

The Curry County 4-H Times

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Notes from the Extension Office

July was a great month for Curry County 4-H! We had many great successes and made many memories that will last a lifetime while at New Mexico State 4-H Conference! We are very proud of each senior member that attended and participated! The Hippology, and Meats teams qualified for national competitions as well as John Turner for Favorite Foods! Congratulations to all of the kids and we wish the national qualifying teams' good luck as they move forward!

We enjoyed seeing everyone who attended Family Fun Night, the Project Workdays and all other activities this month! We encourage you to not wait until the last minute to finish your indoor projects and entries! Please reach out to Mindy, Diana or Kandy if you need any help or advice on your projects!

As the fair quickly approaches be on the lookout for emails, and Facebook posts for information about entries and deadlines. Fairbooks are available please contact the office to request a copy or if you have any questions regarding the rules for your species and projects. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to know the rules. If you need any help with your animal projects, please do not hesitate to contact Kandy if you need help, have questions or would like advice on feed and work routines! I would love to help! I encourage everyone to seek out opportunities to improve your showmanship and knowledge.

Our annual peach fundraiser is in full swing! If you are selling peaches, please let the office know that you are collecting orders. All orders must be paid for and submitted by August 14th in the office.

We hope everyone has a great start to their new school year!

Sincerely,

Kandy Hutchins
4-H Agent

Mindy Turner
FCS/4-H Agent

Diana Wood
Program Asst

Cindy Boney
Admin Asst.

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ICAN Educator

August – Discover What You Can Study

With more than 90 majors to choose from, NMSU has something for every interest—whether you love science, the arts, engineering, or helping others. Take time to explore programs that match your passions at nmsu.edu/majors.



4-H County Council Report

This month, our members proudly represented our county at State 4-H Conference, where every single youth walked the stage and received awards, a huge accomplishment we are all proud of! We also hosted our Family Fun Night, which had a great turnout and brought our 4-H families together for an evening of games, ice cream, and fun. As we wrap up July, County Fair is right around the corner, and we want to make sure everyone is prepared. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to Kandy for help or more information.

*Curry County Council Reporter –
Haylee Sharp*

New Mexico State 4-H Conference Results

Consumer Decision Making:

High Point Individual- John Turner

2nd Place Team- Kyren Cortez; Keaton Sumrall; John Turner

Horse Judging:

3rd Place Individual- Rawley Bone

4th Place Team- Hays Rush; Lauren Brown; Gavin Stielow; Haylee Sharp

Favorite Foods:

High Point Individual- John Turner

Prepared Public Speaking:

5th Place Individual- Greeley Goodson

Horse Bowl:

4th Place Individual- Reece Robb

2nd Place Team- Haylee Sharp; Reece Robb; Jebediah Martin; Gavin Stielow

5th Place Team- Lauren Brown; Hays Rush; Hunter Casey; Rawley Bone

Hippology:

3rd Place Individual- Haylee Sharp

4th Place Individual- Gavin Stielow

1st Place Team: Haylee Sharp; Gavin

Stielow; Hunter Casey; Jebediah Martin

4th Place Team: Hays Rush; Lauren Brown; Rawley Bone

Ag Presentations:

5th Place Individual- Shaylee Priest

Livestock Skill-A-Thon:

3rd Place Team- Truitt Sallee; Greeley Goodson; Jessica Lamb; Levi Dunlap

Meats:

2nd Place Individual- Greeley Goodson

4th Place Individual- Truitt Sallee

2nd Place Team- Greeley Goodson; Truitt Sallee; Kyle Wood; Keaton Sumrall

State Leadership Team:

Retiring President- Denny Turner

Retiring Beef Ambassador, Incoming Secretary- Kyle Wood

Retiring Leadership Ambassador, Incoming Vice President- Shaylee Priest

Incoming Agriculture Ambassador- Reece Robb



2025 County Fair 4-H Exhibits

Indoor Entries

All indoor entries must be turned in at the fairgrounds on August 9. Make sure your entries are completely finished and ready to be judged when you bring them. Indoor entries will be accepted from 1:00 pm to 4 p.m. in the Home & Arts building at the fairgrounds.

All updates are included in the fair book that is online curryextension.nmsu.edu. If you have any questions or would like a hardcopy of the book, please contact the extension office.



Livestock News

2025 Curry County Fair Judges

Swine: Jake Dawson
Goats: Clay Burson
Sheep: Steve Sturtz
Beef: Ty Gillespie
Dairy: Leo Hoff Jr.
Rabbits: Teresa DeSautell
Poultry: David Frazier

2025 NM State Fair Jr. Livestock Judges

Goat Judge - Cade Halfmann
Lamb Judge - Jordan Amburgey
Swine Judge - David Ammann
Jr. Breeding Heifer/Jr. Market
Beef Judge - Scott Greiner

2025 ENMSF Judges

Rabbit Judge – Jason Platt
Market Goat Judge – Skylar Scotten
Breeding Does Judge – Skylar Scotten
Market Swine – Miles Toenyes
Market Lambs – Ryan Mortvedt
Poultry – Lee Wilcox
Dairy Heifers – Anthony Reis
Breeding Heifers – Miles Toenyes
Land of Enchantment – Michael Schertz
Market Beef – Miles Toenyes

Entries for County Fair and NM State Fair are due August 1
– Please watch facebook and emails for information
regarding entry details.

Curry County Fairbook Livestock Rule Changes

** Entry fee cost has increased to \$10/head or meat pen or trio/species except Open Cloverbud Poultry and Rabbit.

**Meat Rabbit and Poultry will be eligible to sale two pens each in the Jr. Livestock Sale dependent on the number of entries.

Livestock Division:

7. Livestock may be bedded on commercially bought cedar fiber, wood chips, or pelleted wood shavings. No hay/straw, or dirt will be allowed in the barn as bedding.

****NO CHANGE FROM LAST YEAR except we will not allow straw or hay for bedding this year.**

8. Animals may NOT be fed in the wash racks.

16. Any person(s) caught damaging property, or facilities will be asked to leave.

Poultry and Rabbit:

**Shows will be ran consecutively at 9:00 am on Tuesday morning following the County Bred Swine Show.

Cattle:

Cattle may stay out in tie pens overnight but must be in place by 9:00 am.

****Fairbooks are now available. Please contact the office to request a copy of the fairbook, it is the exhibitor's responsibility to know the rules!**



Tentative NM Horse Show Dates

TENTATIVE NM HORSE SHOW DATES

- August 9th - Curry County,
at the Curry County Fairgrounds
- September 6th - NM State 4-H Horse Show,
at the NM State Fairgrounds

Tentative 4-H Rodeo Schedule 2025

Farmington - July 12-13
Tucumcari - July 25-26
TorC - Aug. 16-17
Pecos - Aug. 30-31
Farmington - State Finals Sept. 19-21

Rodeo paperwork was required to be submitted in February. If you need to complete entries or need your contestant number, please email Kandy at khutchin@nmsu.edu.

There is lots of information being shared about the fair. Please remember that if it is not shared or released from the Extension Office, it may not be accurate or official. Please call the office if you have any questions!



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NMSU Curry
County 4-H**

**Check your
email:
Look in your
junk, spam or
promo folder
and add us to
your safe
senders. If you
are not
receiving
emails, contact
the Extension
Office.**

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and post-
cards!**

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newsletters
and info at
[https://curry
extension.n
msu.edu/](https://curry.extension.nmsu.edu/)**

4-H ENROLLMENT

- Enrollment is open from October 1- March 1.
- Previous/Current Members Enrollment Deadline – January 15
 - Have been a member of 4-H in 2023-2024 or prior
- ***New Membership Enrollment Deadline– March 1st***
 - ***Have never been enrolled in 4-H and are brand new members***
- The deadline to add projects is July 1.

4-H AGES for the 2024-2025 4-H Year

	Cloverbud	Novice	Junior	Senior
Grade*	K, 1 st , 2 nd	3 rd , 4 th , 5 th	6 th , 7 th	8 th & Up
Age as of January 1, 2024 - the current 4-H Year (October- October)	5, 6, 7 – 8 year olds in the 2nd grade	8 year olds in the 3rd grade, 9 year olds, 10 year olds, 11 year olds in the 5th grade	11 year olds in the 6th grade; 12 year olds; 13 year olds in the 7th grade	13 year olds in the 8th grade; 14 year olds; 15 year olds; 16 year olds; 17 year olds; 18 year olds; Youth who are 19 by December 31 of the current 4-H year are not eligible to enroll as a 4-H member.

*Grade as of January 1 of the current 4-H year (October-September).

Accordingly, youth participate in summer and fall fair activities in the grade they just completed. These are standard grades based on public school general ages. Exceptions such as home or private schools or youth who have skipped a grade must be determined under the appropriate age.

Active Membership

Curry County 4-H members must maintain an “Active Membership” status prior to participation in 4-H Rodeo, County Contests, District and State Conference, or Junior Divisions of the Curry County Fair. An “active” member will be considered one who completes enrollment prior to January 15th or March 1, attends four (4) or more regularly scheduled 4-H meetings. No more than two (2) meetings in any given month will count toward the membership requirement. Meetings count during the 4-H year which is October 1st through September 30th.

Curry County 4-H Dates to Remember

DATE	EVENT
August 1	Entry Deadline – Curry County Fair Entry Deadline – NM State Fair
August 9	Indoor Entries accepted 1-4 pm – Curry County Fairgrounds
August 11-16	Curry County Fair
August 14	Peach Orders Due
September 6-14	NM State Fair
September 6	NM State 4-H Horse Show
September 13	New Mexico State Fair Food Challenge (Albuquerque)
TBD	Entry Deadline – Eastern NM State Fair
Sept. 29-Oct. 4	Eastern NM State Fair
October 1	New 4-H Year Begins!
November 1	Record Books Due
November 8	New Mexico 4-H Adult Retreat



Lindsay has stepped outside of Extension and will be began a new adventure July 15. We will miss her presence, expertise and wish her all the best as she begins her new journey!

We will miss you

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Yourself
in 4-H



Curry County 4-H
is Proud to Offer
Cunningham Peaches

20 lb box of peaches = \$50

14 oz honey = \$18

Final orders and payment due
Thursday, August 14.

Cash or check - make checks
payable to Curry County 4-H

Orders will not be placed without
payment. Payment may be made
in person or by mail @ Curry
County Extension Office, 600
Woods St, Clovis, NM 88101

To Order: Call **575-763-
6505** or contact a Curry
County 4-H Member.