



4-H Family News - St. Clair County

From Lori Warchuck's Desk,

The beginning of a new 4-H year brings out good intentions from many of us, members and leaders alike. Sometimes our enthusiasm for the competitive part of our 4-H experience can overshadow our good intentions and real mission of our 4-H activities.

While it is often thought that participation in competitive events builds good character, it doesn't automatically happen. Just as a 4-H leader has a plan for each meeting or event for the 4-H year, we need to develop an action plan for learning good sportsmanship through our 4-H activities. Good sportsmanship is a critical skill for youth. Competitive events and activities provide a great opportunity for youth to learn how to be fair, respectful and gracious -- whether they win or lose. Let's not leave this important skill to chance and add a sportsmanship component to your club meetings and activities.

To help youth practice this important skill, Michigan 4-H Youth Development has developed a series of sportsmanship activities that can be used at club meetings, events or other youth activities.

Remember, exhibiting good sportsmanship is not just for youth 4-H members – it applies to everyone involved, including volunteers, parents, leaders and others.

https://www.canr.msu.edu/resources/4_h_sportsmanship_activity_series

Sportsmanship: What is it?
Common Ground

Good Sports Greeting Cards

Pass the Fruit

Sportsmanship Role Play.



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Featured 4-H Ambassador

2025



FEATURED 4-H AMBASSADOR

Aiden

Is a member of Country Connections 4-H Club. Aiden has been a 4-H member for 6 years and is involved in the rabbit and swine project areas.

Quote: "I love that even though kids at the fair are not biologically related, we are all like a family. I love the opportunities given to kids. "

Future plans are to learn cosmetology through the schools educational career program.

4-H Goals: Focus on pig showmanship, learn more about rabbit genetics. Strengthen dutch rabbit herds type.





4-H Council Auction Wrap Up

The 2025 4-H Auction took place on Saturday, February 22, 2025 at Goodells Park was a success. There were 409 items sold that totaled \$16881.40 with 16 4-H Clubs participated in soliciting the auction items.

Club contest results:

1st – Rimrock Acers 4-H Club with \$6701.50 in sales 156 items

2nd - Country Connections 4-H Club with \$3,521.50 in sales 105 items

4th - Clovers Kids 4-H Club with \$871.00 in sales 12 items

Other clubs participating – Brockway, Country Clovers, Equestrian Express, Furry Friends, Great Expectations, Hay Busters, Mane Attraction, Mis-Placed Riders, No Limits, Rustic Ramblers, SCC Sharp Shooters, West St Clair. Thank you to all the club leaders that made the 4-H Council Auction a priority in their club.

Thank you to John Tomascko and his crew of JRT Thumb Auctioneering Auction Service for over 36 years of support.



St. Clair County Events

Local Calendar

March

3/10 – Fair Board Meeting, 7pm, Goodells

3/12 – 4-H Poultry Workshop, 6pm – 8pm, Goodells (pre-registration required)

3/15 – From the Forest to the Table, 4 Square Sportsman’s Club Jeddo (pre-registration required)

3/17 – 4-H Council Meeting, 7pm, Goodells

3/20 – 4-H Horse Leaders Meeting, 7pm, Goodells

April

4/4 – 4-H Clover Sprouts Discovery Center Adventure, 5pm – 7pm, Port Huron (pre-registration required)

4/10 – 4-H Craft Night, 6pm – 8pm, Goodells (pre-registration required)

4/14 – Fair Board Meeting, 7pm, Goodells

4/14 – 4-H Club Officer Training, 6pm – 8pm, Goodells (pre-registration required)

4/16 – 4-H Flower Arranging Workshop 6:30pm – 8pm, Goodells (pre-registration required)

4/25-26 – Earth Fair – Goodells

May

5/10 – Sheep Showmanship Clinic, Goodells (pre-registration required)

5/10 – Horse Round Robin Clinic, Goodells (pre-registration required)

5/12 – Fair Board Meeting, 7pm, Goodells

5/17 – John Tate Memorial Horse Show, Goodells

5/31 – 4-H Rabbit Skill-A-Thon, Goodells (SAVE THE DATE)

More information about 4-H events can be found online:

- St. Clair County 4-H Facebook page: <https://m.facebook.com/4Hstclaircounty>
- <https://www.canr.msu.edu/4h/events>
- <https://msue.stclaircounty.org>
- (810) 989-6956



St. Clair County Events Continued

Local Calendar

June

6/9 – Fair Board Meeting, 7pm Goodells

6/21 – Warm Up Horse Show

6/22 – State 4-H Qualified Horse Show

6/24 – 6/26 – Thumb Area 4-H Camp

6/28 – Shooting Sports Tournament Blue Water Sportsman's Club

6/29 – Archery Tournament Goodells

July

7/14-7/19 SCC 4-H & Youth Fair

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4-H & Youth Fair Update

Volunteers sought for superintendents at the fair.

Help set up and tear down the still exhibit barn, get judges for your project area and facilitate judging at the fair.

For your service, receive a weekly admission pass to the fair, a volunteer's shirt, and enduring gratitude of our 4-H & youth exhibitors and adult volunteers.

To be a superintendent at the fair, fill out an application

at: https://stclaircounty4hfair.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/Superintendent-Application.pdf?fbclid=IwZXh0bgNhZW0CMTAAAR0I1pC78M0-oM_ZzMZFZDG6UKO8N1AlgQcLliA5ahAqM_17k3W16TfahLU_aem_jt0wMAcrtt-IZYtjUcuFMA

**VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED**



**Creative Writing
Superintendent**

For the 2025 Fair

**IF YOU'RE INTERESTED, EMAIL
ST.CLAIRCO4HFAIR@GMAIL.COM**

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NEEDED**



**Woodworking &
Folk Pattern
Superintendents**

For the 2025 Fair

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Welcome the following new project superintendents!

Welcome

SUPERINTENDENTS



Alyssa Newberry
Sewing Superintendent

Shane Tesluck
Beef Co-Superintendent



www.stclaircounty4hfair.org



Beef Weigh in Results



2025 FAIR MARKET BEEF REPORT

Tagging and Weigh in
January 25, 2025

**55 Market Beef
Registered**



4-H & Youth Fair Update



2025 Market Poultry Hatching Dates

Turkeys - March 30

Geese - April 13

*Heritage Chickens - April 13**

Ducks - May 18

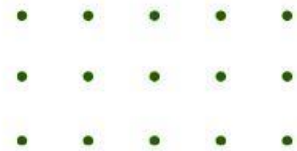
Chickens - May 25

*Heritage Breeds only: Jersey Giants, Ancona, Delaware, Araucana, Blue Andalusian, Brahma, Dominique, Buff Orpington, Rhode Island Red, Bared Plymouth Rock, Speckled Sussex, Wyandotte





4-H & Youth Fair Update



UPCOMING FAIR DATES

2025 - July 14 - 19

2026 - July 20-25

2027 - July 19-24

2028 - July 17-22

2029 - July 16-21



www.stclaircounty4hfair.org



SAVE THE DATE

4-H Poultry Workshop



Wednesday, March 12, 2025
Goodells County Park
6pm -8pm

- Showing Your Bird
- Coop Tags
- Classes
- Bantam VS Standard
- Feed
- Housing

Cost - \$5 4-H participant

4-H Ages - 8-19

Pre Registrations Required -

Log into the 4HOnline system

and register to reserve your spot!



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SAVE THE DATE



Coggins and Wellness only :

*Must have proof of vaccinations within the last 12 months.

\$ 93

Core Package :

Rabies + Potomac Horse Fever, EWT, Coggins and Wellness

\$ 176

Show Package :

Core Package + Flu/Rhino vaccine (strongly recommend if showing often)

\$ 203

Add on Strangles Vaccine :

Strongly recommended in horses under 10 years of age showing or traveling often

\$ 35.50

ABOUT THIS

Thumb Veterinary Services is partnering with our local 4-H clubs for a Spring wellness clinic! This is intended to be a one stop shop for 4-Hers looking to get vaccine boosters, Coggins, and wellness appointments! Coggins prices and wellness prices are discounted. This clinic is also open to high school equestrian team members!

SIGN UP DEADLINE IS MONDAY, MARCH 3

WHERE TO REGISTER

Google Forms will be sent out by individual fair counties

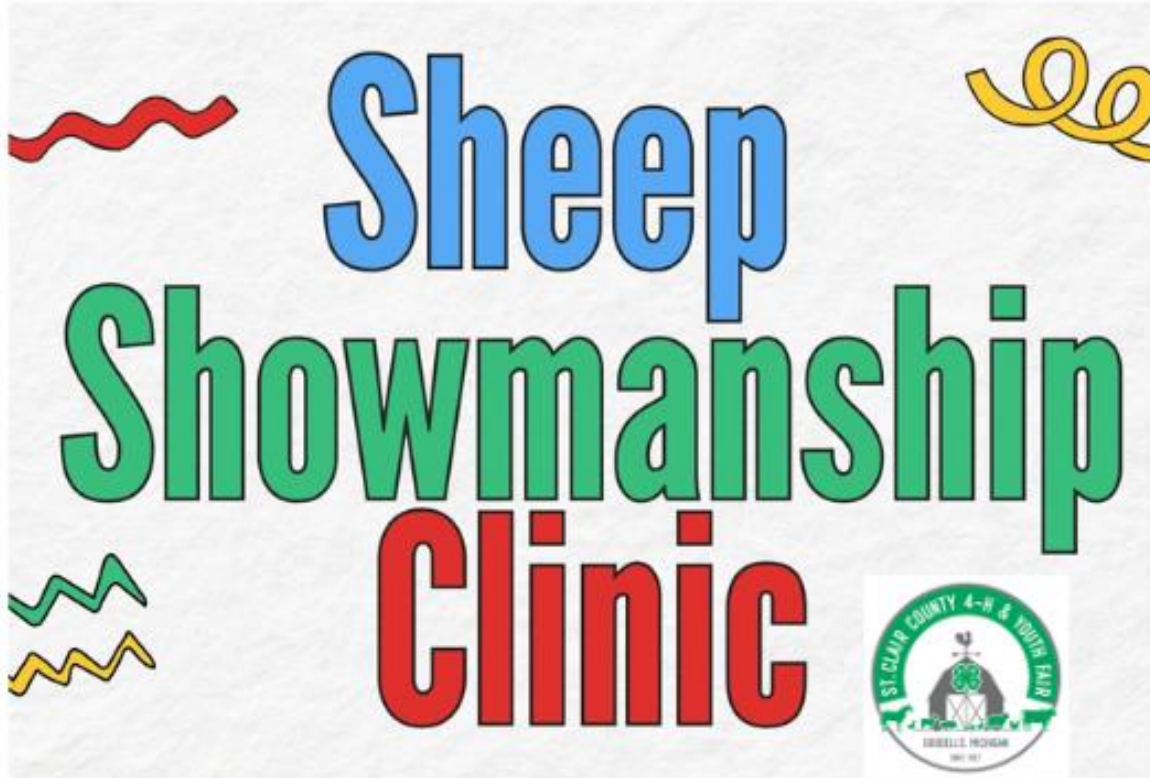
April 5, 2025



St. Clair County 4-H -
Goodells Fairgrounds-
8201 Lapeer Rd,
Goodells, MI 48027



SAVE THE DATE



Goodells County Park

CLINIC TIMELINE

- 9-9:15 WELCOME/PLAN FOR THE DAY
- 9:15-9:45 SHOWMANSHIP WORKOUT #1
- 9:45-10:15 FITTING/SHEARING/LEG CARE
- 10:15-10:45 SHOWMANSHIP WORKOUT #2
- 10:45-11:15 NUTRITION/EXERCISE
- 11:15-11:45 SHOWMANSHIP WORKOUT #3
- 11:45-12:15 WRAP UP/PARENT SESSION

BRING YOUR LAMBS

Who should attend?
Exhibitors of livestock
Sweepstakes Hopefuls

DATE & TIME:

**SATURDAY,
MAY 10, 2025**

**ENTIRE FAMILY
ENCOURAGED TO COME**

**LUNCH PROVIDED
DOORPRIZES**

Presented by
**Scovill's Sheep City
Laingsburg, MI**





SAVE THE DATE

**ROUND ROBIN
RIDING CLINIC
MAY 10, 2025**

10 AM-3PM

**\$40.00 FOR THE DAY
FOR ALL 4 CLINICS!!**

Registration is Due by April 30,
2025

PLEASE REGISTER IN
[HTTPS://V2.4HONLINE.COM](https://v2.4honline.com)

ST CLAIR COUNTY 4-H
HORSELEADERS PRESENTS



- BASIC HORSMANSHIP 101 WITH BONNI HAZEN
- SHOW RING ETTIQUETTE



- ENGLISH/WESTERN DRESSAGE WITH BONNI HAZEN



- PRINCIPAL JUMPING SKILLS



- TRAIL CLASS CLINIC W/



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SAVE THE DATE

4-H Club Officer Training

Monday, April 14, 2025

6pm - 8pm

Goodells County Park

- 4-H Ages 10-19
- Pre Registration Required
- Register in 4HOnline





SAVE THE DATE

4-H Rabbit Skill-A-Thon

SAVE THE DATE!

SATURDAY, MAY 31, 2025
GOODELLS COUNTY PARK

Showmanship contest
Clover Sprout Sessions
And much more!!

More event and registration information soon!





SAVE THE DATE

4-H Flower Arranging Workshop

- Wednesday, April 16, 2025
- 6:30 pm - 8 pm
- Goodells County Park
- Cost is \$5 per participant
- 4-Hers ages 8-19

Come join Master Floral Designer Brenda Ski of The Petal Wagon and learn elements of floral design. Color, form, space, balance and more.. Participant will take home their arrangement.

Pre- registration required. Log into your 4HOnline profile, click on events and register.

Questions contact Lori Warchuck @ 810-989-6935





SAVE THE DATE

4-H CRAFT A PALOOZA (SPRING ADDITION)

- Thursday, April 10, 2025
- 6pm - 8pm
- \$5 per participant
- Goodells
- Members Ages 5-19

Come join us for an evening of crafting. Choose your craft station, do one craft or all five crafts.



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SAVE THE DATE



4-H Clover Sprouts Adventure to Discovery City!

- Friday, April 4, 2025
- 5pm - 7pm
- Free to 4-H Clover Sprout (5-7yr olds)
- \$5 for parents at the door (Clover Sprout must have an adult present.)

This fun hands on learning opportunity will keep your Clover Sprout engage in several hands on learning stations!

Pre-registration required. Log into your 4HOnline profile, click on events and register.

Please be sure to complete the required Discovery City release form in the registration system.

Discovery City is located at 317 Grand River Ave, Port Huron, MI 48060





STATEWIDE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

4-H Youth in Action Program applications open



Apply now for the 2026 4-H Youth in Action Awards! Each year, the program recognizes four confident young leaders with diverse backgrounds and unique perspectives who are making a difference in their communities.

Winners will have the once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to share their stories along with unforgettable experiences, celebration on the national stage, recognition in the media and a \$5,000 college scholarship.

This opportunity is open to youth ages 14-19. The deadline to apply is March 31. Learn more and apply at <https://4-h.org/programs/4-h-youth-in-action-program/application/>.

March 3: Adulting 101 – Get It Together: Tim and Organization Tips to Thrive

Online

Learn practical tips to tackle schedules, beat procrastination and organize spaces to help you be successful now and in the future.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/get-it-together

March 11: 4-H Give Green Day

Online

Help us reach our goal of raising \$5,000 in a 24-hour period on Give Green Day to support learning experiences for Michigan 4-H youth.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/4h-give-green-day

March 11: Wild Spartans

Online

Join 4-H staff for the "Wild Spartans" series for a look into life working with fisheries and wildlife! This month's session will explore conservation efforts in zoos with Seth Magle, director of the Urban Wildlife Institute at the Lincoln Park Zoo in Chicago.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/wild-spartans-monthly-wildlife-fisheries-webinar-series-march-2024-2025

March 15: Michigan 4-H Hippology Contest

East Lansing

Youth aged 5-19 are eligible to demonstrate their comprehensive equine knowledge and skills in an engaging setting.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/2025-michigan-4-h-state-hippology-contest

March 18: Mich. 4-H Volunteer Webinar - Cultivating Developmental Relationships with Youth

Online

Explore how to build impactful connections with youth through developmental relationships. This series will provide volunteers with a variety of learning opportunities to help them grow as a volunteer and support Michigan 4-H'ers. This session will be offered twice:

- **12 p.m. session:** www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-volunteer-webinar-series-the-heart-of-4-h-cultivating-developmental-relationships-with-youth-noon
- **7 p.m. session:** www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-volunteer-webinar-series-the-heart-of-4-h-cultivating-developmental-relationships-with-youth-7pm

April 1: 2025 Michigan 4-H State Awards application deadline

Online

This program provides 4-H members a learning experience where they can develop career skills by using their 4-H experiences to compile a portfolio similar to a professional application while receiving recognition for their 4-H involvement.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/2025-michigan-4-h-state-awards-application-deadline

