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LEADER SUPPORT

4-H Leaders Association

Do you love 4-H? Do your kids love 4-H? Are you a former 4-Her? Then get involved! Be a part of the 4-H Leaders Association. You don't have to become an officer, just be a part of the meetings and provide your input!

Join us at our next meeting which will be held in person and virtually on Tuesday, April 12, 2022 at 6:30 PM. An invite will be sent via email. These meetings are held on the second Tuesday of the month. We welcome and encourage ALL parents and volunteers to join these meetings.

VOLUNTEERMATTERS - COMING SOON!

VolunteerMatters!

CCE Orange County recently purchased VolunteerMatters, an online Volunteer Management System. This system will help us better serve all of our volunteers. It will be used to:

- Fill out paper work
- Complete background checks
- Record volunteer hours
- Recruit volunteers for upcoming events
- Online training
- etc.

We will be rolling it out to all of our 4-H Volunteers this month!

UPCOMING AND CURRENT PROGRAMS

4-H FUN DAY

The poster is divided into two main sections. The left section has a dark blue background with white stars, yellow stars, and a yellow rocket with a red flame. The right section has an orange background. At the top right of the orange section is the 4-H logo. The text is in various colors: black, yellow, and white. The title '4-H FUN DAY!' is in large black letters. The date and time 'Saturday, April 2, 10am-1pm' are in yellow. The location 'Education Center & 4-H Park' and '300 Finchville Turnpike Otisville, NY' are also in yellow. The main title 'Project Kit Rocket Launch at the Park & more...!' is in large white letters. Below this, the launch time 'Rocket Launch is at 12:01 PM' is in white, followed by instructions in white text. Further down, 'Other Fun Activities' is in yellow, followed by 'Cloverbud Craft Table' and 'Stomp Rocket Build & Launch' in white. At the bottom, 'Cornell Cooperative Extension | Orange County' is in white.

4-H FUN DAY!

Saturday, April 2, 10am-1pm
Education Center & 4-H Park
300 Finchville Turnpike
Otisville, NY

Project Kit
Rocket Launch at
the Park & more...!

Rocket Launch is at 12:01 PM
(must arrive an hour before to pass through the check point and install your engine).

For those that did not get a chance to build your rocket, we will have a Rocket Build Table
(NOTE: they will not be ready for launch).

Other Fun Activities
Cloverbud Craft Table
Stomp Rocket Build & Launch

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VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION EVENT

**Calling all CCE Orange County Volunteers!
You're Invited to "Be Well!"
A Volunteer Appreciation Event**



This event is for all CCE Orange County Volunteers. Join us as we honor you for your service with a light brunch and inspiration to help you Be Well! Your well-being matters to us and we want to celebrate you.

**Please RSVP by
Friday, April 15th**

[Click here to RSVP now!](#)

GPS ART CONTEST

4-H CONTEST

GPS ART

DEADLINE
TO ENTER
MAY 30



GET MOVING
& CREATE A
PIECE OF ART!

USE ANY MAPPING APP
OR THIS **FREE** STRAVA APP



Apple Dwnld



Android Dwnld

Geoglyph - a design on the
ground created with
durable elements
i.e. stones, trees, gravel, or earth.



MONKEY

Digital Geoglyph - a design
on the ground created with
a GPS App



T-REX

WHAT WILL YOU CREATE?

TO ENTER: Take a screen
shot of your art path &
send it to:

kal64@cornell.edu



NEW YORK STATE

4-H

Cornell Cooperative Extension

HOLD YOUR HORSES - EQUINE NUTRITION SERIES

Nutrition is at the forefront of maintaining happy, healthy horses. This means

that horse owners need to know how to properly manage our pastures and diet regimens to keep their horses in peak condition. This spring webinar series will go through the basics of managing pastures and interpreting forage analysis results, as well as discussing common problems with feeding horses and the metabolic diseases those problems might cause. The series is free, but you must pre-register at the links below for each webinar you would like to attend.

Wednesday, April 13th - Equine Nutrition: Equine Metabolic Diseases and Common Pitfalls when Feeding Horses

Wednesday, May 11th - Pasture Management

Wednesday, June 8th - Forage Analysis



HOLD YOUR HORSES - EQUINE NUTRITION SERIES

Sponsored by the Equine Subgroup of the CCE Livestock Program Work Team

■ **Wednesday, April 13th - Equine Nutrition: Equine Metabolic Diseases and Common Pitfalls When Feeding Horses - Dr. Lindsay Goodale**

- Learn about common issues we encounter when feeding horses, including equine metabolic diseases, obesity, gastric ulcers, behavioral considerations, and more.

Register: https://reg.cce.cornell.edu/HorseNutrition_222

■ **Wednesday, May 11th - Pasture Management - Ken Estes, Jr.**

- Learn about pasture management for equine owners including best management practices related to soil health, plant selection, loading density, mowing, dragging, resting, fertilizing, and weed control.

Register: https://reg.cce.cornell.edu/PastureMgmt_222

■ **Wednesday, June 8th - Forage Analysis - Sarah E. Fessenden and Lynn Bliven**

- Learn about interpreting forage analysis reports and factors that impact evaluation of hay quality.

Register: https://reg.cce.cornell.edu/ForageAnalysis_222

6:30 PM - 7:30 PM VIA ZOOM

Questions? Contact Abbey Jantzi at aej48@cornell.edu or 315-788-8450 ext. 278.



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SUNFLOWER GROWING COMPETITION



2022



Sunflower Growing Competition

Open to all Orange County
youth ages 5-19!

**Request your
seeds today!**

Cornell Cooperative Extension
Orange County



Join us for our 2022 Sunflower Growing Competition!

This contest is free and open to all youth in Orange County ages 5-19 as well as all Orange County 4-H youth members.

If you are a teacher, 4-H Club leader, or other youth leader in Orange County, you can register the youth in your class, club, or group.

We will mail a packet of five sunflower seeds and growing instructions for each registered youth later this month. For teachers, 4-H Club leaders, and other youth leaders, we will mail you individual packets of seeds for the total number of youth you register and let you distribute them.

The seeds should be planted between June 1st and June 15th. We will follow up with you throughout the summer. Your flowers will bloom in late August and September. Contest submission can be made online from September 1st through September 30th. More details to come. Prizes will be awarded to youth for the tallest plant, largest bloom, etc.

***Registration closes: Wednesday,
June 1st.***

Request your seeds today!

If you have any questions, please call our 4-H Natural Resource Educator Susan Ndiaye at (845) 344-1234 (ext. 250) or email her at sgn32@cornell.edu.

*Fee: FREE, however,
registration **IS** required!*

ORANGE COUNTY AG & FAMILY FESTIVAL

FRIDAY, JULY 29 - SUNDAY, JULY 31

Education Center & 4-H Park

300 Finchville Turnpike Otisville, NY

Presented by: Cornell Cooperative Extension | Orange County



2022 4-H Dog Program

Enrollment is now open!

Orientation Monday, March 28, 6:30 PM at the Cornell Cooperative Extension office, 18 Seward Avenue, Middletown. Mandatory attendance for all beginners (NO DOGS).

Open to youth interested in learning Dog Obedience and Grooming/ Handling. New members must be 8 years old by 9/30/21.

Please request registration forms by calling the 4-H office at 845-344-1234 or e-mail ds2285@cornell.edu. Must register by March 25th.

There is a \$30 Dog Program registration fee. **Click Here to pay online** or pay by check (made out to CCE Orange County). Meetings will be held on Monday evenings 5:30pm-



IMPORTANT NOTE: *These classes are designed as a youth development experience for children, not as a place just to get your dog trained. Dogs need to be controlled by the youth, i.e., a 130 lb. strong dog and a 60 lb. kid will probably not work out.*

ROBOTICS

Are you interested in Robots? This year we will be holding a Robotic Competition at our Orange County Ag & Family Festival using the 2021-2022 First Lego League competition playing field.

Clubs or individuals can form groups of 2-6 youth, ages 5 and up. CCE will provide the robots and practice field

For more information, join us on March 28th at 6 PM at the CCE office.

If you have any questions, please contact Kat Leo at kal64@cornell.edu



4-H Archery Program *Middle and High School Beginners Course*



Dates are as follows:

- April 21, 28
- May 5, 12, 19, 26
- June 2, 7, 9, 16

Education Center & 4-H Park
300 Finchville Turnpike
Otisville, New York
6:30-8:00 PM

PROGRAM FEE: \$60.00 per person

4-H Youth Development programs use experiential learning to help youth gain life skills and positive outcomes in four areas:

1. **Mastery** of subject matter interests,
2. **Belonging** to groups of positive peers and adults,
3. **Independence** from confidence gained and,
4. **Generosity** as they contribute to their communities.

[Register Here!](#)

Must register by April 7.

The primary goals of the program are to help youth demonstrate safety and concern for others, exercise discipline while achieving goals, and connect to their natural environment.

Participating youth will have opportunity to experience growth

in these areas as they learn then demonstrate:

- Understanding of the history of archery
- Understanding of safety on the range
- Understanding of archery range equipment
- Proper shooting form and technique
- How to select and maintain equipment
- How to make some form of archery tack



NOTE: Information for Intermediate Course will be provided at a later date.

Rabbit Club for Kids!



Do you love rabbits?

Would you like to learn more about them?

Well, here is your opportunity to do that! We are starting a brand new Rabbit Club!

Check out the fun projects and activities we'll explore:

- Rabbit breeds
- Housing and equipment
- Grooming
- Nutrition
- Anatomy
- Showmanship
- Health and Disease

All youth age 8+ are welcome to join!

Meetings will be held at the CCE Office on the first Friday of each month from 6:30-8:00 PM.

Registration is required. [Click Here!](#)

Cat Club

Did you know that domestic cats are the second most popular pet in the world??



Let's learn about the creatures we love! Join us as we explore domestic cats. You do not have to own a cat...the only thing required is a love and curiosity about cats!

This program is for ages 8+.

Meetings will be held the third

Check out the fun projects and activities we'll explore:

- Cat evolution
- Cat first aid kit
- Cat anatomy & body systems
- Cat illustration
- Cat show and tell/presentation
- Cat themed movie party


Thursday of each month from 6-7:30 P.M. You **MUST** register the Friday before each meeting by clicking [here](#).

4-H SUPPORT



Fundraising Campaign

Celebrating 100 Years of Orange County 4-H

"4-H Makes a Difference" 

\$19.23 for Orange County 4-H

In 1923, something special happened in Orange County...4-H was born! It started in a one-room schoolhouse in Coldenham. Over the next decades, thousands of youth grew and benefited from the efforts of volunteers and staff via the 4-H motto of "Learning by Doing."

In celebration of our 100th anniversary, we are having a "\$19.23 for Orange County 4-H" fundraiser that will lead up to a big celebration at the 2023 Ag & Family Festival which will be held in July. We are asking 4-H alumni, volunteers, and those who believe in 4-H to donate \$19.23 in each of the next 3 years to help support the Festival and our new facilities at the Education Center & 4-H Park.

[Click here for more details and to donate!](#)

UPCOMING NEW YORK STATE 4-H PROGRAMS

SAVE THE DATE!



We are happy to be back with you all and hope you can join us! This year, we will be

There is a \$20 fee per youth; chaperones are free. Participants

highlighting FOUR species! They will include **bovine, goat, equine, and dog!** If you have never been to Animal Crackers before, this is geared to 4-H members involved in animal science projects. The suggested age range is 8-12, but anyone over 8 is welcome!

should contact DeAnna or Carol to register.

Please check out the **Animal Crackers [website](#)** for more information about the event and the COVID protocols we will be following.



NEW YORK
STATE
4-H



Save the Date!

STARR 2022: Same Fun, New Friends, New Location May 6-8



Save the Date!

Career Explorations 2022: Spark Future Possibilities Sunday, May 22 through Tuesday, May 24



New York State 4-H

All are welcome!

Virtual Statewide Esports 4-H Club

Forming in your county!

First Meeting on
Thursday, December 2nd at 6pm



Esports is a growing platform for youth to meet and play video games with friends. Join the NYS 4-H club to learn new games, skills and make new friends. Guest speakers will discuss the gaming industry, healthy gaming and much more. Competitive gaming opportunities.

This program is for youth ages 13+



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Please contact Kathy Leo at
kal64@cornell.edu or 845-344-1234 to register.

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