



National 4-H Week | October 5-11

🎉🌟 It's National 4-H Week! 🌟🎉

A time to celebrate the incredible youth who are “learning by doing,” the dedicated volunteers who guide them, and the communities that make it all possible. From projects in the barn to creativity in the kitchen, and everything in between—4-H is about growing leaders, building skills, and having fun along the way. ❤️🐾

Record Book Judging

Don't forget! Record Books are due to the Extension Office by 5 pm on October 6 for optional judging. This is the moment for our 4-H members to shine and share the story of their year—goals set, skills learned, and milestones achieved. Judges will be recognizing not just the finished results, but the dedication and growth shown throughout the journey.



CC 4-H Enrollment is OPEN!

🌟🌟 Crook County 4-H Enrollment is officially OPEN! 🌟🌟 If you're ages 5-19 (as of Sept. 1, 2025), this is your chance to join the adventure! Enrollment is paper only—pick up forms at the Extension Office or print them from our [website](#) whenever it works best for you. We're excited to kick off another amazing year together! ❤️

Open House 10/07 5-7 PM

An evening of discovery awaits as we showcase the many opportunities 4-H offers youth ages 5-19. Meet our leaders, explore projects ranging from agriculture to the arts, and learn how your family can become part of a tradition rooted in growth, leadership, and community.

🌟 Please help us spread the word and invite friends, neighbors, and anyone curious about 4-H to join the celebration!

We look forward to welcoming you. ❤️

CC 4-H Recognition Night Cancelled

Unfortunately, the Crook County 4-H Recognition Night planned for October 16th will not be held this year due to low participation. While we won't be gathering in person, please know how much we value the time, effort, and achievements of our 4-H members and volunteers—you truly make our program shine

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- Healthy communities and economies
- Resilient and productive forests and natural ecosystems
- Sustainable agriculture, food systems, and gardening
- Thriving youth, individuals and families



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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 CC 4-H Open Enrollment Begins!	2 CC 4-H Association Meeting 5:30 pm Ext. Office	3	4
5	6 Record Books due for Judging 5 pm (optional)	7 CC 4-H Open House 5-7 PM Clover Bldg.	8	9	10	11
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12	13	14	15	16 CC 4-H Recognition Meeting CANCELLED	17	18
19	20	21	22	23 New Leader Training 5:30 PM Clover Bldg	24	25
26	27	28 New Volunteer Orientation 6-7:30 PM Zoom	29	30	31 HAPPY HALLOWEEN	



2025-2026 Crook County 4-H Calendar*



2025

Wed, October 1	4-H Enrollment Opens	Extension Office
Thur, October 2	4-H Association Meeting 5:30 pm	Extension Office
October 5-11	National 4-H Week	
Mon, October 6	Record Books Due for Judging (Optional) 5:00 pm	Extension Office
Tue, October 7	4-H Open House 5-7 pm	Clover Building
Thur, October 16	CANCELLED 4-H Recognition Night CANCELLED	CCFG Grizzly Mt. Pavilion
Thur, October 23	New Leader Training 5:30 pm	Clover Building
Tue, October 28	New Volunteer Orientation 6-7:30 pm	Zoom
Sat, November 1	Registration Open for High Desert Leadership Retreat	Online
Wed, November 5	4-H Association Mini Grant Application Deadline	Extension Office
Thur, November 6	4-H Association Meeting 5:30 pm	Extension Office
Tue, November 18	New 4-H Leader Training 5:30 pm	Clover Building
Tue, November 18	New 4-H Volunteer Orientation 6-7:30 pm	Zoom
November 24 & 25	Crook County 4-H Junior Days	Clover Building
Thur, December 4	4-H Association Meeting 5:30 pm	Extension Office
Tue, December 16	New Volunteer Orientation 6-7:30 pm	Zoom

2026

Thur, January 8	4-H Association Meeting 5:30 pm	Extension Office
January 16-19	High Desert Leadership Retreat	Eagle Crest Resort
Wed, January 21	New 4-H Volunteer Orientation 6-7:30 pm	Zoom
Thur, January 29	New 4-H Leader Training 5:30 pm	Clover Building
Mon, February 2	Crook County 4-H Enrollment Deadline 5:00 pm	Extension Office
Thur, February 5	New 4-H Family Orientation 5:30 pm	Clover Building
Thur, February 5	4-H Association Meeting 5:30 pm	Extension Office
Sat, February 7	Presentation Contest	COCC Prineville Open Campus
Sat, February 7	Crook/Jefferson County Horse Bowl 9:00 am	Clover Building
Tue, February 10	Livestock Skills & Bowl 5:30	Clover Building
Thur, February 12	Rabbit/Cavy Judging & Bowl 5:30 pm	Clover Building
Wed, February 18	Poultry Judging & Bowl 5:30 pm	Clover Building
Wed, February 18	New 4-H Volunteer Orientation 6-7:30 pm	Zoom
Sat, February 28	Horse Judging & Hippology 9:00 am	Crook County Fairgrounds

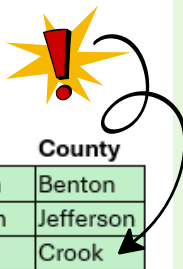
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March 1-15	Beef Tagging Done by Club Leaders	Home
Tue, March 3	ALL 4-H Leader & Volunteer Meeting 5:30 pm	Clover Building
Thur, March 5	4-H Association Meeting 5:30 pm	Extension Office
Sat, March 21	Dog Bowl & Judging Contest 9:00 am	Clover Building
March 23-27	4-H Camp Tumbleweed	Camp Tadmor
Wed, March 25	New Volunteer Orientation 6-7:30 pm	Zoom
Thur, April 09	4-H Benefit Auction	CC Indoor Arena
Sat, April 18	Tri-County Livestock Judging Contest 9:00 am	Jefferson County
April 19-25	National Volunteer Week (Thank you 4-H Leaders!)	
Fri, April 24	County College Scholarships Due (Last Fri. in April)	Extension Office
April 25-26	4-H Spring Classic	Deschutes County
May 1-2	Skills Contest	COCC Open Campus
Thur, May 7	4-H Association Meeting 5:30 pm	Extension Office
Tue, May 5	4-H Association Mini Grant Application Deadline 5 pm	Extension Office
May 16 & 17	Crook County 4-H Horse Leaders Open Show	Crook County Fairgrounds
May 1-15	Swine, Sheep & Goat Tagging Done by Club Leaders	Home
Sat, May 30	Fur & Feathers Youth Classic 4-H Small Animal Show	CCFG Grizzly Mt. Pavilion
June 1	Livestock Lease Paperwork Due 5:00 pm	Extension Office
Tue, June 2	ALL 4-H Leader & Volunteer Meeting 5:30 pm	Clover Building
Thur, June 4	4-H Association Meeting 5:30 pm	Extension Office
June 17-18	Tractor Safety Training	Jefferson Co.
June 25 & 30	Record Book Check-Ins 4-7:00 pm	Clover Building
Tue, June 30	ALL Fair Entries & Stall Count Forms Due (including Horse Fair) 5:00 pm	Extension Office
Thur, July 2	4-H Association Meeting 5:30 pm	Extension Office
Tue, July 7	Record Book Check-Ins 4-7:00 pm	Clover Building
July TBD	Archery Fair Shoot	CCFG Grizzly Mt. Pavilion
July 9-11	Crook/Jefferson Horse Fair	Crook County Fairgrounds
June TBD	4-H Summer Conference	Oregon State University
Tue, July 21	All Exhibitor Meeting 5:30 pm	CC Fairgrounds Indoor Arena
Fri, July 24	Breeding & Expressive Arts Scholarship Applications Due	Extension Office
August 3-9	Crook County 4-H Fair Activities	Crook County Fairgrounds
Sat, August 15	Club Annual Financial Statement Due	Extension Office
August 17-21	4-H Premium Payout (<i>Members must be present</i>)	Extension Office
Thur, September 3	4-H Association Meeting 5:30 pm	Extension Office

*Event dates/times subject to change. Visit our website for the most updated version: <https://extension.oregonstate.edu/program/4h/crook/events>
 Questions: 541-447-6228

2026 Oregon 4-H Shooting Sports National Team



Placement	Discipline	Last	First	County
1	Shotgun	Luke	Mason	Benton
2	Shotgun	Jacobs	Eazon	Jefferson
3	Shotgun	Havens	Finn	Crook
4	Shotgun	Andersen	Takoda	Curry

1	Recurve Archery	Peterson	Spencer	Marion
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1	Compound Archery	Wallace	Dalton	Clatsop
2	Compound Archery	Hennings	Katie	Umatilla
3	Compound Archery	Miller	Hannah	Clatsop
4	Compound Archery	Geil	Gary	Lincoln

These nine youth participated year-round in the Mail-In Shooting Sports Tournaments and the Oregon State Shooting Sports Contest to earn their spot on the 2026 Oregon 4-H National Team, which will travel to the 4-H National Championship in Grand Island, Nebraska, in late June 2026.

One of them is our very own Crook County member, Finn Havens! Congratulations, Finn — we're so proud of your hard work and dedication! 🎯👏

Join the Crook County 4-H Association Board!

The Crook County 4-H Association Board plays a vital role in supporting our members, events, and programs — and right now, we have vacancies! This is a fantastic opportunity to get involved, share ideas, and help shape the future of Crook County 4-H.

Whether you have a lot of time or just a little, your voice matters. Board members help with event planning, fundraising, and creating opportunities for youth to learn and grow.

Interested? Reach out to the Crook County Extension Office today to learn more about joining the board and making a difference!



4-H Projects Galore!

From the barnyard to the science lab, Crook County 4-H has something for every curious mind. Love animals? We've got you covered — beef, sheep, goats, swine, poultry, rabbits, dogs, horses 🐄🐑🐐🐷🐔🐰🐕🐎🐾 But the fun doesn't stop there — explore projects in photography, knit & crochet, woodworking, arts, public speaking, Shooting Sports and so much more. Whether you're raising a steer or creating a masterpiece, Crook County 4-H is the place to learn, grow, and make lifelong friends. ✨ Ready to start your adventure? Join Crook County 4-H today and find your perfect project!



Thank You Cards

A quick reminder to get those thank-you cards written for your buyers! A thoughtful card is a wonderful way to show appreciation and build lasting relationships for the future. It's not just good manners — it's a way to show respect for the time, effort, and support buyers give to your projects and to 4-H.

Let your buyers know you appreciate them! A sincere thank-you goes a long way.

Remember that enrollment must be complete before youth can take part in any club meetings or activities. This helps make sure every member is officially registered, prepared, and able to fully enjoy the benefits and experiences 4-H offers. Don't wait — complete your enrollment so you can join the fun!

Get Involved – Make a Difference!

Crook County 4-H isn't just about learning new skills and raising amazing projects — it's also about giving back to our community. Community service is a powerful way to share what we've learned, help others, and show the values of leadership, kindness, and responsibility.

Whether you're a member, leader, or family, your participation matters. Every hour of service makes a difference, builds stronger communities, and inspires others to give back too. Let's work together to make Crook County shine! ✨

- Volunteer at local events — fairs, parades, festivals, or school activities.
- Animal-related service projects — donate food/supplies to shelters, assist with animal rescue organizations, or visit nursing homes with therapy animals.
- Community clean-ups — parks, trails, or neighborhood areas.
- Food drives — organize a canned food or supply drive for local food banks.
- Assist at senior centers — help with activities, gardening, or hosting special events.



Discover Your Next Adventure – Join an Open 4-H Club

Crook County 4-H has a variety of open clubs ready for new members! These clubs offer exciting opportunities to explore different projects, build valuable skills, and make lifelong friends. Please note that all clubs require leader approval before joining, so be sure to connect with club leaders to learn more and get started.

- Crooked River Crafty Critters (Multi-Species)
- Colossal Canines (Dog)
- Fair Wether Goat Club (Goat)
- Country Critters (Multi-Species)
- Buckles & Boots (Horse)
- Calvary Riders (Horse)
- Fowl Play (Poultry, Rabbit, Static)
- Juniper Turkeys (Poultry)
- CC Rabbit Rustlers (Rabbit)
- Barnyard Shuffle (Sheep)
- Prine-Swine (Swine)
- Powell Butte Livestock (Swine)
- Pork-N-Beans (Swine)
- Crooked River Goat Club (Goat)
- Crook County Top Guns
- Clover Crew (Cloverbuds)
- Cascade Leather Artisans (Leathercraft)
- Tangled Treasures (Crochet)
- Prineville Picassos (Art, Photography & more)

& so many more! Contact the Extension Office for a full list of clubs that are open to new members!

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

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Anne Reynolds

IF YOU KNOW ANNE REYNOLDS, YOU KNOW JUST HOW LUCKY WE ARE TO HAVE HER IN CROOK COUNTY 4-H. ANNE IS ONE OF THOSE RARE LEADERS WHO SEEMS TO HAVE A HEART BIG ENOUGH FOR EVERYONE SHE MEETS. SHE'S PATIENT, CARING, AND ALWAYS WILLING TO JUMP IN TO HELP—WHETHER IT'S GUIDING A NEW FAMILY THROUGH THEIR FIRST PROJECT, SHARING HER KNOWLEDGE WITH YOUTH, OR SIMPLY OFFERING ENCOURAGEMENT WHEN IT'S NEEDED MOST.

HER HELPFUL SPIRIT AND WEALTH OF EXPERIENCE MAKE HER AN INCREDIBLE RESOURCE, BUT WHAT TRULY SHINES IS HER KINDNESS. ANNE HAS A WAY OF MAKING EVERYONE FEEL WELCOME AND SUPPORTED. DID WE MENTION SHE'S THE ABSOLUTE SWEETEST? BECAUSE IT'S TRUE—HER POSITIVE ATTITUDE AND GENUINE CARE FOR OTHERS REMIND US EVERY DAY WHAT 4-H IS ALL ABOUT.

THANK YOU, ANNE, FOR POURING YOUR TIME, ENERGY, AND HEART INTO OUR YOUTH. CROOK COUNTY 4-H IS BETTER BECAUSE OF YOU! ❤️



MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

WESTON COSHOW



Meet Weston Coshow—one of our shining stars in Crook County 4-H! If you've met Weston, you know he's the kind of person who can brighten anyone's day. He's not only ready and willing to jump in when there's a need, but he also goes the extra mile by looking for ways to help even during downtime. Weston's sense of humor keeps everyone smiling, and his positive energy makes every project and meeting more fun. His generosity, can-do spirit, and willingness to help make a difference wherever he goes. Weston is helpful, funny, and a true mood-booster—basically the full 4-H package! 🍀😊





THE CLOVER CREW 4-H CLUB



- Open to youth 5-8yrs old (as of Sept 1, 2025) Meet 2nd Wednesday of each
- month Meetings run from 4 pm - 5 pm
- Meetings are held at the Clover Bldg
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Cloverbud clubs are exploratory and non-competitive.

Contact: Reaza Hacker at 541-447-6228 or Reaza.hacker@oregonstatet.edu for more information and to sign up.



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NOVEMBER
24TH & 25TH
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
CLOVER BLDG



Junior DAYS

For 4-H Youth ages
9-11 years old

Pre-regisrtaation
required by Fri,
November 7, 2025

Register Here:
<https://beav.es/xPt>
(link is case sensitive)



Youth will learn about Public Speaking,
Record Books, Educational Displays, Fun
Hands-On Activities and much more.

Each day youth will learn cooking and kitchen
skills as the prepare and cook their lunches.

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