



WELCOME

The Willow Creek 4-H District is hosting their annual Market Project Show and Sale June 3rd at the Claresholm Agriplex. The show will be starting at 9:30 AM and the sale begins at 6:00 PM. Our members invite you to join them as they proudly present to you their 2025 projects. The following pages are filled with project descriptions and pictures highlighting many hours of hard work done by youth who are dedicated to producing the best quality beef and lamb that can be found.

The Fort Macleod Beef, Stavely Parkland, and Claresholm Beef 4-H Clubs warmly invite you to discover the benefits of filling your freezer with locally raised, premium-quality meat. Buying a 4-H animal isn't just about securing top-tier food for your family—it's also a powerful investment in the future of agriculture and the vitality of our rural communities.

Through 4-H, youth gain practical experience in leadership, public speaking, and business. They also learn the importance of community involvement and become strong advocates for agriculture. When you purchase a 4-H market animal, you're directly supporting the growth and development of tomorrow's leaders.

The value of having exceptional meat on hand is undeniable. But even more rewarding is knowing your support helps a young person who has chosen to dedicate their time to raising livestock and giving back to the community—something to truly be proud of.

Additionally, members will be showing their female sheep and beef animals on June 2nd at the Claresholm Agriplex. It is very rewarding for our youth members to showcase the flocks and herds they are building and the skills and knowledge they have gained. Please consider attending the show at 3:00 PM.

We hope you take the opportunity to review this year's sale offering. If you have any questions our club members or leaders would be happy to hear from you.

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SHOW & SALE INFORMATION

JUNE 2ND FEMALE SHOW

3:00 PM BEEF & SHEEP FEMALE SHOW

JUNE 3RD MARKET SHOW & SALE

9:30 WELCOME

10:00 MARKET LAMB CLASSES / LAMB SHOWMANSHIP

CLEAVER SHOW TO FOLLOW

12:30 MARKET STEER CLASSES / STEER SHOWMANSHIP

COSTUME CLASS / SUPPER TO FOLLOW

6:00 SALE

Each year our members choose to give back and this year is no exception. Our members have 50/50 tickets that they are selling. The proceeds will go to the Children's Hospital and Ronald McDonald House. Both charities are very close to many of our members' hearts, members have benefited from or know someone who has benefited greatly from both these places. Places we never want you to go but we are grateful to have the service when we need it.

In the blink of an eye life can change and one of our 4-H families is experiencing just how fast this can happen.

Lucas Marchbank is the 17 year old son of Brian and Candi Marchbank from west of Stavely, Alberta. He is a grade 12 student. He has grown up on the family's small cattle ranch and has a great love for many animals including cattle. He has been a Willow Creek District 4-H member since he was 9 years old, spending most of those years with the Claresholm Beef club raising home grown Angus and Charolais X steers. When Lucas is not busy with his animals you can guarantee he is either downhill mountain biking snowboarding or playing hockey! Lucas is known amongst his family and friends for his kind and calm spirit, having so much compassion for others and determination to live life with purpose, making each moment best as possible. Lucas has recently been diagnosed with lymphoma and is undergoing treatments at the Alberta Children's Hospital in Calgary. During this battle of a lifetime, he is an inspiration to all those who surround him, maintaining his true Lucas spirit we all know and love. He is holding on to his kind hearted nature, his faith and his determination to win this fight so he can get back to flying down mountain sides and spending time with all his friends and family that he loves so much!

This year we have decided we will also be having a silent auction with all the proceeds going to the Marchbank family. Thank you for helping us support this part of our 4-H family.

Please keep your eyes open to purchase tickets for the raffle or bid in the silent auction.

DISTRICT CHAMPIONS

The Willow Creek 4-H District would like to thank the buyers and sponsors for the Champion Market animals from our 2024 Show and Sale. Thank you!



Grand Champion: Matthew Donahue with Peter

Buyer: Foothills Meats



Reserve Grand Champion: Hunter French with Midnight

Buyer: Twin Valley Farms



Grand Champion: Cheyenne Symens with Wooly Nelson

Buyer: Brandt Tractor



Reserve Grand Champion Lamb: Colby Symens with Lady BaBa

Buyer: Rosedale Liquor Store

2024 BUYERS

2024 Steer Buyers

College Ford Lincoln
Foothills Meats
Larson's Custom Feeders
Munton & Michaelis
Optimum Manufacturing
Twin Valley Farms
Real Estate Centre - Hank Van Hierden
Rebel Livestock
Shark Farms
Synergy Fabrication and Welding
TransAlta
Westco Construction

2024 Lamb Buyers

Colleen Penner Hail Insurance
Cudlobe West
Diamond Nutrition Services
Dr. Natasha lyer
Foothills Meats
Green Prairie
Hanlon Ag
Southern Alberta Livestock Exchange

Member: Natalie Donahue

Years in 4-H: 7 years

About my Projects: This year my market steer is named Murphy. Murphy is a Hereford Angus X and has been doing very well so far. Murphy loves to be scratched and is leading very well. I am looking forward to showing him this year. This year I also have a market lamb. His name is Larry and he is a Dorset. He is doing very well on the halter and is growing very well. I am also excited to show him this year at Achievement Day.

Thank you to Real Estate Center for buying my steer last year and thank you to Diamond Nutrition for buying my lamb!!





Member: Hailey Chester

Years in 4-H: 6 years

About my Projects: This year I have a Red Angus Simmental X named Fredrick. He loves getting brushed and has been leading well. Fredrick loves to eat and I am impressed with how he is gaining. He will make a delicious addition to your freezer. I also have a 3 year old cow/calf pair. My cow's name is Ruby and she is a Shorthorn X. Her calf was born on March 22, 2025 and her name is Jade. I am looking forward to Achievement Day and showing my projects.

Thank you to Rebel Livestock for purchasing my market steer last year.

It is a pleasure to be able to watch 4-H members through the years learn about dedication and hard work in raising their steers and lambs. Seeing 4-H members take pride in their hard work and be proud to present their projects on Achievement Day is why Sunny South Veterinary Services loves to purchase projects every year from 4-H members.

- Sunny South Veterinary Services

Member: Cheyenne Symens

Years in 4-H: 14 years, including the cleaver program

About my Projects: He's hairy, he's stout, and he's good-looking! I think I have said it every year but I think this is my favorite steer. This year my steers name is Chief. He is a Maine Angus X. Chief loves attention and always has to bug you for some more scratches. I also have a market lamb named Smore. Smore is a ewe and she is a Suffolk X. This year I am also showing my purebred Angus heifer, Rosebud. I also have a purebred Angus two year old cow, Glitter N Spice and my mature cow, Angel. All my animals have been fed an all-natural ration and have never been implanted. I would like to thank my family for all their help and support.

Huge thank you to Brandt Tractor and Burlington Holdings for purchasing my market projects last year.





Member: Colby Symens

Years in 4-H: 11 years, including the cleaver program

About my Projects: I have two market projects this year. My market steer project's name is Dory and he has an amazing appetite. Dory started off not liking people very much but he now loves attention. He has been to a couple of shows and I think he loves town more than being at home. My market lamb is Snirt and she has been growing great. Snirt is a ewe and she is a Suffolk X. I have three female beef projects. I have a Maine Anjou heifer named Kodiak. I also have a Purebred Angus two year old cow, Queen Ruth and my mature cow is an Angus named Kool Aid. All my animals have been fed an all natural ration and have never been implanted. I would like to thank my family for all of their help and support this year.

I would like to thank my past year's buyers Wynnyk Farms and Rosedale Liquor Store.







Member: Sophia Busmann

Years in 4-H: 8 years

About my Projects: I have a market steer, a bred heifer, and a 2-year-old cow-calf pair this year. Last summer, I won Reserve Champion bred and showed a mature cow-calf pair with my steer and his mom at the Alberta Jr Hereford show. I am going into my third year of University, earning my Bachelors in Science and majoring in biology with an end goal of becoming a veterinarian.



Member: Carter Chester

Years in 4-H: 6 years, including the cleaver program

About my Projects: This year I have a market steer named Timothy. He is a Red Angus Simmental X. He enjoys being combed and led around and he especially likes to be scratched between his shoulders. He is calm and well mannered and I have been working very hard with him and walking him lots. Timothy would be a great addition to anyone's freezer. I also have a 3 year old cow/calf pair. My cow's name is Crystal and she is a Speckle Park. Her calf was born on March 31, 2025 and her name is Miss Canadian. I am looking forward to showing both of my projects at Achievement Day.

Thank you to TransAlta for purchasing my market steer last year.

Throughout the year, we make many purchases, but none are as fulfilling as purchasing a steer or lamb from a 4-H member. We cannot speak highly enough about the quality of the meat the members produce or the character of the Willow Creek District 4-H members. It is a great feeling knowing your purchase is supporting a youth that is dedicated to learning the value of work, financial management, community building and contribution. A child willing to master public speaking and learn about agriculture by doing the hands-on work is a gift to our rural communities. We are very proud to support the youth who participate in 4-H and really appreciate the delicious meat they produce!

-Shark Farms

Member: Luke Donahue

Years in 4-H: 6 years, including the cleaver program

About my Projects: This year, I have a market beef and a market lamb project. My 4-H steer is a home raised Hereford Angus X named Mustang. Mustang is a gentle giant and he likes to be scratched on the tail head. He also loves the blower. I love to lead him around and use the show stick to set up his feet. I am excited to show Mustang. My market lamb is named Lloyd. He is a Suffolk X lamb and is so cute. I love tying him up and working with him. He is friendly and loves being led. I also have 2 female projects: a yearling ewe and an ewe lamb. This year my yearling ewe Athena lambed on March 16th, 2025. She is a Cheviot Suffolk X. Her lamb is so cute and I am so excited to halter break and show her lamb this year. My ewe lamb is a Suffolk Dorset X and she is named Diamond. I love to lead and work with them both and cannot wait to show them. All of my sheep projects are raised from ewes in my own flock.

Thank you to Shark Farms and Colleen Penner Hail Insurance for purchasing my projects last year.





Member: Hunter French

Years in 4-H: 4 years

About my Projects: This year I have a market beef project named Ace and a carcass project named Sniper. My market beef project is a Red Angus steer and he was purchased from Jade Mackenzie and Steve Brander at V8U Ranch. My carcass project is home grown Black Angus. Ace loves when I talk to him while leading him. He loves to get back scratches. We have bonded and I look forward to showing him to you on Achievement Day. I have a market lamb project named Shadow and a carcass project named Drift. My market lamb project is a Suffolk X. My carcass lamb project is a Canadian Arcott. My market lamb loves to eat and is very gentle. I look forward to showing you my projects at our Achievement Day.

Thank you to Twin Valley Farms for purchasing my market steer Midnight last year.







Member: Kashin French

Years in 4-H: 1 year

About my Project: This year I have a Suffolk X market lamb named Leap. He loves when I give him scratches. This is my first year and I have really enjoyed working with my lamb and getting him ready to show you on Achievement Day.

Member: Matthew Donahue

Years in 4-H: 5 years, including the cleaver program

About my Projects: This year, I have a market beef project named Chevy. He is a home-raised Angus X steer. I love to lead him around the pen. He loves to be blown out and scratched on his tail head. I am excited to be able to show him on Achievement Day. I also have a market lamb project named Dodge. He is a Dorset Suffolk X lamb that I raised out of my own ewe. He is already leading really well and he loves it when I brush him out. I'm so excited to show him on Achievement Day in my second year as a member.

Thank you to Foothills Meats for buying my market beef and my market lamb projects last year.





4-H is a great youth organization that is raising future agricultural producers. My own children benefited from the program and I now enjoy seeing my grandchildren in the program. The hard work these kids put into their projects is admirable and I want to be able to support them by bidding on market projects at Achievement Day.

-Colleen Penner Hail Insurance



Member: Brody Bischler

Years in 4-H: 4 years, including the cleaver program

About my Project: This year I am doing a market steer named Thor. He is a Red Angus steer that I selected from my family's cow herd. Thor likes to eat a lot, he has done very well. I really enjoy brushing him and walking him around.

Thank you to my last years buyer: Synergy Fabrication and Welding



Member: Kaylie Guliker

Years in 4-H: 2 years

About my Project: This year I have a market steer named Chevy. Chevy is an Angus X. I feed him a mixture of grain and green feed about every day. Chevy has been easy to train, I can even ride him. He still sometimes goes off running when I'm not looking. I am looking forward to show day and I hope Chevy will amaze you as much as he's doing me.

Thank you to Optimum Manufacturing for buying my market beef from me last year.



Member: Zachary Guliker

Years in 4-H: 1 year

About my Project: This year I have a market steer named Flame. Flame is an Angus X. I feed him a mixture of grain and green feed. He is one stubborn steer and won't move if he doesn't want to. I have really worked to get him trained. I'm really looking forward to the excitement of show day and hope Flame is ready to show!!

FORT MACLEOD 4-H BEEF CLUB CLEAVERS



Cleaver: Ryker French

My 4-H favourite activity: Bowling with my club and Spring Skating event with the District.

About my project: I have a Suffolk X lamb named Storm. He likes when I brush him and talk to him. I have loved working with him to get him ready to show you on Achievement Day.



Cleaver: Brielle Bischler

My 4-H favourite activity: Club Christmas party

About my project: My lamb's name is Whip Cream.

Brandt is a strong supporter of the 4-H program because it teaches the youth about agricultural, responsibility and a sense of belonging to a community. It empowers these kids to become confident strong leaders through hard work and hands-on projects. 4-H provides life experiences that become an asset for future jobs, in agriculture; with public speaking, work ethic, showmanship, leadership, and community involvement. Brandt Tractor believes in these values and supports organizations that empower youth to excel, which enriches the local communities they operate in.

2024 BUYERS

2024 Steer Buyers

76 Land & Cattle
Agriterra Equipment
Bear Trap Feeders
Burlington Holdings
Davis Chevrolet GMC Buick Claresholm
Hambling Farms
Rosedale Liquor Store
Sears Ranches

2024 Lamb Buyers

76 Land & Cattle (X2) Avril Chattaway (Bar S) Brandt Tractor Rosedale Liquor Store Shark Farms Twin Valley Farms

Member: Kilee Lange

Years in 4-H: 11 years, including the cleaver program

About my Projects: Are you ready for a long read about my 12 4-H animals? (Mom told me to make it short and sweet, Dad said no more animals!) This year I am excited to be showing my home raised market steer Steve. Steve is out of my 4-H cow Winnie. He is in love with his food and wishes he was my only project (he gets jealous easily). Winnie had a calf named Sandi this year, they will be joining Nova and her calf Meadow and my heifer Maggie to complete my full breeders herd. I will also be bringing a flock to town, my new ewes name is Daisy May, my yearling ewe Brenna and her baby Glenn, along with Skunk and her babies Ricky and Bobby. Bobby is my home raised market lamb. He is an amazing jumper and loves his grain. Are you looking to have a great BBQ season this year? Then you need nice tender lamb chops and a juicy brisket that Bobby and Steve will give you. I would like to wish all my fellow 4-H members a great Achievement Day.

I would love to thank my buyers last year 76 Land & Cattle and Twin Valley Farms, for your continued support, not just for me but the Willow Creek District. Thank you!







Member: Tyson Klys

Years in 4-H: 10 years, including the cleaver program

About my Projects: This year started off rough. A month after weigh-in, I lost my market steer Maverick. But I was lucky to have an awesome spare steer that I switched to. His name is Milkshake. Milkshake is from my 3 year cow from 4-H last year. I also have a heifer project. Her name is Moonshine. Additionally, I have a 2 year old cow Lollipop with a steer calf named Nerd, and a 3 year old cow Kayla with a heifer calf named Nicki Minaj. All my 4-H projects, steer and females, are homegrown. I am very proud of that. I want to wish all the 4-H members good luck on show day!!!!

Thank you to my last year's buyer: Sears Ranching

As a previous member of 4-H, I choose to continue to support it for many reasons. Raising animal projects teaches you so much about responsibility and commitment. Public speaking skills will be carried with you no matter what direction you choose in life. 4-H also encourages youth to participate and connect with our communities which is very important.

I am proud to support 4-H!

- Sue Sears



Member: Mini Habraken

Years in 4-H: 7 years

About my Projects: I have a total of four projects this year, all beef. My steer is a Maine Anjou Limousine X, named Roshambo. I bought it as a show steer from South Dakota. I've enjoyed showing him and am excited to show him on Achievement Day. He's very playful and has been growing into a great looking steer. For female projects, I have a three year old cow named Fancy with a large, silly bull calf named Zam at her side. Pickles is my two year old cow also with a playful bull calf, named Neo. My heifer's name is Boogie and she is Fancy's calf from last year. All of my female projects are Angus Simmental X.

A huge thank you to Hambling Farms for purchasing my steer last year. They have been very supportive in my steer showing journey through the years.



Member: Faye Todd

Years in 4-H: 6 years

About my Projects: This year I have a market lamb project named Geraldene. She is a purebred Southdown that I purchased from Ceili Hall at Airdrie. Geraldene is being fed a mixture of Coop lamb grower, cracked peas, and alfalfa hay. She is friendly and has been easy to halter. I am hoping to do well at our 4-H Achievement Day and at this year's Taber Spring Fling. Geraldene would make a great addition to your freezer. My other project this year is my equine project named Onna. She is an 11 year old chestnut Quarter Horse that belongs to my grandma. Onna and I get along great and she will do almost anything if I give her a treat. I hope to see you at our show and sale!

I would like to thank Vern and Leanne Habraken from Shark Farms for purchasing my lamb last year.



Member: Claire Habraken

Years in 4-H: 7 years, including the cleaver program

About my Projects: I have 3 projects this year. First, is my market steer named Sid the Steer after Sid the Sloth from the show Ice Age. He is an Angus X that I got from Bonnie and Morgan Wilson. Sid is packing on the pounds, thanks to his large frame and sturdy build. He is usually a gentle giant, and he would make a giant delicious feast for you. I also have a heifer project named Lavender. She is a Maine X, with some attitude. My last project this year is an equine project. My horse's name is Snuggie. Her favourite thing to do is tip things off of fences and push my buttons. I really hope you consider buying my market steer this year. I look forward to seeing you at the show and sale.

I am forever thankful to Agriterra Equipment for buying my steer last year and very grateful for supporting me and my 4-H journey.



Member: Ella Patton

Years in 4-H: 5 years, including the cleaver program

About my Projects: I have 5 projects this year. In my flock, I have a purebred Southdown ewe named Q-Tip, an Ile De France Suffolk X yearling ewe named Hazel and a Katahdin Dorper X Suffolk Dorset mature ewe named Socks. She has the BEST fleece ever. My 4th project is my market lamb, proudly homegrown out of my yearling ewe. He is a Ile De France Suffolk X and is very correct and is calm, friendly and curious. So far he is my favorite market lamb to date as he is built up in all the right places and should be a great addition to your freezer! Lastly, my 5th project is my equine project named Paisley. She is a stunning Saddlebred Chestnut Tobiano Paint. I have worked very hard to get her calm and to trust me. We are a great team now and I love her.

A huge thank you to Jordan Sears of 76 Land & Cattle for buying my market lamb last year. Thank you for encouraging me on my 4-H journey!



Member: Katie Spencer

Years in 4-H: 5 years

About my Project: I have a ewe market lamb named Pearl, who I am keeping at Brooke Vang's farm. She is a Southdown Canadian Arcott X. She has a very good structure and is getting heavier each day. Pearl's favorite thing to do is go and hang with my fellow 4-H friend's ewes. I really hope Pearl will make a good addition to your freezer or flock!

Thank you very much to Jordan Sears of 76 Land & Cattle. You helped me greatly last year.



Member: Annabelle Flitton

Years in 4-H: 3 years

About my Project: My project steer is named Vader. His breed is Maine-Anjou. He has been a challenge for me this year because he doesn't like to be worked with much. Vader seems to be filling out nicely so I am excited to show him.

Thank you very much to Bear Trap Feeders for buying my steer last year.



Member: Brooke Vang

Years in 4-H: 3 years

About my Projects: I have 3 sheep projects this year. My first is my yearling ewe Nibb she is a Suffolk Rideau Arcott X. I am super proud of my ewe lamb this year, Latte. She is a homegrown Suffolk X and I am excited to have her in my flock. Finally, I have a purebred Southdown as my market project this year, her name is Ice Spice. She's correct but also adorable. She would make a wonderful market lamb but I think she could be a nice replacement ewe too.

A big thank you to Brandt Tractor for purchasing my lamb last year!



Member: Genevieve Sears

Years in 4-H: 2 years

About my Project: This year I have a market lamb named Sergeant Sheepy! He is a purebred Polypay that I purchased from Prairie Smoke Ranch near Magrath. Sergeant Sheepy is being fed lamb grower purchased from Cattlemen's Corner in Nanton and some hay. I chose him because he is very tall and handsome. I would like to invite you to meet him at our 4-H Show and Sale in June. I also hope you'd like to take him home to meet your stomach.

Thank you to my buyer Auntie Avril Chattaway. I hope you and Uncle Clay enjoyed Charlie Brown.



Member: Tristan Sears

Years in 4-H: 1 year

About my Project: In my first year of 4-H, I have a market lamb project. His name is George, he is a Polypay and Tunis X. I bought him from Prairie Smoke Ranch near Magrath. He eats lamb grower pellets and hay from Cattlemen's Corner. George is very friendly but I'm trying not to get too attached. At weigh in he was 62 lbs. I'm feeding him every day, twice a day so that he will be ready for the show and sale. Please come down to the Claresholm Agriplex to see George and I on June 3rd.



Member: Avery Walker

Years in 4-H: 2 years

About my Project: My lamb's name is Cotton Candy, her birthday is January 9, 2025. She has a twin sister. When we got her she was 44 lbs. We feed her two times a day. We feed the Co-op grower mixed with some food that the previous owner gave us and mixed with oats because she is a very picky eater like me. We took her home March 8, 2025. We bought her from Ceili Hall. My sheeps breed is Southdown X Cheviot and on weigh-in day she weighed 52 lbs. Good luck to everyone on Show Day!



Member: Gunner Livingston

Years in 4-H: 1 year

About my Project: My steers name is Guinness. He is a Hereford Angus X and I bought him from the Still-Wiens Ranch (my Aunt & Uncle). With my Aunt's help, we picked Guinness from their herd. From the very start he has been quiet, great to handle and is packing on the pounds. I have been feeding him barley and a blended ration. He is sure to make for many tasty dinners and a convenient, full freezer! I want to send a huge thank you to the Lange family for all their knowledge and support through my first year of learning. It has meant so much to me. Good luck to all the other 4-H members on show day.

We proudly support the 4-H Beef and Lamb Sale because we believe in investing in the future. These young members are the leaders of tomorrow—demonstrating responsibility, dedication, and an incredible work ethic through the care and commitment they put into raising their animals. The beef and lamb they produce is not only of exceptional quality, but it's also a reflection of the values and skills they're building along the way. Supporting this sale means supporting local youth, agriculture, and a tradition of excellence that benefits our entire community.

- Richelle & Troy Stirling Twin Valley Farms

STAVELY PARKLAND 4-H CLUB CLEAVERS



Cleaver: Addy Vang

My 4-H favorite activity: I love 4-H riding lessons with my horse Annie.

About my project: This year I have the cutest little Rideau Arcott X Dorset named Lambikins. She was a triplet given to me by Sharmyn Jones that we grafted onto a ewe that had lost her lamb. It was a lot of work on a cold day but she's doing great and I love working with her.



Cleaver: Burke Walker

My 4-H favorite activity: Being the MC for club speeches.

About my project: I have a market lamb named Nathan Mackinnon. I don't know him very well. He is still at Christy's, but I look forward to meeting him. I'm so excited!!!!!!!!!!!



Cleaver: Chalice Patton

My 4-H favorite activity: My favorite 4-H activity this year has been haltering my lambs and working with Kilee's steers. I can't wait to do a steer project next year!

About my project: This is my 3rd year in 4-H and I am STILL a Cleaver! My market lamb is out of the ewe that started our flock, Mittens. He is a Suffolk Dorset X. I chose him because he has a long back, a big bum and his markings are adorable. So far he is very quiet and I love watching him jump around and play with his friends. Thank you to everyone for coming to our show!



Cleaver: Elayna Livingston

My 4-H favorite activity: Favourite 4-H activity has been learning all the new and exciting things with my club. I love haltering my lamb and helping my brother (Gunner) and Langes with their steers and 4-H chores.

About my project: This is my second year in 4-H and this year my market lamb is a Suffolk Dorset X and his name is Fudge. He is a twin to Chalice Patton's lamb from their flock. We picked them because they come from a super quiet mom named Mittens. Fudge has a very nice build and I am excited to see how he does this year. Thank you to everyone for all the support the last two years and to Christy Patton for supplying my lamb.

Cleaver: Audrey Sears

My 4-H favorite activity: I liked our lamb weigh-in day, we had an Easter egg hunt.

About my project: I have a lamb this year named Maple Syrup, but I call him Maple for short. I named him that because he is the same colour as maple syrup. Maple likes to be with his friends, so it is hard to lead him when he is by himself because sheep are flock animals. I feed my Maple feed from Cattlemen's Corner. I also got some sheep panels from Cattlemen's Corner in Nanton so that I can set up a pen in my field and I can move my sheep there in the morning for fresh grass and then put him away at night.

2024 BUYERS

2024 Steer Buyers

Western Tractor

4E Welding & Design
Brandt Tractor
Claresholm Cooperators & Murial Legow
Cowboys Roofing
Davis Chevrolet Claresholm
Field Level Agronomy
Foothills Meats
G & S Williamson Farms
Hubka Farms
Hurlburt Rock Products
Jerry Poelman
Jim & Terry Newton (X2)
Lismore Farms
More Than Just Feeds

2024 Lamb Buyers

Colleen Penner Hail Insurance Den Boon Meats Foothills Meats Poelman Apiaries John Thielen Rocky Mountain Equipment Venture Livestock

Venture Livestock is a proud annual lamb buyer at Willow Creek Beef and Sheep 4-H Sale. Supporting 4-H members who offer their lamb or steer projects for sale is crucial for fostering the next generation of agricultural leaders. By purchasing from these dedicated youth, we are not only investing in high-quality meat raised under the best conditions but also helping them develop a strong sense of responsibility and valuable skills in livestock husbandry. This connection to agriculture ensures that they remain engaged with the industry, learning and growing through hands-on experience. Your support makes a significant impact, nurturing their passion and commitment to excellence in farming.



Member: Rylen Guitton

Years in 4-H: 7 years

About my Projects: This year I have a Hereford X steer named Rufus. I have been working with him lots and making big improvements. Rufus has gotten very big, weighing 1400 pounds at the start of April! I also have a Hereford X heifer named Tormentor who's mother I brought through the 4-H program as well. Tormentor is very gentle and I am very pleased with her progress and am excited for Achievement Day.

Thank you to my last year's buyer: Jim and Terry Newton

Member: Brooklynn Konynenbelt

Years in 4-H: 9 years, includes the cleaver program

About my Projects: This year I have a Simmental Angus X steer named Oakley. He loves eating food. He has been a lot of fun to work with and I can't wait to show him on Achievement Day. I also have a Suffolk X market lamb named Batman because the shape of his ears look like the Batman symbol. He always waits at the gate for me to feed him. I also have a few female projects. I have a Suffolk X ewe lamb named Nelly, a Suffolk X mature ewe named Kendal with her lambs Nash and Noah, a purebred Black Angus heifer named Maureen and a purebred Black Angus cow named Annie with her purebred calf named Lil Annie. I also had a purebred Suffolk yearling ewe but she had complications during lambing and I lost her.

I would like to thank my steer buyer from last year Hubka Farms and my lamb buyer from last year Den Boon Meats.







Member: Josh Penner

Years in 4-H: 7 years

About my Project: This year I have a Black Angus X steer named Bart. Bart is a smaller framed calf than what I usually chose, but is gaining really well. Bart is very friendly and calm. He really likes when I use the blower on him. I am really looking forward to showing him this June.

Thank you to Field Level Agronomy for purchasing my steer last. I hope to see you back again this June.



Member: Madisyn Daley

Years in 4-H: 6 years

About my Projects: This year I have a market steer named Bert. He is a Simmental Angus X that has a special place in my heart. I showed his dam, Bertha, at the Chinook Junior Stock Show and at the Bashaw all Breeds. He loves his scratches on his shoulder and under his chin. I am really excited to show him at Achievement Day. I also have a heifer project named Saoirse and she has a high spirit and gets super excited for her breakfast. She is also a Simmental Angus X from my family's herd. I would have a two year old cow calf pair, but unfortunately she was dry last year. I am hoping to continue showing heifers for the rest of my 4-H years and complete a breeders herd.

I would like to give a huge thanks to my previous buyer of my market steer, More Than Just Feeds.

Member: Avry Vandervalk

Years in 4-H: 4 years

About my Projects: This year I have 4 projects. My market lamb is a Suffolk X named Carl. Carl is friendly and loves to instigate the dog to race him along the side of the pen. He is gaining well and is looking forward to seeing you on Achievement Day! This year I also have a purebred Black Angus heifer named Jane. She is friendly and loves attention. I have a beef carcass project named Johnny and my market steer's name is Cash. Cash is an Angus Charolais X who loves getting attention and laying in the sunshine! Cash has never missed a meal and will be a great addition to anyone's freezer!

I would like to give a huge thanks to G & S Williamson Farms for purchasing my market steer, and Poelman Apiaries for purchasing my market lamb.







Member: Paisley Barrett

Years in 4-H: 9 years, including the cleaver program

About my Project: This year I have a Charolais X steer. His name is Coconut. He is a little hyper but he is surprisingly good on his halter. He is a very good looking steer. The minute I laid eyes on Coconut, I knew he was the one. This is my 5th steer I've had so I feel more confident when picking them out. I am very excited for Achievement Day and the years to come.

Thank you to Rocky Mountain Equipment for purchasing my market lamb and Lismore Farms for purchasing my market steer.



Member: Mark Penner

Years in 4-H: 6 years, including the cleaver program

About my Projects: This year I have two sheep projects. I have a market lamb named Randy. He is a Suffolk X that I picked a few weeks ago. I also have a ewe lamb named Ruth who is also a Suffolk X. (I like names that start with R!) I am really hoping to build a breeder's flock with Ruth. They are both settling in nicely and are already much tamer than projects I have had in the past.

Thank you to Colleen Penner Hail Insurance for purchasing my project last year. I really hope to see you again in June!



Member: Sophia Slettede

Years in 4-H: 5 years

About my Projects: This year I will finally have a flock! My mature ewe is Puddles with her lamb Lola. My yearling ewe is Olivia with her lamb Lylla. Last in my flock is my ewe lamb Pam. I chose Pam because she has a bigger frame that will go better with the rest of my flock. My market lamb this year is Archie. He is a bigger framed lamb but I am willing to take on the challenge of keeping him in shape. All of my projects are growing great. Some are still a little jumpy but I am sure they will be ready by show day.

I would like to send a huge THANK YOU to Foothills Meats for attending our sale last year and purchasing my market lamb, George.



Member: Laramie Barrett

Years in 4-H: 5 years, including the cleaver program

About my Project: I love my big red steer that I have named Louie. The second I put my eyes on him, I fell in love! I thought Louie was going to be a good steer for me. He is a bit frisky to walk, but I am excited to see how he does at Achievement Day.

Thank you to John Thielen for purchasing my market lamb and Cowboys Roofing for purchasing my market steer.



Member: Lillian Daley

Years in 4-H: 6 years, including the cleaver program

About my Project: This year I have a steer named Houdini. He is a black Simmental Angus X. He is very calm and loves scratches on the top of his neck! He is eating and gaining really nicely. I am able to lead him around, set him up and work with him really easily. When I walk into the pen, he comes right up to me expecting lots and lots of scratches. I am looking forward to Achievement Day!

I would like to give a big thanks to Hurlburt Rock Products for purchasing my steer last year.



Member: Jase Guitton

Years in 4-H: 3 years

About my Projects: I have a steer and he is a Hereford X and his name is Chili Pepper. I also have a heifer and she is a purebred Hereford and her name is Missy.

Thank you to my last year's buyer Jim and Terry Newton for purchasing my steer. Thank you.



Member: Levi Penner

Years in 4-H: 6 years, including the cleaver program

About my Project: This year, I have a Red Angus Hereford X steer named Rudy. Most years my brother Josh has the tamest calf but this year my calf is really calm and easy to work with. He is a big calf with a big frame so he will be really big in June.

Thank you to John Corlett at Davis Chevrolet GMC Buick for purchasing my project last year. I really hope to see you in June!

Member: Paige Vandervalk

Years in 4-H: 4 years

About my Projects: This year, I have two market projects and a carcass project. My carcass steer is a Charolais X named Garth. He's gaining really well and loves his tail head to be scratched. Sometimes he leads me instead of me leading him! My market steer is a homeraised Charolais X named Brooks. He is quite shy and calm, but he does have a wild side. He loves to be scratched between his shoulders. My market lamb, Chester, is a Suffolk X. He is a spunky little lamb who loves to run out of your hands. He loves his penmate Carl just as much as he loves his food. I am excited to show them both at Achievement Day and I wish everybody good luck!

I would also like to thank my buyer from last year, Foothills Meats.







Member: Merrit Bolduc

Years in 4-H: 2 years

About my Projects: Lil Man is a purebred Black Angus steer that my family raised. He will be a great steer for show day and will look really good. He has gained over 4 lbs per day since weigh-in! My heifer is out of my own cow. She has the third highest carcass weight EPD in Canada for the Angus breed. My heifer from last year, Hefty, had a bull calf in January. They're a strong pair.

Thank you to my last year's buyer: Brandt Equipment



Member: Emaleigh Daley

Years in 4-H: 5 years, including the cleaver program

About my Project: I have a 4-H steer named Clifford and I am having a great time with him. I'm so excited to participate in the upcoming show! Clifford is so sweet and very show ready. Even though he is not the biggest, he still has a great conformation. Wish me luck!

I would like to give a huge thanks to Poelman Apiaries for the purchase of my previous market steer.



Member: Myrah Slettede

Years in 4-H: 4 years, including the cleaver program

About my Projects: This year I have a market lamb named Paul and a ewe lamb named Kathy and a yearling ewe named Stella. These are all Suffolk X lambs that have been born on our farm and raised by me! I am very excited to show them and to keep working on halter breaking and working with them to have them look the best they can on show day.

I want to send a big thank you to Venture Livestock for purchasing my market lamb Buster last year. Hope you enjoyed your meals!



Member: Dusty Barrett

Years in 4-H: 3 years, including the cleaver program

About my Project: This year I have a Charolais X steer. His name is Brutus. He is friendly but a little skittish when I try to walk him. He really loves to eat his hay, and loves when I scratch him. I am excited to show everything we have learned this year at Achievement Day!

We are proud to be supporters of the 4-H Program. 4-H is a great opportunity for youth to learn about their projects, show their projects off, learn to speak and communicate in front of people, meet youth from all over Alberta and learn to work with one another! 4-H looks good on youth - Jim and Terry Newton



Member: Remi Barrett

Years in 4-H: 3 years, including the cleaver program

About my Project: This year I have a Charolais X steer. His name is Buck. He has a big attitude! He loves to climb into his feeder to eat his hay. I can't wait to see how he does at Achievement Day. I am super excited!

Member: Lane Duvenage

Years in 4-H: 2 years, including the cleaver program

About my Projects: I have a market steer named Darth Vader. He is a good boy and is leading and eating well. He is a Simmental Angus X. I also have a market lamb named Sheepless in Seattle. He is a purebred Ile de France lamb. I am really looking forward to my first Achievement Day as a junior member!





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Member: Daniel Giesbrecht

Years in 4-H: 1 year

About my Project: I have a steer named Rampage. I also have a spare named Brutus. I bought them from Lilybrook. They are both Herefords. They eat very well. I have walked them a lot and they are calm. They also look very good to me. I am excited for my first Achievement Day.



Member: Eithan Konynenbelt

Years in 4-H: 2 years, including the cleaver program

About my Projects: I have a market lamb that is Suffolk X named Nik and a ewe lamb named Nac. I got those names from the chips from South Africa. My lambs are doing really well, they are eating well and love their pellets. I am so excited to show them on Achievement Day!



Member: Frankie Leeds

Years in 4-H: 3 years, including the cleaver program

About my Project: This is my third year as a member of the Claresholm 4-H Beef Club. This is my first year as a junior member. I've had a busy exciting year preparing my market steer, Red, for the show and sale. I learned a lot this year about what it takes to raise a market steer and look forward to Achievement Day!

Member: Scarlett Pittman

Years in 4-H: 4 years, including the cleaver program

About my Projects: This is my 4th year with the Claresholm 4-H Beef Club but my first year as a junior. I am super excited to have beef projects this year. I have a Black Angus X Clubby steer named Scratches. He got his name because he loved scratches and ever since he was a baby calf, he would always come for scratches in the pasture (plus a little treat of grain). I have a Charolais heifer named Mona short for Monique. I have shown her at a couple junior shows this year and done well with her. I also have a market lamb named Eddie who is my project market lamb and a spare lamb named Crash. They are brothers out of my own little flock. I got their names from the brother possums from Ice Age. I hope to get the opportunity to show my projects a few more times this year and maybe take Scratches to the Calgary Stampede Junior Steer Classic as I am finally old enough to show there.

I have not sold a project of my own yet, but I want to thank all the past supporters of our club.







Member: Kinley Toone

Years in 4-H: 2 years, including the cleaver program

About my Project: I have a market wether lamb named Captain and my spare lamb is Kurt (Von Trapp) and they are twins. They are Suffolk X. Captain was a big chunky boy when I picked him and he had a good solid weight to start. Kurt is a little more afraid of me than Captain. They like to run around their pen, they try to come in the shop when I feed them and can be a little feisty on their halters.

Member: Kennedy Vandervalk

Years in 4-H: 4 years, including the cleaver program

About my Projects: This year I have two market projects: a market steer and a market lamb. My market lamb is from my very own flock. He is a Suffolk X named Wilson. He is a very sweet lamb that loves to have chin scratches. My market steer is also home raised, his name is Winchester. Winchester never misses a meal that is why he is gaining so well. He's very calm and good at walking on the halter. I can even ride him around the pen! I am excited for Achievement Day and wish everyone good luck!







Member: Keston Vandervalk

Years in 4-H: 1 year

About my Project: This year I have a market steer named Tamarak. He is a Charolais X steer that was born and raised at our farm. He has my family's brand on him, the Flying V. He is a gentle, big boy. I am excited for my first Achievement Day.

CLARESHOLM 4-H CLUB CLEAVERS



Cleaver: Annie Penner

My 4-H favorite activity: I really like when we go play cards at the lodge. I also really like the games we play at Christmas time. I also really like giving speeches. This year I talked about the pigs on our farm.

About my project: I have a market lamb named Crest. He really likes being brushed but he is still pretty wild and likes to flop on his side when I try to lead him. I am really excited to be a full member next year so I can go to camps and have a steer project. I have been a Cleaver for three years. I LOVE 4-H!!



Cleaver: Ben Schroeder

My 4-H favorite activity: My favourite 4-H activity is Achievement Day because it is a lot of fun and I get to show my sheep

About my project: This is my third year as a cleaver member. This year my project lamb's name is Jalapeño and my spare lamb's name is Ghost Pepper. When we got them, I thought they had spicy attitudes so I gave them spicy names.



Cleaver: Karis Bolduc

My 4-H favorite activity: showing my sheep

About my project: My lamb's name is Maple. She has white wool and a brown face and legs. She is a Suffolk Tunis X. She is very quiet and was easy to halter break, which is good because she is BIG! Her penmate's name is Tiny, she is a quadruplet!



Cleaver: Liam Leeds

My 4-H favorite activity: Sheep Shearing

About my project: This is my first year as a cleaver. This year I enjoyed the monthly meetings where we did crafts and learning activities. My lamb's name is Garlic. I purchased Garlic and his sister Olive from Zane Pittman. I look forward to Achievement Day.

Not only does 4-H teach these kids a tremendous work ethic and a love for animals and the agriculture community, it helps us develop future farmers and ranchers so our agriculture community does not become one of factory/large corporate farms in the future. That is why we really support these kids.

- Ken and Geralyn Nichols

THANK YOU

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Sincerely,

The Members of the Willow Creek 4-H District Beef and Sheep Clubs

ALTERNATIVE BUYING OPTIONS

Throughout this year's catalogue you have read testimonials from different buyers and supporters of 4-H, why they choose 4-H and its members. You see the end product of many hours of work at home by dedicated youth. While having the value of having amazing quality meat in your freezer is priceless, with current market conditions purchasing a beef would cost up to \$10000 from a grocery store and up to \$1000 for a lamb. Last year our sale averaged around \$7000 for beef and \$1000 for lamb. Even a small amount of savings, when purchasing a 4-H animal, is investing in the youth. You are keeping your money in our local community. You are also supporting a local butcher. When you support 4-H you are investing in the future of our youth.

Do you want to support 4-H and don't have room in your freezer? You can purchase beef or lamb and rather than receive the meat, you can choose to "rail" the animal. You will then receive a cheque back for the current market value. You are only out the difference between the price at the sale and the current market value. This amount is also deductible as a business expense.

Is a whole beef or lamb more meat than your family can eat? Consider splitting a steer or lamb with another family, with friends, or with coworkers and employees. Buying a 4-H steer or lamb is an investment in youth and our communities. The 4-H beef and lamb projects have helped send many of our youth to universities, colleges and trade schools. Many of these young members have returned to our communities to work and to raise their families. When you buy a steer or lamb you are not only investing in a child's future, you are ensuring the success of local communities for years to come. Thank you for supporting our 4-H members!!

all sales to be paid in full on sale day

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