



# TUF

## Livestock Club & 4-H Info Meeting Virtual Open House

December 9th 6:30pm

# General Livestock Clubs Updates:

- Registration and payment will happen ONLINE again this year! Any feedback?
- Tues/Weds Split for Goats and Sheep will continue. Please sign up for the group you have currently been registered for. If there is a schedule conflict, contact [annie@theurbanfarm.org](mailto:annie@theurbanfarm.org) to see if roster #s will allow a switch.
- TUF is in the process of becoming a verified vaccinated facility, this means are staff able to work in enclosed and indoor settings without masks. Per local guidelines youth are not required to wear masks while outdoors, for Indoor settings please bring mask to wear as needed.

# What Do Livestock Clubs Involve?

- Collectively we learn about, care for, and raise livestock
- It is a year long commitment!
- We offer: Poultry Club & Goats and Sheep Club,
  - Yes, you can be in both!
- Clubs meet 1-2 days/week ~ 50 weeks/year
- Are Livestock Clubs and 4-H the same thing?
  - No, Livestock Clubs are a TUF sponsored program, TUF's 4-H Club is supplementary. We will get to more about this later...



# TUF Livestock Clubs - POULTRY

- Ages 8+
- Collectively learn about, care for & raise poultry at TUF!
  - To look forward to this year: incubating eggs, raising baby chicks, selecting breeds, repairing coops, managing chicken tractors.
- Schedule:

Meets alternating Saturdays

- Winter Hours 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM
- Summer Hours 9:00 - 11:00 AM



# TUF Livestock Clubs - GOATS & SHEEP

- Ages 8+
- Collectively learn about, care for & raise ruminants at TUF!
- Meets Tuesday OR Wednesday & Saturday!
- Schedule:
  - Tuesdays **OR** Wednesdays:
    - Summer Hours: 4:00 - 5:00PM
    - Winter Hours: 5:00 - 6:00 PM
  - Saturdays:
    - Winter Hours 10:00am - 12:00pm
    - Summer Hours 9:00am - 11:00am



# TUF Garden Club - NEW THIS YEAR!

- Ages 8+
- Plan and care for your own garden plot in TUF's Community Garden
- Schedule & Commitment:
  - February - November 1-2 1.5 hr meeting & class per month (depending on season)
  - Participate in Community Garden Volunteer Days
  - Independent & regular tending of garden between sessions is required.
- You keep the harvest and/or can donate to local food pantries!



# Other TUF Program for Young Farmers

Too young for clubs or too much of a commitment?

- 1-Day workshops for parents & kids (NEW ages 2+ w/adult)
- All Around the Farm class series offered in Spring & Fall (ages 4+)
- Summer Camps (ages 4+)



# How does 4-H work at TUF?

- Traditionally 4-H livestock projects would have the animal live on your own property or create a garden in your own yard, but as urban residents that isn't always possible.
- 4-H at TUF is Unique!
  - 4-H is a supplemental program at TUF
  - You must also be enrolled in a Livestock Club if you want to show or raise an animal at TUF.
- What does being a 4-H member provide?
  - Ability to participate in Adams County Fair
  - Ability to connect with other participants within the county
  - Ability to win scholarships for college and apply for agriculture based scholarships
- 4-H has additional requirements
  - Meat Quality Assurance
  - Record Books
  - Adams County Fees





# 4-H Club

- Ages 8-18
- Bi-Monthly All Club Meeting (TBD Virtually or in-person)
  - 1st Meeting Scheduled for January 9, 11:30am
- Project Groups (Monthly - Virtually for now)
- Volunteer Leaders
- Potential additional scheduled meetings on-site for livestock care

# Cloverbuds

- Ages 5-7 (birthday cut off December 31st)
- Bi-Monthly All Club Meeting (Virtually)
- Volunteer Leaders



# 4-H Projects at TUF: Lease an Animal

- Participants use an animal that the farm owns to participate in fairs & shows
- Identical 4-H requirements (meat quality assurance and record book)
- No additional fees to participate
- Eligible animals:
  - Sheep
  - Goat
  - Poultry



# 4-H Projects at TUF: Market Animals

- Must complete 1 year of 4-H lease an animal first
- Participants own an animal & boards it at TUF
- Identical 4-H requirements (meat quality assurance and record book)
- Additional cost:
  - Purchase price of animal
  - Feed
  - Increased participation in care of animal
- Eligible Animals
  - Goats
  - Sheep
  - Poultry



# 4-H Projects at TUF: Garden

- Participants rent a plot in TUF's Community Garden
- Identical 4-H requirements (record book & table top project)
- Additional cost:
  - Additional or specific seeds/plants not offered by TUF
  - Increased participation in garden maintenance, must be supervised by an adult.



# 4-H Projects at TUF: Rabbits

- Ages 8+
- Collectively learn about, care for rabbits
- Meets Saturdays
- Schedule: 1 Saturday per Month 10:30 am - 11:30am
  - December 11, January 8, February 12, March 26, April 9, May 14, June TBD, July TBD
- TUF has two rabbits that can be used for participation and showing, or rabbits from home can be used.
- **NEW:** In 2022 TUF will be working to expand our rabbit hutch, and launching a formal Rabbit Livestock Club 2022-2023. Option to board rabbits at TUF.



# 4-H Cloverbuds

- Non-competitive, activity based program for our youngest participants 5-8 yrs old
- Meet once a month and usually coordinate activities with farm-based themes
  - Examples:
    - Helping with sheep shearing
    - Poultry Scavenger Hunt
    - Goat Bingo
    - Gardening
- Meeting Time:
  - 2nd Saturday from 10:00-11:30 AM
  - COVID CONTINGENT!



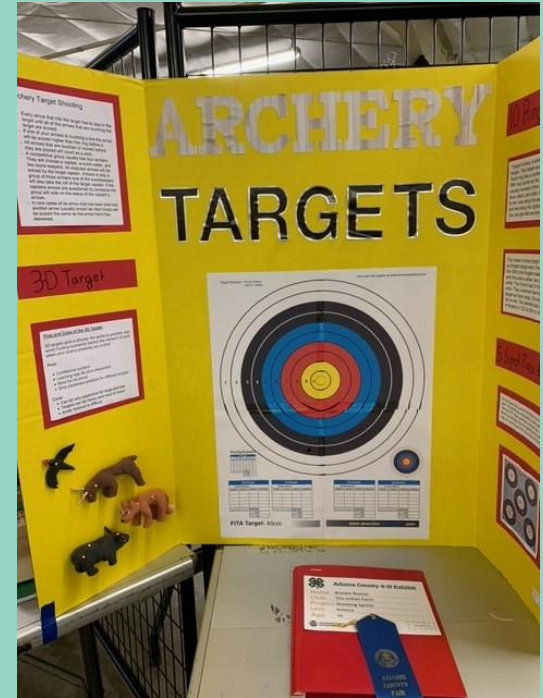
# 4-H Cloverbuds (continued)

- Encouraged to participate in most events at fair, “mini-shows” or fun shows like “Dress a Goat”
- Clover Crew monthly activity packet mailed by ADCO to members (4 interactive lessons + supplies to complete monthly challenge activity)



# Additional Table Top & General FCS Projects

- Link to projects:  
<http://adams.colostate.edu/4h/projects.htm>
  - Select project list
- Newsletter Link:  
<http://adams.colostate.edu/4h/news.htm>
  - Select Weekly Fourcast
- Examples:
  - Veterinary
  - Music
  - Sewing
  - Pocket pets
  - Woodworking
- Fees & Books are covered by the individual





# Fairs & Dates

- Adams County Fair August 2022 (exact dates TBD) (4H Required)
- National Western Stock Show in January 2023 (4H not required)
- Estes Fiber & Wool Festival June 12, 2022 (4H not required)



# Staff & Project Leaders

## Rachel Livingston

- TUF Educator & Summer Camp Coordinator
- TUF Poultry Lead
- TUF Garden Club Lead
- Resident Cattle Expert
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## Annie Fehr

- Admin Coordinator & TUF Educator
- TUF Goats & Sheep Lead
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## Amy MARRS

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# TUF Club Fees

*ONLINE REGISTRATION WILL BEGIN FOR CURRENT **MEMBERS MID JANUARY** & TO THE PUBLIC **END OF JANUARY**. JOIN OUR MONTHLY EMAIL LIST TO BE NOTIFIED!*

- **Goats and Sheep Club**
  - \$600 annually per participant (bi-annual auto payments February & July)
  - Includes: Program Fees & Annual Family Membership
- **Poultry Club**
  - \$300 annually per participant (bi-annual auto payments February & July)
  - Includes: Program Fees & Annual Family Membership
- **Garden Club**
  - \$175 annually per participant
  - Includes: Program Fees & Garden Plot
- **Cloverbuds at TUF**
  - Must be a TUF family member \$100/year
  - No additional fees to TUF unless you choose to participate in a class series or camp
- **Payment Plan & Scholarships**
  - Available at Registration

# Adams County 4-H Club Fees

- Paid directly to Adams County
- Deadline for returning members - February 1st
- Deadline for new members - April 1st
- Enrollment Fees- \$40/member (\$43/member if paying online)
- Scholarships Available



[Register with Adams County Here](#)

# Looking for Adult Volunteers

- Adult volunteer leaders play an important role in the 4-H program
- Amy, Caroline, Julie and Annika are VOLUNTEERS! Yes, TUF has staff members to help lead and manage livestock clubs, but getting 50+ kids to fair with projects and animals is not easy... but as the say going many hands make light work.
- Who knows, maybe there is a farmer in you after all?!
- Email [info@theurbanfarm.org](mailto:info@theurbanfarm.org) if you are interested and apply with Adams County 4H here: <http://adams.colostate.edu/4h/leaders.htm>

# Let's review...

- **Can I be a member of a TUF club and not register for 4-H? YES**
- **Can I register for a 4-H livestock project and not be in a TUF livestock club?** Only if you plan on raising that animal on your own property. So yes, but you are essentially choosing to not participate in TUF weekly programs.
- **Can I participate in multiple clubs or 4-H projects?** Yes, but know that some schedules/meetings may overlap.



# Q & A



**Questions before you Go(at)?**