

# Crook County CLOVER CONNECTION

## 4-H Families & Friends

Exciting things are happening in 4-H this season! Our club meetings are in full swing, giving youth the chance to connect, learn, and lead through hands-on projects and team-building activities. Whether you're exploring animal science, robotics, or community service, there's something for everyone to dive into. These gatherings are a great way to build friendships, develop leadership skills, and have fun while making a difference.

Mark your calendars for our upcoming 4-H Family Night—a celebration of our members, their achievements, and the supportive families behind them. This event will feature fun challenges, creative activities, and a chance to meet other 4-H families in a welcoming, high-energy atmosphere. It's also a great opportunity for anyone curious about 4-H to learn more about the exciting projects, upcoming events, and how to get involved. We'd love to welcome new faces and share what makes 4-H such a powerful experience for youth and families alike!

*Keep leading, learning, & laughing  
~ Erica*



**Crook County Extension Office**

**309 Cleveland St (Basement)**

**(307)-283-1192**

**M-F 7:30 am - 4 pm**

# Things to Note:

## Don't Forget!



Members must re-enroll through zsuite October 1st!



You can now pay your enrollment fees online through zsuite!



Join the BAND group by visiting <https://band.us/n/a6a2Afh246W3b>



Make sure you RSVP for 4-H Fridays, 4-H Family Night and/or UFO Night.

Did you know, events are also listed on our 4-H website?!?

[wyoming4h.org/crook4h/](https://wyoming4h.org/crook4h/)

## Upcoming Events



Horse Practice Orientation

November 8, 2025



4-H Family Night

November 10, 2025



4-H Friday Moorcroft

November 14, 2025



UFO Night

November 18, 2025

# Robotics



## CROOK COUNTY 4-H ROBOTICS

Are you curious about how robots move, think, and respond? If you're a youth who loves building, coding, or just figuring out how things work, 4-H Robotics might be your next big adventure!



Come explore the world of innovation with [LEGO® Education SPIKE™ kits](#) —where creativity meets technology. Whether you're a beginner or already a tech whiz, you'll get hands-on experience designing and programming robots to complete fun challenges. Let's build something awesome together!



**Email Erica if you are interested!**  
[ereasone@uwyo.edu](mailto:ereasone@uwyo.edu)

**NEW**

If anyone is interested in robotics please let Erica know and we will set up a time to meet and learn!

# U.F.O Night

Sign up for Un-Finished Object Dinner  
NOVEMBER – MARCH  
3rd Tuesday each month!

Join Us for a Night of Food, Fun & Projects! 🍷👨🎨

Kick off the evening with dinner, then dive into your static project—whether you're bringing one you've already started or want to begin something new!

- ✦ Got a project idea but need space to work?
  - ✦ Want to build on something cool you learned during a 4-H Friday?
  - ✦ Just curious and want to explore what static projects are all about?
- We've got the tools, the space, and the support—you bring the creativity!



Must RSVP by following  
this link:

<https://forms.office.com/r/8eiWqwN2ED>

4-6pm

Crook County Courthouse  
Community Room (basement)

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# RSVP

# 4-H Fridays Sundance



## 4-H FRIDAYS SUNDANCE

9-11AM

DECEMBER  
5TH

JANUARY  
16TH

FEBRUARY  
20TH

MARCH  
13TH



309 CLEVELAND ST  
COMMUNITY ROOM - BASEMENT

RSVP  
307-283-1192

YOU MUST RSVP FOR THESE  
ACTIVITIES TO ENSURE ADEQUATE  
SUPPLIES!

[HTTPS://WWW.WYOMING4H.ORG/CROOK4H/](https://www.wyoming4h.org/crook4h/)

# RSVP

# 4-H Fridays Moorcroft



## 4-H FRIDAYS MOORCROFT

NOVEMBER

14TH

1-3 PM



FEBRUARY

20TH

1-3 PM



MOORCROFT LIBRARY -  
DOWNSTAIRS

RSVP

307-283-1192

YOU MUST RSVP!!!  
LIMIT 10 YOUTH

[HTTPS://WWW.WYOMING4H.ORG/CROOK4H/](https://www.wyoming4h.org/crook4h/)

# RSVP

# 4-H Fridays Hulett



## 4-H FRIDAYS HULETT

JANUARY  
16TH

1-3 PM

MARCH  
13TH

CHUNKY KNIT  
BLANKETS



LEATHERCRAFT



HULETT COMMUNITY CENTER

RSVP

307-283-1192

YOU MUST RSVP!!!

LIMIT 10 YOUTH

[HTTPS://WWW.WYOMING4H.ORG/CROOK4H/](https://www.wyoming4h.org/crook4h/)

# RSVP

# 4-H Dog

## Crook County 4-H Dog

October 19 - 1pm  
Dog Orientation (No dogs )

### Pre-Scheduled

### No Practice Days:

November 30

December 21

December 28

January 4

April 5

May 10

May 17

Follow this Facebook  
group for more  
information &  
cancellations



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# Cloverbuds



# CL<sup>VER</sup>BUDS

OCTOBER 24  
JANUARY 23  
FEBRUARY 27  
MARCH 27  
APRIL 24  
MAY 22

**ANYONE  
AGES 5-7  
MAY JOIN  
IN THE  
FUN!**

**10AM  
CROOK COUNTY  
COURTHOUSE BASEMENT**



# Local Events



**SLICE INTO SOMETHING NEW!**



**JOIN US FOR 4-H FAMILY NIGHT - A FUN, FAMILY-FRIENDLY EVENING WHERE YOU CAN ENJOY FREE PIZZA, MEET OTHER FAMILIES, AND LEARN ALL ABOUT THE EXCITING OPPORTUNITIES 4-H HAS TO OFFER!**

**WHETHER YOU'RE BRAND NEW, EXPERIENCED, OR JUST CURIOUS, THIS IS THE PERFECT CHANCE TO ASK QUESTIONS, EXPLORE PROJECTS, AND SEE HOW 4-H HELPS YOUTH GROW INTO CONFIDENT LEADERS. THE WHOLE FAMILY IS WELCOME!**



## **4-H FAMILY NIGHT**

**NOVEMBER 10<sup>TH</sup> - 5:30PM**

**CROOK COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS - SHOOTING SPORTS BUILDING**

**RSVP BY NOVEMBER 6TH BY CALLING 307-283-1192 OR FILLING OUT THE ONLINE FORM: [HTTPS://FORMS.OFFICE.COM/R/K9Q5120XMC](https://forms.office.com/R/K9Q5120XMC)**

**SCAN HERE**



# **RSVP**

# Horse



## Crook County 4-H Horse

**November 8<sup>th</sup> - 10am**

Mandatory Orientation

**3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays**

December - May

November 8 - 10 AM: Program overview, Q&A, open ride

December 20 - Open ride all day

January 17 - Halter

February 21 - Transitions & lead changes; open ride to follow

March 21 - English (tentative); open ride to follow

April 18 - Patterns; open ride to follow

May TBD (outdoor arena) - Trail



### 4-H Patterns



**AQHA Patterns**



Contact: Erica Reasoner

Crook County 4-H

307-283-1192

Free Open Ride at Crook County Fairgrounds

Indoor Arena. Available to enrolled Crook

County 4-H & FFA members Ages 8-18

# Shooting Sports

## CROOK COUNTY 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS



### Archery Safety Meeting

October 23<sup>rd</sup> - 5pm

Shooting Sports Building-Sundance

Fairgrounds Loop Road

Practice  
Every  
Thursday  
5:30pm

Except Holidays



- Members must be enrolled, paid, picked shooting sports as a project & have active status to participate.
- Youth and 1 parent/guardian must attend safety meeting to participate in Archery Practices.
- No Equipment needed on October 23<sup>rd</sup>
- Archery will be every Thursday @ 5pm through January 8th
- Shooting Sports has an additional \$10 per youth or participate in 1 community service project in the spring.

We need shooting Sports Volunteers! Interested?  
Call Erica - 307-283-1192

If you missed the safety meeting,  
please come to practice and we will  
have a make up safety time!

# Clover Challenge



## CLOVER CHALLENGE!



Participate in Club activities,  
earn points!

★ PRIZE ★

**1st PLACE**  
Club T-Shirts +  
Pizza Party & Bowling  
or Pizza Party & Movie

### EVENT RULES

Each year there is a "Champion Club" awarded through our "Clover Challenge" winner at Achievement Night. The champion club will be awarded club t-shirts and a pizza/movie or pizza/bowling party paid for at the following meeting. (This can always be changed to fit your club!)

Here is how clubs earn their points for the Clover Challenge:

- Publish meeting minutes/report in the monthly Clover Connection
- Educational Activities by the Club (presentations or demonstrations)
- Community Service Events by the Club
- Record Books - 30% minimum Club completion
- Club Enrollment - 100% by January 15th (Excluding new 1st year members)
- 4-H Camp - Youth and chaperone attendance
- Attend 4-H Sanctioned events such as State shoot, Showcase Showdown, Make it w/wool, Meats & Wool, Project Palooza, National Trips, 4-H Livestock Camps & Clinics
- Chartering done by September 20th
- Club Floats in either the County Fair or Christmas Parades
- County Fair Static Exhibits
- Participate in a leadership role such as fair ambassador, club officer, or camp counselor



**Talk to your 4-H club Leaders for more info!**

# State Opportunities

## WYOMING FOOD FUN 4-H



## GET COOKING WITH 4-H

Learn, cook, taste, and share with your family while building lifelong skills in the kitchen.

### WHAT IT'S ABOUT:

- Monthly recipes and cooking challenges
- Hands-on learning: baking, grilling, holiday treats & more
- Fun for the whole family — kids and parents cook together
- Opportunities to try new foods and explore creative twists

### YOUTH SAID IT BEST:

"I liked learning how to make eggs a new way."

"The banana bread became our new family favorite."

"I made my own grilled chicken sauce and everyone loved it!"

### WHY JOIN?

- Try new recipes
- Build kitchen confidence
- Create family memories



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### JOIN US FOR YEAR 4!

SIGN UP AT  
[HTTPS://FORMS.GLE/JCDUBZF9UVCTRYJ26](https://forms.gle/JCDUBZF9UVCTRYJ26)



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# State Opportunities



## **READY, SET, EXPLORE!**

A FREE, family-friendly program designed to inspire outdoor adventures and create unforgettable memories!

October, 2025-May, 2026

Register today to see  
the great  
Ready, Set, Explore  
activities for October!



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Questions?

[readyssetexplore.4h@gmail.com](mailto:readyssetexplore.4h@gmail.com)

The University of Wyoming is an equal opportunity/affirmative action institution

# State/National Events

Wyoming 4H

## SHOWCASE SHOWDOWN

June 15 - 18, 2026

University of Wyoming, Laramie

### New for 2026!

- **New Contests**
  - Horse Quiz Bowl
  - Livestock Quiz Bowl
- **Full Cloverbud Track**
  - Full schedule of cloverbud activities
- **NEW Residence Halls**
  - All participants will be housed in the brand-new University of Wyoming residence halls!
  - Nightly activities specific for those who stay in the residence halls!
- **Event T-shirt** design by the 4-H youth, Jansen Hornecker who won the 2025 Showcase Showdown design contest!

**Interested? Need more info?**

**Call the office 307-283-1192**

**or email [ereasone@uwyo.edu](mailto:ereasone@uwyo.edu)**

# Seniors!

**For those of you with 4-H members graduating in December 2025 or May/June 2026, the Graduation Cord Application is now available: Graduation Cord Application Form**

**Please note the submission deadlines:**

**December 2025 graduates:  
November 16, 2025**

**May/June 2026 graduates:  
April 19, 2026**



HAPPY

November

BIRTHDAY



Aiden M.

Quigley S.

Natalie C.

Jace K.

Cooper C.

Trey K.

Mason G.

Baze N.

Cooper H.

Junior E.

Annika H.

Jax F.



Dale S.

Rye S.

# Crook County 4-H Clubs

## Prairie Harvesters

Leaders: Ami Hansen - 307-680-8918  
Meetings: 1st Friday even months  
4PM  
Location: Moorcroft Library

## Beef & Bridle

Leaders: Lynsey Gray-307-670-2316  
Sharon Slebiss - 559-365-1882  
Meetings: Sundays - 3pm- Moorcroft  
Location: TBD  
Follow Facebook Group

## Bearlodge Wranglers

Leaders: Meg Franzen - 307-290-2279  
Sarah Ellsbury - 307-281-2956  
Meetings: 3rd Wednesday-4:30pm  
Shooting Sports Bldg- County  
Fairgrounds  
Limit of 25 members

## Range Riders

Leaders: Courtney Dixon-307-752-  
8263  
Cassedy Marshall & Jackie Dailey  
Meetings: 3rd Friday-5:30pm  
Shooting Sports Bldg-Crook County  
Fairgrounds

## County 18 Homesteaders

Contact Stevie Phillips

## Carlile Wranglers

Leaders: Kristy Dennis-307-756-9401  
Amber Burch - 307-467-5678  
Meetings: 2nd Thursdays-5 pm-  
Location: Oshoto Firehall

## Silver Spurs

Leaders: Jenn Jay 307-467-5595  
Meetings: TBD  
Hulett- W Bar Feed

## Blacktail Hustlers

Leaders: Jenn Sirbaugh - 304-820-  
2557  
Melissa Williams - 307-680-5066  
Meetings: Contact Jenn or Melissa  
Location: Hulett Library

# BAND app

**BAND is an all-in-one-app for messaging, calendars, files, photos, and videos!**

**Join our Crook County 4-H group to stay up on events and changes!**

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ME**



**Join the BAND group by visiting  
<https://band.us/n/a6a2Afh246W3b>**

# Extra Extra Read All About It!

CROOK COUNTY 4-H CLUB NEWS

VOL. 1

## DO YOU HAVE A CLUB REPORTER OR JOURNALIST?



**WANTED**

**Wanted:** A 1-2 paragraph monthly article to add to the Crook County Clover Connection highlighting your 4-H club!

**Who:** Does your club have a reporter? Do you have a member who is passionate in journalism?

**Why:** Share your clubs accomplishments, community service, and exciting milestones!

**When:** Send to Erica by the 25th of each month to be included in the monthly Crook County Clover Connection.

**Where:** Email to [ereasone@uwyo.edu](mailto:ereasone@uwyo.edu) and then look at the monthly newsletter!

# Beef & Bridle 4-H Club News



In October, we elected our new officers and contributed to the community by helping out at the local Treat Street event with the PAC. The club also delivered a thoughtful healthcare basket to the Moorcroft Clinic.

November is set to be a month of significant service:

- **Thanksgiving Basket Build:** We will be assisting the local food bank in preparing Thanksgiving baskets for those in need on Thursday, November 19th, at 7:00 PM at the Moorcroft Town Center.
- **Service Projects:** During our recent meeting, the club crafted over 80 Christmas cards for veterans and made great progress on planning our additional community service ideas for the upcoming holiday season.
- **Parade of Lights**
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**Next Meeting:**

**Date:** Thursday, December 14th

**Time:** 2:30 PM

**Location:** (TBD—We will confirm the location on Facebook as soon as we hear from the President.)

# Range Riders



The Range Riders met October 17th in the Shooting Sports building for their monthly meeting. October was the first meeting of the new 4-H year! The club discussed bylaws, bank account signors, and welcomed new and former members for a brand new year! The club also elected officers. The Range Riders officers for 2025-2026 are President Audrey Crawford, Vice President Carson Marshall, Secretary Josie Manning, Treasurer Sophie Johnson, Reporter Amberlyn Dixon and Rec Leaders Tony Manning, Lydia Marshall, and Josie Manning. The bylaws committee was formed and William Crawford will be the chairman of the Christmas Party Committee. We are excited for a fun year ahead! Submitted by Reporter Amberlyn Dixon.

Range Riders Meet the 3<sup>rd</sup> Fridays of the month @ 5:30pm at the shooting sports building.



# Bearlodge Wranglers

**At our October meeting, we finalized the upcoming club meeting dates for the 2025–2026 year and discussed potential community service projects and proposed updates to our operating guidelines. We also launched a new Band app group for communication and encourage all parents to join. Officer elections will take place at our next meeting.**

# Request for Funds

Crook County 4-H has a form to request funds to help with those 4-H trips and events you want to participate in!

Need a little financial assistance to pay for registration at a 4-H event; local, state, or national?

Fill out the Request for Funds form before the date of the event and turn it into Erica @ the Crook County Extension Office.

<https://www.wyoming4h.org/crook4h/request-for-funds/>



# Projects

## PICK YOUR PROJECT

There's a project  
for everyone!

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|-------------------|---|---|--------------------|
| Aerospace         |  |  | Muzzleloading      |
| Archery           |  |  | Nature & Ecology   |
| Beef              |  |  | Photography        |
| Cake Decorating   |  |  | Pistol             |
| Cats              |  |  | Pocket Pets        |
| Citizenship       |  |  | Poultry            |
| Computers         |  |  | Quilting           |
| Crocheting        |  |  | Rabbits            |
| Dogs              |  |  | Range Management   |
| Electricity       |  |  | Recreation         |
| Entomology        |  |  | Rifle              |
| Fabric & Fashion  |  |  | Robotics           |
| Foods & Nutrition |  |  | Ropecraft          |
| Gardening         |  |  | Self-Determined    |
| Geology           |  |  | Sheep              |
| Dairy Goats       |  |  | Shotgun            |
| Meat Goats        |  |  | Sportfishing       |
| Health            |  |  | Swine              |
| Horses            |  |  | Veterinary Science |
| Interior Design   |  |  | Visual Arts        |
| Knitting          |  |  | Wildlife & Hunting |
| Llamas & Alpacas  |  |  | Woodworking        |
| Leathercraft      |  |  | Youth Leadership   |



# S.M.A.R.T GOALS

## S

### **SPECIFIC**

Goals should be clear and easy to understand. A specific goal usually answers five questions: What do we want to do? Why is it important? Who is involved? Where will it happen? Which steps or choices are needed?

## M

### **MEASURABLE**

This idea means we need clear ways to measure how close we are to reaching a goal. If we can't measure it, we won't know if we're making progress or not.

## A

### **ACHIEVABLE**

This idea is about setting goals that are possible to reach. A goal can still be challenging, but it shouldn't be too extreme. When working toward a realistic goal, people might discover new chances or ideas that help them get closer to success.

## R

### **RELEVANT**

A relevant goal is one that matters to you and that you're ready and able to work toward. It should make you ask: 'Is this worth doing?'

## T

### **TIME-BASED**

Setting a deadline helps you stay focused and finish your goal on time. It keeps your goal from getting pushed aside by everyday tasks. A timely goal should help you plan what to do today, in 6 weeks, and in 6 months.

# Enrollment Help ...

## 4-H ZSuite Enrollment

### New Family Profile

If you've never signed into ZSuite before follow these steps:

1. Go to <https://4h.zsuite.org>
2. As a family creating a new profile, select **SIGN UP**. Fill in all fields, select **LET'S GO**.

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### Adding 4-H Member

You are now on the Dashboard tab

1. Select **+Household Member**
2. Fill out 4-H members info, select **CONTINUE**
3. Fill out **PERSONAL INFO**, select **NEXT**
4. Fill out all six drop down WAIVERS, then select **NEXT**
5. Dropdown to your CLUB, select **ADD CLUB**. (Cloverbuds is not a club, select club placement)
6. Select **ADD PROJECT**. When selecting an animal project, Animal project information is not required at this time
7. Select **ADD TO CART** and then you can either **+Add ENROLLMENT** (another child or volunteer) or **SUBMIT**. You must click **SUBMIT** to be complete.

4-H Year starts October 1st

**Cloverbuds (5-7 yrs)- \$5**

**4-H (8yrs & up) -\$10**

**Volunteers - Free**

**Online Payment on ZSuite**

**Cash or check payable to**

**Crook County 4-H**

**Puzzled?**

**Call Erica @ 307-283-**

**1192 or stop by Crook**

**County Extension**

**office during business**

**hours**

**Once submitted, your enrollment will change from pending payment or pending approval to ACTIVE once the Extension office receives payment!**

# Age Classification

4-H programs are offered on an age-appropriate basis to youth, ages 5-18. This is the general age requirement for 4-H participation. On occasion, multi-state and national 4-H programs and events may use different age criteria and will be adhered to as necessary to qualify for participation.

Age classification for 4-H club members are:

Cloverbud: Ages 5-7

Junior: Ages 8-10 (3rd-5th grade)

Intermediate: Ages 11-13 (6th-8th grade)

Senior Member: Ages 14-18 (9th-12th grade)

Ages are as of January 1 of the current 4-H year, which spans from October through September. Here are some examples for clarification:

- If a child is age 5 on January 1, they can join 4-H for the entire 4-H year as a Cloverbud member.
- If a child turns age 5 on January 2 or later, they must wait until the next 4-H year to join.
- If a member is 7 years or under as of January 1, they are a Cloverbud member.
- If a teen will be age 18 on December 31, they can join for the entire 4-H year.
- If a teen is age 19 on January 1, they cannot join 4-H but are encouraged to serve as a 4-H volunteer.
- Collegiate 4-H clubs are available at many colleges and universities for those wishing to continue 4-H activities into their early twenties.