



University of California

Agriculture and Natural Resources ■ 4-H Youth Development Program



June 2019

8	Rifle Match at Five Dogs Range 8:00 am	Orville Andrews 661-201-0708
*11	Final Medal Testing 6:00pm	Sue McKinney 661-868-6235
15	Hi 4-H/All Star Year End Party	Laura Colbert 661-706-2778
17	Rabbit/Cavy Showmanship Clinic Kern Ag Pavilion - 3300 East Belle Terrace at 6:00pm	Brenda Smith 661-972-7507
22	Market Sheep Progress Show Kern County Fairgrounds	Judy Doser 661-333-9049
22	Annual Dog Progress Show and Medal Testing for Dog Project at Kern County Fairgrounds	Claudia Burk 661-303-8343
*25	Horse Leader Meeting 6:00pm	Becky Davis 661-342-6346
*25	Leader Council Meeting 7:00pm	Jeanne Walford 661-831-1639

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Would you like your club featured in next month's newsletter?

Do you have a photo for the newsletter?
E-mail event info & photos to
cekern@ucdavis.edu
NEWSLETTER DEADLINE!
Articles/photos for the next issue of
The 4-H Network
must be received by June 20th

Kern County 4-H
1031 S. Mt. Vernon Avenue
Bakersfield CA 93307-2851
Phone: 661-868-6200
Fax: 661-868-6208
or cekern@ucdavis.edu

July 2019

1	2019-2020 Program Year Membership re-enrollment due - \$58 for Youth and \$24 for adult volunteers	
1-4	Kern County Fireworks Booth - Volunteers needed See page 6 for more information	Teresa Andrews 661-979-1003
4	4th of July Holiday - UCCE Office Closed 	
15	Rabbit/Cavy Showmanship Clinic Kern Ag Pavilion - 3300 East Belle Terrace at 6:00pm	Brenda Smith 661-972-7507
*16	Budget/Calendar Planning Meeting 6:00pm	Sue McKinney 661-868-6235
*17	Record Books Due for County Judging by 5:00 pm Club Year End Awards Due	Sue McKinney 661-868-6235
*20	County Record Book Judging 9:00am	Sue McKinney 661-868-6235
*23	Horse Leader Meeting 6:00pm	Becky Davis 661-342-6346
*23	Leader Council Meeting 7:00pm	Jeanne Walford 661-831-1639
*27	Hi 4-H/All Star Meeting 11:00am	Laura Colbert 661-706-2778

For the 2019-2020 program year, registration starting July 1, 2019,
fees will be **\$58** for youth and **\$24** for adult volunteers



*Meeting is at the UC Extension Office, 1031 S. Mt. Vernon Avenue, Bakersfield, CA - Wheelchair accessible. Please contact UCCE Kern at 661-868-6200 if any special accommodations. Individuals who need to request an ADA accommodation in order to participate in 4-H sponsored events and activities can contact your local 4-H Office to complete a 4-H ADA Accommodation Request Form: <http://4h.ucanr.edu/>

Congratulations to our Gold Medal Recipients

Area Presentation Day

Nolan Byers

Premier 4-H

Interpretive Reading

To This Day

Ethan Garrett

Premier 4-H

Educational Display

The Birthing Process of a Piglet

Paisley Harris

Glennville 4-H

Scientific Illustrated Talk

The Bedding Debate: Measuring the Absorbency of Different Bedding Materials

Brent Loyd

Stallion Springs 4-H Interpretive Reading

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory

Olivia Loyd

Stallion Springs 4-H Interpretive Reading

The Thing About Jellyfish

Moria Loyd, Olivia Loyd, Brent Loyd

Stallion Springs 4-H

Cultural Arts

ASL- It's Handy



Final Medal Testing

4-H Office: Tuesday, June 11th - 6:00 PM



4-H SHEEP PROGRESS SHOW

SATURDAY, JUNE 22, 2019

KERN COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS



4-H SHEEP SHOWMEN COME JOIN IN THE FUN ;-]



CHECK-IN TIME: 7:30AM - 7:45AM AT SHEEP SHOW RING

ENTRIES ACCEPTED AT RING SIDE



STARTING WITH SENIOR SHOWMANSHIP AT 8:00AM



ENTRY FORMS WILL BE IN 4-H NEWSLETTER, 4-H OFFICE, AND WILL BE AT DIFFERENT FEED STORES
AROUND TOWN.

KERN COUNTY 4-H SHEEP PROGRESS SHOW

KERN COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

JUNE 22, 2019

CHECK IN: 7:30am AT SHEEP SHOW RING

SHOW STARTS AT 8:00am WITH SENIOR SHOWMANSHIP

ENTRY FEE: \$ 5.00 PER MEMBER ENTRIES DUE IN OFFICE BY JUNE 21ST (FEE \$7.00 ON SHOW DAY AT RING SIDE)

Show open to current 4-H members. Member can enter one lamb with no more than 1/4 inch of fleece. If member uses pens to hold lamb it is their responsibility for cleaning it before leaving the fairgrounds.

Uniforms are RECOMMENDED.

This show is a learning experience and is planned to help the members to prepare their lambs for the market class at the Kern County Fair. The judge will group lambs in three categories. 1) Lambs that are doing well and are conditioned for fair. 2) Lambs that are too big and over conditioned. 3) Lambs that are small and under conditioned for fair.

DIVISION A: SHOWMANSHIP

CLASS 1: 9TH GRADE AND ABOVE

CLASS 2: 6TH, 7TH, AND 8TH GRADE

CLASS 3: 3RD, 4TH, AND 5TH GRADE

CLASS 4: NOVICE CLASS 3RD, 4TH, 5TH (FIRST YEAR LAMB PROJECT AS WELL)

CLASS:

DIVISION A: _____

DIVISION B: _____

DIVISION B: MARKET LAMB

CLASS 1: LIGHT WEIGHT – 0-90 POUNDS

CLASS 2: HEAVY WEIGHT – 91 & ABOVE

MAIL ENTRIES OR HAND DELIVER TO:

KERN COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE

1031 S. MT. VERNON AVENUE

BAKERSFIELD CA. 93307

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: KERN COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL

ENTRY FEE: _____

NAME: _____ CLUB: _____

ADDRESS: _____ TELEPHONE # _____

GRADE JUST COMPLETED: _____ BIRTH DATE: _____

I HEREBY ENTER THE ABOVE ANIMAL AT MY OWN RISK AND AM SUBJECT TO ALL THE RULES OF THE SHOW. I FURTHER AGREE THE KERN COUNTY 4-H CLUBS, KERN COUNTY FAIR AND ALL CLUB MEMBERS AND OTHER PERSONS SHALL NOT BE HELD LIABLE FOR ANY INJURY OR ACCIDENT TO EXHIBITOR, ANIMAL OR PROPERTY OWNED BY ME AS A RESULT OF PARTICIPATING IN THIS SHOW. THERE ARE NO REFUNDS. PHOTO'S TAKEN AT THE SHOW MAY BE USED OR POSTED.

MEMBER:

PARENT:

LEADER:



Dog Project Events for June

June 6th and 13th at Fruitvale Park - 6:00 p.m.

June 22nd Dog Progress Show at Kern County Fairgrounds - Dog Project Medal Testing at show

Call Claudia Burk at 661-303-8343 for information



KERN COUNTY 4-H FIREWORKS BOOTH!!

July 1st through July 4th

13011 Stockdale Highway

(Sonic Shopping Center)

Clubs are required to work 2-3 hour shifts.

Must be 18 and over to work.

Please call Teresa Andrews at 661-979-1003

to schedule shifts.

Ireland Comstock
2019 – 2020
4-H Ambassador
for Kern County



[Change the Future of Farming Video Contest Farmfluencer](#)

www.farmfluencer.com

Enter the Farmfluencer global video competition and create a two-minute video about the future of farming to become an influencer in the reinvention of the farming industry.

[https://www.farmfluencer.com/?utm_source=Kick-off&utm_medium=Email&utm_term=&utm_content=US English&utm_campaign=](https://www.farmfluencer.com/?utm_source=Kick-off&utm_medium=Email&utm_term=&utm_content=US_English&utm_campaign=)

Save 15% at JOANN and support 4-H at the same time!

JOANN is supporting 4-H with a rewards "card" that gives holders 15% off their total in-store and online purchases!

A minimum of **2.5% of every eligible transaction is donated to 4-H.**

Two ways to sign up:

1. Sign up online at <http://www.joann.com/4-H/>
2. Download the free JOANN app on your mobile device. Go to "More" and select "Loyalty Programs".

<http://4h.uca> Save 15% at JOANN and support 4-H at the same time!



Shop 4-H for California!

Thanks to the [California 4-H Foundation](#), we are now signed up for an affiliate program with Shop 4-H, the National 4-H shopping site. Items include t-shirts, curriculum, incentive items and more.

When you purchase anything using [our link](#), 5% of your purchase will be returned to California 4-H!

Avian Science Notes

Dr. Francine Bradley, UC Poultry Specialist, has a new website on which you can find the latest, as well as back issues, of Avian Science Notes. Her publications are no longer mailed so you have to access them online from: <https://avian.ucdavis.edu/> Check the website for disease updates, Avian Bowl information, etc. Please pass this on to other people interested in poultry.



Registration Open!

4-H State Leadership Conference

July 18-21, 2019 at UC Davis

Web: ucanr.edu/sites/4hstateleadership | Contact: 4hslc@ucanr.edu

Registration is now open to ages 13-19

*Join us to improve your personal leadership skills, expand your network,
and advance your college and career readiness*

What you will do:

Thursday

Arrive and check-in from 3-5 PM and kick off SLC with a fun night at the pool!

Friday

Evening kick off assembly. Friday tour options include visiting the UC Davis campus and its educational attractions, learning about California history at the State Capitol... and more!

Saturday

Educational workshops featuring presentations by UC academics and industry professionals and then dance the night away!

Sunday

Wrap up a memorable SLC at 3 PM with the Sunday fair and closing assembly!



Registration Deadlines	Arrival and Departure Days	
	Thursday-Sunday	Friday-Sunday (will not attend pool party or tours)
April 1: Early Bird ends	\$375	\$275
May 6: Regular registration ends	\$399	\$299
June 17: Late registration ends	\$475	\$375

Our appreciation to our Premier Sponsor: Tractor Supply!



2019 California State 4-H Horse Classic and Horse Bowl Contest

June 27 – June 30, 2019
Brookside Equestrian Park
Elk Grove, CA



The California 4-H Horse Classic offers 4-H members the chance to showcase the culmination of their efforts put forth in their equine projects throughout the year. At the State Championship Horse Show, 4-H riders have this opportunity to compete at a level beyond local, county or regional events. Participants must pre-qualify at [qualifying 4-H horse shows](#).

Tentative Schedule

June 27th : Horse Bowl Contest
June 28th : English Flat and Jumping
June 29th : Western Flat, Trail and Ranch Horse
June 30th : Mini Horse and Gymkhana.

New to 2019

New this year is that Mini Horse classes will need to qualify. Ranch Horse division classes to include, ranch horse trail, ranch riding pattern, modified reining, western riding and ranch horse trail. Will have high point and reserve high point as well.

For more event information, please visit the [4-H Horse Classic webpage](#)

For contact information, please contact Shauna Bond at
sabond@ucanr.edu / (530)260-3277.

Keep up to date with Equine events; follow us on Facebook:
California State 4-H Horse Classic

VIRULENT NEWCASTLE DISEASE (VND)

The State Veterinarian, Dr. Annette Jones, is recommending that poultry exhibitions be cancelled in order to prevent potential spread of virulent Newcastle disease (VND). Please see the attached letter (in English/Spanish) and please pass along to all relevant contacts. This decision will be re-evaluated July 1, 2019.

See the VND factsheet. For more information and updates, please visit: https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/ahfss/Animal_Health/newcastle_disease_info.html

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Sick Bird Hotline number 866-922-2473 (Press 0 when you hear the recording to get to a live person faster) or Public Information Officer Line 909-731-6367.

Letter - Recommendation to Cancel Poultry Exhibitions in CA (English and Spanish)

<http://4h.ucanr.edu/files/297368.pdf>

VND - Alert (English and Spanish) <http://4h.ucanr.edu/files/297369.pdf>

At South Coast REC, they held a CDFA/USDA info session regarding Newcastle Disease for the affected counties. They had a Q & A session and reviewed best practices. The workshop was recorded and you can watch the video (English and Spanish) here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h9xuxaTbgTY&t=171s>

*****IMPORTANT UPDATE*****

Newcastle Disease Update

Provided by: Maurice Pitesky. CE specialist with a focus in poultry at the UCD vet school.

The current virulent Newcastle Disease (vND) outbreak in California is now confirmed in the following counties:

Los Angeles

San Bernardino

Riverside

Alameda

This is a foreign animal disease that has not been in California since 2002. The current outbreak is particularly concerning because of the most recent case in Alameda County which demonstrates that the disease can spread anywhere. The disease has never spread this far north before. The disease is being primarily spread among backyard birds and has 'spilled over' into several commercial farms in Southern California.

Please feel free to read and share the following resources. Even if your county is currently unaffected there are an estimated 100,000 backyard poultry premises in the state. Therefore, there are a lot of susceptible locations in every county.

[CDFA vND page](#) (there is also a Spanish link)

[vND resources in English](#) on UCCE poultry website

[vND resources in Spanish](#) on UCCE poultry website

[Poultry Ponderings](#) (UCCE quarterly newsletter) the winter 2019 and fall 2018 editions have relevant

Keeping Your Birds Safe from Disease:

The California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) has identified a case of **virulent Newcastle disease** in a small flock of backyard exhibition birds in Los Angeles County and San Bernardino counties. The case was detected at the UC Davis School of Veterinary Medicine's California Animal Health & Food Safety Laboratory (CAHFS) when a private practitioner submitted a sick bird for testing. This is the first case of virulent Newcastle disease, previously referred to as exotic Newcastle disease, in the U.S. since 2003. CDFA is working with federal and local partners as well as poultry owners to respond to the finding. State officials have quarantined potentially exposed birds and are testing for the disease.

Virulent Newcastle disease is a **highly contagious** and **deadly virus in birds**; the virus is found in respiratory discharges and feces. Clinical signs in birds include:

- sneezing
- coughing
- nasal discharge
- green watery diarrhea
- depression
- neck twisting (example attached)
- circling
- muscle tremors
- paralysis
- decreased egg production
- swelling around eyes and neck
- sudden death.

It is essential that all poultry owners follow good biosecurity practices to help protect their birds from infectious diseases such as Newcastle. These include simple steps like *washing hands* and *scrubbing boots* before and after entering a poultry area; *cleaning and disinfecting tires and equipment before moving them off the property*; and *isolating any birds*. New or returning birds from shows should be isolated for 30 days before placing them with the rest of the flock.

For backyard flock owners, biosecurity measures include using dedicated shoes and clothes when caring for them and not to use/wear those clothes/shoes in other areas.

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Keeping Your Birds Safe from Disease, continued

Additional information on biosecurity can be found at:

<https://www.aphis.usda.gov/aphis/ourfocus/animalhealth/animal-disease-information/avian-influenza-disease/birdbiosecurity>

https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/ahfss/animal_health/BioSpecies/BioPoultry.html

https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/ahfss/animal_health/pdfs/AI/BiosecurityForBackyardAndPetBirds.pdf

<https://www.aphis.usda.gov/aphis/ourfocus/animalhealth/animal-disease-information/avian-influenza-disease/birdbiosecurity>

<http://ucanr.edu/sites/poultry/biosec/>

In addition to practicing good biosecurity, all bird owners should report sick birds or unusual bird deaths through California's Sick Bird Hotline at 866-922-BIRD (2473). Additional information on VND and biosecurity for backyard flocks can be found at https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/ahfss/Animal_Health/Newcastle_Disease_Info.html

Sick or dead backyard birds can be submitted to CAHFS laboratories for post-mortem examination (\$20 plus shipping and handling). Information on this program can be found at:

https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/ahfss/Animal_Health/pdfs/CAHFS_NecropsyFactsheet.pdf

For additional information on who to contact for issues regarding backyard poultry, see:

<http://ucanr.edu/sites/poultry/contact/>

Virulent Newcastle disease is NOT a food safety concern. No human cases of Newcastle disease have ever occurred from eating poultry products. Properly cooked poultry products are safe to eat. In very rare instances people working directly with sick birds can become infected. Symptoms are usually very mild, and limited to conjunctivitis and/or influenza-like symptoms. Infection is easily prevented by using standard personal protective equipment.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call the Animal Health Branch Tulare District Office at 559-685-3500. Jennifer McDougale, Veterinarian, Animal Health Branch, Tulare District Office.



Updated Leader Orientation

For New Leaders, please visit the link below

[New 4-H Volunteer Leaders](#)

For Returning Leaders, please visit the link below

[Returning 4-H Volunteer Leaders](#)

LINKS YOU CAN USE!

4-H uniform page

<http://4h.ucanr.edu/About/Uniform/>

California 4-H Uniform Guidelines

<http://4h.ucanr.edu/files/216262.pdf>

Leslie Carman 4-H Supplies

<http://www.4hsupplies.com/>

California 4-H Branding Toolkit

http://4h.ucanr.edu/Resources/Branding_Toolkit/

California 4-H Dress Guidelines

<http://4h.ucanr.edu/files/210170.pdf>

[Handbook For New Families](#) **NEW!**

This guide was developed to help new families understand the 4-H program. Please share a copy of this with new families in your club. If you have feedback for updates to this guide, please submit them to Sue McKinney at lsmckinney@ucdavis.edu or call 661-868-6235. <http://4h.ucanr.edu/files/271860.pdf>

Food Safety Training Available ONLINE!

The State 4-H Office requires that every club have at least one 4-H leader trained in Food Safety. The more leaders in your club that are certified, the more convenient it is for your club. It is required that a certified volunteer is to be present at all bake sales/food booths to make sure proper food safety guidelines are handled. Food Safety trainings are available anytime online! Please visit the website below, and use the provided sign-in/user information:

Website: <http://ucanr.edu/sites/MISKIS/>



4-H WEBSITES

http://cekern.ucdavis.edu/Youth_Development/

<http://www.areyouintoit.com>

<http://www.fourhcouncil.edu>

<http://www.4-h.org/fourweb>

<http://www.ca4h.org>

4-H ENROLLMENT WEBSITE

<https://california.4honline.com>

4-H VOLUNTEER WEBSITE

<http://ucanr.org/4-hvolunteers/>

KERN COUNTY 4-H IS ON FACEBOOK!

Kern County 4-H is on Facebook! You can search for us: Kern County 4-H and 'like' us! We will post updates, important event reminders, announcements—all sorts of important things! It's the best way to keep up-to-date!