

KEEP CALM IT'S FAIR WEEK

Pierce County 4-H Informant Fair Edition August 2023



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Pierce County 4-H Leaders Council

All older youth and adult volunteers are invited to attend. Come hear about new 4-H programs, have a voice in future projects and experiences, and be part of the large Pierce County 4-H program. This committee oversees 4-H in Pierce County and makes important decisions About how and where the financial resources of the 4-H program are spent. They also provide direction for the educational programs. The committee meets 4 times a year. *Next meeting will be determined soon.*



August 2023



| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|---|---|---|--|--|--|---|
| | | 1 Muzzleloading Practice | 2 -Rabbit Agility Practice | 3 -Mock Show -Air Pistol & Rifle & Archery Practice -Rabbit Agility Practice | 4 | 5 -Dog Judging Day -Powder Burning Competition -Robotics Judging |
| 6 -Air Rifle, Air Pistol & Archery Competition -Horse Committee Meeting -Horse Barn Clean-Up -Mandatory Horse Barn Meeting -Drewiske Barn Set up -Livestock Meeting | 7 -Dog Judging Day | 8 -Horse Stall Decoration GOOSECHASE BEGINS! | 9 -Horse Check-In -Silent Auction Baskets due to Extension Office | 10 - Green Out Day  | 11 -Livestock Auction -Western Day  | 12 -Hawaiian Day  |
| 13 -Animal Scramble -Senior & Super Senior Acknowledgement -Club or Project Day  | 14  | 15 -STEM Day Trip | 16 | 17 | 18 -T-shirt order closes | 19 |
| 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 -Carcass Contest -Annual Financial Report Due | 24 | 25 | 26 |
| 27 | 28 -Livestock Committee Meeting | 29 | 30 | | | |

4-H CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September

- 1-4-H Online Enrollment Opens
- 9-State Gymkhana
- 10-State Gymkhana
- 11-Awards Nominations Due from Club Leaders
- 15-State Horse Expo
- 16-State Horse Expo
- 17-State Horse Expo

October

- 7-Wiconsin 4-H Dog Workshop
- 8-Wiconsin 4-H Dog Workshop

November

- 4-Fall Forum
- 5-Fall Forum

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GRADUATING 4-H SENIORS & SUPER SENIORS

You are invited to a brief ceremony.

Acknowledging your accomplishments and to congratulate you, on a job well done in Pierce County 4-H! You will be receiving a small gift.

When: Sunday, August 13

Time: 1:00 pm (right after the Animal Scramble)

Where: Arena Barn on the Pierce County Fairgrounds



Pierce County 4-H Apparel Now available!

ORDER THROUGH THIS LINK OR USE THE QR CODE UNTIL AUGUST 18:

[HTTPS://RIVERCITYSTITCH.COM/COLLECTIONS/PIERCE-COUNTY-4-H](https://rivercitystitch.com/collections/pierce-county-4-h)



Policy Section

Each Month we will highlight a different policy with links to where you can read and learn more about it.

We want our environments to be as safe as possible for our youth, but we also acknowledge 4-H needs to do lot of a trial... and error... and FUN. If you have questions or concerns on how to adhere to these policies, April is always willing to chat with you about it and get you the information and the resources you need.

This Month We Will Look At: **Animal Science Projects and Activities**

Eligibility

- Youth are not required to own an animal in order to use it as a 4-H project animal. (See managerial agreement resource).
- Youth who are in grade 3 or above are eligible to participate in 4-H animal projects.
- Cloverbud project members, youth in grades 5K-2, may participate in small animal clinics, demonstrations, workshops or other non-competitive educational activities with one-on-one adult supervision.
 - Common small animals include dogs, cats, poultry, rabbits, and pets.
 - Supervising adults must maintain primary control of the animal while Cloverbud project members are present.
- Cloverbud project members may observe large animal clinics, demonstrations, workshops or other non-competitive educational activities.

*Large animals include horses, beef, dairy cattle, sheep, swine, goats, llamas, and alpacas.

Animal Identification

- All youth are required to follow the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) Animal Health Regulations for Movement of Animals in Wisconsin. For any 4-H animal this is required. [Visit the website to learn more.](#)
- Animals transported to and exhibited at 4-H sponsored events must have proper Premise ID registration for livestock animals as required by Wisconsin law. [Visit the website to learn more.](#)

Animal Handling and Care

- 4-H members and volunteers are responsible for the health and well-being of their project animal(s) including proper care, treatment, handling and grooming for the duration of the project. (This includes animals owned, co-owned, and non-owned by the 4-H member). Additional requirements may be applied by local chartered entities or partner organizations.
- 4-H members must wear clothing appropriate for the activity which will protect the participants from possible injury and the elements surrounding the event.

For more information on Wisconsin 4-H Project Policies, please visit

<https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/resources/wisconsin-4-h-policies/4-h-project-and-activity-policies/>

Raffle Baskets for the Fair Needed!

Please encourage your club to put together a raffle basket for the Pierce County 4-H Basket Raffle on the Sunday of the Pierce County Fair! Please submit your club's raffle basket to the Pierce County Extension Office by Wednesday, August 9.

Please contact Brenda Randleman

brenda.randleman@wisc.edu to let her know that you will be bringing one in.



Pierce County 4-H is on Facebook & Instagram!

This will be another way to communicate information, event details,
and learn more about Pierce County 4-H



Facebook: Pierce County 4-H-Wisconsin
Link: <https://www.facebook.com/piercecounty4HWI>



Instagram: piercecountywi4h
Link: <https://instagram.com/piercecountywi4h/>

MAILED OR EMAILED?



Do you want your Informant mailed via United States Post Office?

Please email mcilquham2@wisc.edu to let us know that you would like a hard copy. Otherwise you will get the Informant electronically to the email address that you have listed for your family on 4-H Online.



4-H Theme Days at the Pierce County Fair



Check in with April, Beth, Lauren or Brenda
You could win a prize!!!!



Show your pride in Pierce County 4-H



- Thursday- Green Out Day "Show your support for Pierce County 4-H!"
 - Wear your favorite green apparel & accessories!!
- Friday- Western Day
 - Get into the "Best in the West" fair theme with your coolest western gear!
- Saturday- Hawaiian Day
 - Throw on your favorite Hawaiian shirt and spend the day at the fair!
- Sunday- Club/Project Day
 - Sport a club or project t-shirt of your choosing!



4-H 101

TIPS, TRICKS, AND
INFORMATION TO HELP NEW
FAMILIES LEARN AND GROW
THROUGH 4-H!



PIERCE COUNTY FAIR QUESTIONS

WHERE DO I GO WITH MY PIERCE
COUNTY FAIR QUESTIONS?
CHECK OUT THE GRAPHIC BELOW
TO SEE WHERE YOU SHOULD GO!



SUPERINTENDENTS

- Exhibit Check-In
- Stalling
- Showtime Questions
- Animals
- Judging
- Rules
- Weigh-In
- Animal Records
- Release of Exhibits

4-H / EXTENSION OFFICE

- Livestock Auction
- 4-H Food Stand
- 4-H Information Booth
- Animal Scramble
- Senior Recognition
- Goosechase
- Theme Days
- Silent Auction

FAIR OFFICE

- Entry Tags
- Tickets
- Online Entries
- Exhibits
- Parking
- Volunteering
- Commercial & Food Vendors
- Entertainment
- Grand Stand Events
- Bathrooms/Garbage

CONTACT YOUR DEPARTMENT
SUPERINTENDENT

PHONE: (715) 273-6781

<https://pierce.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/>

PHONE: (715) 273-6874

<https://www.co.pierce.wi.us/departments/fair/index.php>

4-H is Partnering with AmeriCorps

Wisconsin 4-H will have AmeriCorps State members who will serve in 29 counties across Wisconsin between September 2023 through August 2024. AmeriCorps members will support the development of new and expanded relationships in counties, serving in partnership with local organizations to build capacity in communities, start new 4-H clubs, and recruit additional volunteers to grow Wisconsin 4-H, expand access, and reach new audiences. Pierce County will be welcoming one position to our office! It will be shared with St. Croix County. If you are interested, find the application here: <https://my.americorps.gov/mp/listing/viewListing.do?fromSearch=true&id=119161>

Club News!



***Merri Heirs,
Elm Valley
Patriots,
and Maiden
Rock Rockets***

COOL!



The Merri Heirs, Elm Valley Patriots, and Maiden Rock Rockets gathered to have a softball scrimmage in hopes of gaining interest in a 4-H softball league in Pierce County or surrounding areas.

This year our club decided to try something new. We had many members sign up for project areas that revolved around camping, adventures, and the outdoors. Because of the interest, club leader, Aleisha Miller organized a two night camping weekend in early June at Willow River State Park.

Over the course of the weekend members got to learn new camping skills (including setting up a tent in a thunder storm) and all sorts of interesting facts. Some of these activities included a hike to learn about geology, animals, and plants. They enjoyed making meals together using different cooking methods over a fire: foil dinners, camp forks, and dutch oven. Leaders watched as members played a water games: a cup filling relay race and battleship.

The experience allowed the families to grow together and get a chance to learn from each other.

All of the members had an amazing time and we hope to try it again next year.

***Falcon
Falls***





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GO ON A GOOSE CHASE!



DURING THE FAIR, PIERCE COUNTY 4-H WILL BE HOSTING A VIRTUAL GOOSECHASE! IT WILL BEGIN ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 8!!

TO PARTICIPATE, FOLLOW THESE STEPS:

- 1. DOWNLOAD THE GOOSECHASE APP ON YOUR MOBILE DEVICE**
- 2. CREATE AN ACCOUNT WITHIN THE APP OR CONTINUE AS A GUEST**
- 3. TYPE THE JOIN CODE "MXGJ3M" TO FIND THE 2023 PIERCE COUNTY FAIR EXPERIENCE**
- 4. CREATE A TEAM OF UP TO FOUR WITH YOUR FRIENDS USING THE PASSWORD "PIERCE"**
- 5. PICK YOUR TEAM NAME AND TAKE A TEAM PHOTO!**
- 6. YOU CAN ADD OR DELETE A PASSWORD ONCE YOU'VE CREATED A TEAM**
- 7. START COMPLETING MISSIONS!**

AS YOUR TEAM COMPLETES THE MISSIONS, YOUR TEAM WILL GAIN POINTS! AT THE END OF THE FAIR, **THE TOP THREE TEAMS WILL WIN A PRIZE! WINNERS WILL BE ANNOUNCED AFTER THE ANIMAL SCRAMBLE ON SUNDAY OF THE PIERCE COUNTY FAIR!**

Awards Banquet!

Even though it seems early, the yearly awards banquet will be here before you know it! This year, the banquet will be held and planned in Ellsworth! The clubs that will plan it are **Country Partners, Fancy Doers, Helpful Workers, and Heartland Hustlers!**

Check out what clubs will be planning and hosting the Awards Banquet in the next few years!

2024: River Falls-Falcon Falls, Mann Valley, River Ramblers, Town & Country

2025: Prescott-Big River Defenders, Helping Hands, St. Croix Stars, Denim & Dust

2026: Spring Valley-Martell Rushers, Olivet Otters, Valley Eagles

Pierce County 4-H Foods & Clothing Revue



Foods Revue Results:

- Class P-Grades 4-7
 - Lot 3-Nevaeh P.- Champion
 - Lot 5-Ava B.-Blue
 - Lot 6-Carolina Y.-Blue
- Class R-Teams Class
 - Ava and Dahlia B.-Champion
- Class S-Grades K-2
 - Lot 2-Stanley B.-Champion

Clothing Revue Results:

- Class H-Grades 4-7
 - Lot 1-Ava B.-Blue
 - Lot 1-Dahlia B.-Blue
- Class I-Grades 8-13
 - Alixis Nehring-Lot 1-Blue
 - Alixis Nehring-Lot 2-Blue
 - Alixis Nehring-Lot 3-Red
 - Alixis Nehring-Lot 4-Blue

| 4-H Food | | | Stand | Jobs | Revised April 2023 | | 2023 - 4-H Food Stand | Schedule - Final |
|---|-------------|----|---|------|--------------------|--------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Jobs | Age | # | Description | | | Club / Group | | |
| Cashier | Adult | 2 | Handle all money transactions | | | | Saturday, August 5, 2023 | |
| Order Taker | 10+ | 2 | Take orders at the center window. | | | | 8:00am - 1:00pm + Cleanup | Country Partners/ 2-3 Trip Winners |
| Order Filler | Explorer+ | 4 | Hand-off order or line them up for order fillers | | | | Sunday August 6, 2023 | |
| Ice Cream | 12+ | 1 | Fill 1 order at a time, deliver to customer at side windows | | | | 11:00am - 5:00pm + Cleanup | Olivet Otters |
| Lemonade / Arnold Palmer | 12+ | 1 | Scoop ice cream. Need to be able to reach the bottom of the freezer. | | | | Monday, August 7, 2023 | |
| Shake order filler | 11+ | 1 | Continuously make lemonade & tea and fill dispensers | | | | 9:00am - 4:00pm | Elm Valley Patriots / Helpful Workers |
| Breakfast Sandwich | 11+ | 1 | Fill cups to consistent level, keep track of shake levels | | | | 3:30pm - 8:00pm + Cleanup | Heartland Hustlers |
| Stocker | 12+ | 1 | Make breakfast sandwiches in the microwave. Keeping a few in warmer during breakfast time. Microwaves are elevated, and need to be able to reach. | | | | Tuesday, August 8, 2023 | |
| Chicken Strips / Hashbrowns | 16+ | 1 | Lifting involved. Restock shakes, cups, straws, pop, cheese, chicken strips, help with spaghetti | | | | 9:00am - 3:30pm | Olivet Otters |
| Hotdog / Brat | 16+ | 1 | Make chicken strips or hashbrowns in an air fryer. Keep warm. | | | | 3:00pm - 9:00pm + cleanup | Maiden Rock Rockets / Soaring Eagles |
| Quesadilla | 16+ | 1 | Brown hotdogs and brats in convection oven, keep warm in slow cooker | | | | Wednesday, August 9, 2023 | |
| Garlic Cheese Bread | 16+ | 1 | At slow times the same person can do both quesadillas and hotdogs/brats | | | | 9:00am - 2:00pm | Fancy Doers / Mann Valley |
| Spaghetti | 16+ | 1 | Busy station, cooks garlic bread in convection oven | | | | 1:30pm - 6:30pm | Denium & Dust |
| Table Wash Leader | Adult - VIP | 1 | Keep sauce and meatballs stocked in a slow cooker. | | | | 6:00pm - 10:30pm + cleanup | Big River Defenders |
| Table Washer | Cloverbuds+ | 1 | Coordinates washing public tables, sweeping public area, empty garbage cans | | | | Thursday, August 10, 2023 | |
| Expectations: | Total | 20 | Help table wash leader | | | | 7:30am - 2:00pm | Busy Fingers |
| Each club will provide an adult as their club coordinator. They are expected to make sure all jobs are filled. They will work with the Food Stand Supervisor as issues arise. | | | | | | | 1:30pm - 7:00pm | Olivet Otters |
| Everyone: | | | | | | | 6:30pm - 10:30pm + cleanup | Country Partners |
| Arrive on time for your shift | | | | | | | Friday, August 11, 2023 | |
| Wash you hands any time you enter the kitchen | | | | | | | 7:30am - 11:00am | Falcon Falls |
| Wear disposable gloves when handling food directly | | | | | | | 10:30am - 3:00pm | Town N Country |
| Do not leave your station until your replacement has learned everything about your position. Stay until they are comfortable with your station! | | | | | | | 2:30pm - 7:30pm | Town N Country |
| Do not wear barn food boots in the stand. | | | | | | | 7:00pm - 11:00pm + cleanup | Helping Hands/River Ramblers |
| | | | | | | | Saturday, August 12, 2023 | |
| | | | | | | | 7:30am - 11:00am | River Ramblers/ 2/3 Trip Winners |
| | | | | | | | 10:30am - 3:00pm | Martell Rushers |
| | | | | | | | 2:30pm - 7:30pm | St. Croix Stars |
| | | | | | | | 7:00pm-11:00pm + cleanup | Valley Eagles |
| | | | | | | | Sunday, August 13, 2023 | |
| | | | | | | | 7:30am - 11:00am | Merri-Heirs |
| | | | | | | | 10:30am - 4:00pm | Merri-Heirs/3-4 Trip Winners |
| | | | | | | | 3:30pm - 6:00pm + cleanup | 3-4 Trip Winners |



PIERCE COUNTY 4-H DOG COMMITTEE

TRAINING CLASS SCHEDULE

Please reference the official schedule for more details.

JUDGING DAYS:

August 5: Puppy Manners, Obedience, Rally, Trick Dog

August 7: Showmanship

NEW AND EXCITING PLANS FOR 2024!

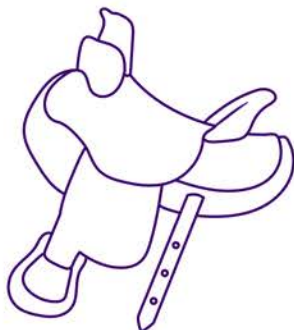
That being said there are new and exciting plans in the works to run an amazing 2024 Wisconsin State 4-H Obedience and Showmanship Show. Also, we are forming a Statewide 4-H Dog Project Board.

Please stay tuned for these updates at the Fall meeting!

On October 7th & 8th the Wisconsin State 4-H Dog Project will be hosting workshops and the Wisconsin State 4-H Dog Project Meeting. This Fall Workshop and meeting will be hosted at the Sleepy Creek Pet Lodge in New London, WI. This will be open to both enrolled 4-H youth and leaders. Saturday will be clinics and Sunday morning will be the State 4-H Dog Project Meeting where we elect our State 4-H Dog Project Board of Directors, both youth and adult board. More information to come about this process.

If any adult volunteers or older youth leaders would like more information on how to be involved with the newly forming state dog committee, feel free to email Jill Jorgenson at jill.jorgensen@wisc.edu.

We can't wait to see you in August at the agility show!



August:

3-Mock Show

6- 2 PM Committee Meeting for Pre-Fair

6- 3 PM Barn Clean-up

- everyone needed to help clean and prep
- find out your stall

6- 5 PM Mandatory Barn Meeting

- volunteer sign up during the fair
- any last questions

8-Horse Stall can be Decorated (at your own risk)

9- 4 PM to 9 PM Horse Check-In

10-Fair

11-Fair

12-Fair

13-Fair

13-4:30 PM Barn Check-Out Clean Up

Be sure to watch your email for more information from the Horse Committee!

Congratulations to our Horse Project Members who participated in the 2023 4-H Horse Education Days!

Horse Bowl Results:

- Senior Team placed second!
 - Members include: Quinn E., Taylor D., Dawson P., Elizabeth S.
- Nancy J. placed 7th individually, grades 3-5
- Harper T. placed 8th individually, grades 3-5
- Nevaeh P. placed 9th individually, grades 6-8
- Taylor D. placed 2nd individually, grades 9-13
- Quinn Emery placed 5th individually, grades 9-13
- Elizabeth S. placed 6th individually, grades 9-13



Speaking and Demonstration Results:

- Quinn E. placed 5th in Individual Demonstrations, grades 9-13
- Madalynn C. and Nevaeh P. placed 2nd in Team Demonstrations, grades 6-8
- Miranda B. placed 3rd in Interpretive Reading, grades 3-5

Hippology Results:

- Miranda B. placed 5th individually in the Beginner Division
- Ani W. placed 9th individually in the Junior Division
- Taylor D. placed 3rd individually in the Senior Division



Rabbit & Poultry Information



Rabbit Agility Practices

by Rabbit Barn on Fairgrounds at 7:00 PM

Wednesday August 2

Thursday August 3

Rabbit Notes for Fair



Remember that check in is Monday Aug 7th 5:30 - 7 pm. The building will be open at 4:30 if you want to do decorations but no rabbits may enter the building until they have been checked in. All cages need a 32 oz water bottle and sturdy food dish that can't be tipped or eaten!

The rabbit show starts at 9 am on Tues Aug 8th. Plan on getting your showmanship done early. If our judges are there we can start that at 8 and get it out of the way.



Livestock Information



Mark your calendars!

Livestock Judging

On July 24th, The Junior & Senior Livestock Judging Teams participated in the State Livestock Judging Contest in Lodi, WI and they did AMAZING!!!!!!

The Senior Team won first place overall! The Senior team also placed first for beef, second for swine, and second for sheep. For the third year in a row, they are headed to NATIONALS!!!
The Junior team did not place in the top 5. However, they had an awesome experience & we are looking forward to seeing them on the top of the podium in years to come!

Individual results are as follows:

Cora Capatske was first for beef, third for swine, third for sheep, third for reasons & first overall.

Cadie Asher was third for beef, 10th for sheep & sixth overall.

Addison Neidermyer placed fourth for swine

Jordan Lamb placed 10th for beef

Milo Shafer places third for Hogs

Tessa Asher placed third for reasons



We are extremely proud of our Livestock judging teams & their awesome coaches, Megan Geraets & Caleb Dressen. Congratulations to all of them!

Carcass Contest-August 23, 2023 at 7:30 PM

Location Change

Just a reminder that the Carcass Contest has been moved to the Seyforth Building. It will still be held on the same date & time just at a different location.



Animal Information for the Fair-2023



Herdsmanship

All Junior Fair Clubs, Chapter & Youth Groups and Open Class, will be judged for herdsmanhip. For the Junior fair, judges will come through the barn a few times throughout the day to judge your areas. Please be sure to keep your areas clean & well-picked up.

Little Shepherd Show

The Little Shepherd Show will be at approximately 1:30 pm following the Swine Show.

Exhibitors in Blue, Silver, Arena & Drewiske Barn

- This is a REMINDER! Couches & Picnic Areas are strictly prohibited in these areas due to Fire Safety Codes and PCF rules. All prohibited furnishings will be removed from the barns by the Fair Groundskeeper if found.
- Also, Please be sure to keep walkways & aisles clear for fairgoers visiting the barn. Do not leave any unused items (such as chairs, equipment, tack, etc) laying around & be sure any manure is cleaned up as well.
- No clipping chutes are allowed inside any of the barns!

Emergency Vehicles Only!

There is to be NO Parking or tents, picnic tables, equipment, supplies, or chutes left between the Arena Barn & the Drewiske Building. If you use chutes in this area be sure they are removed once you are done showing. This area is to be left open for emergency vehicles.

Animal Information for the Fair-2023

Animal ID & Check-In Times

- Complete all Animal ID forms PRIOR to arriving at the fair. Forms can be found on our website under the 'Forms & Newsletters' tab on our sub-menu.
- Animal ID Forms & all other species-specific paperwork MUST be given to the Superintendent prior to unloading all animals at the fair. Separate Animal ID forms are REQUIRED for each species, be sure to bring a copy for each superintendent.
- Animals that have a registered 840 tag or scrapies tag - Be sure to put the entire number on your animal ID form.
- Be sure to check what time your animals can be entered at the Fair! Check-in Times are listed in the Premium Book on pages 2-5.

Animal Exhibit Fair Entries & Exits

- No feed or tack may be unloaded while unloading animals!
 - Please park & unload these items before or after unloading your animals so we can keep lines moving.
- Dairy & Beef will ENTER through the EAST Gate and exit out the NORTH EXIT.
 - Dairy & Beef Exhibitors must enter the Cattle Arena through the EAST end.
 - Proceed to the MIDDLE of the Show Ring for the Vet Check, following Vet Approval, animals may be unloaded.
 - Exit out the WEST end of the Cattle Arena leaving the fairgrounds through the NORTH Exit Gate.
 - Unloading animals through the east side doors or anywhere outside of the building is NOT permitted.
- Swine, Sheep, & Goats will ENTER through the NORTH ENTRANCE (By the Cottages) and exit out the North Exit (by the Boy Scout Building). THIS IS FOR WEDNESDAY ONLY!
 - Swine, Sheep & Goat Exhibitors must pull between the Arena Barn & Drewiske Barn on the WEST end & pull up to the scale house to unload.

Market Animal Drug Sheets

All Junior Fair market animals intended for the auction must turn in the required drug sheet before you can unload them at the fair. These sheets were emailed out to all registered exhibitors or can be found online at www.piercecountylivestock.weebly.com

Intrastate Health Certificate for Swine

Remember that all swine must have an Intrastate Health Certificate in order to unload at the fairgrounds. Check with your veterinarian and obtain the certificate well before coming to the fair.

Ractopamine Affidavit for Swine

The use of Ractopamine (Paylean) is not permitted. All swine exhibitors will need to turn in a signed copy of this form stating that this product has not been used in their animals. This form will also need to be turned in to the Swine Superintendent before unloading at the fair.

Terminal Swine Show

The 2023 Swine Show will be a terminal show. Swine may not return to the farm after the fair & must go directly to the market. Please be sure to have a plan in place for any extra hogs that will not be on the auction or hogs that may be sold at a premium at the auction.

Load Out Times – Sunday – August 13th – Market Animals ONLY

- Load-out times for market animals will be announced on Saturday afternoon. We will start with the Beef & then follow with the goats, sheep & swine. Typically the beef load at 2 pm & the goats, sheep & swine load at 3 pm but this may vary due to weather.
- All other animals MUST stay until 4:30 pm.

Exhibitor Wash Rack & Manure Bunker Info

All Dairy and Beef Exhibitors need to help in keeping the area between the wash rack, milking parlor, manure bunkers and barns clean. If your critter leaves a "Present" on the way to or from the wash rack or milking parlor, please come back to clean it up.

When you put your wheelbarrow into the bunker, please clean up the area around it and put it in as far as it can go. This area has become too littered with "Presents and Bedding" that are not being cleaned up. It will enhance our fair-goers experience to see a cleaner environment. We all need to be conscious of biosecurity for ourselves and fairgoers. Thank You!

Animal Information for the Fair-2023

Attention Dairy Exhibitors

A few reminders as you get ready for the fair:

- Check your animal for warts and ringworm. They won't be allowed to stay on the grounds if they have either.
- For warts, pull them off with pliers and give a shot of wart vaccine available from your vet.
- For ringworm see your vet NOW!
- Accurate animal numbers are important. If you have an animal that gets sick or injured after the pen numbers have been called in by your leader, please give Bob Traynor a call at 715-977-0499 before July 26th. The more accurate our numbers are when we measure barn space, the better it is for everyone.
- ALL CLIPPING CHUTES MUST BE OUTSIDE! NO EXCEPTIONS! After the shows on Saturday, load the chutes up and move them out of the area.

Milking Parlor Information

There will be posted hours when the milking parlor is open. Your cooperation is appreciated.

A reminder of early check-in of 3-8 p.m. on Wednesday night; the parlor is open Wednesday 5-8 p.m. Parlor clean-up will be at 11:00 p.m. on Saturday night. If you plan to go to the demo derby, either milk your cows before you go or arrange for someone to milk them for you. All of the parlor clean-up is voluntary. Any help with clean-up is welcome. A clean environment not only enhances our fairgoers' experience but speaks to the care your animals receive. Also, please be extremely careful to NOT add TREATED MILK and spoil the load. All necessary precautions must be taken.

Please report the number of pounds accurately, we are always over by several hundred pounds each year.

Crossover Animals If the same animal is shown in Junior and Open Class Dairy, you must tell the superintendent at check-in and the premium will only be awarded in Junior Fair.

Ethics Reminders

Ethics- What is it? - Knowing what is right from wrong. Moral philosophy and principles that identify actions as acceptable or unacceptable as generally observed by society. One way to help us decide is the black-and-white ethical compass- it has key questions that you should ask yourself when making a decision in regard to showing animals at the fair.

The questions are:

- Does this practice break Food and Drug Administration (FDA) law?
- Does the practice harm the animal?
- Does it falsely represent the animal?
- Would you need to lie to the judge to cover it up?
- Would consumers be upset if they knew about the practice?
- Does the practice make the animal or by-products unmarketable?
- Does the action represent the person you want to be?

Remember that your actions both in and outside of the ring represent both you and the Livestock industry. People notice your actions and judge the whole industry by them! The Jr. & Open Dairy Show Ring Policy will be enforced at the fair!

Please see page 19 in the Premium Book.

Barn Decorations

Barn decorations may be put up on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday from 2:00 – 9:00 p.m. No decorating in Silver Barn until Tuesday due to show conflict.

Decorations can be taken down after 4:30 p.m. on Sunday.

Sunday Barn Clean-Up

The Fairgrounds staff has requested that all animal exhibitors make a special effort to CLEAN UP all stalls, pens, and cages before leaving the grounds. All bedding should be pulled out at least 2 feet from the walls.

All excess manure & bedding must be cleaned up or your 4-H club may be charged for cleaning fees.

Any Questions for Fair Office

If you have questions, call Liz at 715-273-6874 or email her at liz.dietsche@co.pierce.wi.us.

Or visit the website <https://www.co.pierce.wi.us/departments/fair/index.php> Like the Pierce County Fair on Facebook - Pierce County Fair and Fairgrounds WI Instagram - piercecountyfairwi

Animal Information for the Fair-2023

Feed Drop off Limited Parking

Please be considerate of the Fair's limited parking space when loading or unloading feed near the barns. Do not take more than 20 minutes if possible before moving your vehicle to a designated parking spot. This will help with overall traffic flow and allow everyone to enjoy the Fair. With limited barn space, only bring what you need. It is possible that you may have to store hay and bedding outside, we recommend bringing a tarp to protect from rain. Please keep our grounds looking neat.

Auction Animals Must Be Ready Friday Afternoon

All 2023 Pierce County Fair Auction participants MUST have their animals fit and ready to go by 5 pm on Friday, August 11th. Buyers will be arriving shortly before 5 pm. Auction participants check with the Livestock Committee for procedures regarding entering and exiting the sales ring. Please have your animal and yourself ready to talk with buyers by 5 pm.

Carcass Show

The Carcass Show will be held on August 23rd at the Seyforth Building at the Pierce County Fairgrounds, at 7:30 p.m. Everyone will receive their ribbons and oral reasons will be given by the judge. Anyone having a carcass animal needs to attend that evening in order to receive his or her premium. Please bring a thank you note with an addressed envelope for your buyer and contending bidder to the Carcass Show in order to get your check.

Animal Bedding

Animal Exhibitors are required to bring their own bedding. Due to space constraints bring only what you will be using.

Attention Livestock Exhibitors

Policy for Feeding and Watering Exhibitors are responsible for feeding and watering their beef/sheep/swine throughout the entire fair. All animals are to be fed by 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. daily. The Livestock Committee & the fair have adopted a policy known as the 3-strike rule. This rule (the condition of animals is periodically checked and strikes will be issued each time improper care of your animal is observed) regarding feeding/watering will be enforced. After the third strike, your premium for this project will be forfeited and you will not be able to show this animal species at the fair next year. All animal areas including Dairy, Goat, Horse, Rabbit, and Poultry as well as Livestock should follow the feeding and watering guidelines. If you have questions about this rule, please contact the superintendent of your species area.

Animal Care at the Fair

Safe, clean transportation must be provided (make sure that all trailers are kept clean and extremely safe.) Biosecurity is everyone's concern.

- Wash your animals at home first. Do not bring dirty animals to the fair.
- Animals are WELL TRAINED and (if applicable) HALTER BROKEN.
- Clean, fresh water is available for all animals.
- Manure/ waste is promptly disposed of. Keep the bunker area clean, also around the barn and to and from the milking parlor.
- Each animal is housed with adequate space AND feed is provided for all of the animals!
- Adequate animal washing, preparation, and showing techniques are followed throughout the show day. (Make sure blocking and grooming chutes are safe and clean and will not cause injury to the animals.) All grooming shoots must be outside the barns. NO shoots are allowed in barns.
- Animal show preparation includes no practices that cause undue stress (absolutely no prodding, kicking, whipping, or hitting).
- A veterinarian is on call and makes periodic checks of all animals. - Adequate ventilation and protection from severe weather is provided for all animals.

Pierce County Livestock Committee Meeting

Our next meeting will be held on Monday, August 28, 2023, at 7pm at the Ellsworth High School.

Be sure to follow us on Facebook &/or Instagram or check out our website at: www.piercecountylivestock.weebly.com for more events that may pop up between newsletters. As always, feel free to email the livestock committee if you have questions. Our email is: piercecountylivestockcommittee@gmail.com



Shooting Sports Info

Pre-Registration, Fee Information & the Pierce County 4-H Shooting Sports Handbook

All enrolled shooting sports members were sent an email with pre-registration information & the new Pierce County 4-H Shooting Sports Handbook. This handbook will have all the information members need about the shooting sports project areas. It will also have a few forms that need to be filled out and returned along with the small fee (\$10/person or a family cap of \$30) to help offset the cost of insurance & supplies. If you did not receive this email please contact us at piercecounty4hshootingports@gmail.com. **This must be completed before competing at the fair & powder-burning competitions.**

IMPORTANT-PLEASE READ

Appropriate 4-H dress code and footwear will be enforced for all remaining practices & competitions. No short shorts (must be past the fingertips), spaghetti straps, or inappropriate logos, etc. Must wear closed-toed shoes. No sandals or Crocs allowed. Long hair should be pulled back.

Practice Fair Shoot for Archery, Air Pistol & in Rifle

Thursday, August 3rd, 6:30-8:30 pm Drewiske Building - PC Fairgrounds

- Open ONLY to those entered in a bullseye or silhouette shoot for the archery, air rifle &/OR disciplines for the fair!
- This will count as a practice for those of you who may need it.
- There will NOT be an advance sign-up for this event. It will be first come, first served & shooting time may be limited. You MUST sign in for each discipline you are shooting.
- Come ready to shoot. Instructors will not be available to move sights, work on bows, or do adjustments. This must be done BEFORE you come!
- Pierce County Air Rifle & Air Pistols must be used for all fair events
- We will be practicing with bull targets only - There will not be silhouettes for practicing at this event.

1st Annual Powderburning Competition - Saturday, August 6th

- ALL Powder Burning Events - Muzzleloader, Shotgun, .22 Rifle & .22 Pistol

♣ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST BE:

1. **PRE-REGISTERED ON THE GOOGLE FORM** that was sent out to all enrolled members.
2. **Have participated in at least one practice for each discipline they plan to attend.**
3. **Have completed all required shooting sports paperwork.**
4. **Paid the project fee.**

River Falls Sportsmen's Club, 1130 - Rifle Range Road, River Falls, WI 54022 Registration 9 am-noon.

Shooting begins at 9 am.

- Ranges will be open 9 am-3 pm (unless otherwise noted). If you are shooting multiple disciplines, please plan accordingly. DO NOT wait until the last minute to register & begin shooting!
- If you have other Fair events that you need to attend this day, PLEASE LET US KNOW IN ADVANCE

*****ALL TIMES ARE TENTATIVE & SUBJECT TO CHANGE. You will be notified via email of any changes*****

- Muzzleloader (100-yard range). Approximate range times to begin at 9 am, 11 am & 1 pm (only if needed). There is only room for FOUR shooters at a time. A pre-registration will be sent out for this discipline ONLY so we can plan accordingly.
- Shotgun: (Trap range) Throughout the day, as lines fill. We will try to run full lines as much as possible.
- Smallbore .22 Rifle Bullseye Shoot (50 yard range) - last line to begin at 1PM
- Smallbore .22 Pistol (50 yard range)
- Smallbore .22 Rifle Silhouettes (50 yard range) - following the Bullseye Target Shoot, approx 2PM

Fair Shoot Schedules: Dep 16J Classes R-V

Again, Please read the complete list of the Fair Shoot rules & descriptions for these classes in your Pierce County Fair Book.

*****BE SURE TO HAVE YOUR ENTRY TAGS ALONG WHEN YOU COME TO SHOOT*****

Sunday, August 7th

- ALL Archery, Air Pistol, and Air Rifle target competitions-(*Bullseye AND Silhouettes*).

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Drewiske - Archery Events. Shooting begins at 9 am

Arena - Air Rifle and Air Pistol Events. Shooting begins as lines are filled.

- **Registration FOR ALL events: 9 am-1 pm in the Drewiske Barn**

Tuesday, August 9th

- Dept 16J Class AA: Wildlife/Ecology Challenge

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Seyforth Building- Check-in Between 1-7 pm, allow 30-45 minutes to complete.

Register with Peggy Larson in the Cultural Arts Dept.

If you have any questions about shooting sports please feel free to email us at: piercecounty4hshootingsports@gmail.com or by calling Kevin & Peggy Larson at 715-778-4737 or Brian & Deanna Hines @ 715-273-4583.



Ean, Jaci & Ty Mader & Elizabeth Sammon at Powder Burning Day at the Shawano Shoot

Sam & Noah Hines at Archery Day at the Shawano Shoot



Audrey Christianson, Sam & Noah Hines & Brooke Meyer at the Triple Crown at Marshfield

Brooke Meyer at the Triple Blast at Marshfield



NOTES FROM THE PIERCE COUNTY FAIR – AUGUST 2023



We are excited for the upcoming fair! We have listed some details for the fair; however, **please refer to July's**

Informant for all the details!

100 Volunteers Needed - We Need Your Help at the Fair!

The fair is approaching fast, and the time has come to recruit volunteers to help out in project areas at the fair.

PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE help us out. We need helpers in every area. From the Cat Show on Friday, August 5th, to Friday of the Fair, August 11th. We especially need help during entry and judging days on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday of the fair (August 8th-10th).

Helping at the fair looks great on record books, and Award Trip forms, a great way to help out in the community.

Also, if you're an adult looking for a way to spend some time we need Front Desk Helpers! Basically. We have made it easy – go to Sign Up Genius at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c094aa4ab2aa4f9c07-fair#/>

If you aren't able to use the link, you may email or telephone Ashley Plahn. In your email, please include the day, time, and departments in which you wish to help along with a daytime phone number! Thank you in advance!

ashley.plahn@co.pierce.wi.us 715-273-6874 x 6599

4-H Fair Signs

Thank you to the following 4-H clubs for advertising the fair! Your artwork and is incredible! We LOVE it!

- Big River Defenders
- Country Partners
- Denim 'N Dust
- Elm Valley Patriots
- Falcon Falls
- Fancy Doers
- Maiden Rock Rockets
- Martell Rushers
- Merri Heirs
- Olivet Otters
- Soaring Eagles
- Town and Country

If we have missed anyone, please let us know by emailing liz.dietsche@co.pierce.wi.us

Fair Exhibit Tag Pick-Up

ALL Fair tags (Jr. Fair and Open) will be available for pick up at the FAIR OFFICE in the Seyforth Building ON THE FAIRGROUNDS during the following hours:

- Starting Friday, July 21st – Friday, August 4th – 10am – 4pm.

Extra Hours for Pick-up:

- Saturday – August 5th – 7:30am – 12pm
- Sunday – August 6th – 8:30am – 10:30am
- Monday, August 7th – 8:30am – 6pm
- Tuesday, August 8th – 8:30am – 8pm
- Wednesday, August 9th – 8am – 8pm

Make a plan to pick up your exhibit tags. Check with club leaders as some do pick up the entire club tags to have available at upcoming meetings. Exhibit tags and passes will be in the same envelope. Season passes are not replaceable if lost, so please keep track of them.

Pick up your exhibit tags early and review them for errors. **DON'T WAIT!!** If there is an error, contact the Fair Office immediately at 715.273.6874. This year we are printing tags in batches; so, if you need them in a rush we are not able to accommodate quick turnarounds. Please check ahead of your show.

- If there is a fair administration error, you will receive a PINK Correction Form and receive a full premium.
- If you, the exhibitor, change classes, but the entry tag matches your entry form, you will receive a BLUE Correction Form. You can show for the correct ribbon but will receive a pink premium and not be in consideration for Champion.

Each exhibit must have a tag. Be sure to follow the instructions in the Premium Book in displaying your tag. Superintendents and helpers are available only in the timelines indicated in the Premium Book on pages 2-5.

Pierce County Fair Talent Show

So many of you have some great talent that should be shared with all of us! We have the Talent Show on Thursday, August 10th at 6:30 pm with finals on Saturday, August 12th at 11 am. To learn more, go to:

www.co.pierce.wi.us/fair/events. All ages may compete for \$250 first place and \$100 runner-up!

Judging and What It Means

We want everyone to remember that competition is fun; however, the most important aspect is fostering learning and a lifelong love for the project areas exhibited. The judges are doing their best and we expect our exhibitors to give them the respect and appreciation they deserve. Many do this as a gift to the next generation. Take what is learned and develop it. Please thank these judges as they work diligently at each fair they are at.

We wish you all the best of luck and we will see you at the Pierce County Fair!



Hello All Volunteers, 4-H Youth, and Families,
The Pierce County Fair is quickly approaching, Are you ready for all of the fun, learning, exhibiting, and growth that we will see here in Pierce County? I am excited to come and encourage, help, and see all of the hard work that the youth and volunteers have done this past year to prepare for the fair. If you have read this far, maybe you will be the first person to call April and say that you saw this here in the newsletter, because if you do, you will win a very nice prize!!! What is the prize you may ask? You will have to call April to find out! Where is her phone number? It is on the front page of this newsletter.

There is a lot in this newsletter. Make sure to read everything! All of it will help everyone have a great fair. For your viewing pleasure, here is a photo of me snuggling a cow as a little girl.



April Daniels
Pierce County 4-H Educator

KEEP CALM



IT'S FAIR WEEK

So what is a Fair?

Fairs are for everyone. Not just 4-H members, but other youth groups, leaders, parents, friends, relatives, and everyone who attends the fair.

Fairs are fun and a place to meet new friends. Playing and working together at the Fair leads to stronger friendships within and beyond the local 4-H club.

Fairs provide a place for displaying project work. The fair gives youth a chance to show off skills and lets everyone know what 4-Hers learn and can do.

Fairs are for learning. Whether you receive a blue or pink ribbon, it's what you learn at the fair that's important. Be sure to keep your ears and mind open when the judges are speaking to you. The judges are teachers, interested in helping you learn.

Fairs provide a place to experience competition. The fair lets youth see standards of excellence and try their skills at matching or exceeding them. In face-to-face judging, members aren't compared against one another, but rather against standards of excellence and against their own goals.

Fairs give a person the opportunity to develop confidence. By exhibiting their project work and talking with a judge or a fair visitor about their exhibit, youth have a chance to feel good about what they've been able to do during the year.

Fairs provide a place for new ideas. Many youth see what others have done and this leads to many decisions, perhaps trying a different 4-H project the following year (many adult leaders get ideas for next year too).

Always keep in mind: You are a WINNER when you do your best, have fun, make new friends, and learn a lot by just being involved.

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