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4-H Newsletter

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Summer Highlights

West District 4-H Archery Tournament – Congratulations to the **Backwoods Broadheads** for their accomplishments on August 10th in Polk County!
First Place Jr. Team: **Myah Owen, Corey Rackley, Collin Owen;** Third Place Jr. Team: **Keith Fuller, Kaeden Galloway, McKenna and Carlie Baker**

The First Place Overall was **Myah Owen** and Third Place Overall was **Collin Owen**. **Myah** also won First individual in recurve and Second Overall!

Special thanks/recognition to Coach **Jessi Owen** for her leadership in the local and district 4-H Archery Program.

Sewing Classes – Two sets of sewing classes were held this summer. The first, led by **Maryann Mickewicz**, was for advanced beginners **Hannah Megown, Lexie Bailey, and Adonai Jacques** who made tote bags with pockets. The second beginner class made decorative pillow cases, insulated pads, and “comfy cozy blankies” for children to use during times of stress. The instructor for this class was **Renay Knapp**; participants were **Summer Glover, Gracie Shields, and Zia, Kaya, & Keeley Brown**.

Food Preservation—**Renay Knapp** taught the art of canning and drying to **Elodie Malo, Tori Brown, Ellery Zink, Avery Sweet, and Cavan Walker**.

Fishing Day – Connestee Fishing Club hosted a 4-H Fishing Day on August 20th for twelve 4-H'ers ages 5 to 17. It was a beautiful, cool clear day for fishing that all enjoyed whether they caught a fish or not. We even saw an eagle fishing. Check out the pictures for our catches...

Livestock School and Haywood County Fair – Although the main goal is to show at the Mountain State Fair, Little River 4-H Club members **Zion Brown, Baylor Blythe, and Kaya Brown** attended the Stamey Livestock School at the Ag Center and entered the Haywood Fair in August.

4-H Congress – This annual event held at NC State University started with the state presentation contests on July 19th. Congratulations to **Tori Brown** who won FIRST/GOLD in Science & Technology for ages 11-13 and to **Bri Boyd & Avonta Jones** for SECOND/SILVER in 11-13 Foods & Nutrition! **Cjon Conley** represented Transylvania County in the teen leadership track that included workshops and election of state officers.

NCACC Conference – **Josh Kupras** served as Transylvania County's youth delegate to the Youth Voice summit sponsored by the NC Association of County Commissioners as part of their annual conference. Josh reported learning about his personality/leadership style and how county government works – saying it was an overall “amazing experience”.



 **4-H GROWS HERE**

Club News



Jr. Horse Club - for ages 9 to 13; Leaders – Cressa Megown & Susan Huter

Thursday, September 19 at 4:00pm in the Extension Center to get acquainted with new members and make our plans for the year. We will meet at 4:00pm the 3rd Thursday each month.



Farm Fun – for ages 8 to 12; Leaders – Liz Menis & Sara Freeman

Meet September 26th, 4:00 p.m. at the Museum - Check garden, fall planting, gather for plant press, and a fun icebreaker activity.



4-H Teen Council - meets 2nd and 4th Wednesdays at 5:15 pm

Wednesday, September 11 at 5:15 – 6:15. We will set our goals for this year and hear about Cjon Conley's time at 4-H Congress and Josh Kupras' experience serving as a delegate at the NC Association of County Commissioners' conference in Greensboro. Save the date: Sept. 15 for an afternoon of tubing on the Davidson River, weather permitting.

Little River Club – Meets at Community Center - contact: Martha Blythe



September 3 at 5:30pm at the Community Center. We will complete 4honline enrollments for parents, volunteers (we will have computers), have an Overview of projects by Baylor, Will, Zia, and talk about behavior expectations, how to run a meeting, and upcoming meeting dates.

The Cloverbuds will meet with Mrs. Mandy's group to learn more about staying safe. September 17th- Our topic will be Exploring Fish and their Habitats - what can we find in ponds-streams, fishing skills, equipment, baits, fishing safety.



Backwoods Broadheads Archery Club – ages 11 -13. Leaders: Jessi & Nic Owen and Tiffany Baker

We will continue practicing for the state tournament set for September 21 in Ellerbe.

Fri 9/6 - 3:45 - 4:45

Fri 9/13 - 3:45 - 4:45

Fri 9/20-21 state

Fri 9/27 - No practice



RES Aggies – for grades 1st – 3rd. The club is full at this time with a waiting list.

Leaders: Heather McNeely and Stephanie Bell

Mrs. McNeely will email us about our September plans.



Sewing Group

Friday September 27 from 1:00 – 3:00pm (on half school day) at the Extension kitchen to make “comfy cozy blankies” for the Get Set program. New members with experience using a sewing machine are welcome to participate.

Email Renay_Knapp@ncsu.edu to attend.

Upcoming Opportunities:

Dairy Calf Show – September 6 and 7 at Mountain State Fair

Wool Sheep Show – Saturday, Sept. 14 at Mountain State Fair

State Archery Tournament – Saturday, Sept. 21 in Ellerbe

West District “Fall Event” Saturday, November 16 in Waynesville at the Extension Center – for all 4-H youths ages 8 to 12 and teen leaders. Save the date!



Kaya and Keeley Brown



Zia Brown



Gracie Shields



Summer Glover



Kannon Wright



Coron Howell—Caught first fish



Little River 4-H Club Service Project



Dairy calves at Haywood Fair



Cjon Conley at 4-H Congress