



## **Powhatan County 4-H Clubs & Programs**

### **(5 – 8 year olds)**

#### **Cloverbud 4-H Clubs ~ Intro to 4-H**

Meetings: 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of month, 4-5 p.m. @ Powhatan Public Library (Oct-May) Seeking a volunteer to coordinate this afternoon club. A 2nd Cloverbuds Club begins meeting in October on 2<sup>nd</sup> Fridays at 10 a.m. at the Powhatan County Fairgrounds. This club will focus on the environment and outdoors (gardening, soils, bugs, recycling, etc.). Contact the Powhatan Extension Office (598-5640) for details and to register your child for either group. Cloverbuds are 4-H groups designed for youth ages 5 to 8 which emphasize parent involvement and support. The club utilizes lots of hands-on, learn by doing curriculum. Possible topics or field trips involve animals, gardening, cooking/nutrition, citizenship, etc.

### **(9 - 19 year olds)**

#### **Crazy 4 Critters 4-H Club**

Leaders: Lynn Maready, volunteer co-leader: 598-7722

Veronica Lawler, volunteer co-leader: 794-3393

Meetings: 3rd Monday each month, 6:30-8 p.m. @ members' homes (rotates)

This club has occasional field trips and special outings. Animal Science with special emphasis on small farm animals and pets; Hatched and raised chickens, as well as prepared birds for local show; club members share their own animals (goats, rabbits, ducks etc.) through monthly presentations and work on project records individually; Scrap booking; farm visits, Community Service: volunteer at local alpaca farm and supports ARK.

#### **Powhatan 4-H Outdoors Club**

Leaders: Judy Cain-Oliver, volunteer co-leader: 598-7172

Donna Moyer, volunteer co-leader: 598-4530

Meetings: 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday each month, 3-5 p.m. @ Co Fire Admin conference room

This club will focus on activities involving the outdoors, nature and fun! Wildlife will be the major focus for the upcoming season. They plan to compete at the statewide competition, Wildlife Habitat Education Program (WHEP), in the spring.

#### **Powhatan 4-H Rabbit Club**

Leader: Michelle Kleis, volunteer co-leader: call Powhatan Extension Office, 598-5640

Meetings: 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday each month, 6:30 p.m. @ Co Fire Admin conference room

This club will focus on breeding, raising and showing rabbits. Club members compete at shows around the state, including the State Fair of Virginia. They plan to take field trips to visit rabbit breeders and specialists. They participate and hold fundraisers at the animal swaps at the local Tractor Supply.

#### **Powhatan 4-H Shooting Club**

Leader: Frankie Barham, volunteer club leader (call extension office @ 598-5640)

Meetings: February through October, twice a month on Sunday afternoons

Club members learn skills in riflery, shotgun, archery, wildlife identification and compassing. They sponsor a hunter safety course annually and participate at various state and national shooting competitions. There is currently a [waiting list](#) for membership into this club and we are seeking adult volunteers to start a second shooting club.

### **Powhatan 4-H Poultry Club**

Leaders: Caryn Rehme, volunteer co-leader: 598-8810

Stephen Samuels, volunteer co-leader: 598-3901

Meetings: 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday each month, 5:00 p.m. off of Upper Tillman Way

This club will focus on poultry projects (in particular raising chickens). Youth will study the parts of the chicken, learn how to prepare poultry for show, as well as how to construct chicken coups. They will also take field trips to increase their knowledge of poultry. They participated in the Powhatan County Fair's poultry contest in May 2011.

## **4-H Equine-related Project Clubs**

### **Foal 'N Around 4-H Club**

Leaders: Catherine Akins, volunteer club leader: 794-7131

Assistant volunteer club leaders: Cheryl Boyd, Vickie Rash and Arla Thompson

Meetings: 1<sup>st</sup> Monday each month, 6:30-8:30 p.m. @ Co Fire Admin conference room

This club specializes in the education and care of minis. Members also prepare those miniature horses for the Powhatan Christmas Parade. Members sponsored two district clinics in 2010. Members compete in district and state 4-H horse shows. Community service includes picking up trash for the Adopt a Highway program. Members don't have to own a horse to join.

### **Powhatan Mustangs 4-H Club**

Leaders: Michele Schutt, volunteer club leader: 790-0108 or 874-4248

Angie Matthews, volunteer assistant club leader

Meetings: 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday each month, 6:30 p.m. off of Manakin Ferry Road.

This club draws youth from Powhatan and Chesterfield. The focus for this club is equine education and competition, along with endurance ride preparation (through educational contests, horse shows and group trail rides). Members compete in district and state 4-H horse shows and local parades. Community service projects include adopting a child at Christmas, food drives, etc. Members don't have to own a horse to join.

### **Powhatan Riders Equestrian 4-H Club**

Leaders: Melissa Clayton, volunteer leader: 492-9988

Kim Holloway, volunteer assistant club leader

Meetings: 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday each month, 6:30 p.m. @ Co. Fire Admin conference room

Various outings include volunteering at Free Spirit Equine Rescue Shelter which includes grooming and riding horses at the shelter, providing concessions (fund raiser) at Summer Hill Horse Shows and local clinics. This club continues to be community service oriented and includes equine education projects; club participates in several parades each year. Members compete in district, state and regional 4-H horse shows. Members don't have to own a horse to join.

# Special Interest Groups

## County 4-H Teen Council

Leader: Cathy Howland, 598-5640

Meetings: Quarterly meetings at the Powhatan Extension Office

Teens (13 & over) will participate in community service projects, represent 4-H within the community, assist with county-wide 4-H events, learn leadership skills & team building, make new friends & have fun!

# Camping Opportunities

## Powhatan Junior 4-H Camp

Contact: Cathy Howland, 598-5640

Youth ages 9 to 13 are invited to attend a week-long residential camp at Jamestown 4-H Center in Williamsburg, VA. Campers will enjoy taking classes in riflery, archery, canoeing, fishing, crafts and many others. They also sing songs around the campfire, make new friends and learn to be responsible for themselves. Teens may interview for counselor positions in the fall each year. Scholarships are available through May 15. **Mark your calendar: July 2-5, 2012**

## 4-H Weekend Camps

Several weekend camps are available at Jamestown 4-H Center. Check out their website for details:

<http://www.jamestown4hcenter.org/>

## Nature Quest

The Master Gardeners and Powhatan 4-H join forces each summer to bring Nature Quest back to the local youth. Programs are held at the library once a month for ages 5 - 9. Extended NQ is an extended day-camp version of Nature Quest for older youth, ages 9-13. Call extension office for dates and details.

**If you are interested in starting a new club or want more information on Powhatan's 4-H program, contact:  
*Cathy Howland, 4-H Extension Agent***

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during business hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

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