

# HOT OFF THE PRESS

Official Newsletter of Charlotte County 4-H



## Celebrating National 4-H Week

Let's celebrate National 4-H week! October 4th - 10th is a week for millions of youth, parents, volunteers & alumni across the country to celebrate everything 4-H. Charlotte County 4-H will observe National 4-H week this year by showcasing incredible experiences that 4-H offers young people. We will continue to showcase the incredible experiences that 4-H offers young people and will highlight the remarkable 4-H youth in our community who work each day to make a positive impact on those around them.

The theme of this year's National 4-H Week is "Opportunity4All," which is a campaign that was created by the National 4-H Council to rally support for the 4-H program and to identify solutions to eliminate the opportunity gap that affects 55 million kids across America. So many children are struggling to reach their full potential and 4-H believes that young people, in partnership with adults, can play a key role in creating a more promising and equitable future for youth, families and communities across the country. In 4-H, we believe that every child should have an equal opportunity to succeed and that every child should have the skills they need to make a difference in the world. Please celebrate National 4-H week with us by participating in one of the many state events below.

**NATIONAL 4-H WEEK**  
OCTOBER 4-10, 2020

LIVE events begin at 6:30 pm EST

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University of Florida

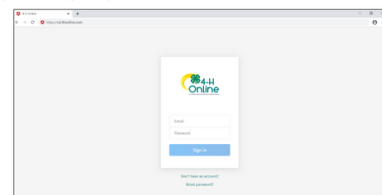
6 Tuesday	Florida 4-H Hall of Fame - FB Live
7 Wednesday	Spirit Day - Wear Green
8 Thursday	4-H Trivia Night - FB Live
9 Friday	Camp Night - ZOOM
10 Saturday	#Opportunity4All Forum - FB Live



## 4-H ENROLLMENT

### A New and Improved 4-H Online

Florida 4-H is pleased to announce the 4-H Online enrollment and event registration site has been upgraded. Click <http://v2.4honline.com> to access the new login page. This is where you will enroll for the 2020-21 4-H year beginning August 24. Please confirm with your county 4-H personnel for local enrollment dates.

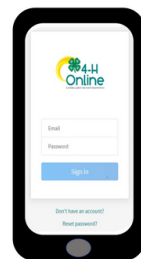


### 4-H Online 2.0

You can access 2.0 from the following browsers on your computer and mobile device. For the best experience, make sure your browser is up-to-date.

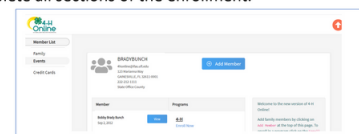
- Chrome
- Firefox
- Microsoft Edge
- Safari

**2.0 will not work with Internet Explorer**



### Re-Enrolling a Youth

1. Click on **Family** in the sidebar menu to update family profile information.
2. Click on **Enroll Now** for the member you wish to re-enroll.
3. Confirm that you are enrolling in Florida as a returning 4-H member.
4. Complete all sections of the enrollment.





## It's Fall Y'all

Even though Floridians do not witness many of the changes caused by the seasons here in our home state, sweater weather, falling leaves, clocks falling back and pumpkin spice can be found throughout the United States this time of year. These are just a few staples of the Fall season.

Fall, is one of the 4 seasons and is the transition between summer and winter. During the 1500's, this season was called "harvest" as it was the time of year when farmers would gather their crops and prepare for winter storage. Although the season has evolved over the years, many of the same events still take place each year. Once people began moving away from farms and into cities to work in factories, the season began being known as fall or autumn.

Some of the significant changes you will notice during this season include:

- The color change and falling of the leaves due to the short amounts of sunlight and plants no longer producing their own food. Leaves change from green to red to golden yellow and finally a vivid orange before falling off completely.
- Shorter days and longer nights caused by daylight savings time resulting in less daylight during this season.
- Mild temperatures are more likely causing this to be the perfect time for outdoor activities.

As we enjoy all that fall brings us, spend some time outdoors or doing fall related crafts and activities with a friend.



# FLORIDA STATE FAIR

## Ethics Seminar



The Youth Livestock Show Ethics and Animal Care Workshop is designed to educate students of the mandatory procedures and requirements that will be in effect for the Florida State Fair. Certifications are valid for three (3) Fair seasons, not 3 calendar years.

The Charlotte County Fair believes that every youth exhibitor should receive proper training and information for raising and showing a youth animal project. With this in mind, the Youth Livestock Show Ethics and Animal Care Training Program was developed by the Florida State Fair and is required for all exhibitors 8 years old and older.

Due to the COVID-19 situation, the expiration date for the 2018 Certifications will be extended until May 2021. For the 2020/2021 Fair Season, Certification Numbers starting with 18, 19, 20, and 21 are valid.

Find a workshop here:  
<https://tinyurl.com/yysb77g2>



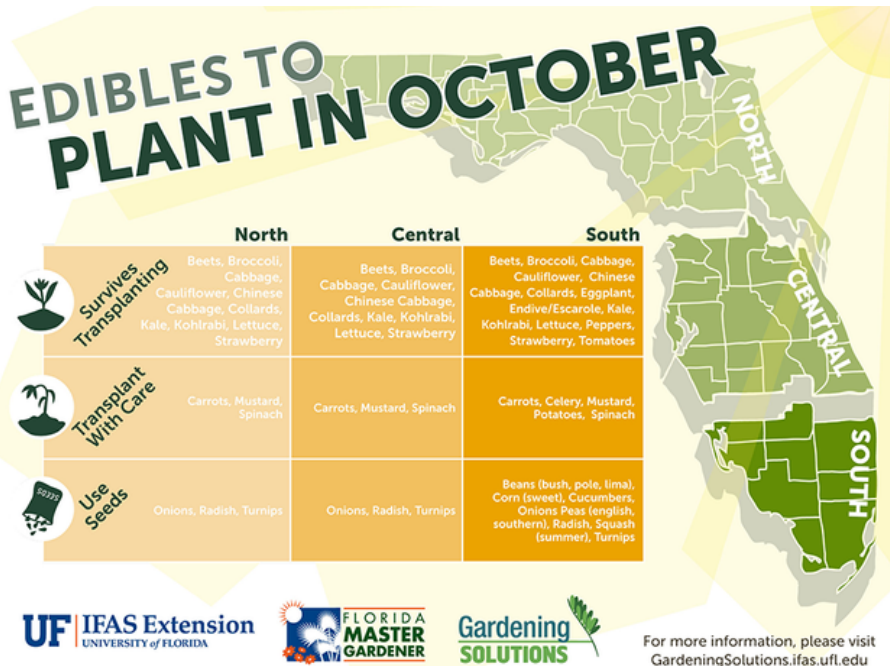
# 2020-2021 4-H ENROLLMENT

Enrollment for the 2020-2021 4-H year has begun. Make sure to pay your \$20.00 enrollment fee for all youth ages 8 and older. Enroll using this link: <http://v2.4honline.com>  
**YOU MUST BE ENROLLED IN 4HONLINE TO BE ELIGIBLE TO SHOW AN ANIMAL AT THE CHARLOTTE COUNTY FAIR.**



## STARTING A FALL GARDEN

Florida's perfect fall weather provides the perfect opportunity to start a vegetable garden. This time of year in Florida brings cooler weather without freezing temperatures that would kill many vegetables planted in your garden. Take a look at the graphic below to figure out which cool season vegetables you should consider planting.



For more information, please visit [GardeningSolutions.ifas.ufl.edu](http://GardeningSolutions.ifas.ufl.edu)

## MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY October 24, 2020



Make a Difference Day serves as the perfect opportunity to help others by doing volunteer work in the community.

Try to find a community improvement project that you can help out with on Make a Difference Day this year (October 24th). These projects could include:

- Cleanup trash or overgrown flowerbeds
- Paint a house, a room or wall
- Repairing something that is broke

Volunteer for a non-profit, community, town, nursing home, church or food kitchen in your community and share your pictures with us on Make a Difference day.



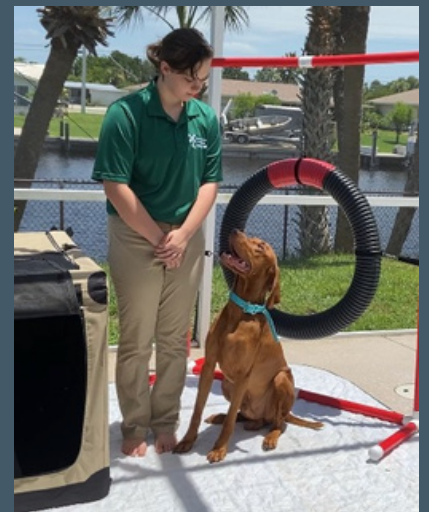
## 4-H SWINE CLUB

It's that time of year, where our members have been busy selecting their new project animal for the 2021 fairs. They have spent a lot of time researching, learning what to look for in a market hog project and have been talking to breeders from all across Florida and all the way to Iowa in hopes to select a blue ribbon pig. They will start with a pig that weighs around 65-100lbs and by fair time their animal should weigh between 240-280lbs. They will have a lot of work in the upcoming months as they learn how to feed and care for their animal as well as train their pig how to properly drive in the show ring. Many of our members will also be competing in the Florida Jr Swine Circuit this winter to gain experience before they show at the fair. The circuit consist of several shows across the state between November thru January where they can earn points to compete for overall awards and have the opportunity to compete against other exhibitors across the state. We also have a couple of members who also in January will be competing in Perry, Ga at the Winter Type Conference where they will be competing at the National level against other exhibitors from around the country. In the next few months our club will be learning showmanship skills and how to market their projects to potential buyers.



## 4 PAWS & A TAIL DOG CLUB

Over the summer, 2 of our kids participated in a nationwide virtual dog show put on by the Kentucky 4-H program. I'm proud to announce that Isa Bell won the 2 classes she entered, Most Creative Costume and Best Trick. Bryton Sanner came in 3rd in the Best Trick class.





# 2021 CHARLOTTE COUNTY FAIR LIVESTOCK - DATES TO REMEMBER

Charlotte County Fair Association, Inc.  
The Premiere Showcase of Charlotte County  
2333 El Jobean Road \* Port Charlotte, Fl. 33948 \* 941-629-4252 \* Fax 941-629-6540  
[www.thecharlottecountyfair.com](http://www.thecharlottecountyfair.com)

## 2021 SCHEDULE TO FOLLOW

**FAIR DATES ARE JANUARY 29th - FEBRUARY 7th, 2021**

RULES AVAILABLE			ON WEBSITE
STEER WEIGH-IN	AUGUST 2, 2020	8AM-10AM	XL BAR COWPENS
HOG/MARKET LAMB TAG-IN	OCTOBER 4, 2020	8AM-10AM	ALBOE FARMS
SMALL ANIMAL CHECK-IN (BAND/TAG)	OCTOBER 18, 2020	9AM-11AM	4-H OFFICE, GRACE ST
SMALL ANIMAL/GOAT ARRIVE	JANUARY 27, 2021	5PM-8PM	FAIRGROUNDS
MARKET/BREED LAMB ARRIVE	JANUARY 28, 2021	4PM-7PM	FAIRGROUNDS
BREED CATTLE ARRIVE	JANUARY 30, 2021	8AM-10AM	FAIRGROUNDS
POST WORK DAY (ALL)	FEBRUARY 7, 2021	9AM-3PM	FAIRGROUNDS

**PAPERWORK DUE IS THE APPROPRIATE ENTRY FORM, EXHIBITOR & PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT, SIGNED BARN RULES. YOU WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO UNLOAD, WEIGH-IN, TAG-IN UNLESS ALL PAPERWORK IS PROPERLY FILLED OUT AND PRESENT WITH ANIMAL.**

MARKET ANIMALS AT WEIGH-IN/TAG-IN  
BREED CATTLE/SMALL ANIMAL/GOAT OCTOBER 18, 2020 IF NOT BEFORE TO JACKIE OR FAIR

DAILY ARRIVAL TIMES FOR EXHIBITORS WILL BE ANNOUNCED, YOU MUST CHECK IN YOURSELF NO LATER THAN 15 MINS AFTER THAT TIME, YOU WILL BE CHARGED \$25 FEE FOR EACH LATE ARRIVAL. EMERGENCIES ARE TO BE CALLED IN ASAP.

### SHOWS/ACTIVITIES:

FRIDAY, JANUARY 29, 2021	7PM	GOAT & LAMB SHOW
SATURDAY, JANUARY 30, 2021	1PM	STEER SHOW
	5PM	BREED SHOW & SALE
SUNDAY, JANUARY 31, 2021	12:30PM	RABBIT & CAVY SHOW
	3PM	HOG SHOW
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2021	3:30PM	POULTRY JUDGED (CLOSED BARN)
	6PM	POULTRY SHOWMANSHIP & AWARDS
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2021	3PM-6PM	PICTURES (Dressed in Club or Sale Attire, No ball caps)
<b>AFTER SHOW/SALE PICTURES WILL ONLY BE TAKEN AFTER EVERYTHING IS COMPLETE AND APPROVED BY BARN CREW (NO EXCEPTIONS)</b>		
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2021	6PM	EXHIBITOR RIDE NIGHT (BANDS \$10EACH)
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2021	6-8PM	AGILITY
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2021	5PM-7PM	MARKET ANIMAL BUYER SOCIAL
	7PM	MARKET ANIMAL/BREED CATTLE SALE
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2021	6PM	RECORD BOOKS & THANK YOU'S
	4PM	SMALL ANIMAL/GOAT SALE
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2021	9AM-3PM	POST FAIR WORKDAY
DAILY SCHEDULE MARKET EXH.	5:30PM	FEED ANIMALS
SUBJECT TO CHANGE	5:45PM	MEETING (AS NECESSARY)
	6:00PM	ALL EXHIBITORS EAT DINNER

**BREAKING ANY RULES OR LEAVING WITHOUT PERMISSION WILL RESULT IN A FINE OF \$100 PER OCCURANCE**



# 2020-2021 4-H Club Calendar



## GET ORGANIZED WEEK

It is better to start something early rather than wait until the last minute. Use the first week of October (Get Organized Week) to organize your 4-H project. Choose 1 task from the list below or create your own for each day of the week!

- \*Record Book: Create or review objectives
- \*Record Book: Take and/or print pictures
- \*Record Book: Outline Buyer's Letter
- \*Record Book: Receipts/Financial Records
- \*Outline or write Buyer's Letters
- \*Create a list of shows/fairs you plan to participate in and their registration deadlines
- \*Complete show registrations
- \*Clean and organize show supplies
- \*Groom your animal
- \*Determine your County Events topic.
- \*Create an outline for your County Events presentation



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## CALENDAR

2020-2021



### Beef & Breed

August 25th  
September 22nd  
October 27th  
November 17th  
December 15th  
January 26th  
February 23rd  
March 23rd  
April 27th  
May 25th

### Rabbit & Cavy

September 8th  
October 13th  
November 10th  
December 8th  
January 12th  
February 9th  
March 9th  
April 13th  
May 11th

### Beaks & Bills Poultry

September 9th  
October 14th  
November 11th  
December 9th  
January 13th  
February 10th  
March 10th  
April 14th  
May 12th

### Dog

August 26th  
September 23rd  
October 28th  
November 18th  
December 16th  
January 27th  
February 24th  
March 24th  
April 28th  
May 26th

### LifesMarts

September 15th  
October 20th  
November 17th  
December 15th  
January 16th  
February 16th  
March TBD  
April 20th  
May 18th

### Swine

August 5th  
September 2nd  
October 7th  
November 4th  
December 2nd  
January 6th  
February 3rd  
March 3rd  
April 7th  
May 5th

### Citrus

August 27th  
October 29th  
December 3rd  
January 19th

### Goat/Lamb

September 17th  
October 15th  
November 19th  
December 17th  
January 21st  
February 18th  
March 18th  
April 15th  
May 20th

### Horse

September 1st  
October 6th  
November 3rd  
December 1st  
January 5th  
February 2nd  
March 2nd  
April 6th  
May 4th

### Vet Science

September 16th  
October 21st  
November 18th  
December 16th  
January 20th  
February 17th  
March 17th  
April 21st  
May 19th



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Connect With  
Charlotte County 4-H

## Virtual Cooking Club

September  
October  
November  
December  
January  
February  
March  
April  
May

## Book Club

September 21st  
September 28th  
October 5th  
October 12th  
October 19th  
October 26th

## Statewide Clubs

Please contact the local 4-H office to see what clubs are offered state wide.

## Leader's Meetings

August 11th  
September 29  
October  
November  
December  
January  
February  
March  
April  
May  
June

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<https://www.facebook.com.com/charlottecounty4H/>

<http://sfyl.ifas.ufl.edu/charlotte/>



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## Important Dates:

4-H Open House  
August - virtually

National 4-H Week  
October 4th - 10th

Officer Training & Installation  
November 12th  
virtually

4-H Clay Shoot Fundraiser  
TBD

Fair Exhibit Booth Workday  
TBD

Charlotte County Fair  
January 29th - February 7th

County Events  
March 30th

Record Books & Awards  
Forms Due  
April 30th

Awards Banquet  
TBD

Camp Cloverleaf  
June 14th-18th



4-H  
Awards

DRIVE-BY PICKUP

THURSDAY,

OCTOBER 8TH

4:00-6:00 PM

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