

JAMUL CHAPARROS 4-H CLUB NEWSLETTER

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Welcome Back

Welcome back to a new 4-H Club year. With this new year we have excitement, plans, and goals to obtain. I especially want to welcome the new families who came to the unit meeting. Please plan on attending the Jamul parade and petting zoo. This is one of our best events of the year.

I also want to welcome our new *Acornicle* editor, Vicki Lindsey. Please help her by submitting articles and information to our newsletter.

If you have any questions please call me. I hope all the new members and old can find a great project and have a wonder year in 4-H.

Ginnie Wadhams, Community Leader

Thank you to Our Outgoing President and Welcome to Our New President

The club wants to thank our outgoing president, Heather Wadhams. She made the agendas each month, presided over the unit meeting and board meetings. She also supported our club events. Heather, along with our Leader of Year" dog leader Jane Bracken, helped installed our new officers. Thank you for a job well done.

We also want to welcome our new president, Melissa Holland. Melissa is a senior in high school. She is also a previous president from 2002-2003. Melissa brings a wealth of experience and expertise to the office. Please support and help her in every way you can.

Officers Learning Day

All 4-H officers, members, and adult volunteers are invited to attend Officer Day on October 9, 2004. There will be a variety of workshops and sessions geared to improving leadership in your club. Lunch will be provided. Please RSVP to Ginnie Wadhams by September 24th. All new officers should plan on attending this meeting. If you need a ride contact Kevin Fletcher.

When: October 9, 2004

Where: Village community Presbyterian Church
6225 Paseo Delicias
Rancho Santa Fe, CA

Time: 9:30 am to 2:30 PM

October 3rd Parade and Petting Zoo

The parade and petting zoo is one of our most fun events of the year. We start out at the schools and walk or ride to St. Pius X church. You do not have to bring an animal. We need members to hold banners and flags. You can decorate your animals and their cages, etc. After arriving at the church, you can take your animals to the petting zoo. Then we all attend the awards ceremony where we entered "Best Animal" entry. Enjoy the rest of the day at the petting zoo, gymkhana, and other events. **Please bring water and shade for your animals.**

When: October 3 at 8:30 am

Where: Jamul Intermediate School Parking Lot (could be changed to JPS)

Who: EVERYONE - ESPECIALLY NEW MEMBERS!

Theme: Harvest in Jamul

Wear: Farm clothes, 4-H shirts and jeans, or white T-shirts and jeans

What to bring: Your animals including horses. You can walk, ride on, put in the trailer or push them in a wagon.

Parade Chairperson: Robert Tate

Petting Zoo Chairperson: Catie Corle

FLOAT DECORATING will be at the Wadhams' house on Saturday, October 2 from 4pm until 6pm. We will have a restored John Deere tractor(s) and trailer. Members will be making scarecrows for the trailer. If you have any questions, call Robert Tate.

Junior Leadership Camp for 6th, 7th, and 8th grade

When: Nov. 5-7, 2004

Where: Cuyamaca Outdoor School
12561 Highway 79
Descanso, CA

Cost: \$55.00 for 6th, 7th, and 8th grade delegates
\$40.00 for Session Leaders and Chaperones

Junior Leadership Camp is opened to 6th, 7th, and 8th graders only. This year is unique because it is being held at a new location after last year's cancellation. It was cancelled because the camp, Camp Featherstone, burnt down in the October fires right before 4-H was scheduled to go.

Applications, fees, and medical releases for camp are due to Kevin Fletcher on October 24th.

Chaperones must be 25 years of age to attend. Session leaders can be high school age members. Session leaders must fill out a session application and attend a mandatory audition. Please call the 4-H Office for details.

Clover Dough

Remember to sign the clover dough sheet at all meetings or you will not get clover dough. It is your responsibility. Clover Dough prizes earned last year will be awarded at the October meeting.

4-H Office Contacts

Staff at the 4-H office is happy to answer your questions about the 4-H program.

4-H Club questions/issues:

Steve Dasher

Sue Manglallian

Enrollment and Adult Volunteer questions:

Colleen Tschumperlin

General Information:

Terry Walker

Or call your local club leaders:

Ginnie Wadhams

Kevin Fletcher

Primary 4-H

Primary 4-H is a special project geared to our members that are 5 to 8 years old. This project will give an overview of what 4-H is all about. Primary members will be learning the 4-H pledge and motto. They will also find out about different projects including rabbits, chickens, horses, and crafts. Our first meeting will be October 23, 11:00 am at the Wadhams' house. I am open to other dates and times. At this meeting we will learn about the 4-H pledge and carve a pumpkin. Small expenses will be needed to cover the costs of supplies. More information will be at the next unit meeting on Oct. 5. For questions, call Ginnie Wadhams.

Articles Wanted

All 4-H members can write articles for the *Acornicle*!!! Interview your project leader or a new member in your project. Write about your 4-H animal and your showing experiences. Give hints on how to show animals better. All articles accepted!!! You can e-mail your articles to Vicki Lindsey @ victorialindsey@cox.net or mail them to her address listed above.

Acornicle Post or e-mail?

If you would like the Acornicle e-mailed to you, just e-mail Vicki Lindsey and you will get it.

PROJECT INFORMATION

Computer Project

Sunday September 19th @ 5:00pm. We will meet at the Fletcher's home.

Cooking Project

Saturday, September 25th @ 10:00am. We will meet at the Bonney's home.

Dairy Goats

We will meet at the Holland's home in October.

Dog Project

The Dog Project will meet every Wednesday @ 7:00pm at the Bracken's home.

Fire Recovery Photos

We will meet @ the Fletcher's home at 10:00am on Saturday September 11th.

Horse Project

Saturday September 18th @ 12:00pm we will meet at the Matthew's home.

Livestock Project

In this project you will learn how to purchase, house, and feed a market animal. Livestock includes pigs, lambs, market goats, steers, stocker beef, and veal. The goal of this project is to take your livestock project to Eastern San Diego County Junior Fair and San Diego County Fair at Del Mar.

This project will meet either the third Saturday of the month at 10:00am. I'm open to other times and days. First meeting is Sept 18. This project will meet at the Wadhams' house.

Cost: The price of an animal, usually around \$100 - \$150 for a pig, goat, or lamb. Beef is higher at \$600 plus.

Ornamental Horticulture

We will meet on Sunday September 26th @ 2:30pm @ the Tate's home.

Photography Project

We will meet on Wednesday, September 22nd @ 5:30pm at St. Pius Catholic Church.

Poultry Project

Coming in October! Looking for a host home around Jamul. Contact Becky Runyan.

Primary 4-H

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Pygmy Goat Project

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Quilting Project

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Rocketry Project

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Small Animals

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Stained Glass Project

Thursday September 16th at the Fletcher's Garage @ 6:30pm.

Woodworking

In this project you will learn how to make an item from wood. You will learn safety, names of tools, types of wood, and how to run power equipment. The goal of this project is to finish an item (s) to show at Eastern San Diego County Junior Fair and San Diego County Fair.

The project meets usually the 3rd Friday of the month at 4:0pm. If you have any questions or suggestions for a time to meet, please call Kermit Wadhams. This project will not meet in September. The first meeting will be October 15 at 4:00 PM. We will meet at the Wadhams' barn.

Cost: Price of wood, stains, finishes, and hardware.

* * * * * **UPCOMING EVENTS** * * * * *

Oct. 2nd – Float Decoration

Oct. 3rd – Parade & Gymkhana 8:00am

Oct. 9th – Officers Learning Day

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Presidents message

Welcome all new members and welcome back all returning members. I was glad to see so many new faces at our unit meeting. For those of you that don't know me: My name is Melissa Holland. I am a senior in high school and this is my 10th and final year in 4-H. This is my 2nd year as your president (former 02'-03'). I am a very active member and I am in several projects: Dog Care & training (also teen leader), Horses & Ponies, small animals, Pygmy goats, Dairy goats, Boer/Market goats, Beef & Swine. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to be your President of our great club. This is my alumni year, and I plan to make it a great year for everyone. Anyone who has any questions at all, please feel free to talk to me anytime. I am a very knowledgeable member and I would be happy to help. Please read this newsletter thoroughly, all the information you need to know will be in it each month.

Your 2004-2005 President, Melissa Holland

Community Leader's Message

The Jamul Chaparros 4-H Club is off to a great start! Everyone had a great time at parade decorating, the parade, and the petting zoo. Twenty-four members plus parents and leaders were at the decorating on Saturday afternoon. Twenty-nine members were in the parade along with parents and leaders. I especially want to thank the new members who came to decorate and participate in the parade. I think we had the largest group in the parade.

I want to thank everyone who helped with the decorating and the parade. At the last minute the restored John Deere tractor decided to not start. But our members were to the rescue. Mike Parks provided his older Chevy pickup that went perfectly with our float. Cheri Tate did the shopping of decorations and candy. Ranch Feed loaned us the straw that was on our float. All of our members, parents, and leaders decorated animals and cages and brought them on Sunday morning. The effects paid off as we received the BEST ANIMAL trophy from the Jamul Kiwanis. I also want to thank our board members on Tuesday who presented parliamentary procedure and How to Make a Motion. Our club is run by our youth members. They make all the motions and decisions. We really appreciate all the help, guidance, and support we get from our parents and leaders.

Kevin Fletcher gets a big THANK YOU for taking care of the Clover Dough. Kevin passed out all the goodies that members purchased from the 4-H catalog with their Clover Dough. One Clover Dough is earned every time an event is attended. Clover Dough is redeemed at the end of the 4-H year and can be used for fair shavings, leadership camp fees, and 4-H merchandise.

Awards Night

The November 2 Unit Meeting will be our Awards Night. Every year the club recognizes the achievements of our members and leaders with year pins and strips, star ranks, and other medals. Record books will also be returned at the awards ceremony. The Unit Meeting will be November 2 at 7:00 P. M. in the multi-use-room at Jamul Primary School. All members from last year will receive year pins and strips. New members, be sure to attend and find out about 4-H awards and incentives.

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Chaperones must be 25 years of age to attend. Session leaders can be high school age members. Session leaders must fill out a session application and attend a mandatory audition. Please call the 4-H Office for details.

Fall Festival Petting Zoo

On October 30th, The Jamul PTA will be holding their Fall Festival. Our club does a petting zoo to share our animals with other children. The festival will be a JIS from 12:00 am until 4:00 pm. Jillian Bonney is in charge of the petting zoo. Call her with your questions.

Stampede!!!

Submitted by Catie Corle

That is what it felt like at the Jamul Chaparros Petting Zoo at the St. Pius X Fall Festival. There were a lot of animals and especially people! We had members bring their Guinea Pigs, rabbits, hamster, duck, goats, dogs and a tortoise. We also had other items from our Club's projects that included Jo's Quilt, Robert's rockets and our Historian's book from 2003. Many people enjoyed the Petting Zoo, especially the little ones. Special thanks to everyone who brought their animals and Mrs. Tate, Mrs. Lindsey, my Mom and others who helped set up and take down. Also a big Thank-you to Donna Elkins and the SDPGA for lending their hog panels for fencing.

Parade Day

Submitted by Laura Parks

Try it, you'll like it! I brought my duck and dog to the Jamul Harvest Parade on October 3, 2004. It was a blast! My dad drove his 76 Chevrolet, with my dog Abbi sticking her head out of the window. I walked with my duck beside the dog group, which is kind of odd. The duck I brought is named Mr. Duck. He was rescued from the Crest Fire, and I acquired him. He was very shy at that time. Before I got him, he was an inside duck but now he is an outside duck with 4 others, a pond and a big back yard. He loved being in the parade and getting all the attention that he did after the parade at the petting zoo. My duck, "Mr. Duck", my dog "Abbi", my dad, and I had a great time at the 2004 Jamul harvest parade!

Mark your calendars for two exciting events! Submitted by Catie Corle

The Beach and Rabbit Club is hosting an open (non 4-H) show on Halloween, at the Lakeside Fair Grounds. There will be two shows starting at 9 AM. Put on your spookiest outfit or come as you are! This is a great way to learn about showing rabbits and covies. For more information, contact Catie Corle. Entry forms are due by 10/24/04.

The San Diego Pygmy Goat Association is hosting an open (non 4-H) show on December 4th. It will be 2 shows in 1 day at the Jamul Show area at 15622 Lyons Valley Rd. The judges will be Jennifer Josephson and Jason Overman. If you'd like more information, contact Catie Corle.

Board Meeting

The next board meeting will be on Monday, October 25th at 7:00 pm at the Wadham's house. All members are welcome. We will work on the agenda and program for the November Unit meeting. Also, the yearly budget.

PROJECT INFORMATION

Computer Project

Sunday October 17th @ 5:00pm. We will meet at the Fletcher's home.

Cooking Project

Saturday, October 23rd @ 10:00am. We will meet at the Bonney's home.

Dairy Goats

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Dog Project

The Dog Project - Advanced group will meet every Wednesday @ 7:00pm at the Bracken's home. The Beginner's group will meet every Thursday at 7:00pm at the Church parking lot.

Fire Recovery Photos

To be scheduled at a later date.

Horse Project

Saturday October 16th @ 12:00pm we will meet at the Matthew's home.

Livestock Project

We will meet at the Wadhams' house on October 19th @ 7:00- 8:00 pm. Livestock will learn about proper housing and pens for their project animals. Also, samples of 4-H beef and pork will be served. Please call Ginnie or Heather for information.

Ornamental Horticulture

We will meet on Sunday October 17th @ 2:30pm @ the Tate's home.

Photography Project

We will meet on Wednesday, October 20th @ 5:30pm at St. Pius.

Poultry Project

Contact Becky Runyan for time and place of meeting.

Primary 4-H

Our first meeting will be October 23rd at 10:00 am. At the Wadhams house, All 5-8 year old members may attend. We will learn the 4-H Pledge and carve a pumpkin. Parents need to attend the project meeting along with their primary members.

Pygmy Goat Project

Sunday, October 26th @ 4:00pm at the Fletcher's house.

Quilting Project

Our next meeting will be on Thursday, November 4th @ 6:30pm at the Fletcher's home.

Rocketry Project

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Small Animals

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Stained Glass Project

Thursday October 21st at the Fletcher's Garage @ 6:30pm.

Woodworking

We will meet at the Wadhams' barn on October 22nd at 4:30. We will learn tool safety and make a small wood project. Open to members ages 9-19. Information: Kermit Wadhams

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October 25th - board meeting

October 30th - Fall Festival at JIS

October 31st - Beach and Rabbit Show

November 2nd - Unit Meeting at JPS

November 5-7th - Junior Leadership Camp

December 4th - SD Pygmy Goat show

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Community Leader's Message

It was really great to see all the awards and accomplishments that our members achieved last year in 4-H. I want to thank all the members for representing our club so well. I also want to thank all the parents and leaders who support us with their interests, knowledge, guidance, and many hours of service. Be sure to read the insert in the awards program that explain many of the awards and incentives in the 4-H program. I also want to thank Gene Peterson and Dan Matthews for assisting at the awards ceremony. Gene has 21 years of service as our computer leader and Dan has 16 years of service as our horse leader.

Next month board members will explain the 4-H uniform and where to put your pins on your hat. Our next unit meeting is Tuesday, December 7 at 7:00 PM at JPS in the MUR. Bring a friend. It is not too late to join 4-H.

Dog Group Wins Awards

Under the watchful eye of our "leader of the year," Jane Bracken, the dog group won several county awards. Those receiving awards were Melissa Holland, Lucas Van Winkle, Jon Fowler, Ariana Ruiz, Laura Parks, Hannah Lettau, and Elijah Lettau. Congratulations to all. One Primary 4-H'er deserves a round of applause. Breanna Ball trained and showed her own dog and did a great job.

"OPPS" in the Awards Program

The following corrections are for awards program guide:

Catie Corle - County Winner for Junior Pygmy Goats in the record book program

Jo Lindsey - 3 year pin and stripe

Jillien Bonney - Name was misspelled

Please contact Ginnie Wadhams if any other corrections need to be made

Unit Meeting Review

Submitted by Veronica Scavo

This month's unit meeting was held at the Jamul Primary School at seven o'clock, as usual. We discussed New and Old business, and at the end of the meeting, we had our annual awards ceremony! Congratulations to everyone that earned a pin stripe and/or star! Another Congrats goes to Jane Bracken, the Dog Leader for earning the title "Leader of the Year." It was a very fun and interesting meeting, and I am glad to have new things to add to my hat!

Christmas Party

The Tate's will be hosting our Christmas party this year. Robert Tate is the committee chair and will be planning fun activities with his committee. The date for the party is Saturday, December 18th.

Fall Festival Petting Zoo

Submitted by Jo Lindsey

On November 30th, The Jamul PTA held their Fall Festival. Catie Corle, Jillien Bonney, Natasha Stull, and I showed our animals. Catie brought her two rabbits and her guinea pig. Natasha held and showed Jillien's rabbits. Jillien brought her pygmy goat, Charlie. I brought my two rabbits, my Rex, named Sugar, and my American Fuzzy Lop, named Ken-ohki. The little kids really enjoyed petting the animals. We all had fun.

The San Diego Pygmy Goat Association is hosting an open (non 4-H) show on December 4th. It will be 2 shows in 1 day at the Jamul Show area at 15622 Lyons Valley Rd. The judges will be Jennifer Josephson and Jason Overman. If you'd like more information, contact Catie Corle.

Board Meeting and Constitution Revisions Board meeting will be at the Wadhams' on Monday, November 22 at 7:00 PM. The December unit meeting will be planned. The club constitution and by-laws will also be updated. All members are invited to attend.

Information from the 4-H Memos

To be able to show a project at an endorsed fair and exposition or other sponsored event, it must be owned and supervised according to the following requirements.

Poultry - must be owned for not less than 30 days and be enrolled in the project for not less than 60 days.

Rabbits - must be owned for not less than 30 days and enrolled in the project for not less than 60 days.

All Feeder and Breeding Animals (except rabbits and poultry) - must be owned and supervised for not less than 60 days.

Market sheep, swine, veal and goats - must be owned and supervised for not less than 60 days.

Market beef - must be owned and supervised for not less than 120 days.

Horses - must be owned/leased and supervised for not less than 120 days.

PROJECT INFORMATION

Computer Project

Sunday November 21st @ 5:00pm. We will meet at the Fletcher's home.

Cooking Project

Saturday, November 20th. RSVP before Wednesday, Nov. 17th. Contact Janet Bonney.

Dairy Goats

We will meet at the Scavo's home on November 27th @ 12:00.

Dog Project

The Dog Project - Advanced group will meet every Wednesday @ 7:00pm at the Bracken's home. The Beginner's group will meet every Thursday at 7:00pm at the Church parking lot.

Fire Recovery Photos

November 20th 8:00 a.m. meet at the Fletcher's. WE will be going to the county office for a G.I.S. workshop and learn how to put our data on a lap top computer.

Horse Project

Saturday November 20th @ 12:00-2:00pm we will meet at the Matthew's home.

Livestock Project

Livestock will meet on Tuesday, November 16th at 6:30 PM at the Wadhams. We will play livestock basket upset, which will be a lively and active game.

Ornamental Horticulture

We will meet on Sunday November 21st @ 2:30pm @ the Tate's home.

Photography Project

Contact Gene Merlino for time and date.

Poultry Project

The poultry project has had a bit of a slow start but we are ready to role! Poultry includes chickens, turkeys, ducks, geese, peafowl, etc. If you're interested in learning about any of these species for any purpose, please join us. Whether your purpose is to prepare for round robin, market class (which includes meat and eggs), breed class or just as a pet you are welcome. (For those families who are far out in the back country or have too tight a schedule, an independent project could be worked out.) I will gladly do all I can to support your interest. Contact Becky Runyan for time and place of meeting. Also, a scale is available to all small animal owners to aid in decisions of which animal to show.

Primary 4-H

Our first meeting will be November 20th at 10:00 am. At the Wadhams house. All 5-8 year old members may attend. We will make a pie crust to take home. Please bring a pie tin.

Pygmy Goat Project

Sunday, November 21st @ 4:00pm at Oak Grove Middle School on Olive Vista. Please bring your goat.

Quilting Project

Our next meeting will be on Thursday, December 2nd @ 6:30pm at the Fletcher's home.

Rocketry Project

Thursday November 11th @ 6:30 - 8:00pm. We will meet at the Fletcher's Garage.

Small Animals

We will meet on Sunday November 21st @ 1:30pm @ the Tate's home.

Stained Glass Project

Thursday November 18th at the Fletcher's Garage @ 6:30pm.

Woodworking

Woodworking will meet on Sunday, November 21st at 3:30 at the Wadhams' barn. A Holiday project (gift or decoration) will be started.

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November 22nd - board meeting at 7:00

December 7th - Unit meeting at JPS

December 4th - SD Pygmy Goat show

December 18th - Christmas Party at the Tate's

December 19th- Lutheran Church

January 15th - Ag Judging Day

February 5th - Super Saturday in Jamul!

March 4th - Presentation Day

Happy Thanksgiving!!!



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President's Message

Happy Holidays! I hope everyone learned something about the 4-H Uniform. We rewrote our club Constitution & By-Laws; the last time they were revised was in 2000. Be sure to check them out on our club website at www.jamul4h.org. Belt Buckles are on sale all year, they are only \$20, see Kevin Fletcher. Our Chairperson for the Winter Party is Robert Tate. He and his committee have organized and planned the party. Don't forget to read the flyer in your newsletter. Hope to see everyone there!

Melissa Holland

Community Leader's Message

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays to everyone. I can't wait for the Holiday Party on December 19th. Be sure to come and join the fun. The games and food is always the best.

I want to thank Catie Corle and Joseph Runyan for presenting the 4-H uniform. The uniform is worn when animals are shown. Hannah Lettau has hats, scarves, and ties for sale. She also has used white pants and shirts.

Be sure to come to the January 4th Unit Meeting. The program will be Ag Judging. Members will get to show what they know about animals, home arts, and mechanical science. Members will also learn how to do "reasons". This is where the member judges an item (a class of rabbits, etc.) and then tells the judge how they came to the placement they chose. This is an excellent critical thinking skill to learn.

I hope to see everyone after the holidays on January 4th at 7:00.

Living Nativity

What: Bring animals for a Nativity Scene. Costumes are provided by the church. The animals are always a big hit at this church.

When: Sunday, Dec. 19 at 9:00 AM

Where: Hope Lutheran Church, 7371 Brookhaven Rd. San Diego (Paradise Hills Area)

Why: To make the Christmas story more real for city children

Questions(?): Call Cheri Tate or Ginnie Wadhams

Area Ag Judging Day

Area Ag Judging day is Saturday, January 15 at the Lakeside Rodeo grounds. It starts at 9:00 AM. 4-H members get to judge animals, home arts, and mechanical science. All members receive ribbons and medals are given to top scorers in different age classes. This is not only a learning experience but you get to meet other 4-H members from the county.

Constitution and By-laws Revised

The board updated the club Constitution and By-laws at the November board meeting. The revisions were presented at the December Unit Meeting. The revisions were approved by the general membership. The Constitution and By-laws are on the club web site for you to read.

Board Meeting

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Cooking Project

Contact Janet Bonney at for information regarding meeting times.



Dairy Goats

Contact Donna Holland regarding meeting times in December.

Dog Project

The Dog Project - No meetings on December 22nd or 29th this month. Resume meetings for the advanced group in January every Wednesday @ 7:00pm at the Bracken's home. No Beginners on December 23rd or 30th. In January, the Beginner's group will meet every Thursday at 7:00pm at the Church parking lot.

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December 11th 12:00 p.m. meet at the Fletcher's.

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Photography Project

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Poultry Project

The poultry project will meet on January 18th at 1:00 at the Runyan's.

Primary 4-H

Primary 4-H will meet December 18, 10:00 a.m. at the Wadhams' house. We will make a Christmas decoration.

Pygmy Goat Project

We will meet on January 16th at 4:00 p.m. at the Fletcher's house.

Quilting Project

Our next meeting will be on Thursday, January 6th @ 6:30pm at the Fletcher's home.

Rocketry Project

Thursday December 9th @ 6:30 - 8:00pm. We will meet at the Fletcher's Garage.

Small Animals

We will meet on Sunday December 19th @ 8:45 a.m. at the Living Nativity. Bring your animal in a travel cage for the petting zoo and Nativity scene.

Stained Glass Project

Thursday December 16th at the Fletcher's Garage @ 6:30pm.

Woodworking

Woodworking will meet Saturday, December 18, 3:00 PM at the Wadhams' barn.

*** * * * * UPCOMING EVENTS * * * * ***

December 14th - board meeting at 7:00

December 19th - Lutheran Church 9:00 a.m.

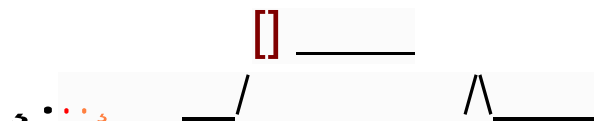
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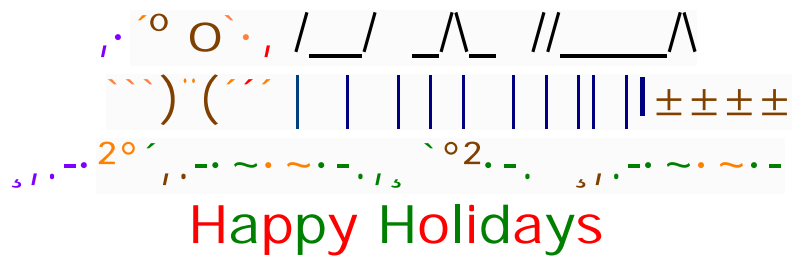
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March 4th - Presentation Day





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Community Leader's Message

Welcome back to a new year with new plans and goals. I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday and are ready to go again.

I want to thank Cheri Tate and Melissa Holland for bringing in some of the material used in our club level Ag judging at the Unit Meeting. Ag judging lets our members demonstrate what they know as well as help to think better during test taking.

Sometimes the wet weather can pose difficult conditions with your livestock or small animals. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact your project leaders for advice. Also, the county 4-H office is available to answer your questions. Keep dry and good luck with all of your projects.

February Unit Meeting Guest Speaker

Our February Unit Meeting on the 1st will feature a veterinarian from the University of California as our guest speaker. His specialty is swine but he will talk about any animal concerns or questions you have. He will also be able to share about getting into veterinarian medicine. Be sure to come and bring a question and a friend.

Swap Meet Fund Raiser

This year our club is trying something new for a fundraiser. We are sponsoring a committee swap meet on Saturday, April 23. The Location will be the area between True Value Hardware and the pizza restaurant. Spaces will be sold for \$20.00 for people to sell their unwanted items. A \$50.00 clean-up deposit will be held by the club to insure that merchandise is not left on the site. The February Shopper will have an article on the Swap Meet and the March Shopper will have the application form. Please tell your friends and gather your own merchandise together.

*****IMPORTANT UPDATE*****

Area Ag Judging Day Cancelled

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the Area Ag Judging day has been cancelled. Hopefully, it will be rescheduled for a later date. More information to come in the future.

Candy Sales

The 4-H candy sale is underway. Our club is selling an assortment of chocolate bars for \$1.00 each. Our club gets 29 cents for each bar sold and the county council get 21 cents per bar sold. Candy will still be available at our February Unit meeting. The candy sale is the County Councils only fundraiser. They have asked us to raise \$6.00 per member by selling candy, or conduct another fundraiser. All candy boxes must be prepaid for \$30.00. Contacted Cheri Tate with questions.

Super Saturday

Super Saturday will be Saturday February 5th at Jamul Primary School. Set up will be at 8:00 a.m. start time is 9:00 a.m. and ends at 12:45 p.m. Super Saturday showcases project from different clubs in San Diego County. Hands on activities and educational seminars will be help. Our club will have a booth featuring glass etching. Natasha Shull is our clubs committee meeting leader. If you would like to volunteer at the club's booth or the food booth that day, let Natasha know at the February 1st unit meeting.

Llamas Want Help

A Llama Ranch in Deerhorn Valley needs help. They are looking for ranch hands and are willing to pay for your labor. Contact Ruth Baak. Don't forget to tell her you are a 4-H member.

Small Animal Learning Day

Small Animal Learning day will be on February 12 at the Ramona Junior Fairgrounds. This day promises to be a great learning experience for everyone. There will be seminars, a showmanship clinic and a cooking contest. If you have questions, contact Paulette Sauln

Board Meeting

Board meeting will be at the Wadhams' on Monday, January 10th at 7:00 PM. The February unit meeting will be planned.

PROJECT INFORMATION

Computer Project

Sunday January 16th @ 5:00pm. We will meet at the Fletcher's home.

Cooking Project

Contact Janet Bonney for information regarding meeting times.

Dairy Goats

Contact Donna Holland regarding meeting times in January.

Dog Project

The Dog Project – No advanced dog meetings on January 12th or 19th this month. Resume meetings on Wednesday the 26th @ 7:00pm at the Bracken's home. Beginners group will meet every Thursday at 7:00pm at the Church parking lot. Advanced dog handlers may attend the beginners meetings if they wish.

Fire Recovery Photos

January 15th at 8:00 a.m. to 12 p.m. meet at the Fletcher's.

Horse Project

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Livestock Project

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President's Message

Happy Valentines Day! I Hope everyone had happy holidays. Well, we're into candy sale time of the year. It is very important that each member sells at least one box but we always appreciate more! Remember the county gives out cash prizes to top sellers. Our board meeting this month is on the 22nd at 7PM at the Wadhams house, everyone is welcome and encouraged to come. The San Diego County Fair theme this year is "Cinema Summer", movies in San Diego. Start thinking about decorations and what movie you want to use. Congratulations to Catie Corle on completing the Secretaries book and Robert Tate for completing the historians book for last year. It's a hard task. Thank you for remembering to bring the refreshments for our unit meeting, I know everyone enjoyed the cupcakes!

Small Animal Round Robin Competition

By Melissa Holland

I wanted to tell you a little bit of how far you can go with a small animal project from my personal experiences. I am going on my 10th year of showing. At the fair if you win your showmanship class you have the chance to compete in the small animal round robin competition. I have had the opportunity to participate about 18 times at the Eastern San Diego County Junior fair, San Diego County Fair, and Ramona Junior Fair. The showmanship classes are divided up by age Junior, Intermediate, and Seniors. Whoever wins their age division in their animal goes to round robin. There are five animals: Dogs, Pygmy Goats, Cavies, Rabbits, & Poultry. There is a representative from each animal in each age division. In your age group, you compete for the title of master showman, round robin champion. I have had the honor of winning that title 3 times. It is very rewarding. Showmanship is very important. Not only if you want to win that title and belt buckle at the end of the fair, but becoming a master at showmanship enables you to show your animal to the

best of your ability. Last year I had the opportunity to attend and show in the small animal master showmanship round robin best of show competition at the California State Fair in Sacramento. The reason I was invited to show there was a long process but fun, hard work, lots of showing, winning, learning, and very rewarding. First I showed in my showmanship class at the San Diego County Fair. I won at the dog show at the San Diego County Fair. First, I had to win my showmanship class at the dog show which was open seniors. After that, I won high point against the other senior class. I was high point senior showman. After that you show in round robin. We showed dogs, pygmy goats, cavies, rabbits and poultry. Then according to a point system, they determine a master showman. I won that. So I was the small animal round robin champion. From there I received an invitation to represent San Diego County at California State Fair for 2004. It was a lot of fun and I learned a lot. I encourage everyone to try their very hardest in their showmanship class so they may have the opportunities that I have had. I have had a lot of great experiences, learned new things, met new people, traveled, and did lots of hard work that paid off in the end. Small Animal Learning Day is coming up in March and that is a great place to start. So start practicing and do your best!!

Community Leader's Message

Thank you everyone who attended our February Unit Meeting. First, I want to thank everyone for bearing with our change of plans for the program. Our guest speaker realized it was his child's birthday. He will be with us next month. It was really nice having the Foster family with us for the meeting. They brought the banners and cards to make Valentines for the soldiers in Iraq. Kim and Sean were active in our club before they went to college. Sheri served as our livestock leader. Sean is a past president. I appreciated what Sean shared about 4-H helping to prepare him for his 4 years of schooling in New York for the Merchant Marines. 4-H is a wonderful program that prepares young people for leadership in the future. Please read the pamphlet that the county prepared about the 4-H program. It is a wealth of information and explains many of the programs and opportunities 4-H has.

Ag Judging Day

By Acornicle Reporter Veronica Scavo

Ag judging took place Jan 22nd at the Lakeside Rodeo Grounds. I was surprised to see such a small number of Jamul Chaparros members there! Where was everyone? It is a great learning experience and also gives you a chance to win pins to put on your 4-H hat. You also earn clover dough when you go, and are able to add Ag Judging Day to your record book. I recommend attending this annual event! Congratulations to: Christine Noriega, Medalist - Ag, Intermediate, Area 5,6&7 Alex Scavo - 1st place Ag, Junior, Area 5,6&7 And I am also happy to add that I won 1st - Ag, Home Arts and Mechanical Science, Senior, Area 5,6&7

Presentation Days

Presentation Day is an excellent opportunity for 4-H members to participate in creative, educational, and fun activities. A presentation is an illustrated talk that teaches you how to do something. It could be tie a 4-H tie, groom a dog, or take a better photograph. A presentation teaches by showing. If you are interested in participating, please contact Ginnie. Important dates our Area Day is on March. 4th at Rios Canyon Elementary and County Presentation Day on April 9, TBA.

March Unit Meeting Guest Speaker

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bring a question and a friend.

Swap Meet Fund Raiser

This year our club is trying something new for a fundraiser. We are sponsoring a committee swap meet on Saturday, April 23. The new location will be announced soon. Spaces will be sold for \$20.00 for people to sell their unwanted items. A \$50.00 clean-up deposit will be held by the club to insure that merchandise is not left on the site. If anyone has any ideas to help this fundraiser, please call Ginnie.

Candy Sales

The 4-H candy sale is in full swing. The county 4-H office requests that each member sells one box of candy or donate \$6.00 to the county office to help with expenses. The candy comes in boxes of 30 bars. They sell for \$1.00 each. Our club gets \$.29 per bar and the county gets \$.21 per bar. Cheri Tate has the candy bars and you can contact her. Also, every 60 bars sold puts your name in a drawing for prizes. There are also cash prizes for the 10 top sellers in the county.

Small Animal Learning Day

Small Animal Learning day will be on March 12 at the Ramona Junior Fairgrounds. This day promises to be a great learning experience for everyone. There will be seminars, a showmanship clinic and a cooking contest. If you have questions, contact Paulette Sauln

Club's Banner is Misplaced

Our brand new banner's location is unknown at the moment. If you have the banner or know who does, could you please return it to Ginnie Wadhams at your earliest convenience. Thank you.

Board Meeting

The board will meet February 22, 7:00 PM at the Wadhams' house.

PROJECT INFORMATION

Computer Project

Sunday February 13th @ 5:00pm. We will meet at the Fletcher's home.

Cooking Project

Contact Janet Bonney for information regarding meeting times.

Dairy Goats

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Dog Project

Advanced dog handlers meet on Wednesdays @ 7:00pm at the Bracken's home. Beginners group will meet every Thursday at 7:00pm at the Church parking lot.

Fire Recovery Photos

February 27th at 11:00 a.m. meet at the Fletcher's.

Horse Project

Saturday February 19th @ 12:00-2:00pm we will meet at the Matthew's home. Come rain or shine!

Livestock Project

Our meeting is Saturday, February 12th. The time will be determined soon. We will be picking up our piggies!

Ornamental Horticulture

We will meet on Sunday February 13th @ 2:30pm @ the Tate's home.

Photography Project

Contact Gene Merlino for date and time.

Poultry Project

The poultry project will meet on February 19th at 2:00 at the Runyan's.

Primary 4-H

Primary 4-H will meet on Saturday, February 19 at 10:00 AM at the Wadhams' house.

Pygmy Goat Project

We will meet on February 27 at 4:00 p.m. at the Fletcher's house.

Quilting Project

Our next meeting will be on Thursday, March 3rd @ 6:30pm at the Fletcher's home.

Rocketry Project

Thursday February 10th @ 6:30 - 8:00pm. We will meet at the Fletcher's Garage.

Small Animals

We will meet on Sunday, February 13th @ 1:30 p.m. at the Tate's.

Stained Glass Project

Thursday February 24th at the Fletcher's Garage @ 6:30pm.

Woodworking

Woodworking will meet Sunday, February 13th at 2:00 PM at the Wadhams' barn.

*** * * * * UPCOMING EVENTS * * * * ***

March 4th Area 5,6 & 7 Presentation Day

March 1st - Unit meeting at JPS

March 12th - Small Animal Learning Day

April 16th Arts and Design Day

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President's Message

Well, we had quite a busy unit meeting. Thank you to the Lettau Family and Bonney Family for remembering to bring refreshments. Much appreciated. Big thank you to everyone who volunteered for the three committees including:

Swap Meet Chairperson:

Robert, and committee members: Catie, Jon, Allie, Bryan, George, Lucas, Elizabeth, Caroline, and Bradley.

T-shirt Chairperson:

Catie, and committee members: Jo, Lucas, Chelsea, Caroline, and Tara.

Nominating Chairperson:

Jillien, and committee members: Catie & Robert. Anyone is welcome to join any of these committees at anytime. Help is always appreciated. Nominating Committee please come up with a few nominations between yourselves for each office before the April unit meeting on the 5th of April. That meeting we will be doing nominations, and May will be elections. You should have a ballot by then. I'm excited to see how our t-shirts come out this year! Good luck committee. Another big thank you to Dr. Roger Geertsema, a vet from UCSD for coming and speaking to us, I think it is always nice to hear about someone's career with animals. There are so many different options. Also, thank you to my mom, and our club dairy goat leader for finding him and getting him to come speak to us. For those of you who plan on entering the Eastern San Diego County JR Fair, get those entries filled out with the correct fees, and given to Ginnie. Thanks.

Community Leader's Message

I want to thank everyone for volunteering for all the committees and upcoming projects our club is planning. Committees formed were the Swap Meet, Nomination, and T-shirt. We are definitely in that "busy time" of year for 4-H. If you have any questions about the different activities please call me or unit project leaders.

I hope everyone enjoyed the presentation from Dr. Roger Geertsema from Scripps. Animals do have many uses. They definitely enrich our lives in many aspects. I hope everyone has a great time at Small Animal Learning Day. It will be a different format this year with the emphasis on education, knowledge, and showmanship.

Also, all entries and trailer forms for the Junior Fair are due at the next unit meeting on April 5th.

Small Animal Learning Day

Small Animal Learning day will be on March 12th at the Ramona Junior Fairgrounds. This day promises to be a great learning experience for everyone. There will be seminars, a showmanship clinic and a cooking contest. If you have questions, contact Paulette Sauln

BBQ and Auction For East County Junior fair

The BBQ and auction is on Sunday, March 20 from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM. This is the major fundraiser for the East County Junior Fair. Our club is in charge of the dessert booth. You can bring any can of dessert you want. Stores brought desserts are fine to bring. Also, members of our club can work in the serving line for the BBQ from 12 noon until 1:00 PM. Donations to the auction are greatly encouraged and appreciated. BBQ tickets are 7:00 for the entire meal. Bring your friends and family to this fun event. You might even find some great items to bid on at the auction.

Community Swap Meet Fundraiser

The date and place for the Community Swap Meet has been set. It will be on April 23 at the parking lot of Jamul Community Church on Jamul Drive. The hours will be 9am-2pm. The cost is \$20.00 for a space with a \$50.00 cleaning deposit that will be given back when the space is completely clean. Swappers may sell used items, new items, and crafts. The club will sell Jamul belt buckles and food for lunch. We also are planning a Car Wash booth. The Jamul Kiwanis will provide a pancake and sausage breakfast for \$4.00 per person. Please tell all our friends and get us swappers for this fundraiser.

A committee has been formed and will meet after the board meeting at 7:30 on March 15 at the Wadhams' house. Thank you Robert Tate for chairing this committee.

T-shirt Committee

We are finally getting our new T-shirts together. It would be great to have them to wear them by the swap meet. Thank you Catie Corle for chairing this committee.

Nominating Committee

Our club by-laws states that we hold elections for the upcoming year in May. Therefore, we need to present nominees at our April Unit Meeting. If you are interested in running for an office you can call Jillien Bonney and let her know. Thank you Jillien for chairing this committee.

News from the Nominating Committee

Submitted by *Jillien Bonney*

I am charged with finding dedicated and creative members to run for an office in 4-H next year. Melissa Holland is a great example of a dedicated, active and creative member. She is doing a great job as our president. She is always prepared for the meetings, attends the Board meetings, has an agenda and runs the meeting according to Parliamentary Procedures. My committee, Robert Tate and Catie Corle, along with me will be looking for interested members. Don't hesitate to call me if you are interested in serving as an officer. I am also anxious to take your nominations, give me the name of someone you believe should be an officer. The offices include: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Sergeant at Arms, Historian, Supply Officer Recreation Song Leader, and Reporter. Thanks Jillien Bonney.

East County Fair Entries

East County Junior Fair entries are due at our next Unit Meeting on April 5. All fees are also due. Please make the check out to the club, Jamul Chaparros 4-H. The member, parent, and project leader must sign all forms. Our club only received 5 fair entry books. Therefore, you must check with your project leaders for the correct classes to enter in. Fees and schedules were passed out at the unit meeting.

Rockets

The American Society of Mechanical Engineers invites you to join us for a day of fun and learning with water bottle rockets! We supply the materials and some pointers (and Snacks!), you supply the creativity to design and build your own rocket. Also, you can launch some super hot models from the Jamul Chaparros 4-H Club Rocketry Project, or bring your own rockets and use our launchers!

When: Saturday, April 9, 2005

Time: 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Where: Fiesta Island, Mission Bay Park

For more information contact: Gene Peterson or Kevin Fletcher, or follow the links at the bottom of our Rocketry Project page: www.jamul4h.org/Rocketry.html.

"Celebrating Creativity" Arts and Design Day 2005

This event will be Saturday April 16, 2005 at the Rancho Bernardo Swim and Tennis Club from 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM. This event is for all 4- H members. Please talk to your project leader if you are interested. Registration forms are due March 18 and there are no fees for this event.

Disaster Planning 101

The Jamul Kiwanis is having a community meeting for disaster education and planning. It is March 11, 2005 @6:30 PM at the Jamul Primary Multi Use Room. The purpose of the meeting is gather people together in our community to organize a natural disaster program. Topics covered will be bio-terrorism, animal rescue and fire. Special guest speakers will help prepare our community in the event of a natural disaster.

Board Meeting

The board will meet March 15, 7:00pm at the Wadhams' house. Everyone is invited to attend. Swap Meet and unit meeting agenda will be discussed.

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Dairy Goats

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Livestock Project

Livestock will meet on March 22nd at the Wadham's at 6:30 pm. Please bring stories why your pig is the cutest and best.

Ornamental Horticulture

We will meet on Sunday March 13th @ 2:30pm @ the Tate's home.

Photography Project

Project has concluded for this year.

Poultry Project

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Primary 4-H

Primary 4-H will meet on Saturday, March 19 at 10:00 AM at the Wadhams' house.

Pygmy Goat Project

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Quilting Project

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Rocketry Project

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Small Animals

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Community Leader's Message

All the entries have been delivered to the Eastern San Diego County Junior Fair. Everyone did a great job of filling out and signing forms. Thank you for a job well done.

Please put the workdays on your calendar from the enclosed flyer about the fair. Remember this is an all volunteer fair. Everyone needs to do his or her part in order to put on this fair for our youth.

Our important fundraiser for the year is coming up on April 23. This is the first Community Sway Meet that Jamul has had. This event is only one day and it takes everyone's participation to pull it off successfully. Also, if you want to sell rummage or items, please pay for a space for \$20.00. Our club is depending on this event to finance Clover Dough, our Web Site, and other club supplies. There is still some space left to donate rummage to the club directly for the club to sell. Call Ginnie if you have rummage. I'll see everyone at the Swap Meet on April 23.

Community Swap Meet Fundraiser

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Robert Tate is chairing this committee. Robert needs volunteers to help with the car wash and to

help with the pancake breakfast.

T-shirt Committee

We are finally getting our new T-shirts together. Thank you Catie Corle for chairing this committee. Remember that we need a successful Swap Meet in order to have the up front money to order our new T-shirts.

Nominating Committee

If you don't have the list of nominees, call Jillien Bonney. Thank you.

News from our Reporter

by Veronica Scavo

Spring has arrived, and with spring comes warmth, blossoms - and the birth of many animals. Kidding season (when goats have their kids) has arrived for me, and the other Dairy Goat breeders in our club. We have had 2 girls, and a boy born in March from two of our Alpine does, and, I sadly lost my wonderful Alpine doe, Felene, due to a ripped uterus caused by kidding complications. We took her to the vet during labor, when we were unable to get the tangled and very large kids out, and he was able to get the two kids out, but ripped her uterus in the process. My baby died the next morning. One of her two kids survived, and she is now my bottle baby that lives in the house with me with a diaper. She reminds me so much of her mother (who was my very first goat, and my friend), and is the best comfort I have for the loss of Felene. "Fawn" is my special kid, and will always live here with me - along with her three other maternal sisters I have.

I wish the best for those of you with pregnant animals, and give your pets a big hug every day - because you never know when it will be your last.

Del Mar Entries

Del Mar has two types of entries. All market animals, credentials, and trailer reservations must go through the club. These are due at our next unit meeting on May 3. All other entries you mail in yourself. Also, the fair is encouraging people to entry online this year at www.sdfair.com. All the forms are available online. Payment must be made with a credit or debit card. Deadline is May 7. Don't delay, get this done.

History of the Jamul Chaparros Web Site www.jamul4h.org

The Jamul Chaparros Computer Project created this web site in 1999 with the help of project members Nicole, Nick, and Russell. The first web site was on the free server at www.geocities.com/chaparros4-h. This site is still there, but is no longer maintained. After a few months trying to use a dial-up modem service, we moved the meetings to the Fletchers, where we had access to cable internet service. In 2001, we decided to change the web site to <http://members.cox.net/chaparros4-h> so we could use FrontPage to automatically upload the growing number of pages and pictures. We quickly found that only 10 Megabytes of free web space was not enough for the expanding club information and activities, so we looked for other options. Russell Peterson is now running his own computer business, *Krumbles Computers*, and he contributed 200 megabytes for use

by the club web site. We purchased and registered the domain name www.jaum14h.org in July 2003, to make it easy for club members and leaders to remember the web site address. In January 2005, the County 4-H Office loaned the club a refurbished computer, which is being used to maintain the club web site and other club operations. Help is always welcome. If you would like to help, or join in a project meeting, please contact Gene Peterson or Kevin Fletcher. If you have pictures of club activities, we can add them to the web site.

Bonsall 4-H Dog Show

When: April 30, 2005

Where: Alamosa Park, Oceanside

The check in time starts at 8:00 a.m. Judging will begin at 9:00 a.m. unless otherwise stated at the show. The entry fee is \$5 for each class entered. All entries must be post marked by April 15, 2005. No late entries will be accepted.

Board Meeting

The board will meet April 19, 7:00pm at the Wadhams' house. Everyone is invited to attend. Swap Meet and unit meeting agenda will be discussed.

Snack Sign-ups for Meetings

May: Natasha Stull & Lisa Coker

June: Potluck

PROJECT INFORMATION

Computer Project

Sunday April 10th @ 5:00pm. We will meet at the Fletcher's home.

Cooking Project

Contact Janet Bonney for information regarding meeting times.

Dairy Goats

Contact the Scavo's for meeting time.

Dog Project

Advanced dog handlers meet on Wednesdays @ 7:00pm at the Bracken's home. Beginners group will meet every Thursday at 7:00pm at the Bracken's.

Fire Recovery Photos

April 24th at 10:00 a.m. meet at the Fletcher's.

Horse Project

Saturday April 16th @ 12:00-2:00pm we will meet at the Matthew's home. Come rain or shine!

Livestock Project

Livestock will meet on April 19th at the Wadhams at 6:30 pm. Please bring stories why your pig is the cutest and best. We forgot to do that last month. Also, the fair will be discussed.

Ornamental Horticulture

We will meet on Sunday April 17th @ the Tate's home after Small Animal field trip.

Primary 4-H

Please contact Mrs. Wadhams for date and time of meeting.

Pygmy Goat Project

We will meet on April 17th at 4:00 p.m. at the Fletcher's house.

Quilting Project

Our next meeting will be on Thursday, May 7th @ 6:30pm at the Fletcher's home.

Rocketry Project

Thursday April 14th @ 6:30 - 8:00pm. We will meet at the Fletcher's Garage.

Small Animals

We will meet on Sunday, April 17th at the Tate's. time to be determined.

Stained Glass Project

Thursday April 21st at the Fletcher's Garage @ 6:30pm.

Woodworking

Woodworking will meet on Sunday, April 17th, 3:00 P. M. at the Wadhams' barn. Bring your projects. How to deliver your project to the fair will be discussed.

*** * * * * UPCOMING EVENTS * * * * ***

April 23rd - Community Swap Meet

May 3rd - Unit meeting at JPS

May 6th-8th - Rocket launch @ Plaster City

May 7th - Del Mar Fair entries due

May 15-22nd - Eastern SD County Junior Fair

June 10 - July 4 - Del Mar

JAMUL CHAPARROS 4-H CLUB NEWSLETTER

May 2005

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Community Leader's Message

The swap meet and pancake breakfast was successful and a lot of fun. Our club netted just over \$1200.00 from our efforts. I want to thank everyone who helped and participated in the fundraiser. I want to give a special thank you to Robert Tate for being the committee chairperson. I want to give special thanks to Bob Brown for transporting rummage and Vicki and Jo Lindsey for the snack booth. Also, thank you to Terri and Catie Corle and Heather Wadhams for running the rummage sale. Jillien Bonney did a great job of selling pancake breakfasts.

Congratulations to our new officers. Thank you to Jillien Bonney for being the committee chairperson. I'll see everyone at the workday on Saturday, May 7.

EAST COUNTY SAN DIEGO JUNIOR FAIR NEWS

The following is important information about the Junior Fair.

1. All Home Arts must be delivered between 9 am until 12 noon on Saturday, May 14.
2. Livestock must be delivered between 7am and noon on Sunday, May 15.
3. There is an exhibitor's meeting on Sunday, May 15 at 1:00 p.m. There was talk of making it mandatory but instead it is highly suggested that you come no matter what species you are showing.
4. Brand inspection for beef with all paper work will be on Sunday, May 15 between 10 am and noon.
5. If you clean up your beef shavings by 6:45 am each morning, Mr. Dyer will scoop it up with the tractor.

6. If you are using a breeding animal for showmanship, it must be at the fair the entire time.
7. Dairy goats will set up their own pens on the day of the show.
- 8. Our Club will cook dinner on Tuesday, May 17. Be there at 4:30 p.m. if you can be there that early. It will be ham and scallop potatoes.**
9. Work days. Read Flyer. The flyer will be in the newsletter. **Very important** to support these days.
10. We will need runners at the auction. This will be explained at the livestock meeting.
11. The BBQ and Auction made about \$23,000.00. The Dessert booth made \$93.96.
12. Auction brochures on back table. There will be more at livestock meeting.

SAN DIEGO COUNTY FAIR AT DEL MAR AND ETHICS MEETING

All Del Mar entries are due and have been mailed or sent by the Internet. If you have any questions please call your project leader or even the fair. If you have never shown before at Del Mar you must attend a meeting on ethics. This meeting will be done at our next unit meeting on June 7. This takes no more than 15 minutes to do. If you can't attend the unit meeting, please call Ginnie Wadhams to schedule a time to do this.

DINNER AT EAST COUNTY FAIR

Our club is in charge of dinner on Tuesday, May 17 at the fair. We need everyone's help. All members and parents are invited to help. Please be there at 4:30 PM if you can but you can come later. Clean up is just as important. Call Ginnie if you have questions.

CONGRATULATIONS SAMANTHA!

Samantha Noriega won 4 adult tickets to Sea World from the County 4-H candy sale. All members received a chance in a drawing for prizes for every 60 bars they sold. Samantha sold her 60 bars and was entered in the drawing. Congratulations to Samantha and keep up the good work!

4-H SWAP MEET & PANCAKE BREAKFAST

The swap meet and pancake breakfast was a success. Thank you to everyone who participated. We had 22 swappers. Everyone cleaned up and there was not one piece of trash left. We also want to thank the Kiwanis for the pancake breakfast and the Jamul Community Church for letting us use their beautiful parking lot.

Income

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| 22 swappers | \$440.00 |
| Car Wash | \$145.00 |
| Pancake Breakfast | \$318.00 |
| Club rummage | \$255.45 |
| Snack booth | \$ 97.00 |
| Total | \$1,255.45 |

Expenses

Advertising \$150.00 Approximately

Home Arts Report

Submitted by Veronica Scavo

Home Arts Day took place at the end of April in Poway. It was a small event, but a great way to show off the Home Arts projects I had been working on. The unique thing about this event is that

along with the other regular classes, there was a separate class for unfinished projects. It was interesting to look at the other pieces entered in this division, because you can see how they are made. I entered my Stained Glass Horse Panel in this division, and it received 1st place and County Winner! I got a pin to add to my small collection for my hat. My colored photo (of my dog Dakota, and our pig Patty) got a blue ribbon, out of three entries. Christine Noriega was the only other member of our club besides me to participate. She did well earning a pin with the County Winner title for her small Stained Glass square sun catcher, and 2nd with her photo of Lavender flowers. Although slow at times, it was worth going, and I will definitely be attending next year - and I hope you decide to also!

Along with this article, I would also like to include an update on my orphan alpine goat, "Fawn". The full story was in last month's newsletter. Fawn is growing fast and moved out into the barn about two weeks ago. The house is so empty without her! But, I have to admit, I do sleep a lot better with her in the barn. She stays with her older maternal sister, Rain, and her two kids, Clementine and Promise. Fawn's best buddy, though, is Sebastian, a little alpine buckling that I got the day she moved into the barn. He is my other bottle baby, and they stick together. Those two follow me all around when I am down at the barn, they are so sweet.

News from the County

Submitted by Kevin Fletcher

I recently attended the county council meeting and after the treasurer gave their report, I asked just how well did the candy sales go. Unfortunately, candy sales have been going down for the past ten years. At that point, some discussion was held on what to do. The county asks that each club generate \$6.00 per member enrolled in 4-H. If each member sold 1 box of candy, the county would receive \$7.20 from each box. So if you did not sell your box of candy, please reconcile with Jon Fowler. The county funds many events and helps defer costs of 4-H camps for many youth. Our club has benefited from this support. For example, our club had seven members attend Junior Leadership Camp at Cuyamaca School Camp the cost was \$78.00 per camper. The county council paid \$23.00 per camper, which made the cost to each camper only \$55.00. Out of the 30 clubs in the county, there was only one club that sold less than our club. The lowest club in candy sales made an average of \$2.48 per member for the county. Our club made only \$2.72 per member. The highest club made a whopping \$30.24 per member. Our club had 22 members that chose not to sell candy. Not only does the county council lose, but our club does not make any money either.

Clover Dough, which is supported by candy sale monies, has ended and you can cash out your earnings at the June Unit Meeting. If you didn't sell candy this year, please be aware that money for such programs does not grow on trees. If you wish for programs to continue, they need to be funded.

There was some talk at the county council meeting of charging each club \$20.00 per member next year. We have discussed this problem at our club's board meetings. Next year there is a good chance that our club will be collecting \$30.00 to cover the one box of candy from all members at the time of enrollment. For those of you that continually sell candy each year, this will not be a problem. I welcome your comments and suggestions.

Board meeting

The board will meet at the Wadhams' house. Contact Ms. Wadham's with time and date. Everyone is invited to attend.

Snack Sign-ups for Meetings

June: Potluck – flyers to come!

PROJECT INFORMATION

Computer Project

Sunday May 15th @ 5:00pm. We will meet at the Fletcher's home.

Cooking Project

No meeting scheduled

Dairy Goats

No meeting scheduled

Dog Project

Advanced dog handlers meet on Wednesdays @ 7:00pm at the Bracken's home. Beginners group will meet every Thursday at 7:00pm at the Bracken's.

Fire Recovery Photos

May 23rd 10:00 @ Fletchers House We will be taking our 6th set of pictures. Bring water its starting to get warm.

Horse Project

No meeting scheduled

Livestock Project

Livestock will meet on Tuesday, May 10 at 6:30 PM at the Wadhams' home.

Ornamental Horticulture

We will meet at East County Fair during the small animal show on the 17th.

Primary 4-H

No meeting scheduled

Pygmy Goat Project

We will meet on Monday, May 23rd at 3:30 p.m. at the Fletcher's house. Wear old clothes because we will be working on decorations for the fair.

Quilting Project

Our next meeting will be on Thursday, June 2nd @ 6:30pm at the Fletcher's home.

Rocketry Project

Saturday May 7th Launch @ Plaster city.

Small Animals

We will meet at the East County Fair during the show on the 17th.

Stained Glass Project

Thursday May 19th at the Fletcher's Garage @ 6:30pm.

Woodworking

Woodworking will meet at the Wadhams' barn at 3:30 PM on Sunday, May 8.

* * * * * **UPCOMING EVENTS** * * * * *

May 15-22nd - Eastern SD County Junior Fair.

May 27th State Leadership Financial Aid Forms Due to State Office.

June 7th - Unit meeting at JPS.

June 10 - July 4 - Del Mar Fair

June 24th State Leadership Applications Due to County Office

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Presidents Message

Congrats to the new officers for 2005-2006 year. To Jillien: I f you need any help, I 'd be happy to help you, just ask. Thank you everyone for making my last year easy, I had a great time. Congrats to Kevin for Leader of the year, you deserve it. And Ginnie, thanks as always for being our community leader, I appreciate all your hard work, you make it seem so easy. Thank you Vicki for being our newsletter editor, you've done a wonderful job. Thank you to my board members, everything always came together nicely. To all of our project leaders, thank you for your dedication to the members. All of the parents, keep up the good work, it's quite a commitment but you will be glad your kids did 4-H. Good luck to everyone participating at the San Diego County Fair, see you there. Thanks for the great 10 years with Jamul Chaparros 4-H!

2005-2006 Officers

President: Jillien Bonney

Vice President: Lucas Van Winkle

Secretary: Caroline Avery-Brown

Corresponding Secretary: Jo Lindsey

Treasurer: Jon Fowler

Historian: OPEN

Reporter: Crissy Noriega

Sergeant at Arm's: Catie Corle

Supply Officer: Hannah Lettau

Recreation: Laura Parks

Song Leader: Breanna Goldie

Club News from Melissa Holland

We have two leaders leaving our club, Cheri Tate and Jane Bracken. The Tate family is moving to Montana by the end of July. Jane Bracken and her husband Bob are moving to Oklahoma by the end of June. Cheri was our small animal leader (rabbits, cavies, and poultry) for several years. Bryan was our vice president this year. Jane was our dog leader for 5 years. Both of you have made such a difference in our club, and done an excellent job with your projects. I was in both projects and I loved it. Cheri, I'll help Vicki next year with the small animals. Hopefully to help make a few round robin champions. Jane, I'll be taking over dog training. I don't know a better dog trainer, but I will do my best to keep your kids on track. It won't be the same without either of you, but we all sure will miss you! Best of luck to both families in your new homes and keep in touch. Thanks for everything.

Community Leader's Message

The potluck at the June Unit Meeting was fun! I enjoyed hearing from the members about the East County Fair and all the success our young people had there. It has been a good year with all our new members, swap meet, and fairs.

I want to especially thank the Pygmy Goat Project for their outstanding video they have prepared for the County Fair at Del Mar. I enjoyed watching it and I learned about raising Pygmy goats. Congratulations to all the members for a job well done.

I also want to thank everyone in the club for the lovely flower arrange and card I received. I really do appreciate the thoughtfulness. I want to thank all the volunteers and support people who make this club possible. I know that investing in the life of young people is always an awarding and important experience.

The County Fair at Del Mar is under way again. I wish everyone the best of success. The most important thing is to learn and have fun.

Our 4-H year in review

Submitted by Veronica Scavo

Wow, time sure does fly! This 4-Hh year is reaching its end, but it was another great year to remember.

I would like to Congratulate Kevin Fletcher for winning the title Leader of the Year! You definitely earned it, Kevin.

I would also like to give a big Congrats to Melissa Holland and my brother, Frank Scavo for graduating High School! Both graduated with high honors, and I wish them luck in college.

Everyone, new or experienced, that was elected onto the board also deserves congratulation. I am sure you will bring the club what it deserves.

I am sorry to see some leaders leaving our club, Jane Bracken, the dog leader, is moving to Oklahoma. She taught me and my dogs for a while a couple of years ago - and her teaching was priceless. The whole Tate family is leaving. The Tate's have done great things to improve our club, and they will be missed.

I hope you enjoy the states you are moving to, and I wish you luck.

And, GOOD LUCK and HAVE FUN to everyone that is going to the San Diego County Fair!!

Good-bye but not Forgotten

Two of our project leaders are moving out of state this summer. Jane Bracken, our dog leader, is moving to Oklahoma. Cheri Tate, our small animal leader, and family are moving to Montana. Both of these leaders have volunteered countless hours and energies into our youth in the 4-H program. We thank each of them greatly and wish them the greatest success and happiness in their new

adventures.

Melissa Holland with the help of Dorian Avery-Brown and Kitty Van Winkle will be leading our dog project. Vicki Lindsey will be the small animal leader. We thank all of these people for stepping up and assuring a smooth transition for these projects.

County Fair at Del Mar Update

The County Fair has asked me to give everyone a heads up on the uniform change at the County Fair at Del Mar. The fair itself does not have a uniform code. Neither does the county 4-H office. Therefore, it has been decided that dark blue jeans can be worn to show in at the fair along with hats, ties, and/or scarves. The judges have been informed of this change. This was not announced at the unit meeting because it is not a simple issue. Some of the shows, Pygmy goats for instance, say that exhibitors must wear the white pants and shirt. If you are in doubt, please call your project leader to ask what to wear. You can also call the fair at (858) 792-4283 and ask to speak with a member of the Advisory Committee. This will be a learning year on uniforms at the fair. It is still always safe to wear whites but do not be surprised to see blue jeans at the fair in the show ring this year. It will be interesting to see what happens and how the uniform requirements are being changed.

Summer Party

A summer party is being planned. The tentative date is July 16. It will be at the Fowler's pool. Pizza will be served with everyone bringing a side dish. The Tate's are planning on being in town that weekend. More details will be coming.

Record Book Clinic

Record book clinic will be July 10 at 3:00 pm at the Tate's house. Cheri has opened her home every year for this clinic. Come and find out exactly how to fill out and put together record books. Record books are due to Ginnie Wadhams on August 9. They are due to county office on August 12. Adults are also needed to help judge record books on August 16-20. Sign-ups and times for that will be announced at the clinic. Remember that record books can also be turned in at club level only. They do not have to go to the county for judging. To receive your stars you must turn in a record book at either club or county level.

Record books are important for members to have. The county newsletter listed these reasons for doing a record book.

- *You have a written expression of your achievements
- *You relate your experience with leadership
- *It helps you to evaluate your progress in certain areas
- *It gives you the opportunity to be recognized on the club and county level
- *It helps you earn credit for completing the 4-H year
- *It helps you set challenging goals - and more

State Leadership

State Leadership will be held on August 4-7 at UC Davis. State Leadership is opened to all high school members. The cost is \$330. The registration deadline is June 24. Registration is on-line at <http://slc.ca4h.org/> you can also call Kevin Fletcher to find out more about State Leadership. Kevin will be one of the conference session leaders. This is a great opportunity to visit a university campus and to meet other 4-H members.

Ramona Fair

Ramona Fair is in August and is opened to us all non-market animals. The dates are August 3 - 7. Please call Melissa Holland if you are interested in showing at the Ramona Fair. Ramona Fair books are available at the Livestock Office at the County Fair at Del Mar.

Attention Goat Owners

Submitted by Veronica Scavo

I have created a new website: www.GoatShopper.com that was made to hold ads of all kinds - that are goat related. All breeds welcome, and the ads are free to post! Please check it out, if you have any questions, please e-mail me at: WigWulf@aol.com

PROJECT INFORMATION

Dog Project

We will be on break until the fair is over. We will resume dog class on the Wednesday following July 4th (which is July 6th). Wednesday will be advanced training (off lead) at the Brown's home at 7pm. Thursday classes are beginning dog training at St. Pius' church parking lot at 7pm, as usual.

*** * * * * UPCOMING EVENTS * * * * ***

June 10 - July 4 - Del Mar Fair

July 10 - Record Book Meeting

July 16 - Summer Party