

Cape Cod Cooperative Extension - Barnstable County



4-H CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2011 / 2012



4-H Youth Development Program

October 1	4-H Re-Enrollment begins for the 2011/2012 4-H year
October 1 & 2	Harvest Festival - Barnstable County Fairgrounds
October 1	Kick off for 4-H Food Drive at Harvest Festival - Fairgrounds
October 1	Holiday Greens Fundraiser kick off - runs through November 1st.
October 2 - 8	National 4-H Week/Window Exhibits or other celebrations
October 5	National 4-H Youth Science Day "Wired for Wind"
October 17	4-H Horse Advisory Committee Meeting @ 4:00 p.m. - Fairgrounds
October 17	4-H Advisory Council / Volunteer Meeting @ 5:00 p.m. - Fairgrounds
November 1	Holiday greens fundraiser orders and payments due into County 4-H office
November 1	4-H Records Due in County 4-H office
November 9	Volunteer Forum registration deadline
November 14	4-H Advisory Council / Volunteer Meeting @ 5:00 p.m. - Fairgrounds
November 15	Re-enrollment period ends/ all paperwork due into County 4-H office
November 15	Applications for 2012 National 4-H Conference due
November 19	Massachusetts 4-H Volunteer Forum - UMASS Medical Ctr., Worcester, MA
November 25-29	National 4-H Congress - Atlanta, GA
December 2	4-H Holiday Greens pick up night and holiday celebration - Fairgrounds
December 2	Final collection date for food drive donations
December 8	4-H Food drive donations delivered to food pantries (Date changed)
December 30	4-H School vacation workshop
TBA	School vacation field trip - one day
January 6 & 7	4-H /FFA Teen Leadership weekend - No. Oxford, MA
January 9	4-H Advisory Council / Volunteer Meeting @ 5:00 p.m. - Fairgrounds
	4-H Visual Presentation Training for Volunteers and Judges @ 6:30 p.m. - Fairgrounds
January 27	4-H Annual Awards and Recognition Night - Mashpee (Date changed)
February 4	4-H Winter Workshop 9:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. - Marstons Mills
	4-H Horse Bowl & Hippology Contests - Marstons Mills
March 2	4-H Visual Presentation Night - Barnstable @ W. Barnstable Elementary School
March 24 - 29	National 4-H Conference - Washington DC
March 31	State 4-H Visual Presentation Day 9:30 a.m.- 3:30 p.m. - Bedford, MA
April 14 & 15	State 4-H Horse Round Up - Spencer, MA
May 11	4-H Walk for Healthy Kids - Cape Cod Canal
June 26	Pre fair kick off night (taco night & sundaes) - Fairgrounds
July 10	4-H Workday at the Youth Building & 4-H Kitchen - Fairgrounds
July 12	4-H Set up day in the Youth Building - Fairgrounds
July 21-28	Barnstable County Fair - Fairgrounds



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The new 4-H year begins in September of the current year. The re-enrollment period starts in September to coincide with the new year and runs through November 15th. Enrollments for new 4-H members or new 4-H clubs are accepted at any time throughout the year.



National 4-H Week – A weeklong national celebration of 4-H throughout the first full week of October. 4-H Clubs, counties, and states are encouraged to promote 4-H in their local area through window and library displays, events, newspaper articles, etc. ***Barnstable County 4-H will schedule events during the month of October. Let the 4-H office know if you are planning to do something for national 4-H week.***

State 4-H Community Service Project – A statewide 4-H project for all clubs to participate in. The 4-H Food Drive is a 4-H state wide community service project which usually kicks off at the Harvest Festival in October and runs through December. All members are encouraged to participate.

Cape Cod's Harvest Festival - This annual event is usually held the first weekend in October at the Barnstable County Fairgrounds. Rain or shine! The Barnstable County 4-H Program hosts children's activities in the Youth Building such as pumpkin decorating, make it take it crafts and other fun hands on fall projects. 4-H Clubs are invited to man a table sharing a skill or project with other children or using a craft as a fundraising opportunity for their club. The 4-H Kitchen is open serving lunch and volunteers are always needed to help.



Record & Resume Judging – Records and resumes are due into the county 4-H office by November 1 of every year. 4-H members are encouraged to keep a simple record of their 4-H experiences and other activities. This not only helps develop a life long skill of keeping records, but is also the judging tool for county medals and national 4-H opportunities. Check the website at www.mass4h.org for record information or call the 4-H office. Training and record and resume packets are available. This year portfolios will be accepted.



4-H Award & Recognition Night – This year we will host this fun family event on Friday **January 20, 2012**. All 4-H members, their families and volunteers are invited to attend this county event to help celebrate the previous year's effort of our youth and adults. Dinner is usually included and we need volunteers to help organize the event! Call the office to volunteer. We always pick a fun theme and have activities, raffles and dancing for everyone!

4-H Hippology & Horse Bowl Contests –

Held in conjunction with Winter Workshop on **Feb 4, 2012**, this fun day of competition allows horse project members to showcase their equine knowledge using buzz boards and other methods. The **State 4-H Horse Round Up** takes place in **April**. Teams are selected to represent each county.

4-H Winter Workshop –

Usually held in February in conjunction with Horse Bowl and Hippology in Marstons Mills from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. This is an entire day of fun workshops for 4-H members, volunteers, and friends. A wide variety of workshops are available to choose from. Brochures will be available late December early January. Adult volunteers and teen 4-H members are needed to help.

4-H Communication/Visual Presentations Day – Held on Friday, March 2, 2012, at



Barnstable W. Barnstable Elementary School on Route 6A. This is an annual program to teach 4-H members how to speak effectively in public. Members may choose to do a “VP” demonstration with props and posters or senior 4-H members may choose a Public Speech format or Extemporaneous categories for seniors. Levels of competition are available at club, county and state. Senior horse presentations/speeches may compete for national competition. Most clubs prepare in January and February. Packets are available in late December early January through the 4-H office. Volunteers are needed to judge and help with other tasks that evening.

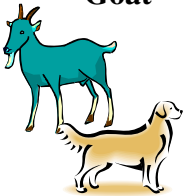
4-H Walk For Healthy Kids– An annual event held in May, this year we will be walking on **May 11, 2012** at the Cape Cod Canal. This is a fun filled event encouraging all participants to adopt a healthier lifestyle. We provide a picnic supper and even invite your pets to walk and participate in healthy activities and all participants receive free gifts!



4-H Livestock/Animal Competitions:

Rabbit Quiz Bowl & Judging – Held in May. All rabbit project members are invited to attend even if they do not compete.

Goat -- Goat project members are eligible to compete at the Big E in September.



Dog Camp – Held annually in May at 4-H Camp Farley, this is a full weekend program where dogs attend with their 4-Her.

State 4-H Dog Show-held in June at the Barnstable County Fairgrounds

Favorite Foods Competition – TBA

If there is enough interest we can run this healthy event, sponsored by Barnstable County Advisory Council, involving menu planning, quiz bowl, food preparation, table setting, and good nutrition centered on a particular theme. Barnstable 4-Hers will be invited. It would be held in the spring at the Barnstable County Fairgrounds 4-H Youth Building.

4-H Camp Farley– Located on Route 130 in Mashpee. Summer camp season runs July through August for both overnight and day camp. Camp Farley may be rented in the off-season for use by 4-H clubs. Call Mike Campbell Director at 508-477-0181 for info.

State Photography Competition –



Entries are due in the summer to the local 4-H office and open to senior 4-H members. There are a variety of categories to choose from in color or black and white format. Five top entries will also be chosen for display at the Eastern States Exposition in the New England Center in September.

Barnstable County Fair – July 21-28, 2012

Always held the last full week in July, on Route 151 in East Falmouth, MA.

The Youth Building houses exhibits made by children, all boys and girls ages 5-19 may enter exhibits. Exhibitors Handbooks are usually available by April detailing all categories children can enter with judging guidelines and dates exhibits may be entered. From arts and crafts to photography, science projects, baked goods, vegetables and flowers, sewing, ecology club exhibits and more there is something for everyone. The Fair offers volunteers and youth many opportunities to participate and allows 4-H members to learn new skills and showcase their 4-H projects during the nine days.

Youth Building Workdays are scheduled a couple of weeks prior to the Fair. Many hands are always welcome to help!!!

State 4-H Horse Show & New England Regional 4-H Horse Show –
Held on two weekends in September. Delegates are chosen by county 4-H Horse Advisory Councils and the local 4-H Extension Educator.



Eastern States Exposition (The Big E) – A 17-day New England Fair held **September 14 thru September 30, 2012** in West Springfield, MA. Opportunities for 4-H members to compete in livestock programs. Members also may be selected for action exhibits and may model garments in the State 4-H Fashion Show. Members may request a free entry ticket for 4-H Day (date to be announced) from the 4-H office.

4-H Volunteer Orientation – For all volunteers held in November. New information will be covered concerning the new program year along with registration & enrollment forms for club members and volunteers and any other policies or guidelines.

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