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4-H Calendar of Events

August

- 2 Animals move in, Redwood Empire Fair, until 10 pm
- 4-7 Redwood Empire Fair
- 15 Roundup Deadline
- 18 Drop-in Record Book Workshop, 4-H Office (see page 4)
- 31 End of 4-H Year

September

- 1 Re-enrollments due to 4-H Office by Club
- 15 Roundup Deadline
- 16-18 Boonville Fair, Anderson Valley
- 23-25 WHY Conference, Camp Masonite Navarro
- 30 Completed Project Proficiency lists by Club due to 4-H office

October

- 1 County Council Meeting, Ukiah 4-H Office
- 2-8 National 4-H Week (see window display contest, page 4)
- 7 Record books due
- 8 Eel River Cleanup
- 10 Columbus Day, 4-H Office closed
- 13 County Record book judging
- 15 Roundup Deadline
- 15 All 4-H enrollments due, especially for market animal projects
- 24 Club end-of-year reports due (see page 5)

WHY Conference Sept 23-25



Mendocino County is hosting WHY Conference this year at Camp Masonite Navarro in Navarro. What is WHY conference you ask? It is a leadership conference for youth in grades 6 to 12 from 21 counties in Northern California. The theme is ***"4-H keeps your engines revvin' in 2011."***

We'll be revvin' your engines with fun sessions on how to include exercise in your projects, meetings and more. State Ambassadors will be presenting a workshop on leadership and travel opportunities through 4-H. Other workshops will cover Record books to resumes; what to expect when you move out and live on your own; and what to think about when renting an apartment. We'll even help you take care of your engine with a workshop on basic car maintenance.

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Leader Corner...

Leaders, keep an eye on this space for important dates and messages.



Attention Community Club Leaders

The new 4-H year is just around the corner. All club leaders and officers should be making plans to complete the following required paperwork:

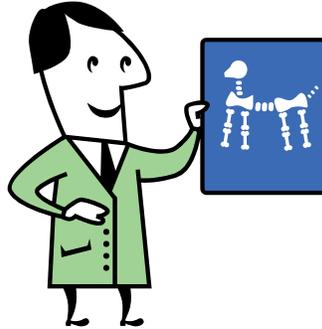
- Year-End Club Peer Review Checklist Form 8.6 & Club Peer Review Form 8.5 for 2010/2011
- Affirmative Action Outreach Report for 9/10-8/11
- Club Inventory Form 6.2 as of August 2011
- Club Budget Form 8.3 - 2011/2012 **(New this year)**
- Annual Financial Report Form 6.3 for 2010/11

If you have any questions on this process or need assistance or forms, please contact the 4-H Office. All the above documents must be in to the 4-H office by October 24th.

Vet Science Project Offered

Jenny Smith and Shanna Braught will be offering a County-wide Veterinary Science Project in the 2011/2012 4-H year.

This project will be available to 8th through 12th grade 4-H members. Only 12 youth members will be accepted into the project. Meetings will be held at the Hopland Field Station every other month, beginning in October. They will be 3 to 4 hours in duration and facilitated by UC Davis Vets and Vet Students.



Youth members with serious interest in participating in this project will be asked to submit an application that assesses interest. This application is due by September 15th. The applications will be available on line or at the County 4-H Office. If you intend to pursue enrollment in the County Wide Vet Science Project, please call Shanna at 984-6763 to be placed on an "interest list."

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A community service project will make quilts for soldiers. Other workshops include photography and some CSI science and investigation.

The event starts Friday afternoon, and the welcome committee is working on a fun kick-off. A guest speaker will talk about her experiences after 4-H and where it has taken her. There will be workshops on Saturday with free time to relax. Saturday night camp fire will feature a lip-sync contest; bring your costumes and music to compete as a county. There will also be a Wii Dance challenge, so start practicing.

Mark your calendar for September 23-25th go to <http://cemendocino.ucdavis.edu/files/109814.pdf> for the registration packet. If you have any questions contact Linda Edgington 707-463-4495 or lgedgington@ucdavis.edu



Mendocino Junior Awards Committee

It's HERE!!! When you read this you are probably packing up for the fair. All the awards are ready for the Redwood Empire Fair. We are able to provide over **190** awards at the Redwood Empire Fair, and we have the Mendocino County Fair to get ready for in September. Again please look at our wonderful list of fair awards sponsors. Please thank them when you patronize their business or meet them in your course of activities. Many of these sponsors give consistently year in and year out and have donated even in these difficult times.

If you are fortunate to receive an award from the Mendocino County Junior Awards Committee – **please write your thank you note as soon as you can.** We have attached thank you notes to each award. If you drop them off at the Livestock Office before you leave on Sunday, we will mail the notes for you. Here is our list of generous sponsors:

Ag Unlimited Farm Supply
Anderson Angus Ranch
Anderson Logging Inc
Anderson Valley FFA
Anton Geological
B Bar Six Polled Herefords
Betty and Raymond Barnett
Francine Bearden
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Kiwanis Club of Ukiah

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Mendocino County Farm Bureau
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Mendocino Spartans 4-H
Potter Valley 4-H
Potter Valley FFA
Redwood Valley-Calpella 4-H
Rucker Vineyards
Schmidbauer Ranch
Shoreline Riders Inc.
Lester & Donna Smith
Rhonda Stoker
T & M Aviation
Keith & Angela Thornton
Ukiah 4-H
Tony & Gina Vau
Rain Waters Sewing
Vic & Maggie Weaver
(the Weaver Family)
George Weger
Wine Country Termite & Pest
Yokayo Veterinary Center

Coming this September...

County-wide Cal Focus Project and Conference

Cal Focus is a unique citizenship educational experience that provides hands-on



participation in workshops, tours, situations to learn how government works, and an opportunity to meet and work with teens from all over California.

This project will prepare you to attend the Cal Focus Conference in June 2012. You must have completed the eighth grade by June. The project will include planning and implementing a Service Learning/Community Service Project, fundraising activities and citizenship activities.

Cal Focus is held in Sacramento in late June. The cost is almost \$500 per member, but financial aid is available. This fee includes five days at the motel, food, tours, and conference fees.

If you are interested in having fun, meeting new people, learning to make a difference in your community and about your government, contact Barbara Nordin-Elmer at 743-1297 or bnelmer@gmail.com

4-H Public Image at Fair

While you are at the fair you are representing 4-H to the public. Please show the community your cooperation, responsibility, and the many things you have learned in your projects. If you are asked questions about your animal or other projects, please share the information which you have been taught. Others like to learn also. Remember 4-H is not about making money at the fair but is about learning, leadership, and citizenship.

Members, remember to be careful with your appearance as well as your animal's.

The uniform is white pants, buttoned or snap white shirt or blouse tucked in, scarf or tie, and hat.

Long hair should be pulled back so the judge can see your face. Do not chew gum in the ring, or during the auction.

For your safety, please no bare feet or sandals in the barn area.



National 4-H Week Club Window Display Contest



Clubs, start thinking about your display window for National 4-H Week slated for October 2-8, 2011. During 4-H Week there will be a contest for the best window display. The winning display will receive a \$100 award. The display should promote 4-H and your club. They must be setup by October 1st.

Please let Linda know where your club's display will be by September 27th. Judging will be based on creativity, information/educational value, accessibility to the general public and the overall look of the display. The winner will be announced in the November issue of the Round up.

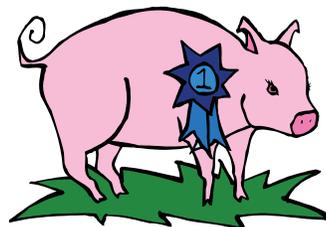
Tips for Animal Showmanship

Look eager and ready to show:

- ◆ Wear a clean, complete uniform (white pants, white button or snap shirt, tie or scarf, and hat)
- ◆ Tie long hair back into braids or ponytail
- ◆ Wear a belt, boots, or tennis shoes (**no sandals**)
- ◆ Secure your hat, but don't worry if it drops off in the ring
- ◆ Use a tie tack to pin down the ends of your tie; use a ring for the scarf
- ◆ NO GUM CHEWING

Remember these basic rules of Showmanship:

- ◆ Show from the minute you enter the ring until the judge dismisses the class
- ◆ Look as if you are enjoying showing your animal
- ◆ Keep your animal between you and the judge
- ◆ Keep your animal set up at all times
- ◆ Don't crowd; give yourself and others room to show
- ◆ Watch the judge or animal; ignore the audience
- ◆ Don't panic if your animal gets away. *Just do your best!*
- ◆ Know the sex, breed, and age of your animal
- ◆ The judge may ask questions, so know parts of your animal, where the breed came from, or any pertinent information about your animal



Please help us save postage...

If you are receiving a mailed copy of the Roundup and prefer to get it electronically, please let us know. Also let us know of any email address changes.

Club reminders...

Project proficiencies are due to the 4-H office by September 30th, club dates will be earlier. Pins, stripes, stars, patches, awards and recognition are due after September 15th. Gold award winning Record books at the club level are due in the 4-H office by October 7th. County record book judging is October 13th.

Save the Date....

Eel River Cleanup

Saturday,
October 8



For a day of fun and community service, watch the *Roundup* for details next month.

Camp Lost & Found



Are you missing your favorite pillow, treasured sneakers, cozy sweatshirt?

All the camp lost and found items have been photographed and listed on the web at: <http://ucanr.org/camplostandfound>

Contact the Lake County 4-H Office at 263-6838 to make arrangements to pick up your item. Please refer to the item number from the website. *(Thank you Nicole for posting these for everyone to look at!)*

Drop-in Record Book Workshop

Do you need some help completing your record book for this year?

You can get some help on Thursday, August 18, 2011, at the 4H Office from 10 am to 1 pm and 3 pm to 7 pm.



You should bring your record book completed as much as possible, a draft of your story, your notes or calendar of events for the year, and list of specific questions.

2011 Junior Grand Nationals

The Junior Grand National Stock Show will be here before we know it. The show will be held October 14-23 in conjunction with the Grand National Rodeo. For more information, go to the website at www.cowpalace.com under the Junior Grand National tab.

Facebook & Twitter Afficionados....

You can now follow John Harper's Livestock & Range Management updates on:

Facebook

www.facebook.com/UCCE.Range.Livestock

Twitter

www.twitter.com/MendoLakeRange

Also check out John's Blog on our office website: <http://cemendocino.ucdavis.edu>

"Club Scribe" ***News from county 4-H clubs***

Potter Valley 4-H Club **Submitted by Cooper Johnson**

Hey, it's Cooper here reporting to you from beautiful Potter Valley. Our club had its final meeting of the year this past weekend at the Hildebrand Ranch. For this meeting we had a BBQ for all the members and families of our club. There was a silent auction of desserts during the event to benefit our club.

Lots of food was brought from all of our families so we really appreciated them for coming!

Registration papers were also given out for next 4-H year. Can you believe it is almost a new 4-H year already?



At the BBQ many of us also talked about getting ready for the fair. Some of our preparations include displays being worked on by all of our animal project groups and our communications group has entered a feature booth for the Junior Building. Looking forward to seeing all of you at the fair in just a few weeks! This is Cooper Johnson, signing out for July.

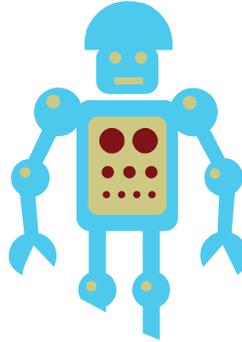
Reminder to Club Scribes...

Submissions for the Club Scribes column should be sent to cemendocino@ucdavis.edu by the 15th of the month to be included in the next newsletter. Reminders will be sent if you send your email contact information. **Questions?** Call Linda Blatchford at 463-4495.

Project Leaders Needed....

Leaders needed for Robotics

Are you interested in Robotics, but have no idea how to lead a project in it? We are looking for a couple of leaders willing to be trained in Robotics, Junk Drawer Robotics to be exact. We have the curriculum, we'll soon have a box of supplies, and we have interested 4-H members. Now we need a couple of leaders! As soon as we have a leader willing to



commit to the project, we can set a date for training with the California Robotics Team. We have the opportunity to become trained first-hand by the people that helped write the curriculum.

There are also opportunities in robotics in the underwater rovers as well as Northern California FIRST LEGO League, which is hosting a web conference on August 10th. Contact the 4-H office at 463-4495 for more details.

Journalism project leader needed

4-H is a great program, but not many people know all that 4-H offers. Yes there are animal projects; however, many people think that is all that 4-H is.

We all know it is so much more. What Mendocino County 4-H needs is a way to let everyone know more about 4-H. What better way to do that than with a journalism project? It would be great to have a regular column in the local newspaper on 4-H and everything that we do.

Do you know someone that could lead this project? If so please, contact Linda Edgington at 463-4495 or lgedgington@ucdavis.edu.



Opportunities & Updates from the State 4-H Office

2011 Experiment: Wired for Wind

In this year's experiment, youth will enhance their engineering skills by designing, building, and testing two different wind turbine models. This year's National Science Experiment will also help youth relate their scientific experiences back to their own lives by determining the best location for a wind farm in their state or local area by calculating wind power and studying wind data and maps. More information and downloadable versions of the youth and facilitator's guides are available at <http://www.4-h.org/4-h-national-youth-science-day/>.

California 4-H to Host Public Community Events

The 4-H National Youth Science Experiment is the perfect opportunity to promote 4-H to the community while sparking the interest of youth in learning more about 4-H science, engineering, and technology activities. 4-H Clubs and countywide 4-H projects/groups are encouraged to host a 4-H NYSD event at a public venue. More information on California's participation is available at <http://www.ca4h.org/Projects/SET/NYSD/>

4-H Robotics: Engineering for Today and Tomorrow (2011)

<http://www.4-h.org/resource-library/curriculum/4-h-robotics/>

This curriculum introduces robotics to youth ages 9-18 with beginner, intermediate, and advanced skill levels. Youth will develop decision-making and critical thinking skills, and implement an understanding of the scientific and engineering design process as they build real and virtual robots. The curriculum contains three tracks. The Virtual Robotics track of the project will provide youth with opportunities to build and test virtual robots. The Junk Drawer Robotics track will challenge participants to build robots from everyday items. In the Robotics Platforms track, youth will use a commercial robotics kit to explore the world of robots.

Youth In The Outdoors!

<http://www.dfg.ca.gov/yo/>

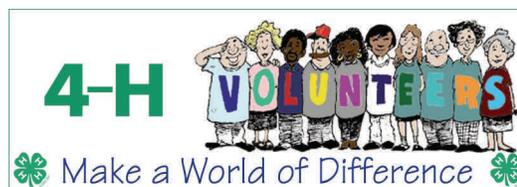
The Department of Fish and Game is hosting many activities across the state to help educate youth and encourage them to spend more time outdoors. Current offerings include activities such as summer camps, outdoor trainings and CPR/First Aid certification.

Volunteer 4-H Online Record Book Webinar

Volunteers may log in to a state informational webinar on **August 23rd at 6 pm**. This one hour webinar will give volunteers a first look at the many innovative features in the California 4-H Online Record Book. Space is limited to the first 150 volunteers to login to the Adobe Connect system. The webinar is FLASH based and will require that your home computer is properly setup with speakers or headphones. This session will be recorded and will be available to Volunteers to view at a later date. Please contact Quang "Hogan" Tong if you have any questions at qtong@ucdavis.edu. Adobe Connect URL: <http://uc-d.adobeconnect.com/volunteer/>.

Member 4-H Online Record Book Webinar

Members may log in to a state informational on **August 30th at 2 pm**. This one hour webinar will give members a first look at the many innovative features in the California 4-H Online Record Book. Space is limited to the first 150 members to login to the Adobe Connect system. The webinar is FLASH based and will require that your home computer is properly setup with speakers or headphones. This session will be recorded and will be available to Members to view at a later date. Please contact Quang "Hogan" Tong if you have any questions at qtong@ucdavis.edu. Adobe Connect URL: <http://uc-d.adobeconnect.com/members/>.



To see ALL the State 4-H Updates, go to: <http://www.ca4h.org/News/>

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Web Sites

National 4-H Council

www.4-h.org

California State 4-H <http://ca4h.org>

Record Book forms, officer manuals, Policy Handbook, opportunities for youth and leaders, etc. Click on **Resources** for links to electronic 4-h forms, policies, and opportunities.

Mendocino County web site:

<http://cemendocino.ucdavis.edu>

The *Roundup* is available on this web site. You can also be notified when a new *Roundup* is available electronically. Please contact the Ukiah 4-H office for this information.

Yahoo Groups for Community Club Leaders

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/4h-ccl/>

Valuable site for discussing issues, sharing information and resources for curriculum, materials and project ideas.

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