



JULY 2024

4-H Family News

Barry County



Happy Summer!

Similar to last years fair, we will be launching a Goosechase scavenger hunt for youth to participate in. A code to play the game will be posted on Facebook and around barns during fair. Winners will receive a 4-H prize!

I am looking forward to seeing everyone's hard work pay off at fair. If you need any help at fair, feel free to contact Arin or I.

The Barry County Extension office will be closed all fair week.

Enjoy summer, fair, and the beautiful outdoors!

Sincerely,

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Barry County Fair 2024

July 13 – 20, 2024

“Let’s stirrup some fun”



Scan QR to view
2024 fair book



Picture Recap of 4-H events

Very Barry



Hastings Pride



Shoot Competition



Horse Point Show



Adventures in Gardening





COUNTY 4-H NEWS

Lots of fun of programs taking place this summer at libraries in Barry county! Check out these two programs where Barry 4-H will be.

PUTNAM LIBRARY & BARRY COUNTY 4-H ADVENTURES IN GARDENING

SUMMER GARDEN PROGRAM AT NASHVILLE COMMUNITY GARDEN





FREE FOR YOUTH AGES 5-15
STARTING JUNE 12 | 10AM-11:30AM
 Wednesdays in June and July!
 No class July 3rd or 17th.
207 MAIN ST, NASHVILLE, MI 49073
 CONTACT ARRIAGA4@MSU.EDU FOR MORE INFO!

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BARRY COUNTY EXPLORERS

All hikes take place on Mondays at 10am

- **June 10 - Hammond Hills Trail, 5.2 mi***
578 Hammond Road, Hastings
◦ Parking lot, restrooms
- **June 17 - Paul Henry-Thornapple Trail, 1 hr***
304 S State Street, Nashville (VFW)
◦ VFW Parking lot, no restrooms on site
- **June 24 - Maher Sanctuary, 0.8 mi***
108th Street, Freeport
◦ From Woodschool Rd, turn left onto 108th, parking lot on left, no restrooms on site
- **July 8 - Hall Lake Trail with Devil's Soup Bowl Loop, 2.7 mi***
Corner of Gun Lake Road and Hastings Point Road
◦ No parking lot, no restrooms on site
- **July 22 - Pierce Cedar Creek Institute, TBD***
701 W. Cloverdale Road, Hastings
◦ Parking lot, restrooms in the visitor center
- **July 29 - Charlton Park Trail, TBD***
2545 S Charlton Park Road, Hastings
◦ Parking lot, restrooms in Historic Village



***Hike length subject to change based on conditions & participants**
 Ages 5+, family-friendly - caregivers must participate
 Wear bug spray & dress appropriately
 Bring a water bottle
 Snacks provided



4-H NEWS

MDARD HPAI Risk Reduction Response Order (HRRRO)



Scan QR to view the amendment of the HPAI order put out by MDARD.

A couple of main points:

- In part due to increased biosecurity efforts, there have been no new cases of HPAI in the State of Michigan in backyard poultry since May 9, 2024, and in commercial poultry since May 2, 2024. The prohibition on exhibitions or expositions of poultry is lifted. This, like all provisions of this order, is subject to change based on disease detection and emerging science.
- Any cattle not lactating nor in the final two months of pregnancy originating from any licensed dairy farm premises intended to be exhibited at Michigan fairs, exhibitions, or expositions must demonstrate to fair, exhibition, or exposition officials upon arrival at the grounds a negative HPAI A(H5N1) test that has been conducted in the last seven (7) days. Permittable tests include: o Nasal swab tests on the individual animal being exhibited, or o Milk bulk tank sample test from the dairy farm.

<https://www.michigan.gov/mdard/-/media/Project/Websites/mdard/documents/general/emergency/HPAI-RRO-Determination-of-Extraordinary-Emergency-June-25-Amendment.pdf?rev=1028dc112fbf40cfb6aef688e467e05&hash=2F0DCF389D1FD84DBDCF30A32541B625>

Goosechase Scavenger Hunt at Barry County Fair

Happening again this year at fair is the 4-H Goosechase game!

Goosechase is like a scavenger hunt game, where participants are on the hunt to answer questions and win a prize!

A code to join this year will be posted on Barry County 4-H Program Facebook at the start of fair and posted around barns at fair.





4-H NEWS

Livestock Fashion Show at Barry County Fair



BARRY COUNTY FAIR

Livestock Fashion Show

Saturday, July 20, 2024
3:00 - 4:00

POINT OF CONTACT:
Lydia Hulst
616-647-7181

All youth (ages 5-18) are eligible to compete.

For more info, see page 61 of the fairbook.

4-H GROWS HERE

Fashion show takes place right before 4-H has Talent!

If you have any questions, contact Lydia Hulst (616)-647-7181

Camp sites available at Barry County Fair!

To obtain camp site, complete the application found in the fairbook and send it in along with your payment as soon as possible.

- Camper check-in will be at the campground picnic pavilion Thursday, July 11, 2024 from 5:00 PM until 8:00 PM and Friday, July 12 from 5:00 until 7:00 PM. If you are unable to come during these hours, please send a friend to get your site number, permit and to pay any additional fees.
- Outdoor refrigerator fee is \$10, cash only.
- Pumping of camper holding tanks is \$27, cash only.
- Please bring the exact amount for payment of fees. Pumping will occur on Tuesday and Friday. This is an optional service and you may choose both days, only one or none. Collection for this service will be from 5:00 until 7:00 PM on Thursday only.

If you have questions, please contact Campground Superintendent Diane Hoskins at (269) 795-7421.



STATEWIDE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Support 4-H when you shop JOANN 4-H Days!



Wherever your imagination takes you, let our partners at JOANN help!

You can support 4-H'ers with a trip to JOANN on their 4-H Days, July 20 - 21. On these days, donations made from purchases made using a 4-H Rewards Discount Card will be doubled (from 5% to 10%).

Want to learn more about 4-H Rewards Discount Cards? Current 4-H families, alumni, volunteers and staff can save 15% off total in-store and online purchases every day with 4-H Rewards. Visit www.joann.com/4-h to learn more and enroll.

July 9-10: Saginaw Bay Fish Camp

Bay City State Park, Bay City

All campers will receive a fishing rod with a reel, tackle box, t-shirt and snacks. Youth will learn about knot tying, tackle crafting, casting, aquatic ecology, angler ethics and more! Open to 4-H members ages 8-12.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/saginaw-bay-4-h-fish-camp-bay-county-2024

July 15 – August 12: Guiding Principles for Highly Successful Parenting Webinar Series

Online

Guiding Principles is a free online course for parents of toddlers to teens to learn strategies for helping children, parents and families be successful. This series will meet online each Monday for five weeks from 7:30 – 9 p.m.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/guiding-principles-for-highly-successful-parenting-webinar-series-july-2024

July 15-19: 2024 Michigan Dairy Expo and Michigan 4-H Youth Dairy Days

MSU Pavilion, East Lansing

Join 4-H members from around Michigan at the MSU Pavilion for Michigan 4-H Youth Dairy Days! Dairy Days is part of Michigan Dairy Expo, a celebration of dairy farmers and dairy cattle in the

Great Lake State.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/2024-michigan-4-h-youth-dairy-days

July 18: Water Day at the Children's Gardens

Michigan 4-H Children's Gardens, East Lansing

Come cool off from the summer heat and have fun in the garden with water. We will play water games, do water art and explore all things fun about water. Come ready to get wet!

www.canr.msu.edu/events/water-day

July 25: Bug Day at the Children's Gardens

Michigan 4-H Children's Gardens, East Lansing

We cannot get enough of these amazing six-legged friends! Join us for a tribute to insects in the gardens. We will be collecting bugs, observing bugs and even making bugs! Our friends from the MSU Bug House will be back this year with their collections of insects from all over the world!

www.canr.msu.edu/events/bug-day

July 26: Discover 4-H

Catalpa Oaks County Park, Southfield

A free fun family event open to the public with fun and educational activities for the whole family! Join for games and a variety of interactive, hands-on activities brought to you by MSU Extension, 4-H and local organizations!

www.canr.msu.edu/events/discover-4-h





STATEWIDE 4-H NEWS

Join the Michigan State Fair 4-H & Youth Virtual Showcase!

MSU Extension is thrilled to partner again in 2024 with the [Michigan State Fair](#) on an exciting program for Michigan youth: the Michigan State Fair 4-H & Youth Virtual Showcase. This statewide showcase provides a virtual platform for youth across Michigan to exhibit their work in all project areas and apply for up to \$10,000 in scholarships. Any Michigan youth ages 5-19 is encouraged to participate; 4-H membership is not required.

[Registration for this event is now open!](#) The diverse array of [classes](#) celebrate all the projects and programs in which youth have developed skill and mastery. This includes livestock and animal showmanship classes, as well as still exhibits, educational projects and more.

There is no cost to participate and youth may engage in as many classes as they wish by [submitting project photos and videos](#). **Be sure to submit your entries by the registration deadline of August 10.** Project evaluation will occur before the start of the Michigan State Fair so that winners can be announced at the event which occurs August 29 – September 2.

In addition to the opportunity to showcase their skills, recognize their accomplishments and receive constructive feedback for growth and development, participants in the Michigan State Fair 4-H & Youth Virtual Showcase will also have the opportunity to apply for \$10,000 in scholarships. Learn more, find helpful resources and registration links at www.canr.msu.edu/virtual-showcase/State-Fair-Virtual-Showcase/.



Going home: Biosecurity tips for animals that travel off the farm

Adapted from: https://www.canr.msu.edu/news/biosecurity_tips_for_animals_that_went_to_the_county_fair.

Animals that are exhibited at the county fair, jackpot shows, and other exhibitions are likely near and dear to their exhibitor's hearts. [Michigan State University Extension](#) offers these biosecurity steps exhibitors can take to protect their show animals and those that were left at home once the event has ended.

- Keep animals that left home separate from animals that did not for a minimum of 14 days. If at all possible, do not allow nose-to-nose contact and provide as much distance between animals.
- Disinfect all buckets, feeders, tools and footwear that left home.
- Throw away any feed or hay that left home.
- Always wear clean clothes and footwear. Boot coverings may be helpful when caring for isolated animals.
- Take care of animals that stayed home from the show first, and animals that were at the show second. Do not go back and forth between animals as this increases the risk of cross-contamination.
- Do not eat or drink in the barn.
- Observe animals daily for signs and symptoms of illness, such as:
 - Obvious pain or discomfort
 - Decrease in appetite and water intake
 - Fever
 - Lethargy
 - Diarrhea or changes in consistency in manure
 - Discharge from nasal cavity or eyes
 - Overall weakness

Care of animals after traveling is just as critical as their pre-show care. Exhibited animals were exposed to new animal populations and fair-goers, and will typically experience a lot of stress during their time away from home. By practicing these biosecurity steps, you can help keep all of your animals safe and healthy.

