October 2026

SAN JUAN COUNTY
4-H NEWSLETTER

Agents Notes:

October is here and re-enrollment for the new year begins October 8th! Volunteers please remember to update your background checks if needed!

Project leaders please remember to contact us with updated schedules for meetings.

Let's get the new 4-H year off to a great start!

San Juan County
Extension Team

Please check back next month for project leader training dates and times!

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Congratulations

The San Juan County Extension office got 1st Place at the New Mexico State Fair County Booth!!! Good job!

San Juan County Extension Updates

2026/2027 Enrollment

Enrollment for new year:

- 10/8: Zsuites Open for NEW and RE-ENROLLMENT
- RE-enrollment 10/8-11/14
  - Enrollment includes completing Zsuites household /individual member enrollment and uploading your medical release/code of conduct form.
  - Clubs will hold space for returning members until 11/19/26

Please contact Missy at the extension office 505-334-9496 with any questions.

Fairboard Meeting

October 13th, 2026

@ 6:30pm

Mcgee Park

STATE FAIR INDOOR PROJECTS ARE BACK

PLEASE GET THEM PICKED UP FROM THE EXTENSION OFFICE BY OCT 9TH.

We want to congratulate all the Livestock and Indoor Exhibitors that participated at New Mexico State Fair.

IMPORTANT UP-COMING DATES

RSVP for the END OF THE YEAR BANQUET!! Please call the Extension Office 505-334-9496.

October Club Scarecrow Contest
Please RSVP your Club Today!!
Please Contact the Extenion Office 505-334-9496 to SIGN UP by Oct. 15th
We will provide Scarecrow frame and Straw. Clubs must bring all other supplies

COUNTY COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

October Club Scarecrow Contest

October 28th, 2026 5:15 pm to 5:45 pm.
Jugding at 5:45 pm
Extension Office
Participating clubs need to RSVP by Oct. 15th
Scarecrow frame and straw will be provided. Clubs must bring all other supplies.

October County Council Meeting

October 28th, 2026
6-7:00 PM Regular County Council Meeting
Extension Office
2026-2027 Council Officer Elections

Each Club may have up to three voting delegates to vote in the elections.
Each voting delegate must be a youth member and be present to vote.

4-H County Council Elections

County Council Officer applications are due on October 15, 2026 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 County Council Officers can be found in the County Council Officer Handbook and the 4-H Website.

QR code to Council webpage

How do I become a County Council Officer?

- Review application on the SJC 4-H Website (click HERE)
- Clubs may Nominate up to Three County Council nominees before the deadline.
- Submit an application by October 15, 2026, signed by the member, parent and club leader. Officer speeches must be turned in with application.
- Attend the October County Council Meeting on Oct 28th 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.

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MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Due to unforeseen circumstances the date for the End of Year Banquet has been changed. Please RSVP (505-334-9496)

4-H End of the year Banquet

When :November 18th, 2026
Time: 6pm-8pm
Where: McGee Park
Theme: Black & White
RSVP by: November 10th, 2026
Call 505-334-9496

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San Juan County Extension Updates

Gear up for National 4-H Week!
October 4-10, 2026
October 5th is Go Green Monday
and October 8th is Thankful
Thursday

Paper Clover Campaign Starts at Tractor Supply Nov.27-Dec.13

The Tractor Supply Paper Clover Campaign is a great opportunity for our 4-H club's to get out in the community, promote 4-H, and support our local program!

- **Call our office to schedule your clubs time slot.**
- **This would also be a great opportunity to hold a club bake sale or other approved activies at a great venue.**

Help Close the Digital Divide with Starlink at Tractor Supply Sept. 1 - Nov. 1

- **For every eligible Starlink Kit purchased and registered at Tractor Supply, the value of the first month's subscription will support 4-H.**

Family Consumer Sciences

I can feel fall in the air! The mornings are cooler, the leaves are showing their beautiful fall colors, and the refreshing rains have been a welcome change. It's hard not to love this time of year! We have a lot coming up in the months ahead! Be sure to read through the newsletter for a list of all the exciting events, activities, and important dates coming up. As always, please call the office with any questions. We look forward to another great month of 4-H!

Workshops Coming Soon 2027!

Calling all Novice, Junior & Senior 4-H members!
We're planning exciting workshops!

- **Jewlery, Sewing, Ceramics, Weaving and More!**
- **Dates and times will be announced SOON.**
- **We'd love to know what workshops you would be interested in as well!**
- ***Interested in participating?* Email or call the Extension Office to let us know.**

Please email or call
aiessa@nmsu.edu
SJC Extension Office
505-334-9496

Family Consumer Science

Leathercraft Workshop Coming Soon!
Starting in January 2027!

Calling all Novice, Junior & Senior 4-H members!

We're planning exciting Leathercraft workshops!

- **We will be doing beginner and advanced workshops.**
- **Dates and times will be announced in the next newsletter.**
- **We'd love to know how many members are interested!**
- ***Interested in participating?* Email or call the extension office to let us know.**

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LIVESTOCK

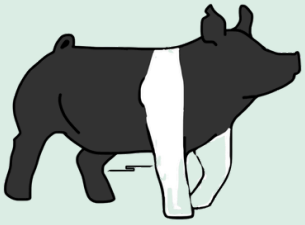
POULTRY CLINIC

FIRST MEETING IS OCTOBER 14 FROM 6:30-7:30PM AT THE GROWING FOWARD FARM

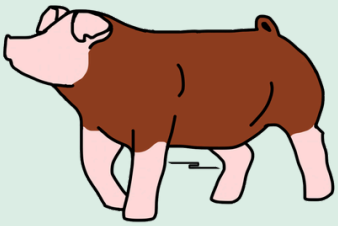
COME LEARN AND PREPARE FOR THE UPCOMING SHOW IN ST. JOHN'S ON OCTOBER 30TH & 31ST AT THE APACHE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS.

CONTACT LACY GREER (602)686-1817 FOR ENTRY FORMS

CONTACT POULTRY PROJECT LEADER KEVIN KAISER WITH QUESTIONS (559)359-2113



4-H SWINE PROJECT MEETINGS



Back by popular demand Taffnie Anderson and Calen Wilkins will be hosting swine project meetings for all 4-H members enrolled in the swine project.

Schedule for 2026-2027 to be announced soon, check next months newsletter for updates!

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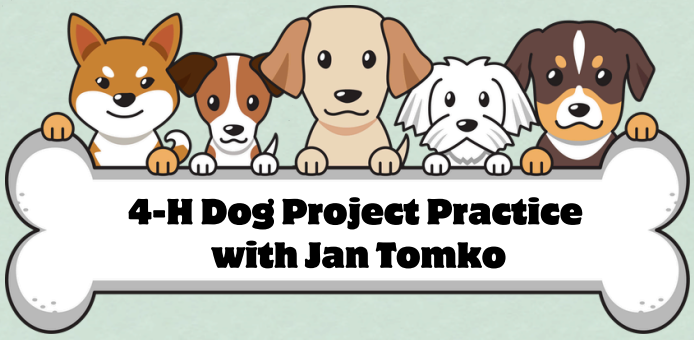


Interested in the dog project please give us a call!

October 13th at 5:30pm @ McGee Park Rabbit & Poultry Barn

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

Hop Along

Hop along is the 4-H Rabbit project group. The leaders help members enrolled in the rabbit project learn about showing their rabbits, health, nutrition, and more.

Starting in October 15th 2026
All meetings will be held in Rabbit Barn @ McGee Park
For questions, contact:
Brooke Klitzke
970-764-7036

SAN JUAN COUNTY 4-H RODEO

4-H RODEO

Rodeo Board Elections will be at the Extension Office Classroom on October 8th at 6:30pm.

4-H RODEO

Meetings:

San Juan County Rodeo Club meetings will be the Thursday before each Rodeo Practice at the New Extension office at 400 Gossett Drive, Aztec NM.

Please check back next month for the new schedule for 2027

Notice:

Rodeo is now on Facebook! Search San Juan 4-H Rodeo and follow the page to make sure you don't miss any updates.

Click here to follow the Facebook Page

SAN JUAN COUNTY 4-H HOOF BEAT GANG

Hoof Beat

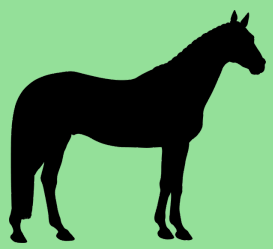
Leader: Miranda Meador (505)419-4355
Co Leader: Lily Eavenson (505)402-9518

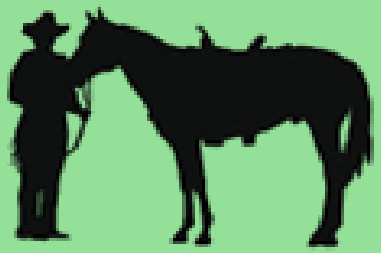
General Information: Novice, Junior and Seniors. No horses needed. Meet at McGee Park in the riding arena or indoor barn.

Meeting Dates:
October 26th
November 16th

Horse Judging

The schedule for 2026-2027 horse judging is soon to be announced, please check back soon for updates.





ARCHERY

David Meador 505-419-4355 (Novice & Junior)
(Senior) David Rhodes 505-860-1173

(Novice & Junior) will start the season in January
Seniors

SHOTGUN

Jessie Graham 505-947-0052
Jourdyn Hockenhull 505-330-4149

Schedule will be announced in Novembers Newsletter please check back!

AIR RIFLE/ .22 SMALL BORE

Amber James 505-860-7265
Ryan Neeley 505 320-9119
Greg Cresswell 505-320-3093

Senior Rifle practices will begin in November. *Starting date to be determined.*

Air Rifle Practices- Wednesday 7:00pm
.22 Practices- Sunday 1:00pm
Contact—Amber James 505-860-7265

Novice and Junior practices will begin in January
Air Rifle Practices- Sunday 12:00pm
.22 Practices - Sunday 1:30pm
Starting date to be determined.
Ryan Neeley 505 320-9119

Please make sure you are enrolled in 4-H club, z-suites and have filled out proper paperwork to be in the shooting sports program!

NM STATE 4-H EVENTS

<u>NMSU 4-H</u>
<u>State Events</u>

OCTOBER 2026

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4	5	6	7	8 Re-Enrollment begins	9	10
11	12	13 Fairboard 6:30	14 Poultry Clinic 6:30-7:30pm	15 Hopalong	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26 Hoofbeat	27	28 Scarecrow Contest and County Council 5:15-7	29	30	31

San Juan Extension Website

UPCOMING COMING EVENTS:

October 8th Re-enrollment begins
October 28th Scarecrow Contest and County Council Meeting
November 13th Extension Office will be CLOSED for training
November 14th 4-H Adult Leaders Retreat
November 18th End of Year Banquet