



# 4-H PEI

## Year End Review

September 2023 - October 2024



*Learn to do By Doing*





455

Members

238

Leaders



16 Clubs

3 Regions

Top 10  
Projects by  
Enrollment

Total  
Projects  
Completed:

TOP PROJECT: Foods

1053



84



Top 5  
Provincial Projects  
by Enrollment

Dairy [76]

Arts & Crafts [63]

Great Outdoors [56]

Woodworking [42]

Equine [32]

Rabbit & Cavy [31]

Beef [29]

Do Your Own Thing [24]

Cake Decorating [21]

Cake Decorating [48]

Great Outdoors [33]

Construction [21]

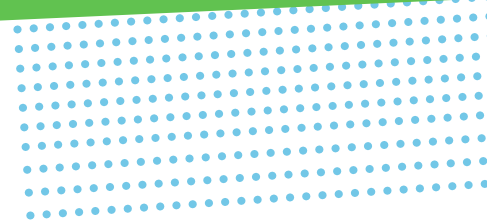
Rabbit & Cavy [13]

Foods [11]

Provincial Project Enrollment [128]

Exploring 4-H [65]  
Cloverbuds [51]

# Standing Committee Representatives



## Board of Directors

Western Region	Julie Ramsay	Gail Wallace
Central Region	Alanna MacPherson	Ella Doucette
Eastern Region	Sophie MacDonald	Jeff Matheson
Directors at Large	Sally Ripley	Steve Howatt
YAC	Neleah Lavoie	
Senior Member	Skye MacNeill	
Staff	Rayanne Frizzell	

## Agriculture Committee

Western Region	Robert Larsen	Jessica Reeves
Central Region	Grace Jackson	Tara McCarthy
Eastern Region	Molly Loane	Wade Loane
Board Rep	Gail Wallace	
Staff	Jackie Harlow	

## Home Economics Committee

Western Region	Brenda Larsen	Yvette Arsenault
Central Region	Hayley Ings	Colleen MacPherson
Eastern Region	Hailey Ferguson	Colleen Bacon-Loane
Board	Julie Ramsay	
Staff	Mary Jane MacPhee	

## PEI 4-H Trust

Business Reps	John Scales	Mary VandenBroek Grant
Voting Delegates	Shari MacDonald	Susan Simmons
Member at Large	John MacDonald	
Board Rep	Ella Doucette	
Staff	Rayanne Frizzell	

## EXECUTIVE

President:	Jeff Matheson
Vice President:	Sophie MacDonald
Treasurer:	Gail Wallace
Secretary:	Ella Doucette
Past President:	Fred Vanderkloet





## *Message from Council President, Mr Jeff Matheson*

It has been my pleasure to serve as president of the PEI 4-H council for the past year.

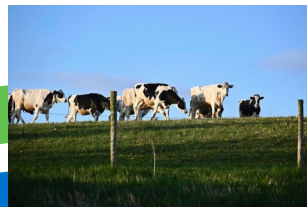
I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate all the member's for their accomplishments this past year.

I would like to thank our 4-H staff for their dedication to the program, as well as the support and dedication of our Board of Directors. To all the volunteer leaders, I can't thank you enough. The program wouldn't happen without you whether it be club, region, provincial or national, they are all as important as the other.

I hope to see 4-H in PEI remain successful and continue to make it even better!



Mr Jeff Matheson  
PEI 4-H Council President





# A MESSAGE TO 4-H PEI...

## *Message from Minister*

4-H is an organization that I am so proud to support.

As a 4-H graduate myself, the skills that are learned through this organization have stayed with me to this day and will help in whatever career path you decide to take. I want to congratulate the members and volunteers of the 4-H PEI community for helping keep our agriculture industry and our entire Island growing in the right direction.

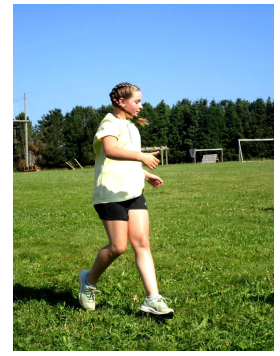


*Bloyce Thompson*  
Hon. Bloyce Thompson  
Minister of Agriculture



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## Thank you Ella MacPhee & Grace Turner - Summer Students 2024



Ella and Grace started at the 4-H Provincial Office in the first week of July 2024 and dove right into planning for the annual 3-day Junior Summer Camp.

The girls spent the summer helping with Achievement Days, at exhibitions all across the Island, and planning fun events for our members.

We appreciate all of the hard work that Grace and Ella put into their time with 4-H!







# 4-H PEI Ambassadors

The summer of 2024 was the second year for the Ambassador program in 4-H PEI. The program came from a desire to provide further opportunity to our senior members to be actively involved and valued as partners in expanding 4-H marketing and promotion efforts. It is our hope that this experience will continue to enhance leadership skills, citizenship, communication and public relations, while providing an opportunity for our members to share their experiences during their time in the 4-H program with both those new to the program, and not.

4-H Staff would like to thank the ambassadors for all of their hard work at events over the summer months, your dedication to the 4-H Program on PEI is inspiring for younger members across the Island. We look forward to expanding and offering even more opportunities for our seniors members in the future!



**Annika Trivers**  
Cavendish 4-H Club



**Brayden Carruthers**  
Kensington 4-H Club



**Brittany Pollock**  
Morell & Area 4-H Club



**Jenna Pollock**  
Morell & Area 4-H Club



**Keira Carruthers**  
Kensington 4-H Club



**Nathan Evison**  
Dunstaffnage-Marshfield  
4-H Club



**Skye MacNeil**  
Summerville 4-H Club



**Sydney Gallant**  
Elmsdale Beavers 4-H Club





Top Livestock Member  
Sponsored by David & Jean Tingley  
Sarah Versteeg, Wheatley River

# Annual Awards

On March 2, 2024, we were so pleased to be able to invite members, leaders, families, and special guests to our AGM and Annual Awards Banquet held at the Rodd Royalty Charlottetown. It is always a wonderful to be able to celebrate the achievements and milestones of our Island membership. Many thanks to our Master of Ceremonies, Kensington Club senior member, Brayden Carruthers.



Top Horse & Pony Member  
Charlie Goodwin Memorial  
Jenna Pollock, Morell & Area



Leader Recognition Award  
Sponsored by the PEI 4-H Council  
Linda Craig, Dunstaffnage-Marshfield



Top 4-H Member  
Sponsored by Callbeck's Home Hardware Building Centre  
Patrick Lauwerijssen, Albany



Buddy Loane Memorial Award  
Top Beef Showperson  
Austin Potts, North River





Community Service Activity Award  
*Sponsored by Brookville Lime*  
 Albany Centennial



Leader Award  
 45 years  
 Nancy Orr, Central Region



Agriculture Activity Award  
*Sponsored by PEI Women's Institute*  
 Dunstaffnage-Marshfield



Leader Award  
 40 years  
 Gail Wallace, Western Region



Elmer Larsen Memorial Award  
*Sponsored by Larsen Family*  
 Emma Vandonkergoed, Millview-Vernon River



Leader Awards  
 35 Years  
 Joan Gardiner, Western Region





2024 Recipient  
PEI 4-H Alumni Scholarship &  
TD 4-H Canada Agriculture Scholarship

**Brayden Carruthers**

Kensington 4-H Club

Brayden is currently attending Dalhousie University in Nova Scotia to work toward his Bachelor of Science in Agriculture.



2024 Recipient  
PEI 4-H Council Scholarship

**Grace Turner**

Wheatley River 4-H Club

A student at the Alberta University of the Arts, Grace is currently pursuing her Bachelor of Design degree with a major in Visual Communications.

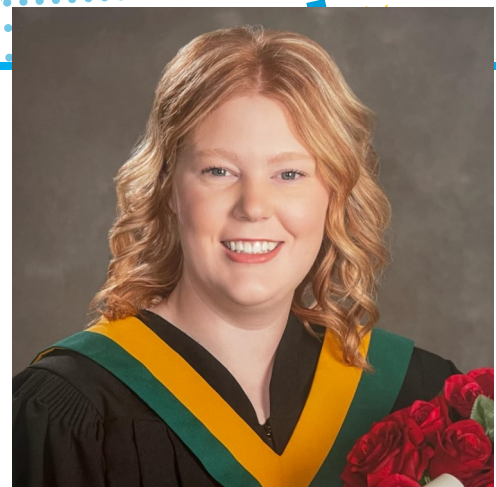


2024 Recipient  
John Deere Canada 4-H Canada  
Scholarship

**Samantha Wood**

Dunstaffnage-Marshfield 4-H Club

Currently enrolled at Mount Allison University in New Brunswick, Samantha is in the Bachelor of Arts and Science program.



2024 Recipient  
McDonald's Canada Future of Agriculture  
4-H Canada Scholarship

**Chloe Loane**

Brooklyn-Heatherdale 4-H Club

Chloe is currently pursuing her Bachelor of Science degree in Agriculture at Dalhousie University in Nova Scotia.



# Provincial Exhibition Champions 2023

At the 2024 Awards Banquet, we recognized the Summer of 2023 Exhibition Provincial Project Champions. These are the members who have averaged the highest placings from all Summer Exhibitions in their respective project category. Congratulations to all!



## Provincial Project Champions - Non-Livestock

Champion Crafts	Brielle Tremere, Dunstaffnage-Marshfield 4-H Club
Champion Needlecraft	Gabrielle Naddy, Millview-Vernon River 4-H Club
Champion Sewing	Keira Visser, Millview-Vernon River 4-H Club
Champion Foods	Jacksyn Curley, Albany Centennial 4-H Club
Champion Industrial Tech.	Michael King, Wheatley River 4-H Club
Champion Outdoors	Wesley Jefferies, Dunstaffnage-Marshfield 4-H Club
Champion Photography	Grace Turner, Wheatley River 4-H Club
Champion Woodworking	Beckham MacDonald, Freetown Harmony 4-H Club
Champion Creative Arts	Lauryn Craswell, Cavendish 4-H Club
Champion Gardening	Wesley Jefferies, Dunstaffnage-Marshfield & Patrick Lauwerijssen, Albany Centennial 4-H Club
Champion Potato	Patrick Lauwerijssen, Albany Centennial 4-H Club

## Provincial Project Champions - Livestock

Champion Beef:	Austin Potts, North River 4-H Club
Champion Cavy:	Emma Willoughby, Cherrycliffe 4-H Club
Champion Dairy:	Emily MacBeath, Dunstaffnage-Marshfield 4-H Club
Champion Poultry:	Beckett Campbell, Millview-Vernon River
Champion Canine:	Brittany Pollock, Morell & Area
Champion Equine	Alyson MacLean, Lot 16
Champion Rabbit:	Molly Pollock, Morell & Area & Hannah Quilty, North River 4-H Club

# 4-H PEI Provincial Communications Competition Results 2024



Victoria Mellish  
Marlene MacDonald Memorial Award Winner, Top Sr. Speaker

## Speeches

Jr First Place: Brodie Holmes, North River 4-H Club  
Jr Second Place: Mary Rogers, Elmsdale Beavers 4-H Club  
Jr Third Place: Jack Shaw, Dunstaffnage-Marshfield 4-H Club

Int First Place: Wesley Jefferies, Dunstaffnage-Marshfield 4-H Club  
Int Second Place: Austin Dunn, North River 4-H Club  
Int Third Place: Gemma MacLean, Lot 16 4-H Club

Sr First Place: Victoria Mellish, Summerville 4-H Club  
Sr Second Place: Laura MacDougall, Cavendish 4-H Club  
Sr Third Place: Keira Carruthers, Kensington 4-H Club

Most Original: Zachery Wood, Dunstaffnage-Marshfield 4-H Club

Marlene MacDonald Memorial (Top Sr.): Victoria Mellish, Summerville 4-H Club  
Jessie Drummond Trust (Top Overall): Brodie Holmes, North River 4-H Club

## Spotlight >>

2024  
Alumni

*Congratulations!*



**Reagan Bouma**  
Freetown-Harmony  
13 years



**Jamie Hughes**  
North River  
13 years



**Kirsten Kouwenberg**  
Millview-Vernon River  
13 years





MacDonald  
Family

# Demonstrations

Jr Single First Place:  
Jr Single Second Place:  
Jr Single Third Place:

Maeve Proctor, Millview-Vernon River 4-H Club  
Holly Arthur, Millview-Vernon River 4-H Club  
Joanne MacDonald, Brooklyn-Heatherdale 4-H Club

Jr Team First Place:  
Jr Team Second Place:  
Jr Team Third Place:

Emily McLean & Lydia Bowness, Albany Centennial 4-H Club  
Walter Proctor & Brandon MacKenzie, Millview-Vernon River 4-H Club  
Maxine Tweedy & Meredith MacKay, Cherrycliffe 4-H Club

Top Overall Demo:

Maeve Proctor, Millview-Vernon River 4-H Club

Most Original:

Holly Arthur, Millview-Vernon River 4-H Club



**Maeve Proctor**  
Top Jr. Single Demo



**Brodie Holmes**  
Top Overall Speaker



**Zachery Wood**  
Most Original Speech



**Emily McLean & Lydia Bowness**  
Top Jr. Team Demo



**Daniel Naddy**  
Millview-Vernon River  
13 years



**Madison Pirch**  
Millview-Vernon River  
11 years



**Hailey Quilty**  
North River  
13 years



**Emma Willoughby**  
Cherrycliffe  
11 years



In the Summer of 2024, the Provincial office launched the first ever 4-H PEI Bookmark contest, and the winner's design would be printed out and distributed to every 4-H member across the island - Congratulations to **Avery McCarthy**, an intermediate member of the Kensington 4-H Club., who was the first-ever winner of this contest! Avery described her design by saying, "4-H to me is an amazing way to try new things and meet new people. 4-H will always hold an important place in my heart". Avery has been in the 4-H program for 5 years, has taken various projects such as foods and crafts, and has now been Kensington Club Reporter for the last two years!

**Sarah Versteeg** has been a member of the Wheatley River 4-H Club for 9 years. In July of 2024, Sarah attended East Gen Atlantic Showcase, at which she not only received 1st place in Intermediate Showmanship, but also took home the title of Overall Grand Champion Dairy! She has been working in the dairy project in 4-H since she was young, and has taken her passion as far as Toronto, to participate in the TD 4-H Classic at the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair.



## 2023 Provincial Fundraiser Top Sellers

### Overall Provincial Sellers:

1. Younker Family, North River
2. Airielle Bonin, Cavendish
3. Carruthers Family, Kensington
4. Glover Family, Brooklyn-Heatherdale
5. Bella Mae Reeves, Freetown Harmony

### Top Honey Sales

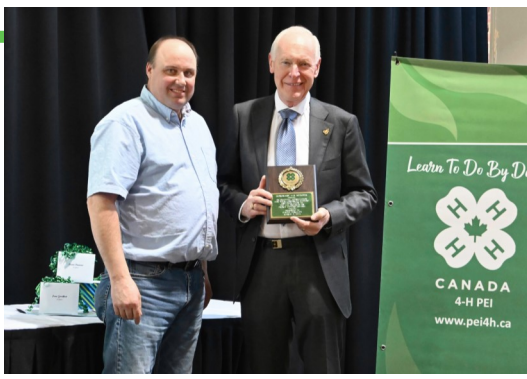
1. Younker Family, North River
2. Airielle Bonin, Cavendish
3. Benjamin Schofield, Freetown Harmony

### Top Soap Sales

1. Bella Mae Reeves, Freetown Harmony
1. Holmes Family, North River







During the 2024 Banquet, **The PEI Potato Board** was recognized with the 2024 Friend of 4-H Award (accepted by Greg Donald, General Manager), for their commitment to the 4-H program for Island Youth and to the future of the Agriculture Industry on PEI.



At the 2024 Provincial Banquet, **David Tingley** was the recipient of the Honorary 4-H Member award. He has been a dedicated supporter of the program for over 45 years. David retired from his position on the 4-H Trust in 2024, a position he held for many years.



4-H PEI would like to express our gratitude to **Lori Kirkpatrick** for her dedication and effort over the past two and a half years as part of the Alliance for Mental Wellbeing grant. Lori's primary responsibility was to develop and implement the Provincial Projects. As with any new initiative, there were challenges in establishing a seamless system for registering, tracking, and finalizing these projects. We sincerely appreciate Lori's hard work, along with that of the entire 4-H team, which has left us with a framework we can successfully use for years ahead. We wish her all the best in her future endeavors.



**Neleah Lavoie** was recently announced as a New Director on the 4-H Canada Board of Directors. After being a part of 4-H on PEI for 11 years, and participating in the Youth Advisory Committee. Most recently as chair, joining the National Board was a logical next step! **Robert Larsen** has been the Vice-Chair of the 4-H Canada Board of Directors since the summer of 2023 and in 2024 was announced that he would be renewing his term and continuing in this role for the coming year!



# WESTERN *Region*

## Western Region Executive Council 2023-24

**President:** Sara Gamble  
**Vice President:** Angie Gallant  
**Treasurer:** Cathy Richard  
**Secretary:** Brenda Larsen  
**Directors:** Yvette Arsenault, Jane Doucette, Joan Gardiner,  
& Susan Simmons

4-H PEI WEST



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Our 2023-2024 Annual General Meeting took place on Tuesday, September 24 at 7:00 p.m. at the New London Community Centre. Thanks to the Kensington 4-H Club for hosting the event. The Top Club of the Year Award was presented to the Lot 16 4-H Club, and the Allison Profitt Memorial Award for Top 4-H Member of the Year was presented to Keira Carruthers of the Kensington 4-H Club.

Our 2023 Executive Training was held on December 2th at the Athena Consolidated School. Huge thanks to the leaders who volunteered their time to teach the sessions! In attendance were 23 4-H members and all were treated to a movie at Cineplex Summerside following their training for their roles of club executives.



Brenda Larsen, Maribeth Noonan, Susan Simmons, Joan Gardiner, & Gail Wallace receiving Leadership Milestone Awards



Joan Gardiner receiving Leader Centennial Award from Susan Simmons & Sara Gamble



Eric Osinga from Dairy Farmers of PEI receiving Friend of 4-H Award

This year our region hosted several 4-H projects for our members:

- ♣ **Antique Tractor**
- ♣ **Intro to Veterinary Medicine**
- ♣ **Equine**
- ♣ **Adulting 101** (with session in automobile care, nutrition, food shopping, housecleaning, clothing care, and etiquette).
- ♣ **Active Living** (with sessions in skiing/snowboarding, pickleball, water polo, crossfit, & skating)



Our region held their annual **Jr. Fun Day** on Nov. 17th, 2023 at Credit Union Place Summerside. Thirty-five members ages 9 to 12 enjoyed a fun filled day of activities including swimming, bowling, skating, games, and making DIY Christmas advent calendars!

**The 2024 4-H PEI Western Regional Communications Competition** was held on April 18, 2024 at the Wellington Legion. Congratulations to all of the unique speeches and demonstrations for a job well done! Our representatives to move on to the provincial competition were as follows:

**Junior Speech:** Sol Bernard (Freetown Harmony) and Mary Rogers (Elmsdale Beavers)

**Intermediate Speech:** Gemma MacLean (Lot 16) and Lydia Gallant (Freetown Harmony)

**Senior Speech:** Kiera Carruthers (Kensington) and Lucy Bernard (Freetown Harmony)

**Junior Single Demo:** Pierce Handrahan (Elmsdale Beavers)

**Junior Team Demo:** Allison Wells & Maggie Rowe (Elmsdale Beavers) and Lydia Bowness & Emily McLean (Albany Centennial)

The annual **Western Region Leader's Appreciation Banquet** was held on April 26th at the Lotus Garden Restaurant in Kensington and hosted by the Freetown Harmony 4-H Club. In attendance were 36 4-H volunteers and senior members.

This year the western region had five volunteer leaders who reached significant milestones. Gail Wallace of the Kensington 4-H Club was recognized for 40 years of service to the 4-H program, Joan Gardiner of the Lot 16 4-H Club was recognized for 35 years, Susan Simmons of the Kensington 4-H Club was recognized for 30 years, and Brenda Larsen and Maribeth Noonan of the Albany Centennial 4-H Club were both recognized for 25 years.

The **Western Region's Leader Centennial Award** is presented annually to a Western Region leader in grateful appreciation of their outstanding service to 4-H program. This year this award was presented to Joan Gardiner of the Lot 16 4-H Club.

In recognition for their outstanding service to the 4-H in the Western Region we awarded our **2024 Friend of 4-H Award** to The Dairy Farmers of Prince Edward Island. Erik Osinga did our region the honour of attending the banquet to receive to award on behalf of the organization.



Mary Rogers accepting Mabel Carmichael Award for Junior Top First Time Competitor



Most Original Presentation, awarded to Oliver Craig & Benjamin Schofield



Junior Fun Day 2023



Alyson MacLean accepting Top Club Award presented to Lot 16



Keira Carruthers accepting West Top Member Award

### Club Overall Leaders 2023-24

<b>Albany Centennial</b>	Brenda Larsen & Trish Bowness
<b>Elmsdale</b>	Libby Shaw
<b>Evangeline</b>	Jeannette Gallant & Tania Bernard
<b>Freetown Harmony</b>	Jennifer McGuire
<b>Kensington</b>	Rachel McCarthy, Susan Simmons, & Gail Wallace
<b>Lot 16</b>	Joan Gardiner & Sara Gamble

CANADA  
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# CENTRAL *Region*

## Central Region Executive Council 2023-24

<b>President:</b>	Linda Craig
<b>Vice President:</b>	Kim Haslam
<b>Treasurer:</b>	Tricia Sanderson
<b>Secretary:</b>	Karen Edgar
<b>Leader at Large:</b>	Morgan Ings-Bernard
<b>Member at Large:</b>	Katie Hughes

## Club Overall Leaders 2023-24

<b>Cavendish</b>	Nancy Orr
<b>Cherrycliffe</b>	Morgan Ings-Bernard
<b>Dunstaffnage-Marshfield</b>	Linda Craig
<b>Millview-Vernon River</b>	Ellen Kouwenberg & Colleen MacPherson
<b>North River</b>	Dawn & Robert Holmes & Jill Stewart Potts
<b>Wheatley River</b>	Shari MacDonald

The 2023-2024 year proved to be another exciting time for the Central 4-H Region. Membership remained strong, featuring 8 clubs with a total of 210 members, 32 cloverbuds, and 116 dedicated volunteer leaders.

The Regional AGM took place at The Local in Charlottetown on Tuesday, September 26. Representatives from 6 out of the 8 clubs gathered to enjoy a delicious meal and a celebration of awards, honoring the achievements of the past 4-H year. Congratulations were given to the Cavendish 4-H Club for being named Club of the Year for the third consecutive year, as well as to the Dunstaffnage-Marshfield 4-H Club for being the runners-up for 2023-2024.

By early October, all Central Region 4-H clubs were fully operational, welcoming both new and returning members along with volunteer leaders. Throughout the month, members engaged in the annual provincial fundraiser, while some clubs kicked off their club communication events early. Others celebrated with their traditional Fall activities, including Halloween parties, community service projects, and agricultural awareness initiatives.



Cherrycliffe at Junior Day

Millview-Vernon River Community  
Pantry Collection

North River Halloween Party



Cavendish Annual Pumpkin Harvest

Dunstaffnage-Marshfield Christmas  
Carolling

Wheatley River Gift Bags for Seniors



In addition to clubs engaging in their own activities, they also organized several fun events during the 4-H year:

- The Wheatley River 4-H Club hosted a family swim event on January 6. This gathering invited 4-H members and their families to enjoy a night filled with swimming, pizza, and refreshments at the Bell Aliant Centre in Charlottetown. It provides a wonderful opportunity for families to take a break between Christmas and New Year's, while also allowing members from various clubs to connect with one another.
- On April 13, the North River 4-H Club organized another successful bowling party for Intermediate Members at The Alley in Charlottetown. The evening's theme was Fun, Food & Prizes, with members vying for the prestigious titles of "Best Bowler" and "Closest to the Gutter."
- Senior Members took to the lanes in the Burgers and Bowling event at The Alley on April 26. They enjoyed the Alley's yummy "Burger Love" and an evening filled with fun bowling. A big thank you to the Millview-Vernon River 4-H Club for hosting this event once again.
- In early May, Junior members from across the Region gathered for an action-packed Junior Fun Day filled with activities, such as swimming at CARI, engaging STEAM projects with Brilliant Labs, gym games with Holland College students, messy painting, and spring planting. The day concluded with delicious pizza and bowling! This event proved to be a highlight for both Junior members and their chaperones, with many already eager to register for 2025!

Regional Communications took place at the Tracadie Community Centre in late April, where the Cavendish 4-H Club once again demonstrated their outstanding hosting abilities. The event spanned two nights, each attracting a significant number of presenters and family members. This regional gathering provides an opportunity for the best speakers and demonstrators from each club to showcase their presentations. It serves as both a competition and a valuable learning experience for everyone involved. Top speakers from each category were selected to advance to the Provincial Communications Competition in May. Additionally, Laura MacDougall, Annika Trivers, and Charlotte MacLaine from Cavendish 4-H were awarded Communication bursaries of \$500, recognizing them as the Top Senior Presenters in Public Speaking and Demonstrations.

During the summer months, Club Achievement Days were held and served as strong community events. Additionally, the Island Fairs & Exhibitions attracted many participants, showcasing a variety of projects, both livestock and non-livestock, from the Central Region.



Junior Fun Day



Intermediate Fun Day



Regional Communications Competition



# EASTERN *Region*

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## Eastern Region Executive Council 2023-24

President: Molly Loane  
Vice President: Wade Loane  
Treasurer: Karri Ferguson  
Secretary: Joanne Malone

## Club Overall Leaders 2023-24

Brooklyn Heatherdale: Colleen Bacon-Loane  
Grand River East: Sophie MacDonald  
Morell & Area: Taylor Matheson  
Summerville: Johann Holland



Regional Valentines Day Party



Regional Communications Competition



Regional Achievement Day





The 2023-2024 4-H Year saw 61 members and 40 volunteer leaders returning or newly joining the Region's membership. Clubs were able to offer multiple projects, activities and members were able to complete their year with success.

Members completed crafts, sewing, beef, market beef, rabbit, equine, canine, sheep, floriculture, exploring 4-H/Cloverbud projects, and more. While Clubs completed Community Service activities on their own, the Region did offer a Regional Agriculture Awareness activity that was widely attended by members and their families: the Annual Batesville Living Memorial Tree Planting.

In 2023, Morell & Area Club Coordinator, Stephanie Compton made the announcement that she was stepping down from that role and Taylor Matheson was then welcomed in as the club's Club Coordinator! Thank you to Stephanie for all of your years dedicated to 4-H and welcome Taylor to the Eastern 4-H Family!

In March at the Provincial AGM, Summerville leader, Jeff Matheson was voted in as 4-H Provincial Council President. During the Provincial Banquet, Summerville members Victoria Mellish and Skye MacNeill were recognized for their travel awards, and Morell & Area members Jenna and Brittany Pollock were awarded Provincial Project Champion Awards.



Regional Communications was held in April at the Hillcrest United Church. Representatives for the Region were:

*Senior Speakers:* Victoria Mellish (SUM) & Jane Larocque (M&A)

*Intermediate Speakers:* Evelyn Mellish (SUM) & Miah Pigott-Brown (M&A)

*Junior Speakers:* Liam Campbell (GRE) & Drew Young (M&A)

*Jr Single Demo:* Klara Compton (M&A) & Emma O'Flaherty (M&A)

The Phyllis McCabe Memorial Award for Top Senior Speaker was awarded to Victoria Mellish, who also went on to win the Marlene MacDonald Award for Top Senior Speaker at Provincials in May. A congratulations to Joanne MacDonald (B-H) who received 3rd place in Jr. Single Demo at the Provincial Competition.



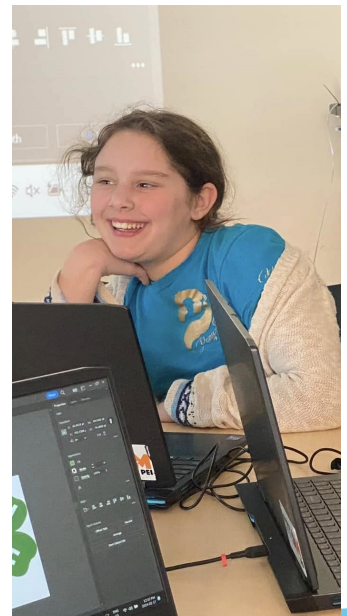
Batesville Tree Planting

The Regional Council held a Regional Achievement Day in July. This was largely because many projects were shared throughout the region and in an effort to be able to offer a fun end-of-the-year event. Achievement Day was very successful, being held at the Dundas Plowing Match Grounds. With inflatable games and rides, face-painting, cotton candy and more! Members, volunteers, and families enjoyed themselves and enjoyed seeing the award presentations to celebrate the hard work that members had put in over the year.

Our members participated in Fairs and Exhibitions throughout the summer, showing their animal as well as their tangible item they completed over the course of the 4-H year. It was great to see our members' hard work pay off! Our members who enrolled in animal projects completed their Achievement Day requirements at the Dundas Plowing Match at the end of August.

# PROVINCIAL Projects

This was the third year offering Provincial Projects to members, and we were able to add even more workshops! Participants were able to show their creations and knowledge through their tangible items on the 4-H Exhibition Circuit in the summer! These projects have been a great opportunity for members from across the Island to connect, learn, and grow with each other. These sessions helped to spark interest in various areas for members. Special thanks to all of our partners & facilitators on these projects, getting to work with new industries is something we always strive to do! We look forward to continuing to grow new opportunities in the future.







**Projects Offered Included:**  
 Beekeeping, Construction,  
 Embroidery, Cake Decorating,  
 Astronomy, S.T.E.A.M., Foods,  
 Wood Turning, Great Outdoors,  
 Blacksmith, Rabbit/Cavy, and Solar  
 Energy.







# 2024 JUNIOR SUMMER CAMP



JULY 10TH-12TH | CAMP TRIUMPH, KENSINGTON



This summer we were happy to host a 3-day overnight camp for our Junior Members at Camp Triumph in Kensington. With 40 kids present, members spent their days climbing the rock walls, learning archery, competing in fun challenges, eating some delicious food, and embracing the 4-H fun spirit! It was a great opportunity to meet new members from across the Island and get to know the members from your club that much more! A huge thank you to our 4-H Leaders Linda Craig and Joan Gardiner, and our Senior Counsellors, Grace Turner, Ella MacPhee, Carly McCarron, and Lauryn Matheson for helping the members to enjoy their time that much more! Thank you to Camp Triumph and their counsellors for leading the week!



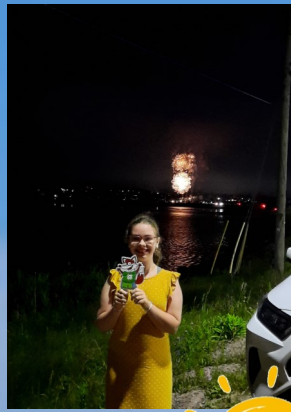




# FRISCO'S Summer Fun

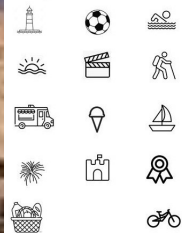
## WACKY WORD SEARCH

As he has the past few summers, Frisco wanted to adventure around our Island this summer- except he made it a bit trickier for the members! 4-Hers from across PEI solved Frisco's Wacky Word Search and found Frisco's Summer Bucket List locations and activities! We always love to see what our members are up to over the summer months and all of the fun that they're having with their favourite fox! Congratulations to the Carruthers Family from Kensington 4-H Club on winning this year's Summer Fun Contest!



## WACKY WORD SEARCH

Need some extra help?  
The picture clues below  
correspond with each word!



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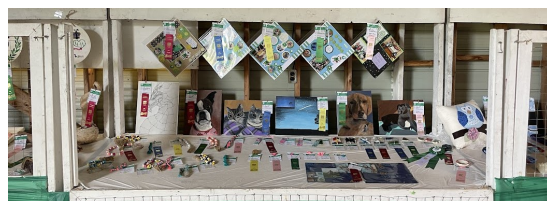
# Exhibition Circuit 2024

The summer Exhibition Circuit is always a highlight for our 4-H members, being able to get in the show ring and see their projects on display is so exciting! 4-H PEI had a presence at Prince County Exhibition, Crapaud Exhibition, Old Home Week, Dundas Plowing Match & Agricultural Fair, and finished off the summer at L'Exposition agricole et le Festival Acadien. Each exhibition and fair had livestock shows, project displays, and hands-on educational activities for visitors at the 4-H display! It is always wonderful to see all the variety of projects that members have accomplished throughout the 4-H year and how their skills have progressed.

## EXHIBITION CIRCUIT

ex•hi•bi•tion      cir•cuit  
/ˌɛksəˈbiʃ(ə)n/    /ˈsɑrkət/

1. A term widely used in 4-H PEI during June, July and August
2. The series of events in which 4-H projects travel to during the summer for display - Beginning Alberton or Crapaud, onto Old Home Week and Dundas, ending in Evangeline
3. A method of displaying the talents of 4-H members and promoting the program





# 4-H PEI Trust



4-H PEI has been providing youth with leadership development opportunities for more than 100 years. The Trust was originally established for the purpose of providing funds to be used for programs and services of benefit to the 4-H movement, its leaders, and members. Since 1987, \$88,650 has been awarded in Trust grants to Clubs, Regions or Provincial opportunities to support activities and resources beyond the typical 4-H year.

When you support Prince Edward Island 4-H Trust, you are investing in the futures leaders of our clubs, our communities, our country and the world.

## Recent Grants have:

- Supported the Western Region's regional Achievement Day
- Assisted the North River 4-H Club with creating new outdoor signage for their clubhouse
- Helped Kensington 4-H Club develop, print, and distribute a local cookbook
- Subsidized Wheatley River & North River 4-H Clubs curling project
- Financed Provincial 4-H Senior weekend
- Purchased fruit trees for Wheatley River 4-H Club's local community garden
- Contributed to Lot 16 4-H Club's 2024 Achievement Day
- Funded the construction of a Little Library at Cherrycliffe 4-H Club's meeting hall
- Helped Evangeline 4-H Club paint the basement floor of Church Hall

These activities are possible because of the generous donations by individuals and businesses from across PEI. The Trust has identified the need to continue to grow our financial assets as there continues to be an increased number of requests each year from the over 400 members & 250 volunteer leaders in 16 4-H clubs across PEI.

Your donations will ensure the long term viability of the 4-H program here on PEI.

For more information you can email [pei4had@gmail.com](mailto:pei4had@gmail.com)

Payment by cheque made payable to PEI 4-H Trust (Mail to PEI 4-H Office | 40 Enman Crescent, Suite 235 Box 2000 | Charlottetown, PE C1A7N8) or e-transfers to [pei4hoffice@gmail.com](mailto:pei4hoffice@gmail.com) (Please include in the comments that it is for "4-H Trust")



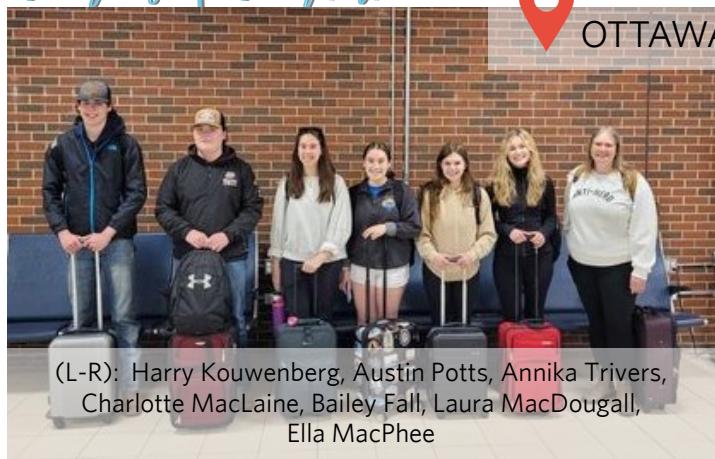
# 2023-2024

## TRAVEL OPPORTUNITIES

### Citizenship Congress



OTTAWA, ON



(L-R): Harry Kouwenberg, Austin Potts, Annika Trivers, Charlotte MacLaine, Bailey Fall, Laura MacDougall, Ella MacPhee

### Members forum



TORONTO, ON

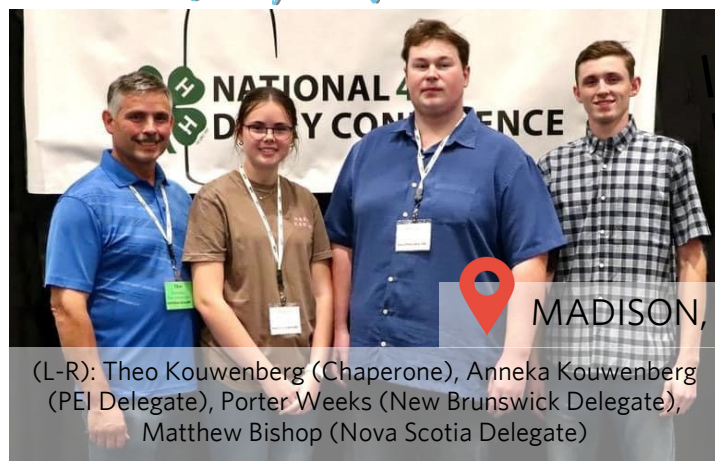


(L-R): William Sanderson, Brenden Carr, Ella MacPhee, Maven Lavoie, Rogan Lavoie, Keira Carruthers, April Carr (Chaperone)

### National Dairy Conference



MADISON, WI



(L-R): Theo Kouwenberg (Chaperone), Anneka Kouwenberg (PEI Delegate), Porter Weeks (New Brunswick Delegate), Matthew Bishop (Nova Scotia Delegate)

This 4-H Year was one of the biggest for Travel Opportunities. Seven of our members started the year by travelling to Ottawa for Citizenship Congress, then in April we had the pleasure of sending some of our PEI volunteer leaders to Vancouver to take part in 4-H Canada's Leadership Summit. Two of our members went international, partaking in a Canada to Ireland 4-H program in May. In the fall months, one PEI 4-Her travelled to the US to learn more about the Dairy industry in North America at the National Dairy Conference. And finishing off the year, we were happy to send seven members to Toronto for Members Forum with 4-H Canada. We are excited to see what the next year brings for our members!

### Leadership Summit



VANCOUVER, BC



(L-R): Robert Larsen, Kelly Hughes, Ella Doucette, Fred Vanderkloet, Neleah Lavoie, Taylor Matheson, Alyssa MacLean, Dawn Holmes, Rayanne Frizzell, Colleen Bacon-Loane

### 4-H Canada visits Ireland



IRELAND



Brayden Carruthers & Karlin Larter



# 4-H PEI '23|'24

## LEADER APPRECIATION



In the 2023-2024 4-H year, staff was lucky enough to hold two appreciation events for our leaders all across the Island.

In November, our leaders gathered at the Cymbria Lions Club for an evening of delicious food, winter crafts, mingling, and education. Both leaders and staff were able to discuss the good that is happening within 4-H across the Island, and what can be added in the years to come! We want to thank 'Ship to Shore' catering for providing us with a delicious meal.

In April, leaders attended an event hosted at Belvedere Golf Club for a meal, and then following, local comedian, Katherine Cairns entertained our leaders for the remainder of the evening. Thank you to the staff of Belvedere Golf Club for preparing the food and welcoming 4-H into the venue.

The 4-H program truly could not happen without the dedication of our volunteer leaders across the island, 4-H Staff are always so excited to be able to give back and treat volunteers to a night out with other 4-H leaders.

A huge thank you to all who were able to attend and made each of these events possible!





## The 25th annual 4-H PEI Provincial Judging Competition

took place over 3 evenings across PEI.

Our judges throughout the competition were very impressed with the members over each of the evenings. Thank you to our judges, Alex MacKinnon, Brandon Malone, Lynda Ramsay, Lesley Evison, James Worth, and Les Halliday for giving your time, efforts, and supplies for the competition.

### Junior Division Results

1st Alyson MacLean, Lot 16  
2nd Henry Godfrey, North River  
3rd Konor Younker, North River

### Intermediate Division Results

1st Maria MacPherson, Wheatley River  
2nd Emma O'Flaherty, Morell & Area  
3rd Alexis Holmes, North River

### Senior Division Results

1st Jenna Pollock, Morell & Area  
2nd Brittany Pollock, Morell & Area  
3rd Cassidy Holmes, North River

Chloe Whalen from the Millview-Vernon River Club was selected to represent 4-H PEI at the Canadian National 4-H & Youth Judging Competition in November during Agribition in Regina.

We are extremely grateful to the sponsor of this event, [PEI Mutual Insurance Company](#).

It is only because of our dedicated volunteers that we are able to run this event year after year. We want to extend a huge thank you to Sherri Pineau, Morgan Ings-Bernard, Molly Loane, Alex Dixon, and Lorna Thompson for volunteering your evenings to such a great opportunities for our members.



Group photo of all participants and sponsors!



*Hello my name is Chloe Whalen. I was fortunate enough to be offered the spot on the Maritime judging team heading up to the Canadian Western Agribition in Regina Saskatchewan. My experience at CWA*

*was incredible. I met lots of great cattlemen/cattlegirls and competed against a tough group of young 4-H members and university judging teams. There were many different challenges to the competition but nonetheless the experience made it all worth the trip. While at CWA I was able to see my sisters who I haven't seen in months, I met many new people and was able to see a prestigious line up of cattle of many different breeds. This opportunity was something in which I can look back on with great memories as well!*



Junior Division 1st Place  
**Alyson MacLean**



Intermediate Division  
1st Place  
**Maria MacPherson**



Senior Division 1st Place  
**Jenna Pollock**

Thank you to Alyssa MacLean, from PEI Mutual Insurance Company for attending the event to hand out these awards!





# PEI Easter Beef Show & Sale

Eastlink Centre, Charlottetown  
March 14 & 15, 2024

2024 had **16** members complete the Market Beef  
Beef Project. Congratulations to all!

## Junior Showmanship

- 1<sup>st</sup> Konor Younker, North River
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Cassidy Hambly, North River
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Harper Ramsay, North River

## Intermediate Showmanship

- 1<sup>st</sup> Bella Rae Matheson, Summerville
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Nolan Potts, North River

## Senior Showmanship

- 1<sup>st</sup> Parker Smith, North River
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Isabella Acorn, Grand River East
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Madison Pirch, Millview-Vernon River

## Charolais Class

- 1<sup>st</sup> Austin Potts, North River

## Heifer Class

- 1<sup>st</sup> Isabella Acorn, Grand River East
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Bella Rae Matheson, Summerville
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Caleb Drake, Millview-Vernon River

## Hereford Class

- 1<sup>st</sup> Isaac Drake, Millview Vernon-River
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Konor Younker, North River

## Maine Anjou Class

- 1<sup>st</sup> Parker Smith, North River
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Gabrielle Naddy, Millview Vernon-River

## Shorthorn Class

- 1<sup>st</sup> Alex Godfrey, North River

## Simmental Class

- 1<sup>st</sup> Daniel Naddy, Millview-Vernon River
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Madison Pirch, Millview-Vernon River
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Nolan Potts, North River

## Angus Class

- 1<sup>st</sup> Harper Ramsay, North River
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Helene Francis, Freetown

## Any Other Breed Class

- 1<sup>st</sup> Cassidy Hambly, North River
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Addison Potts, North River

## Green Diamond 4-H Calf to Market Class:

- Hayden Ramsay, North River

**Champion Showman. (Glen Cotton Memorial) :** Parker Smith

**Res. Champ Showmanship:** Isabella Acorn

**Champion Conformation (Joe Doyle Memorial):** Parker Smith

**Res. Champ. (Wendell MacQuarrie Memorial):** Cassidy Hambly

**Top First Year Showing:** Cassidy Hambly

**4-Her of the Day (Tom Sanderson Memorial):** Bella Rae Matheson

**Junior Member Award:** Cassidy Hambly

**Intermediate Member Award:** Bella Rae Matheson

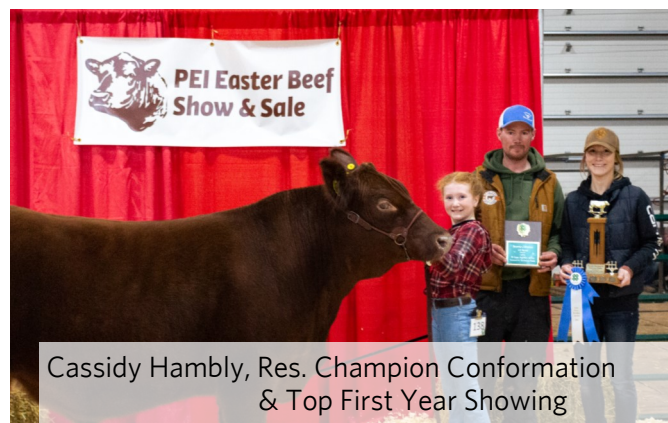
**Senior Member Award:** Parker Smith

**Overall Member (Jamie Irving Memorial):** Parker Smith

**Youngest Showperson:** Alex Godfrey



Parker Smith, Champion Conformation  
& Champion Showman



Cassidy Hambly, Res. Champion Conformation  
& Top First Year Showing



Bella Rae Matheson, 4-Her of the Day  
(award presented by Robert Larsen)



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**4-H PEI  
Beef Team  
2024**

L-R: Austin Potts (North River), Caleb Drake (Millview-Vernon River), Parker Smith (North River), Isaac Drake (Millview-Vernon River), Vance Lawless (Freetown), Chloe Whalen (Millview-Vernon River), Gabrielle Naddy (Millview-Vernon River), Cassidy Holmes (North River)



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**4-H PEI  
Dairy Team  
2024**

Back Row (L-R): Anneka Versteeg (Wheatley River), Sarah Versteeg (Wheatley River), Jacob McGuire (Freetown), Hayden McGuire (Freetown)  
Front Row (L-R): Ella MacPherson (Wheatley River), Jocelyn Versteeg (Wheatley River), Ainsley MacPherson (Wheatley River), Reagan Bouma (Freetown)





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