



OCTOBER 2025

SAN JUAN COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER



Agents Notes:

Welcome to the new 4-H year! We are excited about the upcoming events as changes throughout the San Juan County office. We are so grateful for all of your efforts this past year, and we can't wait to see what this year brings. Happy fall y'all!

*San Juan County
Extension Team*

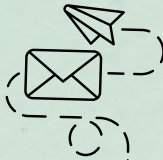
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**SAN JUAN COUNTY
FAIR SALE CHECKS
WILL BE MAILED
OUT TO
EXHIBITORS NEXT
WEEK!**



REMINDERS

- 4-H Enrollment Opens
October 8
 - **Re-enrollment ENDS
11/14/2025**
- Record books are due
10/8/25 by 5pm
- **10/10** Leader, friend of 4-H
and Member nominations
due
- **10/15** County Council
Officer Applications due
- **11/14** Awards Banquet
McGee Park



It's the new 4-H year--now what?



Every October 1st, the new 4-H year begins. This means you will need to re-enroll for the year.

Step 1: Contact your club leader to let them know if you are returning or if there are changes in your family like younger sibling aging into 4-H.

Step 2: After October 8th (but before November 14th!) login to you existing 4-H Zsuites account. Your information should have rolled over.

Step 3: Update your information as needed. Download the 4-H Code of Conduct and medical release forms. Sign and can into zsuites, return to your leader or drop off at the Extension office.

Step 4: Add all of the projects you are interested in-even if you aren't sure. This will add you to the contact lists so you will get notified if there are special events or workshops.

[Zsuites website](#)



Record Book Check List

Completing your project record book completes your 4-H project. It is optional, but is an AWESOME way to learn the most about the project and get ready to do even better next year. Competing a record book puts you in the running for end of year awards, and can even qualify you for trips, scholarships and more! Record book covers can be purchased at the Extension office. All forms are on our website sanjuanextension.nmsu.edu

Record Books due Oct 8, 5pm

- ✓ **Record book cover**
- ✓ **4-H Record Book Award Area Form**
- ✓ **Photo pages**
- ✓ **Table of Contents**
- ✓ **Dividers for each section**
- ✓ **San Juan County Report Form**
- ✓ **My 4-H Story**
- ✓ **Project Record Sheets**



National 4-H Week

October 5-11, 2026

"Beyond Ready"



Clubs--Don't forget to participate in National 4-H Week! Encourage your club to wear green, and spread the word about joining 4-H!

DAY 1:

MONDAY, OCTOBER 6

**BEYOND READY:
GO GREEN**

On Monday of National 4-H Week, Go GREEN and show your 4-H State spirit! A simple, cohesive way for youth, professionals, volunteers, alumni & supporters across the country to celebrate their 4-H programs being **Beyond Ready**. Wear a green hat, clothing, face paint—**anything green goes**. Let's paint the nation **GREEN**, on **Monday, October 6!**



Share your 'Go Green' moment on social and tag **National 4-H**, your **State 4-H** program, and use:
#4HBeyondReady #National4HWeek

DAY 2:

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9

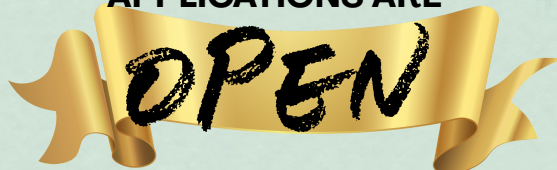
**BEYOND READY:
4-H FOR GOOD**



On Thursday of National 4-H Week, help us shine a light on all the good that 4-H does! A day to recognize all the 4-H'ers who are doing good and making positive impact by helping their communities and beyond. Share your own story or celebrate someone who is making a difference – another 4-H'er, volunteer or educator We want to know, **Thursday, October 9!**

Share your '4-H for Good' story on social, tag others in your 4-H community, tag **National 4-H** and use:
#4HBeyondReady #National4HWeek

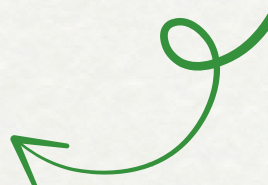
**MEMBER OF THE YEAR
APPLICATIONS ARE**



**PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR NOMINATIONS
FOR YOUR CLUB MEMBER OF THE
YEAR!**

**[CLICK HERE TO NOMINATE YOUR
MEMBER](#)**

**Leaders be sure to nominate your
members! Click the link or get the
paper application in office**





County Council

Officer Applications



County Council Officer applications are due on October 15, 2025 by 5pm to the Extension office.

What is a County Council officer?

The San Juan County 4-H Council is an elected team of 4-H members that serve as representatives, ambassadors, and planners for 4-H activities throughout San Juan County.

The responsibility of the 2025/2026 County Council Officers will begin with attending the quarterly County Council Meetings Jan 28, 2026; April 29, 2025; July 22, 2026 and Oct. 28th.



Review application on the SJC 4-H Website ([click HERE](#))



How do I become a County Council Officer?

Clubs may select up to TWO County Council nominees by their October meeting.

Submit an application by October 15, 2025, signed by the member, parent and club leader if nominated by club. Officer speeches must be turned in with application.

Attend the October County Council Meeting on Oct 21 to run for positions. Members will present an election speech to the voting delegation. If elected, members will be installed into office at the awards banquet.

October County Council Meeting

October 21, 2025 5:30pm

Growing Forward Farm

5:30-6:00 Club Scarecrow Contest

Scarecrow frame and straw will be provided.

Clubs must bring all other supplies.

6-7:00 Regular County Council Meeting

End of year budget report

2025 Council Officer Elections





San Juan County 4-H End of the Year Awards Member Awards

Member awards are based on completed project record book submissions and/or nominations

- Record Book Award:
 - Members receive 4-H Project Pin and certificate
 - Award recognizes members who have successfully completed a project record book.
- Personal Achievement Award:
 - Members receive 4-H item and certificate
 - Award recognized best record book winners, one Senior, Junior, Novice, and one overall clover bud in each category
- Outstanding member
 - One Nov/Jun/Sen Member will receive one event scholarship award for 2026 and certificate
 - Award recognizes overall recordbook winners

Club Awards:

Awards are based on completed club end-of-year report and secretary book submissions

- Promotional Award
 - Club with the most 4-H promotional events
- County Contest Participation
 - Clubs with the highest number of contest participants
- Club Organizational Award
 - Best Club Secretary Book
- Public Speaking Award
 - Club with the most public speaking and demonstration events
- Hands to Larger Service:
 - Club with the most community service events
- Attendance Award
 - Club with the highest percentage of meeting attendance of members
- Banner Club Award:
 - Highest scoring club from all award categories



Program Awards

Program awards are based on nominations of members from leaders, volunteers and community members.

- Pistol Pete Award:
 - Member receives special shooting sports item
 - Award recognizes outstanding shooting sports project members
- Crimson Clover Award:
 - Nominated member that demonstrated outstanding work ethic, citizenship and leadership
 - Member receives 4-H jacket or vest
- Member of the Year:
 - One member receives custom belt buckle
 - Award recognizes one San Juan County 4-H member that has gone above and beyond 4-H member expectations. Members must be nominated by leaders, volunteers or community members.



End of Year Awards



San Juan County 4-H End of Year Awards are based on submissions of record books. Your record book is the final step to complete your 4-H project for the year.

Categories:

YOU MAY ENTER UP TO SIX (6) PROJECTS YOU WERE ENROLLED IN THIS 4-H YEAR.

ANIMAL SCIENCE

- ___ BEEF (1001, 1002, 1003, 1009)
- ___ DAIRY CATTLE (1051, 1052, 1053, 1059)
- ___ GOAT (1101, 1103, 1104, 1109)
- ___ DOG (1151, 1152, 1153, 1159)
- ___ CAT (1154, 1155, 1156, 1169)
- ___ HORSE (1202, 1204, 1209)
- ___ RODEO (1221, 1229)
- ___ POULTRY (1251, 1259)
- ___ RABBIT (1301, 1302, 1303, 1309)
- ___ SHEEP (1351, 1353, 1359)
- ___ SWINE (1401, 1409)
- ___ VET SCIENCE (1451, 1452, 1453, 1459)
- ___ SMALL PETS (1501, '02, '04, '06, '08, '09, '10)

HORTICULTURE & AGRONOMY

- ___ PLANT & SOIL SCIENCE (2001, 2009)
- ___ FLOWER GARDENING (2102, 2109)
- ___ LANDSCAPE GARDENING (2201, 2209)
- ___ VEGETABLE GARDENING (2251, 2259)
- ___ RANGE PLANT MANAGEMENT (2300, 2309)
- ___ FORESTRY (2401, 2409)

NATURAL SCIENCE

- ___ ENTOMOLOGY (3051, 3052, 3059)
- ___ WILDLIFE (3101, 3102, 3103, 3104, 3109)
- ___ SHOOTING SPORTS (3201, '02, '03, '04, '06, '09)
- ___ SPORT FISHING (3401, 3409)

ENGINEERING SCIENCE

- ___ ELECTRIC ENERGY (4151, 4152, 4153, 4154, 4159)
- ___ SMALL ENGINES (4251, 4252, 4253, 4259)
- ___ WELDING (4301, 4302, 4309)
- ___ ROCKETRY (4401, 4409)
- ___ WOOD SCIENCE (4451, 4452, 4453, 4454, 4459)

ROBOTICS

- ___ ROBOTICS SELF DETERMINED (4469)

PERSONAL GROWTH & DEVELOPMENT

- ___ WELCOME TO NM 4-H (5001, 5009)
- ___ HEALTH (5029, 5039, 5040, 5049)
- ___ LEADERSHIP (5201, 5203, 5205, 5209)
- ___ SPEAKING (5301, 5309)
- ___ CITIZENSHIP (5351, 5352, 5353, 5354, 5355, 5359)
- ___ CLOWNING (5401, 5409)
- ___ CULTURAL EDUCATION (5311, 5501, 5502, 5503, 5509)
- ___ COMPUTER (8109)

CREATIVE ARTS

- ___ LEATHERCRAFT (6001, 6002, 6003, 6009)
- ___ BRAIDING (6011, 6012, 6013, 6019)
- ___ FIBERCRAFT (6041, 6051, 6055, 6061, 6065, 6071, 6081, 6099)
- ___ DUDED UP DENIM (7163)
- ___ CERAMICS (6101, 6109)
- ___ PHOTOGRAPHY (6201, 6202, 6203, 6204, 6299)
- ___ SCRAPBOOKING (6206, 6209)
- ___ JEWELRY MAKING (6111)

HOME ECONOMICS

- ___ QUILTING (6030, 6039)
- ___ CLOTHING (7002, 7003, 7101, 7102, 7103, 7104, 7105, 7106, 7153, 7154, 7155, 7156, 7157, 7199)
- ___ BAKING (7280, 7282, 7284, 7286, 7300, 7299)
- ___ CAKE DECORATING (7301, 7302, 7303, 7304)
- ___ FOOD & NUTRITION (7257, 7380, 7382, 7384, 7386, 7399)
- ___ DAIRY FOODS (7310, 7312, 7314, 7319)
- ___ FOOD PRESERVATION (7401, 7403, 7405, 7407, 7499)
- ___ HOUSING & INTERIOR DESIGN (7501, 7530, 7509)
- ___ CONSUMER EDUCATION (7551, 7552, 7553, 7559)
- ___ FAMILY LIFE (7601, 7602, 7603, 7609)
- ___ OUTDOOR COOKING (7386, 7387)

ARTS AND CRAFTS

- ___ ARTS & CRAFTS SELF-DETERMINED (7659)

CLOVERBUD BOOK

- ___ 5-8-YEAR-OLD CLOVERBUD (Non-Competitive Entry)

San Juan County 4-H Annual Awards Banquet

"A Country Christmas"

4-H COUNTRY HOLIDAY

🍀 November 14th 2025 🍀

McGee Park
(Convention Center)

6:00 pm

Extension Office will provide the Main Dish
(BBQ Protein)

A-M brings a side dish

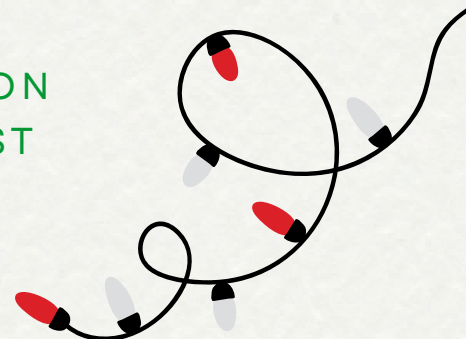
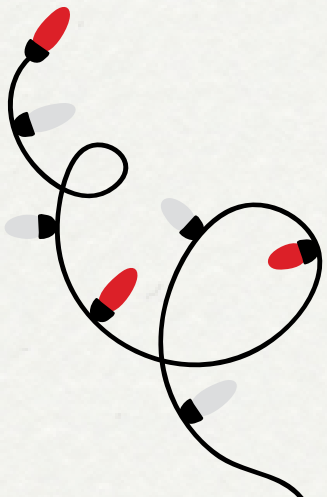
N-Z brings dessert



Banquet Silent Auction:

County Council will have a Silent Auction at the Banquet. We encourage families and clubs to donate items to the auction at the Banquet and to bid on auction items. The successful bid must be paid off at the banquet with Cash or a check. All proceeds will go to the County Council.

PLEASE CALL THE EXTENSION
OFFICE TO RSVP BY NOV 1ST
(505) 334-9496





MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS



New Mexico 4-H

FULL THROTTLE

20



26

**SENIOR
LEADERSHIP
RETREAT**

2026 Senior Leadership Retreat
January 23-25, 2006
NMSU, Las Cruces
DEADLINE TBA



NOMINATIONS DUE OCTOBER 10TH

(CLICK OR SCAN)

Friend of 4-H

Nominations will be
County Council Meeting



Adult Leader of the Year
Nominations



A Note from NMSU

NMSU Admissions Tip:

October – Start Planning Financially
College is an investment—and
NMSU is committed to making it
affordable. Completing your FAFSA
and scholarship applications early
gives you the best shot at financial
aid. Learn about your options at
fa.nmsu.edu.

2025 4-H Buckle

If you would like order a 2025 NM
4-H Buckle please complete the
order form and mail payment to the
state 4-H Office.
\$80/buckle





Please **ENROLL** in shooting sports projects **ZSUITES** and contact the coaches prior to attending practice.

Archery Program

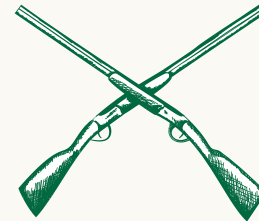
David Meador 505-419-4355
David Rhodes 505-860-1173

Shotgun Program

Jordan Hockenhull 505-716-1939
Jourdyn Hockenhull 505-330-4149

Orientation January 2026 at Expert
Archery, Practice TBA

San Juan Wildlife Federation
Range, 5652 US 64 Practice TBA



Air Rifle/ .22 Small Bore Rifle

Amber James 505-860-7265
Greg Cresswell 505-320-3093



Initial meeting and practices will begin in November, for Seniors (specific dates to be announced).

AIR RIFLE (Seniors)- Air Rifle practices on Wednesdays at 7:00 pm. All practices are at the San Juan Wildlife Federation

.22 Small Bore Rifle (Seniors) San Juan Wildlife Federation Range, 5652 US 64
Dates (TBA)

Initial meeting and practices will begin in January, Junior & Novice (specific dates to be announced).

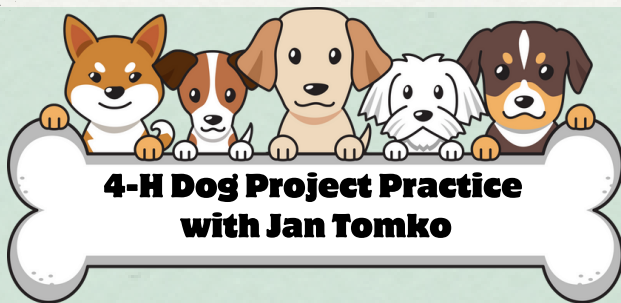
AIR RIFLE (Junior & Novice) Air rifle practices on Sundays at 12:00 pm

.22 Small Bore Rifle (Juniors & Novice) Smallbore practices on Sundays at 1:30 pm. All practices at the San Juan Wildlife Federation Range.

PLEASE CONTACT THE COACHES FOR MORE INFORMATION



SMALL LIVESTOCK



GROWING FORWARD FARM

McGee Park Lamb Barn
October 14th & 28th 6pm
November 11th @ 6pm

McGee Park Rabbit Barn
January 13th & 27th
February 10th & 24th
March 10th & 24th
April 14th & 28th
May 12th

Contact Jan Tomko 505-632-8008 for more information.

Bring: collar, leash, water bowl, and soft dog treats.

Dogs must be 6 months or older and child and dog friendly.

No breed restrictions.

Cloverbuds through Seniors are welcome!
Child must be able to control dog on leash.



Hop Along



Hop Along meetings
will be the 3rd Thursday monthly
6:30-8pm

Oct 16th: Safe Handling, Rabbit Basics (yes rabbit)

Nov 20th: Showmanship, flipping rabbit (yes rabbit)

Dec 18th: Grooming, sanitation and health

Jan 15th: Evaluating a rabbit, terms

Feb 19th: Breeding, gestation, meat pen info

March 19th: Indoor rabbit exhibits

April 16th: Tattooing

May 21st: Mock Showmanship

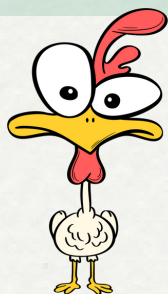
June 18th: Fair entry forms, mock show

July 16th: Rabbit fun day

All meetings will be held in Rabbit Barn @
McGee Park

For questions contact:

Brooke Klitzke
970-764-7036



Interested in showing poultry?
Be sure to sign up for the
poultry project in zsuites to be
notified of our upcoming
workshops!





4-H GOAT MEETINGS



San Juan County 4-H Dairy & Companion Goat Meetings for the 2025-2026 season

Are you a 4-H youth interested in raising and showing large breed dairy goats, Nigerian Dwarfs, Pygmy, or non-market whether goats? Then these meetings are for you!

All meetings will be held at McGee Park, **6:30PM**

Sept 23, 2025: Class Room

Feb 24, 2026: Class Room

April 21, 2026: Lamb Barn

June 23, 2026: Lamb Barn



The purpose of these meetings is to equip youth to raise high quality goats and to prepare them for the showring. All 4-H families are welcome! Even if you aren't enrolled in these projects, this is a good opportunity to come learn about them.

Contact Jason Oberholser for more info: (505) 592-2551



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HORSE & RODEO



4-H RODEO

2025-2026 SCHEDULED RODEOS

<u>Date</u>	<u>Arena</u>
February 7th	Indoor
March 7th	Indoor
April 18th	Indoor
May 9th	Indoor
June 09th	Indoor
July 11th	Indoor

TBA State 4-H Rodeo

ATTENTION!!!
Please pay and turn in
paperwork at least 10 days
before each Rodeo monthly!!!
Late Fee will APPLY



2025-2026 PRACTICE DATES

<u>Date</u>	<u>Arena</u>
February 5th	Indoor
March 5th	Indoor
April 16th	Indoor
May 7th	Indoor
June 4th	Indoor
July 9th	Indoor

Hoofbeat Gang

Meeting dates

October 27th
meeting

November 17th
2025 Banquet

Contact

Miranda Meador
(505)419-4355



4-H RODEO



Rodeo Awards Banquet
December 17th
(more details to come)

Meetings:

Tuesdays before each point Rodeo
at Day 3 Church at the Extension Office, Aztec
6 PM

McGee Park

Is only open for public riding and barrel practice on certain days and times they are as follows:

Barrel Practice Monday and Wednesday 9:00am-9:00pm

Public Riding (NO BARRELS) Tuesday & Thursday 9:00am-9:00pm

There are times we have events scheduled and close public riding/ barrel practice but its not very often and they can always call 505-325-5561 to double check.



NM STATE 4-H OFFICE ANNOUNCEMENTS



NEW MEXICO 4-H'ERS!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Submit your 4-H Record Book Story for a chance to win a **free** trip for you and a 4-H friend!

NM 4-H members write a 4-H Story for their record books each year.
Here's your opportunity to earn a free 4-H trip for something you've
already completed.

Just submit your 4-H Record Book Story describing your experiences
in the current 4-H year. Use your IMAGINATION to create a typed,
double-spaced story on the exciting program you are
involved in.4-H!

Winning stories from each age category will have full stories posted online, and may be used
for other 4-H promotions. Send your 4-H Story to: State 4-H Office MSC 3AE, New Mexico State
University, PO Box 30003, Las Cruces, NM 88003-8003.

Get your 4-H Record Book Story in by November
1, 2025 and you could win one of the following trips:

- ★ Novice (ages 9-11) - FREE registration for YOU and a 4-H friend to 4-H Youth-Get-Away in April 2026!
 - ★ Junior (ages 12-13) -FREE registration for YOU and a 4-H friend to 4-H Youth-Get-Away in April 2026!
 - ★ Senior (ages 14-19)-FREE registration for YOU and a 4-H friend to 4-H Senior Leadership Retreat in January 2026!
- The registration fee will be covered if the event is virtual or face to face.

On the cover page please write your name, address, county, and the age
category you are classified in for the 2025-2026 4-H year.

**4-H STORIES MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE STATE 4-H OFFICE BY NOVEMBER
1, 2025. Call the State 4-H Office at (575) 646-5204 if you have any questions.**



2025

October

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 CLUB REPORTS DUE	2	3	4
5	6 Wear Green for 4-H	7	8 RE- ENROLLMENT OPENS RECORD BOOKS DUE	9 4-H for GOOD Day	10 END OF THE YEAR AWARD APP. DUE	11
National 4-H Week 						
12	13	14 FAIRBOARD 6:30PM 4-H DOG PRACTICE 6PM MCGEE PARK	15	16 HOP ALONG 6:30PM	17	18
19	20	21 COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING/ ELECTIONS- GFF	22	23	24	25
26	27 HOOFBEAT MCGEE PARK	28 4-H DOG PRACTICE 6PM MCGEE PARK	29	30	31	

UPCOMING COMING EVENTS:

Nov 14- Awards Banquet, McGee Park

Nov 15-Dec 15 Extension office MOVE to new office

Dec 16-New Extension Office grand opening 2-4pm



San Juan Extension Website



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