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Your Source for 4-H News and Events



Happy Easter! April 2023



4-H Shooting Sports

Learn by Doing

Spring's mighty winds are blowing in not just the Easter bunny, but lots of 4-H activities and events
And we are busy, busy . . . contests & contests

Northern Counties Shooting Sports County Contest Qualifier for both the State Shoot for Seniors *and* NE District Shoot for Novice & Juniors. Rifle and Pistol is this Saturday, April 8th, 12pm to 7pm and Archery & Shotgun is Sunday April 16, 9am to 5pm both at the Los Alamos Sportsmen's Club.

Rio Arriba county will send their own county teams to the state and district shoot. Cost \$5.00 per member-per event. Shotgun \$20.00/member. Make checks payable to Rio Arriba 4-H County Council. Call 505-685-4523 to register.

May 4-7 - NM State 4-H Shooting Sports Championship, Raton NM for Seniors

June 13th – NE District 4-H Shooting Sports Contest, Raton, NM for Novice and Juniors

Shooting Sports Projects are on their way soon!

Dates to Remember...

April 8- Pistol and Rifle Qualifier

April 7 – Good Friday

April 9 - Easter

April 12 – RA 4-H County Council Meeting

April 13 - 2nd Zoom Training

April 14-19 - National 4-H Conference

April 15 – **CANCELLED** Horse Judging Workshop, Abiquiu

April 16 - Archery and Shotgun Qualifier

April 21-23 - Youth Get-Away

April 21-23 - State 4-H Healthy Living Summit

April 24 – Return County Contest Interest Form

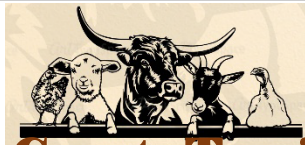
April 29 - Goat, Sheep & Swine Tagging

May 4-7 - NM State 4-H Shooting Sports Championship, Raton NM

May 14 – Mother's Day

May 26 – RA County Contest – General, District Qualifier

June 2 – RA County Contest – FCS, District Qualifier



Rio Arriba County Tagging Dates

Planning to show your project animal?

It is a requirement to have your project animals tagged and inspected during designated dates in order to exhibit those animals at the **Rio Arriba County Fair, held July 26 – 30, 2023.**

Apr 29, 9am-3pm **Goat, Sheep & Swine**

June 24, 9am-3pm **Rabbits & Poultry**

Exhibitors are required to attend the designated tagging dates and to complete a Livestock Nomination Certificate to designate their project animals. 4-H Leaders and FFA Advisors sign the completed certificates after tagging to complete the nomination process. Exhibitors will complete an entry form confirming show intentions and indicating the number of livestock pens needed.

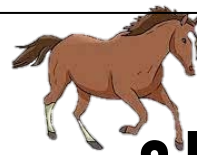
Tags cost \$3.50 each (for replacements: 1st time \$3.50; 2nd time \$4.00)

Rio Arriba County Fair Livestock forms, Livestock Health Records forms, County Bred Guidelines and forms, and State Fair Guidelines can be found at:

<https://rioarribaextension.nmsu.edu/programs/resourcepg.html>

Livestock Nomination Form:

<https://rioarribaextension.nmsu.edu/programs/4h.html>



Enrolled in a Horse Project?

Members looking to participate in 4-H Sanctioned Horse Shows are required to submit a Horse Certificate for the 4-H Project horse. Horse Certificates need to be completed every year. Horse Certificates are due May 1 to the Extension Office.

Horse Certificate forms:

<https://rioarribaextension.nmsu.edu/programs/4h.html>



Enrolled in the 4-H Rodeo Project?

State rodeo rules require all contestants to have personal accident insurance and a signed and completed rodeo waiver in the State 4-H Office 15 days prior to the participant's first rodeo of the current year in order for the member to compete in Sanctioned 4-h rodeos. This includes completing the rodeo safety course.

Find all things rodeo here:

<https://nm4h.nmsu.edu/4h/4h-rodeo.html>

More on County & Northern District Contests . . .

Please take a moment to select what county contests you'd like to be held on the

Rio Arriba County 4-H Contest Interest Form.

General Contests: Friday, May 26th, 10am, Extension Office, Abiquiu

FCS (Home Ec) Contest Areas, June 2, 10am, Extension Office, Abiquiu

Return completed form found at the end of this newsletter to my email: jczmyrid@nmsu.edu or turn in to Extension offices due Friday, April 28th. For study materials & District Contest Handbook go to:

<https://rioarribaextension.nmsu.edu/programs/4h.html>

To participate in District Contest you are a 4-H member who has passed his or her 9th birthday, but has not passed his or her 14th birthday prior to January 1st of the current 4-H year. You must be enrolled in the project or activity in the contest program entered. You must have participated in these county contests held first in Rio Arriba county.

- Each Judging Contest will allow two novice and two junior teams (maximum of 8 members per age division) per county to participate.
- Competing in these contests will qualify you for to move on the Northern District Contest to be held June 28th & 29 in Moriarty, NM

Exceptions to District Contest limits:

- A) Favorite Foods – 4 novice and 4 juniors per county
- B) Impromptu - 4 novice and 4 junior individuals per county
- C) Prepared Public Speaking – 4 novice and 4 junior individuals per county
- D) Presentations – 4 novice and junior individuals/teams per county
- E) Talent Review – 2 novice and 2 junior individuals/teams per category, per county
- F) 2 novice and 2 junior entries per category, per county



Rio Arriba County Fair Buyers' Club

Is seeking 2023 Club Supporters!!!!

Club Mission:

This club is designed to bring businesses and individuals together by creating a pool of money through business and personal donations, which will be used to support livestock exhibitors at the Rio Arriba County Fair. Majority of the funds will be depleted annually. Each year a new balance will be accumulated and dispersed to the Junior Livestock Exhibitors upon the conclusion of fair.

Supporter Membership:

The Buyers' Club is open to anyone interested in assisting with a monetary donation of their choice. All funds come from donation with the main participation as parents, grandparents, friends and small businesses that may not be able to attend the auction or afford to purchase an animal directly.

Interested in becoming a Supporter!

If you are interested in becoming a supporter of the 2023 Buyers Club Membership, have any questions, or would like to make a monetary donation, please contact Michelle Coriz (505) 470-0324 or Clarissa Baca at (505) 929-0578. Checks can be made payable to the Rio Arriba County Fair Buyers' Club or RACF Buyers' Club and mailed to P.O. Box 979 Chimayo, NM 87522. You can also email us at racfbuyersclub@gmail.com



Rio Arriba 4-H County
Council Meeting
Wednesday, April 12
4pm – 6pm

All Council Members . . .
see you there!!

Save the Date

**4-H Northern District
Contest 2023
June 28 – 29
Moriarty, NM**



District Handbook link for more
Contest information and Contest
study material at:

<https://rioarribaextension.nmsu.edu/prgrams/4h.html>



**4-H Shooting
Sports**
Learn by Doing

Northern Counties Shooting Sports Qualifier Rifle and Pistol

Open to Novice, Junior, and Senior members

Saturday, April 8, 2023

12:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

**Schedule to be announced on April 6th.*

Los Alamos Sportsmen's Club

Rendija Rd., Los Alamos, NM

Cost: \$5.00/member per event.

Checks payable to your 4-H Council

Register by **April 1st** to confirm your spot.

To register: Call (505)685-4523 or e-mail to: losalamos@nmsu.edu.

For more information contact the Los Alamos Cooperative Extension Office at (505)662-2656 or the Rio Arriba Cooperative Extension Office at (505)685-4523.

If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of an auxiliary aid or service to participate, please contact Angela Prada by March 27, 2023 at (505) 662-2656 or angprada@nmsu.edu.



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**4-H Shooting
Sports**
Learn by Doing

Northern Counties Shooting Sports Qualifier Archery and Shotgun

Open to Novice, Junior, and Senior 4-H members

Sunday, April 16, 2023

9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**Event schedule to be announced on April 13th.*

Los Alamos Sportsmen's Club

Rendija Rd., Los Alamos, NM

\$5.00/member (Archery) and \$20.00/member (Shotgun)

Checks payable to your 4-H County Council

Register by **April 6th** to confirm your spot.

To register: Call (505)685-4523 or e-mail to: losalamos@nmsu.edu.

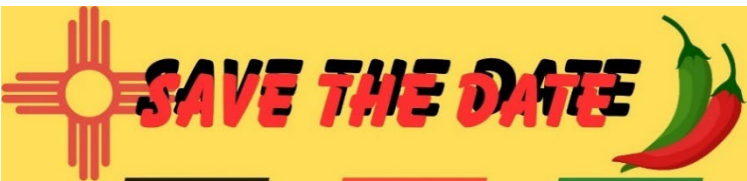
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SAVE THE DATE



NORTHERN LIVESTOCK SCHOOL

JUNE 23 & 24, 2023
JUAN I. GONZALES MEMORIAL
AGRICULTURAL CENTER 202 CHAMISA ROAD
TAOS, NM.

PRESENTED BY:



Chama Valley Child Community Health Fair

**Free Child Screenings • Door Prizes
Giveaways for Attendees • Activities for Kids**





Saturday, April 29th
9:00am to 2:00pm
 at
Tierra Amarilla Elementary School
 State Road 531 Building 032,
 Tierra Amarilla, NM 87575

Join us for free screening for children birth to 5 years, developmental screens • vision screens • hearing screens • social emotional screens provided by NM School for the Deaf • NM School for the Blind and Visually Impaired • NM Head Start



Food, informational booths for local businesses and learn more about community resources. Many door prizes and giveaways + plenty of fun activities for children and families

Contact Leticia for more information or to schedule screening for your child • 505.901.7732

Event Made Possible By:

News & Opportunities from the New Mexico Cattle Growers Association

Cain receives Cattle Growers' Honor, Annual Heritage Showcase is Back

By: Gracie Hooten, NMCGA

New Mexico Cattle Growers' Association (NMCGA) announced Macklee Cain of Mountainair as the 2022 recipient of NMCGA Statewide Heritage Contest during the Joint Stockmen's Convention held December 2022. Honored for her reflection and commitment to her roots in New Mexico's ranching industry, Macklee received a commemorative Torrance County Heritage belt buckle, a one year junior membership to NMCGA and a \$1,000 scholarship funded by the NMCGA Promotions and Marketing Committee.

Macklee is a fifth grade Mountainair Mustang who is active in 4-H and loves everything about ranching, except building fence. A portion of her winning essay reads, "As a fifth generation rancher, I plan to build on the legacy of agriculture in New Mexico by becoming an Ambassador for the ranching industry. Only 2% of the U.S. population are involved in agriculture. There are many people who do not understand how difficult feeding America is. It is my goal to educate those who are not directly involved in agriculture and show them how passionate agriculturalists are about taking care of animals and the land. I will continue to build the industry by making sure everybody knows where their meat comes from. I will show them that eating beef can be both nutritious and

delicious. I will do all I can to make sure my passion for New Mexico agriculture is contagious.”

New Mexico Cattle Growers' Association extends a congratulations to all of last year's countywide winners and is also proud to announce the opening of their third annual Heritage Contest. The contest aims to tell the stories of New Mexico's youth involved in agriculture and highlights the importance of generational ties to land and livestock.

“It's always a wonderful journey to see how excited our youth are about their futures,” says Amanda Culbertson, NMCGA Promotions and Marketing Committee Chairman. “The lessons these kids learn when working alongside their fathers and grandfathers are priceless. Cattle Growers' wants to help tell the story of New Mexico agriculture and we believe this contest showcases our diverse industry and the families who make their livings at the end of the dirt road.”

Youth, ages 9 to 15 years, in all 33 counties of New Mexico are eligible to apply, but previous winners will not be selected to receive honors. Entries require a 200 to 500 word essay response to the prompt: “How would you like to continue your family's agriculture heritage to better your community?” **Essay submission deadline is May 12, 2023.**

NMCGA board members, county fair board members, and award sponsors will collaborate in deciding the final winners from each county. Winners will receive a belt buckle and a one year junior membership to NMCGA. All county winners will then be automatically advanced to the Statewide Heritage Contest, where their essay submissions could earn them a \$1,000 scholarship funded through the NMCGA Promotions and Marketing Committee. The state wide winner and their family will be awarded and recognized as special guests during the 2023 Joint Stockmen's Convention.

For more information on the **Heritage Buckle Contest**, including the contest rules and the essay entry form, visit us online at <https://www.nmagriculture.org/heritage-contest.html>. For further questions please call the NMCGA office, 505-247-0584

New Mexico Cattle Growers' Association PO Box 850 Moriarty, NM 87035
Office: (505) 247-0584 www.nmagriculture.org



New Mexico Cattle Growers' Association Promotion and Marketing committee is excited to announce the 3rd Annual “NMCGA Heritage Buckle” contest. Award winners will receive a buckle and a one year youth membership to NMCGA.

Contest Rules:

1. Must be **between age 9 and 15 years old**
2. Essay must be 200 to 500 words explaining **“How would you like to continue your family's agriculture heritage to better your community?”**
3. Deadline: All Essays MUST be received in the NMCGA office NO LATER than **May 12, 2023**
4. Applicants understand any essay received may be used by NMCGA for publication.
5. NMCGA board members, county fair board members and the sponsor will determine award recipient. Winners selected by response to the written essay prompt.
6. Buckles and one year membership will be awarded at your county fair. Winners are automatically entered in the overall state winner contest for a chance at a \$1,000 scholarship.

Submit Essays to:

By mail: **NMCGA / PO Box 850 / Moriarty, NM 87035**

By email: nmcgaheritage@gmail.com

Call the NMCGA office today (505-247-0584) to sign up as a sponsor or if you have any questions.



New Mexico Cattle Growers' Association 2023 Agriculture Heritage Essay Contest



Entry Form

Name: _____
(Please Print)

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

County: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Contest Rules:

1. Must be **between age 9 and 15 years old**
2. Essay must be 200 to 500 words explaining **“How would you like to continue your family’s agriculture heritage to better your community?”**
3. Deadline: All Essays **MUST** be received in the NMC GA office **NO LATER** than **May 12 , 2023**
4. Applicants understand any essay received may be used by NMC GA for publication.
5. NMC GA board members along with county fair board members and the sponsor will determine the recipient. Winners selected by response to the written essay prompt.
6. Buckles and one year membership will be awarded at your county fair. Winners are automatically entered in the overall state winner contest for a \$1,000 scholarship.
7. Previous year winners are not eligible to compete.

Submit Essays to:

By mail:
NMC GA / PO Box 850 / Moriarty, NM 87035

By email: nmcgaheritage@gmail.com

**JICARILLA APACHE NATION
PRESENTS
3RD ANNUAL
DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH
OPEN IJRA RODEO**

**SATURDAY JUNE 10, 2023 9 AM
LITTLE BEAVER RODEO GROUNDS
DULCE, NEW MEXICO**

| Midget Division | Pee Wee Division | Junior Division | Senior Girls Division | Senior Boys Division |
|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| 6 & Under | 7-10 Yrs | 11-14 Yrs | 15-18 Yrs | 15-18 Yrs |
| \$10/Event | \$12/Event | \$14/Event | \$16/Event | \$18/Event |
| Barrel Racing | Barrel Racing | Barrel Racing | Barrel Racing | Bareback Riding |
| Flag Racing | Pole Bending | Pole Bending | Pole Bending | Saddle Bronc Riding |
| Goat Tagging | Goat Tying | Goat Tying | Goat Tying | Bull Riding |
| Wooly Riding | Breakaway | Breakaway | Breakaway | Tie Down Roping |
| | Steer Riding | Bull Riding | Team Roping 2x | Chute Dogging |
| | | Team Roping 2x | | Team Roping 2x |

**BUCKLES TO EVENT WINNERS
PLAQUES TO MIDGET EVENT WINNERS**

**Rodeo Fee: \$23.00 Members
\$35.00 Non-Members
NON-MEMBERS WELCOME**

**PARENT TEAM ROPING
\$20/TEAM
(MUST BE A PARENT TO ROPE)
CES Alvira Teller
928-429-9512
CALL INS JUNE 5 6pm to 9pm
Call backs JUNE 7, 2023
Local / Walk-in entries will be taken day of the rodeo.
Bareback & Saddle Bronc MUST Call in
Entries close at the end of Midget Division
CASH ONLY FOR ALL EVENTS**

**OUT OF STATE CONTESTANTS NEED HEALTH CERTIFICATES
AND HAULING PERMITS.**

**CONCESSION AND VENDORS ON SITE
FRIDAY AND SATURDAY**

BOOT SCARAMBLE FREE ADMISSION

DRUG & ALCOHOL FREE EVENT

**THE JICARILLA APACHE NATION, THE DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AND THE IJRA
WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THEFT, INJURY OR ACCIDENTS IN OR OUTSIDE OF ARENA.**

**DOY Presents
ADDED ATTRACTION
FRIDAY JUNE 9, 2023**

**YOUTH CO-ED BREAKAWAY JACKPOT
JR/SR DIVISION (ENTER 1X)**

**5 & UNDER \$10/EVENT
STICK HORSE BARREL RACE
STICK HORSE POLE BENDING
STICK HORSE GOAT TAGGING**

**(CAN ENTER EITHER ADDED ATTRACTION
OR MIDGET DIVISION- NOT BOTH)**

AWARDS FOR ADDED ATTRACTION

**FOR MORE INFO: CONTACT JOYLETTA VICENTI
OR JIMMY JAMES 575-759-4313**

**3rd Annual Department of Youth
OPEN Jr. Rodeo**

**Now accepting "Food Vendor's"
applications for the upcoming
Jr. Rodeo. Friday, June 9th &
Saturday, June 10th.**

**All vendors must have
food handlers certificate**

Food Vendor Fee: \$100.00

**For more information contact Joyletta Vicenti
or Jimmy James at the Department of Youth @
575-759-4313.**



**Spring
Horse Show**
April 7 & 8, 2023
Armstrong Equine Services Arena
175 Esslinger Road, La Mesa, NM 88044

Entries

Open Classes- \$15
Youth (Including 4-H) Classes- Free!
Cattle Fee for Cutting and Boxing- \$50 per Entry
Clinic- \$50
Stalls- \$20

*This show is included in the State Horse Show Series.
2023 4-H Horse Show Rules will be followed!*

4-H Classes will run concurrently with the age group classes. All 4-H Sr's will show in the 14-18. All 4-H Jr's will show in the 12-13 and the Novice will show in the Under 12.

Trophies and ribbons will be awarded.

| | | |
|---------------|----------|----------------------------|
| Friday, 4/7 | 10:00 am | Cutting followed by Boxing |
| | 1:00 pm | Sorting- Jackpot |
| | 3-5 pm | Horse Show Practice Clinic |
| Saturday, 4/8 | 9:00 am | Horse Show Begins |

Contact: Josh Armstrong
575-312-2291



Save the Dates

**ALL BREED HORSE SHOW ASSOCIATION
SANCTIONED NM 4-H HORSE SHOWS**

JUNE 3, 2023
DE BACA COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS, FORT SUMNER, NM

JUNE 24, 2023
ROOSEVELT COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS, PORTALES NM

AUGUST 12, 2023
MOUNTED PATROL ARENA, CURRY COUNTY
FAIRGROUNDS, CLOVIS NM

All shows will follow the 2023 New Mexico 4-H Horse Show rules with regards to 4-H classes and points will go toward the state series.



RIO ARRIBA COUNTY 4-H CONTEST INTEREST FORM

Please mark those Contests you would like to participate in . . .

**** this will determine which contests are held ****

Return by April 26, 2023 to the Extension office or email Joy at: jczmyrid@nmsu.edu
Members must first participate in County Contests to qualify for District and State level competitions.

Office Use Only: R2.22
Received Date _____

Member Name: _____ Club Name: _____ 4-H Age Group: Cloverbud Novice Junior Senior

Email address to where you would like updates sent: _____

Contests will be held at the Rio Arriba County Extension Office, Abiquiu Rio Arriba County Contests will be held throughout May, see dates below.

General Contest Areas:

- May 26**
- Agronomy*
- Dairy Judging*
- Entomology (ID)
- Horticulture (ID)
- Hippology*
- Horse Bowl**
- Horse Judging
- Land Judging*
- Livestock Judging *** Senior Only **Senior Team**

Public Speaking:

- Livestock Skill-a-thon(ID)
- Meats ID Judging
- Range Management*
- Wildlife Habitat Evaluation (ID)
- Presentations:**
- Agriculture
- General
- Home Ec.
- Impromptu
- Poetry
- Prepared
- NM Talent Contest:**
- Celebrate 4-H
- Choreographed Routine
- Comedian
- Drama
- Musical
- Vocal

FCS Contest Areas

- Consumer Decision Making
- Clothing Construction/ Fashion Revue/Quilting
- Fashion Magic*
- Family & Consumer Science Skill-a-thon (ID)
- Family & Consumer Science Bowl**
- Favorite Foods**
- Nutritious Snack/Beverage
- Bread
- Sandwich
- Main Dish
- Salad
- Fruit/Vegetable

(See Contestant Entry Form for details)

Recipe Title: _____

Cloverbud Activities (Ages 5 to 8 and in 2nd grade)

- Presentation – Show 'n Tell
- Public Speaking – Story Book Reading
- Public Speaking – Poetry/Nursery Rhymes
- Cloverbud Decision Making
- Cloverbud Talent Show
- Cloverbud Favorite Foods

County 4-H Contest descriptions and guidelines are available at <http://rioarribaextension.nmsu.edu/>

Or can be requested at call **505-685-4523** or **575-588-7423**.

Remember: District Contest Rules govern Novice and Junior contests; State Contest Rules govern Senior Contests.

NE District Shooting Sports Contest: June 13 | Northern District 4-H Contests: June 28-29, Moriarty

Note: Schedule is subject to change

100TH STATE 4H CONFERENCE CELEBRATION

Each year the NM 4-H Youth Development Program hosts an event called State 4-H Conference on the NMSU campus. The event includes contests, business sessions, keynote speakers and workshops. The 100th State 4-H Conference will be taking place in the summer of 2023. We would like yours and your 4-Her's ideas for a celebration plan for this major milestone event. They can be shared by taking our survey at: https://acesnmsu.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_aV4cV7vsAGHXUDY

Some additional questions have been added to the survey. A QR Code is included below that can be used also. Please share these links with your club members.



Joy Czmyrid, Rio Arriba County
Family & Consumer Sciences/4-H Agent



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Time to Complete the Annual Working with Minor Training Guidelines for 4-H Volunteers

You may complete the training through the Self-paced model on Zsuites: <https://4h.zsuite.org/>

When you are in your 4H ZSuite account and have selected your profile follow the steps below:

1. Click on Clover Academy on the left menu bar
 2. Launch Clover Academy
 3. Open NM Working with Minors (*even though it says completed*)
 4. Under 'You have earned a certificate' is a button that says [*Reset All Course Progress for New Year (Cannot be undone.)*]
 5. Click on the blue '*Reset All Course Progress for the New Year (Cannot be undone)*'
 6. Start Course
 7. Complete the course and a certificate will be available with the completion date. The county 4-H ZSuite administrator should be able to see the volunteer completion on his/her county page.
- Just a reminder, all of us that work directly with youth need to take the working with minors training annually.***



I pledge my HEAD to clearer thinking
My HEART to greater loyalty,
My HANDS to larger service, and
My HEALTH to better living,
for my club, my community, my country and my world.