



Clover Chronicle



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January 2023 Event Schedule

January 6	Public Presentation Training
January 7	WHEP Bird Games/Planning Session @ CCE
January 7	Livestock Auction Program Meeting @ CCE
January 10	Horse Quizzing/Hands on Practice @ CCE
January 12	Teen Council Advanced Public Presentation Training
January 12	Animal Crackers/Lambing & Kidding
January 16	Registration for Public Presentations DUE
January 16	Young Farmers Dairy Science Session @ CCE
January 24	Healthy Hooves @ CCE
January 26	Animal Crackers/Lambing & Kidding
January 28	WHEP Muller Field Station Field Trip

Looking Forward...

FEBRUARY 2023

February 7, 10, 11	Public Presentations at CCE
February 14	Horse Cardio, Anatomy & Conditioning @ CCE
February 19	Animal Crackers/Rabbit & Cavy
February 20	Young Farmers Dairy Science Session @ C
February 23	Teen Council Meeting @ CCE
February 23	Animal Crackers/Rabbit & Cavy
February 28	Horse Quizzing/Hands on Practice @ CCE

March 2023

March 3	Avian Bowl Practice
March 4	District Horse Extravaganza
March 10	Auction Program Market Poultry Workshop
March 18	District Dairy Bowl
March 23	Teen Council Meeting
March 25	District Public Presentations

April 2023

April 1	Auction Program Marketing Meeting
April 7	Avian Bowl Practice
April 13	Teen Council Meeting
April 15	State Horse Bowl Contest
April 16-18	Capital Days Trip



Upcoming Programs

Game Afternoon & Bird Planning Session

January 7, 2023

Come and join us for an afternoon of fun, games and program planning on Saturday, January 7, from 2:00 PM—4:00 PM at the CCE Buildings' Training Room. We'll play Wildlife Trivia, Monopoly, bingo and more fun games to grow your WHEP skills and, of course, spend time with friends. In addition, our WHEP group proved to be so much fun that our presenter from Montezuma, Pete Saracino, offered to co-lead with us to set up a 'bird wing' of WHEP. As a retired Marcus Whitman Science teacher and accomplished birder, the WHEP Wing will meet to explore the fascinating world of birds - their identification, natural history, biology and importance to the environment. This section of WHEP will go on birding trips to various local areas like the Montezuma National Wildlife Refuge, Bishop's Nature Preserve, and Mendon Ponds Park with a focus on birds. We will also visit important birding places like the Cornell Lab of Ornithology in Ithaca, NY, and listen to guest speakers share their knowledge on various topics related to birds like migration, bird biology, bird behavior, etc. Pete will be with us on Saturday, January 7th to work with you to plan more about this exciting new opportunity with WHEP. **Please register by emailing Sarah.**



Reading the Winter Woods

January 28, 2023



Come join the WHEP crew at the Muller Field Station from 10:00—12:30 on Saturday, January 28, 2023. (Alternate weather date February 18th). Experts at Muller Field Station in Honeoye will offer both in-door and outdoor tracking experiences, including a demo on track pits, using track plates, and a hike reading the many signs left by wildlife in the woods. We will also be asking for some of our participants to plan a hike to share what we learned

with our junior WHEP members later in the winter. This is for ages 12 and up and limited numbers so please register early by emailing Sarah.

Upcoming Programs

Public Presentations

February 7, 10, 11, 2023

It's that time of year again! Public presentations are one of our most popular 4-H events. Alumni of the 4-H program always credit public presentations as one of the most influential 4-H events that they took part in during their time in the program. Public speaking is an important life skill! **Also, completing a public presentation will now to be a requirement to earn an achievement night Gold Award.**

To accommodate as many as possible, we hold a few different time options. We will plan on holding all presentations in-person, but will accommodate virtual presentations as needed in the case of a youth being in quarantine. Please note, that our **snow date for this event is February 14th from 6-8pm**. If any of the sessions are canceled due to inclement weather, they will be made up on February 14th.

Registration is due January 16th. Please find the registration form and other helpful documents at the following link: [Cornell Cooperative Extension | 4-H Public Presentations \(cceontario.org\)](https://cceontario.org/4-H-Public-Presentations)

Public Presentation Training

January 6th at 6:00 pm

New to 4-H public presentations? Join Sarah on Friday, January 6th at 6pm at the CCE office for a fun workshop teaching you how to create a public presentation. This workshop is ideal for youth in their first or second year of public presentations. Please register by January 1st for this training.

Teen Council Advanced Public Presentation Training

January 12th at 6:30-8:00 pm

Have you been doing public presentations for a few years and ready to level up your skills? Join Sarah on Thursday, January 12th at 6:30-8:00pm at the CCE Office to get a more in-depth training on public presentations. This is open to any 4-H teen ages 12+. We will cover more advanced topics about public presentations including Powerpoint/Google slides, cultivating poise, engaging your audience, etc. Please register by January 6th for this training.

Upcoming Programs

Young Farmers

Join us for our next Young Farmers sessions on January 16th at the CCE Office from 10:00 AM -12:00 PM and February 20 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM at Sweet Acres Creamery. Young Farmers is open to 4-H'ers of all ages, we just ask that you commit to coming to both sessions. Please register by January 10th at <https://forms.gle/4odfyff1MFq2qkpd9>.



YOUNG FARMERS

DAIRY SCIENCE

**JANUARY 16TH 10-12
&
FEBRUARY 20TH 10-12**

OPEN TO 4-H'ERS OF ALL AGES. WE
ASK YOU THAT YOU COMMIT TO
COMING TO BOTH SESSIONS.

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BY JANUARY 10TH

**FOR QUESTIONS CONTACT AMY AT
[ANR32@CORNELL.EDU](mailto:ANR32@cornell.edu)**



Upcoming Programs

Teen Council Workforce Development Meeting February 23, 2023

On February 23rd from 6:30 PM -8:00 PM, we will be learning from 4-H Camp Director Jessie Middleton about the youth workforce competency model (basically how to communicate your "soft skills" you have learned through animal care, leadership opportunities, and other 4-H projects to a potential college or employer). Any teen ages 13+ are welcome to join. Please let Sarah know if you plan to attend.



Pheasant Chick Program

Deadline - March 25, 2022

The NYSDEC is once again offering their day old pheasant chick program in 2023! This gives 4-H families the opportunity to receive pheasant chicks to raise and then release onto hunting lands. The birds are free to receive but 4-H'ers are in charge of the cost of building housing for them and feeding them until they are ready to be released. 4-H'ers must order a minimum of 20 birds. The deadline to apply is March 25th. Please reach out to Sarah to get more information if you are interested.



HORSE EVENTS SCHEDULE:

November 15: Intro to Horse Bowl/Hippology

November 29: Tack and Disciplines

December 13: Quizzing/Hands on Practice

December 27: Basics of Bitting

January 10: Quizzing/Hands on Practice

January 24: Healthy Hooves

February 14: Cardiovascular Anatomy and Conditioning

February 28: Quizzing/Hands on Practice

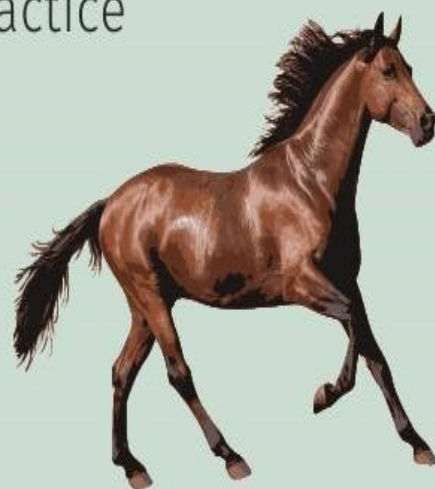
March 4: Horse Extravaganza

Location:

CCE Ontario

480 N Main Street

Canandaigua, NY 14424



SAVE THE DATE!



Announcing the Animal Crackers Virtual Winter Series!

The NYS 4-H Animal Science Program is happy to offer another great animal science opportunity for youth!

Beginning in January, we will be offering a virtual Animal Crackers event for our older 4-H youth focusing on career opportunities and becoming involved in the various livestock industries.

These workshops will take place via Zoom on the following dates:

- January 12th and 26th: Lambing and Kidding
- February 19th and 23rd: Rabbit/Cavy
- March 9th and 23rd: Poultry/Meat Birds

There will still be an in-person Animal Crackers event scheduled for May 6, 2023, at Cornell for our younger youth!

More information will be available on the [Animal Crackers](#) website as we get closer to the event! But for now, if you have any questions, please reach out to Jessica at jms943@cornell.edu.



Deep Dive into New York State Fisheries

Deep Dive into New York State Fisheries is a 4 part virtual series, learning about fish and “not really fish”, that live in New York State. Each 45 minute long session will be jam-packed with educational fun. The series will unravel the mysteries of salmon, trout, sturgeon, and dogfish sharks. Experts from Cornell University, Cornell Shackleton Point Biological Field Station, SUNY Cobleskill, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, and Thumbs Up Charters join the Cornell YNOE PWT 4-H educators presenting this program.

- **Dates: Wednesday nights at 6:30pm**
January 18th and 25th, February 1st and 8th
- No cost to participate.
- Who can participate: Cloverbuds, 4-H members, 4-H parents, volunteers, and youth



Registration is necessary.

Click on this link:

https://reg.cce.cornell.edu/YNOEfish_235

OR Scan this QR Code



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2023 4-H Fisheries Art and Story Contests

As part of the Deep Dive into New York State Fisheries Program, the Youth in Nature & Outdoor Education Program Work Team is offering a virtual fish and shark art contest *and* a short story contest. The contests will be open to youth with several age categories and participants can be from anywhere within New York State. *The contest begins December 11, 2022 and runs until February 7, 2023.*

Entries received before January 24th at 11am will be highlighted during the January 25th session.

Entries received between January 24th 11:01 am and February 7th at 11am will be highlighted during the February 8th session.

Prizes:

Cloverbud (5-7) youth will each receive a Participant ribbon and no overall winner will be selected. Youth 8-12 or 13-19, the top recipient will receive a \$10 gift to the 4-H mail.

To get more details, email Sarah Wilhelm.



Robots in the Orchard

Join the NYS 4-H
Geospatial Team on
1/31/23 3pm - ZOOM

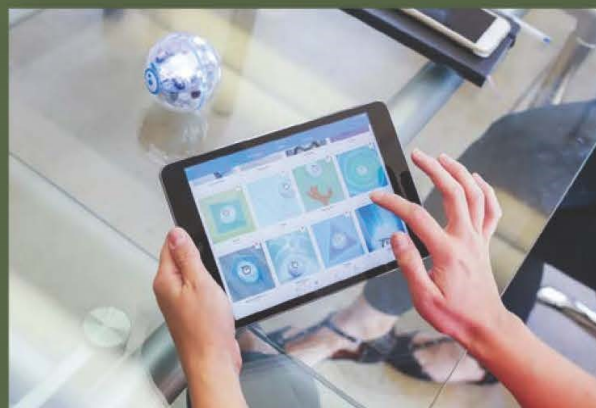
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845-344-1234

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4-H Outdoor Adventures Winterfest



Friday 2/17/23 7:00 PM—Sunday 2/19/23 12:00 PM

Amboy 4-H Environmental Education Center

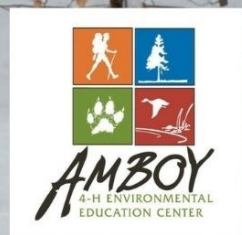
748 NY 183 Williamstown, NY 13493

- \$40 includes snack Friday, breakfast, lunch, and dinner Saturday, breakfast Sunday, and all programming supplies. Chaperones do not pay to attend.
- Open to all youth ages 8+
- Snowshoeing, skiing, skijoring demonstrations, outdoor cooking, STEM projects, tracking and more!
- Sleep in dormitories or teens can sleep in a lean-to/ten with approved gear. Families can bring an RV/camper with prior approval from Linda Brosch.



Space is limited and registration is required. Register at <https://bit.ly/4HOAWF> by Friday, February 10th.

For facility and logistic questions contact Linda Brosch, lcr23@cornell.edu or 315-963-7283 ext. 400. For program questions contact Sabrina DeRue, sld95@cornell.edu or 315-788-8450 or Melissa Watkins, mew23@cornell.edu or 315-376-5270.



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The Bulletin Board

Horticulture Club

Horticulture Club met for the first time on December 5th. Volunteer leader, Richard Lawson talked about the basics of plant science, introduced participants to the varieties in conifer trees, and ended the session with wreath making. Horticulture club will be meeting monthly with the next session to be announced soon.



Teen Bowling

Teen Council had a great time bowling on December 8th. It was a great time of team building.

Horse Educational Sessions

The horse educational sessions are meeting twice per month. At the last session, volunteer leader Gracie Seely led an interactive lecture about horse nutrition where youth could buzz in to answer questions. If you are ages 8+ and a lover of horses, you are welcome to join in on these sessions. No horse ownership required!

The Czadzeck Family

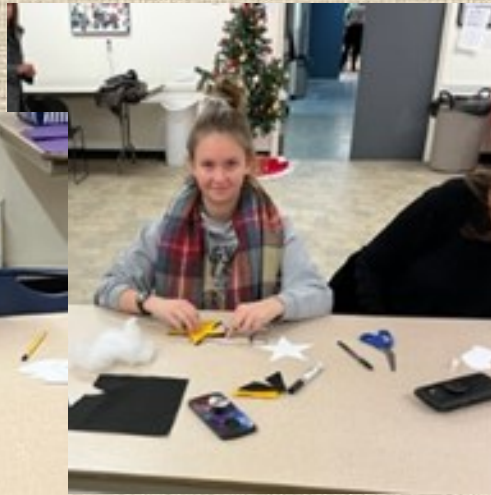
Everyone stays busy in this family! From working with their pack goats on showmanship to sending care packages to servicemen overseas, this family knows how to get it done. Way to go Czadzecks!



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Spark Club

Spark Club had a super fun December meeting. We started our meeting by talking about community service and we made homemade Christmas cards for a local nursing home. Club member McKenzie shared a few different card designs and everyone got to work creating. We also made our own hand sewn, felt ornaments that everyone took home to hang on their own trees. Our next meeting we will start learning about kitchen science!



Western Wranglers

Our December meeting was filled with holiday cheer! We made our own home made Christmas ornaments and enjoyed a delicious meal prepared by our 4-H families. For our January meeting we will be making our own 4-H scrap books to hold our 4-H record books!



Livestock Auction Program

Livestock Auction Program – Our beef, swine, sheep and goat feeding meeting will be held on January 7th at 3pm. It is open to anyone that would like to come even if you are not participating in the auction. If you are not part of the auction program please RSVP to Amy at anr32@cornell.edu.



NEW Club Achievement Program

Achievement night has always honored individuals for their growth and achievements. However, we know that 4-H clubs develop into close knit families that accomplish a lot together. Therefore, we are introducing a brand new club recognition program. The goal of this is to recognize clubs for their achievements together and to encourage club involvement and project documentation. Interested clubs should start tracking and reporting in October and will be eligible for awards at the 2021 4-H Achievement night.

Club Award Levels:

Level 1 Requirements:

- Monthly club reports*
- Annual club report and financial statement

Level 2 Requirements:

- All Level 1 requirements
- Having a club booth at fair

Level 3 Requirements:

- All Level 2 requirements
- Having three or more members work in the dairy bar

Level 4 requirements:

- All Level 3 requirements
- A club community service project with 80% participation

Level 5 requirements:

- All Level 4 requirements
- A 4-H promotional project (talk with 4h educator about your plan - idea: TSC clover campaign)



*Monthly report form: <https://static1.squarespace.com/static/58e51ba6db29d619dcb73826/t/5a8c5bf2e4966b49ab1bbeac/1519148019107/secretarysmnthlyreporttothecountyofficefinal.pdf>

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