

St. Croix County 4-H

4-H



June 2021

COMMUNICATOR

NEW 2021 Summer COVID-19 Guidelines

Below are new guidelines for 4-H clubs and groups beginning June 1, 2021

- Participant totals for in-person events are limited to 350 maximum or no more than 50% of total room capacity (whichever is lower) with physical distancing enforced.
- Participant totals for outdoor events are up to 500 people.
- There are no limits on duration of events, nor requirements for pods.
- Indoor food consumption is allowed at events longer than 2 hours, following CDC school lunchroom guidance for social distancing, minimizing time with masks removed, and hygiene.
- Food sampling and food fundraisers are allowed, please follow specific program guidance for safety guidance.
- All current safety protocols such as requiring facial coverings and distancing remain in place.
- Pre-approvals for events that do not meet the above criteria continue to be required.

For the most updated list on COVID meeting rules please go to <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-faqs-related-to-covid-19/>

For examples of approved meetings and events go to <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1MhSgsViVIYDpVd47pfQSlcGI9KGlbYUz?usp=sharing>

If you would like to request program approval please contact Eileen eileen.vandyk@wisc.edu or Heather heather.vierling@wisc.edu to receive paperwork and review meeting guidelines.

The following policies are currently in place, but may change depending on the number of COVID-19 infections in Wisconsin, guidance from the CDC and DHS, and UW-Madison policies.

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4-H Pledge

*"I pledge my HEAD to
clearer thinking,
my HEART to greater
loyalty,
my HANDS to larger
service, and
my HEALTH to better
living, for my club, my
community, my country,
and my world."*

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St. Croix County 4-H
and
Extension St Croix County

Dear 4-H Members, Families, and Leaders,

As many of you know, I have decided to retire effective July 5th. 4-H has been an important part of my life since age 10, first as a member, then chaperon, project leader, parent, organizational leader, and 4-H Coordinator. I believe 4-H is the best Youth Development Program available. I believe that “Learning by Doing” is a great way to learn. I believe that the Four Essential Elements of Youth Development: Belonging, Independent, Mastery and Generosity are central to helping our youth become competent, confident, caring adults. And I believe that the Experiential Learning Model works by creating learning experiences for kids and helping them process those experiences. What a GREAT organization!!

Thank you to the leaders, parents, youth, and 4-H staff who have been part of this journey with me. Your dedication to 4-H is to be celebrated every day. My wish is that you will continue to empower our youth through the educational opportunities you offer for kids. 4-H is not about ribbons. 4-H is about education, youth development, family, community service and much more.

As I leave my position, I am not leaving 4-H. I will continue to be a proud 4-H volunteer. I look forward to seeing you at the St. Croix County Fair.

Sincerely,



A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Eileen Van Dyk".

Eileen Van Dyk
Polk / St. Croix 4-H Coordinator



CALENDAR

June

- 1 Dairy Judging
- 3 Dog Obedience
- 5 Horse Project Committee Day Camp
- 7 Horse Project Committee Meeting
- 8 Livestock Committee Meeting
- 10 Dog Obedience
- 12 Cake Decorating and Foods Revue Judging
- 12 Shooting Sports
- 12 Dairy Cattle Showmanship Clinic and Competition
- 13 DISTRICT 1 Holstein Show
- 14 NW 4-H Golf Classic
- 15 4-H Leaders Association Meeting
- 17 Dog Obedience
- 17 Clothing Revue
- 18 Rescheduled Game Night
- 22 PO-CROIX-BAR 4-H Day Camp
- 23 4-H Cloverbud Day Camp
- 24 PO-CROIX-BAR 4-H Day Camp
- 24 Dog Obedience
- 26 Shooting Sports



July

- 5 Holiday—OFFICE CLOSED
- 5 Horse Project Committee Day Camp
- 7 Fair Clean Up & Set Up
- 10 Foods & Nutrition Judging
- 10 Cat Show
- 14-18 St. Croix County Fair
- 28 4-H Cloverbud Day Camp
- 30 4-H Family Camp

August

- 2 Horse Project Committee Day Camp
- 5-15 WI State Fair
- 10 Livestock Committee Meeting
- 17 Leaders Association Meeting
- 18 4-H Cloverbud Day Camp
- 20-22 State 4-H Dog Shows
- 26-Sept 6 MN State Fair



2021 4-H SCHOLARSHIPS

2021 St. Croix County 4-H Scholarship Recipients



Maggie Brown (Rolling Hills)



Adaire MacSwain (Hudson Trailblazers)



Lauren Thompson (Lone Pine)

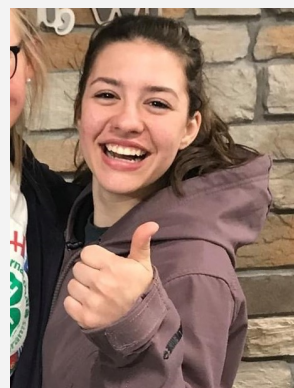
2021 St. Croix County 4-H Key Award Winners

Adaire MacSwain (Hudson Trailblazers)

Lauren Thompson (Lone Pine)

2021 Tom Dorsey 4-H Scholarship Recipient

Abigail Lingenfelter (Rolling Hills)



2021 Wisconsin 4-H Scholarship Winners



Lauren Thompson (Lone Pine 4-H)



Matthew Harle (Riverside 4-H)

CLUB INFORMATION

4-H GAME NIGHT

RESCHEDULED

Sponsored By: The St. Croix County 4-H Ambassadors



Are you competitive? Do you like playing games? Join us each month for 4-H Game Night. Game nights will be held virtually and are open to all youth (4-H and non), all ages and adults can

play too. All game nights will be held on the last Friday of each month at 7:00pm (they will last 30-45 minutes each). Prizes will be available to players.

Check out our upcoming game nights:

June 18 - 7:00pm FAMILY FUED
7:30pm EMOJI GAME

Please register for Game Nights at

<https://forms.gle/45Vh64pCRqLMFk4M7>

ST. CROIX COUNTY PHOTOS NEEDED

Love to take pictures? Great! The St. Croix County Photo Challenge is looking for you.



We want you to capture what life is like in St. Croix County through photography. We want photos that represent the day to day life in our local communities, celebrations/festivals, beauty and nature, undiscovered areas, and more!. This is a multi month challenge that will end in fall because we want photos of St. Croix County in all four seasons. Thirteen winning photos will be chosen and placed into a 2022 St. Croix County Calendar.

Youth of all ages are welcome to participate and can sign up at anytime.

To register go to <https://forms.gle/Ckv7tr9tZmga9VYu6>

4-H Day Camp Counselors Needed



Do you like working with younger 4-Her's? We need your help for our 2021 Cloverbud Day Camp programs and our new 4-H Family Camp program. Youth grades 8-13 are welcome to apply to serve as a camp

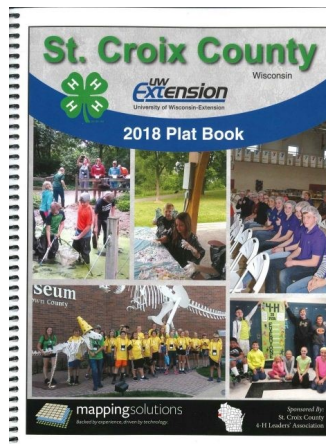
counselor. Counselors teach and lead activities, assist youth with camp projects, and facilitate games and snacks. All applications are due by June 6. To apply go to

<https://forms.gle/quxeuLbftFvWknt26>

St. Croix County 4-H 2021 Plat Book

Attention 4-H Families and Friends!! The 2021 St. Croix County Plat Books will be available for purchase mid-June!

Thank you for supporting St. Croix County 4-H!



4-H DAY CAMPS

Open to all youth 4-H and non 4-H

Location: Mill Pond Park Pavilion (Baldwin)

Dates: Wednesday June 23 (8:30am—12:30pm)
Wednesday July 28 (8:30am—12:30pm)
Wednesday August 18 (8:30am—12:30pm)

Youth Ages: Kindergarten—3rd grade

Cost: \$10.00 / camp or \$25.00 for all 3
Camps (price includes all camp activities and a snack)

Themes: June - Witches and Wizards
July - Island Adventure
August - Space Explorers

Reg. Deadline: June 10



4-H FAMILY CAMP NIGHT

BRING THE ENTIRE FAMILY OUT FOR A FUN NIGHT BENEATH THE STARS!

Family camp includes: Dinner over the Campfire, 4-H Projects, Family Games, Smores, Campfire Program, and Star Gazing

Date: Friday, July 30 (6pm—10pm)

Location: Glen Hills County Park, Glenwood City

Who: Bring the entire family...All ages are welcome

Cost: \$15.00 / family

Reg. Deadline: July 5



2021 4-H CLOVERBUD DAY CAMPS



4-H Day Camp

Are you looking for learning, adventure, and fun?

Youth (Kindergarten through 3rd grade) are welcome to participate in three awesome half day camp programs filled with fun, hands-on learning activities, games, snacks and new friends. Participants will have the opportunity to meet and engage with youth from around the county.

Camp Location: Mill Pond Park Pavilion (Baldwin)

This years camp themes are: June - Witches and Wizards

July - Island Adventure

August - Space Explorers

The cost of registration is \$10.00 per youth/camp or \$25.00 per youth/all three camps. This cost includes all activities and snacks. **Non 4-H youth are welcome to attend and encouraged to participate.**

Day Camp 2021 Registration due June 10
(1 registration per youth)

Name: _____

Grade: _____ 4-H Club: _____ (if applicable)

Address: _____ City/ Zip: _____

Phone #: _____

Email Address: _____

Parent Signature _____

Please check the day / days your child plans to attend:

_____ June 23

_____ July 28

_____ August 13

Please list any health concerns or allergies: _____

Please make checks out to **St. Croix 4-H Leader's Association**
Mail registration and check to 4-H Day Camp, 1960 8th Ave., Suite 140, Baldwin, WI 54002

Health Forms and Camp Information will be mailed out after registration closes.

FRIDAY, JULY 30, 2021

6:00PM-10:00PM

COST: \$15.00 / FAMILY

ALL AGES WELCOME

GLEN HILLS PARK
(PRAIRIEVIEW GROUP CAMP
SITE) 1049 RUSTIC RD 3,
GLENWOOD CITY, WI 54013

BRING THE ENTIRE FAMILY OUT FOR A FUN NIGHT BENEATH THE STARS!

FAMILY CAMP INCLUDES:

- DINNER OVER THE CAMPFIRE
- 4-H PROJECTS
- FAMILY GAMES
- SMORES
- CAMPFIRE PROGRAM
- STAR GAZING



4-H FAMILY CAMP

Registration Due: July 5

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: ST.
CROIX COUNTY 4-H LEADERS
ASSOCIATION

MAIL REGISTRATION AND CHECK
TO:
4-H FAMILY CAMP
1960 8TH AVE.
SUITE 140
BALDWIN, WI 54002

Family Name: _____

Total Number of Family Members Attending: _____

4-H Club: _____ (if applicable)

Address: _____

City/ Zip: _____

Phone #: _____

Email Address: _____

Please list any health concerns or allergies: _____

Detailed Camp Information will be mailed out after registration closes.

PO-CROIX-BAR 4-H DAY CAMP



Location: Camp Kiwanis in Marine on St. Croix

Dates: Tuesday, June 22 (All-Day)

Thursday, June 24 (All-Day)

Youth Ages: Current 3rd —6th grade

Cost: \$40 per day, includes transportation, supplies, lunch and a snack.

REGISTRATION IS OPEN FOR YOUTH IN 3RD-6TH GRADES THROUGH 4HONLINE EVENTS!! <https://v2.4honline.com/> BY JUNE 4TH!!!

Day Camp activities this year include: riding horses, canoeing, swimming, experience nature, hiking, fishing, arts and crafts, archery and much more during this day long experience!

Transportation is included via school busses with pick-up and drop off locations in each county. Busses will pick-up and drop off at: Amery, Baldwin, Balsam Lake, Barron, Four Corners, and New Richmond. Expected camp arrival at 9AM and departure at 3PM.

Space is limited and your registration is not complete and assured until your check is received at the St. Croix County Extension Office. ***We will be following 4-H/Extension COVID-19 guidelines, as well as Camp Kiwanis safety protocols. Face coverings will need to be worn on buses, indoors, and when distance cannot be maintained (the majority of activities will be outdoors and not require masks).*** Please reach out to 715-531-1937 if you have additional questions.

LEADER NEWS

Hello St. Croix County Leaders -

I participated in the **WI 4-H Cafe** in May and it was awesome. It was so fun to connect with other leaders new and old from across the state. We talked about what we learned from the last year and it was fun to hear how we all excelled and heard some great ideas on how to keep kids and families engaged during virtual meetings. (games lots of games) I realized that as leaders that have been doing this for a long time, we can get stuck into doing the same activities year after year. 2020 really made us rethink what we were doing and we were creative on how we reached families new and old. It was fun to hear ideas from new leaders and they gained knowledge from us seasoned leaders.

When the invite for these virtual trainings come across your E-mail - I challenge you to say **YES!**

Bridget Lentz—Rolling Hills General Leader

4-H Leaders Association Meeting

Tuesday, June 15 @ 7pm

In Person at the UW-Extension Office
and Via Zoom. **Please RSVP to Eileen or Heather prior to June 15 if attending in-person.**

All agendas and Zoom information will be emailed out to all leaders prior to the meeting.

If you have items you would like placed on the agenda contact Amanda Hanson
ahiben@hotmail.com



Horse Project Committee

Horse Project Committee Meeting via Zoom
June 7 @ 7:30pm



Meeting Zoom Log In: <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/71872357238pwd=ekhpMTFBZlQyam9aUzZhTldzQU1MUT09>
Password: horse

Have questions? Contact Tyler Mentink at (715)928-1436 or Karie Kaul at (715)220-9691.

Save the date: WI State Adult and Youth Horse Association Meeting

Date: August 23, 2021

Location: Holiday Inn & Suites, Rothschild 715-355-1111

Meeting Times:

Committee Meetings, 6:00 pm

Youth Board Meeting, 6:00 pm

Adult Association Meeting, 7:00 pm

- More information will be coming about the meeting

More information available at: <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4haganimalscience/files/2021/04/2021-Calendar-of-Events.pdf>



2021 WI State 4-H Dog Shows

State Dog Obedience, Showmanship, Rally, and Dog Bowl -
Tomah, WI - August 20-22

State Dog Agility Show - Hosted by LaCrosse County at
Canine Sports in Middleton - August 14

Dog Obedience:

Dog Obedience continues to meet on **Thursday evenings at St. Croix Central High School in Hammond**. Please be present at **7:00 PM** for check-in. Training starts promptly at 7:15 or earlier if class rosters are complete.

4-H Cat Project Members

Welcome to the Cat project, I'm your county leader Bridget Lentz - Rolling Hills 4-H club. Below is some information regarding this years project.

Sign-up for the Cat show - On your Fair entries don't forget to sign-up for the cat show and cage decorations. It is always fun to see all the creativity.

Cat show is scheduled for **July 10th** - more info will follow - Requirements/suggestions below:

- Bring your shot information
- Have a collar and leash for your cat
- Bring water, sometimes it is hot

Please reach out to me if you have any questions.

Bridget Lentz 651 303 4682

pblentz@sbcglobal.net



Shooting Sports:

Thank you for being so patient while we worked out the details for shooting sports. Because we do not have enough instructors, we have had to limit the program for this year. We will only be offering archery, rimfire rifle, and air rifle. If you need to drop a shooting sports project such as shotgun, contact Eileen at eileen.vandyk@wisc.edu.



There will be two official dates for practice: **June 12 and June 26 from 9AM to Noon at Willow River Rod and Gun Club, 1041 Highway 64, New Richmond.** To compete in the Competition Meet, members will need to attend both practices. The competition meet will be July 10.

Parents: Please consider becoming a certified shooting sports instructor. For our program to grow, we need 4-6 new instructors. Certification training will be held this summer and fall. Check the Shooting Sports website at: <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4hshootingports/certification-workshops/>. Contact Shawn Weyer or Eileen Van Dyk for more information.

Photography Project ~ June 2021

Snapping Pictures, Getting the Good Shot, Holding your Breath, Click Click Click, Taking Aim!!!

Getting the best picture that you possibly can often takes practice, lots of practice!! Yes, some may get an amazing photo on their first try but that doesn't happen often and probably not more than once or twice for the same person!!!!

When first starting out in Photography we talk about the Basics of Photography and the Main Guidelines that beginners use: The Rule of Thirds, Leading Lines, Get Close, Backgrounds, and Framing. I mentioned these in the last newsletter and I was so happy to get an email from a beginner that wanted more information!!! One of the great parts of this email is that there was also a 4-H Member that was in the same family and after five years in Photography said that they still used these and could "see" them in the photos taken!! I love hearing this!

Let us look at these in a little more depth!

- 1) The rule of thirds is dividing your frame into nine equal rectangles. You can do this by creating two vertical and two horizontal lines. The four lines will intersect at four points. These are the points where your point of interests should be.
- 2) Leading lines are lines that appear in a photograph that have been framed and positioned by the photographer to draw the viewer's eye towards a specific point of interest. (Think of a railroad track or a row of corn.)
- 3) The classic close-up is about getting detail. That usually means getting right into the subject. The feeling of 'closeness' usually means the shot is taken from less than meter away. However, close-ups can be as close as a few inches.
- 4) the background is the part of the overall scene. It's behind the main subject of the photograph. Proper design and use is crucial to photographic success. You need to be aware of what is behind or next to your subject and be ready to move a little to have a cleaner shot OR move your subject if possible.
- 5) Framing is exactly as it implies, seeing your image through something that frames it such as; a doorway, a window, through leaves of a tree, etc. Framing your subject within a another is a strong, graphical composition.

Fair time is about a month and a half away!!! I will be setting up a meeting in June for anyone that wants to come with questions. You can bring photos, practice conference judging, and go over any questions! Watch the Weekly Email for this information!!

Please let me know what you are interested in learning more about and what night of the week works the best and I will set some things up!

As always please share your ideas by emailing or on the Facebook Page!!!

Have an amazing day, Kay Jacobsen ~ St. Croix County Photography Project Leader
Our email is sccphotographyproject@gmail.com and the Facebook page is SCCPHOTOGRAPHYPROJECT (request to join and you will be accepted!).



CALLING ALL DAIRY YOUTH:

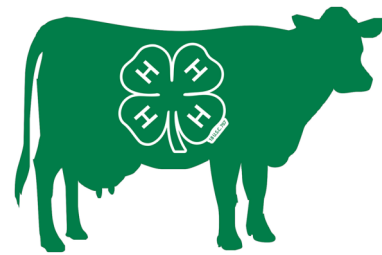
Dairy Youth are needed to clean the fairgrounds during the District 1 Holstein Show which will be held at the St. Croix County Fairgrounds June 12-15.

Choose the day you want to work. The time of day you work can be very flexible as the clean up can be done in the afternoon or evening.

If you are able to help please contact Mary Holle at maryholle4020@gmail.com



DAIRY JUDGING:



Our next dairy judging practice will be on
June 1st at 6:00 pm at

**Townside Dairy - the Midtling Farm
2891 Highway 12, Wilson**

Participants will need to pre-register by email to Mary Luckwaldt at luckwaldt123@yahoo.com. Please indicate if you are a new dairy judge, a junior team member or a senior members.

All 4-H members are welcome to participate in dairy judging.

Dairy Cattle Showmanship Clinic and Competition

At the DISTRICT 1 Holstein Show

Where: St. Croix County Fairgrounds
Judging Arena

When: Sunday, June 13th 2:30pm Clinic
5pm Showmanship Starts



Put on by WHA JAC*****FREE OF CHARGE
MUST BE A WISCONSIN JUNIOR MEMBER TO COMPETE
Questions- Mary Holle 715-491-4020, maryholle4020@gmail.com

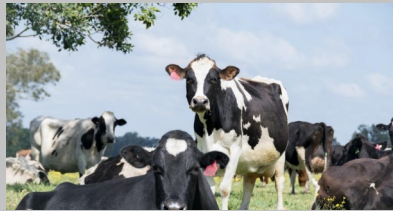
DAIRY STALLING:

Due: July 1

Club Leaders and Dairy Project Members

If you are bringing dairy to the fair, any and all dairy stalling can be emailed to Randy Peterson:
mistymeadowsfarm83@gmail.com

The stalling committee will need to know the number of cows, yearlings and calves including Little Britches .



DRESS-A-CALF:

July 16, 1:00pm Front of Sheep Barn

Let your imagination run wild as you plan your theme for this year's Dress a Calf portion of the fair. To participate in this event, you must include it on your Fair Entry (Department 1, Class I, Lot 1).

This is open to all 4-H Clubs, FFA Chapters or any youth group from St. Croix County exhibiting dairy animals in the Junior Fair Show. The animals must be fall Animal Sciences 8 heifer calves or younger. There may be more than one entry from a club or group.

Little Britches Dairy Show Sponsored by Ron Thompson Saturday, July 17th

The Little Britches Dairy Show will take place at the 2021 St. Croix County Fair.

All youth wishing to participate in this show must be between the ages of 5 and 9. Anyone who has completed 2nd grade is still eligible for this show. If you have completed 3rd grade you would show your calf in the regular show and are eligible for 3rd grade showmanship. Please sign up for that.

Those that have completed 2nd grade down to age 5.. **MUST SHOW A DAIRY HEIFER BORN AFTER MARCH 1, 2021.** Parents/guardians of youth wishing to participate in this show must email Randy Peterson at mistymeadowsfarm83@gmail.com by July 9th in order to participate in the show. You will also need to contact a 4-H Club of your choice to stall your animal for the duration of the fair.

Any questions about this event may be directed to a 4-H Dairy Leader, the Dairy Committee or Randy Peterson at the above email.

Calling All Golfers:



The Annual Northwest 4-H Golf Classic is back and ready for you to enjoy a great day of golf, good food, and fundraising for 4-H. The date is **Monday, June 14** at Kilkarney Hills Golf Course in River Falls. Currently, there is room for 3-4 teams. You may also golf as an individual. If interested, contact Eileen: eileen.vandvk@wisc.edu. See brochure on next page.



4-H Clubs are also asked to provide an item for the Silent Auction. This could be a gift basket or items from local artisans and craftsman that could be combined with items from other donors to create a prize. Baskets and items must be delivered to the Extension Office by Friday, June 11.



This annual charity golf tournament creates resources used to train 4-H youth in leadership and development

- ✿ Scholarships
- ✿ STEM and robotic programs
- ✿ To reach out to non-4-Hers in Pierce, Polk, St. Croix and Dunn Counties
- ✿ Helps fund Ambassador programs
- ✿ Empowers 4-H youth with opportunities to explore new interest, learn new skills, and contribute to their communities

Thanks to your support, 4-H has proven results.

- ✿ Report better grades, higher levels of academic competence and an elevated level of engagement at school
- ✿ Are nearly 2x more likely to go college
- ✿ Are more likely to pursue courses or a career in science, engineering or computer technology
- ✿ Are shown to have had significantly lower drug, alcohol and cigarette use than their peers

*According to Tufts University Study

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Pierce County

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Dunn County

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Annual Northwest 4-H Golf Classic
1960 8th Ave, Baldwin WI 54002



ANNUAL NORTHWEST 4-H Golf Classic

Monday | June 14 | 2021



Kilkarney Hills Golf Club

163 Radio Road
River Falls, WI 54022
WWW.KILKARNEYHILLS.COM



Golf Registration Includes

18-Hole Greens Fees
Golf Cart
Lunch and Dinner
Prizes
Contests



We encourage early paid registration due to limited capacity.



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

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10:30AM

Registration
Open Driving Range
Silent Auction Open

11:00AM

Buffet Lunch

12:00PM

Shotgun Start
Putting Contest (During Play)

5:30PM

Buffet Dinner
Program
Silent Auction

Your Name

Company/Sponsor Name

Address

Phone Number

Email

Sign up to golf

- ☐ \$90 | I am registering to golf as an individual to play in a random foursome
- ☐ \$360 | I am registering a foursome

Other Player's Names

OR Become a tournament sponsor

- ☐ **Head Sponsor | \$3,000**
Hole sponsor, signage, print publicity, web banner, two foursomes
- ☐ **Heart Sponsor | \$1,000**
Hole sponsor, signage, print publicity, web banner, foursome
- ☐ **Hands Sponsor | \$500**
Hole sponsor, signage, recognition, web banner
- ☐ **Health Sponsor | \$300**
Hole sponsor, signage, recognition

Other Options

- ☐ **Buffet Dinner | \$30**
- ☐ **Donate a silent auction, door prize or monetary gift**
Item and approximate value:



Please mail check and registration form(s) payable to
Northwest 4-H Golf Classic
1960 8th Ave, Baldwin WI 54002
RSVP by May 21st, 2021

ST. CROIX COUNTY FAIR



Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed to help with all aspects of the County Fair (judging helpers, ticket takers and wristbands for special events, building monitors) If you or your family have a few hours to spare your help is appreciate. To volunteer contact Gail Maier, Fair Board President

mmaiergail@aol.com



You Can Help Promote the Fair!

Do you know that word of mouth is the best way to get the word out? Do you have friends or neighbors that have never attended the St. Croix County Fair? Do you have neighbors that don't even know about 4-H or the County Fair? Why not make a special effort to stop, visit about 4-H and the fair and invite them to attend! It would be great to have more people exposed to the wonderful fair we have.

Please do invite your neighbors to join us July 17-21 at the St. Croix County Fair!!!



COMMUNITY SERVICE!! SOCIALIZATION!! CREATIVITY!!

Promote the Fair Contest Entries due June 27, 2021



All 4-H Clubs, FFA, FHA and other organized youth groups in St. Croix County are invited to participate in the Promote the Fair Sign Contest. This is a great opportunity for major Community Service as well as an outlet to showcase and display creative talents while spreading the word about the St. Croix County Fair! Signs promoting the fair may be put up in any prominent indoor/outdoor location in the County. Be sure to get property owners permission!

Prizes: 1st Place -\$125, 2nd- \$100, 3rd-\$75. Every road sign/road display will receive \$50 (up to two per organization), and posters will receive \$15 (one per organization), although each organization may put up an unlimited number of posters.

Signs must be in place no later than end of day, Sunday, June 27, 2021 and remain up through July 18, 2021.

Any material may be used for the road sign, so be creative! The sign can be any size, keeping in mind bright colors and large print have the best visibility. The sign must be easily seen by the public as they are passing by (most often in a vehicle at moderate speed) and must be in a prominent location (intersections, lot corners, town entrances, building walls, etc.).

The Rules are simple:

1. The display must include **ALL** of the following words:

St. Croix County Fair; Glenwood City, WI; and Dates of the Fair.

2. Be in a prominent location
3. Any type of material or size
4. Be easily seen by the public.

Along with the Name of your club or organization, contact person with phone number, email, and exact direction to the location of your display must be sent, emailed or phoned in by June 27, 2021 to Cindy Croes Olson, ccroes88@gmail.com; 651-470-1581.

ST CROIX COUNTY SUPERSTAR PIE EXHIBITOR CONTEST

Who loves to bake pies? Who will be the first St. Croix County Superstar Pie Exhibitor? In conjunction with the Wisconsin State Fair, we are excited to announce A Superstar Pie Exhibitor Contest to be held during our fair. (See winner details below). Judging will be **Sunday, July 18 at 1:00 p.m.** at Croix Court (Tent B). Start Wisconsin Dreamin' to create an amazing Wisconsin pie that will make our County proud!

New! 2021 Wisconsin County Fair Pie Classic

Saturday, August 14, 2021

Sponsored by the Wisconsin State Fair

Entry Information:

Entry deadline: July 20, 2021

Contest drop-off: Saturday, August 14, 2021, 7:30 – 8:30 am

Contest judging: Saturday, August 14, 2021, 10:30 am – 12:30 pm

Contest location: Grand Champion Hall

Serving Size: One standard pie



Each County or District Fair can advance one pie superstar to the statewide 2021 Wisconsin County Fair Pie Classic on Saturday, August 14, 2021.

Now is the time to start Wisconsin Dreamin' and create an amazing Wisconsin pie that makes your County or District proud.

Participating County or District Fairs can nominate their pie superstar entry from:

- the winner of the pie contest held at this year's County or District Fair if held prior to the July 20, 2021 deadline.
- the exhibitor who had the most blue ribbons in the pie competition at the last County or District Fair held.

Each County or District Fair who nominates a superstar pie exhibitor to compete (and they compete) will receive two complimentary Wisconsin State Fair admission tickets and one parking pass valid for Saturday, August 14, 2021. See attached nomination form.

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Awards provided by Wisconsin State Fair:

1st – \$200.00 2nd – \$100.00 3rd – \$50.00 4th – \$25.00

Score Card for Wisconsin County Fair Pie Classic

Taste	40
Use of Wisconsin ingredients	35
Creativity	25
TOTAL	100

Class #

2021. Wisconsin County Fair Pie Classic

SEEKING FAIREST OF THE FAIR!

The St. Croix County Fair is searching for the next **Fairest of the Fair!** The position of St. Croix County Fairest of the Fair is a scholarship program in which the purpose is to be the public relations professional of the fair as well as an ambassador for the agriculture and fair industry. The Fairest will attend: county parades to invite and promote the St. Croix County Fair, complete community service projects, maintain social media accounts under the St. Croix County Fairest of the Fair, and attend the Wisconsin Association of Fairs Convention for four days in the Wisconsin Dells as a candidate for the Wisconsin Fairest of the Fairs. The St. Croix County Fairest of the Fair is expected to have professional attire when promoting the St. Croix County Fair and may have to travel outside of the county to promote the fair as well.

The position of the St. Croix County Fairest of the Fair is a one-year term position that is open for either male or female candidates. Applicants must be eighteen years or older prior to January 1 the year the applicant applies with no age limit of contestants. Finally, applicants must be a resident of St. Croix for a minimum of one year prior to submitting an application. Contestants for the position of St. Croix County Fairest of the Fair must also find a business to sponsor them in the candidacy for Fairest of the Fair with a onetime fee of \$200.

Applications for Fairest of the Fair can be found on the St. Croix County Fair website at stcroixcofair.com under the Fairest of the Fair tab. All applications are due **June 10th** to Kaitlin Konder at kaitlinkonder13@yahoo.com. We are looking forward to see who this year's candidates will be and to a wonderful St. Croix County Fair!



The position of the **St. Croix County Junior Fairest of the Fair** is to create and build interest in the St. Croix County Fairest program. Applicants for the Junior Fairest position must be between the ages of ten and twelve, live in St. Croix County or show at the St. Croix County Fair a minimum of one year prior to applying, and have a love for the fair! Junior Fairest are not required to attend all of the functions of the Fairest but are required to have a parent or legal guardian at each event attended. Applications for Junior Fairest of the Fair can be found on the St. Croix County Fair website at stcroixcofair.com under the Fairest of the Fair tab, and are due **July 1st** to Kaitlin Konder at kaitlinkonder13@yahoo.com.

Cake Decorating and Food Revue

Cake Decorating and Foods Revue Judging: **Saturday, June 12, 2021** at St. Mary's Church in Hammond. Make sure you sign up for these on your fair entry form. After fair entries close, an email will be sent to all those who are entered with a judging time and more information.



Clothing Revue:

Clothing Revue will be held on **Thursday, June 17, 6:00 PM** at the Roberts Park Building. Clothing Revue is open to members in the Clothing, Knitting and Crocheting Projects as well as the Exploring Project and Cloverbud members. Important details for Clothing Revue are listed below:

1. Complete Fair Entry
2. Complete the Clothing Revue Description sheet and bring with you to Clothing Revue.
3. Bring your lawn chairs. If the weather is good, the event will be outside.
4. Bring your masks if rain is predicted as we will be indoors.

We look forward to seeing you at Clothing Revue. If you have questions, please contact Eileen at eileen.vandyk@wisc.edu.



Fair Clean up & Set up Day : Wednesday, July 7

Your 4-H Club is needed to help make a successful County Fair. It's a lot of work but it also a lot of fun! Please check in at the fair office for an assignment. Call the Fair office for more information: (715) 749-3442

4-H Food Stand

Just as we are starting to get back to normal, so is the food stand for the fair. We are going to be open, but asking for fewer helpers. We just sent the sign up sheet to the club leaders and we have many slots open. Some changes to the menu are: only chocolate and vanilla malts, no beans, no pulled pork, no root beer floats and no banana splits. We will still have the majority of the menu items: brats, hot dogs, corn, chicken, etc.

We are going to try to run with only 10-12 people from a club at \$50/hour. The committee will be there to help also. We are asking that half of the workers be over 16 and no one under the age of 10. We understand that the younger youth love to help, but we need to keep the numbers down inside the stand this year. If any of the committees would like to work it might be possible since we need a smaller crew. Check with your clubs/committees to see if it works for you.

We will be sending out the expectations and job descriptions when we get closer to the fair. Contact Debbie at dstevens@somerset.k12.wi.us or 715-684-9696 if interested in a shift.

We would like to thank all of the clubs who have signed up: Baldwin Wide Awake, Bellringers, Dry Run Go Getters, North Country, Riverside, Sunnyside Shamrocks and Tri-River Voyagers.



Remember that the money we make in the food stand supports the county 4-H programs: scholarships, trips, Wisconsin Tour, County Softball program, 4-H Camp, the Mini Talent Explosion, 4-H Leader pins and plaques, the Living Memorial Award, the Friend of 4-H Award and many other activities. Each year some of the funds also go towards 4-H Fair improvements. **So by helping in the 4-H Food Stand you are helping the 4-H program. You are in a sense giving back to 4-H because 4-H has been giving to you.**

Food Stand Committee

St. Croix County Fair Seeking Commercial Exhibitors

The St. Croix County Fair Association is seeking businesses interested in securing space for Commercial Exhibits during the 2021 St. Croix County Fair. This year's fair will be held July 14-18, The county fair offers the opportunity for businesses to promote products and services that demonstrate the richness and variety of what St. Croix County has to offer.

Indoor Commercial exhibitor space offers electricity upon request and complimentary Wi-Fi. Outdoor Commercial exhibit areas offer large, open, and level spaces with electricity available.

Located in the picturesque, Western Wisconsin community of Glenwood City, the St. Croix County fair is the only countywide community event held in St. Croix County. Every July thousands of individuals and families attend this "Great Community Event" to share their talents, meet and socialize, to entertain and be entertained, and to enjoy the traditional county fair atmosphere. This year's theme is "Moovin & Groovin" at the St. Croix County Fair" and we would be thrilled to have your business be a part of the St. Croix County Fair. For more information on becoming a vendor, or just visiting our fair, please visit <http://stcroixcofair.com>.

FRIENDS OF THE FAIR

Friends of the St. Croix County Fairgrounds

A big thank you from Friends to all who contributed to the 2021 St. Croix Valley Give Big Campaign. Together with the proceeds from the sale of Sky Zone tickets, donations exceeded \$1,000 qualifying for the two \$1,000 matches!! Our total for the Give Big Campaign is \$3,000, a big boost to our 2021 fundraising goal.

Sky Zone tickets are still available. The tickets are for the Oakdale location, 595 Hale Ave. N. The price of the tickets is \$20 with \$6 going to Friends of the St. Croix County Fairgrounds. To purchase tickets contact Elizabeth Hesselink at (715) 781-3863 or ehesselink@clwarriors.org.



Announcing the 2021 Maytober Sale: The sale will again be hosted by Smith Auctions. Bidding will begin 15 days ahead of the close date, Wednesday, November 3rd. This is a charity auction with all proceeds going to Friends of the St. Croix County Fairgrounds to be used towards retiring the loan on the Multi-species Livestock Barn.

How can you help:

1. Donate items that can be sold – literally anything that would have value to others – suggested \$25 or more. We will also accept consigned items with a fair market value of \$500 or more.
2. Participate in the bidding which will close at 6 p.m. November 3rd. To bid, you must set up an account with Smith Auctions www.smith-auctions.com.
3. To make a donation or consignment, contact either Chris Libbey (651) 247-0395 or Terry Mitchell (715) 619-0442. To be in the sale, we would greatly appreciate receiving both donations and consigned items by October 1st.

We will again be holding a meat raffle. Currently we have two mixed beef quarters donated by Les Langness with processing donated by Ross's Locker, Glenwood City. We are still looking for the donation of a pig. Watch for Raffle details in future communications.

Friends will continue to be creative in its fund raising efforts with the focus on remote events to the greatest extent. Our funding priority is keeping our commitment to retire the loan on the new Multi-species Livestock Barn. We have already made good progress and thank all of you have donated, participated in our auctions or purchased raffle tickets.

Please keep tuned as Friends works through our 2021 fund raising projects. Please feel free to contact Friends' Board Members with your suggestions – all ideas are welcome.

Contact phone #: (651) 247-0395 Chris Libbey

CURRENT CONVERSATIONS: YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH SERIES

Youth grades 9-12 please register for our series featuring in-depth and meaningful conversations on topics related to youth mental health.

Register on the VLC website Virtual Learning Community – Wisconsin 4-H or in 4Honline under Events. Registration closes June 14.

This is a series where young people will build community across the state and practice supporting each other in deep conversations.

The first session will be on anxiety and the following session topics will be directed by what is important to participants.



Attention Shooting Sports Families: Two Great Opportunities

Eau Claire Area Adult Certification: Saturday, June 26 – Archery & Air Rifle/Rifle certifications will be offered. Archery will be held at Mouldy's Archery at Chippewa Falls and Air Rifle/Rifle located at the Eau Claire Rod and Gun Club. Times for both locations will be 7:45AM to 5PM.

To register please visit: <https://fvi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4hshootingsports/certification-workshops/>

SHAWANO COUNTY 4-H SUMMER ALL-STAR SHOOTOUT JULY 9 & 10

A special 2021 event is planned July 9 & 10. Shawano County 4-H Shooting Sports is offering a Statewide Invitational 4-H Shooting Sports competition Friday evening and all-day Saturday.

A one-of-a-kind event for shooting sports families to reunite and celebrate a shot at getting back to normal. Events will be offered for Juniors, Intermediates and Seniors in the 4-H Shooting Sports age ranges.

Events Offered:

Muzzleloader, Shot Gun Trap, Shot Gun Hunt and Cover, .22 Rifle 3 Position, .22 Rifle Silhouette, .22 Pistol, Air Rifle, Air Pistol, FITA – Archery, Field – Archery, 3D – Archery, 150/300 Spot Round – archery, Wildlife Contest

Information and registration details will be posted soon at this link: <https://fvi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4hshootingsports/competitive-shoots-3/>



WISCONSIN 4-H SUMMER EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Upcoming Summer Educational Programs - As more guidance becomes available for summer programming, we are doing our best to plan and adapt.

Youth Conference - Our plan is to have a one-day, in-person Regional Youth Conference on Tuesday, August 17 for youth 7-12 grades. Plans are very tentative, but we are hopeful and have started to explore possible locations across the state. The goal is to have 4-6 sites around the state and the focus will be on post-secondary pathways and leadership development.

Virtual CWF - National 4-H Council is moving ahead with a Virtual CWF experience and we will be offering the opportunity to WI 4-H youth and providing some funding from a WI 4-H Foundation Grant. Registration information and program details will be e-mailed to all youth 9-12 grades the first week in May.

National 4-H Congress - As of today, the National 4-H Congress Board of Directors is planning on holding National 4-H Congress in Atlanta, GA at the end of November. We are not sure what that means for Wisconsin 4-H, but we are cautiously optimistic and hopeful that we will be able to travel and participate. Registration and any programming information that we have, will be e-mailed to all youth 10-12 grades the first week in May and we will keep you updated as additional information becomes available.

WI 4-H International Program Updates - In continuing to work through and navigate COVID here in Wisconsin and around the country and world, ALL States 4-H International Exchange Programs (Inbound and Outbound) have been **cancelled** for this summer.

Our WI 4-H International Programs Team will continue to plan engaging and FUN cultural programs for our members and families. We are currently in the midst of our Winter/Spring Pen Pal Program with over 165 Wisconsin youth participating; writing and sharing culture with each other and with youth from Mexico, Costa Rica, New York State and Indonesia.

WISCONSIN STATE FAIR INFORMATION

WI State Fair Youth Exhibits - The WI State Fair Staff is committed to helping and supporting members and families through this year's exhibit and performance changes. Please reach out with any questions: entryoffice@wistatefair.com.

We are currently working with a volunteer and group of colleagues to possibly offer a **Virtual State Clothing Revue in June**. As soon as we have details and registration information, we will share it with you and members and leaders through 4H Online. A team of volunteers is also working on a WI State Fair Style Show for Sunday, August 15. More information to follow!!

Wisconsin State Fair Entries - Youth Expo at the Wisconsin State Fair is made up of project exhibits and performances from youth participants. Any Wisconsin youth ages 12-19 as of January 1 may submit an entry nomination. The nomination deadline is June 3, 2021.

Required Nomination Materials: Potential exhibitor must fill out his/her information, upload up to three digital photos (maximum photo size limit: 5 meg per photo) of each project being nominated and pay nomination fee of \$3 per project with a credit card. Nominated projects will be pre-screened on the basis of these materials. See suggestions at the end of the Entry Information regarding taking effective photos of projects.

For more information visit the Wisconsin State Fair Website at: <https://wistatefair.com/competitions/youth-expo/>

Entries will be open in late spring.

OTHER NEWS

Now accepting submissions!

BLUE RIBBON PROJECT CONTEST

Compeer Financial knows how much you love your fair. We appreciate the determination and dedication you put into your projects every year.

That is why we are proud to continue our Blue Ribbon Project contest. We want to recognize 4-H and FFA members who have been working hard all year on their projects.

Submit a picture of your project — from aerospace to woodworking and everything in between — and a brief description of how your project champions rural America.

Monetary prizes will be awarded in various categories based on age and location. Plus, the first 1,000 entries receive a free t-shirt.

Visit compeer.com/BlueRibbon to learn more, including submission details, rules and prizes.

Deadline for submissions:
JUNE 1, 2021

Submit essays and see full contest details at:
compeer.com/BlueRibbon



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Protect Turtles On The Move

Build A Nest Cage, Report Crossing Hotspots, Slow Down Near Wetlands

Many Wisconsin turtle species, like this snapping turtle, will soon be laying eggs.

With turtle nesting season soon underway, state conservation biologists and highway officials are joining forces to encourage Wisconsinites to hatch a brighter future for slow-moving, slow-growing turtles by taking a few simple steps.

Most of Wisconsin's 11 turtle species breed in late May through June and often cross roads to lay their eggs in nests on higher ground. Turtles getting run over by cars is a leading cause of the decline in turtle numbers in Wisconsin. The predation of turtle nests by raccoons, skunks and coyotes is another major problem. Because some species – such as wood turtles and Blanding's turtles – take 12 to 20 years to reach reproductive maturity, the death of even one female turtle a year can take a big toll.

To protect turtle populations, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) are asking people to protect turtles on the move. Follow these protective actions from now through the end of June, when the nesting season ends:

- Drive with caution near wetlands and rivers. Slow down, be alert and reduce distractions.
- Report roadways where turtles are crossing or are dead on the road. Fill in the short online form on DNR's Wisconsin Turtle Conservation Program website. <https://wiatri.net/inventory/witurtles/>
- Build a nest cage to protect turtle eggs and later, hatchlings, if turtles are nesting on your property.

For the full news article go to: <https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/newsroom/release/44291>

Photo Credit: Wisconsin DNR



Tractor & Equipment Safety



WHAT: St. Croix County Agricultural Tractor/Equipment Safety Certification Class

WHEN: June 21, 22, 23, and 24th, 2021

TIME: Starting at 8 a.m. each morning and completed by 3:00 p.m. each day. Daily attendance is required.

WHERE: Baldwin High School Ag Ed Department Room 115

HOW: Complete a 28-hour class and pass both a written and driving test. This is a practical hands-on and academic week. Due to Covid-Masks required in the classroom.

WHO: All youth ages 12 & older working on any farm or business other than their parents. This is a Federal Employment Certificate for students 14 and older.

WHY: To become knowledgeable in operating Ag equipment. If you want to be able to drive a tractor on the road or for someone besides your parents you need to take this class. Farm Jobs, Nursery Jobs, anything with a tractor requires this permit.

COST: \$30.00 payable on June 21th for each student. This fee covers insurance, books, tractors, fuel, and facilities. **(A minimum of five students to run the class) Schools sending four or more students without a participating instructor will be charged \$200 to cover the need to pay for a trained instructor.** This is payable to: SCC FFA.

LUNCH: Students will need to pack a lunch daily to eat at the high school.

PERMISSION SLIPS: You **MUST** have parental permission slips signed and returned on Tuesday morning, June 22, to drive tractors. The slips are available on the first day of class.

TRANSPORTATION: You will need to set up transportation to Baldwin-Woodville High School on your own.

INFORMATION: Contact Michelle Kamm, Baldwin-Woodville Ag Instructor, 715-684-3321 Ex 4119
OR Bill Emery, St. Croix Central Ag Instructor, 715-796-5383 Ext. 145;

PHOTO/VIDEO SHOOT OPPORTUNITY:

My name is Ellie and I work with SixSpeed, an advertising agency in Minneapolis.

We are working on a photo/video shoot near Ellsworth, WI for Polaris and are looking for farmers in/around the area to be our talent for the shoot (June 14/15). I am specifically looking for black or latinx farmers between the ages of 25 - 55. Families are also a plus!

Thanks so much!

Ellie Moonen [she/her/hers] - Producer
C: 763-516-1278 | O: 952-767-3464



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