

GROWING UP GREEN

Cabarrus County 4-H Newsletter



In the News

State Presentation Finals

Congratulations to those who participated in our State Presentation Final Competition. Videos were submitted to the State 4-H office in July for judging. Winners will receive their prize money at Achievement Night held in January/February 2022.

Gold Level Winners

Zoe Teemer - 11-13 Small & Companion Animals

Kelby Gause - 14-18 Safety

Ana McAuley - 14-18 Peanut Foods

Bronze Level Winners

Karinne Lenoir-Bost - 8-10 Entomology

Congratulations also to Kelby Lawing, Natalie Michaud, Eden Wohltmann, Matt Pennell, Claire Fischer & Aurora Michaud who earned the opportunity to compete at the state level,

Congrats!

Congrats to our 4-H'ers who competed at the NC 4-H Horse Show and the Southern Regional 4-H Horse Competition!

Top Left Clockwise: Cabarrus 4-H Poultry Judging Team earns 1st Place at state competition; Archery team practices - places 4th at Southern Regional competition, Summer Fling Robotic Challenge; NC 4-H Congress community service project; Summer programs include: Felting Soap; Electricity; Pirates going Geocaching and footwear design!

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NC 4-H Congress

We had ten youth attend Virtual NC 4-H Congress, which we hosted locally in person at the Cabarrus County Extension Center. Youth participated in interactive workshops and service projects. Rachel Wilson was elected the 2021-2022 State 4-H Vice President! Congrats also goes to Ciela Crane for being inducted into the NC 4-H Honor Club! It was a great experience for new and returning members!

NC Electric Congress

At our first in-person multi-county event, we had three youth attend this year's Electric Congress, held at the new Pavilion at the Farm at NC A&T University. It was a great place to explore. The event included guest speakers, interviews with specialists in the electric field, small group activities, awards celebrations and lots of good fun! We look forward to next year's Electric Congress to be held here in Charlotte! Complete an Electric 4-H Project to earn your free trip!

Volunteer Opportunities

You can make a difference - now more than ever!

Cabarrus County 4-H Fair Booth

Cabarrus County 4-H will be well represented this year with seven clubs doing fair booths and our county program having a large interactive booth as well as two smaller areas. We need your help! Check with your club to see how you can help with their booth. If you are available to help with the county booth, please sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0949a5ad2fa3fa7-cabarrus> The booth will be staffed throughout the week and this is the perfect way to represent 4-H and spread the word! Perfect for community service hours or 4-H Ambassador hours.

Other Opportunities

Many people have been using our Cabarrus County 4-H Facebook group to post about service opportunities and project events that are happening on the local level or outside of our county. This is a great way to network and find even more 4-H and non 4-H activities to add to your project! Remember, being a 4-H'er doesn't end when you walk out of the club meeting!

THOUGHTS FROM YOUR 4-H AGENT

Need some new ideas of things to do? Let me know a topic that interests you and we can make a project list for you. There is so much to explore in this world, even in the time of COVID-19. We have activity books available on TONS of different topics. Just ask!

Tracy

Club Updates

4-H Project Club Meeting

On the third Thursday of each month, all 4-H'ers are welcome to join the Virtual Project Club at 6:30 p.m..

This is a time for you to ask about your project record, get helpful tricks and tips for along the way and keep on track so you are not rushing to put it all together in December. Each month we look at a different part of the record, but the meeting is rather informal and and flexible to meet the needs of the 4-H'ers present.

Attendance is not regularly required. Come as you can.

Shooting Sports

Our archery team, the Cabarrus County Gungsus, are off to a great start! Amy Bartels, Kai Lisk and Meredith Scott are the founding members and represented Cabarrus County at the South Regional competition. The team placed 4th, with Kai and Meredith earning advancement to the state competition. Stay tuned for more details about how you can join the team this fall at a kick off meeting in November.

COVID Restrictions

For any indoor 4-H events, face masks are still required regardless of vaccination status. Most of our 4-H events are happening outdoors, so make the most of it! If you are in need of some new masks, we have them available at the 4-H office. Please email tracy_lecompte@ncsu.edu to arrange pick up.

Just for Adults

North Carolina 4-H will host a FREE virtual training session on Saturday morning, October 23rd. The training will be delivered over Zoom and is open to the first 200 volunteers who register! For more information including the agenda and how to register, visit <https://go.ncsu.edu/falltraining>

Club Updates

Let us know what you club is up to. Send it to tracy_lecompte@ncsu.edu or tag us in your social media post #cabco4h.

*Your Club
Info Here!*
Submit by 1st of month

CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

Need something for your project record book? Now is a great time to make sure your friends, family and neighbors are registered to vote. Make sure they know their polling location. I'm sure they would love to hear from you!

The Cabarrus County Youth Commission will have a booth at the fair handing out voter registration. You can help to get people registered too! Email Tracy for details.

CLOVERBUD CLUB

Join us for a kickoff meeting Thursday September 23 from 6-7 p.m. This club will be especially designed for ages 5-8 year olds. Club is planned to meet on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month. Seeking adults and teens to help volunteer with the club. Interested members may add this club to their 4-H Online profile. Email Tracy for meeting details.

VOLUNTEER LEADERS

The NC 4-H Volunteer Leaders' Association is already preparing for a great Volunteer Leaders' Conference on February 4-5, 2022! For more information on lodging, deadlines, prices, and a tentative agenda, check out the 4-H Volunteer Training webpage. If you are interested in teaching a workshop, please review the workshop proposal guide for more information.

DOING IT!

The 4-H Foundation is collecting 4-H logo items that can be sold as a fundraiser. If you are a crafter and would like to help, contact tracy_lecompte@ncsu.edu. These 4-H items will be sold at the Youth Markets on the 2nd Saturday of each month at the Winecoff Farmer's Market.

See more info on our website

<https://cabarrus.ces.ncsu.edu/categories/4-h-youth-development/>

AUGUST 2021

Mark Your Calendars!

Aug 30 - Youth Commission Interviews
Sept 7-8 - Fair Entry Drop Off 1-6 p.m.
Sept 10-18 - Cabarrus County Fair
Sept 10 - Cabarrus 4-H County Council meeting at fair
Free entry 4-5 p.m. Meeting starts at 6 p.m.
Sept 11 - Cabarrus 4-H Youth Market - Orientation at 11 a.m.
Sept 14 - Cabarrus 4-H Foundation Meeting 6 p.m.
Sept 23 - Cloverbud Club Kickoff 6 p.m.
Sept 30-10/3 - Volunteer Conference of Southern States at
Rock Eagle - contact Tracy if you are interested!

Youth Commission

The Cabarrus County Youth Commission is a 4-H group that seeks opportunities to learn more about local government and how elected officials play roles in our daily lives. If you are a high school youth interested, please apply at <https://cabarruscounty.us/resources/youth-commission>

Seeking Reps from: A.L. Brown, Central Cabarrus, J.M. Robinson, Northwest Cabarrus, West Cabarrus and At-Large Members from Homeschool, private and charter academies.

Register for upcoming camps, classes and events at: <http://go.ncsu.edu/registercabarrus>

NC State University and NC A&T State University commit themselves to positive action to secure equal opportunity and prohibit discrimination and harassment regardless of age, color, disability, family and marital status, genetic information, national origin, political beliefs, race, religion, sexual identity (including pregnancy) and veteran status. NC State, NC A&T, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and local governments cooperating.

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