

St. Clair County 4-H Family News

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St. Clair County 4-H News & Events

From Lori Warchuck's Desk

Good sportsmanship is when members, leaders, and parents treat each other with respect. Kids learn the basics of sportsmanship from the adults in their lives, especially their parents and their teachers. Kids who see adults behaving in a sportsmanlike way gradually come to understand that the real winners in activities are those who know how to persevere and to behave with dignity — whether they win or lose in competitive situations. Parents can help their kids understand that good sportsmanship includes both small gestures and heroic efforts. It starts with something as simple as shaking hands with competitors before a competition and includes acknowledging good effort made by others and accepting the placing of a judge or official gracefully. Displaying good sportsmanship isn't always easy. It can be tough to congratulate the opposing competitor at the end of a competition, but the kids who learn how to do it will benefit in many ways.

Kids who bully or taunt others at a competitive event aren't likely to change their behavior when in the classroom or in social situations. In the same way, a child who practices good sportsmanship is likely to carry the respect and appreciation of other people into every other aspect of life.

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Adults who emphasize good sportsmanship, see winning as just one of several goals they'd like their kids to achieve. They help young people take pride in their accomplishments and in their improving skills, so that the kids see themselves as winners, even if the ribbon or placing doesn't show this in the favor of the young person. The best leaders — and parents — encourage their kids to play fair, to have fun, and to concentrate on helping the others while polishing their own skills. Remember the saying "Actions speak louder than words"? That's especially true when it comes to teaching your kids the basics of good sportsmanship. Your behavior while preparing for and during competitive events will influence them more than any pep talk or lecture you give them.

In addition to providing our kids with great sportsmanship role models MSU Extension has developed some great tools/activities to help build great sportsmanship in our kids in the club setting these are part of this newsletter.


4-H Sportsmanship Activity Series
Sportsmanship: What is it?
Common Ground
Good Sports Greeting Cards
Pass the Fruit

Sportsmanship Role Play activities are available at the link below:
http://msue.ansu.edu/resources/4_h_sportsmanship_activity_series

Good 4-H animal project sportsmanship is defined as:
"Displaying respect for animals. This means exercising good animal management through proper healthcare and nutrition, as well as fair training practices. Animals deserve humane treatment in exchange for what they provide."
Displaying respect for opponents. Sportsmanlike competitors recognize and appreciate a well-prepared, challenging opponent who can bring out the best in them and share that appreciation with their opponents.
"Displaying respect for the game." This includes respecting and following the rules of the event. It also includes always trying one's best, using skill and training to achieve positive results, and appreciating the training process.
"Displaying respect for others." Judges, show managers, parents, trainers, coaches and leaders deserve respect as well. If one is feeling frustrated, it is important to find an appropriate location and time to vent or show this frustration.

Exhibiting good sportsmanship is not just for youth 4-H members — it applies to everyone involved, including volunteers, parents, leaders and others.

Club Reminders:
· Club meeting minutes need to be sent to the office (minimum of six in a program year).
· Fund raising request forms sent to the office before the event takes place.
· All adults that wish to work directly with youth as 4-H volunteers, event chaperones etc. MUST complete the Volunteer Selection Process, there is no shortcut for this process!
· Club bank statements MUST be sent to the MSUE office monthly.



4H seniors graduating from high school will be featured in a slide show at the Fair. Please help us honor the seniors in your 4H groups by providing us with:

- (1) a photo of each senior,
- (2) the name of their high school and
- (3) the student's post-graduation plans.

Please email information by **July 6th** to Kirsten at kdayer@stclaircounty.org OR Lori at warchuc1@msu.edu.

LOCAL PROGRAM WRAP UPS!

4-H Horse Project Paperwork Turn In
Our 4-H Horse project volunteers were hard at work collecting, double checking and organizing, the May 1st project paperwork.



Volunteers are the key to our success.

4-H Day Camp was a success!

4-H Day Camp took place on Saturday, May 7, 2022 at Goodells County Park. Sessions included cupcake decorating, arts & crafts, survival skills, shooting sports, vet science and Clover Sprouts. Thank you to all our dedicated 4-H Volunteers that made this workshop a success.



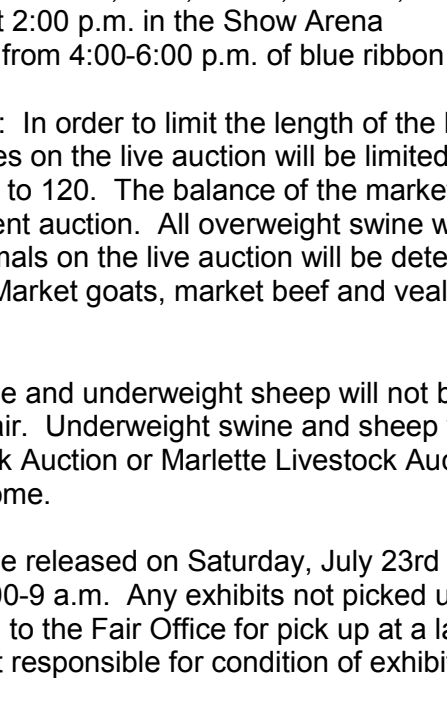
LOCAL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 2022**
- 6/1 - 4-H Horse Project – Sue Jones Memorial Scholarship Application Deadline
 - 6/2 - 4-H Dog Committee Meeting 7pm, Goodells
 - 6/18 - 4-H Furry Scary Fun Show, Goodells (registration & more info soon)
 - 6/25-6/26 – Warm Up Horse Show & State Qualifying Horse Show, at Goodells Co. Pk.
 - 6/25-6/26 – Fair Shooting Sports Tournaments Blue Wave – Archery, Goodells County Park.
 - 7/6 to 7/8- Thumb Area 4-H Camp at Camp Cavell, Lexington (Date Corrected from March)
 - 7/18-7/23 – St. Clair County 4-H & Youth Fair
 - 7/21—Fair Livestock Sale order—Beef, Veal, Goats, Rabbits, Poultry, Swine, Sheep
 - 8/20 – 4-H Lake to Table in Columbus
- More information about 4-H events can be found online:
 • St. Clair County 4-H Facebook page <https://m.facebook.com/4Hstclaircounty>
 • <https://www.canr.msu.edu/4h/events>
 • <https://msue.stclaircounty.org> or (810) 989-6935

LOCAL NEWS

4-H Shooting Sports Committee Meeting

Thursday, June 9, 2022
7pm
Goodells



If your club participates in shooting sports you must send a representative!



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We are getting ready for SCC 4-H & Youth Fair Dog Show!

Dog Show Ring Stewards & Clerks are needed!

- Saturday, July 16, 2022
- Goodells County Park
- Available Shifts
 - 7:30 am - 10:30 am
 - 10:30 am - 1:30pm

Use the link below to sign up!
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0944FAE2E5FDD-4hdog>

SAVE THE DATE!

4-H Furry Scary Fun Match

Saturday, June 18, 2022
Goodells County Park

- Find A Rat
- Speedway Events including hoops, tunnels and barrels

Watch for more event soon!

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4-H Lake to Table

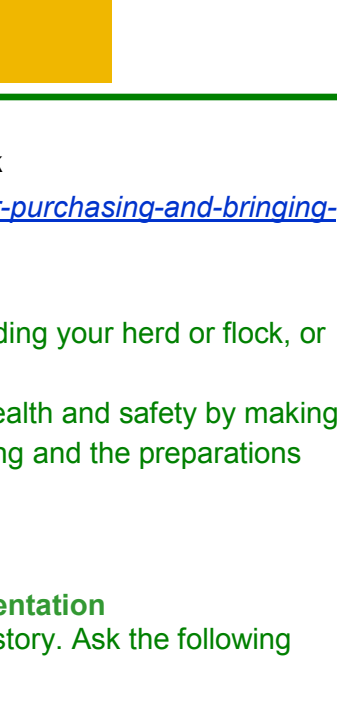
SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, August 20, 2022

Happy Days Fishing Camp
Columbus Township

WATCH FOR MORE INFORMATION

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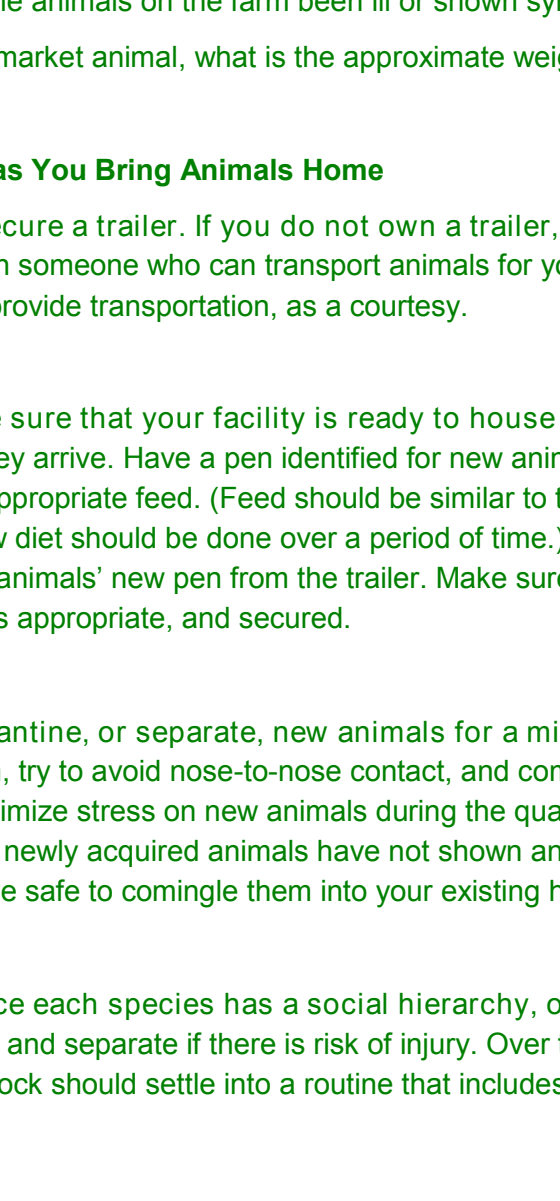


LOCAL FAIR NEWS

St. Clair County 4-H & Youth Fair
July 18-23, 2022 at Goodells County Park

REGISTER NOW!

DON'T WAIT!



Don't wait until the last minute to get registered for the Fair. Fair registration is NOT the same as your annual 4-H club enrollment. You can register via the Fair web page (www.stclaircounty4fair.org) Click on the ShoWorks and create a profile. (The ShoWorks4fair will appear on the website in early June). A new profile must be created each year, even if you exhibited last year at the fair. You should receive a confirmation email that will indicate that your entry was successful. If you do NOT receive an email the entry was NOT successful. If you need assistance navigating the Fair registration system, go to the Fair office in Marysville at 1328 Michigan Avenue. Call the Fair office at (810) 364-9100 to verify hours that they will be open.

The 2022 St. Clair County Fair book containing detailed information can be found at: <https://stclaircounty4fair.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/Camping-Application.pdf>

Weekly fair passes are ready for you! The weekly pass will allow a vehicle and its occupants into the fair throughout the entire week. Prices are as follows:
\$50 (if purchased before July 1)
\$70 (if purchased July 2-18)
\$60 (if purchased the week of the fair July 18-23)


There are three ways to purchase passes in advance:

- In person at the 4-H office at 200 Grand River Avenue, Suite 102, Port Huron.
- Cash or check. Office hours 8am-4:30 pm (closed from noon to 1pm).
- In person at the Fair office (1328 Michigan Ave., Marysville).
- By mail: send a check and a self-addressed stamped envelope to SCC Ag Society, P.O. Box 325, Marysville, MI 48040. (Must be received before July 1).

Single-day admission at the gate is \$25 for a vehicle, or \$10 per person. Children 8 and younger are free. Free admission is available to all on Saturday, July 23 from 7pm until approximately 10pm.

Camp at the Fair in rustic campgrounds. \$100 for the whole week, if purchased before July 1. Fair admission is included. The camping application and payment instructions can be found on the fair website:
<https://stclaircounty4fair.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/Camping-Application.pdf>

Mega Band vouchers are \$70 per person. Available now at the 4-H office or Fair office. The voucher is exchanged upon arrival at the carnival booth for an individual wrist band which provides unlimited rides throughout the week of fair.



Fair Updates
Swine weights will be 230 -300 lbs.

Jr. Livestock Sale - Thursday, July 21, 2022
2022 Sale Order: Beef, Veal, Goats, Rabbits, Poultry, Swine, Sheep
Sale begins at 2:00 p.m. in the Show Arena
Silent auction from 4:00-6:00 p.m. of blue ribbon poultry and rabbits

Livestock Auction: In order to limit the length of the live auction, the number of livestock species on the live auction will be limited for market lambs to 50 and market swine to 120. The balance of the market sheep and swine will be sold on the silent auction. All overweight swine will be sold on the silent auction. The animals on the live auction will be determined by market class placings. Note: Market goats, market beef and veal will not be limited in 2022.

Underweight swine and underweight sheep will not be transported to a processor from the fair. Underweight swine and sheep will be transported to Crosswell Livestock Auction or Marlette Livestock Auction, or the exhibitor may take them home.

Still Exhibits will be released on Saturday, July 23rd at 7-8 p.m. or Sunday, July 24th from 8:00-9 a.m. Any exhibits not picked up during this time will be packed and taken to the Fair Office for pick up at a later date to be determined. Fair is not responsible for condition of exhibits during transportation to the Fair Office.

Shooting Sports Exhibitors: IF the State Shoot is scheduled for Saturday, July 23, the fair will make accommodations to allow exhibitors to participate in the fair and State Shoot to the fullest extent possible.

WANTED: Parking Lot Superintendent (Paid position with the fair). Duties include setting up & marking parking lots prior to fair, set up handicapped parking, work with parking aides during the week of fair in parking cars, close gates throughout week as needed, any other parking-related duties as required. Provided: Golf cart to get around the park, all parking materials & signs, communication device. If interested, contact the fair office at (810) 364-9100 or email at st.clairco4fair@gmail.com

It's never too early to start contacting buyers
https://www.canr.msu.edu/youth_business_guide_to_success/4-H-Animal-Project-Marketing-Resources/general-marketing-resources

Upcoming Fair Dates Announced

2022 ~ July 18-23
2023 ~ July 17-22
2024 ~ July 15-20
2025 ~ July 14-19



STATEWIDE NEWS AREA

Tips for purchasing and bringing home livestock
 Adapted from: www.canr.msu.edu/resources/tips-for-purchasing-and-bringing-home-livestock

Acquiring new stock is exciting whether you are building your herd or flock, or purchasing your annual 4-H project. These tips will help you manage their health and safety by making sure you know the questions to ask before purchasing and the preparations required to bring livestock home.

Assessing Animal Health and Treatment Documentation
 When purchasing animals, you should know their history. Ask the following questions:

- When was the animal born?
- What specific vaccinations has the animal been given and when were they given?
- If necessary, was the animal properly castrated and what method was used?
- Have any other treatments been administered to the animal? If so, what is the slaughter withdrawal for the drugs given?
- Have any of the animals on the farm been ill or shown symptoms of illness?
- If acquiring a market animal, what is the approximate weight?

Considerations as You Bring Animals Home

Transporting. Secure a trailer. If you do not own a trailer, make arrangements with someone who can transport animals for you. Be prepared to pay someone to provide transportation, as a courtesy.

Unloading. Make sure that your facility is ready to house your new animals before they arrive. Have a pen identified for new animals to go into with fresh water and appropriate feed. (Feed should be similar to their previous diet; changing to a new diet should be done over a period of time.) Have a clear and direct path to the animals' new pen from the trailer. Make sure that all gates are open or closed, as appropriate, and secured.

Settling in. Quarantine, or separate, new animals for a minimum of 21 days. At minimum, try to avoid nose-to-nose contact, and commingling feeding and watering. Minimize stress on new animals during the quarantine period. If after 21 days, the newly acquired animals have not shown any symptoms of illness, it should be safe to commingle them into your existing herd or flock.

Commingling. Since each species has a social hierarchy, observe animals during commingling and separate if there is risk of injury. Over the course of a day, the herd or flock should settle into a routine that includes the new animals.

STATEWIDE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

CREATIVE CLOVERS CAMP

JUNE 27 - JUNE 30
1:00-4:00 PM

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Learn creative arts including photography, drawing, music and video production.

4-H Creative Clovers Camp is being held in three locations (Macomb County, Oakland County and Wayne County). Registration deadline is June 20. Open to youth ages of 11-16 (though space is limited) Cost is \$20

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-creative-clovers-camp>

Michigan Dairy Expo and Michigan 4-H Youth Dairy Days

July 18 - July 22, 2022

Join 4-H members from around Michigan in the MSU Pavilion for Agriculture and Livestock Education for Michigan 4-H Youth Dairy Days! Dairy Days is part of Michigan Dairy Expo, a celebration of dairy farmers and dairy cattle.

During the week there are breed shows and showmanship contests for 4-H youth as well as open shows for dairy enthusiasts of all ages. In addition to cattle events, there are three additional contests young people may participate in: Dairy Management/Skillathon Contest, Dairy Cattle Judging Contest, and Dairy Quiz

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-youth-dairy-days>

State 4-H and FFA Livestock Judging Contest

Join us Wednesday, July 13, 2022 at the MSU Pavilion in East Lansing! (4301 Farm Ln, Lansing, MI)

The State 4-H/FFA Livestock Judging Contest is held in conjunction with the Michigan Livestock Expo (MLE) and is a collaborative effort between Michigan 4-H and Michigan FFA. By participating in the livestock judging contest, contestants can enhance their livestock evaluation and selection skills, as well as improve their communication and decision-making skills. More information can be found at this link:
https://www.canr.msu.edu/4_h_animal_evaluation/

4-H Great Lakes and Natural Resources Camp returns!

Save the date: 4-H Great Lakes and Natural Resources Camp is returning in person this summer! Hosted at Camp Chickagami in Presque Isle, this fun summer event will take place July 31—August 6.

Teens ages 13-15 will have fun and amazing outdoor hands-on learning experiences that educate them about natural resources, environmental stewardship and more. Youth will also enjoy charter fishing, snorkeling, sailing, hiking through forests, wading through wetlands, exploring dunes and more!

Registration will open in early May and space is limited. Learn more at www.canr.msu.edu/4_h_great_lakes_natural_resources_camp/.

4-H State Shooting Sports Championships

July 23, 2022

To enter, exhibitors must be Michigan 4-H members and actively participate in 4-H shooting sports clubs in their local program. Registration will close early June.

Further information at the link below, or by emailing Laura Quist at quistl1@msu.edu
<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-state-shooting-sports-championships>

For 4-H Leaders:

4-H Backpack to Adventure: Youth Leaders in a Global World is a Michigan 4-H curriculum to help young people aged 9-19 understand what it means to be a leader in a globalized, interconnected and rapidly changing world. "Backpack" means that this curriculum is stuffed with loads of activities and resources!

Check out the promotional video created for your viewing pleasure:
 "Backpack to Adventure: Youth Leaders in a Global World Promo":
https://mediaspace.msu.edu/media/1_1_93hge6eb

Now is your chance to participate virtually in a one-hour Zoom session to learn more!
WHEN: Thursday, July 14th 2-3pm
 You will be introduced to this curriculum, try a couple of the activities, hear a few success stories, and receive FREE curriculum as a gift for participating!

Join Zoom Meeting
<https://msu.zoom.us/j/92196590385>
 Meeting ID: 921 9659 0385
 Passcode: Youth

