each club received \$2847.50 in proceeds from the sale. We also received funds from F.C.C. and the Sask Horse Federation that have gone a long way in helping the club. We are currently running a fundraiser, selling safety/first aid kits from Canadian Safety Supplies.

Our Christmas Party this year was held in Elkwater, where we stayed at one of our leader's family cabin and enjoyed a weekend of skiing, games and just hanging out.

So far we have been busy with our project meetings, where our members worked on leather work, nylon braiding, boot jacks, stall signs and one member has weaved a mohair breast collar for her horse. In March we start our info meetings, learning about breeds, conformation, illnesses and safety. Our Club is planning to start riding at the end of April and will ride throughout the summer. We have several clinics scheduled, including a jumping clinic, and a horsemanship clinic with Beth Hora in August and we plan an annual over-night campout/riding derby in late summer, early fall.

Our Achievement Day will take place in October.

# Aneroid Multiple 4-H Club - submitted by Sharon Condie

We have 16 members: 7 Juniors, 7 Intermediates and 2 Seniors. Our club has members enrolled in Welding, Photography, Ranch Horse, and Sewing/Quilting. Project meetings are taking place on a monthly basis and our members are very involved in our club. The sewing club is currently working on quilts, the quilts should be done with our April meeting. The welding club is making a loading chute for a project. The photography club are

learning about different photography techniques. The Ranch Horse club are busy learning how to rope roping dummies and are looking forward to getting outside to get some groundwork done and ride.

We had a Christmas party, where we got together, and played games, played laser tag and had pizza.

On January 29<sup>th</sup> we held a community appreciation supper, where we served a Potluck Chili supper and dessert, held a pie auction and auctioned off a lap quilt made by the members of our sewing club, and an autographed Patrick Marleau hat. We finished off the night with a bingo and gave out prizes donated by the members. The night was a success despite the cold temps. The club raised \$2911. We are currently running a fundraiser with the 4-H insulated tote bags. Another fundraiser is planned for the spring.

Our Achievement day is scheduled for early June.

### Red Coat 4-H Club - submitted by Christie Noto

We currently have 4 members: 3 Juniors and 1 Cloverbud in our Canine Obedience & Agility project. Our Stock Dog project did not have enough interest.

We had our Christmas party/General meeting on Dec 12<sup>th</sup> at the Overtime Restaurant in Shaunavon, they are big supporters of 4-H and we all had a fun time.

In February we learned about whelping puppies. Jamie, one of our members, her dog was expecting puppies and so we had an in club, for fun, contest to examine the x-rays to see how many puppies and what date they would be delivered. At the end of March we are looking forward to a scent-work seminar with Amanda Labadie where we will learn how to teach our dogs to find objects based on smell.

In April we are hoping to get together for a meeting in the Cadillac arena.

We have not chosen a date for our Achievement Day just yet.

#### Mankota 4-H Beef Club – submitted by Treena Blake

We have 32 members in our Beef Project: 7 Cloverbuds, 11 Juniors, 7 Intermediate and 7 Seniors.

We have had our Weigh Day, which was also tied in with our Christmas party. We had sleigh rides and various Christmas activities, as well as curling and skating, bowling and learning some judging tips along with parts of the animal. On April 16<sup>th</sup> we are planning to have our public speaking. This also will the same night that we have our Chili cookoff and Pie Auction/Bake Sale fundraiser. On May 14<sup>th</sup> will be our work day with animals and we have our Achievement Day in June. We wrap up our club events with showing our animals at Frontier Days in Swift Current at the end of June.

# Woodriver 4-H Club – submitted by Chris Lizee

We have 11 members in our Light Horse project: 4 Cloverbuds, 4 Juniors and 3 Intermediates. Our leader Sherri Stendler retired this year, after being with 4-H as project/general leader for various clubs for 34 years. We are in our 3<sup>rd</sup> year of being a club and learning and growing with each year.

So far this 4-H year we have been riding at the Woodrow Arena for project meetings and we had a Christmas party.

We have 5 members that are on a show team, and they have just finished participating in a Moose Jaw show on March 4 &5<sup>th</sup>. We have 2 members that are on a ranch roping team to compete in the CCRA but need one more member to complete the team. And 3 of our members are going to make up a High School Rodeo team.

We have a roping clinic scheduled for May and our Achievement Day will be in June.

#### **District 8**

Submitted by Taylor Duncan and Julie-Anne Howe

#### **INFINITY**

They are a Light Horse club. There are 11 members, 4 volunteers and 4 leaders. They ride every month and also have clinicians at some of their meetings.

#### **MOOSE JAW BEEF**

They are a Beef club. They have 11 members and 4 leaders. The membership are completing steer, heifer, cow/calf and rangelands projects. Meetings are held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of every month. Project meetings have focused on Range Health, Feeds and Nutrition, Calf Selection, Marketing. Work bees have been completed to update show supplies. They have done pasture walks, bottle drives and had a Christmas party. Planned for the remainder of the year is a clip/wash day with clinicians in May, judging/showmanship clinic in May and the club Achievement Day is June 3, 2023. Members compete at the Regional Fair June 24/25. Member also typically compete in the 4-H photography contest held in April. Of note is that one 4-H member won a bursary to travel to GOAL – the Canadian Angus Youth Leadership Convention in February 2023. Many members compete on the local junior show circuit and competed in Showmanship, Team Grooming and the Junior Beef Extreme at Agribition in 2022. Julie-Anne was a featured 4-H'er in September.

### **OLD WIVES**

They are a Beef club as well as offer a Cloverbud Craft project. There are 10 members and 4 leaders. They have done a bottle drive, IA demo, public speaking, and a Fun Day. They have regular project and general meetings. Their Achievement Day is June 3rd, 2023.

#### **MISSOURI COTEAU**

They offer Light Horse, Young Horse, Beef, Animal Tracking and Trapping, Woodworking, Poultry and 4U Self Determined projects. They have 38 members and 11 leaders. They hold monthly general meetings as well as monthly project meetings. They had a Christmas party where they collected donations for the local food bank and adopted a family through the Salvation Army in Moose Jaw. They had their annual Ranchman's Night Fundraiser in January. They hosted the District 8 Public Speaking competition in February. Some members will be going to the 4-H Ski Day and they will be holding their Achievements Days throughout June.

District 8 Council typically meets 2x/ year in February and October. We have additionally committee meetings on an ad hoc basis.

In 2023 we had a 4-H Funday hosted by Missouri Coteau 4-H Club at the Briercrest Rink. Members enjoyed skating, curling and outdoor winter fun.

This for the Regional 4-H Beef Show, Moose Jaw 4-H organized a regional Battery Drive Fundraiser to help cover the costs of the regional beef show.

### **District Speeches Results**

Missouri Coteau 4-H hosted District Speeches on Feb 26 with 17 members competing. Winners were:

Division	Member	Club
Senior	Sage Timmons	Moose Jaw
Intermediate	Brooklyn MacNeil	Missouri Coteau
Junior	Zoe Meggison	Missouri Coteau
Cloverbud	Ashlyn Schlamp	Missouri Coteau

#### District 16

There are three clubs in the district including, Laura Multiple, Birsay Multiple and Hanley Beef. In district has 70 members and 20 leaders. Projects in the district include: Outdoor living, Light Horse, Beef, Archery, Small Engine, Cake Decorating, Gardening, Photography and Crafts.

Our district meets two times a year on conference call meetings and gathers in person once a year to do district public speaking.

We were up for hosting Regional Curling and were very excited at the opportunity. Unfortunately due to low attendance we needed to cancel the event for this year. Good luck to the next district hosting Curling!

### **District 17**

We have 4 clubs: Eston Multiple Club with 13 members who meet in Eston, Dusty Riders Light Horse Club with 18 members who meet in Kindersley, Bea Bank Beef Club with 10 members who meet in Hoosier, and Border Country Multiple Club with 4 members who meet in Marengo.

Our district meets in the fall and spring every year.

This year each club held their own public speaking, and 9 members went to Eston for district level public speaking on March 12<sup>th</sup>. The district should be able to send a member for each level to Regional public speaking in Ogema based on availability.

Each club in our district pays districts fees in the fall while each club hold various fundraisers throughout the year to support their own club activities. This includes bottle drives, Christmas tree sales, selling baking and cookbooks, and having BBQs.

A district scholarship is available for any graduating member to apply for.

This year, Eston, Bea Bank, and Border Country came together to form a senior curling team for district curling in Hazlet. From Hazlet we advanced to provincial curling in Swift Current. We didn't place at the regional curling event, but we had a lot of fun and grew in our comfort and skill level in curling!

#### **District 40**

There are currently has six clubs in the district: Coteau Hills Beef Club, Kyle 4-H Club, Beechy Multiple 4-H Club, Nomads 4-H Beef Club, Ridpath 4-H Beef Club, and Crystal Springs 4-H Club.

There is a total of 65 members in the district. The projects offered are Beef, Archery, Reptile, Light Horse, Crafts, Outdoors, Canine, Geology & Baking.

### **APPENDIX C: Board of Directors, Advisory Council and Ambassador Reports**

# **Board Member Report**

It was a pleasure to serve on the board of directors with my fellow members, Stacey Hawkins and Kylie Mackie. This yea was a learning experience and I am glad for it. It has been great to get to know the board from all over the province and be able to come together and create new ideas.

Robyn MacNeil

### **AC Report**

Hello everyone,

This is my first year of being your SW AC member. I have given presentations from grades K-12, answered questions and welcomed in new members. I have also had the opportunity to run the 4-H Instagram account for a day during the national 4-H week

I have had a great time promoting 4-H and can't wait for next year. I've met so many amazing people. I have really enjoyed talking with the other advisors and sharing information.

I will continue to plan to help clubs with planning their possible achievement days as well as participating in getting AG into the classrooms and showing students the producer's side of where our food comes from, which I am extremely excited about.

I'm hoping that in the next 4-H year, I will be able to get out more to promote our great organization.

Thank you, Brynne Leppa

### **Ambassador Report**

#### **INTRODUCTION OF SELF**

My name is Emma Brost. I am from the Maple Creek Multiple 4-H Club. Currently I am enrolled in the Beef project and was honored to be selected as one of the SW ambassadors last year.

Hello my name is Sierra Condie and I am from Val Marie 4-H Light horse as well as Aneroid Multiple 4-H Club. In Aneroid I am taking sewing and photography. I am super glad that I took part in being one of the SW Ambassadors last year.

Hello my name is Brooklyn MacNeil I am in the Missouri Coteau 4-H Multiple Club. I am involved in the Beef, tracking, and trapping projects. This has been a great year of being an ambassador for the SW.

This year the SW Ambassadors consisted of five members and one leader. The members ambassadors included Emily McMillan, Sierra Condie, Brooklyn McNeil, Emily Hough and Emma Brost. Our leader ambassador was Mel Leppa.

#### ABOUT THE AMBASSADOR PROGRAM

So what is the ambassador program? For those of you who are just joining us at AGM this year or are not familiar with the program. Usually, three members and three leader ambassadors from each region are elected annually at each of the Regional Meetings during AGM. You may have noticed that this past year we had only one leader and five member ambassadors, which it is totally okay! As long as there are 6 in total. Ambassadors are members and leaders who showcase the true spirit of 4-H Saskatchewan through their willingness to volunteer and share their knowledge of the 4-H program. Ambassadors will focus on positive public relations, recruiting new members, representing 4-H at local events, and sharing their 4-H story.

### ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE SOUTH WEST 4-H AMBASSADORS THIS YEAR

Emma: One aspect that I though we ambassadors improved on this year is our social media presence. The Instagram page has been around for some time however, I definitely thought this year there weas a noticeable increase in posts and engagements. I personally did a few takeovers during my trips to Toronto and Ottawa, and even people from other provinces that I met on these trips followed the page.

Sierra: The Ambassadors were so friendly to talk with and see what they were all up to. I loved how on Instagram we were able to show everyone all the amazing things we were doing. For my first year, getting to meet people and try new tings has been amazing. This year I went to Agribition and was given the chance of meeting new people and talking to them all about the amazing parts of 4-H.

#### Brooklyn:

Running a "4hskambassadors" Instagram page

Over the course of the year we have all had the opportunity to run the 4-H Sk ambassadors Instagram page, which in itself is an opportunity to share your own 4-H story.

#### **PERSONALIZE IT**

Emma: During my time this year as an ambassador I saw a huge improvement in my confidence in reaching out and speaking to people. Before promoting and talking about 4-H just sounded like a "good idea" that I would do sometime in the future. One word of advice I would give to anyone becoming an ambassador this year is take full advantage of it. This is a wonderful opportunity that we members can really take above and beyond. Sierra: When I started out being an ambassador I was a little bit scared, then over time it got exciting. Meeting people and going places and just having fun with others. I am so happy I joined and gave it a chance. It gave me a chance to show my love for 4-H and show people why it is a good idea to join!

Brooklyn: Being an ambassador this year has helped me to spread the word of 4-H. It has given me opportunities to speak with my school and others. I am looking forward to next year!

#### **CLOSING**

4-H Ambassadors are excited to share the benefits of the 4-H program with their fellow 4-Hers and beyond! Thank you for your support throughout this tough year, and we are excited to see what the 2023/2024 Ambassadors will accomplish.