



# Clover County Monthly Newsletter



## Upcoming Dates & Deadlines

Mon. 24 November - Leadership Development Conference registration opens in 4HOnline

Weds. 26 - Fri. 28 November - CSU/Office closed for Thanksgiving

Mon. 1 December - County Council, BV/Zoom, 7 pm

Tues. 9 December - Cloverbuds, FG Meeting Room, 5 pm

Weds. 24 - Fri. 26 December - CSU/Office closed for Christmas

Weds 31 Dec. - Fri. 2 January - CSU/Office closed for New Year's

Mon. 5 January - County Council, Salida/Zoom, 7 pm

Tues. 6 January - 4-H 101 Zoom call, 5 pm

Weds. 7 January - LDC registration closes in 4HOnline

Thurs. 8 January - 4-H enrollment deadline & \$25/member dues due for County Fair 2026

Sat. 17 January - Tack Sale/Livestock Gear Swap at Fairgrounds, 12-3 pm

Sun. 25 January - Beef Weigh-In at Fairgrounds, 1-3 pm

Fri. 24 Jan. - Mon 26 Jan. - Leadership Development Conference in Denver for Senior 4-H'ers

## The newsletter has a new look!

CSU is moving away from Canva, the digital design platform, and transitioning to Venngage, a similar design tool. The newsletter will have a slightly new look over the coming months!

## Red Hot Reminders

**4-H enrollment in 4HOnline, plus \$25/membership dues, are due on January 8, 2026.**

**Save the date for County Fair 2026, July 24 - August 2, 2026.**

Janella is retiring at the end of December. Be sure to stop in the office to say congratulations & goodbye!

## Mon. 1 December County Council

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/94668003934?pwd=baRc2qG84JvkYVxhLav569Gu5c8bqd.1>

Meeting ID: 946 6800 3934

Passcode: Council

Meeting in BV at

Scratch Connections,  
106 Isabel Court, & on  
Zoom



## Save the Date!

**June  
15 - 28**

Moonlight Mondays  
fundraising period  
for 4-H!



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## Updated Project Record Books

The latest copies of 4-H Record Books are available in [this Google Drive folder](#). Contact Rebecca to learn which Record Book you need to use for your project!



## December Birthdays!    New Projects!

Joshua Bailey  
Clarence Bellinger  
Nikki Burns  
Caden Courson  
Vivian Ericsson  
Jenny Feicht  
Jason LaRue  
Emma McWhirter  
Emmett Podesta  
Eli Schwartz  
Kylie Taverna  
Millie Van Dyke  
Liberty Wertz

Contact Rebecca to learn about the new **Art of Ranching** project available to 4-H'ers!

For 2026 we will be adding **Electricity** projects to our activities. We will be doing this through combined, dual-track **Ham Radio** and Electricity project workshops. For Ham Radio, we will continue to learn about the basics of ham radio technology and operation, and do related projects such as building a radio transmitter and doing radio hunts where we hide the transmitter and try to find it using antennas we built. Adding the Electricity Projects will expand our ability to learn about how fundamental electricity/electronics work by doing various activities such as building electronic circuits. Combining these activities into a single workshop will also allow us to learn how electronics enable ham radio and many other electronic devices we use daily.

Contact volunteer **Marty Glapa** to learn more!  
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Saturday  
**JANUARY  
17, 2026**

# 14TH ANNUAL CONSIGNMENT TACK SALE & LIVESTOCK GEAR SWAP

Clean out your tack room, barn, and trailer! Make some cash and support 4-H. 15% consignment fee or donate items outright to the Horse Club. Equipment for all 4-H/FFA livestock projects, ranch, farm, equine, & more accepted.



**LIVESTOCK GEAR**

**LOCATION**  
Chaffee County Fairgrounds  
Pine Tree Event Center  
(aka Exhibit Hall)  
10165 CR 120  
Salida, CO 81201

**TIME**  
Sale runs 12 - 3 pm  
Items accepted at 10 am.



**HORSE TACK**

**CONTACT**  
For forms and questions,  
contact Kathy Rohrich  
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(719) 221-3121

**ITEMS**  
Donations accepted  
ahead of the sale, contact  
Kathy to arrange a drop-  
off time.



**FARM & RANCH**

**Proceeds benefit  
Chaffee County  
4-H Horse Club**

**Please have items  
priced & labeled  
ahead of time to  
speed up check-in  
process.**

# New to 4-H? Feeling overwhelmed with all the info and deadlines?

Join us for our monthly “**4-H 101 Series**” Zoom webinars. We’ll be walking through the 4-H year step-by-step to help new families and interested families learn more about 4-H. Topics may include:

- 4HOnline Database tips & tricks
- Annual 4-H calendar
- Dates, deadlines, & other details
- 5 components to a 4-H project
- What is a record book? How do you complete one?
- County Fair 101
- Becoming more involved
- What is County Council?
- And so much more!



**Next call is on Tuesday 6 January at 5 pm!**

## Join Zoom Meeting

[https://zoom.us/j/96564936351?  
pwd=Ly85PGRVCKnHeTFWiN5UUNQauJpQiM.1](https://zoom.us/j/96564936351?pwd=Ly85PGRVCKnHeTFWiN5UUNQauJpQiM.1)

**Meeting ID: 965 6493 6351**

**Passcode: LEARN4H**

## Save the Date for Future 4-H 101 Calls, all at 5 pm:

- **3 February**
- **3 March**



## 2025-2026 Chaffee/Lake County 4-H Calendar

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### October 2025

- 1 4-H Year Begins!
- 6-10 National 4-H Week
- 6 Office Closed - Cabrini Day
- 13 County Council, BV/Zoom, 7 pm
- 15 Quarterly Leaders Meeting, 6:15 pm
- 15 Cloverbuds, 5-6 pm
- 17 CLC Registration Deadline
- 20 4-H 101 Info Meeting, BV, 6-7:30 pm

### November 2025

- 4 4-H 101 Zoom Call, 5 pm
- 7-9 Colorado Leadership Camp
- 15 Open House, FG N. Building, 10 am - noon
- 10 County Council, Salida/Zoom, 7 pm
- 11 Office Closed - Veterans Day
- 17 Cloverbuds, FG Meeting Room, 5-6 pm
- 24 LDC Registration Opens in 4HOnline
- 27-29 CSU/Office Closed - Thanksgiving

### December 2025

- 1 County Council, BV/Zoom, 7 pm
- 9 Cloverbuds, 5-6 pm
- 24-25 Office Closed - Christmas
- 31 Office Closed - New Year's Eve

### January 2026

- 1 Office Closed - New Year's Day
- 5 County Council, Salida/Zoom, 7 pm
- 6 4-H 101 Zoom Call, 5 pm
- 7 LDC Registration Closes
- 8 4-H Enrollment & Dues Deadline
- 7-10 Western National Roundup
- 16 4-H Day at Stock Show
- 19 Office Closed, MLK Day
- 21 Quarterly Leaders Meeting, FG, 6:15 pm
- 24-25 LDC - Denver
- 26 4-H Day at the Capitol
- 25 Beef Weigh-in, 1-3 pm

### February 2026

- 2 County Council, BV/Zoom, 7 pm
- 3 4-H 101 Zoom Call, 5 pm
- 16 Office Closed - Presidents Day

### March 2026

- 2 County Council, Salida/Zoom, 7 pm
- 3 4-H 101 Zoom Call, 5 pm
- TBD Record Book Training Zoom
- TBD Cattlemen's Meat-In BBQ
- TBD District Retreat
- TBD YouthFest - Pueblo

### April 2026

- 3-4 Meat Quality Assurance, tentative
- 6 County Council, BV/Zoom, 7 pm
- TBD National 4-H Volunteer Week
- Quarterly Leaders Meeting
- Record Book Training
- 26 Swine/Sheep/Goat Weigh-in 1-4 pm
- National 4-H Conference
- Cloverbuds
- CO State Fair Beef Nominations Due
- 4-H 101 Series Zoom Call

### May 2026

- 1 Horse & Dog IDs due in 4HOnline
- TBD Animal Knowledge Testing
- 4 County Council, Salida/Zoom, 7 pm
- 15 Project Add/Drop Deadline
- 25 Office Closed - Memorial Day
- TBD Record Book Training

### June 2026

- 1 Animal Care & Housing Forms Due
- 1 County Council, Leadville/Zoom, 7 pm
- 16-19 State 4-H Conference in Fort Collins
- 18 Office Closed - Juneteenth





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- 15-28 Moonlight Pizza Fundraising Window
- TBD State Fair Goat/Hog/Lamb Nominations Due
- TBD Animal Knowledge Testing
- TBD Open Scales at FG
- 15-28 Moonlight Pizza Fundraising Period
- 19 Office Closed - Juneteenth
- TBD State 4-H Conference
- 25 Animal Knowledge Tests Due

### **July 2026**

- 2 Office Closed - Independence Day  
(observed)
- 6 County Council, BV/Zoom, 7 pm
- 24 County Fair Starts
- TBD Fair Pen/Stall Reservations Due
- Indoor Project Judging Sign Ups Due
- Rabbit/Poultry Rosters Due
- Horse Show Entry Forms Due
- Livestock & Horse 4-H'er Fair Packets  
Available for pickup*
- Open Scales at FG
- County Shooting Sports Contest

### **August 2026**

- 2 County Fair Ends
- Animals & Exhibits Release
- State Fair Projects Due in Office
- Perishable State Fair Projects Due in Office
- Livestock & Officer Record Books Due
- Cloverbuds
- Colorado State Fair
- (look for additional State Fair Deadlines this month)*

### **September 2026**

- TBD CO State Fair
- 7 Office Closed - Labor Day
- Cloverbuds
- County Council
- 27 Achievement Banquet
- (look for Club Charter  
deadlines this month)*





# Contact Our Office



Our office is open 7:30 am - 5:30 pm, Monday-Thursday. Occasionally we are out of the office at appointments or meetings. For urgent needs, please call ahead. Documents or payments can be put in the black dropbox next to the door if you stop in and we are closed.

## Mailing Address

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## Meet the Team



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