



Cassia Clover Chronicles

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EXCITING TIMES AHEAD!

By: Rosie Davids, 4-H Youth Development Coordinator

First of all, I would like to take a moment in thanking all of you 4-H Volunteers, families, and members for being so patient this last year with the struggles we have had with the 4-H enrollment program. We really did feel your pain and frustration with this (supposedly) updated and improved program.

The exciting thing is we are now in one system and not multiple locations for enrollments, record books, newsletters, etc. October 4th was the day that everyone could start enrolling. If you had a Zsuites account previously for record books, that log information is still the same. The new part is that 4-H Volunteers and 4-H families will need to enroll each person who is participating in the Cassia County 4-H program.

For those of you that have not created a log in or have not accessed Zsuites, here is the link: <https://4h.zsuite.org/>

4-H Volunteers, nothing has changed from the previous years in that all returning 4-H Volunteers:

- ~ **Must** be enrolled in Zsuites
- ~ Protecting Minors Training or background checks that have hit the 3rd year mark are updated
- ~ Fees paid to the Extension Office by December 1st

Remember if this is not done, returning 4-H volunteers will need to go through the new 4-H Volunteer process which includes training and references for the Idaho 4-H Youth Development Program in Cassia County.

As a reminder, no clubs should be meeting unless enrollments are done and fees are paid. This goes throughout the current 4-H year. Those individuals who are not enrolled **WILL NOT BE COVERED BY INSURANCE** and **YOU AS VOLUNTEERS ALONG WITH OUR OFFICE WILL BE LIABLE.**

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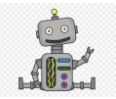





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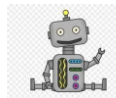











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Dates to Remember

- 1 - Club Financial Forms Due
- 5, 12, 19 - Candy Class
10 AM - Noon
- 5, 12, 19 - Winter STEAM Class
9:30 - 11:30 AM
- 9, 16, 23, 30 - Robotics
4:15 - 6:15 PM
- 25 - Thanksgiving, Office Closed
- 26 - Office Closed

December

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Dates to Remember

- 1 - **Leader Registration Deadline**
- 3, 10, 17 - Candy Class
10 AM - Noon
- 3, 10, 17 - Winter STEAM Class
9:30 - 11:30 AM
- 7, 14, 21 - Robotics
4:15 - 6:15 PM
- 24 - Jan 3: Office Closed
- 25 - Christmas

Volunteer Corner

CURRENT & NEW VOLUNTEERS

All Volunteers are required to complete the Protecting Minors Training (every 3 years) and any volunteer who does not complete it will **not** be considered a valid leader.

Currently Certified Volunteers are asked to successfully complete a background screen every 3 years. Please note that University of Idaho and Idaho 4-H also reserve the option to request a screen at any time if they determine it is needed or warranted.

~ If a successful background screen was completed in the 2018-2020 years, you do not need to complete another screen for the 2021-2022 4-H year, unless requested to do so by the University or Extension staff.

~ If there is any change in your background status during the 3-year time frame, it is your responsibility to inform the Idaho 4-H/Extension staff in your county immediately. Failure to do so may result in the loss of your volunteer status with Idaho 4-H.

New Volunteer Applicants must complete a background screen at the time of application, regardless of the time of year. If a non-certified volunteer moves into a position or role where they may have the opportunity to be alone with youth in an unsupervised setting, a current screen will be required, in addition to any other requirements.

New Volunteer applications and references must be turned in before new training can be taken.

New Volunteer Training: Watch for upcoming Trainings

ZSUITE Family Training

Share link & password below with your families for enrollment training

https://uidaho.zoom.us/rec/share/4y7jTKutwB-g6PeqrxFmzq8_momBzleSINWSJn9jxxPEegEYScVUNjSigqWUUKxX.jK9DlbE59X5bz8Jz?startTime=1634688054000

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Club Financial Forms Due November 1

Club Status will be inactive until these forms are turned in. This means no one may enroll in Zsuites until your status changes.

Protecting Minors Training Every 3 years (YAY)

All currently certified
Volunteers
are good for 3 years
in Cassia County!

Adding Projects in ZSuites

It is **IMPORTANT** for every member and leader to add **ALL PROJECTS** they are planning to complete or lead **EACH YEAR**.

It is especially important this year, since **no projects will be in your profile** due to the new Zsuites Online.

Also, please make sure you add the correct number or years you have either taken or lead a project.

10-19-2021

Cassia County 4-H Volunteer Council Agenda Notes

7:30 p.m.

Clubs who had representation with someone attending, on Zoom, or asked a Proxy to vote: Bowtaculars, Cassia Creek, Rocky Mountain Show club, Shakes & Steaks, Cassia Classics, New View, Redneck Wranglers, Springdale Acres, Cousins & Critters, Dairy Queens, Dudes & Dolls, Backyard Kids, Black Sheep Squadron, Makin' Tracks, Jeans N' Boots & Country Roots.

Clubs who did not have representation at the meeting: Albion Patriots, Practice Makes Perfect, Almo Hustlers, Oakley Valley Beef, A to Z, Oakley Valley 4-H, Wild Bunch, Awesome Possums, Bovine Beauticians, Kids N' Kountry, Whatchamacallits, Young Riders, A Little of This N' That, Hillside Wonders.

Fairboard in Attendance: Todd Powers

4-H office in Attendance: Dena Jarolimek, Rosie Davids & Joel Packham

Species Superintendents in attendance: Lane Schumann (Beef), Kirbi Sharp (Sheep), Roxanne Beck (Dairy), Dr Kristi Thompson (Dog), Dr. John Garrard (Swine), Rick Robinson (Horse)

Welcome: President Ryan Taylor. Called the meeting to order at 7:31 pm.

Pledges: Were recited by those in attendance.

Treasurers Report: Amy Blauer was not able to attend but it was reported there is a balance in the account of \$14,489.25. Thank you to Amy for getting the tax form turned in that was due.

Ratify September Minutes: It was voted unanimously to accept the minutes as recorded.

Old Business:

1. Zsuites is open for enrollment. If you are a volunteer, you need to add yourself under household. Read carefully what you are signing. Enrollment is not complete until all dues and fees are paid. Volunteers, please enroll by **Dec. 1st**. If you need any help, give us a call at 878.9461. **This may be a little confusing to you. Call the office and ask questions if needed.**

2. KYG 2022 will be held February 19-21st. This is for youth in 8th and 9th grades. For more information, please contact Rosie. **Those kids that have been in the past say it was a good experience. Encourage others to go.**

3. Please turn in your club financial report if you haven't done so already. **Get it done!**

New Business:

1. Vote on Presidency. **The floor was turned to Rosie to conduct elections.**

Names submitted last month:

- a. President-Ryan Taylor
- b. Vice President-Dan Gammon
- c. Secretary-Sally Ottley
- d. Treasurer-Amy Blauer

Remember, if you nominate someone from the floor, they need to be a leader in good standing and be present at the meeting or have talked directly to Rosie giving their consent to be nominated.

Names submitted to the 4H office to also go on the ballot:

President: Mackensey Priest

Vice President: Tim Lynch.

Erin Larson made a motion to close nominations. Tom Ottley seconded it. Vote was unanimous to close nominations.

Candidates were asked to step out in the hall while elections were held. We did a roll call of all clubs in attendance.

The vote was 10 Votes for Ryan Taylor and 5 Votes for Mackensey Priest. Dakota Wankier verified the votes. Ryan Taylor will be next years' President.

The vote for Vice President was 11 votes for Dan Gammon and 4 votes for Tim Lynch. The vote was verified by Rosie's count on the whiteboard. Dan Gammon will be next year's Vice President.

There was no one running against Secretary position, Sally Ottley or Treasurer position, Amy Blauer.

They will be in next year's positions.

Mackensey & Tim were thanked for running on the ballot as we usually don't have a run-off.

2. Do we want to have a meeting in November? If so, it will need to be held on Tuesday, Nov. 9th or the 23rd at 7:30 p.m. with FCS at 6:45 p.m. Also, do we want to hold a meeting in January 2022? It would be on January 18th. It was agreed not to have a meeting in November but to have one in January to learn about things the Livestock Committee decided at their meeting in November.

General Specie Meeting: to follow general meeting

1. Tabled from last meeting:

a. Mackensey Priest: Motion to throw out the ADG on every specie and go with the market standards.

This motion is null as according to our 4H Bylaws, it states in section II that each active club is to have one vote pertaining to that specie that they are involved in. The sheep club can't vote on beef club issues. Those things should be brought up in individual species meetings & discussed to take their recommendations to the Livestock Committee or Fairboard. The sheep species did have their species meeting and Supt. Sharp will take their suggestions to the Livestock Committee. They are included below for everyone's reference.

2. At sheep specie meeting, it was proposed to change their ADG from .50 to .40. This was in accordance to what was found on the U of I website. They want it dropped to help make it more fair for the kids and keep sheep in the show that are in good market shape. It is still above the standards of the other species.

3. Sheep will do ultrasounds again this year. Joel Packham, please note and put this on your calendar.

4. First sheep weigh in will be on May 17th - This is usually set by the Superintendents and is usually kept the same as the year before. Other Superintendents that were at the meeting confirmed their dates will be the same.

5. Runners for the Dairy Sale and Saturday Sale-Will have sign-up sheet for youth 12 and over to help with both of the sales. Hopefully 8 youth so we can have 6 at all times or we can set this up on a specie rotation from year to year. It is not sure how many queen contestants will be there to help next year. The contestants this year were very good to help. It was noted that it was a little difficult finding who to get the signatures from for the sale cards. If Leaders can also come in and help spot for the kids it would be nice.

This year, Dena asked for some help and didn't get it. Usually, it's the same kids year after year that have helped but those kids are aging out.

It was suggested that if those kids that are 12 & older that have already sold will come back in to help, it would be great. Look at it as an opportunity to help out and interact with the buyers. FFA kids would be encouraged to help as well. It was suggested to bring this up at the summer meeting before Fair to help remind Leaders to get kids to help.

6. Dog Concerns-Dog leaders, please plan on staying after this meeting to go over. See notes below.

7. Dave Andreason added that they would like to get carcass data for the Beef. For their contest with the Cassia Born & Raised, they need the data from carcasses to be able to award the winners. Dave wanted to propose that families or individuals be allowed to buy the calves directly from the floor buyer. Policy & Procedure for 4-H may not allow this. It was recommended that Dave get with Dan Gammon who is the representative on the Market Animal Sale committee and see what they say. The agenda is going out soon for their meeting coming up, so need to get on this.

The motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Tom Ottley at 8:10 pm. Makensie Priest seconded. It was a unanimous decision.


No FCS Meeting this month

4H meeting discussing Dog issues that had been brought up.

Those in attendance: Ryan Taylor, Dan Gammon, Sally Ottley, Brandy Taylor, Brenton Holt, Heather Waters, Dr. Kristi Thompson, Dena Jarolimek, Rosie Davids, Todd Powers.

Concerns:

1. We need to make a ruling that the dog cannot weigh more than the 4H child. If they do, they can have the option to prove to the superintendent that they have control of the animal. So a couple weeks before the fair they could bring the animal and prove it to them that the dog is under control. It was discussed to hold a clinic a couple weeks before to give them tips and see how the kids are coming with their projects. It is also something the Leader needs to handle if they know it is not a good situation. It was suggested not to wait until right before Fair as that is not right for the kids to do all the work clear until the end and then be told they can't participate. An example was given of how it works for steers. They have a score given at the 1st weigh in and then they have to get a better score at the end weigh in. The Superintendent and Judge also have the authority to pull out an exhibitor or animal if they feel it is unsafe to others.
2. Is the weight/pause table necessary? I think it should be taken out of the agility part and we should add in one or two more obstacles, like the U-shaped tunnel or a small A-frame. The u-Shaped tunnel has not been a favorite of clubs in the past. The Superintendent usually set the course, or the Judge could. Talk to the Fairboard for other equipment if needed. The 4-H doesn't get species \$ anymore, so we don't have the funds to purchase more.

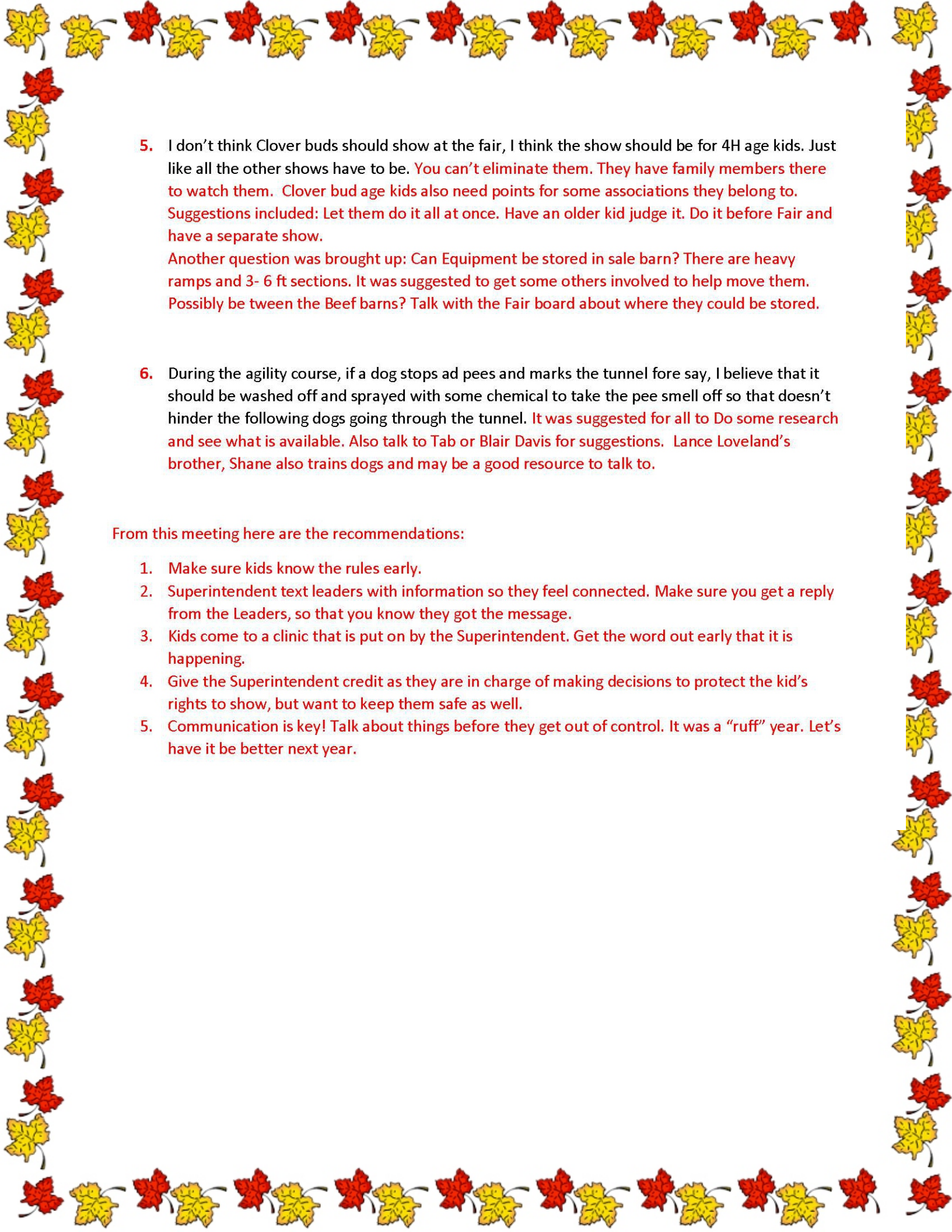
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3. If the weight/pause table remains in agility course, the person running the timer needs to be much more vocal or we need a great big timer that the 4-h participant can actually see. A clarification was asked for on the time. Is it 3 seconds or 5 seconds? This needs to be known ahead of time for the kids to be able to practice. Next year it will be 5 seconds. Last year the judge manually counted. This year they had a timer, but it was noted it needed to be louder on the "GO" command. Kids need to wait to hear the "GO" command. More communication ahead of time would be nice to the 4h clubs.
 4. The showmanship portion of the show, should actually be more important than it was this year. They should have a chance to actually show their animals, and we need a judge who knows what the heck he's talking about or looking for. This year the judge actually told the 4H participant he was scared of the Big Dane. The feeling was that a lot of the issues at the show this year were due to the Judge. Fairboard member Todd Powers said this judge will not be back next year. If you have names to suggest, please submit them to the Fairboard. It was suggested that Tab be asked again. It was asked if they could possibly switch judges back & forth. Showmanship for 2, Obedience for 2. Agility is optional, not required. Could there be different shows on different days? The show is typically done on Tuesday morning, but that may change.

Unruly animals should be disqualified like they were supposed to be disqualified, but this year they were not disqualified. The dog did not snap at other dogs, but he tried to bite his owner 3 different times sitting at the show. And I do not believe that if two dogs fight that both dogs should be disqualified, because there will clearly be an aggressive dog and a receiving dog and the aggressor should be the one that is removed. It is not a bite rule, but a fight rule. It says that there is 0 tolerance for fighting and it's the handler's responsibility to keep it under control. In the past if they fight, both dogs have been kicked out, regardless of who started it. It can be difficult to keep them apart when there are several dogs in the ring at the same time and in the staging area together. It is the Superintendent's call if the dog should be dismissed, or the judge can also dismiss unruly animals. Superintendent Thompson said it is the owner's responsibility to move away or put them away in crates.

It was voiced by some in attendance that with the dog nipping at his owner, shouldn't have won the show. Part of the issue was there were only 8 dogs in the show. The year before there were 24 dogs. If there were only 2 in the class, it didn't give much choice of who to give it to.

The staging area may need to be looked at and allow for more space. They do need a cover for them in the staging area. The Fairboard member over this is Jeff Chatburn. May need to discuss more in depth with him. The child should stay with them in the bay, but what happens when they are there all day and need to leave to go to the bathroom. It was observed this year that there were some instances of kids being abusive to their animals when there was no parental or adult supervision. Parents have been asked to not be in the Staging area as in the past they have been rude to the other kids. It was stated that if there is a parent being abusive, they need to be dismissed.

Suggestion: Work with the Fair Board and use suggestions here to come ups with guidelines. Take out the Zero tolerance fighting policy.

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5. I don't think Clover buds should show at the fair, I think the show should be for 4H age kids. Just like all the other shows have to be. You can't eliminate them. They have family members there to watch them. Clover bud age kids also need points for some associations they belong to. Suggestions included: Let them do it all at once. Have an older kid judge it. Do it before Fair and have a separate show.

Another question was brought up: Can Equipment be stored in sale barn? There are heavy ramps and 3- 6 ft sections. It was suggested to get some others involved to help move them. Possibly between the Beef barns? Talk with the Fair board about where they could be stored.

6. During the agility course, if a dog stops and pees and marks the tunnel for example, I believe that it should be washed off and sprayed with some chemical to take the pee smell off so that doesn't hinder the following dogs going through the tunnel. It was suggested for all to Do some research and see what is available. Also talk to Tab or Blair Davis for suggestions. Lance Loveland's brother, Shane also trains dogs and may be a good resource to talk to.

From this meeting here are the recommendations:

1. Make sure kids know the rules early.
2. Superintendent text leaders with information so they feel connected. Make sure you get a reply from the Leaders, so that you know they got the message.
3. Kids come to a clinic that is put on by the Superintendent. Get the word out early that it is happening.
4. Give the Superintendent credit as they are in charge of making decisions to protect the kid's rights to show, but want to keep them safe as well.
5. Communication is key! Talk about things before they get out of control. It was a "ruff" year. Let's have it be better next year.

Complain! Complain! Complain!

It takes a disciplined spirit to endure the monastery on Mount Serat in Spain. One of the fundamental requirements of this religious order is that the young men must maintain silence. Opportunities to speak are scheduled once every two years, at which time they are allowed to speak only two words.

One young initiate in this religious order, who had completed his first two years of training, was invited by his superior to make his first two-word presentation. "Food terrible," he said.

Two years later the invitation was once again extended. The young man used this forum to exclaim, "Bed lumpy."

Arriving at his superior's office two years later he proclaimed, "I quit." The superior looked at this young man and said, "You know, it doesn't surprise me a bit. All you've done since you arrived is complain, complain, complain."

Exaggerated? Maybe. What if you were asked to share two words that describe your Life? Would your focus be the lumps, bumps, and unfairness, or are you committed to dwell on those things that are good, right and lovely?

"GRATITUDE IS THE HEALTHIEST OF ALL HUMAN EMOTIONS. THE MORE YOU EXPRESS GRATITUDE FOR WHAT YOU HAVE, THE MORE LIKELY YOU WILL HAVE EVEN MORE TO EXPRESS GRATITUDE FOR."

-ZIG ZIGLAR

Know Your Government (KYG) Conference

KYG Mission

Empowering youth to be well-informed citizens who are actively engaged in their communities and the world.

Conference

KYG is held each President's Day Weekend. The 2022 conference will be held in Boise on February 19-21. The conference is for youth in 8th & 9th grades. Youth will learn:

- How state government decision-making works.
- Influence state government.
- Learn how the state judicial system works.
- Find out how cases are brought to court.
- Observe the legislative process in action.
- Share ideas with legislators, judges and other elected officials.
- Have breakfast with legislators and judges.
- Meet teens from across the state.

More information concerning registration will be available soon. If you have a youth who may be interested in attending the 2022 KYG Conference contact Rosie at 208-878-9461 or rdavids@uidaho.edu



4-H Ambassador Events

4-H Ambassador Mission

4-H Ambassadors are youth leaders who promote 4-H using their skills, knowledge and leadership abilities. 4-H Ambassador strengthens 4-H through education, recruitment and public relations.

District Retreats

District 4-H Ambassador Retreats are geared for younger teens (grades 7 & up). Workshops focus on life skills with an annual theme (Head, Heart, Hands or Health).

The Central District Retreat will be held at the beautiful Albion Campus Retreat in Albion, Idaho, March 11 -13, 2022.

If you have youth you may be interested in becoming the best spokespersons for 4-H, contact Rosie at 208-878-9461 or rdavids@uidaho.edu for more information.

4-H Basics

The 4-H Symbol

A green 4 leaf clover with a white "H" on each of its leaves.



The 4-Hs

HEAD

HEART

HANDS

HEALTH

MOTTO

"To Make the Best Better"

SLOGAN

"Learn by Doing"

PLEDGE

I pledge my head to clearer thinking, My heart to greater loyalty, My hands to larger service, And my health to better living, For my club, my community, my country and my world.

COLORS

Green and White

Green represents springtime

White represents innocence



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Before you Speak...

THINK

T - is it true?

H - is it helpful?

I - is it inspiring?

N - is it necessary?

K - is it kind?

