In This Issue

- CLUB UPDATES/RECIPE/LEADER/________2
- NEWSPAPER______________3
- INTERVIEW JUDGING__4-5
- CLUBS_______________6
- COUNTY EVENTS______7
- COUNTY EVENTS______8
- MARCH 2015 CALENDER OF EVENTS___9

Charlotte County 4-H Newsletter

Favorite Time
Of The Year?
Fair Season.

COUNTY EVENTS!
County Events will be held on March 28, 2015 at 9:00am, located at the Charlotte County Extension office. If you are interested in doing a speech, demonstration, photographs, or share the fun—please contact the 4-H office by March 21, 2015 so we can reserve your spot! Don’t miss out, this is the perfect opportunity for you to show off that hard work!

The Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (IFAS) is an equal opportunity institution authorized to provide research, educational information and other services only to individuals and institutions that function with non-discrimination with respect to race, creed, color, religion, age, disability, sex, sexual orientation, marital status, national origin, political opinions or affiliations. U.S. Department of Agriculture, Cooperative Extension Service, University of Florida, IFAS, Florida A. & M. University Cooperative Extension Program, and Boards of County Commissioners cooperating.
Club Updates:
March 9th-10th or March 11th-12th
Day Off Day Class—> Gardening and Cooking Fun! This is a Two day class at two different locations.
March 9-10th: McGuire Park— Port Charlotte
March 11-12th: Tringali—Englewood
Pick which place you would like to attend!

April 2nd and 3rd
Stop Motion Animation TWO Day Class! $15.00 per person, this two day workshop is for youth ages 14-18 who wish to learn about the art of stop motion animation. This type of animation was used in movies like The Nightmare Before Christmas, Paranorman, Chicken Run, Frankenweenie and recently The Boxtrolls. Space is limited— reserve your spot today!

HEADS UP!
BBQ Chicken contest will be taking place in April! Please contact the 4-H office for guidelines and requirements at 941-764-4345

Shirt Orders
$10.00 per shirt. The shirt was designed by 4H-ers, CJ and Michelle Rambo!

February 23 and March 16
Demonstration Practice for County Events at the Extension Office at 6:00pm!

March 28th
County Events! Please sign up by March 21st! Check out the guidelines at http://florida4h.org/programsandevents/

Camp Cloverleaf Teen Counselors – I haven’t been told yet how many cabins we will be allowed, so I’m not sure of how many teens I can take as Counselors and/or Counselors-in-Training (CIT). The requirements for Counselors are: 16 years old, pass a fingerprinting and background check, and attend all of the counselor trainings. We can take Counselors-In-Training (CIT) 14 – 15 years old. Only active 4-H members may apply for counselor or counselor-in-training positions. Please let me know as soon as possible if you are interested in applying. CITs pay half price for camp, and there is no charge for counselors.

Camp Cloverleaf – Mark your calendar! June 29th to July 3rd is Camp Cloverleaf! We will begin accepting applications March 2nd. We are going to have more counties camping with us this year, so the number we are allowed will be less than normal. Cost will remain at $250.00 for non-4-H members, and $230.00 for active 4-H members. Full payment will be due by June 1st.

Baked Apple Chips!
Ingredients:
- 1 Red Prince apple per person (you can make two apples worth on two sheets at once in the oven, but you need to bake it for about an extra 30-45 minutes)
- Thick-bottomed baking sheet + silicone mat/ parchment paper

Instructions:
- Preheat oven to 200F.
- Slice apples very thin, about 1/16 of an inch. Arrange on lined thick-bottomed baking sheet, making sure that none overlap.
- Bake for 1 hour, flip slices, then bake for one more hour.
- Remove from oven and let cool to crisp.

Leader of the Month: Mrs. Mala Sawhney
Ms. Mala has been a HUGE help to Charlotte County 4-H! She is the leader of the Cloverbud Club and is also very involved with many of the other clubs that 4-H offers. Thank you Ms. Mala for all of your hard work and dedication to making Charlotte County 4-H the best that it can be!!
Thank you to Charlotte Sun and Port Charlotte Herald for spreading the word about all of our hard work at the Charlotte County Fair 2015!
Charlotte County 4-H
Interview Judging at the 2015 Fair!
Thank you to all of the Interviewers and 4-H members that participated in the Interview Judging that took place on February 2, 2015. The purpose of Interview judging is to help educate the 4-H member on what they should know about their animal as well as how to conduct themselves in a one-on-one interview. It is also an educational lesson for the Interviewers who do not know what it entails to raise and show a livestock animal. A special thank you to Chelsey Rodgers, Tom Becker, Lana Cardwell, and Debby Mearns!
Cloverbud Club
Ages 5-7, as of September 1, 2014
This club meets the 1st Monday of each month, 6pm (September-May) at the Extension Office in Port Charlotte. Call (941) 764-4340 for more information.

Cows 'n Plows 4-H Club
Ages 8-18, as of September 1, 2014
Projects for this club include cattle, hogs, and sheep. The club meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month, 6:30pm, at the Extension Office in Port Charlotte. For more information, call Nancy Lee at 941-637-0821 or Jackie Andrews at 941-628-6815.

Four Paws & a Tail 4-H Dog Club
Ages 5-18, as of September 1, 2014  Project area includes dogs of all ages. For more information, contact Lucia Pink at 941-575-7535 or (863)-660-5969.

Fur 'n Feathers 4-H Club
Ages 5-18, as of September 1, 2014  This club meets the 1st Thursday of each month, 6:30pm, at the Extension Office in Port Charlotte. They raise small animals - rabbits, chickens, ducks, and guinea pigs. For more information, call Michael Flowers at 941-575-7912

Just Kidding 4-H Goat Club
Ages 8-18, as of September 1, 2014
This club meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month, 6:30 pm, at the Extension Office. For information contact Shelley Jordan at shel.jordan67@gmail.com

Manes ’n Reins 4-H Horse Club
Ages 8-18, as of September 1, 2014
This club meets the 3rd Sunday of each month at 3:00pm. You will learn about horses, meet new friends, and have fun! For more information, email shelley4983@hotmail.com or shelatz@comcast.net

Marine Ecology 4-H Club
Ages 8-18, as of September 1, 2014
Interested in learning about marine life and ecology? Then this club is for you! The club meets the 2nd Monday of each month, with field trips and competitions throughout the year. Contact Club Leader April Crane at 941-380-4073.

Rockin’ Paper and Scissors Scrapbooking Club
Ages 5-18, as of September 1, 2014  Contact Club Leader April Crane at 941-380-4073.

Special Interest Groups ~
These meet intermittently throughout the year in the form of day camps, workshops, or clinics.

Contact Pamela Phillippe at (941) 764-4345.

Environmental Explorers
Ages 5-18, as of September 1, 2014

Sewing and Consumerism
Ages 11-18, as of September 1, 2014

Fun with Foods
Ages 5-18, as of September 1, 2014

Teen Leadership 4-H Club
Ages 12-18, as of September 1, 2014

Outdoor Adventure 4-H Club
Ages 8-18, as of September 1, 2014

Veterinarian Science
Ages 11-18, as of September 1, 2014

Charlotte Shutterbugs Photography Club
Ages 8-18, as of September 1, 2014
Charlotte County
4-H County Events

Saturday, March 28, 2015
Extension Office
25550 Harbor View Road, Port Charlotte
Registration 9:00am Starting Time: 9:30am

Name ___________________________ Phone # __________________

Address __________________________

4-H Club _____________________ Birth Date ___________ Age as of 9/1/14 ______

Entering as: ___ Junior (8-10) ___ Intermediate (11-13) ___ Senior (14-18)

PLEASE CHECK THE EVENTS YOU WISH TO PARTICIPATE IN:

____ DEMONSTRATION: (Circle) Individual or Team
(Categories listed in Florida 4-H Program Events & Activities Handbook Pages 13-15)
Title: ____________________________
Category: __________________________
Partner: ____________________________

____ HORSE PUBLIC SPEAKING *
Title _____________________________

____ PUBLIC SPEAKING *
Title _____________________________

* Three typewritten, double-spaced copies of speech with topic, name, age, club, date and county
on the front must be submitted a week before County Events.

____ PHOTO CONTEST – (To be turned in to 4-H Office by 4:30 pm March 20, 2015)

____ POSTER CONTEST – (To be turned in to 4-H Office by 4:30 pm March 20, 2015)

____ DAIRY VIDEO CONTEST – Theme: TBA
(To be turned in to 4-H Office by 4:30 pm March 20, 2015)

Posters, photograph, and video entries must adhere to state guidelines found in Florida 4-H Events
& Activities at http://florida4h.org/programsandevents/
Share-the-Fun

(One individual and one team only)
Time Limit—3-5 minutes
Juniors 8-10 years old   Intermediates 11-13 years old   Seniors 14-18 years old

Group acts are limited to a maximum of 5 participants of the same age division. There will be no lip synching permitted in any Share-the-Fun performances. All participants may be subject to an audition with the Share-the-Fun Coordinator at an appointed date.

___ **DANCE**: All dance, baton and acrobatic routines.
   Type of Dance & Name of Act:

___ **DRAMATIC AND NOVELTY**: Skits, stuns, monologues, pantomimes, puppetry, ventriloquism, impersonations, etc.
   Type & Name of Act:

___ **INSTRUMENTAL**: Musical instruments of all descriptions.
   Type & Name of Act:

___ **VOCAL**: Singing numbers—Musical selections should be made with consideration of age and ability of presenter.
   Name of Music:

___ **GENERAL**: Acts which include two or more of the above classifications.
   Type & Name of Act:

Names of Others in Act:

_________________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________

For Category Guidelines visit:
http://florida4h.org/programsandevevents/

Name: ____________________________  Deadline Date: March 20, 2015
Address: ____________________________  Return form to:
Phone Number _______ Age: _______  Charlotte Extension Service
Club ____________________________  25550 Harbor View Road, Suite 3
                                      Port Charlotte, FL 33980
                                      (941)764-4345
                                      (941)764-4343 (Fax)
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Sun</th>
<th>Mon</th>
<th>Tue</th>
<th>Wed</th>
<th>Thu</th>
<th>Fri</th>
<th>Sat</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>7</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Cloverbud Club 6:00pm (CES)</td>
<td></td>
<td>Four Paws and a Tail Club 6:30pm (CES)</td>
<td>Fur N' Feathers Club 6:30pm (CES)</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8</td>
<td>9</td>
<td>10</td>
<td>11</td>
<td>12</td>
<td>13</td>
<td>14</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Marine Ecology Club 6:30pm (CES)</td>
<td>Cows N’ Plows Club 6:30pm (CES)</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>15</td>
<td>16</td>
<td>17</td>
<td>18</td>
<td>19</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>21</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Demonstration Practice 6:00pm (CES)</td>
<td></td>
<td>4-H Association Meeting 6:30pm (CES)</td>
<td>Just Kidding Goat Club 6:30pm</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>22</td>
<td>23</td>
<td>24</td>
<td>25</td>
<td>26</td>
<td>27</td>
<td>28</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Manes N’ Reins Club 3:00pm (CES)</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>County Events 9:00am (CES)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>29</td>
<td>30</td>
<td>31</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

CES = County Extension Service
MPB = Mcguire Park Building
The Mission of UF/IFAS is to develop knowledge in agricultural, human and natural resources, and to make that knowledge accessible to sustain and enhance the quality of human life.

The enclosed material is provided as one of the many services relating to the educational programs offered by this agency. Our statewide network of faculty is prepared to provide current information on food, agriculture, marine and natural resource science, energy, nutrition, family and 4-H youth, and related fields. We will be happy to help you with additional information upon request.

All programs and related activities sponsored for, or assisted by, Charlotte County Extension Service are open to all persons regardless of race, color, age, sex, disability or national origin. Information from this publication is available in alternate formats. If you are a person with a disability and require auxiliary aids, services, or other accommodations for extension program offerings, please contact our office to discuss what accommodations are necessary.

The use of trade names in this newsletter is solely for the purpose of providing specific information. The Florida Cooperative Extension Service, University of Florida, and the Charlotte County Board of County Commissioners do not endorse or condemn the products named and do not intend discrimination against similar unnamed products that also may be available.