

# 4-H CLUBS at the 2023 West Niagara Fair

A Long Tradition of Youth & Fairs

## WHAT IS 4-H?

4-H is one of Canada's longest running youth organizations for young people between the ages of 9 and 21. 4-H is a grassroots organization of **leaders building leaders**. 4-H emphasizes the importance of looking at the big picture; that youth need to see beyond themselves and focus on how their actions affect their relationships, their community, the environment and society as a whole. This belief is reflected in the 4-H pledge, said at the beginning of every 4-H meeting and event. The 4-H pledge encourages a balanced lifestyle (intellectual, emotional, physical and spiritual), and reminds participants to aim to be a good friend, mentor, community member and citizen.

4-H is based on a "**Learn to Do by Doing**" philosophy. Members and volunteer leaders come together to create a 4-H club, where members learn about a selected topic through hands-on activities and mentorship. 4-H gives youth opportunities to learn new things through a dedicated group of volunteer leaders. 4-H youth learn the skills needed to contribute to making this a better world. Many of them go on to become leaders in their communities.



## 4-H PLEDGE

**I pledge my Head to clearer thinking,  
my Heart to greater loyalty,  
my Hands to larger service and  
my Health to better living  
for my club, my community and my country and my world.**

### **WEST NIAGARA AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY TRICIA VAUGHAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

Scholarships are available to current members of Niagara 4-H who have completed at least six projects and are going on to attend a recognized post-secondary education program with a minimum duration of 12 weeks.

Applicants may reapply in subsequent years, if they meet the requirements, but may only win a scholarship once in their 4-H career.

There will be three (3) scholarships awarded annually. The amount of these scholarships will be \$1000; \$500.00; and \$250.00. All other qualified applicants will receive \$100.

**DEADLINE FOR APPLYING IS AUGUST 15, 2023.**

Please visit our website for more detailed information [www.westniagarafair.ca](http://www.westniagarafair.ca) OR call our office (905)309-9939

## This year at the Fair the following 4-H events are taking place.

### 4-H EDUCATIONAL DISPLAYS

#### RULES:

1. Open to 4-H Clubs in the Region of Niagara who placed their exhibits at 4-H Achievement programs since Sep 1, 2022.
2. Each club may place only one exhibit at any Fair in any one year.
3. Exhibitors may be from any 4-H project since Sep 1, 2022.
4. No entry fee is required.
5. Club name shall be used in the display.
6. Display should be set up by club members.
7. Exhibits will be evaluated and given ribbons for Groups A, B and C. Each club will receive \$15.00 for entering. The best overall exhibit will receive an additional \$5.00.
8. All exhibits are to be set up in the designated area by 9 pm on Wednesday before fair. Table space for each display (3' x 4') will be available. Exhibits must remain on display until 5 pm on Sunday and removed immediately thereafter.
9. The West Niagara Agricultural Society is not responsible for lost or stolen articles.

## 4-H ACHIEVEMENT – PROJECTS

### **NIAGARA 4-H SCRAPBOOK CLUB**

*Leaders: Ann Marie Chechalk, Annette Noonan*

#### **Achievement Project**

Prizes: 1st \$5 2nd \$4 3rd \$3 All other entries \$1 Sponsored by **THE CHECHALK FAMILY**

Class   Description

- 1      An Exploding Box**
- 2      Sunflower Craft**
- 3      Large sunflower not to exceed 2 feet**

Each class will be judged in 4 age groups:  
Novice (1<sup>st</sup> year members only; ages 9-11)  
Junior – 12 to 14  
Intermediate – 15 - 17  
Senior – 18 to 21

**Look how much fun being a 4-H member can be!!**







#### **4-H ACHIEVEMENT DAYS – LIVESTOCK CLUBS**

**Entry to the Fairgrounds is complimentary for 4-H Club exhibitors and leaders, only on show day, with presentation of valid 2023 4-H Ontario ID card, and to the driver of livestock trailer. All other passengers must pay regular admission**

#### **POLICY ON LIVESTOCK AT THE WEST NIAGARA FAIR**

Exhibitors entering animals, shall agree to have any animal or animals examined by a certified Vet at the request of the director in Charge.

In the interest of maintaining a high standard of animal health, all livestock are subject to inspection upon arrival. If evidence of an infection or contagious disease is discovered, the owner of the infected animals shall be required to remove it from the premise immediately.

Abuse of animals contrary to the Recommended Code of Practice's will not be tolerated. The wellbeing of the animals take priority over the demands of the owner. Any violation of this rule will result in immediate disciplinary action.

All Livestock/equine exhibitors must provide proof of insurance with policy number, name of insurance company and expiry date on entry forms.

## 4-H GOAT CLUB ACHIEVEMENT

**Friday, September 8 - 4:00 pm Lowden Pavilion**

*Leaders: Ann Marie Chechalk, Deanna Bartels, Andrew Chechalk, Jonathan Dugdale*

*Judge: Julie Reise*

Prize money: 1st - \$20, 2nd - \$17, All other entries - \$15,

Special Class – Prize

**To show in the Yearling Class, members must have been in the Goat Club in 2022 and shown these goats previously.**

<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>		
1	Novice Goat Showperson	10	Dairy Yearling Conformation
2	Junior Goat Showperson	11	Meat Yearling Conformation
3	Intermediate Goat Showperson	12	AOB Yearling Conformation
4	Senior Goat Showperson	13	Grand Champion Dairy Conformation
5	Grand Champion Goat Showperson	14	Grand Champion Meat Conformation
6	Dairy Kid Conformation	15	Grand Champion AOB Conformation
7	Meat Kid Conformation	16	Special Class – all members, noncash prize
8	AOB Kid Conformation		
9	Grand Champion Conformation		

## NIAGARA 4-H RABBIT CLUB ACHIEVEMENT

**Friday, September 8 - 4:00 pm Richardson Agricultural Hall (time & place is subject to change)**

*Leader: Jennifer Pilzecker, Brenda Gilchrist*

Prize money: 1st - \$20, 2nd - \$17, 3rd - \$15

<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	Conformation of all Rabbits
2	Novice Showmanship
3	Junior Showmanship
4	Senior Showmanship
5	Grand Champion Showperson

## NIAGARA 4-H CAVY CLUB ACHIEVEMENT

**Friday, September 8 - 5:00 pm Richardson Agricultural Hall (time & place is subject to change)**

*Leader: Amber Gilbert, Jennifer Pilzecker*

Prize money: 1st - \$20, 2nd - \$17, 3rd - \$15

<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	Novice Showmanship
2	Junior Showmanship
3	Senior Showmanship
4	Grand Champion Showperson

### **Conformation**

5	Junior Sow
6	Junior Boar
7	Intermediate Sow
8	Intermediate Boar
9	Senior Sow
10	Senior Boar
11	Best in Show

**\*Junior -12oz-22oz**

**\*Intermediate 22oz-32oz**

**\*Senior 32 oz & Over**

## **NIAGARA 4-H BEEF CLUB ACHIEVEMENT**

**Friday, September 8 - 3:00 pm Richardson Agricultural Hall**

*Leaders: Kristin Hoffman, Mike Chechalk*

Prize money: 1st - \$20, 2nd - \$17, All other entries - \$15

Class Description

Member's Age as of Jan 1, 2023

### **Showmanship**

- 1 Novice Showperson (first year in 4-H)
- 2 Junior Showmanship (ages 10 – 13)
- 3 Intermediate Showmanship (ages 14 – 17)
- 4 Senior Showmanship (ages 18 – 21)
- 5 Grand Champion Beef Calf Showperson (Rosettes only)

### **Conformation**

- 6 Junior Heifer (animal born after Jan 1/23)
- 7 Senior Heifer (animal born 2022)
- 8 Grand Champion heifer (Rosettes only)

## **Lincoln 4-H DAIRY CLUB ACHIEVEMENT**

**Friday, September 8 - 4:00 pm Richardson Agricultural Hall**

*Leaders: Brad Eggink, Christine Armstrong, Amanda Comfort, Mark Heeringa*

*Judge Josh Karn*

Prize money: 1st - \$20, 2nd - \$17, All other entries - \$15

Class Description

Member's Age as of Jan 1, 2023

### **Showmanship**

- 1 Novice Showperson (first year in 4-H)
- 2 Junior Showmanship (ages 10 – 13)
- 3 Intermediate Showmanship (ages 14 – 17)
- 4 Senior Showmanship (ages 18 – 21)
- 5 Grand Champion Dairy Calf Showperson (Rosettes only)

### **Conformation**

- 6 Female-Spring Calf
- 7 Female-Winter Calf
- 8 Female-Fall Calf
- 9 Female-Summer Yearling
- 10 Female-Spring Yearling
- 11 Grand Champion Calf

### **GRAND CHAMPION SHOWPERSON FROM NIAGARA**

**Friday, September 8, 2023 – 7:00 pm Richardson Agricultural Hall**

Between dairy, beef, rabbits, cavies & goats. Entrants must participate during their achievement to qualify for the grand championship final.

Winner to receive trophy donated by **FRANKIE'S GOATS** and **Fine-Line Woodwork and Design Inc.** and a \$25 gift certificate from **LOWDEN'S FEED & SUPPLY, Smithville**

## 4-H INTER-COUNTY DAIRY CALF SHOW

Richardson Agricultural Hall

Contact: [niagara4-h@hotmail.com](mailto:niagara4-h@hotmail.com), or [chechalk@outlook.com](mailto:chechalk@outlook.com)

**Saturday, September 9 - 11:00 am**

**Chair: Rick Keunen**

**WEST NIAGARA AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY PREMISES ID# IS ON4213734**

**Livestock Traceability Recording & Reporting is MANDATORY – please be prepared.**

**Free admission day of show to 4H exhibitors, 4H leaders (with presentation of current 4H membership card) and livestock trailer driver. All other passengers must pay regular admission.**

### **EXHIBITORS MUST SUPPLY THEIR OWN STRAW**

#### **RULES:**

1. Exhibitors must be members of a 4-H Calf Club organized in 2023 and show their 2023 4-H project calf. **NO SUBSTITUTIONS.**
2. Entries to be received by August 15, 2023.
3. All exhibits must be on the grounds by 8 am. 4-H exhibitors will receive a meal, courtesy of the West Niagara Agricultural Society.
4. Entry to the Fairgrounds is complementary for 4-H Dairy Club members and leaders, with presentation of a valid 2023 4-H Ontario ID card.
5. The Society will not be responsible for any loss, damage or accident to any person or property on the grounds during the Fair.
6. All animals must meet health standards of the Fair. **Rabies certificate must be available. NO VISIBLE SIGN OF RINGWORM**
7. The Committee reserves the right to adjust classes according to the number of entries received.
8. Classes 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9 & 10 judged on a group basis.

Prize money: Group A - \$20, Group B - \$17, Group C - \$15

Class 12 – 1<sup>st</sup> \$20 2<sup>nd</sup> \$16 3<sup>rd</sup> \$14 4<sup>th</sup> \$12, all others \$10

**Judge: Clare Swale**

Class Description - age is before January 1st of this year

- 1 Novice Showperson, open to 4-H members (age 9-11 years)
- 2 Junior Showperson, open to 4-H members (age 12-14 years)
- 3 Intermediate Showperson, open to 4-H members (age 15-17 years)
- 4 Senior Showperson, open to 4-H members (age 18-21 years)
- 5 Grand Champion Showperson, Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion receive rosettes
- 6 **Pre-Novice Showperson, Open to anyone less than 9 years of age as of Jan. 1, 2023, showing a dairy heifer born after March 1, 2023-*\*new class***
- 7 Spring Heifer, born Mar 1/23 – May 31/23
- 8 Winter Heifer, born Dec 1/22 - Feb 29/23
- 9 Fall Heifer, born Sept 1/22 - Nov 30/22
- 10 Summer Yearling, born Jun 1/22 – Aug 31/22
- 11 Spring Yearling, born Mar 1/22 – May 31/22
- 12 Grand Champion Calf, Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion receive rosettes
- 13 Group of four calves, must be from the same 4-H club and be entered by the club leader. Limited to one entry per club.

#### **SPECIALS**

- **FREUREHAVEN FARMS AWARD** (Freure Family Wellandport) Grand Champion Calf
- **GRASSIEDALE HOLSTEINS Award** GRASSIEDALE HOLSTEINS Award (Family of John McDougall, Grassie) Grand Champion Showperson
- **NELLO ROMAGNOLI AUCTION SERVICES, Smithville**, top Group of Four Calves

## HERDSMAN COMPETITION

### Saturday, September 9 - (Dairy)

Open to all 4-H Clubs entered in the Inter-county Show. Judging will take place from 11 am until the conclusion of the show. Prizes: 1<sup>st</sup> \$20 2<sup>nd</sup> \$16 3<sup>rd</sup> \$14 plus a special Rosette all presented by West Niagara Agricultural Society to the winning Club.

General appearance & eye appeal	20
Club name & 4-H exhibit cards	15
Courtesy of attendants	15
Neatness	20
Grooming of animals	10
General information about 4-H	<u>20</u>
Total points	<b>100</b>