Cantering Colts 4-H Club

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The Cantering Colts 4-H Club of Foster has had a fun summer filled with a variety of activities. Early in the year a group of members led by Daniel and Kate Kuyoth designed and put together a club exhibit on Rabbit Care. The members who contributed were Sabrina Peltier, Victoria Chalko, Courtney Lambert, Zen Fay, Thoko Sweetland, Melonie & Emily Brown, Holly & Emily Lotter, and Louise, Bethany & Katelyn Wear. Our exhibit did very well at the 4-H fairs, SRI, ERI, NRI and Washington County Fair. We got blue ribbons every time.

Many members also put in individual exhibits, and showed rabbits and poultry. At the NRI Fair, known as Foster Old Home Days, our club did our annual Straw Game booth. Sabrina Peltier was Committee chairman. Most active club members took turns working in the booth and helping Mrs Ross with pony rides and bunny hugging.

Other activities that the club did during the summer were baked goods sold at the 3 Fostering Arts folk concerts at Vasa Park, Tractor Supply Co. pony ride events in Putnam, CT and Coventry, RI, and attending a polo match at Glen Farm in Middletown. Our red club shirts made a big splash at the polo match. England team beat USA team, but we had fun rooting for all the players and horses. We even had a place on the boards (ring-side seats)! See picture attached.

Coming into the fall months, we will hold our 3rd annual Open House at Paine Farm on Paine Road in Foster on October 19th, from 10 to 3 PM. Come enjoy the activities and our delicious hamburgers and hot dogs hot off the grill, and baked items to satisfy your sweet tooth. Support our 4-H Horse & Bunny club by sponsoring one of the members. There are lots of activities including pony rides, hug-a-bunny, rabbit & poultry demonstrations, cider making demonstrations, a raffle at 2 PM, and much more!
**FIRST Technical Challenge (FTC) team #5468 Finding Blue Moose 4-H Robotics Club**

**ARTICLE BY: MARY LURGIO**

Our team was invited to the FIRST World Championship in St. Louis, MO this past April. Team members Brandon Knox, Brad Leach, Wolf Mueller and Chase Lurgio were asked by FIRST headquarters to be a part of a special musical performance for the FIRST Lego League Opening Ceremonies. The team worked with Team iBOTS from St. Louis and Team Thunder From Down Under from Australia. Weeks before the event, the teams skyped their rehearsals to learn their parts for the song “Baby’s Got Back”. The lyrics were changed to “Baby’s Got BOT”. The teams had a few hours of face to face rehearsals after everyone arrived in St. Louis. It was great fun. They were the initial performance at the event and then teams from around the world followed with other special international performances. It was a fantastic opportunity for the team.

While we were at the Championship- Chase was a volunteer for FIRST, helping to queue teams for their matches. As a senior and FIRST scholarship recipient, she also attended the FIRST Scholarship Breakfast. The rest of the team volunteered at the National 4-H Booth- telling visitors about FTC and 4-H and assisting younger visitors with hands-on activities. The team encouraged visitors to sign our large Blue Moose mascot, who accompanied us to St. Louis. The National 4-H office hosted a breakfast for all the 4-H teams at the World Championship and gave participants 4-H knapsacks. We were also given 4-H safety glasses for the team along with materials to help decorate a booth.

The team visited the Jefferson National Expansion Memorial (Gateway Arch) - the tallest man made monument in the United States at 630 feet tall. The Memorial reflects St. Louis’ role in the westward expansion of the United States in the 1800s. We also had a great time at the City Museum (fun slides!) and the Science Museum, where the finale to the World Championship was held.

Team#5468 Finding Blue Moose 4-H Robotics wishes to sincerely thank 4-H for allowing us non-profit status. This status allowed us to be sponsored by NORDSON/EFD. Our mentors at EFD were so supportive throughout our season. And it was through NORDSON's additional generosity that we were able to travel to the World Championship. It was very much appreciated. We are looking forward to another exciting season.
If your club has announcements you would like to see here, please email them to Natalie Koussa at kouss345@yahoo.com by the 15th of the month. Thanks!

October 19th

4-H Alumni Family and Friends Event

Metcalf Elementary School, 30 Nooseneck Hill Rd, Exeter, RI 02822

3-5pm; Celebrate 4-H-Kids Activities and Scarecrow Contest (FREE!)

5pm Spaghetti Supper - RSVP! Tickets $10 adults/$5 kids

Followed by: Square Dancing and Lawn Tractor Raffle

Register by 10/12/13

874-7143 - www.ri4hclubfoundation.org

See pg. 4+5 for more information

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4-H Night at Biomes Marine Biology Center

6640 Post Rd, North Kingstown RI, 02852

Wednesday October 9th, 5:30-7pm

Special $8 admission for 4-H members - wear your 4-H t-shirts or bring your membership card.

Hands-on Learning! Touch live marine animals! Promote 4-H!

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**Enjoy a night of family fun!**

The 4-H group "Wings N’ Things" invites you to their first annual **Square Dance**

**Where: The Varnum Armory (6 Main Street, East Greenwich, RI) $5 a person; $20 family maximum**

Pizza and Refreshments provided.

RSVP by October 18th, to:

Sandy Parenteau [s_parenteau@cox.net]

Danielle Nelson (adnelson1998@yahoo.com)

*Space is limited; reservations upon payment. Checks payable to Wings N’ Things*
Celebrate the New 4-H Year!
3-5pm, Saturday, October 19th
Metcalf Elementary School, 30 Nooseneck Hill Rd, Exeter, RI 02822
Join us in kicking off the new 4-H year with tons of fun games and activities for 4-H club members!
Solar Sprint Car Demo - Scarecrow Contest
Games - Pumpkin Painting - Rockets
Survival Bracelets - Project Ideas
Prizes - Snacks
Stay for the 4-H Alumni Spaghetti Supper and Square Dance!
Starting at 5pm

REGISTER TODAY!
Mail to State 4-H Office, c/o Heidi Wright 75 Peckham Farm/URI, Kingston, RI 02881.
Email: heidiw@etal.uri.edu Ph: 401-874-9412, Fax: 401-874-2435

Scarecrow Contest Rules:
Bring a completed scarecrow to be displayed in the cafeteria for the 4-H Alumni Dinner and Square Dance.

1. Construct a scarecrow at least 3 feet, but not more than 6 feet tall, total base not over 3’ deep and 8’ frontage.
2. Frame may be made of any material. May either be in sitting or standing position. Use your imagination in dressing him or her, or it. Use recycled materials
3. No kits may be used
4. Open to all 4-H members. Entries may be by clubs, pairs or individual 4-H members
5. In order to be entered, displayed and judged, the scarecrows must arrive at Metcalf School by 3:30pm on Oct. 19th.
6. Prizes for all entries
7. Scarecrows will be thrown away if they are not picked up at the end of the square dancing event

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4-H Celebration Registration: Deadline October 12th
Name(s) of Youth Attending ____________________________________________________________
______________________________________________________________________________
Phone # ________________________________ Email ________________________________

Scarecrow Contest Entry : Check Here _____
4-H Alumni, Family and Friends
Spaghetti Supper and Square Dance

Saturday, October 19, 2013
Metcalf Elementary School
30 Nooseneck Hill Road
West Greenwich, RI

Dinner Served from 5:00 to 6:30 pm
Lawn Tractor Raffle Drawing at 6:45 pm
Square Dancing from 7:00 to 9:30 pm

From 3-5 pm we'll "Celebrate 4-H" with games, hands on activities, and demonstrations for our 4-H youth. Then, at 5 pm, the RI 4-H Club Foundation invites you, your family and friends to attend our Annual Fall 4-H Alumni, Family and Friends Gathering. Reconnect with old friends and acquaintances and help support 4-H activities in RI.

Enjoy a family style spaghetti and meatball dinner, served up by our talented head chefs, Tim and Penny Tefft, and their helpful, efficient and friendly volunteer staff. Afterwards, dance the night away with Steve DelPozzo and the Old Time Fiddlers.

This event is sponsored by the RI 4-H Club Foundation and all proceeds will benefit the RI 4-H program.
Bring your appetite, your dancing shoes, and have some FUN!!!

Tickets: $10 for Adults and $5 for Children 12 years old and under.

To register and purchase tickets, go to the RI 4-H Club Foundation Website: www.ri4hclubfoundation.org or use the form below. Fill out and mail the form to the 4-H office. October 12th is the registration deadline.

Any questions please contact: Steve DelPozzo at (401)397-4498 OR e-mail Deb Imondi at dimondi4@etal.uri.edu
OR call the 4-H office at (401)-874-7143

NAME
ADDRESS
Phone #

______ # of Adult tickets at $10
______ # of Children 12 and under at $5

________ Total # of attendees

$__________ Amount enclosed

Make check payable to: RI 4-H Club Foundation
Return Check and form to
Rhode Island 4-H Club Foundation
P. O. Box 1925
Kingston, Rhode Island 02881

I (We) can't attend, but wish to make a contribution to RI 4-H. Enclosed is $__________