

Butte County 4-H Cloverleaf Newsletter Pandemic Update III



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Staff Notes

Hello Butte County 4-H,

This newsletter is presented without images, or its typical format. It is meant to convey the most critical information, so it's easy for people to find what's important to them. Most items will have links to more information, if it is needed.

For official guidelines and news, linked here are resources from the [CDC](#) and the [Butte County Office of Public Health](#).

If you have further questions, please feel free to reach out to me. My remote "office hours", when I will be available by phone and email, are Monday-Friday from 12-5pm. I will use the remaining hours of my part-time to take calls and emails during evenings and weekends.

Stay well,

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New Updates

Silver Dollar Fair Cancelled

- Most folks will have heard the unfortunate news that the [Silver Dollar Fair Board](#) voted to cancel the 2020 Silver Dollar Fair with the public's'

safety in mind.

- 4-H members can follow any method they desire for selling current livestock projects, but [Bid Cal, Inc. of Chico](#) has worked incredibly fast to provide an alternative to 4-H, FFA, and Grange youth who would have sold at the Junior Livestock Auction. They are already taking entries for their auction.
- Shelley Livingston with Silver Dollar is helping Bid Cal gauge how many animals they may eventually process. If you are going to sell with Bid Cal, please submit [this form to Shelley by April 30th](#). **Note: This form is not required, but Bid Cal has indicated it will help them if folks turn it in**
- "The Cartel", which helps ensure exhibitors at the Junior Livestock Auction get reasonable prices will similarly assist folks selling with Bid Cal. [This form](#) provides you with information about donating directly to the The Cartel.
- All livestock project members are strongly encouraged to continue feeding projects quality feed - you want to be proud of your final product even if you won't be showing! You are also still welcome to send buyers letters like in years' passed. [Here is a link to 2019 buyers at the Silver Dollar Fair.](#)

4-H Camp Cancelled

- It is with great sadness to share that all camps overseen by the University of California (which includes 4-H) must be cancelled if they are scheduled prior to July 4, 2020.
- The Camp Rockin' U staff continue to express their character in wishing us a good summer, and we are already working to finalize dates for 4-H Camp 2021
- Rockin' U has not cancelled their summer camps, and [registration is open](#) for the general public if you are still looking for a camp (note: this would not be a 4-H camp, and not subject to the discounted rate we enjoy with our contract)

4-H Academic Scholarships and County Ambassador Applications

- Applications for the 2019-2020 Academic Scholarships and the 2020-2021 County Ambassador Team are [posted on the forms page of our website](#).
- Applications are due May 1, and references are due by May 8. This is a faster turn around than is usual, but folks don't have a lot to do these days... If this narrow window TRULY poses an issue to perspective candidates, please reach out.

Council Meeting

- Next week's scheduled Council meeting will take place in a virtual format. Please look out for a Zoom link closer to Thursday, along with an agenda.

Enrollment Clean-Up

- Barbara is reviewing every club's pending youth and adult profiles. She is contacting club leaders with what specifically must be done for enrollments to be approved. Please be aware that you may still need to complete part of your eXtension training videos. **If you are a returning volunteer, and you do not finish re-enrolling by June 30, 2020, you unfortunately must begin the process over (per state policy) and will have to watch ~3 hours of videos AGAIN, so make sure to get it done!**

Previous Updates

4-H Programming

- Glenda Humiston and UCANR have **extended program suspensions through May 3rd**. Any meetings held must be conducted virtually. Please reach out if you need assistance in creating virtual meetings.

Silver Dollar Fair

- **The letter published** on April 3rd by Lynn Schmitt-McQuitty, the California 4-H Director, is still the most recent communication from the State 4-H Office regarding fairs.
- All Area Presentation Days are **moving to a virtual format**; be on the lookout for more information next week.
- The Spring Tractor Supply Paper Clover campaign (4/29-5/10) is currently "suspended", however **their webpage does not have information about rescheduling the campaign**.
- If your club had planned a fundraiser and was forced to cancel because of the pandemic, please reach out to me directly. The University of California is generating a report about lost income and/or fundraising opportunities which may allow insurance claims and eventually money for these lost opportunities.
- Staff in Santa Clara created a **survey** for 4-H leaders to report what resources they need to operate remotely. (the meetings listed in the survey are for 4-H members in Santa Clara, so you can disregard that section)
- If you or someone you know is struggling to find reliable internet access during this time, you can **find resources here**.
- **State Leadership Conference** and **Cal Focus** are currently still planned to occur as scheduled.
- Online Record Book Sunsetting

- ORB will officially close on June 30, 2020. This means that members will not be able to use ORB to create their record books for the 2020-2021 program year.
 - Current ORB users will have access to complete their 2019-2020 record books through December 31, 2020.
 - Previous year's record books must be downloaded and saved to their personal computers prior to June 30, 2020 and 2019-2020 record books must be done no later than December 31, 2020.
 - ORB will completely shutdown with ability to retrieve any data beginning January 1, 2021.
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- **State Field Day** is going to be virtual. You can find more information about different competitions [at this address](#)
 - **State Fashion Revue** is "cancelled" but is considering a virtual option
 - For more information, contact Sue Moore at 2moores.sue@gmail.com or 209-743-2020.

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