University of Wyoming Extension

The Forecast
November Newsletter

2026 Sheridan County

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Join the Sheridan County 4-H Band!

All adults must have their full name on their profile!

First and foremost, congratulations to all of those receiving recognition at our 2025-2026 **Achievement Night**! With almost 120 people in attendance, I'm happy to have had so many of our 4-H families there and at the same time I need to apologize for underestimating the number of briskets we needed to have on hand! Thank you again to Lacey Sell and Ian Hamilton for donating those briskets and to Stewart and Liz Kincaid for smoking them.

November brings a few fresh faces in leadership roles, notably **4-H Council President Ian Hamilton**, **Dairy Goat Superintendent Jenna Gorzalka** and **Beef Superintendent Hillary Tipton**!

We also have many new young leaders learning how to lead groups at the Club level. Visiting with one new Club President yesterday, his desire was to change up their standard meeting format a bit and they will likely be asking members to sign up for a slot during the year to give a presentation to the club about either their work in a Project or another topic of interest. If they built a tri-fold board to go along with that presentation, that's a perfect Static entry for our County Fair!

Lastly, we are wanting to restart our **Teen Leadership Council** this year, and Lacey Sell and Shane Ogle will be the Leaders of that. Any Senior-age 4-Hers who would like to be a part of TLC, contact Chandra or I and we will invite you to the TLC Band.

I hope everyone has a wonderful November!

Zachary Hein
4-H/Youth Dev. Educator
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SHERIDAN COUNTY 4-H IS MOVING TO BAND!

🎉 **We're kicking off the 2026-2027 4-H year and we're excited to connect with YOU!** 🍀

BAND is becoming an important part of how we communicate, share updates, and stay connected throughout the year. Whether you're a 4-H participant, parent/guardian, or volunteer, we want you to be part of the conversation!

📲 **Download the BAND app and join the Sheridan County 4-H BAND today!**

From important announcements and reminders to opportunities, events, and everything in between, BAND will help keep our 4-H family CONNECTED, INFORMED, and BEYOND READY! 🚀

Let's make this a great 4-H year — together! 💚🍀

Join the Sheridan County 4-H Band!

ALL ADULTS MUST HAVE THEIR FULL NAME LISTED TO GET ACCESS TO 4-H BANDS



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8 • Goose Creek Club Meeting • Tongue River Roundup Meeting	9	10 • Lucky 7 Meeting • Wyotana Meeting	11	12	13	14 • Sewing
15	16	17 • Big Horn Cowboys Meeting	18 • 307 Pioneers Meeting	19	20	21 • Sewing
22	23	24	25 • Piney Island Pioneers Meeting	26 Happy Thanksgiving Extension Office Closed	27	28
29	30 • Drone Workshop (Sign up required)	• Clubs • Projects • Workshops • Meetings • Events				



In all things, give thanks



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Extension Office Closed

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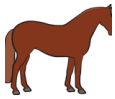
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Updated 11/4/2026

Sheridan County 4-H Clubs

***Check calendar for any changes in meeting date/location**

307 Pioneers 4-H Club

Leaders:
Jeremy Kisling
307-763-0694

Emily Wardell
307-272-2676

Meets: 3rd Wednesday of the month @ 6:00 pm
Extension Office

Big Horn Cowboys

Leader:
Sarah Opitz
307-340-1177

Meets: 3rd Tuesday of the month @ 6:30 pm
Extension Office

Critters Crafts & Cooking Club

Leader:
Carol French
307-751-0380

Meets: 1st Saturday of the month @ 10:30 am
Extension Office

Goose Creek Livestock

Leaders:
Lacey Sell
307-461-7410

Jessica Barnes
307-630-9958

Meets: 2nd Sunday of the month @ 5:30 pm
Extension Office

Lucky 7 4-H Club

Leader:
Jessie Koltiska
307-752-2298

Meets: 2nd Tuesday of the month @ 5:30 pm
Extension Office

Piney Island Pioneers 4-H Club

Leader:
Diana Manselle
307-299-3338

Meets: 4th Wednesday of the month @ 6:00 pm
Story Library

the 5th H

Leaders:
Rachel & Brian Mealor
307-330-4884

Sarah & Peter Burgess
307-461-0210

Meets: 1st Wednesday of the month @ 1:00 pm
Extension Office

Tongue River Roundup

Leaders:
Rachel Reinholz
320-491-4300

Jonalee Watkins
307-751-0848

Meets: 2nd Sunday of the month @ 12:00 pm
Ranchester Town Hall

Wyoming Warriors

Leaders:
Cindy Beaver
307-660-6064

Kathy Miller
307-751-7019

Meets: 1st Friday of the month @ 12:05pm
Ignite Weslyan Church

Wyotana Grizzlies

Leader:
Susie Terry
307-751-2233

Meets: 1st Tuesday of the month @ 6:00 pm
Extension Office

Dont Forget

Please stop by the office if you have any of the following

- **Premium Money**
- **If you turned in a Recordbook**
- **Shooting Sports Awards**
- **If your Name is on the Achievement Night page and you were not there**



Achievement Night

Outstanding Club
The 5th H

Outstanding Leader
Jeff Hinton

Outstanding 1st yr Leader
Amber Edwards

Outstanding Project Leader
Lacey Sell

30yr. Leader
Kathy Miller

1st Year Leaders
Krystal Raley
Lucas Stalcup
Hillary Tipton
Patrice Hein
Miranda Dunham
Tom Hein
Amber Edwards
Kimberly Lodovici
Diana Manselle
Emily Mitchell
Sarah Opitz

5yr. Leaders
Brittany Gorzalka
Jon Haugen
Mike May
Emily Wardell
Jodi Edwards

Aspen Spirit Award
Kathryn Mantey-King

Friend of 4-H
Rocky Mountain Discount Sports
Brannian Auctioneers
Valley Meat

Matthew Hiniger Memorial Helping Spirit Award
Ella Hiller

Born & Raised Producer
Sheep- Watkins Club Lambs
Goat- Gorzalka Show Goats
Beef- West Showstock
Swine- TNT Show Pigs

Wyoming 4-H Honors Club
Chloie Wardell
Finn Stalick
Tinley Barnes
Harper Baltz

Character Counts

Jr.	Int.	Sr.
Carsyn Cates	Bracken Mealor	Ty Watkins
Corbyn Cates	Hannah Heide	Noah Hinton
Chet Edwards	Gavin Gorzalka	Wyatt Gorzalka
Savannah Lodovici	Olivia Johnson	Kathryn Mantey-King
Grady Mealor	Natalie Opitz	

9 yr. Members
Ella Hiller
Juniper Koltiska
Chloie Wardell
Lucas Schreiber
Piper Walter
TJ Watkins
Aubrey Kelty
Faith Hinton
Melanie Brown

SHERIDAN COUNTY 4-H

ENROLLMENT OPENS OCT. 1ST

DON'T FORGET!

DON'T FORGET TO GET RE-ENROLLED/ENROLLED IN 4-H!

Aerospace
Archery
Beef
Cake Decorating
Cat
Civic Engagement
Computers
Crocheting
Dog
Electricity
Entomology
Fabric & Fashion
Food & Nutrition
Gardening
Horticulture
Geology
Goats
Health
Horse
Hunting
Interior Design
Knitting
Leathercraft
Lego Creations
Livestock Judging
Llamas & Alpacas
Muzzleloading
Nature & Ecology
Needlecraft
Photography
Pistols
Pocket Pets
Poultry
Quilting
Rabbit
Range Management
Outdoor Recreation
Rifle
Robotics
Ropecraft
Self Determined
Sheep
Shotgun
Sportfishing
Swine
Vet Science
Vegetable Judging
Visual Arts- Painting & Drawing
Visual Arts- Arts & Crafts
Welding
Wildlife & Hunting
Woodworking
Wool Judging
Youth Leadership

4H.ZSUITE.ORG

HELPING YOUTH THRIVE
POSITIVE YOUTH DEVELOPMENT



ZSuite 4-H Enrollment

New Family Profile

If you've never signed in to ZSuite before, follow these steps:

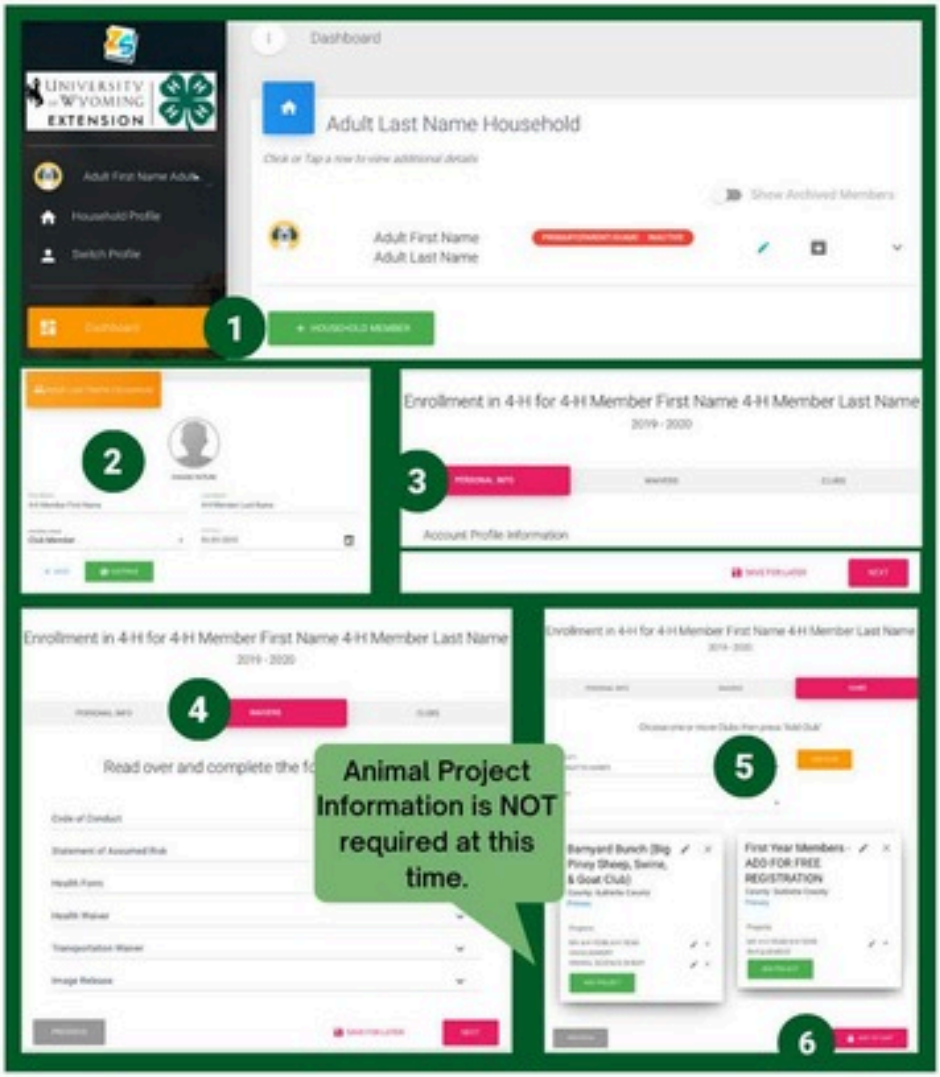
1. Go to https://4h.zsuite.org/
2. As a Family creating a new Profile, select SIGN UP
   a. Fill in all of the fields, select LET'S GO!

Adding 4-H Members

You are now on the **Dashboard** tab

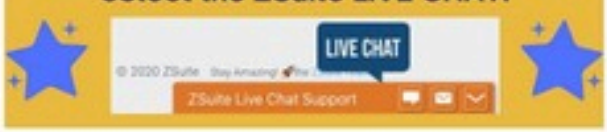
1. Select + Household Member
2. Fill out 4-H Member's info, select Continue
3. Fill out PERSONAL INFO, select Next
4. Fill out all six drop down WAIVERS, then select Next
5. Dropdown to your CLUB, select Add Club
   a. Select Add Project
      i. If you are interested in
         1. Junior Leaders
         2. Livestock Judging Team
         3. Livestock Skillathon Team

   make sure to add them as a Club.
      i. **ALL** 4-H Members should Add **MY 4-H YEAR/MY 4-H YEAR INVOLVEMENT** as a Project in one Club, Select Add Project
6. Select Add to Cart and then you can either **+Add Enrollment** or **Submit.** Must be submitted to be complete.



First Year 4-H Members, make sure to add the First Year Member "CLUB". This will waive the Registration Fee.

If you need assistance, don't hesitate to select the ZSuite LIVE CHAT!



Once submitted, your Enrollment will change from Pending Approval to Active when the Extension Office receives payment!

SEWING WORKSHOPS

BASIC SEWING



NOVEMBER

14TH 10 AM- 12 PM

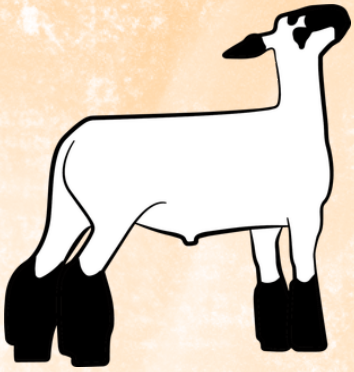
21ST 10 AM- 12 PM

DECEMBER

5TH 12 PM- 2 PM

12TH 10 AM- 12 PM

EXTENSION OFFICE



Sheep Project

Market and Breeding

Mandatory for ALL Sheep Project Participants

Dec. 10th @ 6:30 pm

Extension Office

An overview and class break down.

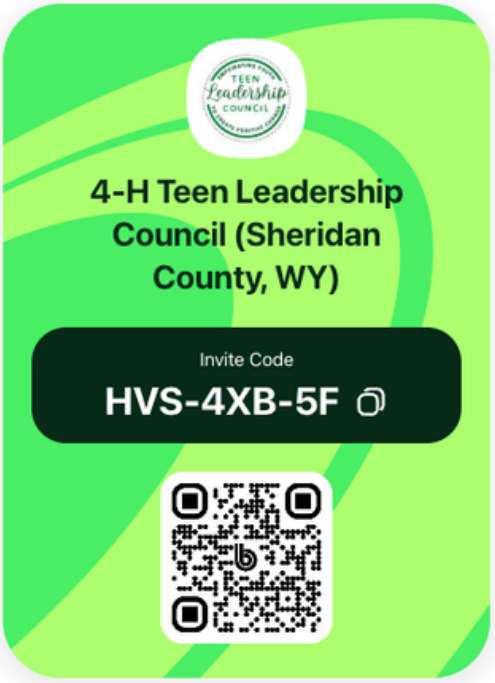


Meet and Greet

EMPOWERING YOUTH TEEN Leadership COUNCIL TO CREATE POSITIVE CHANGE

Looking to level up your leadership skills, make new friends, and make a real impact this 4-H year? Calling all 14–18-year-olds!

The Teen Leadership Council is hosting an upcoming Meet and Greet, and you're invited!
Whether you're a returning member or completely new to 4-H, drop by to learn what the program is all about and see how you can get involved, share your ideas, and lead the way this year.



Nov. 16th
7pm @ Extension Office

DRONE WORKSHOP

Sign-Up Required

Have you ever wanted to learn how to fly a drone? From photographers to farmers, drones are used by more and more people every year as they do their jobs.

6 PM in Rooms 131/132

Sign up on the Sheridan County 4-H Band

Nov. 30 and Dec. 14

HELP US DESIGN AN AERIAL OBSTACLE COURSE AND THEN FLY A MICRO-DRONE THROUGH IT!







18 USC 707

CLOVERBUDS

Cloverbuds will be the 1st Tuesday of the month.

Date: December 1
Time: 5:30 PM
Place: Sheridan County Extension Office

For children ages 5-7

CHAPS
EQUINE ASSISTED SERVICES
Connect. Heal. Inspire.

REACH
Resources
Education
Autism
Community
Harmony
Embracing Autism and Neurodiversity Across Wyoming

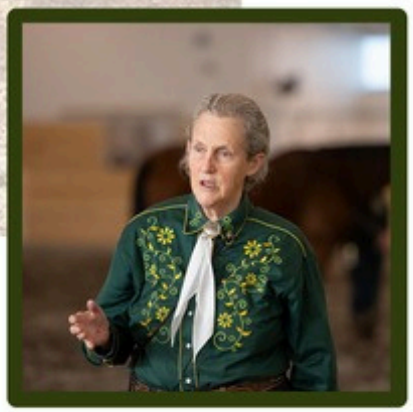
Learn from Dr. Temple Grandin

CHAPS Equine Assisted Services
501 US Hwy 14 E
Sheridan, WY 82801

April 28, 2027, times TBD
$5/person to help cover costs

Topics include:
* Animal Behavior
* Sensory Experiences
* Connection

Open to all 4-H and FFA students; Dr. Temple Grandin is a world-renowned expert in humane animal husbandry.



CHAPS is incredibly excited to bring Dr. Temple Grandin to Sheridan and wants to share this opportunity with all of us! So we can learn from her. They need to get an idea of how many would be interested in learning from her; above is the flyer and a sign-up form. If you are interested, get signed up today!

Link for the sign-up form:
https://forms.gle/QQNbymvAAXRvHLpZ9

State 4-H Happenings

Hands to Larger Service Award

The Hands to Larger Service Award recognizes 4-H clubs that have demonstrated outstanding community service through projects in one of two areas: Health or Heart.

- Health projects focus on improving community access to resources and opportunities that promote healthier living.
- Heart projects focus on strengthening relationships, building connections, and fostering a greater sense of community.

Selected clubs will receive an award to support and encourage their continued efforts to make a positive difference in their communities. These 4-H members exemplify the values of 4-H by putting their hands to larger service and making a meaningful impact.

There is no limit to the number of project submissions a club may submit! Only projects submitted through the official Formstack submission form will be considered for the award.

Ready to showcase your club's service?





IT TAKES COURAGE TO ASK FOR HELP

THE COWBOY CODE OF ETHICS REMINDS US TO LIVE EACH DAY WITH COURAGE. SOMETIMES COURAGE MEANS ASKING FOR HELP.

NEED SOMEONE TO TALK TO?

TEXT WYO TO 741741 FOR FREE, CONFIDENTIAL CRISIS SUPPORT.

Sheridan County Livestock Committee
Meeting Minutes

10/7/2026

I. Call to order – 6:04pm by Amber Jensen

II. Roll call Committee Members

- Amber Jensen, Susie Terry, Hanna Mudder, Krystal Raley, Kylie McConnell, John Masters, Zach Hein, Jennifer Forsness, Chris Sorenson, Emily Rieger, Stewart Kincaid and Liz Kincaid.

III. Consent Agenda for approval:

- Approval of minutes from last meeting (sent out via email)
- Project area meeting dates and times (attached with email)
  - Motion for Approval: Tony 2nd: Lacey

IV. Old Business

- Superintendent Elections
  - Swine: Chris Sorenson
- Superintendent Appointments
  - Dairy Goats: Jenna Gorzalka
  - Cattle: Hillary Tipton
    - John Motioned to approve all of the applicants for the superintendent positions. Susie 2nd motion passed.

I. New Business

- County Fair Tentative dates will be July 31st – August 9th. Fair schedule planning will start at November Meeting.
- Fairgrounds Report
  - They are trying to figure out how to connect the wireless speaker system to the one in the barn for the Beef Show next year so every can hear that day.
  - Dusty Korn is the newest Fairboard member and they have a meeting on 10/8/26 at 5:30pm.
- Fairbook Review and Workshop
  - Every super was asked to review their section of the Fairbook and give those to Zach so we can compile a list and can vote on big changes at the November meeting.
  - Zach also redlined the general rules, please review and come with options to the next meeting.
- Adjournment- 6:45pm
  - Motion: Chris 2nd: Stewart

Sheridan County 4-H Council Minutes
Date: November 2, 2026
Time: 5:30 PM
Called to Order By: Ian

Secretary's Report
October minutes were emailed out aer last meeng. Amber moved to approve October minutes, seconded by Sarah. Moon passed.

Treasurer's Report

- Balance: $33,361.04
  - o Wyoming Sportsman Group gave funds of $8,000. These will be moved out of this account soon as they are not general opera ng funds.
- Outstanding Checks: $2,494 accounted for in the balance above.
- Awards Account Balance: $3,040.16 with $948 outstanding checks and four checks not accounted for with unknown balances (Kilpatrick and ABC signs).
  - o Brian asked about the awards account being separated from the general account and why. Answer: These funds are designated specifically for awards by donors so must be accounted for separately.
- Current Reimbursements requests:
  - o None
- Brian moved to approve the Treasurers report, seconded by Hillary. Moon passed.

- Presentaons: None

Roll Call of Clubs

307 Pioneers (Cory Panak, Jeremy Kisling, and Emily Wardell)

- Next Meeng: Unknown.

The 5th H (Brian & Rachel Mealor and Peter & Sarah Burgess)

- Next Meeng: MeengWednesday, November 4th at1PM at Extension office. They have turned in all year end paperwork. Appreciatereceiving the Outstanding ClubAward at Achievement Night.

Bighorn Cowboys (Sarah Opitz)

- Next Meeng: November 17th. Willelect new officers and talk about goals for the year.

Cri ers, Cra s, and Cooking (Carol French)

- Next Meeng: This Saturday, November 7th. Kids will have party aerwards. November community service will be ringing the bells for the Salvaon Army.

Goose Creek Livestock (Lacey Sell, Hillary Tipton and Jessica Barnes)

- Next Meeng: November 8th at 5 PM at Extension Office. Theywill be decorang wreaths for Greenhouse Living.

Lucky 7 (Jessie Kolska)

- Next Meeng: November 10th and will elect officersand bake cookies.

Tongue River Roundup (Rachel Reinholz & Jonalee Watkins)

- Next Meeng: Unknown

Wyoming Warriors (Cindy Beaver and Kathy Miller)

- Next Meeng:November 6th at noon at Wesleyan Church.

Wyotana (Susie Terry)

- Next Meeng: Unknown.

Piney Island Pioneers (Diana Manselle)

- Next Meeng: November 25th. Will be decorang a tree for the Story Library's fesval of trees.

Old Business

- Band App: Having details on here for Achievement Night went well. Trying to use this more than email so please keep getting people signed up on this platform. Superintendents and leaders need to have a photo up. Parents need to have first and last names on there. The main Band site will eventually have all the codes for all of the Project specific Bands so people can find the links to each project.
    - Working to turn the Facebook to more of a public facing platform.
- Achievement Day
    - Feedback:
        - Had a very good turnout but ran out of meat. Next year refine the RSVP so we get a better headcount. Had about 120 people this year. With this year's RSVP we could only RSVP for the family and not include number of people.
        - Need to space out food dishes more so the line doesn't get so bogged down. Need to carve the meat right there and have someone serving it. Would be good to have a group of parents serving the food next year.
        - Timing was great as the whole program got done in a decent amount of time.
        - Ran smoothly overall.
        - Really good 9-year speeches!
        - Thank you Lacey and parents and Ian for each donating a brisket and to Stewart for cooking them.
    - Date for 2027: First Sunday in November. Tentatively scheduled for November 7th, 2027.
- Charter paperwork and Secretary Books due by Friday, no exceptions.
- Ice Rink Rental: Amber will reach out – need to get at least two time slots and have the warming room and be able to set up some tables around the rink and during Open Skate. See what we can get and go from there. Possibly Jan 9 and 10.
- Cocoa at the Christmas Stroll: We missed deadline to sign up. Discussion was had as to if clubs want to do it on their own, if we want to contact the Chamber/Downtown Sheridan Association or partner with a business or two. A big thing when this was done before is making sure we have power and a source for water.
    - It was decided to table this for next year and maybe we can have a stroll number and provide a gift basket (have clubs each pitch in a bit of money to do a basket). Next year we will have a trailer with power we can use. Encourage kids to do drawings for the button next year.

New Business

- Kimber with the Fairgrounds and Kelly Bridges (fair board member). Kelly is leading the County Fair Entertainment Commiee. Wants to make fair a bigger event. Their proposal is Pirates Rebellion. This is a 4-day acvity that will be set up, not a carnival, but water fun with paddle boats, bouncy houses. They would like to partner with 4-H Council to have something very fun for kids and community members. Asking 4-H Council to help with wrist bands for the 4-H kids. $10/kid and then parents/club's on the hook for other $10. Wrist bands are $20 total for the four days. This will also be open to the community.
    - Would likely run Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday.
    - The informaon packet provided is included with the minutes.
    - Fair board must also approve this but they wanted to get it in front of the 4-H Council first.
    - This company does fairs and events all over the country and staff it all.
    - 4-H will have wrist bands ahead of me.

- Jessica moved to have the 4-H Council be willing to supply half of the wristband costs for 4-H members. Hillary seconded the moon. The moon was amended to commit up to $3,000 for wristbands if the fair board approves acvity. No further discussion was had. Moon passed.

- Sta c Rule change:
  - Sarah Opitz: her kids do the sewing project and also parcipate in the district Make It With Wool contest in Buffalo. These two compe ons overlap. They had to choose whether to keep their sewing exhibits at County Fair or pull and do the Make It With Wool so they could compete in that. They ended up pulling their projects from County Fair to parcipate in the District contest.
  - Buffalo chooses to run the compe on with their county fair to get more parcipaon.
  - Sarah is asking to amend the rules so that in certain circumstances such as overlapping contests, stac exhibits can leave the Exhibit Hall but also come back aer a short period instead of making them choose and have them pulled from our fair compe on.
  - Zach moved and Brian seconded to amend the rule to have the ability to make excepons to stac rules so that under circumstances where there are conflicng compe ons, exhibits can be removed from fair for the other compe on as long as the project is brought back.
  - Zach also brought up that next year they will be switching up what automacally is going to State Fair. All purples and above and blues will qualify but must be opted in and must have a note card. Exhibits that do not have note cards do not generally do well at State Fair.
- Working Commiees in Council: Have three or four people on each commiee. These don't have to just be the 4-H Council members and can be parents and kids. Zach will add signups onto the main Band so people can sign up.
  - 4-H Expo: Amber will sign up
  - Achievement night: Hillary will sign up
  - Naonal 4-H week
  - Fundraising
  - Recrui ng
  - Awards – established but need people; Jessica will sign up
  - Sta c – established but need people
- Chandra needs club and big items for the raffle baskets by the January Council meeng so we can get ckets printed in me. She needs to know the themes for each basket. $150 minimum per basket.
- Zach – fair feedback: going to the Livestock Commiee meeng on Wednesday. (Consolidated feedback form a ached)
  - 4-H needs a new canvas sign that goes across main street that has the Fair informaon. Zach will have the new TLC paint a new sign and have Kennon sew the canvas together.
  - Expensive to make but should be able to make one in-house. The sign is 30' by 3'.
- We are hosng the March 6th and 7th shoong sports training. State has mandatory training each year. Leaders need to recerfy every 5 years and have to aend these trainings as well as any new leaders. Would like to see some parents get involved and go through cerficaon. Need to have people who can step up every once in a while.

Next Meeng
Date: December 7, 2026
Time: 5:30 PM

Meeng Adjourned: 6:55

Amber moved to adjourn at 6:55. Brian seconded. Moon passed



Buyer's Dinner and Livestock Sale	Also feedback from some Buyers do the Sale Friday night before every company spends their money in Johnson or Campbell County. Also Monday's are hard to get things done at work and then to the sale in time for the first part let alone the BUYERs dinner at 4:30. Easier to leave work and hour early on Friday than on a Monday.	Move the Sale
Buyer's Dinner and Livestock Sale	Went really well, only negative, was disappointed that kids showed animals that they did not raise, they were raised by custom farms/breeders. The whole point is to raise your own animals?I was happy to purchase an animal raised by the seller, I will not buy one raised by someone else ...	Kids Should Raise Own Animals
Buyer's Dinner and Livestock Sale	It would be beneficial to the kids and buyers to have the sale on a night other than Monday. We need to get kids into businesses more. Can we do a sign up and have kids sign up to go to businesses in June or early July? Groups of kids could even sign up	Move the Sale
Facilities	Is there a way to get a better speaker system during the beef show? It was hard to hear unless you were right by the ring.	Need Speakers for Beef Show
Facilities	The grounds were kept up nicely. This has continued to improve in the past 5 years.	Fairgrounds are Improving!
Facilities	I wish we could find a way to utilize the pavilion more. It is such a cool building.	Use the Pavilion More
Fair Book Rules and Requirements	Livestock Rules need to be Clear and Enforced. The rules also need to be sent to all livestock exhibitors before the fair. I recommend creating a rules committee.	Need Clear/Enforced Rules
Fair Book Rules and Requirements	I think our market-animal requirements could be streamlined to better align with State Fair standards. If a market goat can show at State Fair at 50 lbs., why do we have a heavier requirement locally? Likewise, I'd like to see more options for market beef classes. If State Fair allows different classes and ultimately judges animals within their respective classes, perhaps our local fair could consider something similar, such as hip-height or other appropriate classifications set just a weight.	Conform Closer to WSF
Livestock and Animal Events	The attitude about show numbers in the swine show. That they weren't important enough to hand out to the participants in the show.	Every Show Matters
Livestock and Animal Events	Mark FFA animals with a blue paint pen on the back side of their RFID tag	Mark FFA Animals
Livestock and Animal Events	I loved that we moved the show to earlier in the day. That was very helpful, especially to avoid the hottest part of the day.	Earlier Show was Good!
Livestock and Animal Events	For the breeding show, I do NOT feel that putting all the different breeds in together is fair. Each breed has different characteristics and should be judged against those and not other breeds. The judge literally told my son that, "bringing a Duroc in with cross breeds is like bringing a sword to a gunfight." He is totally right and should not have had to compete with the cross-breeds as they are completely different. My son worked hard on this gilt, one he bred and raised himself. Then to be told she was a "sword in a gunfight" is very disheartening and now he is questioning whether he will continue in the project. That is not what fair is for. It is a learning experience and should be treated as such. The judge should judge each breeding animal on the basis of their breed and the potential as a breeding animal.	Breeds Should Be Judged on Own Merits
Schedule of Events	Evening shows would make it possible for more people to attend.	More Evening Events/Vendors
Livestock and Animal Events	The fair without animals there seems like a jackpot show, not a county fair. Its hard for the community and future 4H'ers to visit and see the projects when they're only there for a few hours.	Too Much Like a Jackpot
Livestock and Animal Events	The only request would be to bring back the portacoolers we used to have in the swine barn open pens and put those in the sheep barns too please.	Bring Back Portacoolers
Livestock and Animal Events	I know there is a lot of opposition to housing animals on site, but there are plenty of stalls for the beef, sheep, goats and some stalls can even have the old pig pens input in them to help get all animals to county fair for the week. We are the only fair in WY that allows animals to come and go. I think we could get creative and find enough room for all the animals which would help show the community that there is more happening at fair.	Too Much Like a Jackpot
Livestock and Animal Events	Why no carcass contest this year?	Bring Back Carcass Contest
Livestock and Animal Events	Part way through the breeding beef show they started combining classes which threw some kids off and confused them as to what was going on. Please make a clear announcement and combine prior to the start of the breeding beef, not part way through.	Breeds Should Be Judged on Own Merits

Livestock and Animal Events	This was our family's first time participating in livestock projects. We spent most of the fair days on site taking care of our animals and were surprised that there were quite a few walk in folks wanting to learn about animals. There were not very many chances for them to engage with exhibitors because there weren't many on site. Aside from the lack of presence from many of the folks and animals, the overall program was a great learning experience	Too Much Like a Jackpot
Livestock and Animal Events	I really like our local fair, but at times it feels more like a jackpot show than a community 4-H fair.	Too Much Like a Jackpot
Livestock and Animal Events	I would also love to see the carcass contest return. I'm not sure why that went away, but it was a valuable part of the livestock program.	Bring Back Carcass Contest
Livestock and Animal Events	It seems our fair is dying. Without animals being at fair and minimal events and food options, there is no reason for the community to come to fair. What happens when the community becomes fully disengaged for 4-H and fair? There will be no more fair. There has to be a way to get all the animals there all week. What did you do pre-Covid?	Too Much Like a Jackpot
Other	The fair went very smoothly and my family enjoyed all of the events. Thank you!	Good Job!
Other	Zach did a great job for his first year at fair!	Good Job!
Other	I thought this years county fair ran smoothly - it was stupid hot and everyone made accommodations to help ease animals and humans.	Good Job!
Other	Way too many thank-you cards to the same people. Are donors really getting their value? If the same kids have eight thank-yous to the same person, are they really enjoying getting those thank-yous?	Too Many Thank Yous
Schedule of Events	We've got to get more evening events to county fair so that the community gets more involved and up there during fair. Also desperately need some food vendors up there. Consider not charging them just so they can make a bit of money and we have options. Maybe more people from the community would come up if there were also food/drink options. Can the tournament of knites be pushed to the last Saturday of fair so the horse show can use the main arena? That would also help get more people to fair. Then the mutton busting and jr bull riding could go to Thursday or Friday night. Lots of options to make this a better community minded fair!	More Evening Events/Vendors
Schedule of Events	Would it be possible to get the County Rodeo moved up to the last Saturday and Sunday of fair to give those going to state fair a break? Adding the rodeo to fair could be a good draw to bringing people in.	Incorporate County Rodeo
Schedule of Events	Our Fair is the lamest one in the three state area. I think our Fairboard needs an overhaul and a class on how to put on a good fair.	Improve Everything
Schedule of Events	So many people work during the day, can there be more things at night to draw people to the fairgrounds that is tied to the 4-h kids. Could there be games clubs vs. clubs? Sack race? Water ballon race or challenge? Pie eating contest something along these lines. Sheridan wyo rodeo does a boot kick off to start rodeo week. What can the 4-h program do to promote the start of fair week? What can we do to get more of the community up to the fairgrounds?	More Evening Events/Vendors
Schedule of Events	I realize we can't recreate exactly what the fair felt like 20 years ago, and we also compete with the Sheridan WYO Rodeo and the tourism that comes with it. I wonder if there is an opportunity to partner more closely with the Sheridan County Rodeo and create an event that is intentionally for our local families and community, rather than trying to compete with larger tourism events. Overall, I like our fair and want to see it succeed. I just think it sometimes feels like an afterthought, when it has the potential to be a really strong, locally focused 4-H event that our kids and families are proud to participate in.	Incorporate County Rodeo
Schedule of Events	We need to find a better way to get the public up to the fairgrounds during fair week. Zach, take a look at how Buffalo incorporates so many community during the week. We need to find a way to do this, if we expect to have more community involvement/support for improvements at the fairgrounds. A simple way would be to work more with Ice Haus and there steer/mutton busting on Friday. Last year there were food trucks and a band. Anything would be helpful.	More Evening Events/Vendors
Static Exhibits	Static Exhibit Interviews were rough need another person out front helping get kids in. Holding area is nice but still not super effective. Someone need to be out there helping people packets and checked in.	Improve Static Interview Day
Static Exhibits	Also Silent Auction for static exhibits is a joke. These kids need to be represented as much as those with livestock. They work hard and deserve the recognition. I suggest letting your Reserve and Grands sell items LIVE in the ring in between animal sections. Also having any others in a Tent next to Show ring for Silent Auction and Advertise that on the radio. Wives will go have bidding wars just like their husbands do at the ring. Exhibit hall was not open or advertised well enough for these kids to be able to sell their projects.	Improve Static Silent Auction
Static Exhibits	As always, this is a declining part of our 4-H fair. We have worked tirelessly to try and gain new projects and increase participation. After we have increased winning fees, prizes, etc. We just don't get the participation we desire. Aside from "forcing" projects, 'you have to do a static project for whatever livestock projects you enter, or each child is required to do 2 static projects', I think we need a survey to ask directly why kids are choosing not to do a static project; ideas, time, materials, etc. I don't think time is a valid answer either as they have some of their livestock projects for 6+ months. I firmly believe, whether they will be truthful or not, that they don't get a lot of bang for their buck, meaning they can't win cool buckles or collect huge checks at the end, so they don't bother with it.	Poll 4-Hers to Improve Static Participation
Static Exhibits	Managing of static event judging seemed much more organized and less hectic than in previous years. Judges were clear on what was happening when, our participants knew where and when they needed to be. Very well done overall.	Static Interview Day was Much Improved!

Sheridan County 4-H

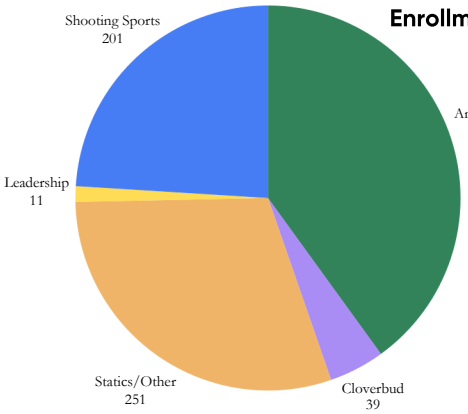
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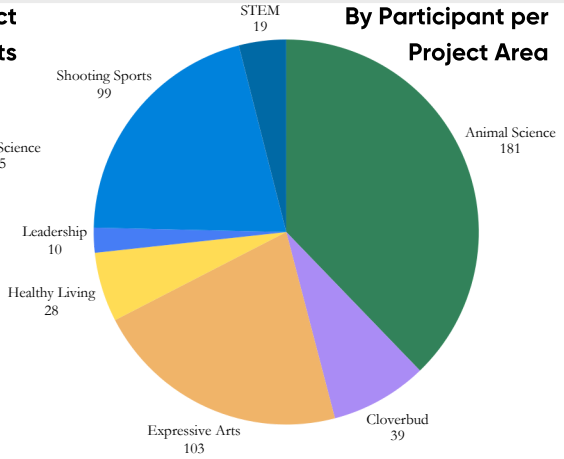
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Top 5
- Swine
- Archery
- 22 Rifle
- Horse
- Cloverbuds

By Individual Project Enrollments



By Participant per Project Area

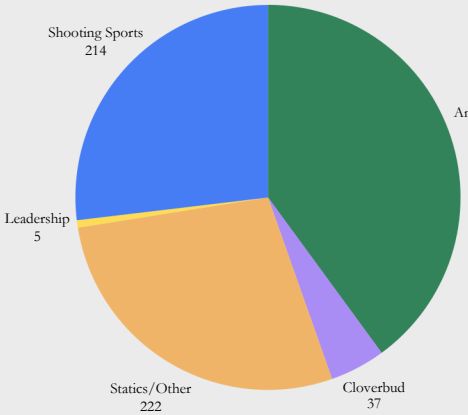


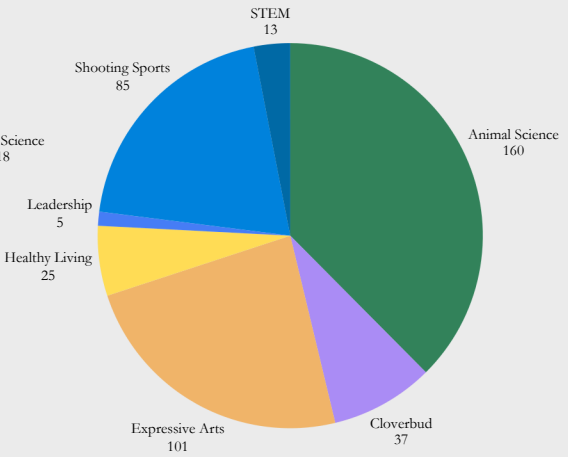
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4-H Participants 278

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Top 5
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- Archery
- 22 Rifle
- Horse
- Cloverbuds



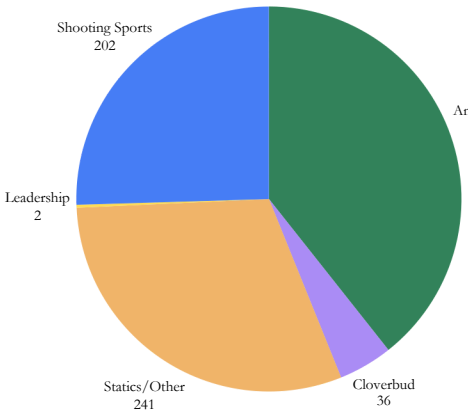


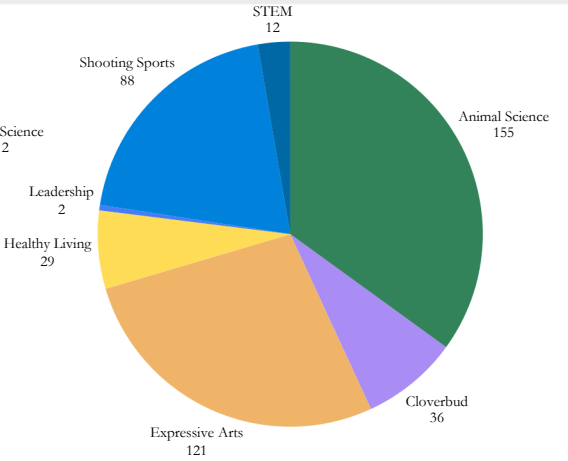
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4-H Volunteers 46

Top 5
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- Archery
- Photography
- Cake Decorating
- Cloverbuds



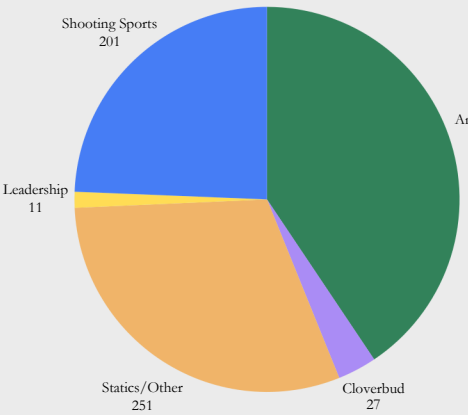


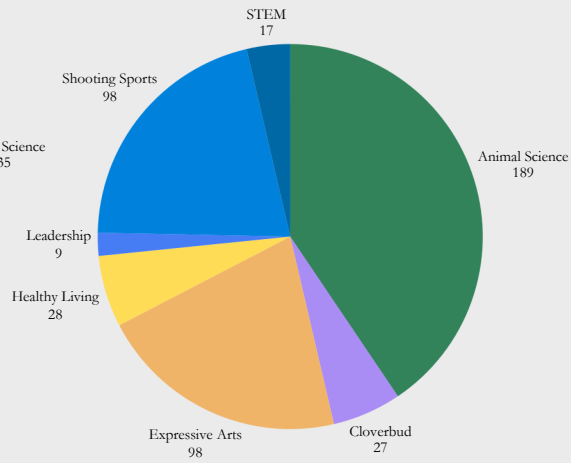
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Top 5
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- Archery
- 22 Rifle
- Horse
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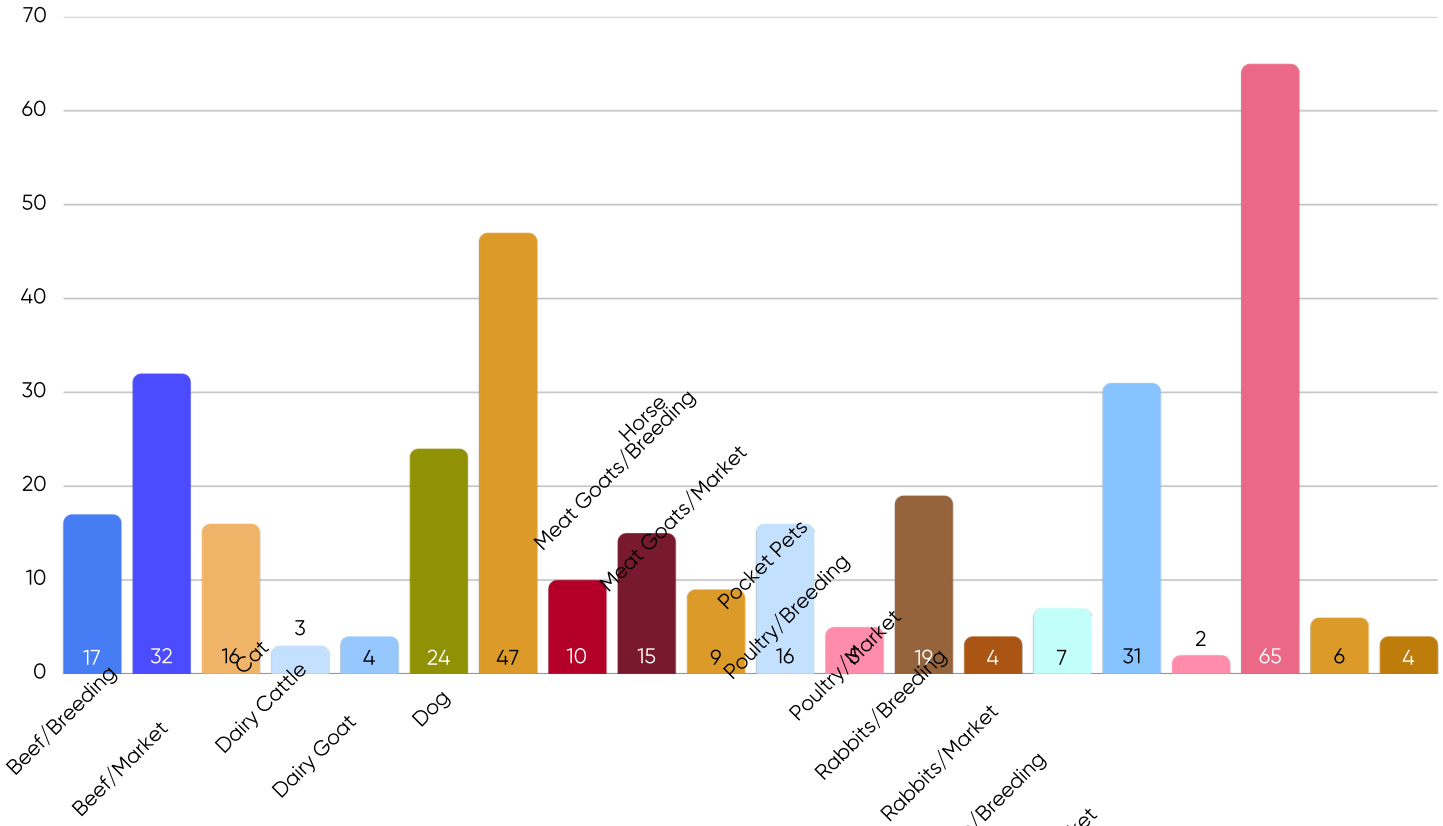




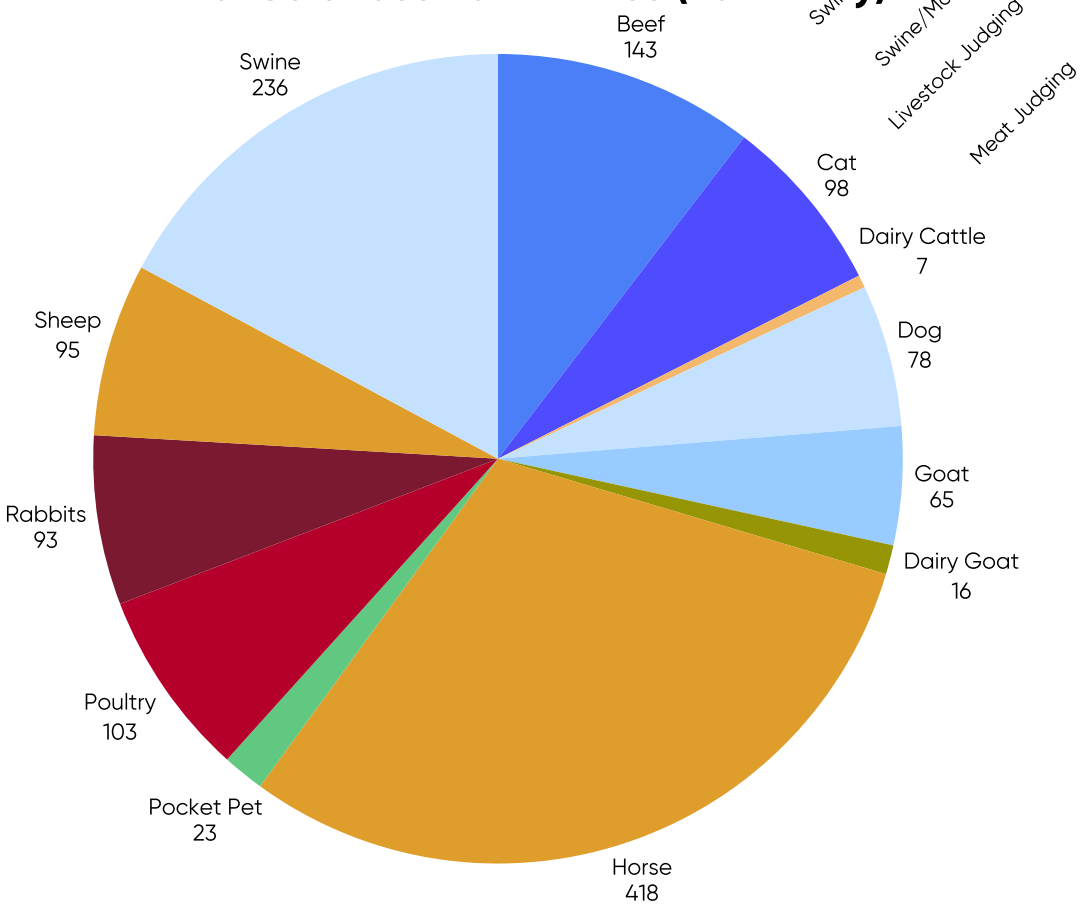
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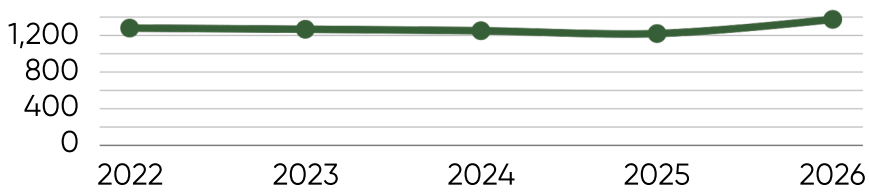
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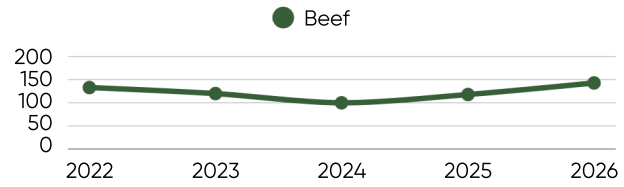
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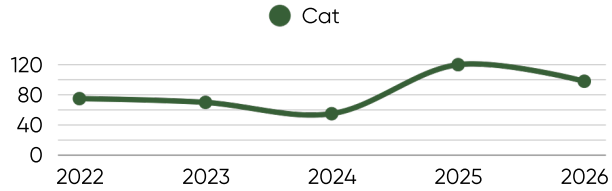


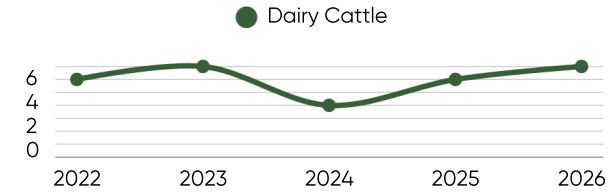
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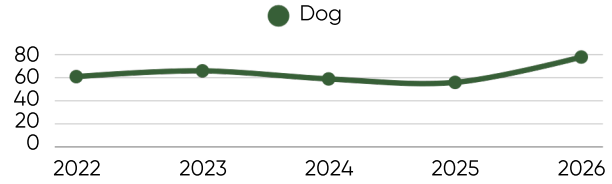


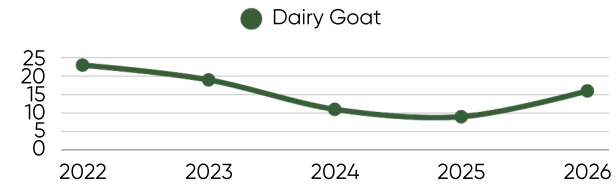
2022 – 1280 Entries
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2026 – 1375 Entries

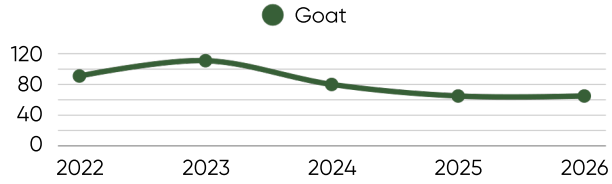


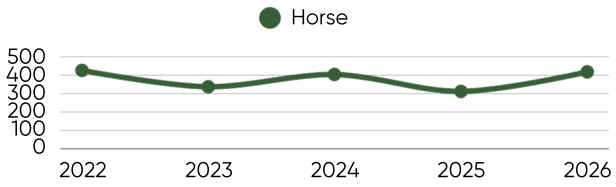


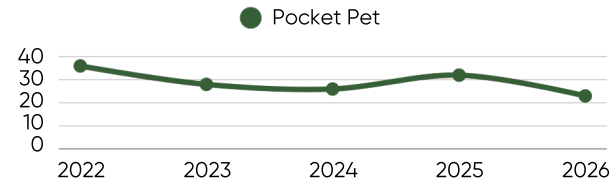


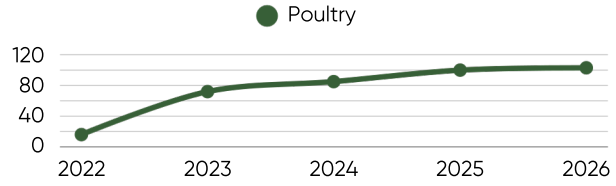


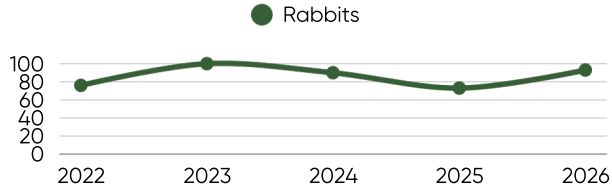


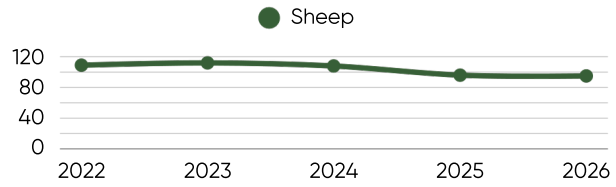


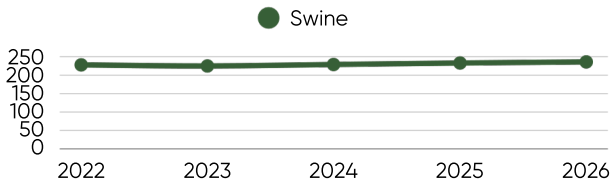




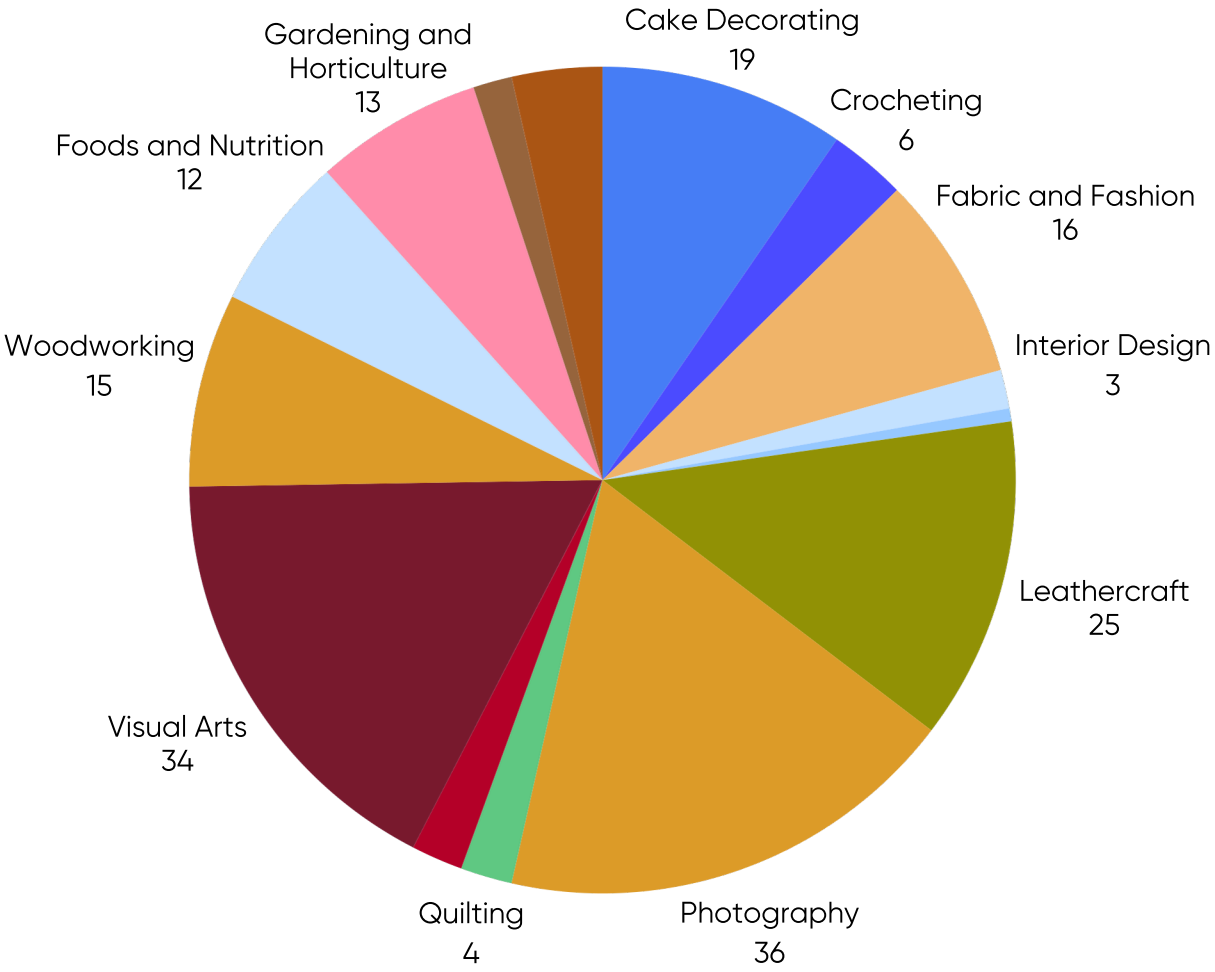


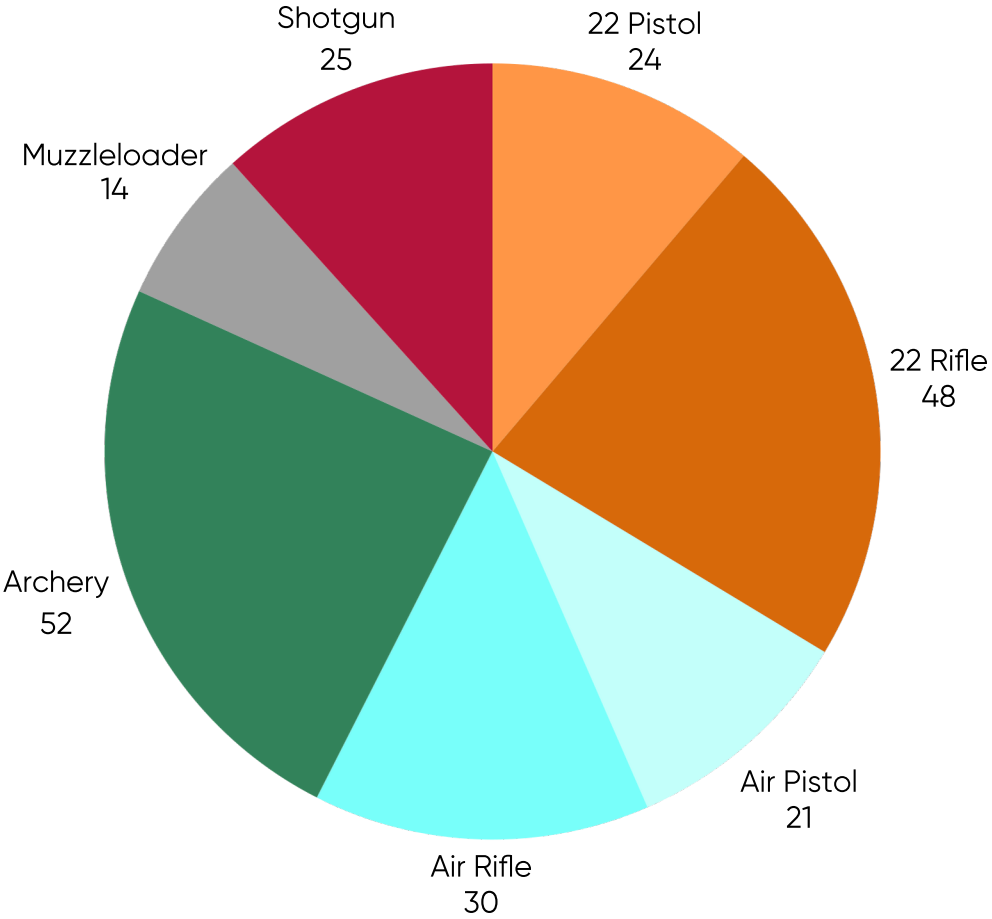






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