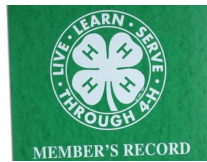




**4-H VIRTUAL  
TOOLKIT  
COVID-19**



**\*NEW!\* 4-H DEBIT  
CARD**



**RUSSELL PRESTON  
SCHOLARSHIP  
RECIPIENT**




**SHOOTING SPORTS  
HIGHLIGHTS**

# Mendocino County 4-H Newsletter September 2020

**Happy New 4-H Year!**

**UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA**  
Agriculture and Natural Resources



**4-H Virtual Toolbox**

## **\*NEW\* Resources to Navigate COVID-19/4-H**

As a new year for 4-H has begun and a new normal for distance learning has started to settle in, the 4-H State Office has prepared a webpage specifically to help answer questions on how to navigate and complete their 4-H duties amongst the constraints of COVID-19 regulations.

We welcome all 4-H families to discover our new COVID-19 tab on our Mendocino County UCCE website, where you will find the link to this awesome and new Virtual Toolbox!

[http://cemendocino.ucanr.edu/4-H\\_Program/COVID-19/](http://cemendocino.ucanr.edu/4-H_Program/COVID-19/)

It gives advice on how to restructure your Club Meetings, In Person Meetings, manage your virtual projects, etc!

<https://ucanr.edu/sites/UC4-HResources/>

## Enrollment Deadlines:

Market Animal Project Enrollments:  
October 15th

Adult Volunteer Enrollments:  
December 31st



### Meet Michelle!

Michelle Stout joined our UCCE Mendocino team as our new Office Manager in April 2020. Michelle is originally from the East Bay, near Oakland, Calif. but has been a resident of Ukiah, Mendocino County since 1978. She is very eager to learn more about the 4-H program, get to know all of you and help in any way she can!

## Our Updated Mendocino 4-H Executive Council:

President  
Abigail Comstock

Vice President  
Jami Vallejo

Secretary  
Stephanie Jensen

Treasurer  
Nathan Hayes



## California 4-H GroundSwell Visa Debit Card

The California 4-H Foundation is excited to share this innovative, grassroots method for raising money for local 4-H programs.

All funds raised go directly to your county!!

### What you need to know:

- ▶ In order to bring this card to Mendocino County 4-H, we need to reach 50 early registration sign ups at minimum. Sign up link below!
- ▶ Anyone, including non 4-H members/families, can sign up for this card to help benefit their county 4-H program of their choice! Just make sure to select upon registration.
- ▶ Whenever you use a card, merchants pay a processing fee. By using the California 4-H GroundSwell Visa Debit Card, up to 1% of your total purchases helps youth in your county. That money comes from the processing fee the merchant pays to the bank. So instead of all of that fee going to the bank - up to 1% goes directly to your county's 4-H programs.
- ▶ For you: Awesome rewards, zero recurring fees, no credit check. Every purchase helps your 4-H county, but that money doesn't come out of your pocket.

For more FAQs and to register and reserve your card: <https://groundswellcard.com/ca-4-h-interest-page/>

# Record Books Update

- ORB is no longer being used to complete record books! If you have begun a 2019-2020 record book in the ORB system, you will have access to complete it until December 31st, 2020.
- PLEASE NOTE: Record Book Forms AND Manual were updated and were posted on our UCCE website
- There are resources for Clubs and their officers on how to navigate record books virtually available on our updated tab: [http://cemendocino.ucanr.edu/4-H\\_Program/Record\\_Books/](http://cemendocino.ucanr.edu/4-H_Program/Record_Books/)
- Although the State Office has a TBD date for their judging, they still have implemented a deadline for an Intent to Submit for Judging on a State level : September 27th -<https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=18363>
- County Record Book Judging will be postponed until the State confirms their dates and allow more time to complete :)

## Why have 4-H Record Books?

Completing the Personal Development Report in the Record Book provides you an incentive for participation, learning, and achievement.

### Benefits of completing a 4-H Record Book:

Practice Records Management - Track your activities, events, profits and losses, skill development and learning experiences. In this competency skill you identify, create, classify, archive and preserve records.

Reflect on your yearly work - Document your skill development and learning experiences in a written report.

Measure your achievements and growth throughout your years in 4-H.

Set goals, pursue strategies to meet those goals, and record how you may have had to shift gears in the face of challenges and obstacles.

### Do I have to do a Record Book?

We encourage all our 4-H youth to do a Record Book to record their project information and reflections, but 4-H Record Books are not required for membership or participation in 4-H activities such as club events, 4-H camps, or conferences.

A 4-H Record Book may be required to receive participation awards (such as star ranking, medals, or pins based on 4-H Record Book achievements).

# Shooting Sports

## Results for 2020 State Shooting Sports Match ( Siskiyou County):

### Air Rifle

Jacob Welter (Mendocino)- GOLD (Div. A)  
 Diego Uribe ()- SILVER (Div. A)  
 Ryan Welter (Mendocino)- GOLD (Div. I)  
 Donovan Uribe ()-BRONZE (Div. I)  
 Jaime Uribe()- SILVER (Div. LP)

### Sporter Air Rifle (Prone Only)

Jaime Uribe ()- BRONZE (Div. LP)

### Rifle Open Sights

Sergio Malagon ()- BRONZE (Div. A)  
 Asa Spade (Mendocino)- GOLD (Div.LP)

### Rifle Open Sights (Prone Only)

Asa Spade (Mendocino)- SILVER (Div.LP)  
 Teresa Spade (Mendocino)- GOLD (Div.LP)

### .22 Rifle Telescopic

Asa Spade (Mendocino)- GOLD (Div. LP)

### .22 Rifle Telescopic (Prone Only)

Asa Spade (Mendocino)- BRONZE (Div.LP)

A word from our 4-H youth member and Shooting Sportings Participant and Ambassador, Jacob Welter:

My name is Jacob Welter and I am from Mendocino Spartan 4-H. This summer as you know I completed the National Shooting Sports Ambassador training.

Because of the COVID-19 the 2020 shooting sports the ambassador training became virtual. I saw the posting on Facebook and applied. There were 93 youth leaders from 31 states this year from Hawaii to Alaska, from Vermont to Florida and everywhere in between selected for this year's academy. This training included reading the book "The Student Leadership Challenge "; attending five zoom meetings (1.5 hours each), completing two written assignments, two video flipgrid assignments, and now finally I have begun my Ambassador Plan with my State 4-H Shooting Sports Coordinator, John Borba. I'm excited to share my experience during this academy with my local project and the rest of the county and state. If you have any questions about shooting sports please feel free to contact me. [jwelter2005@gmail.com](mailto:jwelter2005@gmail.com)

Second I need to ask a favor of you. Would it be possible for me to be on the agenda of the next County Council meeting? I would like to share my experience and my State Ambassador Plan with the group. I would appreciate their time.

Thank You,  
 Jacob Welter

## 4-H Shooting Sports Certification Workshop - ARCHERY

There will be a 4-H Shooting Sports leader certification training for Archery offered November 7th and 8th, 2020.

This class will be held Saturday, 8 AM -4 PM, and Sunday, 8 AM- 1 pm, at the Safety First Shooting Association, River Oaks Range, 11584 Shaffer Rd, Winton, 95338, in Merced County.

This class is being hosted by Merced County 4-H. You must become a 4-H leader and attend both days to receive certification to teach archery at the project, club and camp levels. The course will include a PowerPoint lecture, review of equipment, practice shooting and teaching, and a written test. The cost is \$35 per person to include a resource binder, with Saturday and Sunday lite breakfast refreshment's. Please bring your own lunch to the class.

While we invited Jr and Teen Leaders to attend in years past, due to current UC limitations this training will be limited to adults as we can only have 9 students. If you have Teen or Jr Leaders we will discuss in class how to get them trained up to assist you better.

Driving directions to the range are at <http://www.safetyfirstshooting.net/html/directions.html>. Tent or Dry RV camping is an option.

To register, please complete and mail the "CA 4-H Shooting Sports Training Request and Registration Form" available at <https://ucanr.edu/sites/UC4-H/files/4785.pdf>, and an adult or youth 4-H medical release form and a \$35 check payable to "Merced County 4-H Council" and mail to UCCE, 2145 Wardrobe Ave, Merced, 95341. Alternatively you can email your registration and hand carry a check. Space is limited to 9 attendees. For more information call Dave at 209-614-1718 for info or camping, or Darlene McIntyre for registration at 209-385-7418 or email her at [dlimcintyre@ucanr.edu](mailto:dlimcintyre@ucanr.edu).

# RUSSELL PRESTON SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT: Chancelyn Johnson

My name is Chancelyn Johnson, I am 18 years old and a graduated senior at Potter Valley High School. Being raised in a family's it's 3 older siblings involved in 4H and FFA, so I had grown up through these programs as well. In my local community last year, I held the offices of 4H Club President plus I held our local FFA Chapter President. I believe offering my services back to the community is an important part of being a youth livestock leader. In this role, I am always looking for ways to help other dedicated livestock youth achieve higher skills and accomplishments in my community, county, region, the state of California and across the nation.



Currently I am attending Modesto Junior College (MJC) where I am working towards an Associates Degree focused in Animal Science and Agriculture Business. After MJC, I plan on transferring to an out of state 4 year university where I will expand my knowledge to assist me for my future career in the agriculture industry.

This year I was honored as the recipient of the Russell Preston Scholarship which will help me accomplish my educational goals and aspirations!

**Thank you to all of our volunteers who continue to push through this difficult and understandably frustrating time. We appreciate you!**

# Calendar of Events

## September

**15th-** Last day to access Financial reporting online for Club Leaders

**27th-** Intent to submit for

State Record Book Judging

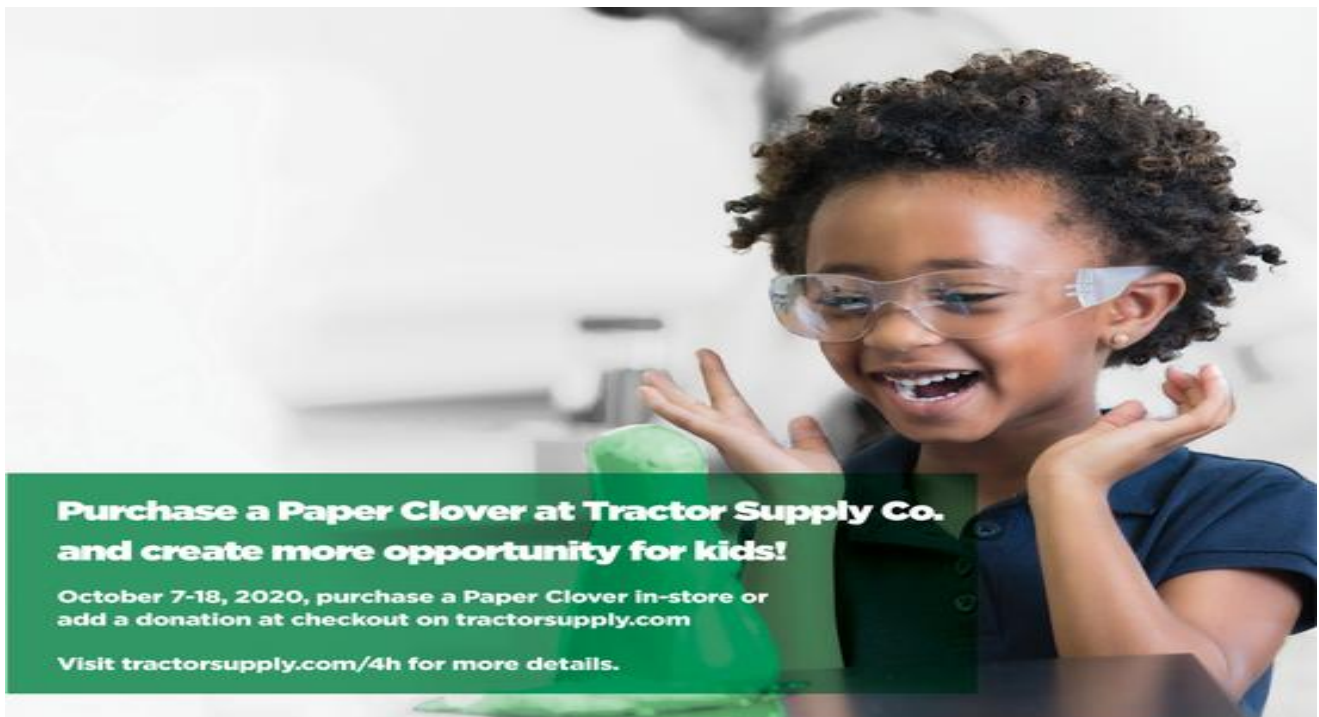
## October

**3rd-** County Council Meeting @ 9am via Zoom

**4th to 10th-** National 4-H Week

**7th to 18th-** Tractor Supply Paper Clover Days!

**15th-** Market Animal Enrollment Deadline Due



## **Community Club Leaders 2020-2021:**

**Ft. Bragg:  
Crystal Sanderson**

**Long Valley:  
Andrea Firks  
Lindsey & Travis Whitcomb  
Alena Musgrave**

**Mendocino:  
Kathy Babcock**

**Potter Valley  
Lovina Penry (Interim)**

**Redwood Valley/ Calpella  
Ali Arteaga  
Abigail Comstock**

**Round Valley:  
Beatrice Lincoln**

**Ukiah:  
Gina Weaver**

**Willits:  
Natalie Spackman  
Lydia Clark**

**THANK YOU!**

**The 4-H Program will continue to push through while abiding the COVID-19 restrictions of sticking to groups of no more than 8 persons (2 Adults and 6 Youth).**

**Thanks to our adult volunteers, we are able to do this!**

**However, this may cause limited spaces per project, causing a first come first serve basis for many of our Clubs. If you would like to know more about what the needs are for your particular club, please reach out to your Community Club Leader or myself ([jfarfan@ucan.edu](mailto:jfarfan@ucan.edu)) for contact information. If you are interested in leading or co-leading a 4-H project, that would be much appreciated in order to allow more enrollment availability!**

**There will be training available upon request for the needs per Club in order to support!**

**Sincerely,**

**Jessica Farfan**

## **4-H Community Education Specialist II**