

**Weekly 4-H Email Update**  
**March 28, 2023**

Dear Members, Volunteers & Parents:

**Weekly Update Topics:**

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**Clinton County Horse Exhibitor Meeting**

Members taking Equine Projects don't forget the County Exhibitor Meeting is March 29, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. at the Extension Office, 111 S Nelson Ave., Wilmington, OH 45177. Jennifer Smith DVM will present on what is colic and signs of colic. During the evening members will learn more about required the Equistep program, Tri-County Series & Fun Show, Performance Against Standards (PAS), Ohio State Fair, County Fair, Skillathon, Horse Guidelines, and how to upload Horse ID forms into 4honline.

**Junior Fair Requirements & Schedule**

The Junior Fair Schedule & Requirements Book is available online at [clinton.osu.edu](https://go.osu.edu/juniorfairinfo). This is where members find projects and junior fair information such as dates, deadlines, judging requirements, special project entry forms, schedules and more. There have been several schedule changes for this year so please review it today.

<https://go.osu.edu/juniorfairinfo>

**Day Fundraiser**

Chester Herdsman 4-H Club is conducting their annual fundraiser. If you have any of the following items, please feel free to drop them off at the address below. (ALUMINUM CANS, WIRE, CORDS, CAST IRON, STOVES, WASHERS/DRYERS, AIR CONDITIONERS, DVDS, CDS, LAWNMOWERS, CAR RIMS, BRASS LAMPS, OLD FENCE, SCREEN DOORS, WINDOW FRAMES, HARD DRIVES, CELL PHONES, PC TOWERS, CHRISTMAS LIGHTS, ETC. USED MOTOR OIL IS ALSO BEING COLLECTED WITH CASH DONATIONS.)

WHERE: 4695 GURNEYVILLE ROAD

WHEN: SATURDAY, APRIL 22ND, 2023

TIME: 10:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

CONTACT: DAVID HACKNEY 937-728-6338

The money raised for the items recycled supports the 4-H Club and half of the funds are donated to the Clinton County 4-H Committee to support local kids with the cost of 4-H Camp.

**4-H Project Changes**

Thank you for joining 4-H! Because of you our program has grown by 16% in two years. Thank you for being a Clinton County 4-H Member. Enrollment time is now complete for members wanting to participate in Junior Fair activities/shows. If you want to add, drop or change a project please do that by contacting Candy Matthews in our office at 937.382.0901. The deadline to add, drop or change a project is March 29.

**Ohio State Fair (OSF) and State Events Update**

- 1) OSF Possession deadline for Market Goats is now **MAY 1<sup>st</sup>** ~~not May 26<sup>th</sup>~~  
State Fair is working to update the website.

- 2) 2023 DairyPalooza will take place April 22 at the Wayne County Fairgrounds. QA training and workshops will be offered in the afternoon related to dairy and the GPP content. More details and updates coming soon.

### Quality Assurance (QA)

- 4-H/FFA members who want to show and/or sell market steers, market hogs, market lambs, market goats, market dairy steers, feeder calves, lactating dairy cattle, market poultry, market rabbits, and lactating dairy goats must attend a Quality Assurance Training at a designated time before the fair.
  - Clinton County 4-H/FFA members are required to attend a QA session by May 24, 2023.
  - All youth have the option of a face-to-face county-approved certification or may complete the online YQCA certification to meet the county QA requirement by county the deadline. (<https://yqcaprogram.org/>)
  - Youth 8-11 must get county approval to complete YQCA online.
  - YQCA is the only online certification accepted.
  - Parent/Guardian are encouraged to attend a QA session with the exhibitor.
  - Youth in Clinton County may attend QA outside the county if it is a certified program and OSUE in Clinton County receives documentation the member participated.
  - QA Certification must be completed at least 45 days prior to the start of exhibition.
- **Clinton County QA Sessions (At this time NO RSVP is required.)**
  - Apr 6 QA 6:30 pm (Fairground-Expo Center)
  - May 11 QA 6:30 pm (Fairground-Expo Center)

### Fair Theme

The Junior Fair Board has selected a 2023 fair theme, *Christmas in July!* Watch for fun opportunities for you at this year's fair plus fun club events! Think about how your club can utilize the theme at fair. (Shirts, club booth, stall decorations, etc.)

### Cloverbud Club

The next Cloverbud Club is April 6 from 6-7:00 p.m. at the Ohio State University Extension Office-Community Room. Sign-up will is required before the event to make sure we have supplies for all Cloverbuds. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508044AA8A929A4FF2-april>. Each event is designed for County 4-H Cloverbud Members age 5 and in kindergarten to 8 years old. During each session members learn more about 4-H, interact with other Cloverbuds from the county, participate in hands-on learning activities, games, and snacks.

### Teen Awards & Scholarships

Congratulations to Jenna Allemang for being selected for the State 4-H Achievement Award for Clothing & Textiles. She was also selected as the Second Alternate for Citizenship & Community Service. Congratulations on all your outstanding 4-H work and dedication!!!!

OHIO STATE FAIR SCHOLARSHIP applications can be accessed online at <https://www.ohiostatefair.com/> by **May 1, 2023**.

### Skillathon

As you plan your 4-H season please note Skillathon dates are different this year by department. Please see dates/times/locations below.

- **Skillathon** is June 22, 2023, from 6-8pm for exhibitors showing poultry, rabbits, goat, sheep, & dairy. Skillathon will be held at the fairground in livestock barns, Peterson, Jr. Fair Building, and Floral Hall.
- **Skillathon** is July 7, 2023
  - Dog 10:00 am.-2:00 p.m. (LEC), Horse 5-8:00 p.m. (Horse Barn), & Beef 6-8:00 p.m. (LEC)
- **Skillathon** is July 11, 2023, from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. for Swine (Location-TBD)

### OSU Extension, Clinton County Office Hours

Our office is open M-TH 8:30-4:30 pm. We continue to respond to phone, email and voice messages during normal office hours (M-F | 8:00 am – 4:30 pm).

## Upcoming 4-H Events

### March

- 29 Final Enrollment to drop/change/add by calling office, 937-382-0901)
- 29 Horse Exhibitor Meeting, 6:30pm
- 30 Camp Counselor First Aid, 4-7:30pm (Laurel Oaks-TBA)

### April

- 3 SFB, 7pm (Fair office)
- 6 Cloverbud Club for County 4-H Cloverbud Members, 6pm (Registration required/check weekly update.)
- 6 Quality Assurance 6:30 pm, (Fairground-Expo Center)
- 10 4-H Comm., 7pm
- 13 Carteens, 6-8pm
- 14 County Dairy Cattle Exhibitor Meeting (Required for Exhibitors), 7pm
- 17 Dog Comm., 6:30pm & Horse Comm., 7pm
- 20 Counselor Training, 6-8 pm
- 22 Swine Start Up, 10am Project Pick Up (Fair-Hog Barn)
- 22 Goat Start Up, 10am Project Pick Up (Fair-Goat & Sheep Barn)
- 24 JFB, 6:30pm (Location-TBD)

### Key

- JFB, Junior Fair Board
- SFB, Senior Fair Board
- Comm., Committee
- Mtg., Meeting
- FCS, Family & Consumer Sciences
- QA, Quality Assurance
- OSUE, Ohio State University Extension

Please visit the county website for additional 4-H information: [clinton.osu.edu](http://clinton.osu.edu).

Please contact our office with any questions at 937-382-0901.

Thank you,  
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This email provides information for 4-H members, Junior Fair for FFA members, and Junior Fair events and requirements.