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## RECORD KEEPING

Record keeping is one of the unique 4-H learning opportunities.

- What is record keeping?
- Why should I do it?
- How will it help me?

Record keeping is a process that can be used throughout life in many ways.

### Value of Record Books

We looked at record books that had some things in common and some differences. It's OK that they are different. How are these record books alike and different from scrapbooks? Why do you think 4-H members do record books? What do you see as the value or benefit of doing records? **Here are some reasons for doing 4-H records:**

- Place to record goals, work done, and what happened
- Way to keep track of money spent and financial gains or losses
- Keep track of what happened each year
- Source of goals or plans for coming year
- Helpful when applying for 4-H county/state opportunities, awards and scholarships
- Information for employment or college applications
- They are like a scrapbook and help us remember fun memories

Not only is there value in keeping 4-H records, members benefit by learning new things. **When 4-H'ers keep records they learn:**

- To plan and organize their work
- To evaluate what the 4-H experiences meant to them
- To follow directions and pay attention to details
- Skills that they will continue to use during their lives

Several 4-H projects start with the purchase of supplies, materials, or animals. Use the project specific record pages to record these capital purchases.

### When should I start my 4-H record?

Don't wait!

Don't hesitate!

Start Now!



## 4-H Projects & Events

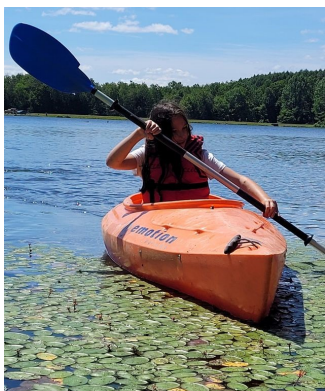
### Outdoor Adventure: Kayaking

**Kayaking (ages 10 and up):**

**Thursday, September 20<sup>th</sup>, from 4pm to 6:30pm**

Kayaking trip in Bainbridge, Wednesday, September 20th, 4:30pm to 6:30pm! 4-H'ers 10 and up come join us as we paddle the Susquehanna River. We have the kayaks and gear. We will launch in Sidney, learn a few paddling techniques, play games, have a snack, and end at General Clinton Park in Bainbridge!

Contact Erica for more information: [elc97@cornell.edu](mailto:elc97@cornell.edu)



### Outdoor Adventure Weekend

We have an incredible opportunity for youth to experience the great outdoors at a weekend getaway! This mystical event for youth ages 10 and up will be held September 22-24 at 4-H Camp Bristol Hills. Youth need chaperones to attend. Youth will meet 4-H'ers from NYS and participate in interactive workshops on Saturday (birding, archery, nature exploration, aquatic critters, photography, entomology and many more...). We will have evening games & activities, campfires and special visitors Saturday night!

Registration is open for Magical Outdoors Adventure Weekend 2023 and it is \$70 per person.

Please email Erica Clark to get registration form at [elc97@cornell.edu](mailto:elc97@cornell.edu)



**New York State Fair--**August  
23-September 4

**Project Record Sheets Due--**  
September 15

**Award Applications Due--**  
September 15

**Outdoor Adventure:  
Kayaking--**September 20

**Outdoor Adventure Weekend--**  
September 22-24

**Insectapalooza--**September 23

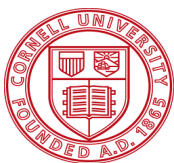
**4-H Achievement Day--**  
October 1

**National 4-H Week--**October  
1-7

**4-H Leaders Association--**  
October 3

**4-H Ag Business Careers  
Conference--** October 19-20





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Thanks for catching up with the  
Chenango County 4-H Program.  
Hope to see you soon!



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## 4-H Photo Finish



**National 4-H Week**  
**October 1-7, 2023**

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