



CLATSOP COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER

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Welcome Craig Presar!

Craig Presar brings more than two decades of experience in youth development, Extension programming, and community-based education, with a career rooted in small communities where relationships matter and hands-on learning makes a difference. He's spent those years working alongside volunteers, families, and local partners to build programs that fit both the place—and the people—he serves.

Over nearly twenty years with West Virginia University Extension, Craig served as a 4-H Youth Development Extension Agent, leading programs reaching hundreds of youth and volunteers each year. His work has included youth agriculture and livestock programming, STEM and environmental education, public speaking, outdoor learning, and 4-H Shooting Sports—often with a focus on hands-on experiences and the occasional “let’s try this and see how it goes” moment.

Volunteer development has been central to his work. Craig has recruited, trained, and supported both adult and teen volunteers to lead clubs, camps, and specialty programs, while also providing long-time leadership for residential 4-H camp programs and staff teams.

Craig is excited to be part of the Clatsop County Extension community and looks forward to building on its strong foundation alongside local volunteers and partners.

Fun fact: Craig is excited to trade Appalachian hills for coastal forests and ocean views—and to learn just how many kinds of “rain” there really are in Clatsop County.



Important Updates

4-H (New Member) Enrollment Due April 30th

New members may enroll until April 30th and still show at fair. Leaders must also be registered by April 30th to get a wristband at fair. Lori will email families and club leaders at the beginning of April with the projects you currently have. Call the office for any additions- Last day to add projects is April 30th.

Animal Leases and Horse Declarations Due April 15th

YQCA Training Requirements

YQCA

- Good for 3 Years

Livestock & Multi Species Members


Must Complete the full YQCA course:

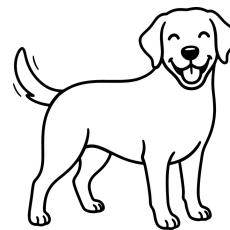
- Online training is available anytime at yqcaprogram.org (\$12 fee).
- In-person trainings:
 - register at yqcaprogram.com
 - April 23rd at 5:30 PM (Clubhouse)
 - May 30th at 10:00 AM (Clubhouse)
 - We have coupons for in person trainings at the extension office
- Complete the pre-test, attend the class, and take the post-test.
- Email a screenshot of your certificate to alisabeth.clark@oregonstate.edu.
- Be sure to watch the help video before creating an account: yqcaprogram.org/local/help-desk.php
- Leaders and Cloverbuds are not required to take YQCA.



Dog & Small Animal Members

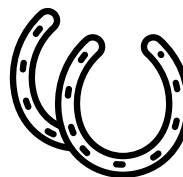
(Applies to Dogs, Rabbits, Poultry, Companion Pets and Exotics)

- Alternative Quality Assurance and Ethics SMALL ANIMAL
 - May 14th 2026 6:00pm-7:30pm
 - No Charge
 - Zoom
 - <https://extension.oregonstate.edu/4h/events/alternative-quality-assurance-ethics-small-animal-0>
 - Here is the link to get to the zoom 
- Other Options Include
 - Online or In person YQCA Course



Horse Members

- Alternative Quality Assurance & Ethics Horse
 - May 27th
 - 6:00pm-7:30pm
 - No Charge
 - Zoom
 - <https://extension.oregonstate.edu/4h/events/alternative-quality-assurance-ethics-horse> Link to get to the zoom
- Other Options In person or online YQCA



Upcoming Events



4-H exhibitor guide design contest



Submit your design to the Extension Office by April 15th.

This year's fair theme is "Neon Nights and Carnival Lights," with neon colors. Designs may be hand-drawn or computer-generated and must include the 4-H logo while following the fair theme.

Members, volunteers, and parents can all participate.

Drop Designs off at the extension office or email them to alisabeth.clark@oregonstate.edu

April 11th Rabbit Workshop (Clubhouse)

- Clubhouse
- 10am-3pm
- Bring a Sack Lunch
- Ages 9-19
- Call 503-325-8573 to register

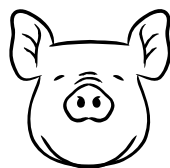


June 27th Photography Workshop

- 10:00am-1:00pm
- Clubhouse
- Call to register 503-325-8573
- Open to 25 members
- Traditional Age

May 2 Spring Weigh In

- Clatsop County Fairgrounds Gravel Parking Lot
- For Market Pigs, Sheep & Goats (Sheep & Goats Must have a Scrapie Tag)
- 7am -Noon



Skills contest June 18th at Jewell school

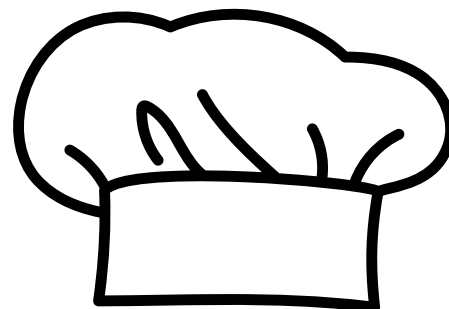
The 4-H Home Economics Skills Contest is coming up, and we want to see your talents in action! This is a great opportunity to showcase your skills in food preparation, Mini Meal, Sewing and Knitting, all while competing in a fun and supportive environment.

- Food preparation: Make and present a dish using specific skills
- Mini Meal: Create a balanced meal with a main dish
- Sewing: complete a project using patterns and stitching
- Knitting: Knit an item following a pattern
- Home Ec. Judging: Rank items based on quality and suitability

Sign up by June 10th to participate!

Call the office to Sign Up 503-325-8573

For more details email alisabeth.clark@oregonstate.edu



Clatsop News



Congratulations to the class of 2026!



Ella Brenden

Gavin Jasper

Theia McCarthy

Titus Cano

Kailey Kelly

Chloe Nelson

Carly Corder

Connor Leavitt

Dakota Ogier

Dinah Cummings

Mylie Lempea

Saphira Pietila

Lyndel Edwards

Anmaree Lilley

Kiya Roe

Payton Hall

Emily Martinez

Robert Sorber

Taeler Hanseth

Ethan Martinez

Devon Sturgell

Jocelyn Tarabochia

If there is any additional graduates, please contact us ASAP!



4-h Leaders Center

Club Banners

Show your club pride by making a 2'x3' banner to display at the fair! Each Banner must include your club name and a 4" 4-H Clover on a stable fabric like felt (avoid heavy materials). Edges should be finished by stitching, gluing, or using bias tape. Add a 30" dowel for hanging. Banners can be sewn, glued, or assembled however your club prefers. Sewing machines are available at the Clubhouse if needed. Let's get every club represented! Contact the Extension Office for help or supplies.



Fair Deadline Information

April 15th

Horse Declarations and all animal leases are Due!

May 11th

All Shotgun and Rifle members Record Books are Due. County Shoot will be on May 16th

June 17th

All Record Books, Paper Fair Entries and Pen and stall request are due to the extension office by 6:00pm

June 18th -
24th

Leaders will have a chance to review classes their members have signed up for and call or drop off any changes to the extension Office by June 25th. Club Leaders need to let us know of their club herds and club display if not already registered.

July 12th

Pen Set up and Water set Up. Starts at Noon and go till it is all complete. Bring gloves and a water bottle.

4-H Happening

Spring into Arts



Winter Dog Show



Presentations

Record Books

Member Requirements

to submit by June 17th

What to include in your 4-H Resume:

(Optional for Cloverbuds)

Personal information

- Name, Age, Club name, Years in 4-h

4-H Projects & Skills Learned

- List project areas and specific skills gained (e.g., “Learned Livestock care and showmanship” or “Improved sewing techniques”)

Leadership and community services

- Include club officer roles, mentoring younger members, and volunteer activities (e.g., Food drives, fair clean-up)

Presentations & Public Speaking

- list any demonstrations, speeches, or contests you've participated in and any awards received

Awards & Fair Participation

- Mention fair ribbons, special awards, and scholarships

Additional 4-H Involvement

- camps, workshops, fundraising, or special programs

Must have one leadership, 1 community service, 1 presentation, 1 4-H activity outside of fair or a combination of these totaling 6

Tips for Success

- ✓ keep it updated throughout the year
- ✓ be specific about your skills and achievements
- ✓ Use bullet points for easy reading

Your Resume Helps track growth and prepares you for college, jobs, and scholarships.

Need Help? Call us at 503-325-8573





Animal Center

Mites in Pigs: What Every 4-H Member Should Know

If you're raising pigs for your 4-H project, keeping them healthy is one of your most important jobs. One common issue that many young producers encounter is mites. These tiny parasites can cause big problems if not recognized and treated early—but the good news is, they're manageable with proper care and attention.

What Are Mites?

Mites are microscopic parasites that live on or under a pig's skin. The most common type affecting pigs is the mange mite. It's important to note that they cannot be seen with the naked eye.

Signs to Watch For

These signs are often confused for sensitive skin or allergies, but those are rarely the cause in show pigs.

- Constant scratching or rubbing against fences, walls, or posts.
- Rash, redness, bumps, rough looking skin, especially on the underside – this is the most noticeable early sign.
- The rash will often spread up the side, neck, face and ears.
- Thick, crusty skin will develop with chronic cases.
- Slower growth and stress in severe cases, restlessness, overall discomfort.
- Secondary skin infections due to self-trauma from itching.

How Do Pigs Get Mites?

Mites spread easily through direct contact with other pigs. They can also be passed through contaminated equipment, bedding, or even from clothing if proper hygiene isn't followed. This is why biosecurity—keeping your animals and equipment clean—is so important in 4-H projects.

Why Mites Matter

Mites can affect your pig's overall health and performance. Because mites are contagious, pigs with active mite infestations will not be allowed at fair. Mange mites are also zoonotic – meaning they can transfer from pigs to humans and cause similar skin issues.

Prevention Tips

The best way to deal with mites is to prevent them in the first place:

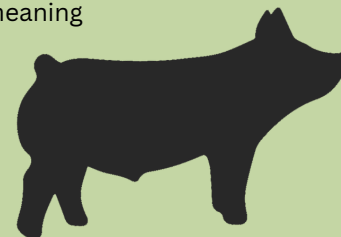
- Keep pens clean and dry
- Avoid sharing equipment between animals without cleaning it
- Isolate new pigs before introducing them to your herd
- Regularly check your pigs' skin for early signs

Treatment Options

Treatments include injections, pour-ons, or sprays. Mites frequently require multiple rounds of treatment to eradicate, so it is important to follow directions and complete the full course prescribed.

Please reach out to your leader, experienced club members, or your veterinarian for any questions or concerns regarding your pig. Happy pig raising

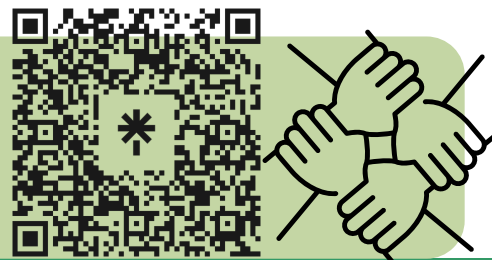
-Dr. Ramsey



Junior Super Application Due May 8th

This is a fun opportunity to take on a leadership role at Fair. Junior Superintendents assist animal and static superintendents in their duties, be a positive role model, help other youth, and make fair fun!

- Must be in grade 9-12
- Be available during fair
- Able to work as a team member and be dependable.
- Attend an interview and training session



Animal Center

Livestock Field Day

On Sunday, May 17th, the Livestock Advisory Committee will be hosting a Livestock Field Day. The day will include a nutrition session in the first half and a fitting and showmanship session in the second half.

The event will be held at the outdoor arena at the Clatsop County Fairgrounds. Species will include sheep, swine, meat goats, Dairy Goats, and beef.

More details will be shared in the weekly email—save the date now!



Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI)

HPAI continues to be detected across the state, and testing for waterfowl is now a permanent requirement. It is important that we have accurate numbers of waterfowl being brought to the fair so we can ensure the correct number of tests are available. Due to these restrictions, Cloverbuds will not be allowed to bring waterfowl this year.



Livestock Scale Rental

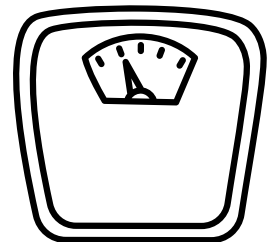
Livestock Scale rental available for only a one time fee of \$10 for the whole season

Step 1
Contact Lori
Tetlow
503-440-
7807

Step 2
Pick up the
Scale

Step 3
Use the
Scale then
Wash it

Step 4
Return the
scale
CLEAN!



Summer Camps

Summer Conference June 24th-27th 2026 Grade 7-12

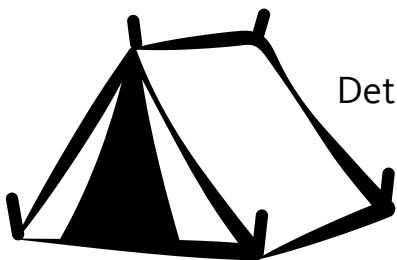
Summer Conference is a teen-led and teen-centered academic, career and leadership conference experience for Oregon 4-H. We've been doing this for over 100 years and we're ready to help you prepare for your future

At summer conference, Participants will listen to amazing speakers, choose from workshops covering everything from civic leadership to hand-tying flies and participate in activities like swimming star gazing and rock climbing!

Cost will be TBD

Registration Opens May 15th 2026 3pm

Details will be in weekly emails so watch for details on that.



Wild Rivers Camp Ages 9-13

Wildlife Stewards Camp Ages 8-12

Outdoor Adventure camp Ages 12-15

Kids Camp ages 8-12

For more details and to register go to this link

<https://beav.es/NwK>



Fair Info Guide

In May we will have a Fair Info guide at the office and online. This will contain all the fair things.





April

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11 Rabbit Wrokshop 10-3 clubhouse
12	13	14	15 Animal Leases and Horse Declorations	16	17	18 Bingo Fundraiser
19	20	21	22	23 YQCA 5:30 Clubhouse	24	25
26	27	28	29	30 New Member Enrollment Deadline	31 Last day to Add projects for fair	



May

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2 Spring Weigh In 7am-noon
3	4	5	6	7	8 Jr. supers Application Due	9
10	11 Record Books Due for Shotgun/Rifle	12	13	14	15	16 Shotgun/Rifle County Shoot
17 Livestock Nutition Day/showmans hip Fairgrounds Noon	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30 YQCA 10:00am Clubhouse

*All dates are subject to change. Please refer to Facebook, Friday Round-up emails, or call the office.



June

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

June Events:
 - June 10: Skills Contest Signup Deadline
 - June 17: Fair Entry day/ record books Pen and stall request YQCA must be completed
 - June 18: Skills Contest
 - June 22: Jr. Super Interviews 6:00pm 4-H Office
 - June 24-27: Summer Conference
 - June 27: Photography workshop 10-1
 - June 29: Super Meeting 6:00pm Fairgrounds



July

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

July Events:
 - July 11: Hall Prep Workshop
 - July 18: Stall Decorations
 - July 19: Move In Day!
 - July 20: Weigh In
 - July 25: Auction
 - July 26: Clean Up

2026 County Fair

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