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Happy March, KP 4-H!

February saw some exciting things, from our KP 4-H musher from Homer racing in the Jr. Iditarod, to two of our KP 4-H'ers representing 4-H at Youth in Governance in Juneau, to nine KP 4-H youth and five KP 4-H adults attending the AK 4-H Summit in Fairbanks. There is always something exciting happening in 4-H!

March brings our annual Public Presentation Day; make sure to register! See Facebook and the Remind app for that link!

The Livestock Superintendents and JML Board have been proactive in improving our standards for market animals and after much research and discussion, have adjusted our Born After and Possession dates for future years, beginning in 2025. Please review the information and take note of how this will change your breeding schedules and securing your animals for next year!

The pace is picking up now, and it's important to stay connected by way of reviewing each month's newsletter, staying up to date on our Facebook pages, and making sure you are signed up for the Remind app! Things get wild around here between now and September; make sure to hop on board and enjoy the journey!

Here's to a great month!



MARCH 2024

KP 4-H CALENDAR



Call or text (907) 398–3588 for questions about events.

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- 4 District Council/JML Board 6:30 @Extension Office
- 9 Activities Team 11am @ Soldotna Library
- 14 Expo Finance/PR Team 5:30pm @TBD
- 14 Expo All Teams 6:30pm @Extension Office & Zoom
- 15 Extension Office closed for Spring Break
- 16 Leader Meeting 1:30-3pm @Extension Office
- 23 Public Presentation Day @ KCC
- 25 Creative Writers 2:30-4:30 @Extension Office
- 28 Building Super 6pm @Homer

Livestock Contest Practice every Monday from 12pm-2pm @Extension Office

Horse Contest Practice every Thursday from 3:30-5:30 @Extension Office



KPBSD Spring Break 11th-15th





KP 4-H YEARLY PLANNER

2023-24



OCTOBER

NOVEMBER

DECEMBER

Elections

- 12023-24 4-H Year Begins
- 2-8 National 4-H Week
- 7 Kenai Pumpkin Festival 12-3
- 16 District/JML Council Mtg 630
- 28 Howl-O-Ween PenDOG 4-6
- · 30 Council/JML Exec Session
- 4 Leader Meeting 1-3 pm
- 6 District Council/JML Board 6:30
- 10-12 Ag Convention, Anchorage
- · 27 Creative Writers Kick-Off Mtg
- Expo Theme Contest all month
- 4 Annual Meeting, KP 4-H District Council & JML Board; Open House
- · 4 JML Enrollment Deadline
- 22 Mobile Bake Sale

12/23-1/3 Extension Office Closed

JANUARY

FEBRUARY

MARCH

• 15 District Council/JML Board 6:30

22 JML 101 6pm

-Expo Teams Kick Off

- 5 District Council/JML Board 6:30
- 10 Rally Day 2024
- 22 Expo All Teams 630
- 28-March 1 AK 4-H Summit, Fairbanks

-Business Contact Team Work Day

- 4 District Council/JML Board 6:30
- · 9 Expo Activities Team
- 14 Expo Finance/PR Team
- 14 Expo All Teams 6:30
- 16 KP 4-H Leaders' Lunch 1:30
- 23 Public Presentation Day 2024
- 25 Creative Writers Group 2:30
- 28 Expo Building Super

APRIL

M A Y -Business Contacts

JUNE

- 1 District Council/JML Board 6:30
- 8 Expo Horse Team 6
- 9 Expo Building Team 6
- 12-13 Alaska State Horse Contest, Palmer
- 13-14 KP 4-H @ Home Show
- 16 JML Salesmanship W/S
- 18 KP 4-H Leaders' Zoom 6 pm
- 22 Creative Writers Group 2:30
- 3-4 AK 4-H State Livestock Contest,
 Fairbanks
- 6 District Council/JML Board 6:30
- 11 KP 4-H Tree Sale
- 18 KP 4-H Leaders' Lunch 1:30
- 20 Creative Writers Group
- 3 District Council/JML Board 6:30
- 17 Creative Writers Group
- 20 KP 4-H Leaders' Zoom 6 pm

JULY

- 1 District Council/JML Board 6:30
- 26–28 KP 4–H Ag Expo 2024

AUGUST

- 2-4 KP 4-H Horse Show Weekend
- 5 District Council/JML Board 6:30
- 17 KP 4-H Leaders' Lunch 1:30

SEPTEMBER

- 2 Labor Day
- 9 District Council/JML Board 6:30
- 19 KP 4-H Leaders' Zoom 6 pm
- 21 KP 4-H Leaders' Lunch 1:30



Illustrated Talk

Demonstration

Prepared Speech

KP4-H

Public Presentation Day





REGISTRATION IS LIVE!

Registration closes March 20th @6pm

Show off your knowledge of any topic!

Demonstrate something you love to do!



KP 4-H CREATIVE WRITERS

Open to 4-H ages Intermediate and Senior

Writing Projects for 2023-24:

Feb: Revamp an old piece & 200-Word Story

March: 2-Sentence Stories

April: Poetry

May: Adventure

June: Group Story

Contact Cassy Rankin crankin4@alaska.edu 907.398.3588

Extension Office 2:30 - 4:30 pm

Mon. Feb. 19

Mon. March 25

Mon. April 22

Mon. May 20



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> "MY AIM IS TO PUT DOWN ON PAPER WHAT I SEE AND WHAT I FEEL IN THE BEST AND SIMPLEST WAY."

- ERNEST HEMINGWAY





4-H STATE LIVESTOCK CONTEST PRACTICE

Mondays from 12-2
Cooperative Extension Office









4-H STATE HORSE CONTEST PRACTICE



In-Person: Thursdays 3:30-5:30 Cooperative Extension Office

Zoom: Thursdays
@ 7pm





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Contact Ms.Cassy or your club leader on information how to start a team or get involved with these Spring state contests!

EXPO TEAMS UPCOMING MEETINGS

3/9 @11AM	Activities Teen Team	Soldotna Library
3/14 @5:30pm	Finance/PR Team	TBD
3/14 @6:30pm	All Teams	CES Office & Zoom
3/28 @6pm	Building Super	Homer
4/8 @ 6pm	Horse Team	Zoom
4/9 @6pm	Building Team	Zoom





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AG EXPO 2024!

JULY 26-28, 2024 SOLDOTNA SPORTS CENTER

Theme

Put on Your Boots and get Back to Your Roots!

Flower Peony Veggie Potato

Kenai Peninsula District 4-H

AG EXPO 2024

Put on Your Boots and Get Back to Your Roots!

SAVE THE DATE!

JULY 26TH - JULY 28TH, 2024 SOLDOTNA REGIONAL SPORTS COMPLEX





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KP 4-H LEADERS CONNECT

Bring:

- -Ideas!
- -Laptop!
- -Questions!
- -Creativity!



LEADER LUNCHES (IN PERSON MTG)

SATURDAY, MARCH 16, 1:30 - 3 PM SATURDAY, MAY 18, 1:30 - 3 PM SATURDAY, AUGUST 17, 1:30 - 3 PM SATURDAY, SEPT. 21, 1:30 - 3 PM

COOPERATIVE EXTENSION OFFICE

LEADER CHECK-INS (ON ZOOM)

THURSDAY, APRIL 18, 6 - 7:30 PM THURSDAY, JUNE 20, 6 - 7:30 PM THURSDAY, SEPT. 19. 6 - 7:30 PM

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KP4-H WANTS YOU!



The youth of KP4-H have spoken! Here's what they want to see more of.....

Workshops

Record Book
Cat/Dog Competitions
Sheep Shearing
Steer
Poultry
Goats
Vet/First Aid
Animal Handling

Projects

Pocket Pets
Vet Science
Creative Writing
Experiments
Sewing
Arts&Crafts
Youth in Governance
Computers
Fishing/Hunting
Cooking

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We need YOU to help us give our youth the best 4-H year yet! Volunteer to teach a workshop or help teach in any project area you're familiar with!

BREEDERS TAKE NOTE

New born after and possession dates for the **2025 Ag Expo**!

Sheep

Born after: October 1st

Possession by: April 1st

Minimum weight of 100lbs

Goat

Born after: August 1st

Possession by: April 1st

Minimum weight of 60lbs

Must be known meat breed to be raised for JML

Swine

Born after: December 1st

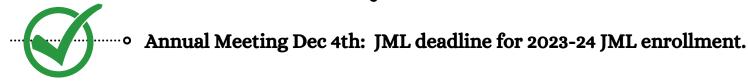
Possession by: March 1st

Minimum weight does not change

The born after and possession dates for the **2024 Ag Expo** can be found in your JML policies!

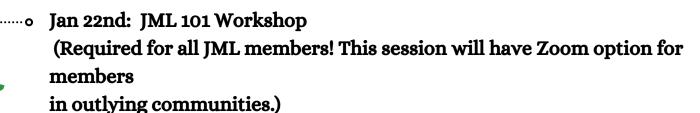


JML DEADLINES 2023-24



POSSESSION DATE = Your animal must be in your possession no later than this date. Varies by species. Connect w/ your Superintendent SOON after enrollment if you haven't yet!

*JML Paperwork Packet due by your Possession Date!



Feb. 10: New 4-H members at Rally Day may sign up for JML.

April 16th, 6:30 - 8 pm: Salesmanship - Required for all JML'ers

Record Book check. - Required, Date TBD

··· July: Deadline to finish assigned Business Contacts - Required, Date TBD

...... July 26-28: Four required workshops logged by end of Expo.









KP 4-H JML Animal Possession Dates. Age, and Weight Requirement Fraditional Dates and Special Adjustments for 2024 Sales – Rev Dec. 2023: JML Supers. Board & CR

Animal	Possession Date for 2024	2021-2023 Possession Date	Age of Animal	Weight. Limit/Other
Prospect Calves (Steers) Not for market this year	January 1	January 1	Under 12 months of age (1 year) at time of show	N/A
Finished Beef/ Market Steer	January 1	January 1	Born after January 1 prior year	Steers & heifers: 900 lb. min. @ sale. Must be dehorned and castrated; >48" in height.
Feeder Beef	March 15	March 15	No older than 8 ½ months	Minimum: 450 lb. @ Expor. Must be dehorned and castrated.
Finished Beef/ Miniature Market Steer	January 1	January 1	Born after Jan. 1 prior year	Steers & heifers: 700 lb. min. @ Expo Must be dehorned and castrated. <48" in height.
Alpaca	January 1	January 1	Born after Jan. 1 prior year	110 lbs. min
Llama	January 1	January 1	Born after Jan. 1 prior year	
Reindeer	February 1 (encourage youth to get animal as early as possible)	February 1	Born after Jan. 1 prior year	160 lbs. minimum weight
Goose	April 15 (hatched after Feb 15)	May 1	Hatched after March 1	10 lbs. minimum weight
Turkey	March 20 (Hatched after Feb. 6)	April 15	Hatched after Feb. 6	20 lbs. minimum weight
Lamb	April 15 (encourage youth to get animal as early as possible)	May 1	Born after December 1	Ewes & castrated lambs 90 lb. minimum weight-140 lbs. Must be slick shorn
Goat	April 15 (encourage youth to get animal as early as possible)	May 1	Born after November 1	Wethers/doelings (11/5/05) 45 lbs. minimum weight
Swine	April 1 (encourage youth to get animal as early as possible)	April 15	Born after December 1	Gilts & Barrows 180 lb minimum weight-280 lbs.
Ducks	June 1 (hatched after April 15)	June 15	Hatched after May 1	Pen of 3, total weight of all 3 being 12 lbs. minimum weight
Rabbits	May 20	June 4	No older than 12 wks @ sale	Pen of 3 weighing 3-5 lb. each
Chickens	June 1 (Hatched after Feb 20)	June 15	Hatched after Feb. 20	Pen of 3 weighing 4 lb. min each
Heritage Turkey	Sept Dec. of prior year	Sept Dec. of prior year	1 year	10 lb. minimum weight
Game Birds		Species vary. Contact Poultry Superintendent.		



CLUB CORNER











We dropped off the donated items to the animal shelter. Went to Wild Islegards Farm for a tack repair, cleaning and farm tour. Youth are gearing up for horse contest.



Elizabeth Kleweno Northwind Riders Leader

Peninsula Pioneers has an ice fishing meeting. The youth enjoy playing outside and catching fish. We have plans to work on Stem Challenges and Learn to harvest Birch Syrup.



Peninsula Pioneer Leader





The Funny River Lynx 4-H Club is having a meeting on the 16th. At that meeting, we plan to hopefully welcome two new families! We had one of our 4-Hers go up to Fairbanks for the 4-H Summit. Our club leader is currently in the process of ordering everyone in the club a shirt that some of the members designed and we will be using our club funds for that!

-Submitted by Skye Glessing
President









Lobusty Sumplook



Congrats to the only AK
4-H'er that does dog
mushing as a project,
our very own Addy
Pederson! She finished
11th in the Jr. Iditarod
and received the
Humanitarian Award!!





2024 Youth in Governance.

KP4-H represented by Kelsey

Gravelle and Morgan Carlson-Kelly

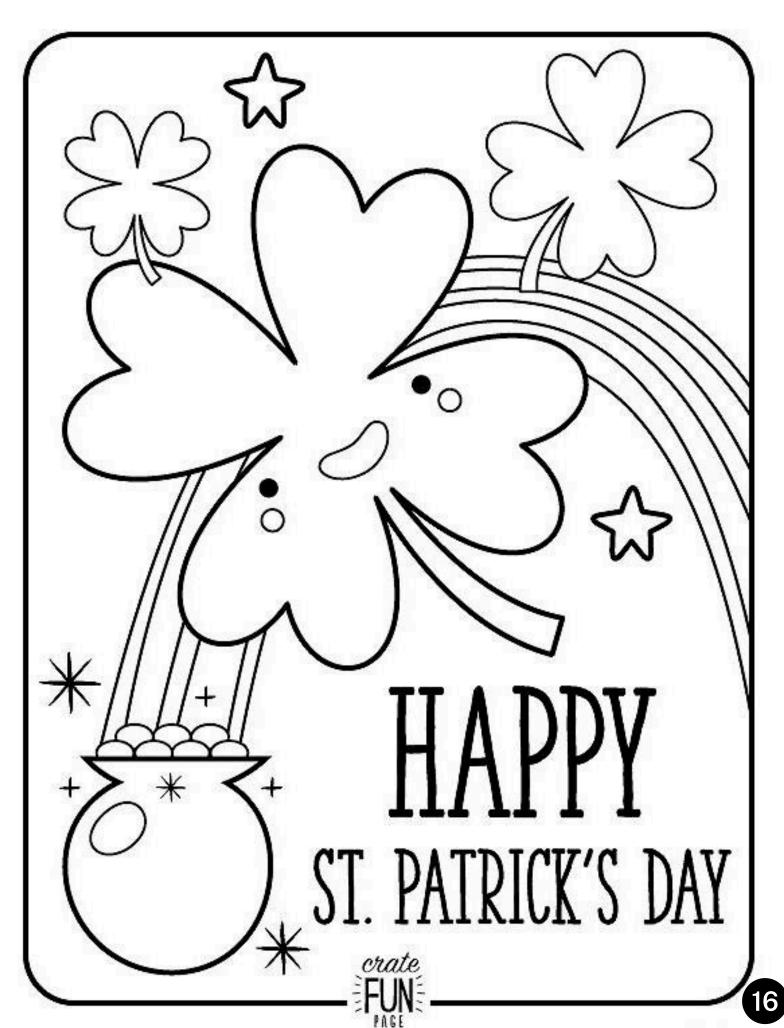


Ninilchik
Snowy Owls in
the Anchor
Point Snow
Rondy Parade





2024 Alaska 4-H Summit
KP4-H represented by Levi Rankin, Alisha
Wilburn, Skye Glessing, Ella Rankin, Jonathan
Loop, Xiling Tanner, Kelsey Gravelle, Xinlan
Tanner & Melanie Carpenter



ST. PATRICK'S DAY Word Scramble & &

HARMC	
AKSMRCHO	
AAPRED	
WIRBONA	
NECPUHALCRE	
ENERGR	
LBNYAER	
NCISCO	
HISRI	
ODGL	
CVOLRE	
KCLU	
OTP	
ITSNA	

STAY CONNECTED

- -Pro page on FB: Kenai Peninsula District 4-H. (@kpen4H)
- -Parents & leaders: KP 4-H Connect Facebook group.
- *This group is a private group. We do not share posts or pics outside of the group.
- -Connect to your club's FB page if they have one!
- -Follow for district blog at: www.kp4h.com
- -Follow Alaska State 4-H Livestock on FB for all things 4-H livestock!
- -Keep up with Alaska 4-H Horse happenings at http://www.alaska4h.org/horse-programming.html
- -Join Remind app for text updates at: www.remind.com/join/kp4hfam
- -Call, text, or email your leader or Ms. Cassy anytime. 907-398-3588. crankin4@alaska.edu

KP 4-H Info & FAQs!

www.kp4h.com/info



Local Page & Calendar:

www.kp4h.com

Members Enroll:

http://www.alaska4h.org/enroll-now.html

Volunteer Info:

http://www.alaska4h.org/volunteer-opportunities.html



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