

# JANUARY 2024

## 4-H NEWSLETTER

### Wild West District #18

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<b>1</b> OFFICES CLOSED	<b>2</b> Stevens Co. Shooting Sports	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> Stevens Co. Shooting Sports	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
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<b>21</b> Haskell Co. Club Days	<b>22</b> HIPPOLOGY SUBLETTE	<b>23</b> Stevens Co. Shooting Sports	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> Stevens Co. Shooting Sports	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> HORSE PANORAMA
<b>28</b> Haskell Co. Spring Show Meeting	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>			

## Coming up in February 2024

- 2/3 .....Seward Club Days
- 2/10 .....YQCA Training Day - Ulysses 10:00 am-3:00 pm
- 2/14 .....Stevens County Senior Citizens Prom 7:00pm
- 2/17 .....Haskell Club Days
- 2/18-19 .....Stevens Club Days
- 2/24 .....Citizenship in Action - Topeka
- 2/29 .....Regional Club Days - Ulysses
- .....Beef Weigh In- Stevens 3:00-6:00 pm

## Coming up in March 2024

- 3/2 .....Beef Weigh In- Stevens 9:00 am-12:00 pm
- 3/23 .....Beef Weigh In- Haskell 9:00 am-12:00 pm



# DISTRICT



## HORSE BOWL/HIPPOLOGY CONTEST

Everyone is welcome even if you are not enrolled in the Horse Project but need a contest to go to for your Achievement Pin.

**First Christian Church in Hugoton on January 1, 2024 at 12:30 pm**

Please RSVP to Judy Parsons to have enough materials at 620-453-0732 or [judy78@ksu.edu](mailto:judy78@ksu.edu).

## HORSE PANORAMA CONTEST

State 4-H Horse Panorama Contests in Salina on Saturday, January 27th. Registration deadline is Tuesday, January 2, 2024. There are virtual contests as well as in person contests. Please contact Judy at 620-453-0732 for more information before registering.

## SENIOR RECORD BOOK COUNTY CHAMPIONS

Regional Record Book Judging on **Friday, January 19th at 9:30 am.**

*All Senior County Champions wanting to take their record books to regionals are asked to return their record book to your local Extension Office by Friday, January 12, 2024.*

Any volunteer leaders that would like to help judge record books on January 19th, please let Nancy or Judy know.

*If you have any questions contact*

**Judy Parsons** at [judy78@ksu.edu](mailto:judy78@ksu.edu) or **Nancy Honig** at [nhonig@ksu.edu](mailto:nhonig@ksu.edu)

## YQCA TRAINING

If you're planning to participate in the county fair as a livestock exhibitor, it's mandatory to complete your YQCA certification. This applies to all market animals that you intend to sell including poultry & rabbits. Additionally, if you're planning to show livestock at the Kansas State Fair and/or Kansas Junior Livestock Show, you must have completed the certification to be eligible to show.

All youth in the district are invited to attend **YQCA Training Day** at the **Stevens County 4-H Building** on **January 20th** from **10:00 am to 3:00 pm**. Lunch will be provided. Training will include hands-on stations to learn about ear tagging, injections, and biosecurity, among other things.

Another training session is available Ulysses that 4-H youth can attend on February 10, 2024

RSVP at [https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_cwh3tv0pv9rgljo](https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_cwh3tv0pv9rgljo)  
For questions contact Jade Greene at [jsgreene@ksu.edu](mailto:jsgreene@ksu.edu)



To register for the training go to [www.yqcaprogram.org](http://www.yqcaprogram.org)

- Log in or create an account.
- Choose instructor-led training certification, if you want to attend our in-person training.
  - Instructor-led training certification: \$3
  - Online certification training: \$12

## INTERESTED IN BECOMING A SHOOTING SPORTS INSTRUCTOR?

**Are you interested in becoming a Shooting Sports Leader?**

*If so please contact*

**Judy Parsons** at [judy78@ksu.edu](mailto:judy78@ksu.edu) or **Ron Honig** at [rhonig@ksu.edu](mailto:rhonig@ksu.edu)

# DISTRICT

## COUNTY CLUB DAYS

Haskell County - January 21, 2024 at 2:00 pm  
 Seward County - February 3, 2024 at 9:00 am  
 Stevens County - February 17, 2024 at 9:00 am  
 Regional Club Days (Grant County) - February 24, 2024



Fill out the form & either email or drop it off to your local Extension Office by your county deadline. Check your county page for more information.

**Guidelines and Scoresheets can be found at**

<https://wildwest.k-state.edu/4-h/general/General%20Wild%20West%20District.html>

*\*\*If you're looking for some help getting ready for club days like talks, demonstrations, or readings, don't hesitate to reach out to your local Extension Agents! They'll be more than happy to assist you in any way they can.*

## K-STATE JUNIOR BEEF PRODUCER DAY

**Date** – Saturday, March 2, 2024

**Cost** – \$20/person by February 12  
 (\$25/person after February 12)

\*Register by February 12 to receive a t-shirt

\*\*All youth & adults attending need to register

**\*\*\*No refunds**



**Online Registration**

<https://commerce.cashnet.com/KSUASIND>

## K-STATE JUNIOR SHEEP PRODUCER DAY

**Date** – Saturday, March 16, 2024

**Cost** – \$20/person by February 26  
 (\$25/person after February 26)

\*Register by February 26 to receive a t-shirt

\*\*All youth & adults attending need to register

**\*\*\*No refunds**



**Online Registration**

<https://commerce.cashnet.com/KSUASIND>

## BEEF WEIGH IN

**Stevens County Fairgrounds:**

- February 29th from 3:00 - 6:00 pm
- March 2nd from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

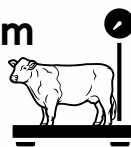
**Haskell County Fairgrounds**

- March 23rd from 9:00 - 12:00 pm

**Seward County Fairgrounds**

- April 6th from 9:00 - 12:00 pm

*\*Market Animals may be weighed if desired*



## SMALL ANIMAL WEIGH IN

**BUCKET CALF, GOAT, SHEEP & PIGS!!**

**Stevens County Fairgrounds:**

- April 25th from 4:00 - 7:00 pm
- April 27th from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

**Haskell County Fairgrounds**

- April 20th from 8:00 - 12:00 pm

**Seward County Fairgrounds**

- May 7th from 5:00 - 6:00 pm



# HASKELL COUNTY

## SHOOTING SPORTS MEETING

Shooting Sports Practices will be held at the Extension Office on Sundays.

3:00 pm Air Pistol; 4:00 pm BB Gun

4-H'ers must be enrolled in discipline in order to participate.

January 7th, January 14th, January 28th

February 4th, February 11th, February 18th, February 25th

For more information feel free to contact **Judy Parsons** at [judy78@ksu.edu](mailto:judy78@ksu.edu) or **Bethany Wood** at [bwood2636@gmail.com](mailto:bwood2636@gmail.com)

## NEW FAMILY TRAINING

Monday, January 8th there will be a new family training in Satanta at 6:00 pm

If you have any questions contact **Judy Parsons** at [judy78@ksu.edu](mailto:judy78@ksu.edu)

## CLOVERBUDS

Cloverbuds is for kids who are 5-6 years old as of January 1, 2024.

Meetings will be held every **2nd Wednesday of the Month** at the **Extension Office**.

**Cloverbuds next meeting will be held on January 10th from 4:00-4:45 pm**

Any questions feel free to email:

Judy Parsons at [judy78@ksu.edu](mailto:judy78@ksu.edu) or Kristin Penner at [pennerkr@ksu.edu](mailto:pennerkr@ksu.edu)



## 4-H COUNCIL MEETING

4-H Council meeting at Haskell County Extension Office on **Wednesday, January 10 at 7:00 pm.**

## HIPPOLOGY / HORSE BOWL

Horse Bowl Meetings are open to all District 4-H'ers.

**Mondays at 5:00 pm** at the **Haskell County Extension Office** on **January 8th & January 22nd**

## CLUB DAYS

Haskell County Club Days will be held on **Sunday, January 21, 2024** at **Sublette High School** **starting at 2 pm.** *Registration deadline is Friday, January 12th by dropping off your application to the Extension Office or emailing your application to Judy Parsons [judy78@ksu.edu](mailto:judy78@ksu.edu) or Jade Greene [jsgreene@ksu.edu](mailto:jsgreene@ksu.edu)*

**Follow the link for Guidelines & Application**

<https://wildwest.k-state.edu/4-h/general/General%20Wild%20West%20District.html>

## SPRING SHOW MEETING

Spring Show committee meeting will be held at the **Haskell County Extension Office** on **Monday, January 29th at 6:00 pm**





# SEWARD COUNTY

## CLOVERBUDS

Cloverbuds is for kids who are 5-6 years old as of January 1, 2024.

Meetings will be held every 3rd Wednesday of the Month at the 4-H Building.

Cloverbuds next meeting will be on January 17th from 4:00-4:45 pm

Any questions feel free to email:

Jade Greene at [jsgreene@ksu.edu](mailto:jsgreene@ksu.edu) or Judy Parsons at [judy78@ksu.edu](mailto:judy78@ksu.edu)

## CLUB DAYS

Seward County Club Days will be held on **Saturday, February 3, 2024** at **Seward County Activities Center starting at 9:00 am**. Registration deadline is Friday, January 26th by dropping off your application to the Extension Office or emailing your application to Judy Parsons [judy78@ksu.edu](mailto:judy78@ksu.edu) or Jade Greene [jsgreene@ksu.edu](mailto:jsgreene@ksu.edu)

Follow the link for Guidelines & Application

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## NEW OFFICE PROFESSIONAL!

Stop by the Extension Office after the new year to meet the newest member of K-State Research and Extension!

# STEVENS COUNTY



## SHOOTING SPORTS; AIR RIFLE, AIR PISTOL & BB GUN

4-H'ERS MUST BE ENROLLED IN DISCIPLINE IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE.

Practices will be held at 4-H Building from 6:00-8:00 pm  
(1130 S. Trindle St.)

Tuesday, January 2, 2024  
Thursday, January 4, 2024  
Tuesday, January 23, 2024  
Thursday, January 25, 2024

Monday, February 12, 2024  
Tuesday, February 13, 2024  
Friday, February 23, 2024  
Thursday, February 29, 2024

### SHOOTING SPORTS CONTEST DATES;

- \*February 24 - Gray County; Cimarron
- \*March 2 - Wild West Shootout; Sublette
- \*March 16 - Pawnee County Shoot; Larned
- April 20 - State Match BB Gun, Air Rifle & Air Pistol; Great Bend

*\*Proposed dates for Contests*

## HIPPOLOGY / HORSE BOWL

Horse Panorama will be held at the K-State Salina Campus on January 27th. Meetings are open to all District 4-H'ers.

**SUNDAYS at 12:30 pm, we will be meeting at First Christian Church.**

**January 1st, January 7th & January 14th**

## PHOTOGRAPHY PROJECT MEETING

We will have a **Photography project meeting** at the 4-H Building on **Sunday, January 14th at 3:00 pm**  
If you have any questions contact Jillian Martin at [njqbmmartin@gmail.com](mailto:njqbmmartin@gmail.com)



## YOUTH LIVESTOCK FARM

The Stevens County Fair Board Youth Livestock Farm is open to any 4-H'ers needing to house their 4-H market or breeding animals - Contact Tony Martin for more information at (620)544-9342

## GAS CAPITAL MEETING

The meeting will be held at the Extension Office on Monday, January 15th at 6:00 pm

## 4-H COUNCIL MEETING

The meeting will be held at the Extension Office on Monday, January 15th at 7:00 pm

## JUNIOR LEADERSHIP MEETING

Immediately following the 4-H Council meeting on Monday, January 15th at 7:45 pm for 4-H'ers that are 12 years or older.

## CLOVERBUDS

If you know any children 5-6 years old as of January 1, 2024, we invite them to join our Cloverbuds program. Meetings won't start until November, enrollment is open. Cloverbuds will meet at the Extension Office from 4:00 - 4:45 pm on Tuesday, January 16th

If you have any questions feel free to contact:

Andreia Moore @ [andirosemoore@gmail.com](mailto:andirosemoore@gmail.com) or Kendra Hermreck @ [khermreck07@gmail.com](mailto:khermreck07@gmail.com)

## JUNIOR LEADERSHIP; SENIOR PROM HELP NEEDED

Junior Leadership will host the Senior Citizens Prom on Saturday, February 10, 2024. Please call the Extension Office at (620)544-4359 to sign up for the refreshment, decorations, bingo, or photography committee.

Junior Leadership is for any 4-H'ers that are 12 years or older.



## JUNIOR LEADERSHIP; SENIOR PROM BINGO PRIZES

Junior Leadership will host the Senior Citizens Prom on Saturday, February 10, 2024.

We ask that each 4-H'er bring 3 bingo prizes. Please drop them off to the Extension Office during normal business hours before February 9th.

(Home decor, small knick-knacks or items that senior adults would enjoy)

Junior Leadership is for any 4-H'ers that are 12 years or older.



## SEWING LESSONS - ONE ON ONE WITH NANCY HONIG

Are you new to sewing or interested in learning? We have sewing machines in the Extension Office and can teach you the basics of using a machine and using patterns.

*\*You will complete at least one item that can be entered into the fair.*

Set up some lessons with Nancy Honig at the Extension Office (620)544-4359 or email [nhonig@ksu.edu](mailto:nhonig@ksu.edu)

## COUNTY CLUB DAYS

Stevens County - February 17, 2024 at 9:00 am

Regional Club Days (Grant County) - February 24, 2024

Fill out the form & either email to Nancy Honig at [nhonig@ksu.edu](mailto:nhonig@ksu.edu) or Evelyn Moran at [morane@ksu.edu](mailto:morane@ksu.edu) or drop it off to the Extension Office by February 9th.

Guidelines and Scoresheets can be found at

<https://wildwest.k-state.edu/4-h/club%20day%20guidelines.pdf>

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# ROCK SPRINGS RANCH

The camp offers a variety of sessions including mini-camp, half-week and full-week sessions, teen leadership programs, and specialty camps.

Families and young people who are excited to attend the 4-H camp at Rock Springs Ranch this summer can start to secure their spots.

*Transportation will be provided from Dodge City. There is a cost of \$25 per camper to use transportation. This includes transportation both ways, a meal upon arrival, and a meal prior to departure from camp.*

Find out more at  
<https://www.rockspringsranch4hcamp.org/>

## **Half-Week Sessions: (Rising 3rd-12th graders)**

Session #1: June 2-5

Session #2: June 5-8

Session #4: June 16-19

Session #5: June 19-22

Session #7: June 30-July 3

## **Week-long Sessions: (Rising 3rd-12th graders)**

Session #3: June 9-14

Session #6: June 23-28

Session #8: July 7-12

## **Mini Camp Session: (Rising 1st-3rd Graders)**

July 14-16

## **Leaders in Training (LIT): (Rising 10th-11th graders)**

Session #1: June 9-14

Session #2: June 23-28

## **Counselors in Training (CIT): (Rising 12th graders)**

Session #1: June 9-14

Session #2: June 23-28

Session #3: July 7-12

## **Specialty Camps: (Rising 6th to 9th graders)**

Ranch Camp: June 9-14

Shooting Sports Camp: June 23-28

## **Family Camp: (All ages are welcome!)**

Session #1: May 17-19

Session #2: August 9-11

