

# April Mendocino County 4-H Newsletter







# Extravaganza-Fashion Revue 2022

When: April 30th, 2022
Where: Potter Valley Community unified
School District, 10401 Main Street, Potter
Valley, CA 95469

Time: 9am-Room Host Orientation

Deadline to register: 8am on April 25th, 2022

Register NOW!

# Potter Valley Rabbit & Cavy Show 2022

When: 10:00 am Saturday, April 30, 2022 Where: Potter Valley Community Unified School District 10401 Main ST, Potter Valley, CA 95469 Fees: Classes are \$3.00, Showmanship \$5.00

Make checks or money orders payable to:
Potter Valley 4-H Club Send entry
form and check or money order to:
Potter Valley 4-H Rabbit Project
PO Box 205
Potter Valley, CA 95469

Rules: All entry forms must be postmarked by April 22, 2020 or emailed to kenzieosburn07@gmail.com

This is a "learning show" open to 4-H and FFA members (if they have an FFA advisor or parent/guardian with them), and is not an ARBA sanctioned show.

**Entry Form Here!** 





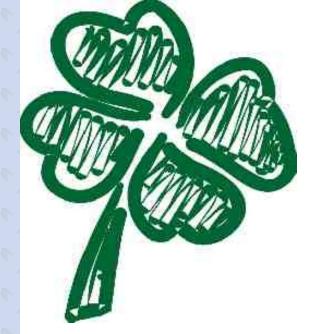
## Mendo-Lake 4-H Summer Camp

When: June 27th-July 1st, 2022

Where: Mendocino Woodlands

Price: \$200-Teen Staff & \$250-Campers

What is it?: The Mendocino-Lake 4-H Summer Camp is a Teen Staff conducted, week-long camp filled with fun and exciting adventures that are sure to be remembered for years to com. During camp, campers will participate in daily educational



workshops, campfire and other activities.

Some of the workshops that have been offered at camp have been: Archery, Shooting Sports, Hiking, Water Activities, Sports, Arts & Crafts, Low Ropes, photography and much much more!!

#### All 4-H Members:

**9-13 years old:** may participate in camp as a camper.

**12-13 years old:** have the opportunity to attend camp as a Counselor-In-Training.

**14-18 years old:** may attend camp as a Camp Counselor, Lead Counselor or Dean.

**16–18 years old:** may serve as a Camp Director or Ambassador.

#### How to register:

#### **Camper & CIT Registration Link**

#### **Teen Staff Application Link**

Additional Forms to fill out for online registration:

## Code of Conduct Camp 2022 Camp Medical Form 2022

Camp Meetings are currently held via Zoom until late April on Wednesdays at 6:30pm.

Camp is also in need of Chaperones!

Fees for Chaperones are waived this year.

If interested, email Jessica



4-H Camp Webpage This year, CA 4-H is offering both virtual and in-person options for most contests, to give 4-H members a choice on how they want to participate.

## May 11 - 21, 2022 - Virtual contests

- Presentation events
- Interview contest

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## In-person State Field Day May 28, 2022

### UC Davis Wellman Hall and Hart Hall

State Field Day is different this year. All In-person contests will be held in Wellman Hall and Hart Hall on the UC Davis campus. The Robotics contest will be held outside. We will not have Primary activities or sponsored tables this year. Please see the **Safety Measures** if you plan to attend in person. Most competitions start at 10:00 am. Please see our **Schedule** for more information.

Results will be shared live on Sunday, May 29 on the California 4-H YouTube channel. Please join us!

**Learn More** 



## **4-H Online Closures**



Families will not have access the system from June 24th – July 18th.

Families can complete the online self-enrollment process, once 4-H Online 2.0 opens for 2022-2023 enrollment on July 18, 2022.

## **COVID-19 Protocol Update**

Masks and social distancing are no longer required for local indoor and outdoor 4-H activities. Please see the <u>Basic Safety Standards</u>, effective <u>March 12, 2022</u>, for more details on these and other changes for food service at local in-person activities.

Please check this page often for updates to COVID safety protocols for in-person 4-H activities.

We recognize that the current situation is continually evolving. We are monitoring illness metric, public health guidance, and UC policies regularly so we can revise guidelines as necessary for the conditions. We encourage you to keep safety as your top priority and implement preventative measures.



## Fair Info

## **Redwood Empire Fair Dates**

August 4th-7th

#### Ownership Dates:

Beef: April 5th Goats, Sheep & Swine: June 3rd Chickens, Turkeys & Rabbits: July 4th Rabbit breeding date: April 25th

#### **Ear Tagging Deadlines:**

Beef: April 7th Goats, Sheep & Swine: June 5th Chickens, Turkeys & Rabbits: July 6th

#### **Horse Show**

July 16th Willits Frontier Days Rodeo Grounds

#### Dog Show

Tent July 17th Location: TBD

## Mendocino County Fair and Apple Show Dates

September 23rd-25th

Don't forget to complete your YQCA training before July 1st!

**REF Website** 

MC Fair Website



## Fair FAQs Meeting with Jennifer

Thursday, May 12th at 6pm Via Zoom

Jennifer will be covering commonly asked questions regarding the REF!

### Topics will include:

- What to Expect at Fair
- Forms
- Premium Book
- Load In
- Camping

If interested in attending, contact your CCL or Jessica at jfarfan@ucanr.edu

## County Council/Non-VMO Model

Due to the struggles of finding volunteers to join our County Council, the current Council and Office Staff are looking into proceeding into 2022-23 with a Non-VMO (Volunteer Management Organization) Model structure for our 4-H program.

## <u>Highlights of Proposed Non VMO Model for Mendocino County (can be changed and is ultimately volunteer and youth's vote)</u>

- Leaves governance positions out of programming to allow focus on volunteering and youth leadership
- Allows Youth to have a voice in their own 4-H programming year to year
- 2 meetings per year
- County can keep their bank account separate from State Office
- County can switch back to a chartered unit (County Council) if desired

#### **Common Concerns**

- The State office will gain control of our local programming
- No volunteer voice
- Lack of ownership over time

\*All very legitimate initial concerns, however, I encourage all to attend this meeting to learn more about the proposed operating procedures, how much more local involement it can bring and get *INVOLVED* with the decision making in *YOUR* 4-H program.

#### **Next Steps**

- Spread this information within your clubs and community to search for volunteers (because whether we keep the Council model or go with the Non-VMO model, we need volunteers!)
- 2. Have anyone interested in a volunteer position complete <u>THIS SURVEY</u> by May 15th:
- 3. During the July 9<sup>th</sup> County Council Meeting, we will be voting on which model we will be proceeding with for the 2022-23 program year. Attendance of volunteers are highly encouraged in order to have a collective and unified process.
  - 4. If the vote concludes with keeping the Council, we will hold those elections and appointments immediately.
  - 5. If the vote concludes with trying the Non-VMO Model, we will be selecting a Finance Manager and any other Committee Members or positions the Mendocino County 4-H Program would like to consist of within their Operating Procedures.

Click below to view the proposed Operating Procedures and presentation slides

Non-VMO Documents











## **Healthy Living Recipe**



## Club Reports



## Ukiah Shamrocks 4-H Club

By: Garrett Weaver

March went by so fast for Ukiah Shamrock 4-H Club, here is a look into the Month of March. We have a lot of members who registered for the Cloverdale Citrus Fair in April. We have members showing rabbits, cavy, chickens, art, sewing and floral design. We are excited to see how they do. As a club, for a community service project, we plan to replant flower planters at the Redwood Cove rehabilitation home this next month.

Our rabbit project has doubled in size. One of our members attended a State rabbit show, Cal State. I was







fortunate to be this member and to attend this show and earn two Best of Breeds for my senior white New Zealand Buck, Posey JR. We also just had a project meeting, we learned about feed by looking at feed tags and what feeds have higher protein, more fat, etc. I also created informational binders about rabbits and their care that I gave out to all of the new members.

Our Floral Project met and created shamrock flower arrangements in a St Patrick's day hat. We gave one of our arrangements to Mendocino County Farm Bureau to thank them for using their building.

Our Wreath's Across America project met and decided that we want to have members under 9 write a questionnaire for a veteran and submit it to the newspaper in their own handwriting. We talked about starting to sell wreaths at Rainbow Ag & Tractor Supply. Our project folded flags at the VFW to assist the veterans with preparing the flags. We are now planning on putting them up in the cemetery for Memorial Day.

Our animal projects, such as swine, sheep and chickens have started meeting in preparation for fair and getting their animals.

4-H Presentation Day Proficiencies are happening now, Giovani Mendez did a presentation for our general meeting called, "Don't Get Kicked in the Rear!"

We have 5 members who will be attending the Area/Regional Virtual Presentation Day in April.



Potter Valley 4-H April Update By: Amaru Gillmore

April has been a busy month for the Potter Valley 4-H club, with multiple 4-H events for members to attend and many of the projects having regular meetings. One of the best things about this 4-H year is that members have actually been able to meet in person, which allows for more frequent and educational project meetings. Some of the projects that are off to a good start and have met this month are the Beef, Clothing, Disc Golf, Dog, Food & Nutrition, Leadership, and Swine groups.

Another exciting thing about the 2021-22 club year is that members have been able to participate in multi-club events, and a few that take place in April are the Regional Presentation Event, the Mendocino County Extravaganza, and the Breakfast for the Mendo-Lake Houndsmen.

The Regional Presentation Event took place virtually on multiple dates throughout April. Any members presenting at the event must have received a Blue or Gold award for their presentation at the county level. The Zoom room in which I gave my presentation had five competitive presenters exhibiting a wide variety of presentations. State level presentations will be held on various dates in May over Zoom and in person at the State Field Day, though with vaccine and/or testing requirements, on May 28 at U.C. Davis.

The Mendocino County
Extravaganza/Fashion Revue and the
Rabbit and Cavy show will be combined
into one event this year, and it occurs at
the Potter Valley High School on April 30
from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Members may bring
things like baked goods, legos, art, floral
arrangements, and various kinds of
clothing. Members may also show their



Fort Bragg 4-H has been busy with projects this month!
Our STEM and Cooking project led by Erin Smith was amazing this year. They did a lot of fun projects.

Our Sheep project led by Amberly Caccamo and Macey Nelepovitz has met several times and the sheep are growing nicely and gaining weight. Our sewing project led by Shelly Butterfield is going very well and our Goat project led by Juanita and Cesar Yanez is going wonderfully. The goats arrived last week and are really cute. Our dog training project led by Sabrina Watts is excellent. The dogs and members are learning so much and having so much fun! Our horse project led by Sarah Rossetto will be starting soon and I personally can't wait for that!

We have our next General meeting on April 20th and it will be our second in person meeting this year. We are all looking forward to it! We have one more General meeting in May too. We are planning a beach clean up and bonfire with hot dogs and s'mores for May and a desert auction at our last General meeting. I can't believe the 4-H year went by so fast. Camp is around the corner and we are all looking forward to that!

Respectfully submitted by Temple West, Fort Bragg 4-H President



rabbits and cavies, aka guinea pigs.

Another activity the Potter Valley 4-H club could attend was the breakfast for the Mendo-Lake Houndsmen. Seven members came to the old rodeo grounds from 7-9 a.m. on April 10 to help provide breakfast and other refreshments for the houndsmen and their families.

The Potter Valley 4-H club had a great April and looks forward to many more eventful months to come.







## Redwood Valley/Calpella 4-H Club

By: Emerald Mueller

Redwood Valley/Calpella 4-H recently went to Rainbow Ag and did an Easter themed photo shoot. It was a huge success and ended up raising over \$1,000. Each photo was \$5, which included a visit to the petting zoo and arts and crafts. There were goats, chickens, rabbits and mini pigs. The Community Service project also brought the petting zoo to Deep Valley



Christian School. Many kids there had never seen farm animals and were super excited to meet all of them.

During our April meeting, we also gave out our year end awards. They also introduced a new pin, the shield. The shield will be given to one person in each group who the leader thinks has been the most helpful and shown the most leadership. After awards, we celebrated with root beer and orange soda floats.





## **Events**





LEARN ABOUT RABBITS IN A FEW HOURS!

## RABBIT DAYS

Saturday, May 21, 2022 10 AM-12

at Rainbow Ag

235 East Perkins Street Ukiah

**Questions: Email** 

weaverranchrabbitry@gmail.com

Organized by local 4-H members

Over 15 rabbits displayed, showmanship lessons, breeding information, judging lessons, silent auction & prizes!



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## 2022 Stanislaus County 4-H Horse Benefit Show

April 30th & May 1st

Open to ALL counties

Waterford Horseman's Club

13006 Vineyard Rd.

Waterford, Ca 95386

Western & English, April 30, 2022

Gymkhana, May 1, 2022

Pre-entries due April 23rd

Day of Show entries accepted with \$10 office fee

Email entries to: Holly Fletcher Daffodilht@yahoo.com

Mail Entries to: Janet Steigerwald

2788 Ian Ct., Oakdale, Ca 95361

Questions: KD Alwast (209)480-1456



## Calendar of Events

#### **APRIL**

2-County Council Meeting
6th- Camp Teen Staff Meeting @ 6:30pm
17-Easter
20-Camp Steering Committee Meeting @ 6:30pm
22- Earth Day
27-Camp Teen Staff Meeting @ 6:30pm
30-Extravaganza/Fashion Revue
30-Potter Valley 4-H Rabbit & Cavy Show

## **MAY**

4-Camp Teen Staff Meeting @ 6:30pm
15-North Bay Science Discovery Day
15-Camp Teen Staff Training @ 9am
21-Rabbit Days
18-Camp Steering Committee Meeting @ 6:30pm
25-Camp Teen Staff Meeting @ 6:30pm

## **JUNE**

5-Camp Teen Staff Training @ 9am 27th to July 1st- 4-H Summer Camp

**JULY** 

1-New 4-H Year Starts!

4- Fourth of July9- County Council Meeting



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