

Monday Flash

4/17/17

Friday Flash has relocated to Monday for the next few weeks. Lol.

This week:

- 4-H Dairy Program reminders
- Farmers Market Ambassador position
- Uconn Summer Riding lessons
- New England Junior Holstein Dairy Day
- East Lyme Garden Club community service opportunity
- 4-H Dog Clinic
- 2017 Fun Show [Dog]
- East Lyme Memorial Day Parade
- NLC 4-H Camp Auction
- Tractor Supply Company Stores Paper Clover events
- Important info for 4-H ESE Goat kids- see attached
- 4-H "Whites Swap"
- Spring Open Horse Show

**Important news for NLC 4-H families!**

Members who do not have a signed, paper Code of Conduct form on file in the 4-H office will NOT be able to participate in the Fair.

If you are not sure we have one on file, call or email Ms. Pam or Ms. Heidi.

Here is a link to the form: [http://www.4-h.uconn.edu/resource/form\\_16\\_46514006.pdf](http://www.4-h.uconn.edu/resource/form_16_46514006.pdf) , and it is also attached.

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**4-H Dairy Info**

Just a reminder we need to have all dairy verification forms, lease forms and those who may want to participate in New England 4-H Dairy Program at ESE - you need to fill that out as well . These are all due in to your county office by May 1st The forms are located at <http://www.4-h.uconn.edu/resource/form.php>

Saturday April 22  
4-H Dairy Judging  
11am-1pm  
Morey Miller  
264 North Granby Rd, Granby

Saturday April 22  
UConn Dairy Show  
10am start with 4-H class at 1pm – show up by 12:30 to get signed in for a calf  
Horse Barn Hill Arena – next to Horse Barn, Storrs

April 28 noon -29 noon  
Northeast Youth Show Calf Summit  
Rutland Fairgrounds, Rutland VT  
For info go to Facebook page Show Calf Summit – late applications being taken  
Or email [marion.seifert788@gmail.com](mailto:marion.seifert788@gmail.com)

May 1  
Dairy Verification forms, Lease forms, Participation as CT Delegate to NE 4-H Dairy Show form into  
county offices

Saturday May 20  
4-H Dairy Judging  
10am-12pm  
Arethusa  
556 South Plains Rd, Litchfield

May 27  
New England Junior Holstein Spring Dairy Day  
9:30-1:30  
Smyths Trinity Farm  
4 Oliver Rd, Enfield  
Email [nejrholstain@gmail.com](mailto:nejrholstain@gmail.com) for more information

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### Farmers Market Ambassador position

This is a non-exempt, temporary, part-time employee position. This position will be offered during the farmers' market season, 16 hours/week from April 1 – October 31, 2017.

Fixed pay rate of \$12 per hour.

The primary responsibility of this part-time position is to provide support to Ledge Light Health District's USDA Farmers Market Promotion grant funded program by expanding and enhancing outreach and marketing activities to Latino communities in New London and Groton, Connecticut.

See attached for more information

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### SUMMER HORSEBACK RIDING LESSONS

#### DRESSAGE, HUNT SEAT, AND WESTERN RIDING OFFERED

Must be 11 years of age or older  
Beginner – Advanced Beginner  
Intermediates - Advanced



Session I: May 15 – June 2 (3 weeks)  
Session II: June 19 – June 30 (2 weeks)  
Session III: July 10 – July 28 (3 weeks)  
Session IV: August 14 – August 25 (2 weeks)



SUMMER SCHOOLING SHOW – JULY 22

#### POLO LESSONS OFFERED

Must be 11 years of age or older and comfortable at walk, trot and canter  
Introductory Level: July 17 - August 4 (3 weeks)  
Intermediate Level: July 17 - August 4 (3 weeks)  
Polo Players (Advanced): August 7 – August 25 (3 weeks)

#### TRAIL RIDING OFFERED

Session I: May 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24 (3 weeks)  
Session II: June 5, 7, 26, 28 (2 weeks)  
Session III: July 10, 12, 17, 19, 24, 25 (3 weeks)  
Session IV: August 14, 16, 21, 23 (2 weeks)

Offered to the Intermediate or Advanced level riders  
Must be 13 years of age or older  
Rider may choose English or Western style  
Ride the UConn trail system and practice trail riding  
Learn how to follow trail markings. Send email to [UConnHorseRiding@uconn.edu](mailto:UConnHorseRiding@uconn.edu) for trail riding application.



Visit [UConnSummerRiding.uconn.edu](http://UConnSummerRiding.uconn.edu) for more info

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### New England Junior Holstein Dairy Day

On May 27, the New England Junior Holstein Association will be holding a day of clinics at Smyth’s Trinity Farm in Enfield, CT. The clinics will all be led by industry professionals and include judging, health and care for show cattle, and nutrition. The clinics will be split into juniors and seniors and include more advanced information for the seniors, as they are looking to start their own herds in the near future or looking towards a career in the dairy industry. The event will be free to all New England Holstein Junior members and even include a free t-shirt. If you’re not a junior member, no need to worry, New England membership is free, or you can easily sign up to be a national member for only \$20.00. Please RSVP by filling out the form listed below or by emailing [nejrholstein@gmail.com](mailto:nejrholstein@gmail.com) by May 5. Feel free to email us with any questions. We look forward to seeing everyone there!

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### East Lyme Garden Club: Community Service Opportunity for clubs.

The club would like to know if any 4-H clubs are interested in helping with our May Mart again this year. Saturday, May 13 from 8:00am until noon at the East Lyme Town Hall Pavilion same place as last year. The kids last year were great! Thanks. MaryCathrine Solomkin, ELGC

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*4-H Dog Clinic  
Saturday May 6<sup>th</sup>*

**9:00-4:00**  
**See attached registration form**

Hello,

Attached please find the fillable pdf instruction and registration form. Instructions start on page 1 and the fillable registration form starts on page 7. Where indicated "circle" is done by hand after you have printed out your completed form.

Electronic signatures **cannot** be accepted for the required parental signature.

Once filled, in the registration form can be printed out, choices circled, signed and mailed with registration fee to:

Nancy Wilhelm, State 4-H Office, University of Connecticut, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, 1376 Storrs Road, Storrs, CT 06269-4134.

**Items must be postmarked by midnight, April 21, 2017.** No late forms will be accepted.

Additional forms can be found on the Tolland County 4-H website: <http://www.4-h.uconn.edu/TollCo/> (and soon on the Connecticut 4-H website (<http://www.4-h.uconn.edu/>) or by calling at 860-875-3331 to request a mailed packet.

Health forms are required for participants under the age of 18 who may be attending without an accompanying adult.

**Fees:**

Registration fees: \$15.00 for first child; \$10.00 for additional children in immediate family up to a maximum of \$25.00 per immediate family. This fee includes materials, workshops, handouts and snacks.

Any questions please contact the Tolland County 4-H office

Best Regards,

Maryann J. Fusco-Rollins

UConn Extension Tolland County 4-H

Program Coordinator

24 Hyde Avenue, Vernon CT 06066

Phone: 860.875.3331

[maryann.fusco@uconn.edu](mailto:maryann.fusco@uconn.edu)

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**2017 Fun Show [Dog]**

Crate Escape 4-H Club is trying to spread the word about their Fun Show held in Westford MA on April 29. All 4-H's with dogs from around New England are welcome to come and show!

Please help us spread the word by emailing this to leaders and 4-H members that may be interested in our show! See attached flyer.

Laura Davidson

Leader

Crate Escape 4-H Club

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**East Lyme Memorial Day Parade**

**The East Lyme Memorial Day committee is looking for 4-H clubs to march in their parade. They are open to floats and animals. If anyone is interested, have them call me.**

Thank you. Nancy Kalal 860-437-7828

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**Save the date for the 2017 New London County 4-H Camp's annual FUNd raising auction!**

**April 28 and 29th from 5 PM to 10 PM. Wonderful items up for bid to support your favorite Summer youth camp! Also, a home cooking kitchen will have fantastic food for purchase.**

**For more information, or to donate to the auction, please call 860-886-7476.**

**We'll see you there! Free admission!**

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**Tractor Supply Company Stores Paper Clover events**

I am contacting you in regards to Tractor Supply's 4-H donations. You helped my farm (Out of Thyme Farm) with donations to 4-H and I would enjoy working with you again.

April 26th starts our 4-H clover donations that helps us raise funds for 4-H, this will run until May 7th.

We would like to invite your 4-H Clubs to come by our store during the upcoming Paper Clover event. This will help our customer gain knowledge about the 4-H program and our donations increase by more than 40% when there are clubs in the store.

You can fundraise on your own at our location or set up a table and help us sell clovers. If you have any ideas we would love to hear them. In recent years clubs have had little to no interest in participating at our event, this is unfortunate because my team is motivated this year to sell more clovers than any other Tractor Supply.

In addition to helping raise more money for your county program, if you or any club member participates in store, you'll be eligible to enter our Paper Clover Participation Sweepstakes. This spring, 75 participants will be selected to receive a \$100 TSC gift card.

If you would like to participate during our Paper Clover Event you can register online at [www.tractorsupply.com/4H](http://www.tractorsupply.com/4H), contact me at (860)376-0198, or simply reply to [str0167@TractorSupply.com](mailto:str0167@TractorSupply.com)

Thank you for your time,  
Robyn Zenker

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As we approach verification form deadlines, I wanted to remind you that the **Big E 4-H Dairy Goat Program** requires that

**All goats must be registered solely in the youth's name or leased in the name of the 4-H member by June 1.**

For example, families registering the animals in a farm name need to lease the goat or transfer the registration to the individual youth or a relative who owns the animal must lease or transfer the registration of the animal to the youth by June 1.

We had multiple situations within CT last year of youth who did not have the proper ownership/lease papers on animals they had hoped to show.

The best way to avoid disappointment is to review a copy of the registration paper with the verification form prior to June 1 for those youth planning to show in the 4-H Dairy Goat Program at Big E.

Please share this reminder with leaders, families or other 4-H staff that assist with verification form approvals.

Please let me know if you have any questions,

Jen [Jennifer.Cushman@uconn.edu](mailto:Jennifer.Cushman@uconn.edu)

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### *Whites Swap*

*I am looking for peeps who are willing to coordinate a "whites" swap.*

*How great would it be to bring in show whites your child(ren) outgrew, and replace with new, gently-used ones?*

*Plus, in the spirit of 4-H, doing your part to take care of the resources of our planet?*

*I'm sure I can find a spot to store them at the Extension Center. This can be a freebie for people, an even-steven swap (you bring in something, you take out something), available for purchase (owner gets money), or donated and then sold (Fair Association gets money). This would be something the 'committee' could decide.*

*I don't think this would be onerous or time-consuming, so please volunteer today!  
It would be great to have this up and running before show season starts!*

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**May 21 57th Spring Open Show benefiting Fairfield County 4-H  
Don't miss this great show, trophies and ribbons in every  
class, benefiting Fairfield County 4-H!**

See attached schedule.

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*It would seem that spring has sprung. After a long and wearying start to the year, I am hoping for some joy and happy tidings! How about you? Are you ready for the flower season to start?*

*Ms. Pam*