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Learn To Do By Doing

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Contact your Regional Representatives if you would like to share your opinions, suggestions, or concerns relating to the Saskatchewan 4-H Council's policy, programming or direction.

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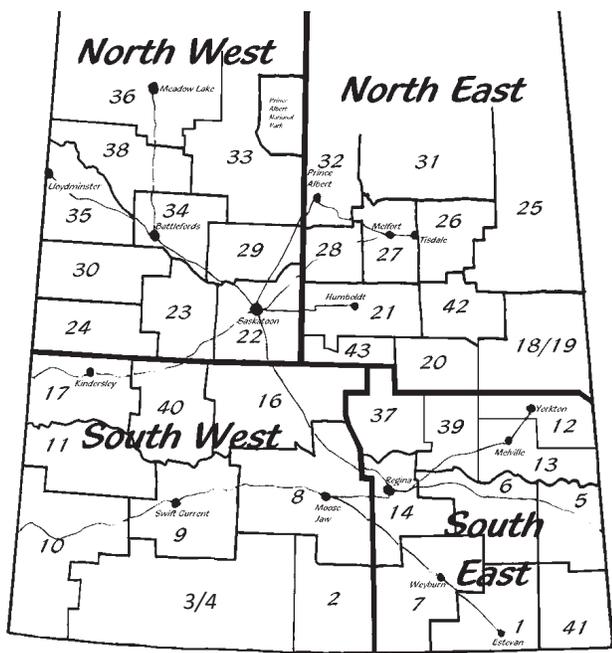
Bits & Pieces is the official publication of 4-H Saskatchewan. It is published tri-annually for distribution to all 4-H members and leaders in mid-September, December and May.

Whether you have recently participated in a 4-H opportunity or you just want to share a lesson you've learned from your 4-H experience, you can submit an article for the next issue of *Bits & Pieces*. Club reporters are encouraged to share their club's 4-H stories too! The submission deadline for the next issue is March 27, 2020.

About 4-H in Saskatchewan

The Saskatchewan 4-H Council administers the 4-H program in Saskatchewan. It is made up of one member and one leader delegate from each District Council. The entire Council meets annually at the Saskatchewan 4-H Council Annual General Meeting (AGM), held in March. At AGM, a Board of Directors and Advisory Council is elected to carry out the work of the Council between annual general meetings.

The Council, through its Board of Directors, Advisory Council and committees, determines policies and programs at the provincial level. The Saskatchewan 4-H Council employs and, by way of the Executive Director, directs a 4-H staff team.



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Full story and recap can be found on page 4

Submission Guidelines

- articles should be 100-300 words, state the author's name, have a title and accompanying photo(s)
 - photo should include a caption including when and where the photo was taken and the names of the people in the photo
 - digital photos should be 1MB or larger, if possible
 - send your submission to the Provincial 4-H Office, or by email to communications@4-h.sk.ca
- **Please note that we make great effort to accommodate each article and photo we receive; however, articles may be shortened or withheld from the upcoming issue due to spatial restraints.**

4-H Saskatchewan News

4-H'ers Experience The Wonderful World of Science



Science was the passion of many 4-H members this fall.

On October 11, about 40 4-H'ers from across the province came together at the Saskatchewan Science Centre in Regina for 4-H Science Day.

The day started with a short presentation on upcoming events and opportunities, followed by some games led by Kalynne Martin and Melodi Hawkesford-Lee. The members then broke into two groups for activities.



One activity had the 4-H members head to the basement of the Science Centre, where they learned about lasers, what they are used for and how they work. They then had the opportunity to build their own laser maze, using mirrors. The second activity was around how electricity and circuits work. The members then put together their own circuit houses to light up.

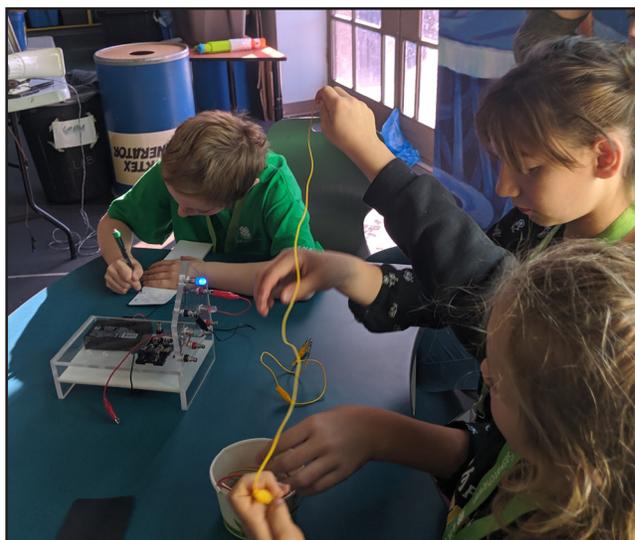
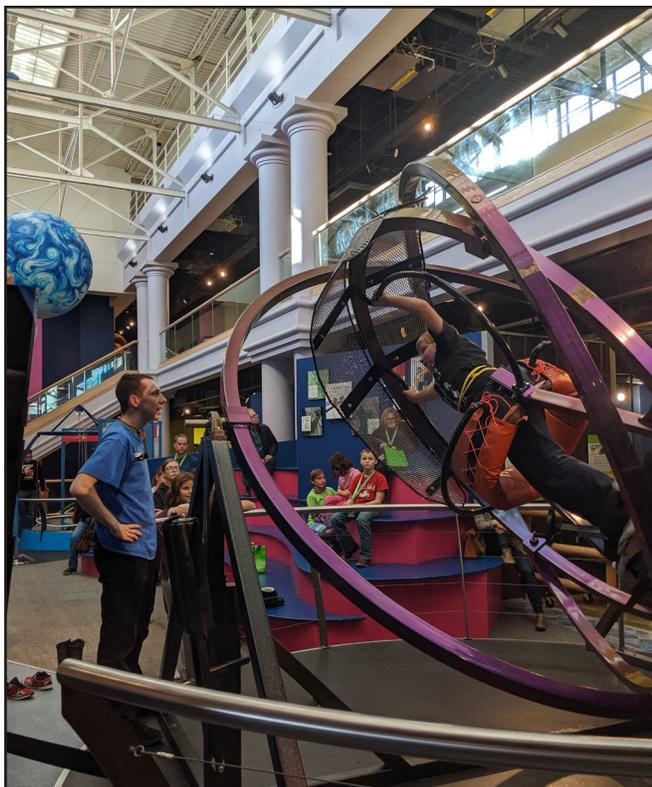
The participants enjoyed a chicken finger lunch and had the opportunity to try out some of the interesting science activities in the outdoor playground. After lunch, the members broke into four groups, to work on making jujube and toothpick towers. They learned a little about engineering and strong shapes, to help them build



the tallest and strongest tower possible.

Once the towers were all tested, the 4-H members broke into four groups, based on age, and toured the science centre, with the help of the 4-H adult volunteers. They had the opportunity to try many of the hands-on activities offered, as well as answer some science-related questions on a 4-H scavenger hunt questionnaire.

Following their tour of the science centre, the members all headed home, excited to bring their love of science to their clubs.



Insurance for 4-H Events and Shows

4-H insurance is only in effect for sanctioned 4-H meetings and 4-H activities (club or project group events and activities, district, regional or provincial events and activities, third-party sanctioned events and activities).

- i. Insurance is not in place for 4-H members working on their projects at home or on their own.
- ii. Insurance is not in place for 4-H members attending non 4-H sanctioned events (eg. Non 4-H livestock shows)
- iii. There is no insurance for animal injury or replacement. Individuals wishing to have this coverage should pursue it on their own.

Please note that all 4-H sanctioned events will be actively promoted by the 4-H Saskatchewan provincial office. If you see that an event is noted as being a "4-H Beef Show", "4-H Light Horse Show", etc. but you have not seen it promoted by 4-H Saskatchewan, please contact our office. If these shows are not sanctioned, our 4-H insurance will not cover the show or the participants.

Leaders and Members Learn Together at Leaderama

About 40 members and leaders gathered together at the Ramada Hotel in Regina for the 4-H Saskatchewan Leadership Conference on December 7-8. The conference was a two-day version of the one-day Leaderama events, which have been held in alternating regions the past two

years.

The weekend started off with a welcome by Cera Youngson, who also talked about some of the amazing 4-H opportunities for members and leaders both in the province and nationally, and a quick icebreaker where members

and leaders presented their favorite leadership quotes.

After lunch, the attendees enjoyed a plenary by John Bailey, CEO of the Regina Food Bank, who talked about food insecurity within Regina and Saskatchewan. Everyone had the chance to learn about how often the food banks are used, and how important these organizations are to the well being of our communities.

The members and leaders then went to their first set of work shops. The leaders enjoyed “4-H is for Everyone” by SaskAbilities. This session talked about how to be inclusive and make it possible for people with disabilities to be involved in 4-H.



The leaders then enjoyed 4-H 101, with Shelby Longworth and Melodi Hawkesford-Lee, which discussed everything you need to know about 4-H and gave leaders the opportunity to check out the new Club Resource Guide. The leaders then had the choice between “Recruitment & Retention” with Longworth, which introduced new ways to recruit new members or volunteers, as well as best practices for club engagement, or “Managing Your Multi Club” with Hawkesford-Lee, which discussed balancing the needs of several project groups, including best practices from real clubs.



At the same time as these sessions, the members had their own exciting sessions to attend. Their first was “Personalities, Leadership & Teamwork” with Rob Chubb.



He used the ColourSpectrums™ to look at personality styles and human dynamics. They also

discussed the best ways to work with others in teams and leadership positions.

After learning how to work together, the members then enjoyed “Self-Awareness & Reflection” with Tami Dovell. This was a session to discuss the importance of mental health and self-awareness, giving the members some tools to take back into every day life to help them deal with stress and negative emotions. The attendees then checked into their hotel rooms, before loading up on a bus and heading to the Golden Mile Bowling Alley for supper and bowling. There were plenty of fun bowling games, food, and great conversations.

The next morning, Youngson gave a quick morning greeting and then everyone headed to their respective workshop session. The leaders chose between “Conflict Management” with Hawkesford-Lee or “Risk Management” with Youngson and Longworth. The members attended a session called “Your Personal Brand” with Leighton Smith from RBC. They learned about how to build their brand and use it effectively throughout their career.

Everyone then came back together for “Table Talks: Growing Our Leadership” where they had the opportunity to have short minute-roundtable mentoring sessions with some special guests,

including: Kathleen Rae from International Rural Exchange; Ryder Lee, CEO of Saskatchewan Cattlemen’s Association; Shelley Jones, Manager of the Ag Knowledge Centre; the Honourable David Marit, Minister of Agriculture; Ray Orb, president of SARM; Jessica Gerrits, RBC Vice President of Commercial Financial Services; Leighton Smith, RBC Lumsden Branch Manager; Colleen Hawkesford, Regina Public Library; and Longworth, the North East Regional 4-H Specialist.

After lunch, participants enjoyed a key note address from Cheryl Jolly-Nagel about Positively Representing Agriculture. Following Jolly-Nagel was Share Fair, where members

and leaders had the opportunity to discuss topics important to them. Some of the topics this year were: Provincial Programming, Multi-Club advice, How to Implement the Two Leader Rule in your 4-H Club, Recruitment and Engaging Volunteers, the NEW 4-H Record Books, Strategic Planning, and more.

The weekend wrapped up with some closing remarks from the 4-H staff before everyone headed home. Thank you to our title sponsor Bayer CropScience for making this event a huge success! Also, thank you to RBC and the South Saskatchewan Community Foundation: G. Murray and Edna Forbes Foundation Fund, who also supported this event.



4-H Saskatchewan Team Places First At National Judging



The Canadian National 4-H & Youth judging Competition (CN4HYJ) was held on November 24-26, 2019 at Canadian Western Agribition in Regina SK. 42 competitors from across Canada participated, with eight of them on the 4-H Saskatchewan team.

The following 4-H members made up our team: Kyle Kirzinger (Viscount 4-H Beef Club); Faith Stevens (Catherwood Beef & Sheep 4-H Club); Doug Sroka (Maidstone Gully Multiple 4-H Club); Justin Harcourt (Tisdale 4-H Beef Club); Leah Libke (Prime Cuts 4-H Club); Wyatt Dyck (Wymark Drylanders 4-H Club); Calvin Murphy (Whitewood 4-H Beef Club); Brock McGonigal (Rockglen Multiple 4-H Club).

The competition commenced on Sunday November 24 at the Atlas Hotel in Regina. Competitors took part in a welcome, supper and competition orientation. Past 4-H member and CN4HYJ committee member, Catherine Lang, was a guest speaker for the evening. Competitors then judged three classes for the competition: Silage, Meat Cuts and Water Quality.



Monday's events took place at the Chevy GMC arena in the new International Trade Centre on the Agribition grounds. The morning consisted of the remaining judging classes, including: Alpaca, Light Horse, Heavy Horse, Dairy Cows, Charolais Calves, Prospect Steers, Speckle Park Calves, Angus Heifers, and Commercial Bulls.

After a photo session and lunch, competitors finished off the competition by giving oral reasons on 8 of the previously judged classes. This year, oral reasons were given in the Queensbury Building, which was a new (and quieter!) location compared to previous years. After the intense competition, competitors then enjoyed supper, swimming and social

time back at the hotel. Tuesday morning, the Awards Banquet was held, also in the Queensbury building. Competitors received a tasty breakfast and met the event sponsors, followed by the announcements of the final placings of this prestigious event. The results were as follows:

- Grand Aggregate (\$2,500 Scholarship, CWA belt buckle and banner, & First Lady Classic Judging Position): Adam Smith, University of Guelph
- 2nd Place (\$1,250 John Deere Limited Scholarship & CWA belt buckle & banner): Justin Harcourt, 4-H Saskatchewan
- 3rd Place (\$750 John Deere Limited Scholarship & CWA belt buckle): Brandon Fraser, Summer Synergy
- 4th Place (\$300 Cash Prize): Jayden Calvert, Summer Synergy
- 5th Place (\$150 Cash Prize): Leah Libke, 4-H Saskatchewan
- **Team Award - Top 4 Scores per team (Plaque on display at Provincial 4-H Office): 4-H Saskatchewan**

High point awards per class were listed as follows. Several recipients for these awards are past or present 4-H members!

- Silage - Adam Smith;
- Meat Cuts - Brandon Fraser;
- Water Quality – Carlee Nikiforuk (University of Alberta);
- Alpaca – Justin Harcourt;
- Light Horse – Zachary Hill (Manitoba Youth Beef Round-up);
- Heavy Horse – Wyatt Millar (University of Saskatchewan);
- Dairy Cows – Leah Graham (Manitoba Youth Beef Round-up);
- Charolais – Justin Harcourt;
- Prospects – Connor Douglas (Olds College);
- Speckle Park – Justin Harcourt;
- Angus Heifers – Connor Douglas;
- Commercial Bulls – Kylie Beck (University of Saskatchewan).

Thank you to the team chaperones, Louise Sroka and Brittany Stepp. Event sponsors included TD Canada Trust and Federated Cooperatives. Congratulations to 4-H Saskatchewan's amazing judging team!



4-H Saskatchewan Ambassadors Spreading The 4-H Spirit

The 4-H Saskatchewan Ambassadors are an elected group of members and leaders that help to spread their knowledge of 4-H through community involvement with the goal of recruiting new members and leaders and sharing their 4-H story.

If you want your local ambassadors to help with any 4-H promotion in your community, please feel free to contact your Regional 4-H Specialist for more information.

Make sure to follow the 4-H Saskatchewan Ambassadors on Instagram at @4hskambassadors for up to date information on all ambassador activities!

If you are interested in applying to become a 4-H ambassador, please visit the 4-H website at www.4-h.sk.ca/board-and-council-business – **Applications are due March 11, 2020.**

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4-H Contributes To SSCF Vital Community Conversations

The South Saskatchewan Community Foundation released the report which kicked started its 50th anniversary and is called “50 Vital Community Conversations” on October 2.

The conversations embraced widespread interest involving nearly 2,000 individuals in 56 unique community-based conversations, led by 47 registered charities across southern Saskatchewan in early 2019. During 4-H Saskatchewan’s AGM, the members and leaders were a part of these conversations.

SSCF Executive Director, Donna Ziegler, said the response to the program was truly inspiring.

“Our summary report speaks to uncovering the challenges, understand the community needs and planning for change together, said Ziegler. “In so many ways, the report underscores the hopes and dreams of the SSCF, which is to support a thriving community with a culture of sharing, generosity and inclusivity at its core.”

The research analysis of the reports submitted by the host organizations was conducted by Dr. Iryna Khovrenkov, an economist with research interests in philanthropic foundations and charitable giving, social finance, and applied microeconomics, from the University of Regina. Khovrenkov’s review of the final reports from the conversations shares evidence to support the issues identified by communities. The report also includes inspiring examples of programs in action.

Khovrenkov highlighted the top community indicator as “belonging” and summarized these

five key issues, which emerged:

- sustaining rural communities
- drug abuse and addiction
- safety in communities
- racism towards new immigrants and Indigenous peoples; and
- homelessness and affordable housing

“There was such diversity in the types of communities that came together for these conversations, said Ziegler. “Gathering formats ranged from town hall meetings to virtual conversations in ‘real time.’”

The 50 Vital Community Conversations report underscored the vast complexity to the challenges that exist within and across communities and the need for collaboration at a grassroots level.

“Solutions start with a holistic, innovative and flexible approach, focused on achieving results

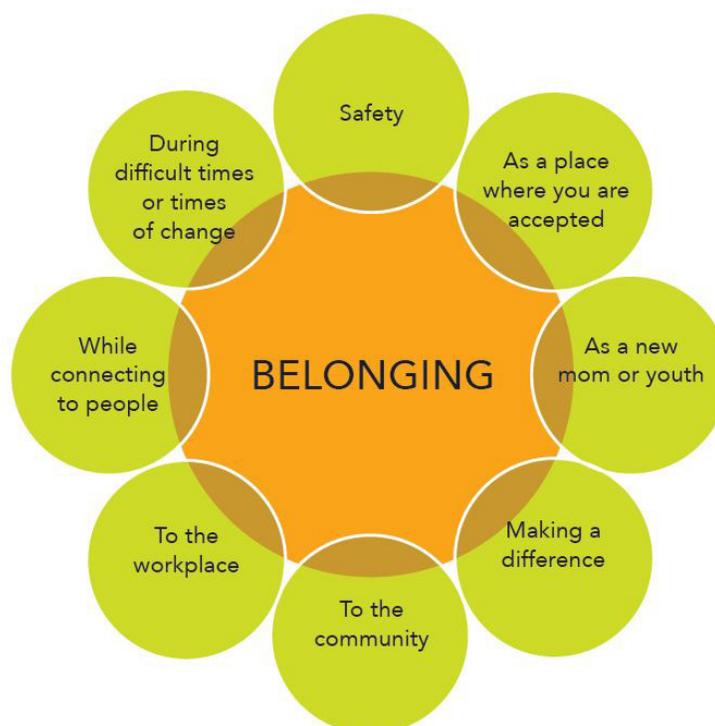
together over the long term,” Ziegler noted.

As next steps, SSCF will use this local knowledge to work collaboratively with others and support actions towards improving the quality of life in Southern Saskatchewan together.

“(Community is) a place where your heart lies, a place where you are at home, welcomed and accepted, where you work together, where you belong.”

-4-H Saskatchewan

We encourage you to read the report and continue your conversations in your community. For a copy of the report, visit www.sscf.ca



4-H Clubs Raise More Than 3,000 Pounds Of Food Donations

It was an amazing Club Week this year, with 4-H'ers from across the province getting involved.

This year, the Sustainability Initiative was to promote food security, where the 4-H office asked 4-H'ers to donate 3,000 pounds across the province collectively. By the time the numbers came in on December 6, the goal was met.

"It was amazing to see so many clubs get involved in this giving back initiative," said Cera Youngson, Executive Director of 4-H Saskatchewan. "We definitely hit the goal, which was about one pound per 4-H member."

Club Week was created in 2017 by 4-H Saskatchewan to give the clubs a week of celebration and community involvement and a way to launch an annual Sustainability Initiative. It was held from November 4-10, 2019 across the entire province.

The provincial 4-H office asked 4-H clubs across the province to join together to donate food to their local food banks throughout November.

Clubs were encouraged to hold a food drive, set up a donation area in their community or host an event where food donations would be accepted. A huge shout out to the Good Spirit 4-H Club, who donated 900 pounds! See their full story on page 47.

In addition to the Sustainability Initiative, 4-H clubs were encouraged to show their 4-H spirit, by putting up displays in their community and dressing up in their 4-H colours for Show Your 4-H Colours Day on November 6.



Thank you to the following clubs, districts and individuals, who participated in the 2018 Sustainability Initiative:

- Vanscoy Multiple 4-H Club
- Kelvington 4-H Beef Club
- Durness 4-H Multi Club
- Bar West 4-H Beef Club
- Beechy Multiple 4-H Club
- Longlaketon Multiple 4-H Club
- Catherwood 4-H Beef and Sheep Club
- McQuibe Multiple 4-H Club
- Moosomin Multiple 4-H Club
- Carievale Beef 4-H Club
- Weyburn Community 4-H Beef Club
- Paradise Hill 4-H Multi Club
- Clairbank Multiple 4-H Club
- Spruce Home Multiple 4-H Club
- Good Spirit 4-H Club
- Missouri Coteau 4-H Multiple Club
- Fairmede 4-H Beef Club
- 4-H staff

Check out Club News to see more of their photos!

Agribition: A Great Way To Connect With 4-H'ers

The 4-H Saskatchewan staff had a great week at Agribition. As in most years, 4-H Saskatchewan had a booth at Agribition all week. This year, the booth was again in the International Trade Centre, which is a convenient location for 4-H members. During the week, the 4-H staff was able to connect with both past and present 4-H'ers, as well as connect with people who may not have heard about 4-H before. There was also a contest for current 4-H members. They were given a passport, with some of the sponsors, partners and supporters of 4-H on the back. They then had to find their booths to collect a stamp. Once they collected all the stamps, they could get a prize. About 100 4-H members participated in the passport contest! It was exciting to see so many 4-H members visit and hope to see more next year.



Clover Corner

Our theme for this 4-H year is 4-H, Food and Me. Colour this picture of the 4-H member feeding the birds and return it to the 4-H office by February 29 to be entered into a draw! Make sure to include your name, age and phone number! The colouring page will also be available on the 4-H website at www.4-h.sk.ca/other

Name: _____

Age: _____

Phone number: _____



4-H Canada News

4-H Canada Announces Recipients of L.E.A.D. Scholarship

4-H Canada's most prestigious and highly-sought after annual scholarship recognizes four outstanding 4-H members who demonstrate personal development, community impact, and leadership excellence in each of 4-H Canada's four Leadership Development Pillars.

L.E.A.D. honours youth who have become exceptional leaders through their 4-H experience, and who share the best of themselves with their communities. L.E.A.D. is made possible through a generous partnership with CN, a long-time supporter of 4-H Canada and strong champion for advancing leadership in rural communities across Canada.

The 2019 4-H Canada L.E.A.D. recipients are:

- Douglas Sroka, SK, recipient for the Community Engagement & Communications Pillar
- Josiah Lodewyk, ON, recipient for the Science & Technology Pillar
- Riley Callahan, NB, recipient for the Environment & Healthy Living Pillar
- Courtney Taylor, AB, recipient for the Sustainable Agriculture & Food Security Pillar

Each L.E.A.D. recipient will receive a \$20,000 scholarship towards their four-year post-secondary studies, an all-expenses-paid trip to attend the 4-H Canada Leadership Awards taking place on February 10, 2020 in Ottawa, and ongoing mentorship from an expert in their field of study.

"The L.E.A.D. scholarship is unique in that it matches recipients with dream mentors, thus supporting youth as they move forward in their careers," said Shannon Benner, CEO of 4-H Canada. "We are very proud of this year's recipients and fortunate to be working with CN to recognize these four responsible, caring and contributing leaders who affect positive change in the world around them."

"Congratulations to the four 2019 L.E.A.D. scholarship recipients," said Sean Finn, Executive Vice-President of Corporate Services and Chief Legal Officer. "CN and 4-H Canada share a similar vision of building safe, strong, and vibrant communities across Canada. We are very proud to continue our partnership with 4-H Canada and to help cultivate the next generation of responsible, thoughtful and contributing leaders."

To learn more about the L.E.A.D. Scholarship and its recipients visit 4-h-canada.ca/lead.



Doug Sroka

Saskatchewan

Pillar: Community Engagement & Communications

Field of Study: Bachelor of Arts and Science

University: University of Saskatchewan

Career Goal: Registered Clinical Psychologist

4-H Club: Maidstone Gully Multiple 4-H Club

4-H Canada And Bayer Renew Five-Year Commitment in STEM

4-H Canada is pleased to announce the continuation of a long-standing national partnership with founding Science & Technology Leadership Development Pillar partner Bayer Crop Science Canada, via a five-year, \$500,000 contribution agreement focused on engaging more 4-H youth in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) programs, and growing the pipeline of tomorrow's innovators.

For five years now, 4-H Canada and Bayer have worked closely together to attract and cultivate the most innovative young minds, by providing STEM opportunities to all 4-H members across Canada – including in rural communities where opportunities are often scarce. Education remains the key focus area: through 4-H Canada's Science & Technology programs, youth dive into hands-on, inquiry-based activities that engage them in science, and support them on their educational and professional pursuits.

“Our partnership with Bayer is critical to building capacity around STEM for 4-H youth across Canada,” said Shannon Benner, 4-H Canada CEO. “With their unfailing support, we will continue to provide access and maintain interest in STEM in rural communities through our science programs, and to empower youth to be responsible, caring and contributing leaders that affect positive change in the world around them.”

4-H members are catalysts for change, and they drive innovation in science and technology. These young scientists are not only vital in solving sustainable growing and environmental challenges, they are also critical in addressing the agricultural employment gap, as they help drive advancements in technology and automation.

Both 4-H Canada and Bayer are well positioned to offer young rural Canadians the tools and space they need to express their scientific curiosity and achieve their career goals. The 4-H Canada Science Fair – now entering its fifth year – is a prime example of youth leadership in science.

In 2019, two finalists advanced nationally, bringing home bronze medals at the Intermediate Level from the Canada-Wide Science Fair. Last year, more than 2,200 4-H members from 90 clubs participated in the inaugural Discover Science initiative, where they built wearable monitors, following the engineering design process to build, test and refine the device.

To learn more about science programming, the 4-H Canada Science Fair and Discover Science, visit 4-h-canada.ca/sciencefair and 4-h-canada.ca/discoverscience.

Saputo and Armstrong Cheese Recipients Announced

4-H Canada launched a new club funding opportunity this fall for registered 4-H dairy clubs in Canada.

This grassroots-level support offers the approximately 4,200 4-H members registered in cow and goat clubs the chance to participate in learning activities, while developing their confidence and knowledge relative to the dairy industry.

This opportunity is made possible through a partnership with Saputo Inc. and its Armstrong Cheese brand.

The dairy company pledges to continue to promote best practices in the dairy industry by supporting the next generation of dairy leaders through 4-H Canada.

The following 10 clubs will each receive a \$1,000 award towards supporting their 4-H members in reaching their full potential:

- Alberta: Green Acres Dairy 4-H Club - Lethbridge

- Ontario: Chatham-Kent 4-H Dairy Club – Ridgetown; Goldfield Calf Club – Finch; Lennox & Addington 4-H Goat Club – Napanee; Mitchell 4-H Dairy Club – Bornholm; Not Just Kidding 4-H Goat Club – St. Anns; and Wiarton 4-H Dairy Club – Georgian Bluffs
- Quebec: Richmond 4-H Club - Cleveland
- Nova Scotia: Double-D 4-H Club – Oxford and Landing 4-H Club - Antigonish.

“This new club funding highlights the importance of access to relevant learning opportunities in creating responsible, caring and contributing young leaders,” said 4-H Canada CEO Shannon Benner.

“Together with Saputo and Armstrong Cheese, we work to advance positive youth development in Canada, by ensuring youth have the necessary tools to succeed in life-long learning.”

Visit 4-h-canada.ca/clubfunds for more information.

Upcoming Events & Opportunities

Regional 4-H Judging

Judging is an important life skill, which teaches the process of evaluation and how to identify important characteristics that can improve quality in an item or animal.

If your club has never attended a judging competition, no problem! Your Regional 4-H Specialist can present a Judging workshop for your club or your club members can attend judging workshops. Many of the Regional 4-H Judging Competitions have a judging clinic or workshop for younger members or beginners to judging.

Regional 4-H Judging Competitions

Regional judging competitions select only the top eight senior members to be Regional Judging Teams. Most judging competitions also combine a judging clinic for younger members. You do not need to be in a livestock project to participate.

2020 Regional 4-H Judging Competition Dates will be available in the Monthly Update and on the 4-H website.



The WCVM Equine Club is excited to announce that the annual **Equine Education Day** for young riders (6-18 yrs.), including Pony Club and 4H members, will take place on **Saturday, March 7, 2020 at the WCVM.**

This day-long event is focused on promoting horse health care and safe enjoyment of our equine friends!

Horse care and wellness topics will be addressed with games, labs, talks and demos that are created and presented by veterinary students.

We will review common horse scenarios, aim to stretch your boundary of knowledge and share new developments in horse health care.

Registration Deadline is February 1st, 2020

Registration is on a first come first serve basis and is complete upon having received registration and payment.

Equine Education Day

Saturday,
March 7, 2020

Registration Includes Pizza Lunch
\$23/participant
\$17/chaperone

Questions??

Please Contact Savannah Beavers
wcvmequine@gmail.com



Volunteers Wanted!

Kids have questions – help answer them!

Sign up to visit a local classroom during Canadian Agriculture Literacy Month in March to talk about food and farming with students and share your personal agriculture story.

Sign up at www.aitc-calm.ca



Connecting Kids and Agriculture

4-H Lottery is a Great Club Fundraiser!

Your club or district can get involved by selling tickets for the annual Saskatchewan 4-H Lottery! Participating clubs or districts receive 60 per cent of sales value of their completely sold books.

All of the proceeds from the lottery support 4-H. The remaining 40 per cent of sales is invested into regional and provincial 4-H programs!

Thank you to our Grand Prize Supporters, Yara Belle Plaine Inc. with A.E. Peacock students!

Other prizes will include:

- 1 – iPad Pro 128GB – donated by Cooperative Hail Insurance
- 2 – \$500 Advertising Vouchers – donated by The Western Producer
- 1 – \$1,000 CAA Travel Gift Card – donated by CAA Saskatchewan
- 1 – iPad 6th Generation 32GB – donated by Staples
- 1 – Patio Set and Table – donated by Lowe’s
- 1 – \$500 VIA Rail gift card – donated by VIA Rail



Garden Shed

Made by the students at A.E. Peacock School, with material donated by Yara Belle Plaine Inc.

Tickets are \$5 each and the 50/50 add-on is \$2. Please note: you must buy a lottery ticket to purchase a 50/50 add-on.

The draw will be made on August 21, 2020. Contact the 4-H Office to order your ticket books. Prizes may not be exactly as pictured. Lottery pending approved license.

4-H Citizenship Day

Join other 4-H'ers from across the province for a day of fun and learning.

This year, since the event will take place in Saskatoon, members will learn about municipality political systems, instead of provincial politics.

You will also learn about parliamentary procedure and how to present your opinion while having a discussion at a round table with various viewpoints.

Registration forms will be available on the 4-H website or you can register through Eventbrite.

Who: Recommended for 9-15 year olds, but all welcome!

When: April 17, 2020 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Where: In Saskatoon

Cost: \$20

Regional 4-H Curling



Get your brooms out and sliders on for your 4-H curling events!

All Districts should be prepared to host a district curling event and have a team to send on to their regional event.

Teams must have filled out their forms before playing at Regionals. The same form must be used from Districts to Provincials, with no changes made.

Pay attention to the monthly update and the 4-H Saskatchewan website for recent dates and locations of curling events!

Remember there are new curling policies. To read all of the curling policies, visit <http://www.4-h.sk.ca/curling.html>

If you have any questions about curling, make sure to contact your Regional 4-H Specialist. They can discuss curling rules and provide you with the How To Host manuals.

Region	North West	South West	North East	South East
Date(s)	January 18	February 2	January 25	January 18
Town	St. Walburg	Gull Lake	Hudson Bay	Melville
Contact	Kalynne Martin northwest@4-h.sk.ca 306-933-6723	Kaitlyn Keller southwest@4-h.sk.ca 306-964-1545	Shelby Longworth northeast@4-h.sk.ca 306-964-1544	Paula Beattie rodandpaula@yourlink.ca 306-730-0796

Provincial 4-H Curling

This year, provincial curling will be hosted by District #34 and #35 from the North West Region in North Battleford on February 14-16. More information will be available on the website and in upcoming Monthly Updates!

If you have any questions leading up to the event, make sure to call your Regional Specialist!

Regional 4-H Public Speaking

Public Speaking is a proud 4-H tradition that allows members to share a persuasive, informative, or entertaining speech on a topic of their choice, developing self-confidence and communication skills!

4-H clubs across the province will host their own club public speaking days, with the top place speakers having the opportunity to advance on to Districts, Regionals, and Provincial levels of competition. The first place winners from District competitions go to the Regional Competitions.

Remember the appropriate speech lengths are:

- Cloverbud - 1-3 minutes
- Junior – 2-4 minutes
- Intermediate - 3-5 minutes
- Senior 4-8 minutes

The form is a '4-H Saskatchewan Public Speaking Scorecard'. It includes fields for 'SPEAKER', 'TOPIC', and 'AGE GROUP'. The scoring is divided into two main sections: 'CONTENT' and 'PRESENTATION'. Each section has sub-categories with specific criteria and point values. For example, under 'CONTENT', 'Introduction' is worth 5 points, 'Conclusion' is worth 10 points, and 'Composition' is worth 5 points. Under 'PRESENTATION', 'Voice' is worth 10 points, 'Manner' is worth 10 points, and 'Appearance' is worth 5 points. A 'SUBTOTAL' for each section is worth 50 points, and the 'TOTAL' score is out of 100. There is also a section for 'Time' and 'Final Score'.

Last year, we updated the Public Speaking Scorecard! The content, scoring weights, and other info remains the same. It was reformatted to give more space for judges' comments and is printed 'portrait' style instead of landscape. It is designed to be cut on the dotted line. Members receive their comments, but not their raw scores.



Region	North West	South West	North East	South East
Date	March 28	April 4	March 29	March 28
Location	Saskatoon	Maple Creek	Tisdale	Yorkton
Contact	Kalynne Martin northwest@4-h.sk.ca 306-933-6723	Kaitlyn Keller southwest@4-h.sk.ca 306-964-1545	Shelby Longworth northeast@4-h.sk.ca 306-964-1544	Shawna Protz 306-621-6253

Provincial 4-H Public Speaking

This year, Provincial Public Speaking will be hosted by the North East Region. It will be on April 18 in Middle Lake.

The first and second place winner in each age category from Regionals go on to Provincials. If you have any questions leading up to the event, make sure to call your Regional Specialist!

4-H Saskatchewan Scholarships

There are many scholarship opportunities available exclusively to 4-H members from 4-H Saskatchewan, 4-H Canada and other sources. Scholarships are available due to the generosity of our sponsors. To apply, visit the 4-H website under Opportunities or contact your Regional 4-H Specialist for the application form and guidelines. Scholarships may have other requirements not listed here. Applications for these scholarships must be received by April 1 each year.

Entrepreneurship Scholarship

Through the generosity and insight of Mr. William (Bill) Cooper, P.Ag., three scholarships valued at \$3,000 each are available to current or past 4-H members studying at any level of post-secondary at any post-secondary institution. This includes: students entering or continuing their studies in a degree, diploma, certificate, or graduate studies program. Applicants must be a current or past 4-H member (including Future Leaders) and be a Canadian Citizen.

Preference will be given to current 4-H members and Future Leaders. This scholarship will be awarded to a student entering or continuing in any program who demonstrates exceptional enthusiasm for, and awareness of, the entrepreneurial concept. Preference may be given to applicants entering or continuing in a business or agribusiness program but members entering or continuing in any field of study are encouraged to apply. Applicants who are completing their program are not eligible to apply.

The Cervus Equipment Scholarship For 4-H Members

The Cervus Equipment Scholarship for 4-H'ers offers five scholarships of \$1,500 to students entering their first or second year of an agriculture-related degree, diploma, certificate or trade program. Applicants must come from a rural/farm background. Preference will be given to applicants whose parents are active in the farming/agriculture industry, and preference will be given to those residing in the Melfort, Prince Albert, Saskatoon, Watrous, or Rosthern areas where Cervus Equipment John Deere locations are located. Cervus Equipment is proud to support the development of local 4-H members pursuing higher education related to advancing the growing agriculture industry.

NEW! – The AGI Agriculture Scholarship

AGI is proud to support young leaders looking to grow their careers in the agriculture industry by providing The AGI Agriculture Scholarship; offering five \$1,000 awards. Applicants may be enrolled in any program, but must submit a statement highlighting how their post-secondary education will contribute to the agriculture industry. AGI is a leading provider of equipment solutions for agriculture bulk commodities including seed, fertilizer, grain, and feed systems with a growing platform in providing equipment and solutions for food processing facilities. AGI has manufacturing facilities in Canada, the United States, the United Kingdom, Brazil, South Africa and Italy and distributes its products globally.

The Hector Loveridge Memorial Scholarship

A scholarship of approximately \$1,000 (pending funds available through the endowment) which is provided by the family of Hector Loveridge, held by the Saskatoon Community Foundation, is a University of Saskatchewan entrance Scholarship for students entering the College of Agriculture in a degree or diploma course. Applicants shall have a solid academic record, but need not necessarily be the top student. Students should be well rounded through involvement in school and/or community activities. Where candidates are ascertained equally, preference will be given to applicants who are, or have been 4-H members. Value varies each year.



The Western Producer Scholarship

This \$1,000 scholarship has been established by The Western Producer. It is available to 4-H members entering a diploma or degree program related to agriculture, agribusiness or the rural economy of Saskatchewan. Preference will be given to applicants who come from a farm and have parents that make the majority of their income from farming. This award will be based on academic history, community involvement, goals and ambition, as well as their direct involvement and experience within Saskatchewan 4-H.

Gordon and Eileen Bonnor Scholarship Fund

One scholarship valued at \$1,000 is provided by the Gordon & Eileen Bonnor Scholarship Fund for a student entering a Saskatchewan Agriculture University Degree program related to agriculture or agribusiness. Preference will be given to applicants who come from a farming background who showcase direct involvement and experience within Saskatchewan 4-H. This Scholarship Fund was created by Gordon & Eileen Bonnor in 2015 to encourage continued studies relating to agriculture or associated careers. Gordon Bonnor's history with 4-H and teaching goes back to 1954 and Eileen Bonnor worked for many years with the Crop Science Department at the University of Saskatchewan.

The Saskatchewan Cattlemen's Association (SCA) Scholarship

The SCA was established in 2009 with the mandate to provide a united voice for the province's beef industry, with representation from all industry sectors and across all regions of the province. This scholarship was created to provide a \$1,000 award to an active 4-H member who aims for a career in the beef industry. They must be entering or continuing post-secondary education related to the beef industry. Applications must submit a statement which identifies a challenge facing the beef industry and how to overcome it; as well as identify the program the applicant will enter in the coming academic year and how it will help them to enter a career in the beef industry.

The Future Leaders Scholarship

This scholarship was created by a 4-H family to offer one \$1,000 scholarship to a student, entering first or second year of a post-secondary degree or diploma program, who demonstrates the knowledge and leadership skills gained from the 4-H experience are the key component of their career choices. Applicants must have completed five years of 4-H, held at least one club executive position, and answer the questions posed on leadership. Their reference letters should speak to these leadership qualities.

The McConaghy Scholarship

Two (2) \$500 scholarships provided by the McConaghy Family for a current 4-H member entering a Business, Economics, Agriculture degree program at the University of Regina or University of Saskatchewan. Applicants must come from a rural (small town or farm) background. This scholarship will emphasize active involvement in 4-H and in community and extra-curricular activities. The McConaghy family has been involved in 4-H with the Beatty 4-H Beef Club since the 1950's. Trevis McConaghy currently funds six awards in Saskatchewan. He believes in giving back to the organizations that have been a part of his success.

Palliser Insurance Scholarship

Two (2) scholarships valued at \$500 each is provided by Palliser Insurance based out of Saskatoon. These scholarships are available to 4-H members entering any degree/diploma/certificate program. It can be used at a University or any other post secondary institution. Applicants must be a registered Saskatchewan 4-H member for the last two (2) years. These scholarships are open to all 4-H members in Saskatchewan regardless of place of residence, and will be reviewed with heavy emphasis on people skills, leadership skills, goals and ambition with less emphasis on academic history.

Bayer CropScience Scholarship

Provided by Bayer CropScience, this \$500 University of Saskatchewan entrance scholarship for 4-H members entering the College of Agriculture in a degree or diploma course. Applicants must have been registered in Saskatchewan 4-H for at least two years and have been registered as a Saskatchewan 4-H member within the last two years. This scholarship will be awarded on the basis of Saskatchewan 4-H and community involvement, goals, ambitions and scholastic ability.

FBC Inc. Scholarship

This \$500 Scholarship is provided by FBC - Canada's AgriBusiness Tax Consultation, Planning, & Preparation leader. This Scholarship is available to 4-H members entering post-secondary education within the Province of Saskatchewan. Applicants must demonstrate financial need.

2019/20 Photo Contest

The 4-H Saskatchewan Photo Contest is back. Make sure you take lots of pictures this year to enter in the contest!

Nature

Capture a naturally beautiful scene, whether it's a Saskatchewan sunset, an ocean view, or a Prairie Lily in bloom - this is the category for your nature photos.

People

Do you like taking pictures of your friends or family? This is the category for you! It doesn't need to be a formal portrait, as long as it captures a human moment.

Animals

Domestic or wild, it doesn't matter! This is the category for all of those photos of your project animal, or that special shot of a wild bird or deer!



Action Shot

Photos of sports scenes, animals in motion, or a funny event about to happen are perfect for this category!

4-H, Food and Me

This year, our 4-H theme is 4-H, Food and You! In this photo category, give us a taste of what agriculture means to you with your photo!

All Saskatchewan 4-H members are eligible to enter (you do not have to be in the Photography project). Entries will be judged in three age categories:

- 1: Cloverbuds and Juniors (6 - 12 as of Dec. 31, 2019)
- 2: Intermediates and Seniors (13 - 21 as of Dec. 31, 2019)
- 3: Adult

Entries will be judged based on lighting, composition, and creativity. Photos must be taken by the individual between April 30, 2019 and April 30, 2020.

Submit your photos electronically through DropBox before April 30, 2020 to enter. For more information on how to enter see the 4-H Photo Contest webpage under Opportunities on the 4-H website.

Elgin Bracken Award - North East Region

In memory of Elgin Bracken, an avid horseman and 4-H light horse leader, judge, clinician and supporter, this award will provide an annual financial award of \$750 to a deserving 4-H light horse member from the North East region who best exemplifies a commitment to, and a passion for, horses, as well as shows leadership in their 4-H club and community.

To apply, you must be a current member of a 4-H light horse club located in the North East Region (as defined by Saskatchewan 4-H Council). You must have been a 4-H member for at least two consecutive years, and be between the **ages of 13 and 21** in the year of application. Applications can be found on the 4-H Saskatchewan website under Opportunities and Scholarships. Apply by April 1, 2020.

Provincial 4-H Ski Day

Bring a friend (or two, or three) and head for the hills. On **February 29, 2020**, Provincial 4-H Ski Day will be held at four locations across the Province. **Registration deadline is February 14.**

Choose any location you want to go to and join us for a fun day skiing, snowboarding or just hanging at the hill. 4-H'ers and 4-H friends who register through 4-H Saskatchewan will enjoy a discount at Table Mountain (NW), Hidden Valley (SW), Wapiti Valley (NE) or Mission Ridge (SE) Ski Facilities.

Each ski location has its own registration form, with its own prices and information, which is available on the 4-H Saskatchewan website on the Ski Day event page. Eventbrite will NOT be available for this event.

Staff Challenges

This year, we will have social media challenges every two months for 4-H members to take part in! Make sure to pay attention to the 4-H Saskatchewan Facebook, Instagram and Twitter, as some days there might be random challenges popping up. Make sure to compete, as there will be prizes for individuals and clubs!

January/February Find Out More About 4-H

Test your knowledge about 4-H! We will be having random Q & A sessions on social media these months! Whoever comments with the correct answer to each 4-H question will be entered in to win a prize. These will be random, so be sure to follow the 4-H Saskatchewan social media pages!

March/April Introduce someone new to 4-H

We want to see how you are introducing your friends and family to 4-H! Show us your unique way of sharing 4-H with the world. This could be anything from a presentation or skit to a special recruitment tool. Share on social media using the hashtag **#4hskintroduction**.

May/June Springing To Achievement

It's spring and with the new season comes Achievement Days! We want to see what your club does at Achievement Day, from showing cattle to presenting a display. Share your stories and videos on social media, using the hashtag **#4hskachievementday**.

Don't forget to check the Monthly Update and social media for other special challenges! Some months may have some exciting opportunities for your club to get involved.

Summer Camp is back!

Do you want to meet other 4-H members and have a fun, activity-filled summer experience? Come to 4-H Summer Camp!

There will be exciting 4-H programming, based around our four pillars, summer camp activities, which include canoeing, archery and swimming, as well as campfires, games and more!

North 4-H Summer Camp

Big River Bible Camp facility
July 26-31, 2020

Early bird registration deadline:
March 31

Early Bird Price: \$275

Final registration deadline: June 15
Price: \$325

South 4-H Summer Camp

Lumsden Beach Camp facility
August 24-29, 2020

Early bird registration deadline:
March 31

Early Bird Price: \$275

Final registration deadline: June 15
Price: \$325

To be guaranteed a camp shirt, you must be registered by **April 30**. More information about camp will be available on the 4-H Saskatchewan website.

Want to be a camp counsellor?

Are you passionate about 4-H? Do you enjoy working with youth and want to volunteer your time to help out younger 4-H members at summer camp?

We are looking for 4-H members who are **16 or older** to be **Camp Counsellors** at the Summer 4-H Camp! Your responsibilities will be running skills and activities, be in charge of a cabin of youth ages 9 to 14 and helping the 4-H staff where required.

If you are **15 years old**, you can apply to be a **Counsellor In Training** and will be paired up with a counsellor. You will help run activities and make sure the campers are having a great 4-H experience.

All counsellors will be required to attend a Counsellor Training Day the day before camp. This training day will let you meet the other counsellors and learn more about what is required of you during the week of camp.

Application deadline is May 5, 2020!

Application forms can be found on the 4-H Saskatchewan website.

Overnight Chaperones and Camp Nurse Wanted!

We are looking for overnight chaperones for both our North and South Summer Camps!

Chaperones must be at least 21 years old. All chaperones must go through the 4-H Saskatchewan Screening Process. This includes a criminal record check, providing three references and completing the online Commit To Kids training. You can find the volunteer screening package on the website.

If you are already a registered, screened leader, you are all set!

Overnight Chaperones will be required to do cabin checks throughout the night to make sure members are in their beds. They may also be asked to help out with other tasks as needed.

The **camp nurse** should have medical training and be comfortable giving medications to campers. They could be a registered nurse, a nursing student or medical student.

The camp nurse will also have to complete volunteer screening.

Overnight Chaperone/Camp Nurse forms will be available on the 4-H Saskatchewan website.

**We Want
YOU!**



Looking For A Club Fundraiser?

For the fifth year in a row, 4-H Saskatchewan has partnered with STARS Air Ambulance to offer an exciting fundraising opportunity for local 4-H Clubs.

This partnership has shown excellent results over the past couple of years. Not only will your local club receive a fundraising benefit through your participation, your club is also supporting the life-saving emergency services that are available to rural families through STARS Air Ambulance.

Calendars sell for \$30 each, your local 4-H Club can make \$9 for every STARS Calendar your members successfully sell! Just think, if your club sells 100 calendars, that is \$900 in additional funds to add to your clubs annual budget!

The club with the top calendar sales will receive a tour of the STARS Base for their club!

Peavey Mart Barbecues are back!

If your club is interested in running a barbecue for Peavey Mart's customer appreciation days in August, this is the fundraiser for you!

Peavey Mart gives you the supplies and your club will keep all the proceeds.

There will be an application process again this

year. The application form will be available on the 4-H website.

If you are interested in this opportunity, visit the website to find application forms in January!



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Have your voice heard!

We want to hear from all out 4-H members, leaders, volunteers, alumni and supporters!

The **4-H Saskatchewan Membership Survey** is now available! Tell us your opinion about events, programs, resources, communication and more.

If you complete the survey, you can choose to enter in to win a \$50 credit to the 4-H store.

Deadline to complete the survey is January 31.

You can find the survey at <https://www.4-h.sk.ca/other.html> or scan the QR code.



Ag Awareness Initiative Program

Next deadlines:
Feb. 1, 2020

The Agriculture Awareness Initiative Program provides support to build awareness and trust in modern agriculture. The program is designed to help individuals and organizations tell the story of Saskatchewan agriculture.

The AAIP is a proposal-based program for education and training, to engage producers in awareness efforts, as well as the development and delivery of tools, resources and communication materials to enhance the understanding of and trust in ag.

To learn more about this grant funding program, visit the Government website at <https://bit.ly/2XhhTfO>



Learning opportunities for Light Horse and Beef members

Are you a beef or light horse member and would like to learn more about your project? There are a couple exciting opportunities coming up in 2019 for you!

Equine Symposium

Equine Symposium will be held on May 2 in Lloydminster area. The cost will be \$45 for members and leaders, \$55 for 4-H parents and friends. Lunch will be provided to participants.

There will be a live demo with a young horse (tentatively Kade Mills), as well as speakers on equine health topics. Since it is a demonstration clinic, attendees are not required to bring a horse. **Registration deadline is April 17.**

Registration will be available online through Eventbrite. Check the 4-H website for more information!



Beef Symposium

The 2020 Beef Symposium will be held on February 21 in Swift Current. The registration fee is \$35 for 4-H members, \$45 for non-4-H'ers. Lunch is included in the price.

This year, beef symposium will focus how consumers play a role in beef production, with a tour of a meat packing plant and gaining knowledge from presentations from industry professionals.

Registration deadline is February 7. Registration will be available through Eventbrite.

Check the 4-H website for more information!



Journey to the Future Sustainability Grant

Complete the Journey 2050, Farmers 2050, Watershed Detective, and/or Watershed Explorer games and then tell us how you could apply what you've learned from these games to better your club, your community, your country, or the world.

You could win \$2,000 to make it happen! A total of \$5,000 is available to Saskatchewan 4-H Clubs. To apply is easy – it only takes three steps:

Step One: Complete Journey 2050, Farmers 2050, Watershed Detective and/or Watershed Explorer.

Step Two: Create your own Sustainability Initiative

Step Three: Apply for the Journey to the Future Sustainability Grant

For more information on the grant program and how to apply, visit www.4-h.sk.ca/fundraising and scroll down to the grants section on the page. Thank you to Nutrien for making this grant possible! Your project could also be eligible for the Caring For Our Watersheds contest. Proposals must be submitted by March 13, 2020.



Learn about Personal Finance Essentials with McGill

In collaboration with RBC Future Launch and The Globe and Mail

RBC Future Launch has partnered with McGill University's Desautels Faculty of Management and the Globe and Mail to increase access to, and deliver, personal finance education to individuals across Canada.

The McGill Personal Finance Essentials course is a modular, online learning experience intended to enhance participants' knowledge and skills related to their own personal finances. From budgeting to borrowing, real estate and beyond, invest a few hours in this free, online course and you'll gain the knowledge

and confidence to make a lifetime of smart financial decisions. Taught by professors from McGill University's Desautels Faculty of Management, the course is open to everyone.

Finish all course modules to receive a McGill Personal Finance Essentials attestation of completion.

Individuals can learn more or sign-up at www.mcgillpersonalfinance.com for free access to the course.





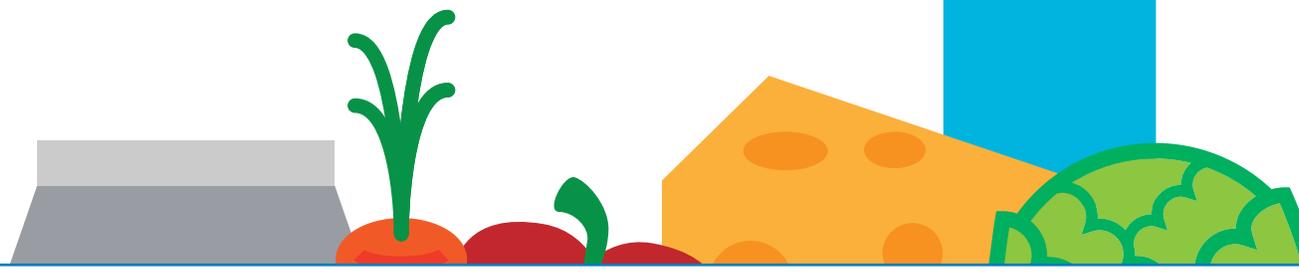
FORKS UP FOR CANADIAN AGRICULTURE

Canada's Agriculture Day is February 11, 2020

This February, celebrate Canadian agriculture and food, and let everyone know how you feel about this awesome industry.

However you celebrate, share the love on social media and make sure to use **#CdnAgDay** when you do. Visit **AgDay.ca** for more inspiration.

Let's raise a fork to the food we love and the people who produce it!



Alumni Event

Are you a 4-H Saskatchewan alumni? Do you want to connect with other alumni in the province?

Join us for brunch prior to the Provincial Public Speaking competition **in Middle Lake on April 18**. Visit with other alumni, hear what 4-H Saskatchewan has been up to, and learn about future opportunities before watching this year's provincial public speaking candidates compete for top honours.

Please RSVP to:

4-H Saskatchewan Development Officer Shelby Corey,
by April 3, 2020 at development@4-h.sk.ca or 306-933-7348

Youth Leadership Development Workshop

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11, 2020

1:30 P.M. TO 4 P.M.

This fun and interactive workshop includes sessions on public speaking, career options and tips for running effective meetings. Designed for 4-H youth and other young and emerging leaders, sessions will be split by age category to ensure everyone has an opportunity to learn at their level.

Club Showcase: each 4-H member will be invited to showcase their local 4-H club through a home-made display. These displays will provide a networking opportunity for all participants.

Location: Kerry Vickar Centre, 206 Bemister Ave E, Melfort, SK

Contact: Please call the Saskatchewan 4-H Office, 306-933-7727, for more information or to register.

Cost: Free for active 4-H members
\$5 per non-member

Registration deadline: January 6, 2020

4-H Saskatchewan Intermediate Camp - Save The Date

Coming August 2020

Ages: 13-15

Location: Camp Katepwa (SE)

Meet new friends, learn about 4-H and build new skills!

More info to come in the Spring Bits & Pieces and the Monthly Update!



4-H Canada Events & Opportunities

Steeped in Soil

This club outreach initiative, supported by Syngenta, is designed to increase members' understanding and appreciation of the important role soils play in our lives. By participating in this program, members will learn about and identify soils, understand the importance of healthy soils, conduct in-the-field tests, participate in a nation-wide citizen science experiment and help develop solutions to ensure the health of soil in Canada and the world. Registration closes February 29, 2020.



Proud to Bee A 4-H'er

This annual initiative supported by Syngenta Canada educates and engages 4-H youth to broaden their understanding around the importance of pollinators and the multiple factors that impact bee health. 4-H clubs receive pollinator-friendly seed packets that they can plant at home or in community gardens, hand out in the community or sell as a fundraiser. Registration opens closes Feb. 29, 2020.



4-H Canada Careers On The Grow

Our free career development webinars will equip you with the tools you need to stand-out in the job application process and prepare you to enter the workforce! You'll be connected with professionals speaking on specific topics relating to career development. Find out how to register for these webinars at <https://4-h-canada.ca/growingcareers/webinars>



Upcoming Webinars:

- March 11 – Stand Out In The Workplace**
 You've secured your dream career, congratulations! Now its time to transition from the classroom to the workplace. This webinar will address proper workplace etiquette and provide tips to help advance your career.
- April 15 – Leveraging LinkedIn**
 Social media is an extremely powerful tool and LinkedIn in particular is the perfect platform to network professionally. This webinar will explain the functionality of LinkedIn and how to maximize its capability.

Careers on the Grow Internships

With Careers on the Grow internship placements, you can take advantage of hands-on learning opportunities within companies, on farms, with social enterprises, and in rural and urban communities across Canada and abroad. Internships are available to 4-H members or alumni ages 18 to 25. Placements range from three to eight weeks and are customized to meet the needs of the individual 4-H member. There is no registration fee. 4-H members are given a \$250 honorarium for each week worked for Canadian placements, and an honorarium based on in-country costs for international placements. Learn more at 4-h-canada.ca/growingcareers/internships. Register by January 30.

Careers on the Grow Career Fair



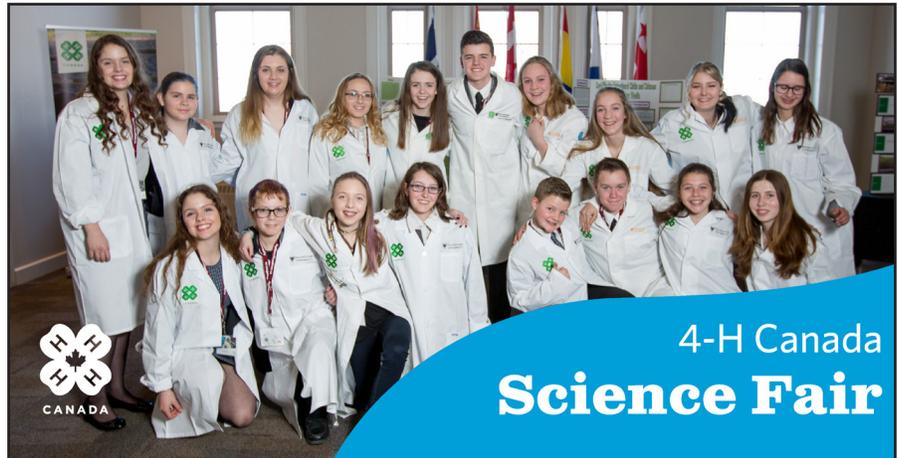
Connect with employers from across Canada and explore exciting career opportunities with our Virtual Career Fair! The 4-H Canada Virtual Career Fair uses online discussion forums to allow you to meet directly with organizations to learn more about them and their available positions. The platform also gives you access to job postings and the ability to upload your resume for employers to view.

This event will take place from 1-4 p.m. EST on February 20, 2020.

4-H Canada Science Fair

Do you have an awesome idea to make a difference in the world around you? Why not bring that idea to life by turning it into a science fair project with the 4-H Canada Science Fair!

With the help of 4-H Canada, you'll be able to explore any topic of your choosing for your chance to present your project at the 4-H Canada Science Fair in Saskatoon in February. Winners will receive the ultimate prize of competing at the Canada-Wide Science Fair in May.



The 4-H Canada Science Fair is open to 4-H'ers in grade 7 to 12. Get in on the fun and register your science fair project by January 16, 2020 at <https://4-h-canada.ca/sciencefair>

Youth and Program Strengths Survey

Do you have club members in grades 6-12 who can share their ideas on how to make 4-H even better than it already is? Do your 4-H'ers want to let us know about their favourite programs, initiatives and events in your province?

We want to know how 4-H is impacting youth and their development! Help us tell the 4-H success story by encouraging your members to take the new Youth and Program Strengths Survey.

The survey will take about 30 minutes and is easy to fill out. Fill out the survey online by January 31 to receive 15% off one retail item at the 4-H Canada store!

Help measure the impact of 4-H!

Encourage your members to take the Youth and Programs Strengths Survey today.

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Find the survey at hchy.org/dapv3/16568

4-H Canada Volunteer Leader Opportunities

Hands-on Science Training

The Hands-on Science training program offers leadership development, makes science more accessible and gives leaders resources and skills to highlight the science inquiry that lives within 4-H. Science Champions are equipped with the foundational knowledge they need to encourage participation in the 4-H Canada Science Fair, run experiments with their clubs or at regional events and help advance Science & Technology within their clubs and communities.

4-H LEARNS



Learn. Educate. Access Resources. Network. Support.

At the Global 4-H Network Summit in 2017, 4-H Canada launched 4-H LEARNS, an online resource-sharing community open to all 4-H volunteer leaders, ambassadors and professionals over the age of 18.

4-H volunteers can easily find and select favourite resources relevant to their needs such as webinars, training materials, club-related project resources, presentations, fundraising tips and more. Over seven million 4-H members will benefit from this easy-to-access online hub available at your fingertips.

We're building generations of leaders who will change the world. Help us better guide today's youth to learn in a safe, fun and inclusive environment by signing up for #4HLEARNS at www.4-h-learns.org and start sharing, browsing and adding to this new global resource today!

4-H Canada Healthy Living Initiatives

4-H Canada has released the next part of the Healthy Living Initiatives around Physical Health.

Resources in this focus area will allow youth and leaders to achieve a state of well-being where they are able to properly care for their bodies and make choices that improve their overall health.

In this resource, you will find tip sheets for both yourself as a 4-H leader, and for your 4-H members. You will find that these tip sheets complement each other and share important information that connect to all aspects of healthy living!

Some of the resources include tip sheets for members and leaders, an activity guide and more! Learn more at 4-h-canada.ca/healthyliving



Process for all trips, scholarships and grants: Apply directly to 4-H Canada at apply.4-h-canada.ca.*

4-H Canada Scholarships

Coca-Cola 4-H Post-Secondary Education Scholarship

Through the generosity of The Coca-Cola Foundation, 79 scholarships – valued at \$1,000 each – are available to 4-H members across Canada pursuing post-secondary education in the 2019-2020 academic year.

The Coca-Cola 4-H Post-Secondary Scholarship will help 4-H'ers explore their career interests, develop new skills, prepare for the workforce and become leaders in their communities.

Weston Family 4-H Agricultural Scholarships

Through the generosity of The W. Garfield Weston Foundation, full-year tuition scholarships are available to 4-H members who will be attending a Canadian university pursuing an agricultural-based degree. Successful applicants could be undergrads, graduate students or completing their post grad program.

TD 4-H Agriculture Scholarships

Through the generosity of TD, 12 - \$2,500 scholarships are available to 4-H members who are planning to pursue a post-secondary education in agriculture, ag-science or agri-business

John Deere Canada 4-H Scholarships

Through the generosity of John Deere Canada, 15 scholarships – valued at \$1,000 each – are available to 4-H members across Canada. Opportunities such as this help support 4-H members who will pursue a post-secondary education at a Canadian college or university in a degree, certificate or trade-based program.

Canadian Co-operative Wool Growers 4-H Scholarships

Through the generosity of the Canadian Co-operative Wool Growers, two scholarships - each valued at \$500 – are available to 4-H members planning to attend a Canadian university or college in an agriculture-based program, ideally with a focus on sheep related studies.

Leadership Excellence Awards of Distinction (L.E.A.D.)

The L.E.A.D. awards recognize outstanding 4-H'ers who epitomize 4-H youth empowerment. We are looking to acknowledge and honour confident, accomplished 4-H'ers who have gained critical life skills through their 4-H experience. The award winners will also demonstrate how they positive impact their community through their 4-H experience.

Four national Youth L.E.A.D. Award Winners will be selected (one for each pillar). Each will receive: A \$20,000 scholarship for higher education (\$5,000 annually for four years), an all-expenses paid trip to attend the 4-H Canada Members Forum, pairing with a mentor in the field in which they were selected, a reference letter from their mentor, a letter of congratulations from 4-H Canada's Chief Executive Officer and the opportunity to be featured as a 4-H Youth L.E.A.D. Spokesperson.

Process: Apply directly to 4-H Canada at apply.4-h-canada.ca. Applications to open March 1, 2020. Learn more at 4-h-canada.ca/scholarships. Deadline to apply is May 31, 2020.

Saskatchewan 4-H Foundations News

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Featured Donor - William (Bill) and Gail Cooper

The Coopers are a familiar face at 4-H Saskatchewan and have contributed greatly to the organization for many years. They helped to create the “4-H Future Fund,” which is dedicated to supporting the Entrepreneurial Scholarships (three \$3,000 awards each year) along with other extraordinary opportunities supporting leadership skill development, entrepreneurial endeavours, and the growth of the 4-H program in Saskatchewan.

Bill has been inducted to the Saskatchewan Agriculture Hall of Fame and is fondly known as “The Godfather of Grain” for his vast knowledge, lengthy farming career of more than 50 years, and service to the grain industry. Gail worked for Blue Cross and has kept busy with competitive curling and softball.

The Coopers have chosen to support 4-H Saskatchewan because of the proven model of parents, youth, and volunteers collaborating to help one another succeed through the various

opportunities offered through the 4-H program. Finding a structured, charitable organization, where they could donate funds and be assured of the longevity and impact of their donation was also an important factor when the Coopers were determining where their legacy could make a difference.

Thanks to the Coopers, three deserving students are awarded each year for their entrepreneurial spirit, and 4-H Saskatchewan is able to take advantage of extraordinary opportunities to benefit youth across Saskatchewan.

You too can help foster the entrepreneurial spirit of 4-H members by contributing to the “4-H Future Fund.” Call the office or fill out and mail us the form on the next page to get started.

“Life has been great to me and I have no regrets choosing to donate to 4-H.” – Bill Cooper

What is the Saskatchewan 4-H Foundation?

The Saskatchewan 4-H Foundation was incorporated in 1960, and has played a significant role in the success of the 4-H Saskatchewan program throughout the years. The Foundation solicits and receives donations from a wide variety of sources, and invests the funds under the direction of a volunteer Board of Trustees and a Financial Advisor. The growth of the Foundation is essential for the long-term security of the 4-H program. The Foundation is run from the same offices as the Saskatchewan 4-H Council. The most encouraging aspect of supporting the Foundation is that the money you give today will not only support current 4-H members, leaders, and programs, but will continue to work for the benefit of future generations of 4-H members. The Foundation is a Registered Charity and can issue receipts for income tax purposes.

Corporate Donors

January 1 to December 12, 2019

The generous donations received from a variety of businesses and other interested organizations form the bulk of the Foundation's annual contributions. Corporate donors are honoured for achieving established recognition categories.

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Supporting 4-H – Who, What, Where, Why and How?

By Shelby Corey, 4-H Saskatchewan Development Officer

As the provincial development officer, I am often asked the difference between supporting local 4-H clubs versus 4-H Saskatchewan versus 4-H Canada. We are all working towards the same goal of providing growth opportunities for youth however, we all do this a bit differently, have different benefits to offer, but most importantly we all work together to achieve this goal.

Local clubs are the grassroots of our organization. Many sponsors and donors choose to support local clubs because there is a close connection to that club and that community. They may help fund a local 4-H event or maybe the local club helps at their event as a fundraiser. These supporters help their communities grow from the ground up and we value their dedication to supporting the grassroots of 4-H.

4-H Saskatchewan is our provincial organization. Many sponsors choose to support 4-H Saskatchewan because they want to reach youth and support 4-H throughout the entire province. While this may not result in funds going directly to your club, this support helps us to develop and deliver resources to clubs such as project and record books as well as support materials and staff to ensure the success of our programs. Supporting 4-H Saskatchewan also helps us to put on provincial events such as Leaderama, Beef Symposium, Ski Day, AGM, Camp, and more. The lottery, scholarship administration, leader screening, promotion, and so much more also fall under the provincial body. Without the support of sponsors and donors, these things would not be possible.

4-H Canada provides opportunities at a national level. 4-H Canada seeks out national partners to help them deliver various tools and programs available for 4-H clubs, members, and leaders across the country such as the healthy living initiative, the hands to larger service program, the national science fair, travel opportunities, and numerous scholarships.

Opportunities to Show Your Support:

- 4-H Saskatchewan Lottery (60% to clubs, 40% to province)
 - Lottery will run January – August. Your club will receive 60 per cent of sold books.
- 4-H Saskatchewan Cookbooks
- Donate to the Saskatchewan 4-H Foundation
 - The Saskatchewan 4-H Foundation is a registered charity accepting donations to support 4-H Saskatchewan and the longevity of the 4-H program in our province.
- Participate in Peavey Mart 4-H Days this August
 - Host a fundraising BBQ at Peavey Mart. All proceeds go directly to your club or district.
 - Stores will run a till ask campaign in support of 4-H Saskatchewan

Supporting Local 4-H Clubs Means:

- Supporting the youth in your community
- Supporting the growth, development, and sustainability of your community
- Recognition in your local community

Supporting 4-H Saskatchewan Means:

- Helping to develop and provide resources and support to clubs throughout Saskatchewan
- Helping to put on provincial events that build leadership skills in youth throughout Saskatchewan
- Helping with the administration of the 4-H program in Saskatchewan
- Recognition throughout the province of Saskatchewan

Supporting 4-H Canada Means:

- Helping to provide programs which benefit 4-H members across Canada
- Recognition on a national level

It is easy to see there are so many different ways to support 4-H and we recognize that each supporter will have their own niche where they feel that they can make the most impact. Each and every one of these is important and necessary to ensure that we can continue the 4-H tradition of building the next generation of leaders in our communities. Please make sure to recognize and thank ALL of our supporters at all levels! Without them, 4-H would not be possible.

For More information Contact:
Shelby Corey, Development Officer
306-933-7348
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'Tis the Season of Giving

Name: _____
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During the Holiday Season, consider giving to the Saskatchewan 4-H Foundation! Your donation will support either current or future 4-H programs and ensure 4-H Saskatchewan continues for another wonderful 100 years.

You could make a donation on behalf of yourself or, for a proud 4-H supporter, make a donation in their name as a present.



Yes I'd like to support 4-H Saskatchewan!

A donation to the Saskatchewan 4-H Foundation is recognized with a charitable donation receipt. (Charitable Receipt # 119140580RR0001)

I'd like to make a gift of \$ _____ I'd like to pay by: cheque credit card
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Contribution Options:

- I would like to support the current 4-H program**
Your investment will be directed to the 4-H Annual Program
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Your donation will go to the General Endowment Fund (Only 4.5 per cent of this amount will be applied to 4-H programs and services, with the balance being invested for 10 years)
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Your donation will be used to promote leadership skill development, entrepreneurial endeavors and growth of the 4-H program.
- Please check here to keep your donation anonymous**

If paying by:

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The Value of the 4-H Program

Members of 4-H Saskatchewan and their families help preserve the values and sense of responsibility that enrich the social fabric of our communities. 4-H provides opportunities for young citizens to reach their full potential.

4-H members set goals and develop leadership skills (public speaking, decision making, parliamentary procedure, record keeping and meeting management). Through provincial, national and international programs, 4-H members can expand their knowledge and horizons. 4-H members are self-starters, entrepreneurial and adaptable.

The future of Saskatchewan is in the hands of our young people. Your gift will help meet the ever-changing needs of 4-H in Saskatchewan, its programs, opportunities and resources.

SCA Beef Industry Conference



JANUARY 28TH - 30TH, 2020
Saskatoon Inn & Conference Centre

Tuesday, January 28th

7:00 p.m. **SBIC 2020 Opening Reception sponsored by Saskatchewan Livestock Finance Co-operative**

Wednesday, January 29th

8:30 a.m. **Registration**
SBIC Plenary in the Saskatchewan Ballroom

9:00 a.m. **Welcome and opening remarks:**
Greetings from the Province of Saskatchewan

9:15 a.m. **Ben Stuart: Prairie Land & Cattle Co. Hardisty, AB**
"Regenerative Agriculture: Cost-Saving Production Methods"

10:00 a.m. **Sean McGrath, Roundrock Ranching, Vermilion, AB**
"Technology in Context: Picking the Winning Tools"

10:30 a.m. **Networking Break:** visit the trade show

11:00 a.m. Keynote Speaker **Kevin Stewart AgVision Media**
"Food Trends: Disruptive Value Shifts of Gen Y & Z that Will Help Us Manage the Future of Food"

12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. **Buffet Luncheon**
Ministry of Agriculture Update
Cattle College presented by Saskatchewan Beef & Forage Symposium
AC Saltlander: A Saline-Tolerant Forage
Alan Iwassa, AAFC Swift Current
Producing Forage in Saline Areas
Bill Houston, AAFC Regina
Producer perspective: speaker to be announced
Breeding Perennials for Resiliency
Dr. Sean Asselin, AAFC Swift Current
Tales of a New Beef Geneticist
Dr. Mika Asai-Coakwell, U of S

2:35 p.m. **Networking Break:** visit the trade show

3:05 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. **Cattle College** presented by Saskatchewan Beef and Forage Symposium
Deworming Dividends: Saskatchewan-based Survey Dr. Murray Jelinski, WCVM
Do Multiple Forage Species pay Multiple Dividends? Dr. Jillian Bainard, AAFC Swift Current
Producer perspective: speaker to be announced
Diverse beef production: Exploring Opportunity
Janelle Smith & Dr. Gabriel Ribeiro, U of S
Producer perspective:
Speakers to be announced
On the Road Again: Transportation Regulations and Research
Dr. Karen Schwartzkopf-Genswein, AAFC Lethbridge

5:30 p.m. **Cocktails:** Trade Show Area

6:30 p.m. **Awards Banquet:** Saskatchewan Ballroom

7:30 p.m. SBIC Scholarship presentations
Saskatchewan Livestock Association
Honour Scroll presentations
Live Auction
Industry meetings on this date will include:
Saskatchewan Verified Beef Production AGM
Saskatchewan Cattle Feeders' AGM

Thursday, January 30th

7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. **Registration and Buffet Breakfast:**
Saskatchewan Ballroom

8:00 a.m. **SBIC Plenary** with speakers including:
Dr. Shelby Roberts, Calgary AB
"Gut Health and the Cow-Calf Operation"
Joyce Parslow Executive Director Marketing & Communications, Canada Beef
"Messaging to the Consumer: Your Investment at Work"

10:00 a.m. **Networking Break:** visit the trade show

10:30 a.m. **Canadian Cattlemen's Association update:**
Dennis Laycraft, CEO

11:00 a.m. **Beef Cattle Research Council update:**
Andrea Brocklebank, Executive Director

11:30 a.m. **Canada Beef update:**
Ron Glaser, Vice-President Corporate Affairs

12:00 p.m. **CLOSING LUNCHEON**
Keynote **Brett Stewart, VP Global Marketing Planning**
Global AgriTrends
Industry meetings on this date will include:
8:30 a.m. Saskatchewan Stockgrowers Association semi-annual meeting
9:00 a.m. Livestock Marketers of Saskatchewan AGM (members only)
11:00 a.m. Saskatchewan Angus Association AGM
1:30 p.m. Saskatchewan Cattlemen's Association AGM followed by SCA board of directors meeting

Register online today at
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4-H Clubs and Districts News

District #41 Fun 4-H Rally

District #41 has a traditional 4-H Rally every fall, where members from communities across the District get to enjoy exciting activities and games, enter their Record Books in a District-wide competition, and make new 4-H friends!

This year the District #41 4-H Rally was hosted by the Alida and Area Beef 4-H Club on November 15th in Redvers SK. 38 members from a variety of clubs were in attendance. They participated in fun games including 4-H Jeopardy, where they answered 4-H and Ag-related questions, with a 'sudden-death' tie-breaker!

Members also enjoyed a wonderful supper and showed off their knowledge of 4-H and Ag. Everyone got an awesome goodie bag to take home!

Thanks so much to the Alida and Area 4-H Beef Club for hosting such a fantastic event!



Meadow Lake 4-H Beef Club Hosts Corn Maze

By Cassidy Lehoux and Summer Ann Pylot.

This year, the Meadow Lake 4-H Beef Club had a different take on how to fundraise for their club. One of these different ideas was hosting a corn maze. This venture was scary because the club had to rely on good weather. On top of that, our small town had never hosted a corn maze before. The corn maze took place at Steven and Susan Pylots. On October 6, all the club's hard work and planning paid off. On the days leading up to the corn maze, the club discussed who was to bring the animals for the petting zoo, the face painting colours we would need, who was looking after the food and beverages for our booth on the date to set up.

Admission was \$5, with five and under free. In our booth, we had hamburgers, hot dogs and beverages. For face painting, we had a donation jar, with children and their parents had to option to donate. To lower the pressure for the face painters, we have four club members painting at all times.

In the field next door, we had wagon rides, with the team provided by Howard MacSuish. The wagon rides, like the face painting, was by donation. We also had a petting zoo, which consisted of donkeys, miniature ponies, goats and a steer. About 500 students from Meadow Lake schools came out to tour the corn maze. On top of that, we estimate more than 1,000 people came out to the corn maze, with our club raising about \$10,000.

The Meadow Lake 4-H Beef Club wishes to thank The Pylots, who made the corn maze a huge success.



Big River Takes Part In Club To Club Exchange With Ontario

July was an amazing month for a group of ten youth and two chaperones from Big River and area. Members of the Big River 4-H Multiple Club were paired with the Wellington County 4H Club located in Ontario to participate in a 4-H Club to Club exchange.

Our group had youth and chaperones from Big River, Debden, Canwood, Leask and Oxbow. Our group hosted our twins July 3-10 touring around the area. On our first day of touring, we toured Fort Carlton, the Leask Hutterite Colony and a Bison ranch. Providing community service is a backbone of 4H programs.

For our community service, we were able to assist with improvements at the Big River Community Garden – painting garden boxes, building picnic tables, siding the garden shed, weeding vegetable beds and delivering fresh garden produce to residents around Big River. Imagine a rainy afternoon being brightened by a knock on your door by some smiling youth that have a small bag of fresh potatoes, lettuce, onions and herbs to share with you! That evening, we spent the night at the Big River Bible Camp for a “Mini 4H Camp” followed the next day with a day spent on Delaronde Lake full of recreational activities.

July 7 was scheduled as “Family Day” – a day where families could showcase their family! The day was spent touring our own farms, quadding, boating, baking, kayaking, camping, shopping or horseback riding – it was all about having fun! The next morning was back to our group tours. We toured West Cowan Apiaries – a local honey farm where we were gifted with some delicious honey to share with our new friends. That afternoon was spent performing more community service at Ski Timber Ridge – cleaning outdoors and indoors. We concluded that night with supper and a movie.

July 9 we travelled to North Battleford area where we toured the Western Development Museum and spent the afternoon at the Blue Mountain Adventure Park on the ZipLine – fears were conquered!! The following morning was an early morning farewell to our new found friends as they boarded a plane to return to Ontario.

On July 21, our group flew to Ontario to complete the exchange. We had a tight schedule –jam packed full of experiences. We spent the first day touring a horse / show chicken barn, a cutting horse demonstration, the Elora Dairy Research barn, a local grain elevator and feed supplier and a mink farm. Canada’s Wonderland was booked for our next day and once again – fears of heights, motion and speed were conquered!

July 24 we spend the day at the Guelph Lake Nature Center providing community service. We helped with brush clearing and hauling gravel to build new hiking trails! Many a branch were carried, shovels shoveled and wheelbarrows moved that day!! That night, we had a Sign Painting night and a campout as the following



morning came early as we travelled to Niagara Falls! Our experience at Niagara Falls started off with a Jetboat tour where we got a little wet followed by the Journey Beneath the Falls and the HornBlower tour! What amazing Canadian sights!

The next day, we spent the day at Lake Huron on the beach enjoying the warm water and finished the day touring a Goat farm. Family day was our next scheduled day – again – a chance to showcase families! Whether it was shopping, tractor pulls, go cart racing or swimming – many memories were made and fun was had! Early the next morning, it was off to the airport as we travelled back to Saskatchewan! The farewell at the airport brought a few tears! It’s amazing to think that such great lifelong friendships could be made in such a short period of time!

The 4-H Club to Club exchange aims to enhance your knowledge and understanding of Canada, to connect you with 4-H members across Canada and to enhance your appreciation of the diversity of the Canadian experience. For our youth and chaperones, it was an incredible experience spent touring, new experiences, and making new friends! For our communities, the effort that we gave will lead a long lasting impact! Our trip wouldn’t have been possible without the support of many organizations and individuals! Thank you to the sponsors (for our travel, our food, our fuel and our lodging), the tour hosts, the families and to anyone who supported our fundraising endeavors! THANK YOU!

Learn more about Club To Club Exchange at <https://4-h-canada.ca/clubtoclub>
 Deadline to apply is January 16, 2020!

University of Saskatchewan 4-H Members Show Their 4-H Spirit

This year some past and present 4-H'ers decided to get together to host an event on the U of S campus for the 4-H alumni and university students from across Canada to celebrate Show Your 4-H Colours Day. This event was a huge success with over 70 participates. At this event there was a free pizza lunch, a draw, photo station and info tables. This was a great event that brought up many good memories and conversations about 4-H.



November A Busy Month For 4-H Clubs In Province

Between Club Week and Show Your 4-H Colours Day in November, a lot of 4-H clubs were extremely busy during the month of November. Many of them shared their photos with the office, to show their 4-H spirit. Here are the ones sent in to their specialists and submitted for the Bits & Pieces. From top left, clockwise: Moosomin Multiple 4-H Club with their food drive donation; Catherwood 4-H Beef & Sheep Club with their 255 pounds of food; Fairmede 4-H Beef Club's donation to the Moosomin Thrift Store for Christmas Hampers; McQuibe Multiple 4-H Club with their donations; Durness 4-H Multi Club wearing their 4-H clothes; and Kelvington 4-H Beef Club with food donations and wearing their 4-H colours.



Impressive Food Donation From Good Spirit Beef Club

Written by Amber Macdonald and Caitlin Phillipowich

This fall, the Good Spirit Beef 4-H club did more than just make an annual financial donation towards our local Food Bank.

In May the club decided to get together and grow a garden, which they would donate the food from to the local food banks in the fall. The garden plot was graciously donated and maintained by the Macdonald family of Invermay. We planted seven gallons of potatoes and two packages of carrots. Given the summer we had the garden got a late start. But soon turned around and flourished with success, and our club got together to harvest it on a cool September day. Our club was shocked when we weighed all the bags of potatoes and carrots. We produced 709 lbs of Potatoes and 163.4 lbs of carrots.

The Good Spirit Beef 4-H Club grew to donate about 900 lbs of produce. Saskatchewan 4-H had brought back the initiative “4-H, Food, and You” to support the local food banks. A goal was set to donate 3,000 lbs of food to the local food banks challenge.

Our club had chosen three places in need of the donation. They were our local Filling the Gap Food Bank located in Canora, the Salvation Army in Yorkton as well as the Yorkton outreach.

As we delivered our much needed produce we were given tours of these food banks and were able to ask questions.

Our club feels this year we made a huge difference locally in our community. We will see what comes up this next year.



News from 4-H Clubs and Districts Herds of Thunder Hosts Fun And Learning Activities



By Ally Thiessen, Annika Thiessen, Shayden Walton, Makayla Bueckert

We finished off last year with a weekend camp out at Petrofka View Ranch. Each day we started out with a clinic. In one of the clinics we did a team building exercise where we were put in groups of two and you each hold one end of a rope in your hand then basically did command class with your teammate.

Some other exercises we did were “ try not to spook away from Rachel in the recliner chair” and chase each other with a giant ball, all of which were on horseback.

We also had some really fun trailer rides down to the North Saskatchewan River. At the bottom of the hill we slashed through the river. It was so much fun! One of the last things we did was a scavenger hunt. We also moved a small herd of cattle as a group.

Our club is getting busy again. More recently we had a Halloween party and we rented Prairieland again this year. Speaking on behalf of our peers I think they would agree that our Halloween party was amazing. Such great costumes and decorations. I think everyone agrees that pole bending was lots fun. So were all the other activities The pizza was a nice touch. I hope everyone had as much fun as I did!

Moose Jaw 4-H Club Holds Bottle Drive Fundraiser



Submitted by Elise Howe, Club Reporter

The Moose Jaw 4-H Beef Club started their 4-H year off with a bottle drive to support the club as well as the Claybank Brick Plant on October 26. Club members picked up and sorted bottles for the Brick Plant and will donate a portion of their bottle money back to the Brick Plant.

The Claybank Brick Plant is currently fundraising to pay for new roofing on some of their buildings. In addition, members canvassed the area for bottles, sorted and bagged up a stock trailer full of recyclables. The club also has a drop and go account at Sarcan under “beef club” to accept bottle donations throughout the year.

The project was a great way for the group to serve the community, do some teamwork and end off the day with a bit of fun and a BBQ.

Notice of Annual General Meeting



AGM is March 21-22, 2020 in Saskatoon!

Each district is responsible for sending one leader and one member representative. At your fall District Council meeting, each district should select their delegates who will attend, and make a motion for the district to pay the fee of \$375.

Visitors can also attend AGM. They participate in all meetings and activities, but do not have voting privileges. The visitor fee is \$273. The deadline for AGM Registration is February 1, 2020. Fees and forms are due this date. All late registrations will be subject to a \$100 late fee. The deadline to change delegate names is February 15, 2020.

The deadline for resolutions is December 31, 2019. To submit a resolution to be discussed at AGM, your district must send in the District Meeting Minutes which addressed the resolution.

What does the Board do?

The role of the Board of Directors is to set direction and policy of the 4-H program. The BOD are required to sit in five face-to face meetings, as well as committee conference calls to discuss what direction they would like to see the 4-H program take.

The Board consists of three registered leaders from each of the four regions, two registered members who are 18 or older, the executive director and one Ministry of Agriculture representative.

Submit a Resolution for Discussion

District 4-H Councils could submit a resolution for discussion at AGM and consideration by the Board of Directors by December 31.

Resolutions that have been received will be circulated to 4-H Districts for discussion at spring District Council meetings. They will be available in early February in the advance participant package and in the 4-H Saskatchewan website. Make sure your district discusses how your delegate should vote on the resolutions before AGM.

Want to help set direction for 4-H Saskatchewan?

Consider running for one of the many positions on the Board of Directors or Advisory Council! All positions are two year terms unless otherwise specified. The positions available as of AGM 2020 are:

Board of Directors:

- 2 – North West Leader Delegates
- 2 – North East Leader Delegates
- 1 – South West Leader Delegate
- 1 – South East Leader Delegate
- 1 – 18-year-old Member Delegate

Advisory Council

- 1 – South East Advisory Council Member
- 1 – South West Advisory Council Member

Deadline for nominations is February 1.

All nominations must be received by this date. Only in the case where no advance nominations have been submitted will nominations be allowed off the floor.

Provincial Program Sponsors

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The Ministry of Agriculture supports 4-H in providing leadership development and agriculture education opportunities through the Canadian Agricultural Partnership, a cost-shared initiative between the federal and provincial governments. The Ministry of Agriculture's commitment includes an annual grant, as well as significant in-kind contributions of office space, supplies and services. They also provide a representative to sit on our Board of Directors.

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The Saskatchewan Lotteries Trust provides funding through the Saskatchewan Parks and Recreation Association grant program to help fund our 4-H programs.



The Western Producer is a long-time supporter of 4-H Saskatchewan. They provide us with in-kind advertising in their publications, as well as lottery prizes and a scholarship for members.

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Calendar of 4-H Events

Youth Leadership Development Workshop	Jan. 11	Melfort
NW Regional 4-H Curling	Jan. 18	
SE Regional 4-H Curling	Jan. 18	Melville
NE Regional 4-H Curling	Jan. 25	Hudson Bay
SW Regional 4-H Curling	Feb. 2	Gull Lake
Prairieland Youth Leadership Conference	Feb. 1 - 2	Saskatoon
4-H Canada Leadership Summit	Feb. 8 - 11	Ottawa, ON
Provincial 4-H Curling	Feb. 14 - 16	North Battleford
Beef Symposium	Feb. 21 (tent)	Swift Current
Ski Day	Feb. 29	4 Locations
4-H Canada Science Fair	Mar. 4 - 8	Saskatoon
AGM 2020	Mar. 21-22	Saskatoon
SE Regional Public Speaking	Mar. 28	Yorkton
NW Regional Public Speaking	Mar. 28	Saskatoon
NE Regional Public Speaking	Mar. 29	Tisdale
USA Conference	Mar. 28 – April 2	Washington, DC
Saskatchewan Beef Expo	Apr. 3- 5	Prairieland
SW Regional Public Speaking	Apr. 4	Maple Creek
Citizenship Day	Apr. 17	Saskatoon
Provincial Public Speaking	Apr. 18	Middle Lake
Equine Symposium	May 2	Lloydminster
Citizenship Congress 2020	May 5 - 10	Ottawa, ON
Ag in Motion	July 21 - 23, 2020	Langham
North 4-H Summer Camp	July 26-31	Big River Bible Camp
South 4-H Summer Camp	Aug. 24-29	Lumsden Beach Camp

Deadlines

Youth Leadership Development Workshop Registration	Jan. 6
Hands to Larger Service - Youth Service Leader Deadline	Jan. 14
Careers on the Grow Deadline	Jan. 14
Club to Club Exchange Deadline	Jan. 14
4-H Canada Science Fair Virtual Deadline	Jan. 16
Youth and Program Strengths Survey	Jan. 31
Equine Education Day Registration	Feb. 1
AGM Registration	Feb. 1
BOD/AC Nomination	Feb. 1
Beef Symposium Registration	Feb. 7
Ski Day Registration	Feb. 14
AGM Name Change	Feb. 15
Steeped in Soil	Feb. 29
Proud To Bee	Feb. 29
Journey To The Future Grant	Mar. 13
Summer Camp Early Bird	Mar. 31
4-H Sask Scholarship Applications	Apr. 1
Citizenship Day Registration	Apr. 3
Equine Symposium Registration	Apr. 17
Photo Contest	Apr. 30
Camp Counsellor Application	May 5
4-H Canada Scholarship Applications	May 31

Looking for Other Dates?

Check out the 4-H Saskatchewan website!

Public Speaking:
www.4-h.sk.ca/public-speaking

Curling:
www.4-h.sk.ca/curling

Spring District Meetings:
www.4-h.sk.ca/district-meetings

Follow your Regional 4-H Specialist on Facebook!

Want to stay in contact with your Regional 4-H Specialist? Follow them on Facebook!



Use the search bar to type in their page name!

- For Kalyne Martin, search “North West Regional 4-H Specialist”
- For Shelby Longworth, search “North East Regional 4-H Specialist”
- For Kaitlyn Keller, search “South West Regional 4-H Specialist”
- For Melodi Hawkesford-Lee, search “South East Regional 4-H Specialist”

Want to stay up to date with the latest news and information about 4-H events and activities?

Monthly 4-H Update



A 4-H Update is released on the 4th of each month. It contains need-to-know information on upcoming 4-H opportunities and deadlines. There is also a calendar of events that is easy to print before a club meeting!

You will find the update on the 4-H website under “Events & Opportunities”.

Mark Your Calendars!

AGM is March 21-22, 2020 in Saskatoon!

If you weren't chosen as your district's member or leader representative, you can still come to AGM. Visitors are welcome!

Visitors participate in all meetings and activities but do not have voting privileges.

Visitor fee is \$273 and deadline to register is February 1, 2020.

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