

FEBRUARY 2024

RECORD BOOKS



4-H Record Books serve a variety of purposes:

- They give members an opportunity to reflect on their yearly work where they can measure their achievements and growth in their 4-H career.
- They encourage members to set goals, develop plans to meet those goals, and shift gears in the face of challenges and obstacles.
- They unlock eligibility for 4-H scholarships, travel opportunities, leadership positions, and awards at the county, state, and national levels.

The sooner members start working on record books the better it will be at the end of the 4-H year. There are many opportunities to go over forms & work on record books. It is up to you to take advantage of the time & help that is offered.

*At meetings

*With Leaders

*Stop in at the 4-H Office

*Schedule a one-on-one with Jessica or Maggie

*Attend record book workshops when offered

We are here to help in any way possible. Please use these recourses.

"It Starts With A Project & Ends With A Record Book"



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SPRING CLASSIC COMING IN APRIL

Calling all large and small animal members and leaders! Practice for Spring Classic, judging, quiz bowl, and presentation contests is starting soon, contact the 4-H office to sign up. Need a team? We can help locate members across the counties.

Spring Classic will be held at the Dechutes County Fairgrounds. Mark your calendars 4-H Members for April 26th-28th. Contest Includes:

Judging Contests

- Horse, Dog, Rabbit & Poultry

Quiz Bowl

- Horse, Dog, Rabbit, Shooting Sports, Livestock FCS, and Avian

Skills Contest

- Shooting Sports Knowledge, FCS and Livestock

Presentations, Team Presentations and Public

Speaking

- Small animal (dog, rabbit, cavy, poultry, pigeon), Livestock, Horse, and Shooting Sports.

Hippology

<https://extension.oregonstate.edu/4h/gilliam>

<https://www.facebook.com/gilliamco4h>

HIGH DESERT LEADERSHIP RETREAT

Gilliam County sent three youths to enhance and grow their leadership skills last month to HDLR. The weather did not want to cooperate but they took it on! The retreat took place Friday-Monday of MLK weekend at Eagle Crest Resort near Redmond, OR. During the weekend participants practice important life skills like budgeting, cooking meals, living with peers, and tons of fun leadership tactics. Along for the fun was two chaperones Jeff Schott & Maggie Justice. This is an annual event each year in January for 7th-12th graders across the state. Want to attend next year? Mark your calendars now! In-House scholarships are offered each year from the Jaeger Scholarship Fund to send these youth to HDLR. We are grateful to have such a wonderful scholarship program behind Gilliam County 4-H & the youth!



YOUTH VOICES IN ACTION

Youth Voices in Action will return in March 2025!

Youth in grades 8 through 12 are invited to Youth Voices in Action leadership conference to have fun and develop their leadership skills, practice public speaking, and work in teams to meet with state agency representatives and legislators to solve real life problems.



YOUTH VOICES IN ACTION

A spring break experience for future leaders in 8th-12th grade!



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Please contact: Maggie Justice or Jessica Barnett 541-442-2271
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WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

BEEF WEIGH-IN

RATE OF GAIN AWARDS ARE BACK!

MARCH 9TH, 2024


1:00PM

Tim & Elizabeth Campbells

If a member is unable to attend a weigh-in, they must contact the 4-H Office by their possession date to report livestock ID. Members who are unable to attend the scheduled weigh-in date are not eligible for the Rate of Gain Contest.

Possession dates for Beef: March 15th

New Leaders: Cari Wade & Ashleigh McIntosh

 **Oregon State University** Please Call the 4-H Office with any Questions
541-442-2271



OSU Babysitter Training-Virtual

4-Day Series

This training is designed to train YOUTH in many aspects of babysitting including baby care, toddler care, healthy snacks, business tips, age appropriate games, first aid and safety. (Must attend all 4 days to get a certificate).

April/May Training Series. They are limiting the series to 100 youth this time. Registration will open up on Feb. 1.

- Classes held on April 24, 25, May 1, 2
- 4 to 5:30pm each day of the series
- \$10.00 fee
- Maximum 100 youth (statewide)

Sign up by April 10, 2024: <https://beav.es/qeK>



Questions? Call or email Sandra (503-325-8573), Sandra.Carlson@oregonstate.edu

Save the Dates for 4-H Summer Conference

It is official, Summer Conference dates are June 26 - 29, 2024. This is the traditional Wednesday through Saturday schedule. We are looking forward to sending another excellent delegation this year.

SHEEP/GOAT/SWINE WEIGH-IN

JUNE 1st, 2024

8:00am-11:00am

Make up Weigh-In: JUNE 4TH, 2024

By Appointment Only

GILLIAM COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS



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If a member is unable to attend a weigh-in, they must contact the 4-H Office by their possession date to report livestock ID. Members who are unable to attend the scheduled weigh-in date are not eligible for the Rate of Gain Contest.

Possession dates for Sheep/Goat/Swine: June 1st

Rabbits/Poultry: August 1st of Current Year

Please Call the 4-H Office with any Questions



WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW...

Tri-County 4-H Camp Dates

Tri-County 4-H camp has new dates. The change is new to this year. We will be having camp July 10-13. Same location: Cutsforth Park outside Heppner, OR. More details to come later in the year. Camp is open to all current 4th-6th graders. Gilliam, Wheeler & Morrow Counties. Contact your local 4-H office for more details & watch for upcoming news.

Canine Infectious Respiratory Disease Complex

Recently, we have heard from the Oregon Veterinary Medical Association (OVMA) about "Atypical Canine Infectious Respiratory Disease." According to the Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA), the reported cases fall into three general categories:

- Chronic mild-moderate tracheobronchitis with a prolonged duration (6-8 weeks or longer). This has been minimally or not responsive to antibiotics.
- Chronic pneumonia is also minimally or not responsive to antibiotics.
- Acute pneumonia that rapidly becomes severe and often leads to a poor outcome within 24-36 hours.

OVMA emphasizes caution and encourages dog owners to avoid large groups of unknown dogs, sick dogs, and communal areas such as boarding kennels, dog groomers, dog parks, etc.

Until we know more, we strongly recommend keeping your dogs at home. Practice quality biosecurity: avoid dog parks and fun matches, and find a way to not board your dogs or send them to "doggy daycare." Before having your dog groomed, make sure they are diligent in their bio-security practices; you may want to avoid the groomer for now as well. 4-H meetings should focus on knowledge and education without dogs.

If you have questions, contact your local veterinarian. For Dog 4-H questions, don't hesitate to reach out to Candi.Bothum@oregonstate.edu.

A great resource for Livestock Members

Check out the [Oregon 4-H Animal Science Website](#) for a lot of great information! You can find videos and resources for every animal species! You should also subscribe to the statewide Animal Science Newsletter, "Have You "Herd?"



Market health forms – get them now!

Remember to get your Oregon 4-H Market Animal health forms for Beef, Sheep, Goats, and Swine. These forms are required for market animal exhibitors to show at County Fair and State Fair. Start working on them now, because the records require information about early vaccinations and feed. You can get copies at the Extension office or download them from the [Gilliam 4-H Website](#). **One form PER market animal is required.**

CLUB NEWS

Wingin' It 4-H Club Meets

The Wingin' It Poultry 4-H Club met January 8, 2024, at 5:30 at the Gilliam County Fairgrounds. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Locy Munkers and the 4-H Pledge was led by Cora Munkers. Leader Aubrey Gibson handed out the book, "Storey's Illustrated Guide to Poultry Breeds" to each family. At the next meeting, each member is to research one breed of poultry and share three characteristics of their chosen bird. A lot of events are coming up that our group may attend. A Small Animal Clinic is scheduled for January 27th at the Polk County Fairgrounds in Rickreall, Oregon. Leader Aubrey is planning on attending. The Spring Classic is coming up on April 26th and 27th at the Deschutes County Fairgrounds in Redmond. The club may take a field trip to attend this show. There is also a possibility of a Small Animal Clinic in Gilliam County in early April. We talked about what dates we need to have birds, either turkeys or meat chickens. There are several hatcheries in the area that we can choose from. The last item of discussion was our Community Service Project which will be painting the 4-H Poultry Barn Exhibitor Tables. This will happen when the weather warms up, either May or June.

The next meeting will be held February 12, 2024 at 5:30 at the Gilliam County Fairgrounds.

I will leave you with another fowl piece of trivia: American Egg Farmers produce up to 100 billion eggs per year. This is enough eggs to wrap around the Earth 5 times.

Submitted by Cora Munkers, News Reporter.

OFFICE NEWS

The 4-H office is planning many upcoming events this spring!

We are excited to offer educational classes with crafts, fun, guest speakers & more!

FEBRUARY 16TH

- THE INSIDE BUZZ (BEE DAY): Register Here: <https://beav.es/q6n>
 - Register By February 10th

9:00am-2:00pm

Gilliam County Youth

Grades K-12th

Come learn all about Bee's, taste honey, create your own hive & more!

Learn from the people that do it everyday!



MARCH 8TH

- TAKE A LOOK AT NATURE: MORE DETAILS & HOW TO REGISTER COMING SOON!

"The youth of today, are the leaders of tomorrow"

4-H Association Meeting

February 21st @ 6:00pm

Arlington Chambers Building

Leaders, Volunteers, Community members welcome! **Director Board position Open**



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