Avery County 4-H

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First Annual Avery County 4-H Awards Banquet

The Avery County 4-H program had the honor of recognizing our 4-H'ers at our first annual Achievement Banquet on March 2nd for the 2023 program year.

The Achievement Banquet was well attended with about 85 people coming out to celebrate the accomplishments of Avery County 4-H'ers.

Avery County 4-H Clubs presented members with project area awards including Horsebowl and Horse Show competitions, Shooting Sports Competitions, Music, Homesteading, and summer programming.

Avery County 4-H'ers had the opportunity to nominate members for several awards within Avery County 4-H. The recipient for Junior 4-H'er of the Year was Olivia Woodruff.

Avery Arnold received the award for Intermediate 4-H'er of the Year and Chloe Oaks was nominated as the Senior 4-H'er of the Year. The Avery County 4-H Saddle Club received the award for Service Project of the Year for their hard work during the Avery A&H Fair managing the Livestock Tent.

Chloe Oaks, along with Betsy Daniels, were both recognized also for their participation and wins at regional and national Horsebowl and Horse Show Competitions.

Avery County 4-H honored the many volunteers that make 4-H possible including all club volunteers and summer programming employees and volunteers. Mrs. Amy Oaks was nominated as the Avery County 4-H Volunteer of the Year.

The Avery County 4-H JAM Club gave an incredible performance during the awards program and showed off the progress they have all made learning the guitar, mandolin, and fiddle during the 2023 program year.



Did you know?



In 4-H, we believe in the power of young people. We see that every child has valuable strengths and real influence to improve the world around us.

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April Club Meetings

Avery County 4-H JAM Club:

April 9th and 23rd 3:30 p.m. - 5 p.m. at Newland First Baptist Church

Avery County 4-H Shooting Sports Club:

April 20th
10 a.m. - 12 p.m. at the
Forestry Service Mountain
Training Facility
*Practicing Shotgun Only

Avery County 4-H Homeschool Club:

April 3rd
10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. at the
Avery County Cooperative
Extension Center



Avery County 4-H Homesteaders Club:

April 8th and 22nd 2:30 p.m - 4 p.m. at Riverside Elementary School *Riverside Students Only

Avery County 4-H Saddle Club:

April 8th 4 p.m. at Sunny Ridge Farm & April 22nd 4 p.m., location TBD

Avery County 4-H Cooking Club:

April 4th and 26th 3:30 p.m. - 5 p.m. at the Avery County Cooperative Extension Center





Enroll or Re-enroll in 4-H Online:

All youth participating in any 4-H clubs, activities, or events must be enrolled in 4-H Online. Visit **v2.4honline.com** to enroll or re-enroll. For more information or assistance with the enrollment process, contact Jennifer Woodruff at 828-733-8270 or jennifer_woodruff@ncsu.edu

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Attention Avery 4-H Teens:

Save the date for our West District 4-H Teen Retreat. Details are below. Contact Jennifer Woodruff, 4-H Agent, at 828-733-8270 to register.

Who: West District 4-H youth ages 11-18,
Agents, PA's
What: 4-H Teen Retreat/\$50
When: Saturday April 13, 2024. 11am-6pm
Where: The Barn at Tall Oaks. 28 Bradley Road,
Hendersonville, NC 28791 *Pending!
Why: Leadership, Officer Elections, Fun
Workshops, Food and Networking

Teachers: Contact Jennifer Woodruff or Alicia Hicks if you'd like to incorporate 4-H in your classroom!

4-H has a variety of curricula that have been designed to develop essential life skills in alignment with the NC standard course of study. Along with personal learning benchmarks, the curricula align with specific objectives of grade level standards. 4-H offers training to school professionals on the curricula and can provide materials to support the classroom.



Connect with us!

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