

4-H



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LA PLATA COUNTY FAMILY NEWSLETTER

April 2016

DISTRICT 9 RETREAT



La Plata County Fair Grounds

April 17th 9:30 - 4:00

Registration fee: \$10

Fun Team Building, Educational Workshops and Guest Speakers!

Greg Felsen
4-H Youth Development

Angela Fountain
4-H Administrative Assistant

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Alerts!

**Last for EVERYONE to enroll in 4-H,
and still participate in Fair, is April**

1st!!!!

**The La Plata County Extension Office
will now be closed EVERY Monday,
for lunch, from 11:30am to 12:30pm.**

4-H Horse Council

April 6th at 6:00 pm at the La Plata
County Fairgrounds

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April 7th at 7:07 pm at the La Plata
County Fairgrounds.

Fair Camper Spaces

You may start signing up for Fair
camper spaces on Monday, June 6th at
8:00 am. You may call or come in to
the office.

Mountain Shadows Dance

Mountain Shadows 4-H Club is hosting a dance on Saturday, April 2nd, 8 pm to 12 am,
at the Breen Community Building. Barb Wired will be the band. All proceeds will go to
Mountain Shadows 4-H Club.

Bayfield Riders Horsemanship and Jumping Clinic

Bayfield Riders is offering a Horsemanship and Jumping Clinic on Saturday,
April 2nd at the LPC Fairgrounds, with Kerri and Tia Holden
Starting @ 10:30 – 12:30 English or Western - Showmanship, Halter, Riding Patterns &
Equitation. Please have proper boots, halter and lead rope with chain & saddles on.
Starting@ 2:00 – 4:00 Jumping All ages & levels - Working on Grids, Equitation and
Control. You must have approved helmet and proper boots.
Cost, paid to Bayfield Riders: \$35 for one session or \$60 for both.
Multiple riders same family \$30 a session or \$50 for both.
To register Call Before April 1st: Jamie McDonald @ 970 -551-0044

Shooting Sports Leader Meeting

The meeting will be in the Lightner room, at the La Plata County Fairgrounds,
on April 21st at 7:00 pm.
All Shooting Sports Leaders are encouraged to attend this meeting. We will be
discussing the Bulls-eye Shoot in La Plata County on June 4th as well as our upcoming
shoots.

4-H Volunteer & Leader Meeting

Attention all active volunteers! There will be a meeting on May 12th at 6:30 pm
at the Fairgrounds. We will be discussing summer activities, fair and any concerns you
or your members may have. We would like to do a Potluck Dinner, so please let Angela
know if you are able to attend and what you will be bringing.

fountainaj@co.laplata.co.us or 970-382-6465

2016 La Plata County 4-H Scholarships

Seniors, don't forget to apply for our 2016 Higher Education Scholarships! We
will be offering four (4) \$500 dollar scholarships to 2015-16 currently enrolled
members that are in good standing and looking to go on to higher education in the fall
of 2016. Applications are due by May 6th at 5:00 pm in the Extension Office.
Scholarship Award recipients will be announced at the June 2, 2016 County Council
Meeting. Applications are available at the Extension Office or Angela can email you
one.

Truck Raffle Tickets Fundraiser

We are offering the Truck Raffle Tickets as a fundraiser for your clubs! The
Colorado 4-H Foundation has a raffle every year; the grand prize is a 2016 Ford F-150!
Ticket is sold for \$5.00 or 5 for \$20.00. In return for selling these tickets, your club will
receive 50% of your ticket sales!
Checks will be mailed to each club by Oct. 31st, 2016.
Tickets are available now, in the Extension Office.
All sold and unsold tickets are due in the Extension Office on August 16th.
If you have any questions, please call Angela. 970-382-6465

Livestock Record Book Corner

Breeding Supplement pages are available for download on the county website. Most of you have or are gearing up to purchase your animals. You can complete the Animal Purchase Record as soon as you buy your animal whenever that is. Some pages won't be completed until you turn in your record books in July. Other pages can be completed and saved and you won't have to worry about them later.

Record Book Meetings:

- The second county level record book meeting will be in conjunction with the April 9 Catch-it meeting.
- Last meeting will be at Livestock Day on July 12 before fair.
- If you would like to have a record book meeting at your club, please contact me to schedule these soon.

During the successful in depth discussions at Rabbit Camp and the Poultry meeting, there was some confusion about last year's animals. If they are not breeding, you should have finished up the expenses and income for those animals in the Fall of 2015. For Intermediate and Seniors, you can group those animals in the first column of your financial summary and then use the other columns for 2016 animal individuals or groups. Rabbits and Poultry can keep all of their weights in ounces if it is easier to stay consistent. A good tip is to use the same weight measurement throughout your record book. It makes it easier to compare and sum if you don't have to convert measurements.

We also had some discussion about what they would like for an award if they were to win. Of course, everybody wanted a belt buckle or a jacket and I didn't know what the budget was. There are 43 of these awards so a belt buckle or a jacket is not going to be financially feasible. So we are in the process of finding a unique award that is more affordable.

Record Book Completion Guidelines:

- Pages that can be completed by Mid-May
 - First page with the project agreement and your name and the project you are taking.
 - The goal page
 - Animal Purchase
 - Beginning Animal Inventory
 - Beginning Equipment Inventory – Intermediate and Seniors
 - Beginning Miscellaneous Inventory – Intermediate and Seniors
- Pages that could be filled out each day, week, month.
 - Feed Expense
 - Health Expense
 - Other Expense
 - Income
 - Involvement Records

Remember to take pictures and make notes for your story throughout the year. Also questions, concerns, and comments are always welcome and given due consideration. We continue to strive to make the Livestock Record Books a valuable educational tool for our 4-H members.

Teddi Baird – Tharp

Livestock Record Book Superintendent

teddiabear@hotmail.com (970-217-5609)

All Record Books for Livestock, Horse, Dog, General Natural Resource, and Family Consumer Science

All Record Books are now available at the county website: www.laplatacounty4h.org . If you have any questions or problems, please call Angela at 970-382-6465

4-H Tracker to help with your Record Book

The 4-H Tracker is a web-based application that will help 4-H members keep track of expenses, inventory and activities for all of their 4-H projects. This application will allow the 4-H member to enter items at the time of purchase through any device that will access the Internet. The 4-H member will be able to track all the activities done throughout the project with this application. You can sign up at: <http://co4htracker.colostate.edu/>

Rabbit Meetings:

We encourage all rabbit members and anyone interested in rabbit to attend these meetings. You will also receive points towards the Rabbit Supreme Award. You can bring your rabbits to any of the meetings to tag them in.

All meetings are at 6:30 pm and are held at the La Plata County Fairgrounds.

April 14th

April 27th

May 17th - This is the Final Tag-in **** you must be tagged-in on this date****

Poultry Meetings

We encourage all poultry members and anyone interested in poultry to attend these meetings. You will also receive points towards the Poultry Supreme Award.

All meetings are at 6:30 pm and are held at the La Plata County Fairgrounds.

April 19

May 17

June 21

***Turkey Project Members!** If you have not purchased your turkeys, you must get them in the first week of April so they will be full grown by Fair.

Horse Project - Important Dates

***New Member Horse Safety Test and Ride**

April 17th, 1:00 pm, La Plata County Fairgrounds

Horse Camp – April 29th - May 1st

Spring Fling in Durango

Horse Show May 21st @ 9 am

Gymkhana May 22nd @ 9:30 am

Horse Certificates are due ONLINE by May 1st at 5:00 pm

Horse Safety Take Home Test due by May 31st at 5:00 pm

Invitational in Durango

Horse Show June 11th @ 9 am

Gymkhana June 12th @ 9:30 am

Friday Night Lights - Gymkhana in Durango

June 24th at 5:30 pm

San Juan Basin District in Durango

Horse Show July 9th @ 9 am

Gymkhana July 10th @ 9:30 am

Horse Council Meetings:

Wednesday, April 6th

Wednesday, May 4th

All meetings will start at 6:00 pm and be held at the La Plata County Fairgrounds.

****All of our Gymkhanas and Horse Shows are open to the public. ****

Fair Dates for Horse Project:

Record Books Due: July 25th to 29th by 5 pm

Horse Show: Aug. 6th @ 9 am

Gymkhana: Aug 7th @ 9:30 am

Interviews: Aug 8th –between 8 am and 1 pm

Demonstration: Aug 8th – between 8 am and 5 pm

Hippology: Aug 8th – between 10 am and 2 pm

Horse Camp – April 29th to May 1st

This camp is open to any and all 4-H members (you do not have to be enrolled in the 4-H Horse Project to participate) in the San Juan Basin (Archuleta, Dolores, La Plata and Montezuma Counties) and will begin on Friday night and conclude on Sunday afternoon.

If you haven't been to 4-H Horse Camp before, we will begin, on Friday, with dinner at 6:30 p.m. On Saturday, we will have clinics, games and swimming. Then Sunday we will have more games before cleaning up and it will be over by about 2:00 pm

To enhance the camping experience, bring your tent and lawn chair. We are going to set up tents downstairs in the Exhibit Hall. We will also be going swimming on Saturday evening so don't forget your bathing suit and towel. Angela will email out the registration forms (mid-March) but you will also be able to get them online at www.laplatacounty4h.org or come into the office and pick one up.

Horse Judging Team

The Horse Judging Team generally meets the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 6 pm, at Charity Swift's house, (please call her for directions, 970-799-7730). All ages are welcome and senior members will be able to compete at the State Conference in June. If you are interested, please call Charity to have her add you to her email list.

Goat Workshop

TJS Boer Ranch is hosting a goat clinic in Bayfield, mainly for first year market goat youth or first year breeding market goat youth on May 7th and for anyone interested to please contact Jessie at 970-799-6279 or jessieowen@hotmail.com I can't physically have enough space to just have all the youth there but I don't want to miss any youth that really want the help. We will have 5 speakers from Arizona and New Mexico coming to the clinic. Topics such as selecting your animal, nutrition/ feeding program, exercise/training program, showmanship, health and vaccinations, hoof trimming, clipping and fitting for show for both market and Boer breeding females. Cost will be \$20 to cover the clinic, t-shirt and notebook of information.

Fun Shoot

The Fun Shoot is scheduled for May 21st starting at 9:00 am. All youth (4-H and non-4-H) are welcome to participate! It will be held at The Wright's property at 993 CR 323, Ignacio, CO 81137. No preregistration required.

San Juan Basin Bull's-eye Classic

Save the Date: Saturday, June 4th at the Wright's property at 993 CR 323, Ignacio, CO 81137!
Shoot includes .22, Shotgun, Muzzleloading & Archery. Entry forms are available online and the Extension Office.

4-H and FFA Market Swine, Sheep & Goat Tag-in

We have a tag-in on two separate days: The first will be on Wednesday, May 11th from 3:30 pm to 6:30 pm at the La Plata County Fairgrounds. All 4-H & FFA members are welcome attend this tag-in, and all members that are wanting to compete at State Fair, MUST tag-in on Wednesday, May 11th.

All animals that will be shown at the Colorado State Fair must have a nomination card and pay \$3.00 to get a retinal scan. Please remember to bring a filled out Code of Practice document. It's a state requirement that every 4-H and FFA member taking a livestock project have a copy on file. **Everyone is invited to tag in at the Durango location, no matter where you live or if you are not going to state. **

For all members that DO NOT want to attend State Fair, there will be two weigh-ins to choose from on May 14th, one for Ignacio/Bayfield area and another for Marvel/Breen area, between 9 am - 11 am. Please remember to bring a filled out Code of Practice document. It's a state requirement that every 4 H and FFA member, taking a livestock project, have a copy on file.

Meat Quality Assurance (MQA)

May 17th to 20th at the La Plata County Fairgrounds

The CSU program requires 4-H members to attend an Ethics and Wholesome Meat Quality Assurance training in order to participate in a livestock project. All first year livestock members, all first year seniors (14 years as of 12/31/15) must attend, as well as all Swine project members that are planning on showing at the Colorado State Fair.

We are doing the MQA/PQA the same as last year; we will not be offering a class but an interactive workshop! We will have everything set up in the Animas room and you will go through to different stations filling out a packet of information. You will then turn in your pack to Angela or Greg. We are hoping to have it open all day Tuesday, May 17th through Friday, May 20th at 12:00 pm.

On Wednesday May 18th, we will have a livestock night (6:30-8:30pm) where you will be able to come and learn specific animal husbandry skills in your project from local volunteers. It is not mandatory but highly encouraged for all 4-H livestock members to attend.

If you have any questions, or are unsure about whether or not you have to attend, please call Angela at 382-6465.

D2D (Durango to Denver) Exchange Trip

Friday, June 10th to Tuesday, June 14th

D2D or Durango to Denver is open to 4-H members aged 10-13 years old. This exchange trip will give participants the opportunity to meet new people, travel to new places and have a whole lot of fun. La Plata County 4-H members will engage with Denver County 4-H members for a five day adventure through the Rocky Mountain State. This year's theme is, "Going green in 2016". We will focus our activities on the fourth "H" of Health. This means eating and preparing healthy foods and snacks, exercising each day, teaching sustainability and taking care of the beautiful environment we have in Colorado. Members will also gain great life and leadership skills through team building, communication and S.T.E.M activities throughout the trip.

A complete schedule will be finalized in early May. However, such activities such as downtown Denver, light rail exploration, community service events, river rafting, astronomy night, camping and much more are in the plans.

We will be travelling to Denver first, so we plan on leaving at 8 a.m. on the 10th and wrapping up after lunch at the Extension building on the 14th.

Enrollment will be for the first 5 female and 5 males to apply. However, priority will be given to first time D2D participants. Youth will be accompanied by two male and two female chaperones during the trip.

2016 Summer Project Days

All project days are FREE and we will provide lunch. Please RSVP with Angela

June 6th – 9 am-2 pm - S.T.E.M Day

Meet at the Extension building for a fun filled day exploring S.T.E.M topics. We will go on a nature walk along the Animas river trail, visit the Powerhouse Science center, and use GPS technology to map our trip.

June 10th – 14th - Durango to Denver Exchange Trip (D2D)

Annual in-state exchange trip for 4-H members 10-13 years of age. We are limited to first 5 girls and 5 boys. See application for more detailed information.

June 20-24th - State 4-H June Conference

Leadership and Life Skills development conference for senior 4-H members. Join 4-H'ers from around the State in a fun-filled week on the campus of Colorado State University in Ft. Collins, Colorado. See application for more detailed information.

June 28th – 10 am – 2 pm - General Projects Day

As of right now we will be having Cake Decorating and Leathercraft workshops on this date. However, we are looking for other projects that may be of interest to members. Please contact us if you would like us to organize a workshop on a specific project.

June 30th – 9 am -2 pm - Garden Fresh Day

Meet at the fairgrounds at 9 am. We will travel out to the Old Fort in Hesperus and harvest fresh greens from the 4-H Giving Back Garden. We will return to the Extension Building and prepare a healthy meal from the food we harvest. This should be a real tasty day!

July 12th – 10 am – 2 pm - Livestock and Cloverbud Day

All large animal livestock members are invited to come to the fairgrounds for a day of learning. We will have classes in livestock ethics, nutrition, and record books. We will also spend the afternoon in the pavilion going over showmanship skills.

Cloverbuds can also come for a fun day of meeting other members and doing 4-H activities. They will also have the opportunity in the afternoon to go check out the animals.

July 14th – 10 am – 2 pm - 4-H Marketplace

Do you have a product you would like to sell? Young Entrepreneurs are invited to come and work on their business ideas. We will be covering working demonstrations, proper business plans and how to make a profit. In addition, we will go over logistics about participating in the 4-H Marketplace at County Fair.

July 19th – 9 am – 5 pm - Record Book and Project Help Day

Come to the Extension Building for help on your record books and projects. This is a great opportunity to make sure you record books and projects are complete. You will also get tips on your display boards.

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August 4th – 10 am – 1 pm - 4-H Marketplace

This class will give members the final opportunity to finalize their marketplace products. It will also give us time to go over set-up, banking and tear down procedures for County Fair.

All project days are FREE and we will provide lunch. Please RSVP with Angela

4-H Giving Back Garden 2016

It is that time of year again to start playing in the dirt. We encourage clubs, families and individuals to come help us plant, water, weed, harvest and eat vegetables at our 4-H Giving Back Garden. This project is located at the Old Fort market gardens in Hesperus. All our produce is donated to people in need of fresh local food. Plus, if you work in the garden, you can harvest food for your whole family.

You don't need to be an experienced gardener to help out. Just bring a good attitude, water, sunscreen and work clothes to get dirty. We will provide tools and healthy snacks to get the job done. Work days will begin around 9-10 a.m. and usually end around 1-2 p.m. There is also an opportunity for transport from the fairgrounds and back. RSVP to Greg by calling 769.2339 or emailing felsengh@co.laplata.co.us

Work dates are as followed:

May 14th – Planting potatoes, onions, cabbage and greens. Irrigation set-up.

May 28th – Planting roots, beans, pumpkins, squashes.

June 8th – Finish any planting left and weeding garden.

June 18th – Old Fort Jackpot, garden maintenance day.

June 30th – Harvest greens for distribution, healthy cooking lunch **project day

July 26th – Old Fort Open House – Harvest veggies, garden maintenance **more info to come

August – Harvest veggies and garden maintenance **more info to come

September 16th – Big harvest for the USDA Produce Bounty Program

October 8th – Harvest Festival all day fun activities

**Dates July – October will be scheduled based on garden production and need, however maintenance can occur anytime. The garden always needs extra LOVE!!

For Free

FREE! Claire Hufnagel is giving away two smooth red bantam frizzles and three frizzled ones.

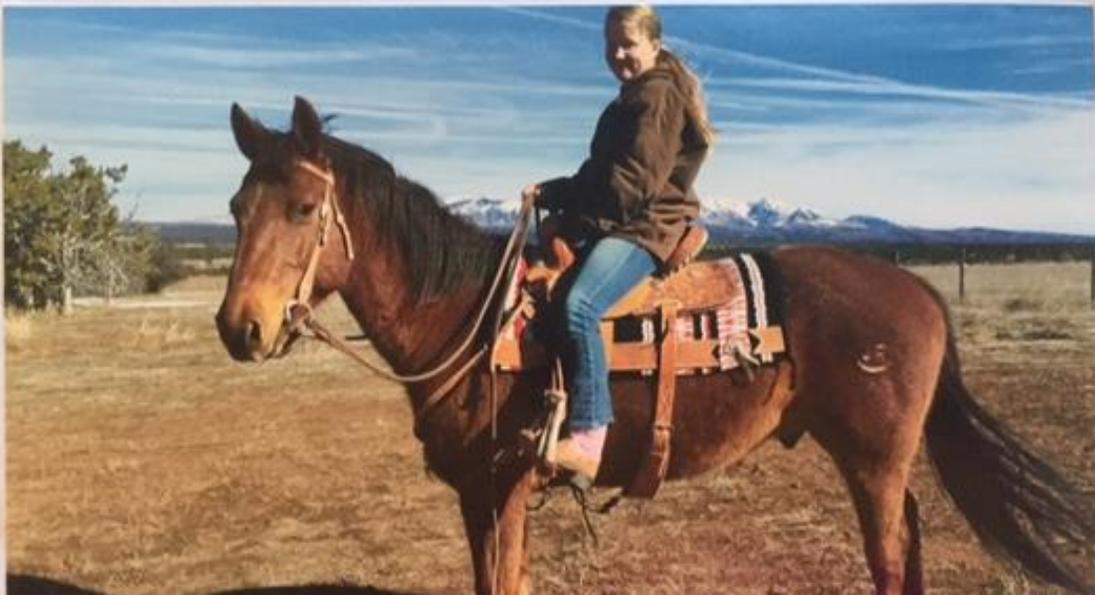
They are show quality and are very sweet.

If you are interested, please call/leave a message at 970-884-4664 or text 970-946-6573.



For Sale

9 yr Registered Sorrel Quarter Horse gelding with papers. Little Parks Smart has been on the trail for most of his life. He has packed through the mountains. He neck reins and draw reins, picks up his feet well, is easy to catch, shoe, and loads in the trailer easily. He has an easy going demeanor and will do well with an intermediate rider. He would make a good speed or rope horse for someone who has more experience with horses. Peppy San Badger bred. \$3500. Call (808) 387-0255.



Krystalyn Anderson has Market Goats for Sale

Market Goats that were born in January, February and March are available to purchase for your goat project! Please call Krystalyn at 970-759-4710

Preator Livestock and Cabree Mullins have Market Lambs for Sale

Lambs start at \$300.00 and up

Please call to schedule an appointment:

Aaron Preator 806-339-1060 or Sabrina Huntington 970-946-8564 or Cabree Mullins 303-710-1327



Club Reports



March Animas Valley 4-H Meeting

The March Animas Valley meeting began prior to the actual meeting because we filled out our community service forms. The meeting started at 7:02 pm. We had four guests, the Freeman family, that were considering joining. Our song leader had us sing "Here Comes Peter Cotton Tail" for Easter. Then, our parliamentarian explained the specific order of the meeting. We discussed our catch-it letters and we gave out door prizes. Many people also went to the rabbit camp and we had a report on what they did at the camp. Also, we had a report on the traditional Tea with the Grangers. This year we went to the Grangers house and they gladly accepted us. We then discussed that next meeting we will meet at 5:30 pm and April 12th for a spring cleaning. Our demonstration day will be on May 22nd and we also discussed if we should do the Truck Raffle. The meeting ended at 7:58 pm. Have a great Spring Break!

By Sydney Flores

Bayfield Riders

The meeting of the Bayfield Riders was called to order at 6:40 p.m. on March 14th, 2016. We had 12 members.

Reports:

- ℞ Kaleb, Zeb, and Alayna each reported on a day of Rabbit Camp.
- ℞ Jamie McDonald gave a Leader's Report on the upcoming events for the various projects included in our club.
- ℞ Baily reported on the Horse Orientation.

Club Business:

- ❖ The Club decided to host a Petting Zoo at Tractor Supply on May 7th from 10:00 until 2:00. Each member is bringing an animal. Anyone who is interested is welcome.
- ❖ The Club is also hosting a horse jumping clinic on April 2nd at 10:30.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:28 pm.

Zeb gave a demonstration on Cups and Balls magic.

Our next meeting will be April 11th at 6:30 p.m. at the Bayfield Town Hall.

Zebulun Shields, Reporter

Florida Four Leaf 4-H Club Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 6:52 pm there were 24 people present and 1 guest the president lead the pledges then we went over who took valentine cookies where, such as the fire department and the fairgrounds the Bakers took the hospital, the Reece family took Morhart, the Kasnoff family took the police station. The McGaw's took cookies to the fire station. The Jacks went to the coke factory. And last but not least the Ludwig family went to the Extension Office.

Elizabeth, Maddy, and Kaleb talked about rabbit camp. When we talked about unfinished business there was our 4-H dance. The dance was moved to March 19th 8:00 pm through 12:00 am. The meeting demonstrators were Kaleb with his Blue tongue skink. Then there was Brock and Guns + Ammunition. Lastly Ayden and his Fishing. Next meeting will be Tuesday 12th the meal will be provided by the Baker Family. Dessert will be served by the Kasnoff Family. Demonstrations are Aubrey, Maddy, and Katelyn.

The Reporter, Josephine Vigil

Generations

The Generations 4-H club meeting on March 9th at the Florida Mesa Community Life center on County Road 229. The meeting was called to order by our president Sierra Reed at 7:13 pm. There was 5 member, two guests, and 6 parents.

For old business we talked about the Chili Cook-Of fundraiser and our January community service which was letters to the troops and our February's community service which was cleaning up the Community Life Center. We signed thank you cards for our Chili- Cook-Off volunteer's, signed a card for Jim Isgar's family and Angela letting them know we were sorry for their lose, and a card to Mrs. K. Mrs. K is our April community service, we will be helping her for a whole year.

For new business we talked about the vice president position. Unfortunately our VP had to step down due to their schedule. We have asked members interested in the VP position to be ready to give a speak at our next meeting on April 13th. We will have record book checks every month so our members are to bring their record books to every meeting. We also reminded everyone to keep checking the google calendar for community and club information. We will start our demonstrations next month with Rylie W, Sophia B, and Sophie H. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Report done by Keyton Cugnini: Secretary (due to reporter being gone to an FFA competition)

Horse Council Minutes

- Present: Amber, Rhonda, Melanie, Jessica , Laura, Angela
 - Cody, Halle, Charley, Hannah, Beau
- Treasurer report:
 - 10K Westmeath still coming
 - LPEA 61.25
 - Final \$7292.73
- Insurance update: our insurance increase due to having open show category
 - Approved increase as open shows benefit all of us
 - Montezuma co trail comp is covered
- Joint county mtg report
 - Had great attendance
 - Hoping to meet 2x /year
 - Inspired Cortez competitive trail comp with LP4-h co-sponsoring
- Show software Jessica is going to present next month for final decision as gifted software was not located (stolen?)
- New horse show/ gymkhana forms were edited and approved
 - Did we change pricing as discussed in Feb mtg? see Mel if unclear on pricing changes she has a copy of sheets
 - Easier to navigate
 - One sheet for gymkhana one for shows still cheaper than most other shows!

* April 17th Safety testing *mandatory attendance for new riders*

Ignacio Westerners 4-H Club, March 14, 2016

This month's meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m. at the Oxford Grange. The pledges were read by Rachel Sanburg. Next, club members reported on events such as horse projects and our club's swim day. Kori Jenkins read the minutes from our last meeting, and they were properly approved and seconded. The club then sang happy Birthday to people with March birthdays. Ignacio Westerners currently has \$235.87. Then we discussed local events such as the dates of Tag-ins and Meat Quality Assurance. We decided to start a Rocky Mountain Chocolate Fundraiser for our club and volunteer at Mana Soup Kitchen. 13 demonstrations were completed and the meeting was adjourned at 8:34.
By Claire Hufnagel

Pioneer 4-H Club

Our March meeting was great. We had 2 new member join us in our meeting. Wyatt called the meeting to order at 7:39 and Isaac lead the pledges. Annabel reported that we made over 500.00 on our box supper! Pearl reported that the box supper was really fun and she really enjoyed the music. Because of the donations that we received our club should have plenty of drinks to get us through the year at a lot of our functions. The club helped to set up for Jim Isgar's funeral service, and Isaac gave a report on it. It was moved that we would have highway clean up on April 16th starting at 8 am and meeting at the FLM school. We also decided that we would look into buying t-shirts with some of the funds that we raised from our box supper. A committee was formed and they will look into some different pricing options, then report back to the club. We also decided to sponsor a Jacket for the county fir awards. Our next meeting will be April 11th starting at 7:30 at the Marvel Grange

Rabbit Club: April

The 2016 Rabbit Camp was very successful. We had a lot of educational classes on Friday evening and ended the day with dinner and a movie upstairs. On Saturday we did many demonstrations including, what makes a good market rabbit, basic care, showmanship, and breeding. We started the morning with activity stations and a very delicious breakfast provided by our kitchen staff. We then continued our day with classes and activities. We ended Saturday with dancing, games, and dinner. We also gave speeches on Saturday night about what we learned over the last two days at Rabbit Camp. Most of the very large crowd went home Saturday night due to Sunday being about the judging team. On Sunday, we went through our normal morning routine, we then had judging classes with Mike Peacock, we then proceeded to judging three classes of rabbits and cavies. We also had showmanship clinics, oral reasoning, and breed I.D. We ended rabbit camp with clean up and clean up. Our last meeting which was held on, March 23rd, we had a very large group. Since most of the group was beginners who didn't go to rabbit camp, we went over body types, fur types, showing, and show dates. We also went around the room and introduced ourselves.

