



Marin County 4-H Newsletter
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Cloverleaflet

July 2007

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| June 30-July 4 | Marin County Fair, Civic Center |
| June 30 | Poultry and Pocket Pet entries received |
| July 1 | Rabbit entries received |
| July 2 | Dairy Show, fairgrounds |
| July 3 | 4-H Horse Show, fairgrounds |
| July 12 | 4-H Mini Day Camp registrations due |
| July 16-17 | 4-H Mini Day Camp, Stafford Lake Park, Novato |
| Jul. 14-Jul. 25 | Washington Focus #2 |
| July 17-30 | Sonoma County Fair, Santa Rosa |
| July 18-22 | State Horse Classic, Rancho Murieta |
| July 22 | Japanese Exchange Program (inbound) |
| Aug. 2-5 | State Leadership Conference, UC Davis |
| Aug. 5-11 | Marin County 4-H Summer Camp, Las Posadas |
| Aug. 17-Sept. 3 | California State Fair, Sacramento |
| Aug. 31 | Golden Clover Award nominations due |
| Sept. 11 | Marin County 4-H Council Meeting, 7:00 pm |
| Sept. 19 | County 4-H Record Book Judging |
| Oct. 6 | Avian Science Day, UC Davis campus |
| Oct. 7 | Marin County 4-H Achievement Day |
| Oct. 7-13 | National 4-H Week |
| Nov. 16-19 | State 4-H Leaders Forum, Asilomar |
| Nov. 30 | State Record Book Judging |

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Statewide News

Jackpot Shows and 4-H

A jackpot show is defined as one in which entry fees are charged and cash prizes or premiums are awarded from the accumulated entry fees or other matching funds. The ownership and project participation entry requirements of jackpot shows and the handling of premium funds are not consistent with the State 4-H policies and practices. Youth may participate as individuals with their own insurance. The University liability program will not be extended to include jackpot shows. In addition 4-H clubs or groups may not sponsor, co-sponsor or host in any way jackpot shows.

State Leaders Forum

State Leaders forum will be held November 16– 18 at the conference grounds at Asilomar. This year's conference theme is "Open Spaces: Endless Opportunities". The conference provides an opportunity for leaders to engage in hands-on learning, while further developing leadership and project skills.

The cost for the conference is \$215.00 if paid by August 1, 2007. The Marin County 4-H Council encourages new leaders to attend the conference by providing scholarships for those first time attendees. Contact the 4-H office for details and additional information at 499-4207.

California State Fair Volunteer

The California 4-H Foundation is recruiting 4-H members and leaders to help staff the 4-H booth at the California State Fair. This is a great opportunity for 4-H members and volunteers to share with the public their 4-H experiences and the wide range of projects and leadership opportunities that are available through the California 4-H Youth Development Program.. Small 4-H projects are welcome (robots, rabbits, arts & crafts, service dogs, etc.).

Parking passes and fair admission tickets will be provided to 4-H members and adults who sign up for a 2-hour shift. A maximum of 4 youth and 2 adults per shift will be allowed and each shift must have an adult or older teen in the booth at all times. To sign-up please visit <http://www.ca4h.org/wrp/statefair/>.



Golden Clover Awards



The Golden Clover Awards are presented in recognition of outstanding achievement and recognize 4-H members, volunteers and groups in various categories. You can nominate someone or nominate yourself! Award applications are available at: <http://ca4h.org/4resource/ir/goldenclover/index.asp> and are due August 31, 2007.



COUNTY AND CLUB NEWS



4-H Mini Day Camp

The 4-H Mini Day Camp is scheduled for Monday and Tuesday, July 16th and 17th from 9:00 am - 1:30 pm. at Stafford Lake Park outside of Novato. The fee is \$17.00 for one day or \$32.00 for both days.

The camp will offer a variety of projects like arts & crafts, archery, and outdoor cooking. This is a great way for youth 5 to 12 years of



age to explore the 4-H program. The camp is open to the public. For registration forms and additional information contact the 4-H office at 499-4207 or visit the website at <http://cemarin.ucdavis.edu>, under Mini Camp.

Fair Tips

Showmanship~

Your show uniform should consist of:

~4-H/FFA/Independent– a solid white collared dress shirt, long or short sleeve, button or snap front. Shirt must be tucked into pants. NO tee-shirts or sleeveless shirts/tops.

~4-H/Independent– white jeans or pants. NO hip-huggers or low-rise jeans/pants.

~ 4-H- Official tie or scarf and 4-H hat.

~ FFA- Official tie or scarf and FFA jacket.

- ◆ Brush up on your knowledge of your animal
- ◆ Be prepared to answer questions from the judges
- ◆ Practice your showmanship skills before going to the fair.
- ◆ Make sure your animal is healthy and well groomed
- ◆ Be prepared!!!

Record Books

Your record book is a record of your accomplishments during the previous 4-H year. There are several reasons why youth should complete a record book each year:

1. Record keeping is one of the important life skills to be gained from your 4-H experience.
2. When completing your records, you can review all you have accomplished throughout the past year.
3. To earn recognition at club and county level with Star Rank Awards.
4. A complete Record Book can also serve as a portfolio for a particular job, school/college and scholarship applications.
5. Senior record books can go on to compete at the State level to receive cash awards for outstanding record books.

Finishing up for the Year


As the 4-H year comes to an end, each club has a responsibility to complete their club reports. Each club must submit:

- ~ an Annual Treasury Report, with a copy of the July 2007 bank statement
 - ~ an inventory report, including all inventory over \$1500.00
 - ~ the Marin County Treasury Statement, which must be audited by each club before submitting to the 4-H office
 - ~ 4-H outreach documentation
 - ~ award nominations for Meritorious, Friend of 4-H, and Leader Recognition
- ***All clubs should submit this information by August 1, 2007. Information must be received at the 4-H office before enrolling for the new 4-H year.***
 Youth Officer Books may be submitted along with the club's record book entries by September 14th, 2007.

Record Book Judging

Due to the change in State 4-H Record Book competition, Marin County 4-H Council has decided to move the Marin County 4-H Record Book judging to September 19th. Members will have until mid-September to complete their record books. Members will also have the opportunity to include their summer 4-H events and awards received. Check with your community club leader for club deadlines.

Update your PDR

<u>Event</u>	<u>Area</u>		<u>Event</u>	<u>Area</u>
Entered project in a local County Fair	2		Participated in showmanship at a local County Fair	2
Participated as a member in decoration committee	4		Participated as a club in a local parade	5
Participated in community service project	4		Participated as a counselor in a local youth camp	8
Received 1st place in Round Robin	7		Received 1st place ribbon in showmanship at local Fair	7



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