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JUNE 2023



# ATASCOSA COUNTY 4-H

## ENCOURAGE TO BUILD AND CONNECT

*The latest news and updates from Atascosa County 4-H*



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# ATASCOSA COUNTY 4-H CLUB INFORMATION

## LA PARITA 4-H CLUB

2ND MONDAY OF THE MONTH

6:30 PM

COWBOY FELLOWSHIP CHURCH

JOURDANTON, TX

JASON & VALERIE AGUILAR

JASON.SGC@GMAIL.COM

## BLACKHILL 4-H CLUB

2ND SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

6:00 PM

BLACKHILL COMMUNITY CENTER

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## LEMING/VERDI 4-H CLUB

2ND MONDAY OF THE MONTH

6:30 PM

VERDI COMMUNITY CENTER

CARL ROYAL

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## LYTLE 4-H CLUB

2ND MONDAY OF THE MONTH

6:30 PM

LYTLE PRIMARY SCHOOL CAFETERIA

JENNIFER CRISWELL

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## POTEET 4-H CLUB

2ND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH

6:30 PM

POTEET HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA

USVALDO & ANGELA LANDA

## MESQUITE 4-H CLUB

2ND MONDAY OF THE MONTH

6:00 PM

PLEASANTON 1ST BAPTIST CHURCH

SUE ANN SMITH & JOHANNA HAGEN

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JOHANNAHAGEN1973@GMAIL.COM

## CHAROLTTE 4-H CLUB

1ST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH

6:30 PM

CHAROLTTE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH FELLOWSHIP

HALL

PATRICIA SCOTT

## Enrollment for the 2023 - 2024 Year

Enrollment for the 2023 - 2024 year will open August 15, 2023 on 4-H Online. The website is: <https://v2.4honline.com>. If you are in need of guidance on how to get registered on 4-H Online please visit the family guides at: <https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/4honline>.

## "NO PASS NO PLAY"

IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN ANY 4-H SPONSORED EVENT INCLUDING STOCK SHOWS, SHOOTING SPORTS, OR OTHER CONTESTS, MEMBERS MUST BE ENROLLED WITH ONE OF OUR AREA CLUBS AND MEET THE 50% ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENT PRIOR TO THE CONTEST. PARTICIPATION IN ANY COMPETITION OR SHOOTING EVENT IS ONLY PERMITTED WHILE MEETING ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA UNDER TEXAS EDUCATION CODE 33.081 "NO PASS NO PLAY."

## ATASCOSA COUNTY 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS COACHES

### ARCHERY

PAUL MACMANUS

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### RIFLE

JIMMY MEYER

JIMMYGUN-SHOP@HOTMAIL.COM

JASON AGUILAR

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# STEER AND HEIFER VALIDATION

**JUNE 14, 2023**

**4 - 6 PM**

**JUNE 17, 2023**

**8 - 10 AM**

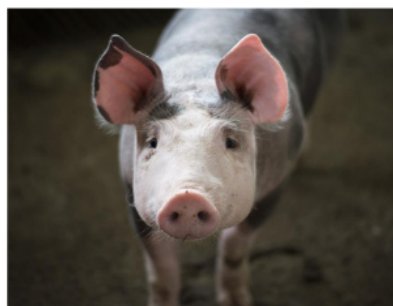
If you purchased Steer or Heifer  
Validation Tags you must bring  
your steer and/or heifers to one  
of the two validation days.

JOURDANTON ISD AG BARN  
411 OLD CHRISTINE RD,  
JOURDANTON



## STATE FAIR LAMB & SWINE VALIDATION

**JUNE  
14, 2023  
6PM**



**JOURDANTON ISD AG  
BARN  
411 OLD CHRISTINE RD**



# ATASCOSA COUNTY 4-H RECORDBOOK CONTEST

Record Books Due to  
ashile.stayton@ag.tamu.edu by 5 PM on  
June 12, 2023.

## Why are Record books Important?

- Helps you keep track of what you have accomplished during the current and previous years.
- Helps to keep records for scholarship and college applications.
- Required your last two years for the Atascosa County 4-H Merit Scholarship.
- Required for Star Awards



More Information on  
Record Books can be found  
at: <https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/recordbooks/>

## 4-H Star Award Applications Due June 12, 2023

Gold Star Award—Member must be at least 15 at the time of application and must have completed at least 3 years in 4-H, including current year. The 4-H member must have submitted a Recordbook to be considered for the award. The 4-H member must have completed projects in three different project areas, have submitted appropriate record forms, and have participated in one or more activities.

Silver Star Award— Must be 12 at the time of application but not have reached their 15th birthday as of September 1st of the current year

Bronze Star Award— Must be 9 or in the third grade but not have reached their 12th birthday by September 1st of the current year.

All applicants must be prepared to interview. A full list of requirements are listed on the application available on our website under the “Forms” tab at:

[atascosa.agrilife.org](https://atascosa.agrilife.org)





## ATASCOSA COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL OFFICER RETREAT

JUNE 20, 2023  
ATASCOSA  
COUNTY  
EXTENSION  
OFFICE.  
9:30 AM  
ALL NEWLY  
ELECTED COUNTY  
COUNCIL  
MEMBERS ARE TO  
ATTEND. MORE  
DETAILS TO  
COME.



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## DISTRICT 12 4-H ELECTION CONVENTION

JUNE 16, 2023

KC HALL - #3389, 320 E. GENERAL CAVAZOS  
BLVD. KINGSVILLE, TX

*Register now on 4-H Online and be part of change  
to elect your new District 12 4-H Council*

*Contact your County Extension Agent for more  
info!*



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# STATE GAMES REGISTRATION NOW OPEN ON 4-H ONLINE

PLEASE BE SURE TO  
**CAREFULLY** READ THE  
TEXAS 4-H  
SHOOTING SPORTS  
**STATE GAMES**  
**HANDBOOK** BEFORE  
REGISTERING



The Texas 4-H Shooting Sports State Games Handbook can be found at:  
[https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/shooting\\_sports\\_state\\_games\\_2023.pdf](https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/shooting_sports_state_games_2023.pdf)  
Step 1 Registration on 4-H Online closes on June 16, 2023.

**Save the date for Livestock Day Camps.**

**This summer's Livestock Day Camps are planned for July 18, 19 or 20, 2023. More details to be available soon.**

**THE 2022 - 2023 ATASCOSA COUNTY 4-H AWARDS FUN DAY WILL TAKE PLACE ON JULY 29, 2023. THIS YEAR WE WILL HAVE A HAWIIAN THEME. LOCATION AND MORE DETAILS WILL BE RELEASED SOON.**

# Members in Action

## District 12 Postal League Contest Archery Results

Mason Castro - 1st Year Junior Compound Aided - 6th Place  
Kaycee Kaiser - Junior Compound Aided - 4th Place  
Kingston Fox - Junior Genesis (NASP) - 1st Place  
Santiago Contreras - Junior Genesis (NASP) - 6th Place  
Luke Dickens - Intermediate Compound Aided - 1st Place  
Cage Conway - Intermediate Compound Aided - 6th Place  
Blakely Royal - Intermediate Compound Aided - 8th Place  
Tucker Fair - Intermediate Compound Aided - 10th Place  
Sophia Velasquez - Intermediate Recurve - 2nd Place  
Reese Royal - Senior Compound Aided - 5th Place  
Isabel Velasquez - Senior Compound Aided - 8th Place  
Pearson Royal - Senior Compound Aided - 9th Place  
Darcy Macmanus - Senior Genesis (NASP) - 3rd

## District 12 Postal League Contest Rifle Results

Atascosa Junior Team - 2nd Place - Julian Olvera, Hunter Castro, Weston Gansky  
Julian Olvera - 2nd Place Junior Individual  
Hunter Castro - 4th Place Junior Individual  
Weston Gansky - 6th Place Junior Individual  
Elizabeth Davenport - 15th Place Junior Individual  
Atascosa Intermediate Team - 1st Place - Reagan Aguilar, Killian Kaiser, Tanner Thomas  
Reagan Aguilar - 1st Place Intermediate Individual  
Killian Kaiser - 6th Place Intermediate Individual  
Tanner Thomas - 10th Place Intermediate Individual  
Milee Wilkins - 16th Place Intermediate Individual  
Atascosa County Senior Team - 2nd Place - Montana Aguilar, Jacob Rubal, Trent Rubal  
Montana Aguilar - 2nd Place Senior Individual  
Jacob Rubal - 5th Place Senior Individual  
Trent Rubal - 9th Place Senior Individual

**Good Luck to all of the Atascosa County 4-H  
Members that will be competing in Texas 4-H  
Round Up Events this Month.**



Good Luck to Montana Aguilar as  
she travels to Nebraska to  
represent Texas 4-H at the  
National 4-H Shooting Sports  
Invitational.



# **Congratulations to all of the Graduating Atascosa County 4-H Seniors.**

Hallie Bates  
Logan Brown  
Bree Criswell  
Cole Hannah  
Slayde Huggins  
Memphis Landa  
Darcy Macmanus  
Hudson Mask  
Kirby McNeill  
Gerald Naegelin  
Marcos Natal  
Noah Ramos  
Tristian Sanchez  
Allyson Sherley  
Luke Thornton

Congratulations to Kirby McNeil on receiving the 2022 - 2023 Texas  
4-H Foundation Opportunity Scholarship.



2023  
Summer



# Virtual **TEXAS 4-H REEL 'EM IN**

## 2023 FISHING SKILL-A-THON

### Program Highlights:

- Register **individually** as 4-H youth (grades 3-12) or \*Clover Kid (grades K-2) via 4HOnline at <https://v2.4honline.com/> beginning April 17th
- Clover Kids - FREE to participate and will receive a participation certificate
- Judging via FishDonkey App (no fee to use app!) Rules posted at <https://d54-h.tamu.edu/>

### Species Divisions:

- Saltwater - Spotted Seatrout, Sheepshead & Redfish
- Freshwater - Bass, Crappie & Catfish

### More Ways to Win!

- Longest single fish or stringer by tournament, species, division and overall
- Grand Slam - post 3 different fish species within species division
- Wild Card - random drawing of all fish posted on FishDonkey

### Fee:

- Regular Registration: April 17-May 21, \$50 flat fee per division per 4-H participant (saltwater and/or freshwater)
- Late Registration: May 22-June 30, \$100

### Questions?

- Contact Jheri-Lynn McSwain, Ph.D., Extension Program Specialist at [jlmcswain@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:jlmcswain@ag.tamu.edu)



### Summer Tournament

Fish at YOUR Location:  
June 12 at 12:00 am thru  
August 31 at 11:59 pm



Texas 4H Center

AT THIS TIME WE DO NOT HAVE A DESIGNATED WEEK THAT AN AGENT CAN ATTEND. YOU CAN STILL SIGN UP FOR CAMP UP PARENTS MIGHT BE NEEDED TO DRIVE AND STAY AT THE CAMP

- County Camp I: June 25-29 2023
  - Y: \$300, A: \$160
- County Camp II: July 9-13, 2023
  - Y: \$300, A: \$160
- Horizons I: July 2-6, 2023
  - Y: \$300, A: \$160
- South Texas: July 23-27, 2023
  - Y: \$500, A: \$400
- Prime Time I: July 16-19, 2023
  - Y: \$250, A: \$135
- Prime Time II: July 19-22, 2023
  - Y: \$250, A: \$135
- High Adventure Camp: June 18-20, 2023
  - Y: \$200, A: \$115

Register Now

<https://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu>

## LIVESTOCK JUDGING CLINIC

HOSTED BY HARDIN COUNTY 4-H

**\$35 Pre REGISTRATION**  
**\$40 Day of**

LIMITED DAY OF SPOTS AVAILABLE

CLINIC COACHES WILL GO OVER REASONS, THEN TERMINOLOGY OVER STEERS, HEIFERS, LAMBS, GOATS, AND PIGS



**LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST STARTS @ 1:30**

AWARDS TO TOP INDIVIDUAL JR/SR  
BANNERS TO TOP 4 TEAMS

**Port-a-cools & Free water will be provided**



**SATURDAY  
JULY 15, 2023**

3677 HWY 326  
KOUNTZE, TX 77625

**CHECK IN:  
8AM-8:30AM  
CLINIC STARTS  
@9AM  
LUNCH WILL BE AT  
12PM**

Lunch will be provided

CLINIC COACHES WILL BE MEMBERS OF THE SAM HOUSTON LIVESTOCK JUDGING TEAM

**AWARDS WILL BE AN HOUR AFTER CONTEST ENDS**

QUESTIONS? DUSTI CREEL 409-291-0182 KELSEY SWEARINGEN 409-782-9340

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