

On the Move

Oneida County 4-H

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February

Important Dates

2, 12, 19 & 26: NYS Horse Career Zoom

3, 10, 17 & 24: NYS Horse Educational
Zoom Series

4, 11, 18 & 25: Livestock Summit

12, 19 & 26: Virtual Dairy Bowl

7, 14, & 28: Horse Bowl Practice

7: 4-H Outdoors

12: Build Guild

13-15: Winterfest - Amboy

16: CCE Oneida Office - **CLOSED**

16: Cloverbud Winter Signs

17-19: Tractor & Machinery Safety

18 & 19: 4-H Outdoors

20: NYS Guernsey Calf Award
Application Deadline

21: Sherill Brook Park Hike

20-22: Winter Round Up - **Amboy**

April

7: Cloverbud Days

8-9: Discovery Days

9: Build Guild

10: 4-H Outdoors

11: District Public Presentations

15, 22, & 29: Dog Obedience

18: NYS Horse Bowl - Cornell

25: NYS Dairy Bowl - Cornell

March

4: Livestock Summit

7: District Dairy Bowl, Horse Bowl &
Hippology

7: 4-H Outdoors

7-12: NYS Model Horse Virtual Show

12: Build Guild

14: Horse Communications - Boonville
Municipal

21: Horse Communications & Public
Presentations - CCE Office

May

2: 4-H Outdoors

6, 13, 20, 27: Dog Obedience

9: Rabbit/Cavy Fun Show - **Tentative**

14: Build Guild

16: NYS Horse Communications -
Cornell

21: Arena Cleanup

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Outdoors Adventures- Winterfest



February 13-15, 2026

Held in Oswego County at
Amboy 4-H Environmental Education Center

An unforgettable, fun winter adventure weekend!

Enjoy exciting activities like snowshoeing, cross-country skiing*, and outdoor games. Saturday afternoon offers hands-on workshops, and the weekend wraps up with an Olympic-style event on Sunday at 10:30 AM. 4-H members and chaperones will stay in a cozy, woodstove-heated dormitory with bunkbeds, while teens seeking extra adventure can choose to sleep in a lean-to—just bring the right gear and chaperones! Don't miss this chance to make memories, learn new skills, and embrace the great outdoors!

*Snowshoes and cross country skis boots and poles are provided. Bring your own if you have them. All participants will have the opportunity to cross country ski at least once.

- **Ages— 3rd grade (at least 8) and older**
- **Must be enrolled in 4-H in New York State**
- **Fees: \$40 per youth. Chaperones are free.**
- **Youth need to provide their own chaperone!**
- **Direct all questions to Linda Brosch (lcr23@cornell.edu)**

Hosted by Cornell Youth in Nature and Outdoor Education PWT
and Oswego County 4-H

Register [HERE](#)



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UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

Public Presentations

Public Presentations is a significant and valuable 4-H learning experience! I remember public presentations as a 4-H youth REALLY helping me with learning how to research and present ideas in meaningful ways.

What are you passionate about? What excites you? Can you talk endlessly about animals, bugs, games, plants, cooking, hobbies, etc.? It's time for you to participate in public presentations!

You can go to cceoneida.com/4-h-youth-development/4-h-program-areas/4-h-public-presentations to see more info on public presentations.



4-H Outdoors

Let's get outside for education and recreation! Upcoming events include February Outdoor Days (birds, mammals, fish), rescheduled Cloverbud Winter Signs program, and a snow hike at Delta Lake State Park. Dates will be on weekends or planned school closures/breaks. Come dressed for the weather. Conditionally open for both 4-H members and Cloverbud, please read the registration and contact Celeste with questions.



4-H Build Guild

Engineering! Crafts! Games! At every event we will do either an engineering activity or craft and then play a board game. Have a favorite game? Bring it!

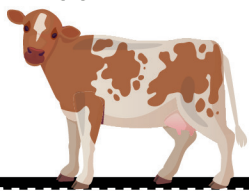
Parents/Guardians of 4-H Members are welcome to stay, but it is not required. Parents/Guardians of Cloverbuds are required to attend.

Events will be every second Thursday of the month from 5:00 - 6:30PM January to June.



Events or activities you want to see? Contact Celeste at cmo95@cornell.edu or call at 315-736-3394 x105. Go to the back of On The Move for registration links!

New York State Guernsey
Calf Award Application
Deadline Feb. 20th, 2026
Contact 4-H Office for
Application



Dog Obedience Program

****Mark Your Calendars! ****

Wednesdays, April through June

NYS 4-H Virtual Dairy Bowl Practices!

Join youth from across the state on Thursdays
in January & February from 7 - 8pm and
participate in virtual dairy bowl practices,
hosted by the NYS 4-H Dairy Committee.

- January 15
- January 29
- February 12
- February 19
- February 26



Register here:

<https://bit.ly/2026DairyBowlPractice>

**Animal Science Program Meetings are
planning to meet Monthly again
Feb Date - TBD**



Tractor and Machinery Certification Course

The Safe Tractor + Machinery Operation Program is open to youth ages 14 and over. We invite and encourage all farm and non-farm youth who will be working on or around machinery to participate in the program. Youth between the ages 14-15 years of age are required by law to hold this certification in order to work with or around machinery.



SAVE THE DATE: Feb 17th to 19th at the Clinton VFW

8:30am - 3:00pm each day

Space is limited.

Cost is Covered by Clinton Tractor!!



2026 NYS 4-H LIVESTOCK SUMMIT



FEB 4TH TO FEB 25TH @ 7PM VIA ZOOM

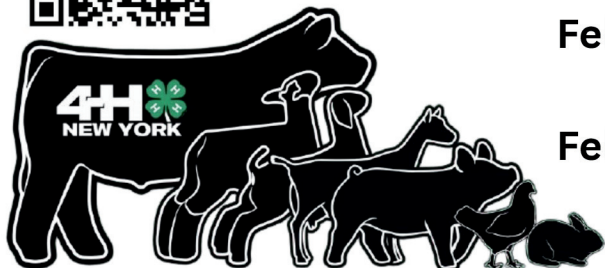
**Feb 4th - Hit the Ground Running- State your Swine
Project Strong!**

**Feb 11th - Turning Livestock into Careers: Meat
Science Opportunities!**

Feb 18th - The G.O.A.T Guide, Raising Goats 101

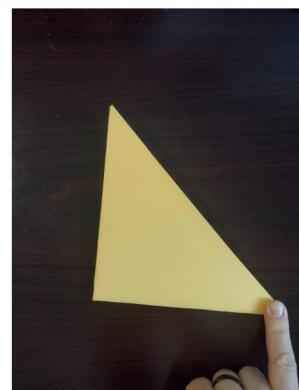
Feb 25th - Next-Level Show Calves

March 4th - More than the Show Ring



CLVERBUDS

Let's make an Origami Cat!



Get a sheet of paper. Take one corner and fold it until you touch the edge of the other side of the paper.

Cut off the extra strip on the bottom. You should have a triangle now.



Pointy side up, fold one side of the triangle bottom up at an angle. Make the other side match. Fold the pointed side down.

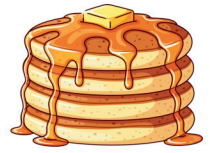
Fold the triangle in half; open it back up so you can see the crease.



Flip over (you can use tape to help keep the ears flat if you'd like.) Make your cat's face and you're done!



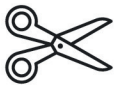
Ag in the Classroom



Happy Sugar Season! The sap is flowing and the syrup will be ready before we know it!!! Spot the 5 differences below:



Answers: 1. Number of trees, 2. Winter hat, 3. Cabin, 4. Drill color, 5. Clouds



Cut along the dotted lines for 3 fun Valentines!



BEE

my

HONEY

this Valentine's Day

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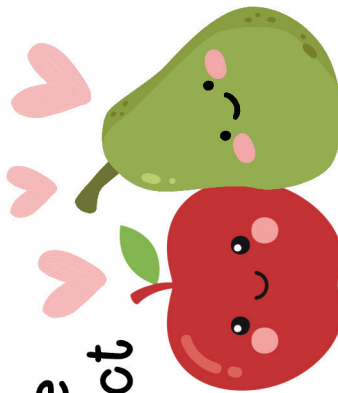
To:

Apple of my eye

We make

the perfect

pear!



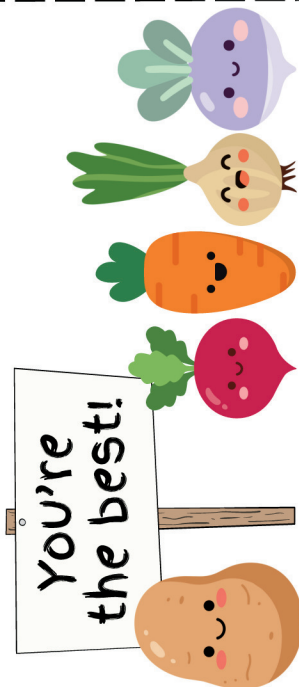
To:

From:

*I'll always root for
you, Valentine!*

From:

To:



Dairy in the Classroom

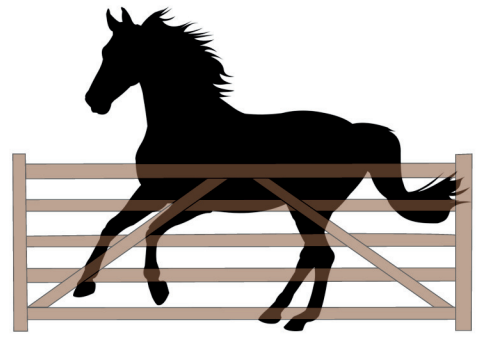
Dairy Breeds Word Search



Your Words

BROWN SWISS • GUERNSEY • JERSEY • AYRSHIRE • HOLSTEIN

HORSE BOWL Practices



Dates: February 7th, 14th and 28th

Time: 9:00 AM to 10:30 AM

Location: CCE Oneida



Please RSVP at least 24 hours in Advance
Scan QR Code to Register + For More Details
SAVE THE DATE: Regional Contest March 7th

IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2026

4-H Riding Evaluations & Fun Horse Show

June 20th at the Boonville-Oneida County Fair Grounds
Overcome those show jitters and get some valuable tips and
feedback from the judge!

Evaluations Start at 7:30am, Show Starts at 9:00am
More details to come in the next issue of On The Move!

ARENA CLEANUP - 6:00pm-8:00pm

May 21st
June 15th
July 10th

4-H Horse Communications Dates

March 14th at Boonville Municipal Commission on Route 12, Boonville

March 21st at the 4-H Office in Oriskany

Scan the QR Code to Register and For More Details



SAVE the DATE

Saturday, March 7th



**North Central Regional
Dairy Bowl - Horse Bowl - Hippology**

NYS Horse Bowl—April 18th

Cornell University

NYS Horse Communications - May 16th

Cornell University

NYS Hippology & Horse Judging - June 7th

Cortland Co. Fairgrounds

NYS 4-H HORSE MODEL HORSE VIRTUAL SHOW



This is an introductory show to model horse photo showing intended to be a fun learning experience.

This show is open to NYS 4-H members only. Entries will open March 7th and close on March 12th.

Ribbons 1-6th will be awarded in each class and will be mailed !

Visit this link for class list and more details:
<https://cornell.box.com/s/sf4bm5awgdaukpzxv9q4enmvjmt5ylqu>

Show questions can be sent to Jini at:
jgroen@empireaccess.net

NYS 4-H HORSE CAREER ZOOM SERIES



WE LOOK FORWARD TO HAVING YOU JOIN US FOR OUR NYS 4-H HORSE CAREER ZOOM SERIES! WE WILL BE JOINED BY 4 SPEAKERS FROM THE EQUINE INDUSTRY! OPEN TO 4-H YOUTH ACROSS NYS!

JOIN US ON: 2/5,2/12,2/19,2/26

FROM: 6:30PM-7:30PM

REGISTRATION REQUIRED BY 1/28:

[HTTPS://REG.CCE.CORNELL.EDU/HORSECAREERZOOMSERIES_127](https://reg.cce.cornell.edu/horsecareerzoomseries_127)

EMAIL JESSICA TYSON WITH QUESTIONS: [JMS943@CORNELL.EDU](mailto:jms943@cornell.edu)

NYS 4-H HORSE EDUCATIONAL ZOOM SERIES



**We are thrilled to share the NYS 4-H Horse Educational zoom series! You will hear from our educational coaches directly in these sessions!
Open To NYS 4-H Youth!**

Join Us On:

**2/3: Horse Bowl 2/10: Hippology
2/17: Communications 2/24: Judging
Time: 6:00pm-7:00pm**

**Registration required by 1/28:
https://reg.cce.cornell.edu/educationalzoomseries_127**

Email Jessica Tyson at jms943@cornell.edu with any questions!

CLUB NEWS

Club	Club Update
Archery	Have you ever had an interest in archery? Archery club meets weekly, year-round Thursday from 5-6pm. Learn the basic fundamentals or practice your skill. Open to members age 8-18.
Bizzy Bees	The little bees cooked a sweet dinner for their queen Bee's in December. The hive has two new sewing machines to keep the worker bees bizzy. So far they've made pillows for their first project.
Cool Cooking Crafters	For our Jan. 7th club meeting two of our teen members led a bottle cap keychain craft activity. They did research and wrote up a proposal for their project, and presented it to the club.
Foothills Saddle Club	We spread Christmas cheer at Korteneer Village by Christmas caroling doing crafts and giving out cookies
Oneida Equine	The Oneida Equine club held its January meeting on January 9th at Runnings in Rome. We had a special lesson on tying safety knots by our own Addison Vadney, who is also a member of the Equine Ambassadors for New York! She led our group through a few way to do a "bankers knot" where the kids got to practice their knots and then followed it up on a craft lesson on Boondoggle!
Remsen Muddy Buddies	So far in 4-H, we have played the games like cup stacking and uno. We made beeswax covers good for preserving food. We homemade winter hats, nice for keeping our ears warm. We had a dance party where we danced, played and had fun. Written by Eliza Smith
Super Salmons	Super Salmon's is a casual weekly (seasonal) fishing group. We meet to just enjoy the evening and catch and release some fish. This is a time to fish and enjoy the company of others who enjoy fishing. If you are interested in joining us please email our leader Tanya at tbar202004@yahoo.com
Little Boots	For our only meeting in December we met on the 20th to decorate Christmas cutout cookies and make/cutout tie dye snowflakes. It was a lot of fun decorating the cookies and then getting to eat some! On January 10th the 4-H members learned how to follow a recipe and made chocolate chip muffins and blueberry muffins. While everything was baking they watched the slideshow of the trail cam photos of wildlife at CCE and saw the taxidermy animals of NYS up close while learning some cool facts about each animal. Our next meeting will be January 24th and our plan is to do a valentines day craft and talk about Public Presentations.
No Club Update for Dec-Jan.	Teen Council, Rural Rascals, Sugar River Riders, Mystery Riders, Barbwire



Oneida Equine



Little Boots



Remsen Muddy Buddies



Cool Cooking Crafters



Foothills Saddle Club

4-H Registration and Enrollment Links

We are putting all registration and enrollment links in one easy to find spot! All you need to do is use the link or QR Code to get to our Oneida 4-H linktree and voila!

It's a good idea to bookmark this page. That way you won't need to hunt for Facebook posts, emails, or other messages to find the registration link you need.

As we are incorporating the use of Qualtrics for registration/enrollment, the event registration page you may have used in the past is no longer a reliable source for 4-H information.

Any questions? Let us know!

Are we missing a link?
Contact Celeste at cmo95@cornell.edu and I
will add it ASAP.

<https://linktr.ee/Oneida4H>



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