Happy New Year!! It was wonderful to take some time off in December to spend with my family and friends after a very busy past few months. I feel rested and ready to dive back into our many programs and projects we have scheduled for 2022! This year, our goal is to continue to build strong relationships with our 4-H families and community partners, continue to build leadership skills in our youth and our 4-H club volunteers, and grow together as an entire program! We are excited to announce our Extension Team is growing in the new year as we have hired Haley Shoemaker as an Ag and Natural Resources Educator. She will begin her position in mid-January and will be serving both Columbiana and Mahoning County. Haley has lots of programming already planned for our community and is excited to begin her new journey. Please remember I am available to help clubs plan and organize the new year. We always want to make sure our clubs have enough support for their youth. I encourage all volunteers and families to continue to reach out with any questions or concerns as we work through the new year. I am happy to offer suggestions for programming as well as fundraising ideas to any clubs. Reach out by calling 330-870-1165 or emailing Dimmerling.13@osu.edu.

Jr Leaders-Leading the Way!

A group of 10 Jr Leaders enjoyed an evening out in early December shopping for families in need. They had fun shopping for boys and girls, making their Christmas wishes come true. After shopping the teens enjoyed a meal together and elected their new officers for 2022.

Congratulations to the newly elected officers:

President: Elizabeth Wilson
Vice President: Emma Hillard
Secretary: Lindsey Neville
Treasurer: Maggie Cope

All youth ages 14-18 years old are welcome to attend! Meetings are the 4th Monday of the month (except December) at 7pm in the Sales Office on the fairgrounds. Work together with other youth from all over the county to build leadership skills and complete community service projects. This year members will be learning through materials by Sean Covey and his book “The 7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens”.

Our Next Meeting is January 24th at 7pm
Thank you to all the clubs that have been promoting the 4-H program over the past few months! We are excited about the possibility of lots of new and returning members. Creative ways clubs are promoting 4-H:

- Trunk or Treats
- Christmas Parades
- Event Open Houses
- Table Displays

We encourage ALL clubs to send updates and pictures of the great projects and events youth are participating in. Submit information and pictures to Dimmerling.13@osu.edu

**Club Paperwork Due Jan. 31**
*Yearly Financial * Meeting Dates *Officer List

Upcoming 4-H Program Advisory Committee Meeting, TUESDAY
January 18th, 7pm
OSU Extension Office

**Updated Information**
Mandatory 1st year Saddlehorse Helmet Safety and Ethics Sessions
*March 15, 6pm In-Person*
OSU Extension Office
Special Guest Presentation by Ashley Gruber, Experienced PAS judge
Topics to be covered:
- Grooming
- Preparing for Show
There will also be time for “Ask a Judge”, this will be open for participants to ask lots of questions!
*April 14, 6pm Virtual ZOOM Session*
Join Zoom Meeting by clicking on the link
https://osu.zoom.us/j/94799324647?pwd=YVYwOTVYUk5YdHNZb0x6RTJOV1g3UT09

**Is your club on the right track?**

To stay on track with the 4-H calendar year, clubs should currently be open for enrollment. Advisors should be contacting families to see if they have successfully enrolled and ask what project books are needed for each member. Yearly calendars should be printed and given to families. Monthly meetings should be started with newly elected officers.

If you need help getting your club on track, please reach out to Audrey at 330-870-1165.

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**4-H Families’ Corner**

**4-H Enrollment Information**

**Tips for re-enrolling:**
Log In using your family email (email used last year)
Passwords can be easily reset, by using the family email account, if you can not remember it from last year. **DO NOT CREATE A NEW PROFILE. IF YOU WERE ENROLLED LAST YEAR YOU HAVE A PROFILE. CALL US IF YOU NEED ASSISTANCE.**

Verify ALL information for each youth enrolling. (Families are responsible for entering all youth projects wishing to be taken. All projects must be enrolled before March 1st. **Read for detail** the Code of Conduct and Standards of Behavior **Save and Submit** all information before exiting the system.

Click Save on all pages it is offered throughout the enrollment process.
**Call the Extension Office with any questions.**
We are here to help you!

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To Give Now click the go link below; https://columbiana.osu.edu/give-now

All youth exhibiting market and non-market animal at the fair (except for Pocket Pets and Saddlehorse projects) **MUST** attend a Quality Assurance Session. See attached flyer

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Join 4-H Today!
Call Audrey at 330-870-1165
UPCOMING CALENDAR OF EVENTS: ALL DATES PERTAINING TO JUNIOR FAIR EXHIBITION (JR FAIR) can be found on the Jr Fair Website https://columbianacountyjrfair.weebly.com/

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### 2021-2022 4-H CALENDAR as of 1/4/2022

All dates/times are subject to change. Be sure to check our Facebook and emails that are sent out for any updates.

**January 2022**
- **1/11/2022** Rabbit Hopping SPIN Club 6:30pm Fairgrounds
- **1/17/2022** Office Closed, Holiday
- **1/18/2022** 4-H Program Advisory Committee Mtg, 7:00 OSU Ext
- **1/24/2022** 4-H Jr Leader Mtg, 7:00 Sales Office
- **1/24/2022** 4-H Advisor Round Table, 10:30 am, OSU Ext
- **1/24/2022** 4-H Advisor Round Table, 5:30, OSU Ext
- **1/31/2022** 4-H Club Yearly Financial Due to OSU Ext.
- **1/31/2022** 4-H Club Meeting Dates Due to OSU Ext.
- **1/31/2022** 4-H Club Officer Info Due to OSU Ext.

**February 2022**
- **2/1/2022** Citizenship Washington Focus Youth Applications Due
- **2/8/2022** Rabbit Hopping SPIN Club 6:30 pm Fairgrounds
- **2/16/2022** Quality Assurance TEST OUT, 4-6 by appointment
- **2/21/2022** Quality Assurance TEST OUT, 10-12 by appointment
- **2/28/2022** 4-H Club Officer Training, 6:00 OSU Ext
- **2/28/2022** 4-H Jr Leader Mtg, 7:00 OSU Ext

**March 2022**
- **3/1/2022** 4-H Enrollment/Dues Deadline
- **3/1/2022** 4-H Club Charter Checklist Due
- **3/1/2022** 4-H Club Insurance Due
- **3/7/2022** **4-H Advisors must verify** club roster, projects, etc no changes will be made after this date to any youth enrollment. Corrections to enrollments must be submitted via email by 4:00 pm. **NO EXCEPTIONS**
- **3/8/2022** Rabbit Hopping SPIN Club, 6:30pm Fairgrounds
- **3/12/2022** Ohio 4-H Conference Volunteers and Teens, Columbus Convention Center
- **3/15/2022** 4-H 1st year Saddle Horse Helmet Safety and Ethics training 6:00 **IN PERSON** Registration is required
- **3/21/2022** 4-H Program Advisory Committee Mtg 7:00 pm OSU Ext
- **3/28/2022** 4-H Advisor Round Table, 10:30 OSU Ext
- **3/28/2022** 4-H Advisor Round Table, 6:00 OSU Ext
- **3/28/2022** 4-H Jr Leader Mtg, 7:00 Sales Office

**April 2022**
- **4/5/2022** 4-H Advisor Round Table, 10:30 OSU Ext
- **4/5/2022** 4-H Advisor Round Table, 6:00 OSU Ext
- **4/12/2022** Rabbit Hopping SPIN Club 6:30pm Fairgrounds
- **4/14/2022** 4-H 1st year Saddle Horse Helmet Safety and Ethics training 6:00 (virtually) Registration is required
- **4/25/2022** 4-H Jr Leader Mtg, 7:00 Sales Office
- **4/30/2022** 4-H Program Advisory Scholarship Application Due
- **4/30/2022** Lisbon Vet Scholarship Application Due

**May 2022**
- **5/16/2022** 4-H Program Advisory Committee Mtg, 7:00 OSU Ext
- **5/10/2022** Rabbit Hopping SPIN Club, 6:30pm Fairgrounds
- **5/30/2022** Office Closed, Holiday

**June 2022**
- **6/1/2022** 4-H Royal Court Applications Due
- **6/11/2022** PAS (State Fair Jr Fair Qualifier Show for Horses). Columbiana County Fairgrounds (start time/classes TBA)
- **6/14/2022** Rabbit Hopping SPIN Club, 6:30pm Fairgrounds
- **6/20/2022** Office Closed, Holiday
- **6/26-7/1/2022** Camp Whitewood Camp Week—Tentative dates

**July 2022**
- **7/1/2022** 4-H Club Officer Books Due (all 4-H Clubs are required to turn in 4-H Club Officer Books for review)
- **7/4/2022** Office Closed, Holiday
- **7/12/2022** 4-H Project Completion (all animal projects) 3-7pm Fairgrounds
- **7/12/2022** 4-H Project Judging (Sewing & Cooking) 3-7pm Fairgrounds
- **7/12/2022** Rabbit Hopping SPIN Club 6:30pm Fairgrounds
- **7/13/2022** 4-H Project Judging (all other 4-H Projects) 3-6pm Fairgrounds
- **7/13/2022** 4-H Award Recognition (4-H Projects, Club Awards, etc) (Youth and Volunteers)
- **7/18/2022** 4-H Program Advisory Committee Mtg, 7:00 OSU Ext

**August 2022**
- **8/1-8/7/2022** Columbiana County Fair

**September 2022**
- **TBA** 4-H Recognition (Youth and Volunteers)
JUNIOR FAIR DATES AND INFORMATION

The Columbiana County Junior Fair is overseen by the Columbiana County Senior Fair Board. There are Senior Fair Directors that oversee the process for Junior Fair Exhibition. The process includes: Tag In, Registration, Bookgrading, Skillathon, Clinics, Load In/Out, etc. These directors oversee the Junior Fair Species Committees.

The dates/information for Junior Fair will be posted on the Columbiana County Junior Fair Website:
https://columbianacountyjrfair.weebly.com

QUESTIONS:
Call Audrey Dimmerling
330-870-1165
Visit our Website at
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COLUMBIANA COUNTY FAIR CONTACT INFORMATION:
FAIR OFFICE: 330-424-5531
4-H Advisor Round Table

Keeping Youth Involved and Engaged in Club Meetings

Round Tables give 4-H Advisors the opportunity to get together with other 4-H Advisors and the 4-H Educator to meet informally to learn various techniques that will help you in your 4-H Club settings.

During roundtable sessions, participants will discuss the importance of engaging youth, challenges clubs often face, and tips to build engagement during regular club meetings and club activities. Volunteers and parents are encouraged to attend.

Monday, January 24, 2021 at 10:30 a.m.

Monday, January 24, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.

Location: OSU Extension Office, 7989 Dickey Dr. Lisbon, OH 44432

Details: Register by calling 330-870-1165

https://go.osu.edu/2022janroundtable

Contact information: Audrey Dimmerling, dimmerling.13@osu.edu or 330-870-1165
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Columbiana County

4-H Club Officer Training

4-H is the ultimate youth development experience and is what you make it. “Join the Revolution of responsibility” and prepare yourself for greatness in 4-H!

- Parliamentary Procedure
- Club Officer Books
- Running an Effective Club Meeting
- Working with my Club 4-H Advisors and other 4-H Club Members

Monday, February 28, 2022, 6:00 p.m.

Location: OSU Extension office, 7989 Dickey Dr. Lisbon, OH

Cost: FREE

Register by: https://go.osu.edu/2022clubofficer

calling 330-424-7291 or 330-870-1165
2022 Youth Quality Assurance

The following are a list of dates and times scheduled for Youth Quality Assurance Training. All youth exhibiting (Market and Non-Market Animals) at the Columbiana County Junior fair will need to attend a Quality Assurance except for Saddle Horse and Pocket Pet exhibitors.

**QUALITY ASSURANCE DATES**

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<td>March 19</td>
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<td>Columbiana County Fairgrounds (after Market Rabbit Clinic before Market Poultry Clinic)</td>
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<td>April 9</td>
<td>10:00 am</td>
<td>Columbiana County Fairgrounds -Beef Complex in conjunction with Dairy Beef Feeder Clinic</td>
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**NOTE:** The Steer Committee will be hosting a QA training DATE TO BE ANNOUNCED

**QUALITY ASSURANCE TEST OUT DATES**

- Youth ages 12-14 who pass the test can test out of their annual QA training up to 3 yrs. Passing this test only exempts attendance at QA until the member reaches the 4-H age of 15.
- Youth ages 15-18 years of age who pass the QA test can test out of their annual QA training permanently.

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The following 4-H and FFA Advisors will be holding QA via their 4-H Clubs/FFA Chapters. Check with your 4-H or FFA Advisor for date and times:

- Circle 62
- Country Hands
- 4-H Scouts
- United FFA
- CCCTC FFA
- West Branch FFA

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Rabbit hopping originated in Sweden in the early 1970’s. It was patterned after miniature horse jumping. The first national rabbit hopping championship was held in 1987 in Sweden. The popularity of hopping has spread throughout Europe, and now there are rabbit hopping clubs in Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Finland, Germany, and the UK. Rabbit hopping came to the United States in 2001. In 2012, the American Hopping Association for Rabbits and Cavies was chartered by the American Rabbit Breeders Association. Other countries where rabbit hopping is becoming popular include Japan and Australia.

What is Rabbit Hopping?
Rabbit hopping is a performance sport where rabbits are directed to run through a course of jumps ranging from 4”-20” high. The jumps are similar to the jumps used for horse jumps, but on a much smaller level. All jumps are made with displaceable rails so that if a rabbit does not make it over the jump the rails will fall away. The goal is to go through the course with the least number of faults. There is also a long jump and a high jump which can be very challenging for a rabbit.

Meeting Dates and Times
January 11th  - Jr Fair Sales Office
   • Demo and equipment requirements
February 8th  - Jr Fair Sales Office
   • Building jumps
March 8th  - Jr Fair Sales Office
   • Jump building and practice
April 12th  - Rabbit Barn
   • Practice and training tips
May 10th  - Rabbit Barn
   • Practice and training tips
June 14th  - Rabbit Barn
   • Practice and preparation for fair demonstration
July 12th  - Rabbit Barn
   • Practice and fair prep.
ALL meeting begin at 6:30pm
Columbiana County Fair Grounds
225 Lee Ave. Lisbon, Ohio 44432

Enrollment forms will be available at the 1st meeting (parents MUST be present to complete) or contact the office to have a form emailed for early registration.
Questions about enrollment call
Audrey Dimmerling
330-870-1165

Spin Club Advisors:
Ashley Gruber and Corrie David
Columbiana County
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