

Prince William

Our Clubs, Our Community



September 29, 2021

Upcoming Events

Sep 30 - Project Records, Portfolios and Outstanding Member Forms Due

Oct I - All Star
Applications Due

Oct 4 - Move it Monday!

Oct 5 - BOCS
Proclamation

Oct 6-17 - TSC Paper Clover Campaign

Oct 16-17 - Instructor
Certification for 4-H
Shooting Sports

Oct 17-23 - National Character Counts Week

Oct 23 - Clover Club

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Show Your 4-H Spirit at the BOCS Meeting October 5th!

Board of County Supervisors Meeting

Tuesday, October 5th, 7 pm I County Complex Court, Prince William, VA Click here for more information.



Join us as we launch a new and exciting 4-H Year! All PWC 4-H'ers are encouraged to attend this meeting where the Board of County Supervisors will proclaim October 3rd - 9th as National 4-H Week in PWC and will urge our community to join in celebrating and recognizing 4-H as a unique organization that prepares young people to step up to the challenges of a complex and rapidly changing world by pledging their "Head, Heart, Hands and Health" to "Make the Best Better."

Be sure to show your 4-H spirit by wearing green to the meeting! PWC 4-H'ers Samantha Whysong, PWC 4-H Association Youth President, Samantha Seagle and Tom Harrigan, PWC 4-H Association Secretary (adult officer) will be accepting the proclamation on behalf of Prince William County 4-H.



The NEW 4-H Year Starts Friday, October 1st!

Click here for a live PWC 4-H 2021-2022 Calendar of Events.



Club Fundraising Opportunity: Outside Bake Sale at TSC



October 6th-17th is our annual 4-H Paper Clover
Campaign at Tractor Supply Company! PWC 4-H will
have a table display inside the store. All clubs are
encouraged to create a poster featuring your club.
Clubs are also permitted to host a bake sale at an
outside table to earn additional donations for their

club, make new connections and recruit new members. Please email <u>Kristin Saul</u> ASAP to select a date and time for your bake sale. **Space is limited!**



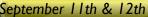
DON'T FORGET!
ALL STAR APPLICATIONS DUE FRIDAY!



4-H SHOOTING SPORTS

Results

Virginia 4-H State Shoot





3rd Place Sr - Noah Richter (15) 1st Place Jr - Alexis Strand (17) 2nd Place Jr - Noble Richter (16)

Archery

2nd Place Sr Instinctive Team - Grace Richter, Noah Richter and Samantha Seagle

Air Pistol

2nd Place International Standing Team - Grace Richter, Noah Richter and Noble Richter

Muzzleloader

Ist Place Jr National Class Ind - Alexis Strand (85)

2nd Place - Ayden Strand (84)

Skeet

Ir 3rd Place Ind-Ben Stewart

Smallbore

2nd Place Sr Iron Sights Team - Noah Richter, Grace Richter and Samantha Seagle

<u>Please click here for complete results.</u>





Seniors William Kennedy and Mason Norris and juniors Ben Stewart and Noble Richter competed at the VA 4-H Shotgun Championship.











Ben Stewart won the Junior Sporting Clays (41 out of 50) and the top overall Junior.

Noble Richter earned 3rd place overall Junior.



Move it Monday!



Date: Every Monday starting this Monday,

October 4th! Time: 5 pm

Location: PWC Fairgrounds

Back by popular demand! Lace up your running shoes and get ready to MOVE! Move it Monday! Is open to all PWC 4-H'ers interested in learning about healthy living, increasing activity, and having fun with friends.



Click here for a monthly calendar with activity ideas to keep kids moving!



Turn your miles into a donation to PWC food banks!

- Download the Charity Miles App
 - Choose Feeding America
 - Join Team #Pwc4h



Community Service Opportunity: Donate Items for Crocheting for a Cause



Crocheting for a Cause group led by PWC 4-H'er Kayla Dixon is collecting items for toiletry gift bags in partnership with Volunteer Prince William and Meals on Wheels. In addition to our 4-H-made wash cloths, the youth are collecting 18 individual items for the giftbags. Individually wrapped items needed include: Chapstick, hard candies, travel size hand lotion, nail files, and bar soap. Please



drop off donations at the PWC 4-H Office by October 15th.

Please click here to sign up to donate.

Please click here to learn more about Volunteer Prince William.

Please click here to learn more about Meals on Wheels.



PWC 4-H Leader Kickoff



"I had so much fun. You turned what I expected to be a pretty boring meeting into a fun and educational experience!" ~ Angela

Thank you, Angela, and to all of our adult volunteers and leaders that joined us on September 19th for a fun-filled, hands-on training day that reminded us to focus on the journey. Participants should have received a follow-up email from MaryBeth Lerch, and all 4-H adult volunteers should have received an email with details on how to launch the new 4-H year.

Only 61 days until Hanukkah! Only 87 days until Christmas! Only 89 days until Kwanza!

Be sure to link your Amazon Smile account to Prince William County 4-H Association and support PWC 4-H!

- I. Open the Amazon app on your phone
- 2. Select the main menu (=) & tap on "AmazonSmile" within Programs & Features
- Select "Prince William County 4-H Association" as your charity
- Follow the on-screen instructions to activate AmazonSmile in the mobile app
- Start shopping! A portion of select purchases will be donated to 4-H at no additional cost to you.



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PWC Fairgrounds Fall Gardening

Don't forget to tidy up your Fair Garden for fall! The PWC Fairgrounds are used throughout the year and our 4-H gardens reflect our respect and commitment to the property and community service. Remove weeds and annuals, reset the mulch, and maybe consider planting bulbs for a beautiful spring!

Did you know...A new curbside yard waste collection program begins October 1st in PWC! Yard waste will be collected separately from trash and recycling. Yard waste must be placed in biodegradable paper bags or containers labeled "Yard Waste". Do not use plastic bags for yard waste collection. Yard waste material will be composted at the newly expanded Balls Ford Road Compost Facility versus landfilled, adding up to 15 years to the Prince William County Landfill's useful life. Visit www.pwcva.gov/yardwaste for additional details.

Community Service Opportunities at PWC 4-H!



4-H In-Person Office Volunteers

Lend us your helping hands! The PWC 4-H Office is in need of office volunteers to help get us organized after a busy time at the Fair. We're looking for adult volunteers and homeschool youth or youth groups to volunteer through the month of October at the 4-H Office.* We can work with your schedule! Earn valuable skills around the office as well as serve your community to help 4-H launch the new year! Please email Kristin Saul to volunteer.

*PWC requires masks be worn in the office.





Thank you for the tremendous response! We have skink books and catapult kits remaining. We also need a volunteer or club to cut fabric strips for dog toys for "Read to a Dog" at the library.

We're looking for volunteers to help us put together "4-H To-Go" kits from the fair that we will package to drop off at PWC Libraries for distribution to the community. All of the items needed for the to-go kits will be included in a box to create 50 learning activity kits - we need you to organize them into individual learning kits for youth to "grab and go" when visiting the library. The kits may be assembled at home or at your meeting. Please drop off completed kits by Monday, October 11th. Please click here for the link to signup for a pick-up day!



ISO Space Heaters for the 4-H Children's Barn

Help keep our 4-H'ers warm! Our new Clover Club meetings will be starting up in October and it will get cold quickly at the 4-H Children's Barn. If you have an unwanted or unused space heater (electric with covers or encased coils preferred), please consider donating it to PWC 4-H and help keep our littlest 4-H'ers cozy.



Please DO NOT re-enroll in 4-H Online until after October 14th. The 4-H Online membership system will be

closed for its annual backup and updates from September 24th through October 14th. We will let you know when it's time to re-enroll and the steps to re-enroll at that time.



Virginia 4-H: ISO International Club Guest Speakers



Greene County 4-H International Club is seeking virtual guest speakers for their meetings. The club has hosted guest speakers who provided programs on Peru, India, Germany, Senegal, Cuba, Norway, and New Zealand! In addition, members created crafts and cooked recipes from each country, either at home, or in-person. Youth from over five other counties virtually joined in the presentations, too. The meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month starting in October and are open to all Virginia 4-H'ers to join

virtually. The October 19th meeting will feature Dr. Katarzyna Jerzak and her son David sharing their experiences living in Poland. Please email Kathryn Alstat to share your international experiences with VA 4-H'ers.

Virginia 4-H: VAF Youth Leadership Contest



Our youth are our next generation of fair and festival management! The Virginia Association of Fairs (VAR) Youth Leadership Scholarship Contest is for teens age 14-19 who are involved with a VAF-member fair or festival. To participate in the contest, teens submit an application, reference letter and essay by December 3rd. Selected contestants will attend an in-person competition that includes an interview, prepared speech,

presentation and extemporaneous speech on January 8th. Contest day is held during the VAF Convention at the OMNI Homestead Resort in Bath County. Participants can win a portion of over \$8,000 scholarships.

Click here for the application packet. Click here to learn more about VAF.

Virginia 4-H: Youth In Action Nominations Open



PWC 4-H Teens - apply today for the Virginia 4-H Youth in Action Awards!

Virginia 4-H has opened up their request for nominations for their annual Virginia 4-H Youth in Action Awards. This year's process is different, in that the youth themselves may apply directly for the award. However, they are now required to obtain a letter of

reference from their Extension Agent (or the VCE professional responsible for 4-H in their Unit). Youth are asked to apply in the pillar areas of Agriculture, Civic Engagement, Healthy Living, and STEM. One pillar winner will be chosen from each area, as well as an overall state winner from the four pillar winners. Any 4-H member in Virginia ages 15-18 is eligible to be nominated.

Each of the four winners will receive:

- A \$500 mini-grant to develop a significant community project.
- Recognition at a formal award ceremony.
- A full scholarship to attend Virginia 4-H State Congress the week of June 20, 2022, in Blacksburg, VA.
- An opportunity to be featured as the Virginia 4-H Youth Spokesperson for their pillar area.
- An opportunity to represent Virginia 4-H at the national summit for their pillar area.
- Support and mentorship to apply for the 2023 National 4-H Youth in Action Awards.
- An official reference letter from the Virginia State 4-H Program Leader, Jeremy C. Johnson

Previous winners are not eligible, but a nominee that was not selected last year may apply again. **Applications are due Friday, October 29th.**

Click here for details on how to apply/nominate.

Click here for the online nomination form.

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Portfolio Records

Member Record
Cloverbud Sheet
Project Record Ages 9-10
Project Record Ages 11-12
Project Record Ages 13-15

Outstanding Member Form

Project Record Ages 16-19





2020-2021 PWC 4-H Association Officers

Youth Officers

Samantha Whysong, President Kayla Dixon, Vice President Alexis Cox, Treasurer Secretary- Vacant

Adult Officers

Matt Valentino, President Alan Lerch, Vice President Sydney Nguyen, Treasurer Tom Harrigan, Secretary

Committee Chairs

Fundraising Committee - Samantha Whysong Recognition Committee - Alan Lerch Membership Committee - 4-H Staff