July Hamilton County 4-H Update



Congratulations!

Logan Johnson chosen as a Finalist for the Centennial 4-H Roundup!

Congratulations to Logan Johnson of Hamilton County, who was chosen as a state finalist in the Nutrition, Health and Fitness project area! He will compete at Tennessee 4-H Roundup, to be held at UT Knoxville July 17-21. This will be the 100th 4-H Roundup in Tennessee!



4-H Junior Camp 2023



















Hamilton County's junior camp week at Camp Clyde Austin in Greeneville was a hit! Campers had tons of activities to choose

from, including Gaga ball, axe throwing, the rifle and archery ranges, wildlife (including snakes), Health Rocks! activities, driving go-karts, a talent show, an 80's party (complete with costume contest), a carnival (including cotton candy) and, of course, lots of swimming. Can't wait for next year!

4-H Day Camp









4-H Day Camp 2023 was a week full of fun, despite the rain! Campers tried Suminagashi paper marbling with Master Gardener and Artist Linda Miller, examined honeybees up close with Dr. Elise Chapman from UTC, learned how to avoid poisoning with Extension educator Jillian Saraney, met a service dog in training with Emily Peoples, learned about milk goats with Jennifer Grosskreutz, learned about dairy and recipes for dairy products with Hamilton County Dairy Chairman Beau Duvall, did backyard STEM activities, and played lots of games! 4-H'ers Emmett Owens and John Wood also stopped by to talk with the kids about opportunities available in 4-H in the Consumer Decision Making contest and FTC Robotics.



June Dairy Month Spreads the Word about the Benefits of Dairy!

Congratulations to Hamilton County's 2023 Dairy Chairman, Beau Duvall, who appeared on TV (including Local 3's "3 Plus You," pictured above), toured a dairy farm, prepared dairy treats at local farmer's markets and at 4-H day camp, posted weekly dairy trivia questions on Facebook, and otherwise helped to spread the word about the many benefits dairy foods can give as part of a healthy diet!

4-H Archery Club Preview Day

Saturday, August 19, 1:00-3:00 p.m. at Chester Frost Park



Sign up for 4-H Archery Club Preview Day!



Grades 4th - 12th in Hamilton County public, private, or home schools are eligible to participate in the Hamilton County 4-H Archery Club. Potential new club members and a parent/guardian are required to attend the August 19 4-H Archery Club Preview Day in order to join the club. There is no cost to attend Preview Day, but **advance registration for the 4-H Archery Club Preview Day is required**. In order to participate in Preview Day, youth must have a completed <u>4-H</u> <u>Activity and Event Acceptance form (600A)</u> on file with the Extension Office by August 11, 2023 and <u>enroll in 4-H</u>.

Youth in the 4-H Archery Club can learn archery basics and hone their skills in club archery practices held at Chester Frost Park on Saturday afternoons once or twice a month during the school year. Club members also participate in the 4-H Archery Jamboree state competition and in at least two additional 4-H contests during the school year. Click on the button below for more information or email <u>HamiltonCounty4H@tennessee.edu</u>.

4-H Archery Club registration for both new and returning club members is August 20-25, 2023. Registration packets will be emailed out to Preview Day participants and to returning club members.

4-H Archery Club Information

Ag Night at the Lookouts!



Take me out to the Ballgame! Join us for the Annual Agriculture Night at the Lookouts on Friday, August 11, with the first pitch thrown at 7:15 p.m. This event is presented by Chattanooga Tractor, and 4-H will have a booth at the event. The theme is agricultural education. Don't miss the petting zoo! For more information or to purchase tickets, visit the <u>Chattanooga</u> <u>Lookouts website</u>.

4-H Club Meetings

4-H is open to all Hamilton County youth in grades 4th-12th, whether they are in public schools, private schools, or are homeschooled. Come to a club meeting and get involved!

> Join 4-H at any time; there is no cost to join. <u>https://tiny.utk.edu/HC4H</u>

4-H Honor Club



4-H Honor Club members and their families toured the Mayfield Dairy this month. The Honor Club goes on trips during the summer and some holiday breaks. During the school year, the Club meets once a month at the Extension Office. Become a Tennessee 4-H Honor Club member now! You may belong to the group in Hamilton County if you are in 5th-12th grade. The state level is open to 6th – 12th graders. Contact Nancy Rucker (<u>nrucker@tennessee.edu</u>) to request the application form or make an appointment to work on the application. You are welcome to attend Honor Club meetings while you work on an application!



The 4-H Mane Attraction Horse Club is for grades 4th-12th. You do not need to own a horse to join or to participate in the 4-H Horse Club, which meets every month on the first Monday of the month at Saddle Pals Riding Club in Soddy Daisy. If you have questions, Volunteer Leader Adam Presley can be contacted by text at 423-595-5409.

4-H Gardening Club Thursday, July 20 at 4:30 p.m.



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The 4-H Gardening Club is a registered Junior Master Gardener club for grades 4th-8th which meets every month at the Extension Office (6183 Adamson Circle). There is no cost to join or participate. New members are welcome at every meeting. At the July 20 meeting, the club will celebrate their summer harvest from the 4-H garden with homemade pizza and salad that they make at the meeting! Activities are led by Master Gardeners. Contact 4-H Extension Agent Maria Sabin with any questions (msabin@tennessee.edu). Meeting time is 4:30-6:00 p.m.

4-H Citizenship Club

Tuesday, August 15 at 5:00 p.m.



The 4-H Citizenship Club is a general interest 4-H club open to all 4th-12th grade students in Hamilton County. The first meeting of the school year is Tuesday, August 15 at 5:00-7:30 at the Extension Office (6183 Adamson Circle in Chattanooga). At this meeting, learn how youth can get involved in the 2023 Hamilton County Fair! There is no cost to join or participate. New members are welcome at every meeting. Contact 4-H Extension Agent Maria Sabin with any questions (<u>msabin@tennessee.edu</u>). Learn more about the <u>4-H Citizenship Club at the Extension website</u>, where you can also download packets with entry forms, categories, and rules for agricultural and home-centered exhibits at the County Fair.

Coming up this Fall



4-H Robotics

The Hamilton County 4-H Robotics team, the Gear Grinders, is open to grades 7th-12th. The group meets every Thursday, September through February/March, at the Extension Office (with days off for holidays). Competitions are held on Saturdays and may require travel and additional meetings in the weeks leading up to them. FTC season Kick-off is September 9. For questions or to be on the list for updates on robotics meetings, please email HamiltonCounty4H@tennessee.edu.



2023 Little Debbie Hamilton County Fair November 10-12 at McDonald Farm, Sale Creek

Have you heard the news? The 2023 Hamilton County Fair, sponsored by Little Debbie, will be held Friday, November 10 through Sunday, November 12 at the McDonald Farm in Sale Creek! Buy tickets and learn more at the Fair website: <u>https://hamiltontnfair.com/</u>. Start planning your agricultural and home-centered exhibits now - registration is available <u>on the main Fair website</u>, or you can download the registration packet for the <u>Agricultural and Poultry Exhibits</u> and for <u>Home-Centered Exhibits</u> at the Extension website today!

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