# MORROW COUNTY 4-H NEWS LETTER

# Spring 2024 Update:

Hi All,

As enrollment comes to a close I am excited to announce that Morrow County has over 200 members and 50 volunteers! I started this journey in October and have been so impressed by the level of commitment and support that this program has. I can't wait to see what we can all accomplish together!

Spring is just around the corner, many clubs and members are already busy with projects; whether it is preparing your steer for weigh in, gentling those dairy heifers, perfecting those recipes, capturing photos or learning a new skill! Don't forget to reach out to your club leaders for help. Brett and I are also available to you as an additional resource for questions or concerns regarding your project.

We have been busy planning field days for livestock, dog and horse and plan to add more educational opportunities for members and their families in the future. Five enthusiastic young people have been selected for this year's ambassador team! We will announce them soon. We are officially off and rolling into the busy season of 4-H!

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DATE	EVENT	ELIGIBILITY
March 1st	Threemile Canyon Farms – Heifer Check-In	Participants
March 2nd	Morrow County Fair Beef Weigh-In	MoCo Steer Exhibitors
March 5th	Morrow County 4-H Association Meeting	Board Members
March 5th	Volunteer and Leader Meeting	Approved Volunteers
March 16th	We Bit O' Ireland – Heppner Parade	
March 25th – 28th	Umatilla Co. Livestock Quality Assurance	All Livestock Members
April 2nd	Morrow County 4-H Association Meeting	Board Members
April 7th	Camp Counselor Training	Camp Counselors
April 9th-11thth	Oregon 4-H Staff Conference	Morrow County Faculty/Staf
April 15th	Horse Field Day	Horse Exhibitors
April 19th – 24th	National 4-H Conference	Selected Delegates
April 26th – 28th	Oregon Spring Classic	Qualifying County Participan
May TBD	4-H Camp Registration	4th – 6th grade
May TBD	George Miller Scholarship & 4-H Assoc. Scholarship Due	Graduating Seniors
May 1st	Horse Registration DUE	Horse Exhibitors
May 7th	Morrow County 4-H Association Meeting	Board Members
May 7th	Volunteer and Leader Meeting	Approved Volunteers
May 15th	OSU Summer Conference Registration	
May 17th	Threemile Canyon Farms Heifer Project – Heifer Check-In	Participants
May 18th	Beef, Goat, Sheep and Swine Field Day	Livestock Exhibitors
May 27th	OSU Offices Closed	
June 1st	Dog Registration DUE	Dog Exhibitors
June 1st - 2nd or 8th	Morrow County Fair Weigh-In	Goat/Sheep/Swine Exhibitor
June 4th	Morrow County Association Meeting	Board Members
June 5th – 8th	Eastern Oregon Livestock Show	EOLS Exhibitors
June 8th-9th	Camp Counselor Training	Camp Counselors
June 15th	Dog Field Day	Dog Exhibitors
June 17th – 19th	State Shooting Sports Contest	Eligible Members
June 19th	OSU Offices Closed	
June 26th – 29th	OSU Summer Conference	7th -12th grade
June 20th	MoCo Fair Registration – OPEN June 20th – July 10th	MoCo Fair Participants
July 2nd	Morrow County Association Meeting	Board Members

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July 10th – 13th	Tri County 4-H Camp	Eligible Members
July 10th	MoCo Fair Registration DUE – NO Late Registration Accepted	MoCo Fair Participants
July 24th	Pre – Fair: Presentations	Eligible Members
July 27th	Morrow County Horse Show	Horse Exhibitors
July 30th	Morrow County Association Meeting	Board Members
July 30th	Volunteer and Leader Meeting	Approved Volunteers
August 3rd	Morrow County Fair Clean-up	ALL
August 12th	Morrow County Fair Static Entry Drop Off	Static Exhibitors
August 14th	Morrow County Fair Livestock Weigh-In	Livestock Exhibitors
August 14th – 18th	Morrow County Fair	ALL
August 18th	Fair Cleanup – Livestock & Static Exhibits Released	MoCo Fair Participants
August 19th – 23rd	Morrow County 4-H Extension – Out of Office	
Aug 23rd – Sept 2nd	Oregon State Fair	
September 2nd	OSU Offices Closed	
September 3rd	Morrow County Association Meeting	Board Members
September 13th	Record Book Work Party	ALL
September 20th	Year End Club Forms DUE	Contact Club Volunteer
September 20th	Record Books Due – NO Late Submissions	ALL
Sept 20th – 21st	Pendleton Jr. Livestock Show	ALL
October 1st – 7th	National 4-H Week	ALL
October 1st	2025 Leader & Volunteer Enrollment – OPEN	Eligible Volunteers
October 15th	2025 Member Enrollment – Open	
October 20th	Achievement Awards	ALL
October 20th	Annual Morrow County Association Meeting	ALL*
November 5th	Morrow County Association Meeting	Board Members
November 5th	Volunteer and Leader Meeting	Current & Interested Volunteers
November 11th	OSU Offices Closed	
Nov 28th – 29th	OSU Offices Closed	
December 3rd	Morrow County Association Meeting	Board Members
December 9th – 12th	Oregon Extension Annual Conference	Morrow County Faculty/Staff
December 25th	OSU Offices Closed	

# **%**How to connect with us

## Our Goals:

- 1. Have clear lines of communication
- 2. Update members regularly
- 3. Same info available on multiple platforms

#### Find us at:

- extension.oregonstate.edu/4h/morrow
- facebook.com/MORROW4H
- On Instagram @morrow\_co4h
- sportYou

#### sportsYou



You've been invited to join

#### **Morrow County 4-H**

Use your unique access code below and follow the instructions.

# Access Code V9XY-3AZ7

#### Join via Website

#### **New Users**

- From your computer, phone, or tablet, visit sportsyou.com
- 2. Click Get Started and enter your email
- 3. Go to your email and click **Confirm Your Email**
- 4. Click **Enter Access Code** to enter code, then finish setting up your account

#### **Existing Users**

- From your computer, phone, or tablet, go to sportsyou.com and log in
- 2. In left column, click Join Team/Group.
- 3. Click **Enter Access Code** to enter code, then **Join Team** or **Join Group**

#### Join via App

#### **New Users**

- On mobile device download sportsYou app from the App Store (iOS) or Google Play Store (Android)
- 2. Open the sportsYou app and tap Create Account
- Tap Enter Access Code to enter code, then finish set up

#### **Existing Users**

- 1. On mobile device log in
- 2. In bottom tray, tap Teams/Groups
- 3. Tap blue + button, then tap Join Team/Group
- 4. Enter access code and click Join

# on sportYou Morrow County 4-H is now

# **#Office Hours:**

# We are availible:

Office Open: Monday - Thursday 8:00 - 5:00

Brett's Hours: Monday, Wednesday - Thursday 8:00 - 3:00

Makenzi's Hours: Available by Phone or Appointment

Monday - Friday 8:00 - 5:00

\*please be aware we are a small team, unforeseen circumstances may result in closure during regular hours. We are very sorry if we miss you!

#### Morrow County Ext. Office:

Hours: Monday - Thursday 8:00 - 5:00

Phone: 541-676-9642 Address: 54173 Hwy 74,

P.O. Box 397 Heppner, OR 97837

#### How to reach Makenzi:

Makenzi is working in and out of the office, please call ahead before swinging by. She'd hate to miss you.

makenzi.evans@oregonstate.edu 541-969-5022

#### How to reach Brett:

You can find Brett at the front desk in the office on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays! Her schedule is subject to change based on the needs of the 4-H Program.

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Our new
Administrative Office
Manager will be
joining us in June! As
always, your patience
and understanding
during times of
transition is
appreciated.

# **%**Need to Know:

## Tri-County 4-H Camp:

4-H camp has new dates! Camp is July 10th-13th. As always, camp is open to all current 4th-6th graders in Gilliam, Wheeler & Morrows Counties. Be on the look out for information regarding registration.

## Canine Infectious Respiratory Disease Complex:

Recently, we are hearing much about something Oregon Veterinary Medical Association (OVMA) is referring to as "Atypical Canine Infectious Respiratory Disease." According to (Oregon Department of Agriculture, (ODA) the reported cases are falling into 3 general categories:

- Chronic mild-moderate tracheobronchitis with a prolonged duration (6-8 weeks or longer). This has been minimally or not responsive to antibiotic.
- Chronic pneumonia that 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 is emphasizing caution. Encouraging 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 recommend keeping your dogs at home. Practice quality bio-security; no dog parks, no fun matches, if you can, find a way to not board your dogs or send them to "doggy daycare." Check with your groomer 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 about diagnosis, contact your local veterinarian; other questions, don't hesitate to reach out:

Candi.Bothum@oregonstate.edu or 541-516-0213

### Livestock Members Resource:

Visit https://extension.oregonstate.edu/4h/linn/animal-science to find all kinds of great information; videos, packets and more! Did you know Morrow County has 7 different Learning Lab kits? Give us a call and come check them out!





# Spring Weigh In:

#### Morrow Co. Fair 4-H & FFA Market Steer:

Weigh in will be held Saturday, March 2nd, 2024 Morrow County Fairgrounds, Heppner 8:00-9:30 am Philippi Ranches, Boardman 11:00-12:30pm

## Morrow Co. Fair 4-H & FFA Market Sheep, Goat & Swine:

Weigh in will be held June 2nd or June 8th, 2024 Please be on the look out for more information. We hope to have sheep shearing available.

If a member is unable to attend the spring weigh in, the 4-H Office must be notified ahead of time. Market animals can be weighed one week prior to or one week after the scheduled spring weigh in, if arrangements have been made in advance.

All male market animals must be castrated prior to spring weigh in.

# Field Days:



## Horse Field Day: April 14th, at 10:00 am

Join us for a fun filled learning opportunity with Linda Ware at the Wilkinson Arena. All levels of experience welcomed! Contact Makenzi for more information. Registration will be available soon.

## Beef, Sheep, Goat and Swine Field Day: May 18th

A species specific event outlining nutritional needs, showmanship and best practices. Location is yet to be determined. Please watch for more information!

## Dog Field Day: June 15th, at 8:30 am

Lisa Cooper will be coming to Heppner! She plans to focus on Rally Obedience, Obedience and Showmanship. This is a great learning opportunity for our Dog members. Registration information will be available soon.







## Leaders Meeting: March 5th, 6:30 @ SAGE Center

Check the schedule for upcoming meetings and important dates! Leaders Meetings are held every other month, alternating between gathering at the Extension Office and the SAGE Center.







