



4-H Green Mountain Clovergram Vermont 4-H...Your First Class at the University of Vermont

June 2026

This newsletter is your go-to source for updates, opportunities, and highlights from across our 4-H community. Each issue is designed to keep families, volunteers, and youth informed, celebrate the great things happening in our programs, and help everyone stay connected throughout the year.

Clovergram newsletters are now **archived** for easy reference so you can revisit past announcements or share with your friends.

If you have 4-H news, achievements, photos, or upcoming events you'd like featured in a future Clovergram, please reach out. We love sharing the good work happening across our 4-H community!



Heads Up! 4-H Happenings

(All things 4-H & Youth, from your VT backyard to the big stage)

2026 STATE 4-H WORKING STEER SHOWS

**Sunday
June
14**

QUALIFIER OPTION #1
Connecticut Valley Fair
66 Carson Lane
Bradford, VT 05033

**Sunday
July
12**

QUALIFIER OPTION #2
Silloway Farm
1303 Boudro Road
Randolph Center, VT 05061

**Saturday
August
15**

QUALIFIER OPTION #3
**Addison County
Fair & Field Days**
1790 Field Days Road,
New Haven, VT 05491

Three qualifying shows are available for 4-H members who are trying to qualify for Eastern States. All current 4-H Working Steer project members who want to come and show their steers are also welcome to participate. The shows are open to any 4-H member with a team listed on a 4-H Approval Form.

Approval Forms, Lease/Loans (if applicable) and Animal Health Forms will be checked as animals are unloaded.

The three events at each show are:

1. Fitting and Showing
2. Cart Class
3. Stone Boat



In partnership with UVM Extension 4-H, Rural Vermont, the People's Agroecology School, and Vermont Woodlands Association, join us for a hands-on tractor safety day. Youth 14 and up may participate in this training and are eligible to earn their certification under the National Safe Tractor and Machinery Operation Program (caregivers will need to sign a waiver for their participation). An inclusive space, but designed for women and youth.



The day will include small group, hands-on instruction on tractor safety including backing up, understanding the clutch, PTO safety, center of gravity considerations, and more.

[Learn more & Register!](#)



Chittenden County 4-H Foundation Benefit Horse Show

Saturday, June 20, 2026

Champlain Valley Exposition, Essex Junction, VT

(Pre-entries are due June 10)

Join us for a day of horsemanship, community, and fun at the Chittenden County 4-H Foundation Benefit Horse Show!

Questions? Reach out to Julie.Matranga@uvm.edu

4-H Babysitter Course

Looking for a fun way to build skills, earn money, and make a difference? Sign up for this 4-H Babysitters Course! This hands-on training is designed for teens who want to become confident, capable babysitters and leaders. You'll learn how to care for children of different ages, plan fun and engaging activities, handle challenging behaviors, and respond to emergencies with confidence. We'll also cover important topics like basic first aid, safety, and how to communicate professionally with families. Whether you're just getting started or want to sharpen your skills, this course will set you up for success and help you stand out as a trusted babysitter in your community.



Springfield Parent Child Center

June 30-July 1, 2026

Open to ages 12-18

9 AM-12:30 PM

\$35 Fee covers six hours of training, snacks, and a First Aid Kit!

Please let us know if cost is an issue so we can support your interest in this training!

Lead by: Molly McFaun & Camille Kauffman, 4-H Educators UVM

Questions? sapcc@sapcc-vt.org or 802-886-5242

[Register Here!](#)



SAVE THE DATE
Youth Environmental Science Summit!
October 16, 2026

The Youth Environmental Science (YES!) Summit is back! Vermont 4-H is reviving this free annual youth-led event for students to make essential connections between their lives and the natural world.

Students will learn about environmental issues and find ways to take action through hands-on workshops, action inspiring discussions, networking with environmental professionals and like-minded peers, and much, much more!

Interested in presenting at the YES Summit? We are looking for leaders of any age to run interactive, engaging 45-minute workshops for a high school audience on topics related to environmental science, climate change, natural resources, stewardship, and research.

[Submit proposals here](#)

Animal Approval Forms Due!

Rabbits and Poultry approval forms are due July 1st.

Approval forms can be found on the **4-H website**; scroll towards the bottom of the page to find your animal project.

Thank you for getting your forms in on time.



Outdoor Family Weekend!

September 11-13, 2026

Stillwater State Park

Groton State Forest, Groton VT

Join us for our 28th year offering outdoor educational experiences for the whole family! This program is a collaboration between University of Vermont Extension and the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources Departments of Fish and Wildlife, and Forests, Parks and Recreation. Outdoor Family Weekend aims to inspire a better understanding of environmental conservation, safety, and fun in the outdoors among the general public.

Check out the **webpage** to learn more and download the program book.

Upcoming Events

4-H Beef Quiz Bowl

June 7, 2026

Bridport, VT

Volunteer Vibes

(Stay connected. Stay informed. Stay inspired.)

**State 4-H Horse
Communications Contest**

June 10, 2026
South Burlington, VT

**State 4-H Dairy
Judging Contest**

June 13, 2026
Enosburg Falls, VT

**State Working Steer
Show/Qualifier 1/3**

June 14, 2026
Bradford, VT

**Northeast Region
4-H Horse Clinic**

June 14, 2026
Orleans County Fair

State 4-H Horse Show

July 10-12, 2026
Essex Junction, VT

**State Working Steer
Show/Qualifier 2/3**

July 12, 2026
Randolph Center, VT

Youth Farm Safety Day

July 15, 2026
UVM Morgan Horse Farm

**4-H Shooting Sports
Jamboree**

July 17, 2026
St. Johnsbury, VT

4-H Youth Dairy Show

July 18, 2026
Lamoille County Field Days

**4-H Rifle
Instructor Training**

July 25, 2026
Location TBD

**State Working Steer
Show/Qualifier 3/3**

August 15, 2026
New Haven, VT

Outdoor Family Weekend

September 11-13, 2026
Stillwater State Park

[See all upcoming events
here](#)

Congratulations
TO OUR
2026
STATE 4-H
Volunteer
Award Winners!



**4-H Legacy
Leader Award**
Beverly Wilkinson



**Friends of
4-H Award**
Bianca Fernandez



**Blue Ribbon
Belonging Award**
Melissa Morin



**4-H Event
Champion Award**
Mary Fay



**4-H Spark
Igniter Award**
Cindy Kayhart



**4-H Green &
Growing Award**
Emily
Harvey-Lacroix



**4-H Clover
Commitment Award**
Kristen McLaughlin



4-H Highlights & Stories

(Head. Heart. Hands. Health.)

'Bake for Good' Brings 22 Young Bakers Together Across Vermont

Nearly two dozen youth from across Vermont joined 4-H and King Arthur Baking Company on Zoom this month for "Bake for Good," a hands-on program focused on baking, community, and kindness. Led by King Arthur baker Amy Driscoll, 22 youth in grades 4–7 learned the science and art of breadmaking with yeast from their own kitchens, baking two loaves each, one to keep and one to share with someone in need or as an act of kindness.

[Read the full article here](#)



National 4-H Shooting Sports Championship!

Vermont 4-H members will be representing our state 4-H program at the National 4-H Shooting Sports Championship in Grand Island, Nebraska June 21 -26. The event brings together more than 700 4-H youth participants from nearly 40 states for national-level

competition in a variety of shooting sports disciplines. The National 4-H Shooting Sports Championship highlights not only marksmanship skills, but also teamwork, responsibility, leadership, and sportsmanship.

Best of luck to Team Vermont at Nationals!

.22 Rifle Team

- ✿ Logan Potter (Addison)
- ✿ Hailey Chase (Addison)
- ✿ Michelle Roy (Caledonia)
- ✿ Brayden Isham (Caledonia)

Coach: Scott Gordon
Assistant Coach: David Hale

Muzzleloader Competition

- ✿ Misha Chirkov (Caledonia)

Coach: Doug Petty

Air Rifle Team

- ✿ Remington Card (Chittenden)
- ✿ Bristol Card (Chittenden)
- ✿ Emmeline Barber (Rutland)
- ✿ Margaret Williams (Orange)

Coach: Glenn Card
Assistant Coaches: Derek Williams & Fred Mead

A huge thank you to the volunteer coaches who dedicate so much time, patience, and support in helping these youth prepare for opportunities like Nationals!



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