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4-H Connections

Madison County

October 2020

Junior Conference ~ Nov. 7-8 | Rock Eagle Rally ~ Nov. 19 | Senior Fall Forum ~ Dec. 12

Junior Conference is for 6th-8th graders and held annually at Rock Eagle 4-H Center, these two-day recreational & educational opportunities planned for 4-H'ers in the 6th -8th grades and 9th – 12th grades. The weekend includes a mix of workshops & education sessions, along with opportunities for community service & exhibits. Recreational programs for 4-H'ers are included to allow 4-H'ers to interact with youth from all over Georgia. Community service, & recreation, and a great performance from Georgia 4-H Performing Arts Clovers & Co. Learn more about 4-H opportunities and project work through the exhibits. We also have fun workshops and educational sessions.

Rock Eagle Rally is for 4th-6th graders and held at Rock Eagle 4-H Center after school. More information is available in the flyer.

Senior Fall Forum is for 9th-12 graders and is also held at Rock Eagle 4-H Center. This is a weekend packed with great experiences as well.

Registration is at 4-H office & is first-come, first-serve. Call 706-795-2281 for more info! Junior Conference Early Bird Registration ends soon, Rock Eagle Rally registration ends Oct. 15 and Senior Fall Forum Early Bird Registration ends in November. Check 4-H flyers for the details.

Opportunities at a Glance

- Equestrian & Project Clubs—all year
- Project Achievement—Aug-Mar**
- Consumer Judging—Sept-Nov**
- Horse Quiz Bowl—Oct-Jan**
- Wildlife Judging—Jan-Apr
- Hippology—Feb-Apr
- Poultry Judging—Feb-May
- Summer Camp—Jun/Jul
- S.A.F.E. Shooting Sports—call the office for more information

Stay Connected!

Website:

<https://extension.uga.edu/county-offices/madison/4-h-youth-development.html>

Facebook:

@UGAExtensionMadisonCounty

Monthly Newsletter: Passed out in club meetings and posted on our website

Georgia 4-H: georgia4h.org or facebook.com/georgia4h

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November 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Equestrian Drill Team	2 Comer Club Mtgs Consumer Judging Contest	3 Colbert Club Mtgs	4 Colt Club Mtgs	5 Ila Club Mtgs Horse Quiz Bowl	6	7 Junior Conference
8 Junior Conference Equestrian Drill Team	9 	10 MCMS Club Mtgs	11	12 Horse Quiz Bowl	13	14
15 Equestrian Drill Team	16	17	18	19 Horse Quiz Bowl	20	21
22 Equestrian Drill Team	23	24	25	26 	27	28
29 Equestrian Drill Team	30					



AWARD CELEBRATION

The 2019-2020 Virtual Awards Cloverleaf, Junior and Senior Celebration announcement on October 11th! Come to the 4-H office to pick up your awards packets beginning October 13th!

4-H "RICH" ANNUAL KICK-OFF

All 6th-12th grade students and their families are invited to our 4-H RICH kick-off on Sunday, October 11, 2020 from 6:30pm-9:00 pm. During this event, we will listen to board campaign speeches, elect officers and enjoy a movie and games (under the stars). Check flyer for more information.

FRUIT TREE SALE

Our 4-H Fundraiser

The Madison County Extension Office and 4-H annual fundraiser is happening now! Several varieties are available. Visit <https://t.uga.edu/6i5> for more information. Share this information with others! See the flyer for details.

MADISON COUNTY 4-H RIVERS ALIVE & ADOPT A ROAD

The Madison County 4-H and Keep Madison Clean and Beautiful will sponsor our annual River's Alive program on Saturday, Oct. 24 from 9 until 11am at Fred Goss Road in Colbert. Call to sign up!



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Look What's COMING UP

GEORGIA NATIONAL AND ELBERTON FAIRS—October

Georgia National Fair Livestock Shows (October 8-11/15-18) and Elberton Fair Exhibits (October 10)

Start working on those craft projects, canned goods, etc. so you will have a good showing! Contact our office for more details.

EQUESTRIAN DRILL TEAM—beginning October 4!

Held Sundays at 3:00pm at Dancing Tree Farms for members. Call to sign up!

SCHOOL OFFICERS— October Club Meeting Election

5th-8th grade 4-H'ers...it is time to campaign and begin training for elected students on Tuesday, October 27 at 6:30pm.

COUNTY COUNCIL— Applications Due Oct. 7

Are you interested in serving on the County Council? Applications can be picked up at the 4-H office. Deadline to apply is October 7th and campaigning will be during the 4-H Kick-off on October 11th. All candidates must prepare a 1 minute campaign speech with a poster (no larger than 1/2 poster board).

HORSE QUIZ BOWL & CONSUMER JUDGING—Beginning soon!

Weekly study practices for Consumer Judging is held each Tuesday. Horse Quiz Bowl practices are on Thursdays beginning October 22nd. Please call to sign up.

DISTRICT PROJECT ACHIEVEMENT PORTFOLIO DEADLINE —

Call the 4-H office to pick up a packet to help out with this process required for Junior/Senior District Project Achievement

EVENTS FOR ALL GROUPS

competitors. Remember to keep a detailed record of all events you have been involved in and ones you are using for project sharing! Final completed portfolio is due Friday, December 18th. No late portfolios! Call the 4-H office for other important dates.

4-H CLASS PRESENTATIONS—Monthly

Each month, 4-H'ers are asked to present illustrated presentations during their 4-H club meeting. This can be a past or present school project, 4-H project, hobby, or something of interest. All presentations must include one or more visuals. These are worth 5 points but remember:

1. Choose a topic that interests you
2. Keep it simple...3-5 minutes max
3. Research your topic thoroughly
4. Provide visual aids
5. Have FUN

Can be presented on posters or using google slides.

Giving a 4-H presentation is a fun way to share your interests with your friends and earn 4-H points!

TRICK/TREAT CANDY DONATIONS—deadline October 23

Donate a bag of individually wrapped candy (no nuts or peanut butter) for the Head Start goodie bags and earn 5 4-H Points. This community service project aims to provide children with trick or treating safety rules.

CLUB NEWS

4TH-6TH GRADES—Cloverleaf

Cloverleaf points...you received a pamphlet at your classroom meeting. This Cloverleaf Point Pamphlet explains the items we collect toward a reward trip in. Your leaders went over this during your club meeting. Be sure you have taken it home for your parents to review and sign. Once it is signed by your parents and 4-H leaders, this becomes your record of points you earn. All points are due Monday, April 26, 2021. All drop offs for points need to be at the 4-H office or in the 4-H box at your school.

7TH-8TH GRADES—Junior 4-H'ers

Junior Points...you should receive a pamphlet at your meeting. This Junior Point

Pamphlet explains point earning activities toward the reward trip in May. Be sure to take it home for your parents to review and sign. All points are due Monday, April 26, 2021. All drop offs for points need to be at the 4-H office or brought to Leaders at 4-H meeting.

9TH-12TH GRADES—Senior 4-H'ers

Certified Teen Leader Name Tags...if you have been trained as a Certified Teen Leader and would like to purchase a nametag, come in and pay the \$10 fee. Remember that these nametags are for you to wear at County, District or State events. Orders and money are due.

OCTOBER DATES

October 1st
Award Celebration

October 8th
Elberton 12 County Fair Exhibits

October 15th
Rock Eagle Rally & JR Conf. Reg. Deadlines

October 8th—10th
October 15th—17th
Georgia National Fair Livestock Shows

October 22
STEM Challenge

October 24
River Cleanup & Adopt a Road

October 27
Officer's Training

CONGRATULATIONS

We take this time to show how proud we are of our 4-H'ers and their accomplishments!



MADISON COUNTY LIVESTOCK SHOW 4-H'ERS—

Congratulations for great showmanship at local and state shows that were recently held. Please send photos of your events to dwofford@uga.edu!

MADISON COUNTY 4-H AWARDS RECIPIENTS We are so proud of the great job each and every one of our students are doing at district 4-H Contests and Events during the past school year! Special Award recipients should receive the video link in the mail and notification to come by the office to pick up their awards.

SRTLCL CLASS INSTRUCTORS AND SRTLCL COMMITTEE MEMBERS Parker Varnadoe served as a part of the planning committee for this and helped lead activities during the SRTLCL virtual weekend. Clayton Adams, Michelle Perry and Alyssa Goldman served as class instructors and exhibitors and Elise Spark also served as an exhibitor.

HOLIDAY CARDS Thank you to all that turned in Holiday Card designs. Georgia 4-H is most appreciative. Check with us later for the naming of the state winner!

STATE FOOD CHALLENGE CONTEST

Congratulations to our State Food Challenge teams. Our 7th-

8th Grade Team (*Harper Clarke, CA Duncan, and Abbigail Parham*) placed 2nd and 9th-12th Grade Team (*Tyler Guest, Sophie Merka, Michelle Perry, and Elise Sparks*) placed 4th. Congrats on a job well done!

FAIR COMMUNITY BOOTHS CONGRATS Madison County 4-H placed 1st and 4-H Robotics placed 3rd in the Youth Commercial Fair Exhibits at the Madison County Fair. A big thank you to all that helped with the design and construction!

NATIONAL TARGET SPORTS and GEORGIA 4-H AMBASSADORS

Congratulations to five students who have completed training as Ambassadors. Parker Varnadoe is serving as a National Target Sports Ambassador and Clayton Adams, Alyssa Goldman, Alexis Gross, Tyler Guest, Elise Sparks and Parker Varnadoe are serving as either STEM, POLLINATOR, HEALTHY LIFESTYLES or READY FOR LIFE Ambassadors.

NATIONAL 4-H STEM CHALLENGE



This annual initiative inspired youth everywhere to take an interest in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) through hands-on learning. This year's fun, accessible challenge involves Mars and will show how STEM skills can be applied to the world around you. Save the date of Thursday, October 22, 2020! Students can drop in to experience STEM exhibits from 4:00-6:30pm. Sign in and earn 10 4-H Points

PROJECT SAFE



This 2020-2022 year, we'll offer three Project SAFE teams; students will learn important safety rules and practice target shooting. Archery, BB teams, and Shotgun teams have parent/student informational meetings. Packets and info/requirements are available at the 4-H office. Check the flyers for times and locations. The BB team is only open to 4th-9th graders and Archery team is open to 4th-12th graders. The Shotgun team is only open to 7th-12th graders.

Return this signed portion of the Clover Connection verifying that you and your parents read the newsletter to receive points.

October 2020

4-H'er signature (you) _____
School Club _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

