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Welcome to 2025!

We hope you had a fun and restful holiday season. We are looking forward to new adventures with 4-H families and can't wait to see all that you will accomplish this year. Please remember to complete your enrollment if you haven't already to help us wrap up the paperwork part. If you need help uploading the completed liability form we will gladly do that for you in the office. Don't hesitate to ask! We are excited to host some project workshops this spring, see dates and location for upcoming dates, location, and topic. Rifle practice will resume on January 7<sup>th</sup> and Archery on January 14<sup>th</sup>. Our senior members are gearing up for Senior Leadership Retreat in Glorieta at the end of the month and we invite you to join us at 4-H Day at the Roundhouse in early February. Please reach out if you have any questions!

Sincerely,  
Angela, Audrey, and Desaree

## NATIONAL 4-H FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCE SKILL-A-THON CONTEST



January 15-17, 2025  
San Antonio, Tx

**GOOD LUCK!!**

Alex Booton      Maggie Johnson

Abbie Johnson      Gracie Johnson



# County News

## LOS ALAMOS COUNTY 4-H CLUBS

Boots & Bridles Club  
Meets 3rd Sunday of the month at 12 p.m.  
St. Joe's in White Rock  
Contact Denise Hansel:  
[denise0188@gmail.com](mailto:denise0188@gmail.com)

High Country Team 4-H  
Meets the 2nd Thursday of the month at 6 p.m.  
at the White Rock Activity Center  
Contact Jenna Stanek:  
[jenna.e.stanek@gmail.com](mailto:jenna.e.stanek@gmail.com)

Team LA Young Guns (Shooting Sports)  
Contact Mike O'Neill: [shotgunoneill@gmail.com](mailto:shotgunoneill@gmail.com)



## ENROLLMENT

Enrollment for returning families has closed! If you are in need of assistance, please contact the office!

The deadline for new families is **March 1<sup>st</sup>**.

## IT'S TIME TO ORDER PROJECTS!

Price list can be found on the website at:  
<https://losalamoextension.nmsu.edu/documents/Literature-Order-Form-County-1.17.2024-2.pdf>

Fill out one order form per family and return to the Extension office by **January 15<sup>th</sup>**.  
Order forms can be found on the website at  
<https://losalamoextension.nmsu.edu/documents/Project-order-form-fillable.pdf>

**\*Note:** if your project is not listed on the price list, it is digital and there is no cost. Stop by the office anytime to load digital projects!

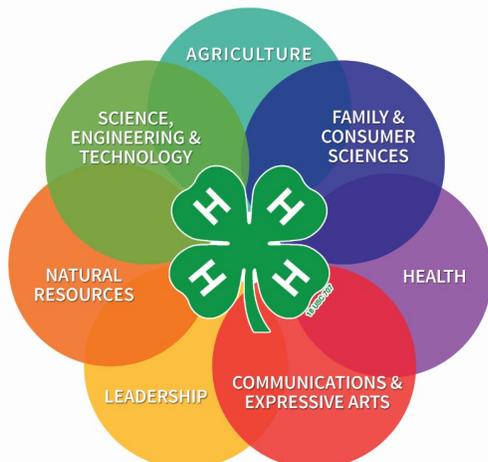


## NEW MEXICO 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS LEADER CERTIFICATION TRAINING

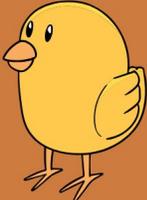
February 7-9, 2025  
Roswell, NM  
Cost is \$100.00 per person

Registration form and payment are due **January 25<sup>th</sup>** in the Extension office.

**\* Note:** If you are interested in becoming a Shooting Sports instructor and still need a background check, contact us ASAP to get the process started.



# County News



**4-H Meat Pen  
Chicken Workshop**

**Thursday, January 9, 2025**  
White Rock Activity Center  
6:00 pm



## "An End-of-Year Update" from the High Country Team by McKindrey Parkinson, High Country Team Reporter

In November the High Country Team had a lot of fun electing new officers. There was friendly competition for some of the offices. They proudly announce that Sylvia Stanek is the new President, with Emilie Cope as Vice President, Chloe Blackburn as Secretary, Laurel Redman as Treasurer, McKindrey Parkinson as Reporter, Connor Hollowell as Historian, and Kayleigh Hollowell as Fun and Rec Leader. They also had fun potting amaryllis for the club's fall fundraiser.

During their December meeting, the High Country Team voted to add Chelsea Redman to the 4-H bank account and remove Lena Ziele. They were honored with a visit from county officer Angela Prada who helped them improve their speaking and voting skills. Emilie Cope also gave an interesting demonstration about cameras. They're all excitedly looking forward to a new year in 4-H!



## Rio Arriba County Fair BEEF/SHEEP/GOAT exhibitors!

All youth who are planning to show  
**COUNTY BRED**  
Please contact Colton Law ASAP  
(505)803-2887



**Babysitting  
Workshop**  
White Rock  
Activity Center  
January 3, 2025  
6-7 pm

**POSTPONED**

## 4-H RABBIT PROJECT WORKSHOP



THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2025  
WHITE ROCK ACTIVITY CENTER

OPEN TO ALL AGES!!



COME LEARN HOW TO EXHIBIT RABBITS FOR THE COUNTY FAIR!!



# Learn By Doing



# 4-H CONTESTS



## JOIN THE FUN!

### Save the Date!

#### GENERAL CONTESTS

**Friday, April 25<sup>th</sup> (4:00 – 7:00 pm)**

Horticulture

FCS and Livestock Skill-a-thon

Wildlife

Entomology

**Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup> (9:00 am – 4:00 pm)**

Favorite Foods

Public Speaking

Fashion Review

Consumer Decision Making

#### RIFLE CONTEST

**Saturday, March 29<sup>th</sup>**

Los Alamos Sportsmen's Club

#### ARCHERY CONTEST

**Saturday, April 5<sup>th</sup>**

Los Alamos Sportsmen's Club

Open to **NOVICE, JUNIOR, and SENIOR**

members enrolled in the project

Registration details coming soon!



**WT** Paul Engler College of  
Agriculture and Natural Sciences  
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY.

### Tex-Mex Horse Judging Clinic

February 8, 2025

8:30 AM - 4:30 PM MST

**Come learn from World Champions and get ready for the 2025 horse judging season.**

The WTAMU Horse Judging Team members will be leading small groups of youth to help them develop and improve their skills in preparing and presenting oral reasons. Please don't miss this opportunity to get a head start on perfecting these skills.

**Roosevelt County Fairgrounds  
Portales, New Mexico**

The clinic is for youth and coaches of all skill levels. Youth will judge video classes and work on reasons in small groups. Youth should bring their own judging notebooks and pencils. Snacks, lunch, and printed materials will be provided for each youth. Registration fee: **\$50/youth** and **\$15/adult** to cover lunch costs. **Please register online:** <https://easnr.nmsu.edu/>

Registration opens 12/10/24 and closes at 5pm on 1/28/25.

Hosted by Roosevelt County Cooperative Extension Service.

For more information, contact:

Dr. Christy Adams, WTAMU Horse Judging Team Coach [cadams@wtamu.edu](mailto:cadams@wtamu.edu)

Dr. Jason Turner, NMSU Extension Horse Specialist [jturner@nmsu.edu](mailto:jturner@nmsu.edu)



#### Topics

Halter

Reining

Hunter Under  
Saddle

Ranch Riding

Notes

Reasons

Scoring



### New Mexico 4-H Community Service Scholarships

Youth members who are looking for a way to assist with registration costs with state events can apply for the New Mexico 4-H Community Service Scholarship. The scholarship will cover the registration expenses for Senior Leadership Retreat, Youth Get-Away, Livestock School, Horse School, State 4-H Conference, 4-H International Exchange, FCS School, 4-H Dog School or \$250 of the team fees for serving as a State 4-H Officer or Ambassador.

Create an original community service plan or work with an organization to create a new program that will have an impact on the community. The project must be designed and organized by the youth member and implemented within one year of approval. Applications are due two months before the event registration deadline.

## State News

### 4-H ONLINE HORSE BOWL

January 27 – 31, 2025 (6:00 to 9:00 p.m.)  
 Open to Novice, Junior, and Senior members.  
 Call the office to register by January 15<sup>th</sup>.  
 \$10 per person

**Take 10 with 4-H  
 January 9, 2025**



### 4-H Day at the Roundhouse (12:30 p.m.)

<https://nmsu.zoom.us/j/89082145699>

## NEW MEXICO 4-H DAY AT THE ROUNDHOUSE

Tuesday, February 4, 2025

9:30 am – 3:30 pm

Visit the capital in Santa Fe during the legislative session with 4-H members from around the state!

Meet your representatives

Come and learn citizenship!

Call the Extension office to RSVP by **January 27<sup>th</sup>**

## Pasture & Range Management Camp

JANUARY 18-19TH, 2025

### REGISTRATION FEE

**\$40**      **\$20**  
 Per Team      Per Person

**Saturday 9:00-5:00**

Rangeland 101  
 Ecological Site Descriptions  
 Rangeland Inventory/Practices  
 Range Site Evaluation/Plant  
 Collection (Field)

**Sunday 8:30-2:00**

Plant ID/Pressing  
 Rangeland Soils  
 Career Opportunities

**SATURDAY LUNCH PROVIDED  
 SUNDAY BREAKFAST**



**Register Now!** →

<https://judging25.ezregister.com>  
 Registration Deadline - January 10th

Please Contact Sara Marta @  
[skmarta@nmsu.edu](mailto:skmarta@nmsu.edu) or 575-894-2375

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 TorC, NM 87901



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### DATES TO REMEMBER

January 1, 2025	<b>Enrollment Deadline</b> for current families
January 9, 2025	Meat Bird Workshop
January 9, 2025	Take 10 with 4-H (4-H Day at the Roundhouse)
January 15, 2025	1 <sup>st</sup> Project order due
January 24-26, 2025	Senior Leadership Retreat – Glorieta, NM
January 25, 2025	Shooting Sports Certification Registration Due
January 27, 2025	RSVP Due for 4-H Day at the Roundhouse
February 4, 2025	4-H Day at the Roundhouse – Santa Fe, NM
February 7-9, 2025	NM Shooting Sports Leader Training – Roswell, NM
February 27, 2025	Rabbit Workshop
March 1, 2025	<b>Enrollment Deadline</b> for new families
March 7-9, 2025	FCS School – Location TBD
March 15, 2025	2 <sup>nd</sup> Project order due
March 29, 2025	County Contest - Rifle
April 5, 2025	County Contest - Archery
April 11-13, 2025	Youth Get Away – Glorieta, NM
April 25-26, 2025	General County Contests



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