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Bernalillo County Extension Service

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Cooperative Extension Service - New Mexico State University - U.S. Department of Agriculture

## February 2025



### Committee Meetings:

Horse Council: March 6, 2025 6:m

County Council: March 6, 2025 7pm

Fair Board: March 10, 2025 6pm

Shooting Sports Committee: March 13, 2025 6pm

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**SLR has been rescheduled for March 21-23, 2025**

**Glorieta, NM**

**Registration information will be sent out on February 18, 2025**

# *Calendar at a Glance*

**February 15, 2025-Small Animal Project Meeting**-1pm-4pm 4-H Center

**February 15, 2025—County Wide Project Meeting** 3pm-6pm 4-H Center

**February 19, 2025-MANDATORY– Adult Club Treasurer Meeting** 6-9pm

**February 19, 2025-Air Rifle** Practice-6pm-7pm-4-H Center

**February 21, 2025—International Night Set-up** 4pm-8pm 4-H Center

**February 22, 2025—International Night** 12-6pm 4-H Center

**Finish set-up - 12-2 Judging -2-3:30**

**February 23, 2025-Mandatory Dog Project Meeting**-4pm-5pm 4-H Center

**NO DOGS**-parents and participants only

**March 3, 2025—County Wide Project Meeting** 5:30pm-8pm 4-H Center

**March 6, 2025—Horse Council**- 6:00pm @ the Extension Office

**March 6, 2025—County Council**- 7:00pm @ the Extension Office

<https://nmsu.zoom.us/j/96633701732>

**March 7-9, 2025—FCS School**- Bernalillo County Extension Office

**March 10, 2025—Fair Board Meeting**- 6pm

<https://nmsu.zoom.us/j/87009009671>

**March 13, 2025—Shooting Sports Committee** -6pm-8pm Extension Office

# County Council

March 6, 2025 at 7pm

Bernalillo County Extension Office

<https://nmsu.zoom.us/j/96633701732>

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# Horse Council

March 6, 2025 at 6pm

Bernalillo County Extension Office

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# Shooting Sports Committee

**March 13, 2025 at 6pm**

4-H Center

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# Bernalillo County 4-H Fair Board

**March 10, 2025 at 6pm**

Bernalillo County Extension office

<https://nmsu.zoom.us/j/87009009671>



**New Member  
Enrollment Deadline  
April 15, 2025**

**4-H Enrollment Open**

**[4h.zsuite.org](http://4h.zsuite.org)**

**Submit waivers for members and volunteers.  
Volunteers will also need to complete the NM  
Working With Minors training in the Clover  
Academy through Zsuite.**

**Call Carla @505.243.1386  
with any questions**

**Enrollment must be completed to  
participate in any/all 4-H events.**

# SHOOTING SPORTS PRACTICE

## AIR RIFLE

EVERY OTHER WEDNESDAY 6-7PM BEGINNING 2/05/2025  
4-H CENTER

ARCHERY-NOVICE/JUNIOR  
TUESDAYS 6-7:30PM 4-H CENTER

ARCHERY-SENIOR  
SATURDAYS 1-3PM SCBA

MUZZLELOADER  
SATURDAY 2/16 & 2/23 9-11AM ABQ SHOOTING RANGE

PISTOL  
SATURDAYS 1-3PM BEGINNING 2/22/25 ZIA R&P CLUB

# COUNTY WIDE PROJECT MEETINGS

**February 15, 2025 3pm-6pm**  
**March 3, 2025 5:30pm-8pm**  
**4-H Center**

**Baking \* LEATHERCRAFT \* CROCHET**  
**ENTOMOLOGY \* PHOTOGRAPHY \* CERAMICS**

**BRING YOUR PROJECT MATERIALS**

**MEETINGS WILL BE HELD THE 1ST  
MONDAY AND 3RD SATURDAY OF  
THE MONTH**

# MANDATORY

## Club Adult Treasurer Meeting

Wednesday  
February 19,  
2025  
6pm-9pm



Extension Office  
1510 Menaul Blvd NW

**DINNER  
WILL BE  
PROVIDED**

Please RSVP to Carla  
[@carlaj65@nmsu.edu](mailto:carlaj65@nmsu.edu)  
by 12pm Friday,  
February 14, 2025



## FEATURING



*Switzerland*  
*Brazil*



*Puerto Rico*  
*Philippines*



*Mexico*  
*France*



We will also need volunteers for this event to help with token counting and to assist county council with money collection and their booth. Please see the sign-up genius for ways to help. Each club is also responsible to sign up for an event responsibility. Those options are also in the sign up genius. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0845A8AB22ABFB6-54028138-bernalillo>

County Council is offering scholarship credit for any 4-H member that volunteers to help with ticket sales, ticket counting, or the County Council drink sales booth. They will be offering \$10 of credit for each hour volunteered. You must be signed up and check in and out to receive the credit. Please note, helping with your club booth or club responsibilities do NOT count towards the scholarship credit. Credit may be used towards any county, district, state, or national 4-H leadership event (ex. SLR, FCS School, YGA, District Contest, Small Animal School, Large Animal School, Horse School, State Conference, etc.).



If you are an individual with a disability and need an auxiliary aid or service, please contact the Extension Office at 505.243.1386 by February 14, 2025. NMSU is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer and educator. NMSU and the USDA cooperating.







**Be Out Of This World With 4-H  
Youth Get-Away  
April 11-13  
Glorieta, NM**

**Registration form and \$180 payment due to the  
Extension office by Monday, March 3, 2025**

**Counselor/CIT applications due to the  
Extension office by 4pm on February 25, 2025**

**CLICK HERE FOR COUNSELOR/CIT APPLICATION**



**MANDATORY  
DOG PROJECT MEETING  
For Parents and Participants**

**NO DOGS**

**February 23, 2025**

**4:00pm**

**4-H Center**

**1500 Menaul Blvd Ext.  
Albuquerque, NM 87107**

**Contact Leslie Gallegos for more information**

**505.974.9124**

# Bernalillo County 4-H Club

## Leader and Meeting Information

<b>CLUB NAME</b>	<b>DAY</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>PLACE</b>	<b>LEADER NAME</b>	<b>LEADER CONTACT</b>
<b>EAST MOUNTAIN OUTLAWS</b>	<b>2nd Tuesday or Thursday of the month</b>		<b>MEETING INFORMATION SENT IN GROUPME</b>	<b>Raquel White</b>	<b>725.244.0368</b>
<b>ELITE LIVESTOCK</b>	<b>2nd Thursday of the month</b>	<b>6pm</b>	<b>Valley View Church Edgewood</b>	<b>Mandi Martin and Cathy Applegate</b>	<b>Elitelivstock4h@gmail.com</b>
<b>LOS RANCHOS</b>	<b>3rd Thursday of the month</b>	<b>7pm</b>	<b>4-H Center</b>	<b>Jody Peach</b>	<b>Losranchos4@gmail.com 979.574.6658</b>
<b>MOUNTAIN HEIGHTS</b>	<b>1st Friday of the Month</b>	<b>6pm</b>	<b>4-H Center</b>	<b>Molly Hayes</b>	<b>505.554.8338</b>
<b>PAJARITO VOLANDO</b>	<b>4th Monday of the Month</b>	<b>6pm</b>	<b>4-H Center</b>	<b>Melissa Campos</b>	<b>TEXT ONLY 505.205.0901</b>
<b>PONDEROSA</b>	<b>1st Tuesday of the Month</b>	<b>6:30pm</b>	<b>Community Church of the Sandias 45 Frost Rd. Sandia Park, NM 87047</b>	<b>Stacy Sesnie and Donna Gillingham</b>	<b>stacy_sesnie@yahoo.com 505.270.3549</b>



# SANTA FE COUNTY LIVESTOCK

Parent/Sibling Lunch available for \$15

# CLINIC



Saturday March 22, 2025  
10:00am- 5:00pm

\$30 Per Child

Location: Santa Fe County Fair Grounds



CREATING CHAMPIONS

Senior Lamb & Goat showman Eli Meador



10:00am	Opening Session
10:30am	Animal Nutrition
11:30 pm	Lunch
1:00pm	Animal Selection
2:30pm	Break/ Q&A
3:00pm	Fitting Clinic & Showmanship

## **How to sign up**

<https://form.jotform.com/250235263912148>

**Payment accepted  
day of event**



## **What to wear**

This will be an indoor/ outdoor clinic so please be aware of the weather for the day and come prepared for whatever mother nature presents.

The last session for the clinic will be a showmanship class guided and judged by Eli Meador. Traditional showmanship attire is not required, but keep in mind footwear and outerwear to allow showmanship activity.

## **What to bring**

If you already have a lamb or goat for the show season, you are invited to bring them along. Hands on Showmanship practice will benefit the 4-Her and the animal. If you do bring your own animal, we will have pens available (please bring tools to clean at end of clinic). Keep in mind, this is a 7 hour clinic and a water bucket/ hay bag might help to keep the animals calm and comfortable for the duration of the clinic. Keeping animals in show trailers is also an option.

If you do not have an animal, there will be a handful available for some hands on practice, but we cannot guarantee an animal for each 4-Her through the entire showmanship class.

Parents are required to attend with 4-Her.



## Fitter's Secret : A Family's Passion for Livestock Excellence



Thomas & Brittany Tiemann, along with their three children, proudly call Early, Texas, home. Their roots in agriculture run deep, as both were raised in the industry and developed a lifelong passion for livestock and the people who care for them.

Their feed journey began humbly in 2011, selling quality alfalfa on the side of the road. With a commitment to providing the best for their customers, they expanded in 2019 by opening a feed store, where their passion for livestock nutrition and care truly took off.

In December 2023, their journey came full circle when they purchased Fitter's Secret, a trusted name in the livestock world since 2009. Known for its proven results in the show ring, Fitter's Secret embodies everything the Tiemann's value: quality, innovation, and a dedication to animal wellness. For Thomas and Brittany, Fitter's Secret isn't just a supplement- it's about promoting gut health, hydration, and the overall well-being of the animal, ensuring they perform and feel their best.

Thomas grew up showing primarily cattle but gained experience with all species during his time in FFA. Brittany, meanwhile, showed multiple species but focused on reining and cutting horses and reining cow horses. She was also highly active in FFA livestock judging and later competed on equestrian stock horse teams in college. Together, their diverse experiences give them a unique perspective on the hard work and dedication it takes to succeed in the show ring.

Since acquiring Fitter's Secret, the Tiemanns raise commercial Angus cattle and Dorper sheep, reinforcing their deep connection to the agricultural community.

For Brittany and Thomas, Fitter's Secret is more than business- it's their family's passion and commitment to the future of the livestock industry. They're excited to continue supporting producers and exhibitors with high-quality products, ensuring success in and out of the show ring. Together, they strive to honor their agricultural roots while helping the next generation of champions achieve their dreams



## Eli Meador

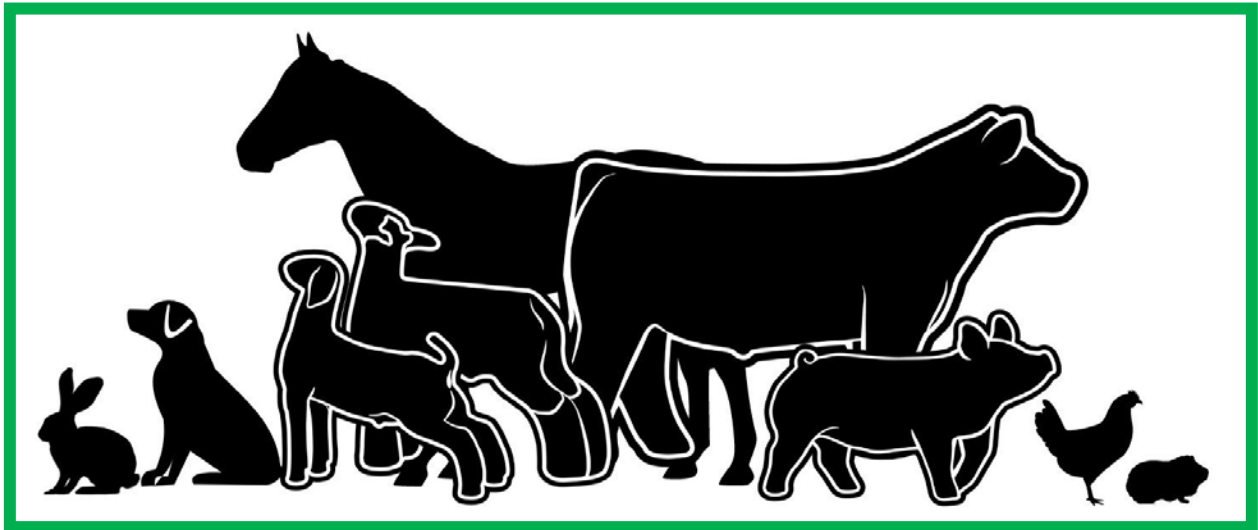


Eli Meador is from San Juan County where he and his siblings have been raising lambs and goats for as long as they can remember. He and his family have traveled the country to gain knowledge and experience to improve their skills. Eli admits he has been fortunate to get to compete at some of the highest level shows, including many National Shows throughout his career.

Some awards he has received for showmanship include:

- 2nd place in senior showmanship at the New Mexico State Fair
- Top 10 in showmanship at national shows several times
- 4 time winner of Round Robin within San Juan County
- Multiple awards and buckles from various jackpots

He has had many successes in the market classes as well. He attributes a large part of his success within a market class to showmanship. He believes showmanship is the most important part of showing livestock. He has worked very hard to get to where he is today and setting goals is a big part of it. Eli feels grateful and blessed to be here hosting this livestock clinic.



## County Fair Superintendents

<b>SPECIES</b>	<b>NAME</b>	<b>EMAIL</b>
BEEF	Ramiro Gallegos	cowgirlz32009@yahoo.com
DAIRY GOAT	Mandi Martin	mandish2424@gmail.com
DAIRY HEIFER	Lorie Davis	loriedavis72@gmail.com
DOG	Leslie Gallegos	cowgirlz32009@gmail.com
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YOUTH HALL	Melissa Campos	melissajcampos@yahoo.com





**SAVE THE  
DATE**

**TAG IN**

**May 31, 2025**

**Bernalillo County**

**Extension Office**

More info to follow



# SMALL ANIMAL PROJECTS



## CLASS ON SATURDAY

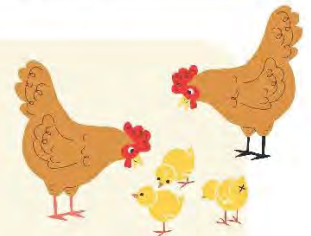
**TOPICS:** Selecting your breeds, caring for your small animals, showmanship tips for success, and marketing to animal buyers.

## SMALL ANIMAL DATE & TIMES

**Saturday, February 15th, 2025**



- 1:00 pm Poultry
- 2:00pm Rabbit
- 3:00 pm Guinea Pig, Cat, & All Others



\*3:00 pm **Marketing to Buyers** will take place during the last small animal meeting and at the start of project meetings.

Location: The 4-H Center at 1510 Menaul Blvd. NW

## HOMework FOR ALL SMALL ANIMALS

Research about your favorite small animal or about an animal you are showing at fair. Be ready to present what you learned at the next project meeting.

*Don't Forget!*

Complete your homework & earn AWESOME small animal stickers to add to your collection!



## MARKETING

Members bring your laptop!! We will work together to create promotional materials and learn about connecting with our buyers. 3-4pm

## PROJECT MEETINGS

Come out and work on your Youth Hall projects THIS Saturday at 3 to 6pm at the 4-H Building!

## CONTACTS



Poultry:  
**Heather Hinde**  
505-916-4475  
heather.hinde2020@gmail.com

Rabbit, Guinea Pig, Cat & All Other Small Animals:  
**Molly Hayes**  
505-554-8338  
mmkhhayes@q.com



## NEXT MEETING

March 22nd  
TOPICS: Marketing, Body Parts, Selling Eggs, Eggs Parts, & Making Cages



# UPCOMING JACKPOTS

DEC.  
21

**Jingle Bells**

Portales

JAN.  
18

**Valencia Co Cattle Battle**

Belen

FEB.  
1

**NM Cattle Growers**

Stanley

FEB.  
15

**Three Crosses Classic**

Las Cruces

MAR.  
1

**March Madness**

Farmington

MAR.  
8

**High Steaks**

T or C

MAR.  
15

**Duke City**

Albuquerque

MAR.  
22

**The Final Drive**

Artesia



**NEW MEXICO**  
CLUB CALF ASSOCIATION

# DUKE CITY

## STEER & HEIFER

# JACKPOT

## MARCH 15<sup>TH</sup>, 2025

BERNALILLO COUNTY SHERIFFS POSSE

10308 2<sup>ND</sup> STREET

ALBUQUERQUE, NM 87114



### ENTRY FEES

### SCHEDULE

\$45 per Head	\$10 Showmanship	6 - 8AM	Registration
Heifers to follow	Showmanship	10AM	Showmanship
		<b>RING A:</b> Senior	<b>RING B:</b> Novice & Junior

RV Space is available \$40/night  
Electricity is limited, generators are encouraged

### QUESTIONS:

Leslie Gallegos  
505.974.9124

Ramiro Gallegos  
505.350.4567

Kristin Watts Nichols  
575.607.6199

*Brittany Sonntag*

Brittany Sonntag, Urban 4-H Agent

Lead Agent for: School Enrichment, Military Partnership, STEM Projects, After School Clubs,

Email - [bsonntag@nmsu.edu](mailto:bsonntag@nmsu.edu)

*Phillip Aiden*

Phillip Aiden 4-H FCS Agent

Lead agent for all Family and Consumer Science Projects.

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<https://aces.nmsu.edu/county/bernalillo/4hyouth/cloverleafnews.html>

**Leaderline Newsletter on the Web!**

<https://aces.nmsu.edu/4h/newsletters.html>

## Event Calendar

Event	Date/Time
FCS School Albuquerque, NM	March 7-9, 2025
NM 4-H Shooting Sports Youth Leader Summit Raton, NM	March 21-23, 2025
Senior Leadership Retreat Glorieta, NM	March 21-23, 2025
Youth Get-Away Glorieta, NM	April 11-13, 2025
National 4-H Conference	April 11-16, 2025
NM 4-H Shooting Sports Championship Raton, NM	May 1-4, 2025
NM Youth Ranch Management Camp	June 8-13, 2025

If you are an individual with a disability and need an auxiliary aid or service please contact your 4-H Agent at 505-243-1386.