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**UPCOMING EVENTS AND  
IMPORTANT DATES**

**September**

Sep 17 Council Meeting  
Marin 4-H Office  
6:30 PM—8:30 PM

**October**

Oct 4 Achievement Day  
Oct 4-10 National 4-H Week  
Oct 7 National Youth Science Day  
Oct 29 Clubs Enrollment Due  
to 4-H Office

Mark your Calendars!

**Marin County 4-H  
Newsletter**

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# Record Books!



Many thanks to the volunteers who gave up their Saturday to evaluate this year's record books.!

Tri Valley: Lesha Harding, Cindy Pomi, Patty Pomi  
Indian Valley: Tracy Boothe, Nancy Shepardson  
Pt. Reyes/Olema: Rhonda Kutter  
Nicasio: Elizabeth Strasen  
San Rafael: Doug Charlton, Caryl Hodges  
Tamalpais: Loring Cassartelli, Luciana Downing

Also thank you to our youth evaluators who reviewed this year's primary books:

Morgan Boothe, Taylor Boothe, Erin Rose Charlton, Rachael Metzger and Katie Shepardson

It isn't too early to print a new PDR and start keeping track of your 4-H activities. You can find the PDR and the entire Record Book Manual here:

<http://4h.ucanr.edu/Resources/Members/RecordBook/RBResources/>

## Volunteer Positions with County Wide 4-H

Marin County 4-H is run and led by volunteers. Not only do volunteers lead projects and clubs, but they also hold council offices, lead county projects, and take on roles that support members in other clubs.

As the new program year begins, the County Council, who manages the affairs of the county program, is in need of two officers. It is important to note that for the County Council to function, it is required to have all offices filled. Currently the council has vacancies in the offices of:

**Treasurer:** writes and signs checks, reports regularly on bank activity, creates annual budget, completes year-end paperwork (4 sheets). Attends 5 meetings per year.

**Vice President:** serves in the president's role in the absence of the president. Serves on committees as needed. Attends 5 meetings per year. The council is better when a youth member serves as an officer, and this is the perfect one.

Additionally, the county program is in need of an All Star/Emerald Star Advisor. This person works with eligible youth to create an All Star or Emerald Star project guide the member in the service of other duties.

None of these positions are difficult! Please contact the 4-H office to find out more!!

## CHECK OUT THESE PROJECTS!

### **New Project!**

Open to any Marin County 4-H members in 8th-12th grade

### **The College Project: College Planning and Application**

Led by Alexandra Matthews, a professional college application coach, and Zoe McCormick, who is applying to college this year.

Take the stress out of college planning and the college application!

We learn about what you can do during High School to make sure you get into the college of your dreams, how to choose colleges, how to do the application and essay, how to apply for financial aid, and much more.

Meeting schedule TBD.

Email [Alexand875@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Alexand875@sbcglobal.net) if you would like to join this project.



### **SHOOTING SPORTS**



If you know a young person who might enjoy learning about firearm safety and shooting clay targets in a controlled, supportive and fun setting, please let them know about 4H Shooting Sports!

Enrollment will be at our first meetings on Saturday September 19th and Saturday October 17th at 9:00 AM sharp at the Valley of the Moon Trap Club. Directions can be found at [www.vomtc.org](http://www.vomtc.org)

To save time, please enroll online beforehand by visiting [http://cemarlin.ucanr.edu/Programs/4-H\\_Program/4hOnline\\_Enrollment/](http://cemarlin.ucanr.edu/Programs/4-H_Program/4hOnline_Enrollment/)

Bring a completed Medical form for each club member to the first meeting.

Please note new club members will need to successfully complete the required safety training on at least one of these two days.

Any questions please contact:

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# From the Staff

## 4-H Uniform

Information about the new **Uniform Policies** is now available.

The 4-H Uniform will consist of:

- Greet hat with new embroidered logo
- White collared shirt of any sleeve type
- Bottoms appropriate to the event and in accordance with the 4-H dress guidelines <http://4h.ucanr.edu/files/210170.pdf>
- Optional green scarf or tie, as decided by the member

Leslie Carman <https://www.4hsupplies.com/> will continue to supply our members with their uniform needs (hats, ties, scarves). Please look for more details in coming State 4-H Newsletters.

This uniform change rollout will take time, and the State and County offices will work with local fair boards to communicate these changes.

One of the largest changes is the elimination of the white 4-H hat for senior members. Members using a white hat may continue to do so for the rest of their 4-H careers. Additionally, clubs with inventory may exhaust their supplies before switching.

The complete uniform guidelines may be found here:  
<http://4h.ucanr.edu/files/216262.pdf>

## 4-H Enrollment Fees for 2015-2016

The state office has announced a moderate increase to enrollment fees. Included in the youth fee, is a \$2 offset to the Marin County 4-H council to help cover the cost of pins and other awards given to our members each year.

Youth Members—\$40  
Adult Volunteers—\$14

Additionally the Marin County 4-H Council has formed a task force to look at the finances of the council for the next 3-5 years, and determine a strategy that covers costs in the future, without burdening families with fundraising responsibilities. You may learn more at the County Council meeting on September **10th, 6:30 PM** at the 4-H Office.



Please work with your Community Club Leader to complete your enrollment for this program year.

*Thank you!*



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