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NEWSLETTER

AUGUST

2025

*"May we think of freedom, not
as the right to do as we
please, but as the opportunity
to do what is right." —Peter
Marshall*

It's Fair Time boys and girls!

We are so excited to see all of our 4-H'ers hard work that is being put in to their projects to be displayed at the Fair! Please make sure and read the Fairbook for the 2025 Union County Fair Only. It is posted on our website and includes all of the rule updates and class changes.

Fair clean up will be August 10th at 9am. Tin Barn Exhibit Checkout will also take place on the 10th starting at 9AM. Please make plans to be there to pick up your indoor exhibits and help clean up.

We will have the schedules up around the barn for club clean up days, and the concession stand schedule in the concession stand. Please be sure to check on what day and time you are to clean-up and work the concession stand at the fair. Remember if you can not work your shift you are responsible for finding a replacement! This must be approved through Talisha first! This is our one fundraiser for the year so lets all put in 110% when we are working.

We have added the fair schedule on page 2nd to last page of the newsletter as well as some other fair information on the next page.

We want to Congratulate Raley Valdez, Riata Valdez, Alison Poling, and Colan Arnett (pictured above) We are very proud of you all did an amazing job at STATE CONFERENCE!



UPCOMING DATES

8/06-09 Union County Fair
8/22 NMSF Indoor Exhibit
Entries Due

8/6 - Reagan Sowers

8/11 - Raley Valdez

8/11 - Sophia Green

*Happy
Birthday!*

8/25 - Kiera Barnes

8/31 - Zoe Moehring

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REPORTS

MT. DORA

The Meeting was called to order on 7/13/25 at 2:34 at the Union County Extension Office. Pledges were led. Roll call was answered with “What is your favorite part of 4th of July?” Those present were Layla Maestas, Jaiden Scott, Raley Valdez, Liam Maestas, Aysa Maez, Dameon McDade, and Riata Valdez. We discussed out club fundraiser, the Union County Fair Schedule, and out next meeting date. We’re excited for the fair, and hope to see everyone there!

Mt. Dora 4-H Club Reporter
Layla Maestas

FOLSOM

Our Meeting was held on July 21st. The Cloverbuds did coloring pictures about the fair. We also talked about upcoming events and mostly the fair. After that we moved on to demos. Tucker was up first, he did his demo on “learning about beekeeping” and it was very well explained. Then dally told us all about “Rabit fur types” and he even showed us his rabbits in person. Last but not least Mario did a demonstration on “what I want to do after high school” which was to be a horse farrier. After that the meeting wrapped up.

Folsom 4-H Club Reporter
Molly Jeffers

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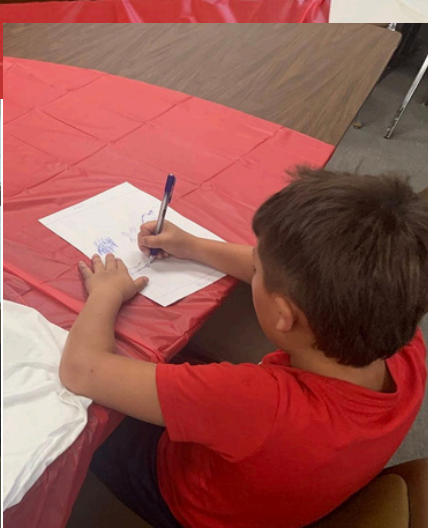
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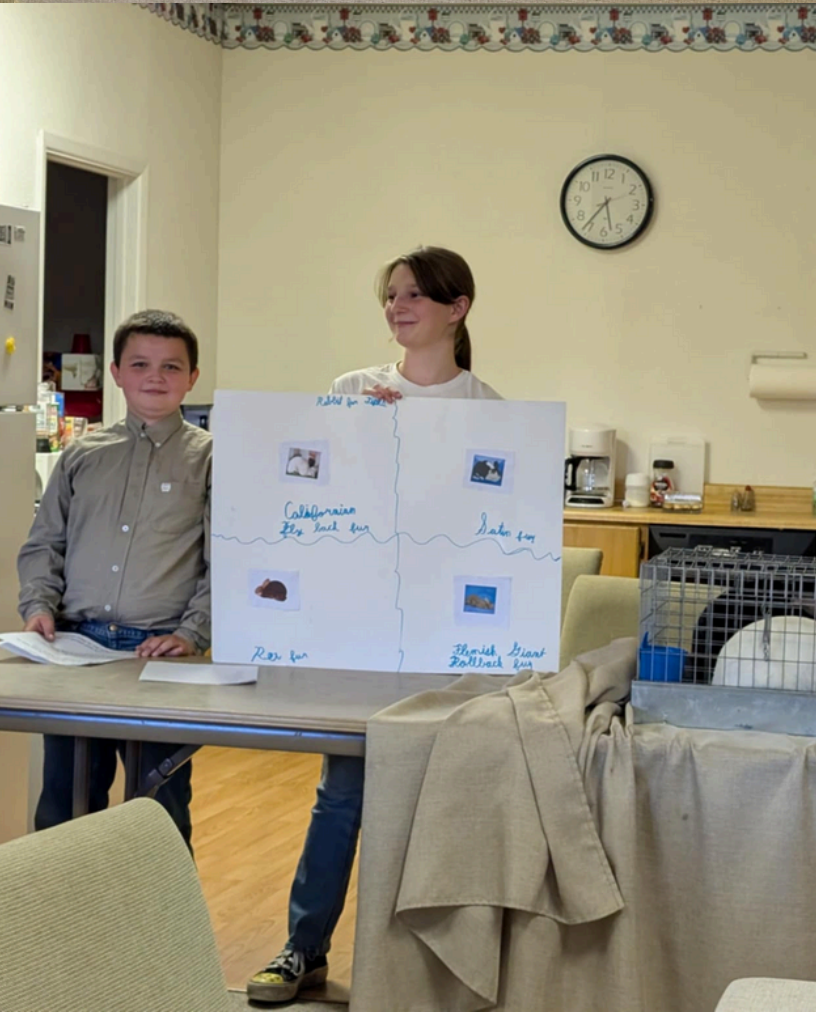
ROCK N RIDE

*Rock N Ride 4-H Club Reporter
Cerra Rye*

HAPPY ROCK

*Happy Rock 4-H Club Reporter
Monty Crisp*

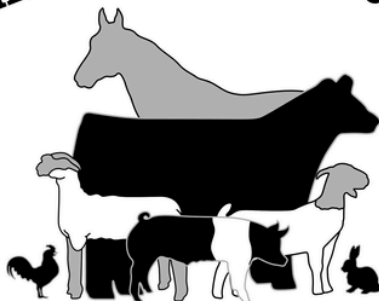




Important Info

SAVE THE DATE

Union County Fair



August 6-9, 2025

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EASTERN NM STATE
FAIR

September 29-
October 4, 2025
Roswell, NM

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NM STATE FAIR
September 6-14, 2025
Albuquerque, NM

CLUB MEETING TIMES & DATES

Folsom

August 11th, 2025
Time: 5:00pm
Baptist Church
Des Moines

Happy Rock

August 10th, 2025
Time: 2pm
Annex Room

Cloverbuds

August 21st, 2025
Time: 5:45pm
Annex Room

Folsom Cloverbuds

August 11th, 2025
Time: 4:30pm
Baptist Church
Des Moines

Mt. Dora

August 3rd, 2025
Time: 2:30pm
Annex Room

Rock 'N' Ride

August 11th, 2025
Time: 5:30pm
Annex Room

Times and Dates are subject to change.
Please check with your leaders to confirm.

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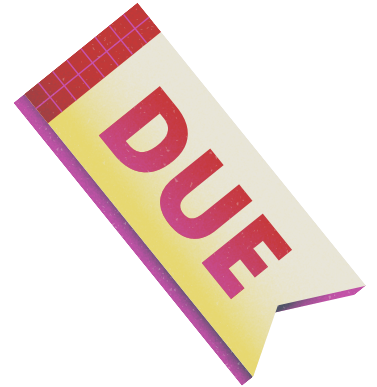
NM 4-H Adult
Retreat
November 8, 2025
Albuquerque, NM

Important Info



DUE DATE!!!

**Record Books
October 31st**



4-H OPEN ENROLLMENT



2025/2026



October 1st 2025

Aggie

Tips

Planning to be an Aggie in Fall 2026? You can apply now—and it's free! The earlier you apply, the more access you'll have to scholarships, housing options, and orientation dates. Ready to take the first step? Head to admissions.nmsu.edu/apply.

**2025 State 4-H
Photo Contest**

**Entries Due
August 1st 2025**



Cutter Davis
Cattle | Hoof Trimming

CUTTER DAVIS (575) 921-6216

HOOF TRIMMING
\$65 PER HEAD
10 HEAD MINIMUM



Copper Classic Jackpot

Cliff, NM

Buckles

AUGUST 2-3, 2025

August 2nd - Pigs & Cattle

August 3rd - Sheep & Goats

BARN OPENS FRIDAY, AUGUST 1 @ 1 PM

Banners

Early Entry:

\$35/Head-Sheep, Goats, Pigs

\$45/Head-Steers & Heifers

Day Of:

\$45/Head-Sheep, Goats, Pigs

\$55/Head-Steers & Heifers



Showmanship* \$15 - 100% Payout

*AGES WILL BE:

Peewee: 5-8

Novice: 9-11

Juniors: 12-13

Seniors: 14-19

Prizes

Vendors

RV Spots Available

For More Information Contact:

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2025 State 4-H Photo Contest

**Show off your
photography skills!**

Enter your photos to have a chance of winning the 2025 State 4-H Photo Contest. Photos in either film or digital can be submitted through mail or Facebook by August 1st. (If picture is placed on Facebook, make sure to include the information below with the post). Photos submitted will then be placed on a link and voted on by the public. The information for the voting link will be made available on August 11th. The first, second and third place in each category will receive a rosette. The first-place winner in each category will receive a camera case and his/her photo will automatically be entered in the contest for overall winner. The overall winner will be chosen by a set of judges and will be awarded an overall rosette and a cash prize of a \$100

Categories -

4-H—Must have either correct logo or clover

Animals - Any photo that the main subject is animals

People - Any photo that the main subject is people

Landscapes - Any photo that the main subjects are fields, mountains, sunsets, lakes/streams etc.

Nature - Any photo that the main subject is vegetation, flowers, trees, insects etc.

Buildings - Any photo that the main subject is buildings

Other -Any photo that doesn't fall in a category, ex - road signs, mailboxes, business signs, etc.

Entry rules:

- **Members may submit up to a total of three entries.** Each entry must have the following information with it—Name, Club, County, Name of Photo, Category, Location of the photo and Contact number/email
- **Entries can be either color or black and white.** Please no edited or photoshopped pictures.
- **Please, no matted or framed photos if mailed.**
- **Photos will not be returned!** If you want to keep your photo, please retain a copy.
- **Photographs must be the work of the 4-H member taken during the current 4-H program year.**
- **Entries must be in the State 4-H Office or uploaded to Facebook by August 1, 2025** send to State 4-H Office, MSC 3AE, New Mexico State University, Box 30003, Las Cruces, NM 88003-8003



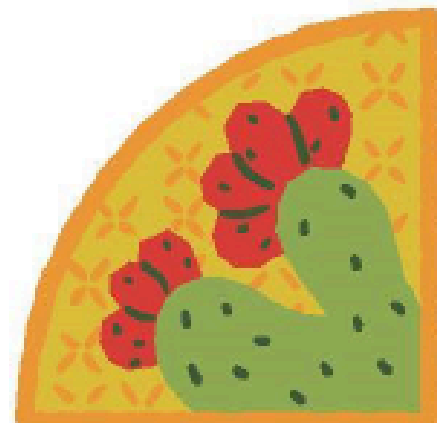
NM STATE FAIR 4-H YOUTH OFFICIALS WANTED!!!

WE ARE LOOKING FOR 4-H YOUTH TO ASSIST WITH THE NM STATE FAIR!

4-H YOUTH WILL HELP TAKE IN COUNTY ENTRIES, ORGANIZE INDOOR EXHIBITS, ASSIST JUDGES, AND HANG UP EXHIBIT DISPLAYS FOR THE STATE FAIR.

FOR APPLICATION INFORMATION, CONTACT YOUR LOCAL COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE FOR DEADLINE!

- **HOW DO I APPLY?** CONTACT YOUR LOCAL COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE.
- **WHERE WILL IT BE?** ABQ, NM (NM STATE FAIRGROUNDS)
- **WHEN?** WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 3, 2025
- **WHO CAN APPLY?** SENIOR 4-H MEMBERS





**2025 New Mexico State 4-H
Buckles will be available for order!**

**Next order will be placed on
September 1, 2025!**

**See details and order form on the
website home page.**

Order Form

Name_____

Address_____

City_____ State _____ Zip_____

Phone_____

Number of Buckles _____

Buckles are \$80 a each x ___\$80___

Total \$_____

Payment can be made with a check or money order. Make checks or money orders payable to the NM State 4-H Foundation.

Buckle size is 3in H X 4in L

Please send order form and payment to NM State 4-H Office, PO Box 30003, MSC 3AE, Las Cruces, NM 88003 **Allow 4-6 weeks for production and shipping.**

Profits will benefit the NM State 4-H Leadership Team.

Please Note

Orders will be placed with Rowdy Silver Custom Designs on the following dates: March 1, May 1, July 1, September 1, and November 1.

Please allow four to six weeks for production and shipping from these order dates not the date your personal order was received. Any orders received after a listed date will be placed on the following date.

2025

UNION COUNTY FAIR

AUGUST 6TH-9TH

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 6TH

6:00 AM FAIR BARN OPEN
8:00 AM ALL LIVESTOCK AND HORSE IN PLACE
8:15 AM WEIGH & CLASSIFY LIVESTOCK
*CATTLE WILL START FOLLOWED BY SWINE/SHEEP
*WEIGH & SCAN PRODUCTION STEERS IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING WEIGH IN OF ALL OTHER LIVESTOCK
8 AM-10 AM CHECK IN - INDOOR EXHIBITS (TIN BARN)
10:00 AM ALL RABBIT/POULTRY/WATERFOWL IN PLACE
10 AM-5 PM TIN BARN CLOSED FOR JUDGING AND DISPLAY SET UP
4:00 PM HORSE SHOW
5:00 PM DOORS OPEN TO EXHIBITION - TIN BARN
8:00 PM FAIR BARN CLOSES - EVERYONE MUST EXIT

THURSDAY AUGUST 7TH

6:00 AM FAIR BARN OPEN
8:00 AM TIN BARN OPEN FOR PEDDLERS MARKET- SET UP
9:00 AM JUDGING MEAT PEN RABBIT, INDIVIDUAL TO FOLLOW
10:00 AM JUDGING MEAT PEN POULTRY, INDIVIDUAL TO FOLLOW
10:00 AM TIN BARN PEDDLERS MARKET OPEN
1:30 PM BARNYARD OLYMPICS
6:00 PM JUDGING MARKET SWINE
9:00 PM FAIR BARN CLOSES - EVERYONE MUST EXIT

FRIDAY AUGUST 8TH

6:00 AM FAIR BARN OPEN
9:00 AM JUDGING BREEDING & MARKET SHEEP
9:00 AM TIN BARN PEDDLERS MARKET OPEN
11:00 AM JUDGING MEAT GOATS (OR 1 HOUR FOLLOWING SHEEP SHOW)
1:00 PM NSWCD RANCH MANAGEMENT CONTEST
3:00 PM PRODUCTION STEER TEST
4:00 PM BUCKET CALF CONTEST
5:30 PM JUDGING BREEDING CATTLE & DAIRY
6:00 PM JUDGING MARKET BEEF
8:00 PM FAIR BARN CLOSES - EVERYONE MUST EXIT

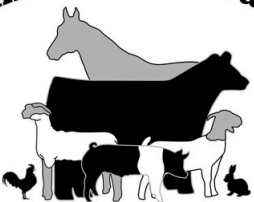
SATURDAY AUGUST 9TH

6:00 AM FAIR BARN OPEN
9:00 AM TIN BARN PEDDLERS MARKET OPEN
9:00 AM QUEEN CONTEST
1:00 PM JUNIOR PET SHOW
2:00 PM PEDDLERS MARKET MUST BE CLEARED OUT
3:00 PM PRODUCTION STEER RESULTS MEETING AT SHOW RING
3:00 PM OPEN INDOOR CHECKOUT ONLY
3:00 PM BUYERS MEAL SET- UP
4:00 PM BUYERS MEAL
5:45 PM 4-H INDOOR EXHIBIT AWARDS PROGRAM
6:00 PM JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SALE
9:00 PM FAIR BARN CLOSES - EVERYONE MUST EXIT

SUNDAY AUGUST 10TH

9:00 AM TEAR DOWN/ CLEAN UP &
4-H & FFA INDOOR EXHIBIT CHECK OUT

Union County Fair



Union County Fair Grounds, 96 Fairgrounds street, Clayton, New Mexico



CALENDAR



August 1, 2025 - UC Fair Entries DUE

August 1, 2025 - State Fair LIVESTOCK Entries DUE

August 6-9, 2025 - Union County Fair

August 22, 2025 - NMSF Indoor Exhibit Entries DUE

September 6-14, 2025 - New Mexico State Fair

September 29-October 4 - Eastern NM State Fair

October 1 - Enrollment for 2025-2026 Year Begins

October 31 - Record Books DUE

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