

November 2022

Otero County 4-H

NEWSLETTER



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4-H Meeting Schedule

4-H Club	Time/Location	Monthly Meeting	Next Meeting
Alamogordo 4-H	6pm @ New Exhibit building - Fairgrounds	2nd Tuesday	Nov. 8
Heritage 4-H	7pm @ Bethel Baptist Church	2nd Tuesday	Nov. 8
Mescalero 4-H	6pm @ first Baptist Ruidoso (Country Club Drive)	1st Sunday	Nov. 5
High Rolls/Mustangs 4-H	7pm @ Otero County Extension Office	Last Wednesday	Nov. 30
Sacramento Mountains 4-H	6pm @ Mayhill Volunteer Fire Department	2nd Monday	Nov. 14
Tularosa 4-H	7pm @ Greene Family Home	1st Tuesday	Nov. 1
Wildcats 4-H After-School	5:30pm @ Tularosa Public Schools	3rd Tuesday	Nov. 15
Holloman 4-H Club	6:00pm @ Soaring Heights Community Center @ Holloman AFB	1st Wednesday	Nov. 2



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4-H Age Groups for the 2022- 2023 4-H Year

	*Cloverbud	Novice	Junior	Senior
Grade as of January 1, 2023	Kinder, 1st, 2nd	3rd, 4th, and 5th	6th, 7th	8th and up
Age as of January 1, 2023	5 year olds; 6 year olds; 7 year olds; 8 year olds and in the 2nd grade	8 year olds in the 3rd grade, 9 year olds, 10 year olds, 11 year olds in the 5th grade	11 year olds in the 6th grade; 12 year olds; 13 year olds in the 7th grade	13 year olds in the 8th grade; 14 year olds; 15 year olds; 16 year olds; 17 year olds; 18 year olds; Youth who are 19 by December 31 of the current 4-H year are not eligible to enroll as a 4-H member

The current 4-H program year is October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023. Rodeo age requirements vary slightly from other 4-H programs and can be found in the NM 4-H Rodeo Rule Book on the NM 4-H Website.

*While the 4-H Cloverbuds program is a component of the overall 4-H Youth Development program and 4-H Cloverbuds members are recognized as 4-H members for the purposes of enrollment, they are considered to be in a special membership category with regard to programs and policies.

4-H Good Standing

Members, parents and leaders, do you know exactly what 4-H members need to do to be in "good standing"? Do you know what the "good standing" requirements are? If not, please take a moment to check these out now. Don't wait until before the fair (or other events/activities) when you may not have enough time to meet the requirements.

Remember, a 4-H member in good standing is one who has met the following requirements:

--Enrolls in a 4-H Club by February 1, 2023.

--Attends at least 40% of all club meetings held between October 1, 2022 and the date of the event or activity. Some 4-H Clubs require members to attend at least 50% of club meetings. So, be sure to check with your 4-H club leader for the minimum number of club meetings you are required to attend to be considered in "good standing".

--Follows the NM 4-H Conduct and Behavior Expectations of Youth and Adults.



*Fall into 4-H
Enrollment has begun*

Enrollment Instructions

The enrollment deadline for all 4-H members, re-enrolling and new members, is February 1, 2023. 4-H members must be enrolled on or before February 1, 2023 for 4-H members to be eligible to participate in county, district, and/or state level 4-H competitive events. All 4-H members must re-enroll every year. The Otero County Extension Service will accept enrollment forms after February 1, 2023, however members enrolling after February 1, 2023 are not eligible to participate in county, district and/or state level competitive events and will not meet the policy outlined in the Otero County 4-H Council Bylaws for 4-H members in good standing. Members enrolling after February 1, 2023 may participate in non-competitive events at the club, county, district, and/or state level at the discretion of the 4-H club.

4-H Members Re-enrolling via ZSuite:

1. Go to <https://4h.zsuite.org/>
2. Log in (A tip sheet for 4-H member re-enrollment is available from the ZSuite website.)
3. Select the “primary” profile
4. Click the drop down arrow for the applicable member
5. Enroll for new 4-H year
 - Review/update the requested personal information section.
 - Upload your completed NM 4-H Youth Medical & Liability Release/Code of Conduct Contract/Media Release Form 300.A-3 (see attached) or submit your completed paper form to the Otero County Extension Office.
 - Add your 4-H club (Please select only ONE 4-H club. 4-H members selecting multiple clubs will be required to meet the 4-H good standing requirements of all clubs they are enrolled in.)
 - Add your 4-H projects
6. Payment is not required in ZSuite for enrollment in the Otero County 4-H program. 4-H Club membership dues need to be submitted directly to your 4-H club treasurer or organizational club leader.
7. Click Submit

New Members Enrolling via ZSuite:

1. Go to https://4h.zsuite.org
2. Sign-up and register a new household account. (A tip sheet for creating a new household account is available from the ZSuite website. ZSuite works off of “households” which means you will only create one account for your entire family.)
3. Click “+ Household Member” (A tip sheet for creating club member profiles for every new 4-H youth member in a family is available from the ZSuite website.)
4. Complete Enrollment (A tip sheet for enrolling every new 4-H youth member in a family is available from the ZSuite website.)
 - Complete the requested personal information section.
 - Upload your completed NM 4-H Youth Medical & Liability Release/Code of Conduct Contract/Media Release Form 300.A-3 (see attached) or submit your completed paper form to the Otero County Extension Office.
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6. Click Submit

4-H youth members have the option of submitting a paper enrollment or enrolling online via the ZSuite website: <https://4h.zsuite.org/>. Paper enrollment forms are available from the Otero County Extension Office. If you would like to enroll via the ZSuite website, above are the website instructions for re-enrolling members and new members.

For members submitting completed paper enrollment forms, they may be submitted to their 4-H Club Organizational Leader or to the Otero County Extension Office. 4-H Club Organizational Leaders receiving any completed enrollment forms from 4-H members must submit the forms to the Otero County Extension Office on or before February 1, 2023 for 4-H members to be eligible to participate in county, district, and/or state level competitive events. 4-H members submitting enrollment forms to their 4-H Club Organizational Leaders or other individual are strongly encouraged to contact the Otero County Extension Office, 575-437-0231, to confirm that the forms have been received in the Extension Office by the deadline.

Leader instructions will come out at a later date. Please be on the lookout for that.

THE 2022-2023 4-H PROGRAM YEAR ENROLLMENT DEADLINE OF FEBRUARY 1, 2023 IS A FIRM DEADLINE! NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE.

NM 4-H Community Service Scholarship

The NM 4-H Community Service Scholarship provides financial assistance to any Novice, Junior, or Senior 4-H member participating in a state 4-H event (examples: Senior Leadership Retreat or Youth Get-Away). The scholarship will cover the registration expenses for the state 4-H event. In addition, the scholarship also provides \$250 of the team fees for Senior 4-H members serving as a State 4-H Officer or Ambassador. A complete description of the scholarship criteria and an application form can be obtained from the NM 4-H website. A list of scholarship application deadline dates is also included on the website.



State 4-H 2022 Buckles Show off New Mexico 4-H with the 2022 buckle for \$80. Great for gifts or awards.

Designed by the State 4-H Leadership Team and made by Rowdy Silver Custom Designs. The last order deadline date is November 1. For more information, contact the New Mexico State 4-H Office at 575-646-3026. **Order form:**
<https://aces.nmsu.edu/4h/documents/buckle-order-form-2022-4.pdf>

LET'S GET
WILD
WITH OTERO
COUNTY 4-H



CONGRATS

2022 - 2023 County Council Officers

President - Randy Greene

Vice President - Collin Hughes

Secretary - Cal Wold

Treasure - Cord Wold

Reporter - Gavin Blankenship

Parliamentarian - Xavier Ray

Historian - Grant Wold

Song and Rec - Caleb Ramsey

Join us to celebrate the accomplishments of Otero County 4-H members
November 17th, 2022
6:30pm in the Exhibit building at the Fair Grounds
Please bring your family and finger foods



Project Information

4-H Sewing Workshops

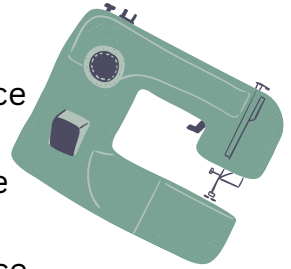
4-H sewing workshops will be held on Monday afternoons beginning in November at the Otero County Extension Office. All Novice, Junior, and Senior 4-H members may participate in the sessions. Sewing machines will be provided for 4-H members to use or 4-H members may bring their own machines to the sessions. There is no fee for participating. However, 4-H members are responsible for purchasing some supplies including a few sewing notions (such as thread) and fabric.

4-H members may choose the 4-H project they want to complete. Options include garments, tote bags, and aprons, to name a few. All sewing levels are welcome, beginners to advanced. If you would like to participate in the 4-H sewing workshops this year please give Kelly a call, 437-0231, to pre-register. You will be provided with a list of 4-H projects to choose from and assistance with determining the supplies (notions and fabric) needed for your project.

New for this year, we will be working on a community service project every other Monday afternoon. The dates below have been set for 4-H sewing workshops in November and December. Additional sewing sessions will also be announced for 2023 in the coming months as needed to allow 4-H members to prepare their projects for county/district/state contests.

November/December Sewing Sessions:

- 4-H Sewing Projects- November 14, 3:30-4:30pm @ Extension Office
- 4-H Community Service Sewing- November 21, 3:30-4:30pm @ Extension Office
- 4-H Sewing Projects- November 28, 3:30-4:30pm @ Extension Office
- 4-H Community Service Sewing- December 5, 3:30-4:30pm @ Extension Office
- 4-H Sewing Projects- December 12, 3:30-4:30pm @ Extension Office
- 4-H Community Service Sewing- December 19, 3:30-4:30pm @ Extension Office

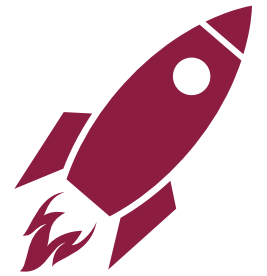


Horse

Riding practice

November 5th at 2:00pm
at the Fairgrounds.

Offered to Novice-Senior members



Rocketry

Due to unforeseen
circumstances rocketry
has been rescheduled
for Spring.

Updates from the State Office

Mark your Calendars

FCS School
March 10th- 12th

Youth Get Away
April 21st- 23rd



Take 10 with 4-H

What: Idea/Information Sharing for 4-H Volunteer Leaders via Zoom

An extension agent or 4-H volunteer will present about 5-7 minutes on a topic and open up for sharing from participants for remainder of the 10 minutes. Sessions will be recorded and shared on the State 4-H website. Since the scheduled Take 10 sessions will only focus on one small part of a larger topic, additional resources will also be found on the State 4-H website under the selected Take 10 topic.



November: Communication

When:
1st Thursday of the month on
the dates below – 12:30pm

Save the Date

Senior Leadership Retreat

January 20-22
Albuquerque, NM

REGISTRATION DEADLINE

December 9th; by 5pm;
Extension Office

Cost:\$200

The event is a three-day, two-night event filled with great workshops and neat opportunities. During the weekend, Senior 4-H'ers will be involved in hands-on activities while learning about careers, leadership skills, community service, and much more! There will also be time to show their dancing skills!

New Mexico 4-H Adult Forum 2022 Schedule

November 12, 2022 • Farmington, NM



8:30-9:00 AM Registration; Auction/Door Prize Drop Off; Display Set-Up

**9:00-9:45 AM Welcome and Get Acquainted Activity
Guest Speakers**

9:50-11:20 AM - Workshops - Session 1

- 1a. Step Right Up Into 4-H Leadership
- 1b. My Favorite 4-H Contest
- 1c. What's Wrong With My Animal?
- 1d. Chocolate Therapy: Dare to Discover Your Inner Center

11:20 AM-Noon Networking & Energizing

Noon-1:00 PM Lunch

1:00-2:30 PM - Workshops - Session 2

- 2a. State Portfolios - Start NOW
- 2b. Windowsill Herb Gardening
- 2c. Sew And Grow
- 2d. It's Getting STEAM-y In Here!

2:30-2:50 PM Break

3:00-4:00 PM - Workshops - Session 3

- 3a. 4-H Contests For All
- 3b. NOT AVAILABLE
- 3c. Succession Planning In 4-H
- 3d. Disability: What's Your Ability? Helping Youth With Disabilities Feel Included In The 4-H Program

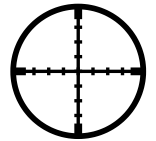
4:05-4:30 PM Closing

For registration go to the New Mexico State 4-H website at https://aces.nmsu.edu/4h/adult-volunteer-leaders.html#anchor_84147

Shooting Sports

Hunter's Safety

All 4-H members must complete a hunter education class before they are eligible to participate in shooting sports practices and contests. 4-H members participating in practices and contests need to submit a copy of their hunter education card and signed county plan to the Extension Office if they have not already done so. The New Mexico Game and Fish website has information regarding hunter education classes including an online course. California also offers an online hunter education class with no minimum age requirement.



Practice Requirements

Before being able to participate in shooting sports, participants must:

- Enroll Completely in 4-H
- Provide Hunters Safety Completion
- Signed County Plan
- Liability Waivers (can be copies from enrollment)
- Must attend at least 1 in said discipline practice before March 1

Archery Practices :

Location: Fair Grounds

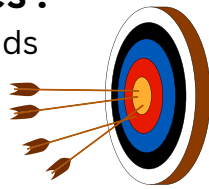
November 16

December 1

December 8

Novice and Juniors 6pm-7pm

Seniors 7pm-8pm



Rifle Practices :

Location: Roadrunner Trap Club

All age divisions 1pm

November 6

November 20

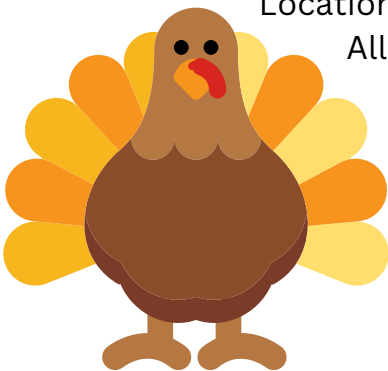
Shotgun Practice :

Location: Roadrunner Trap Club

9am

November 13

Must RSVP with Tommie Sue 575-491-6725 no later than Nov 11th



Happy Thanksgiving



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