

January - September 2025

Larimer Dairy Project

Lease A Dairy & Dairy Owned



January 25' Agenda

- Dairy Leaders
- Project Expectations
- Record Books
- Monthly Meetings
- Enrollment
- Hoards Dairyman
- Dairy Shows & Fair
- Communication
- Q & A



**Welcome to all our
members**

Claire Evelyn Sofia Addison

Lincoln Hollyn Keegan Charlotte Greyson

Hagen

Brielle

Sarah

Anna

Genesis

Gracie

Charlotte

Amelia

Selen

Gideon

Braxton

Harrison

Dani

Rowan

Cope

Honorary Leader



Ms. Shari

Shari is the reason we have a Lease A Dairy program in Larimer County. She has spent the last 25+ years making this program the best it can be. Shari will be around when she can to help clip and teach you about dairy life. We hope to see her at Extravaganza in Greeley and for sure at the County Fair!

Leaders



Jennifer

15 years in the Dairy Project
as a parent volunteer



Stan

Lifelong 4-Her, cattle
wrangler and ring steward



Amanda

Dairyman and expert at all
things related to cattle

Larimer Dairy Project

Dairy Expectations

Lease A Dairy
Own your own





Own your Own

Several of our members do own their own animals. These members are responsible for the health and well being of their herd.



Dairy
Sponsor

Lease A Dairy (LAD)

- Choose 3 animals for your project
- Choose at least 2 different breeds
- Choose at least 2 different age groups (winter, spring, fall heifers)
- Work with your animal at least 4 hours a month - once a week
- FILL OUT OUR ONLINE LEASE A DAIRY AGREEMENT PRIOR TO CHOOSING YOUR ANIMAL

<https://larimerdairyproject.com/lease-a-dairy-rules-regulations/>



Expectations

Transportation

Getting your animals to and from shows is one of the most important parts of show preparation.

We do have several members in our project that own livestock trailers and can help members get their animals to shows. If you own a trailer or can get access to one, please let us know so we can organize cattle trips.



Expectations

Clipping/Fitting

We will clip our animals twice during our dairy season. Once before the Greeley show and again before the county fair.

Our project does own a few sets of clippers to share and it can take up to 3 hours to clip one animal. We will have a sign up sheet prior to each show to schedule clipping and we will be there to help guide members.

Showing Ready

Showing Your Dairy Show



Expectations

Clothing

At our county fair we require all dairy showmen to wear white collared shirts and white pants during showmanship and breed shows.

Basic Dairy Equipment

- Curry Comb
- Fly Spray
- Rope Halter
- Soft Brush
- Cow Treats
- Rubber Boots
- Hand wipes
- Old Towels



Intermediate Livestock Record



COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY
EXTENSION

For Use by Members 11-13 Years Old

Larimer County 4-H

Record Books

E-record Books

Projects you are in this year and fill out name, etc. Then print and sign this form at the start of your project.

Market	Years in Project	Breeding/Egg Production	Years in Project

Name _____

4-H Club _____

4-H County _____

Birth Date _____

Age as of December 31 _____

Other Livestock	Years in Project

PROJECT AGREEMENT

To be signed at the beginning of your 4-H project year.

I will be responsible for feed, care, and management of my animals. I will keep good records and finish my record book to complete my project. I will be responsible for management decisions concerning the health, welfare, profitability, and product quality of my project.

Member Signature _____

Date _____

As a parent or supporter, I realize that animal projects require a considerable amount of expense and labor. I will support this youth in his/her efforts and allow him/her to learn as much as possible from the experience. The youth is expected to be responsible for labor, care, and management decisions affecting the project. I will help where needed by giving guidance and instruction.

Parent Signature _____

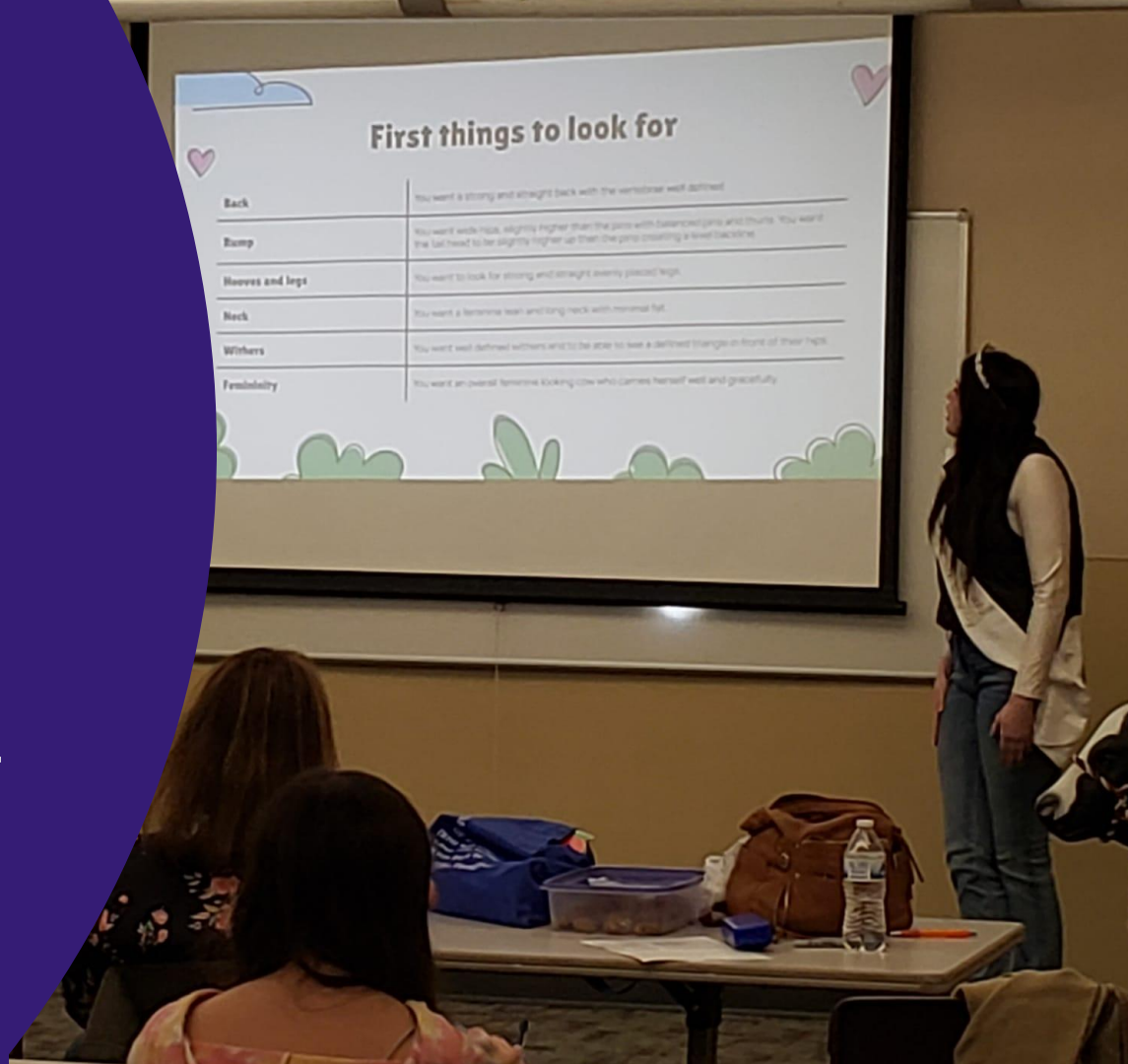
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Records must be printed in landscape format. Records may be completed on the computer or neatly handwritten.

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Monthly Meetings

75% Attendance Required for LAD - you can miss only 1 meeting



First things to look for

Back	You want a strong and straight back with the vertebrae well defined
Rump	You want wide hips, slightly higher than the pins with balanced pins and thighs. You want the fat head to be slightly higher up than the pins creating a level backline
Hooves and legs	You want to look for strong and straight evenly placed legs
Neck	You want a feminine lean and long neck with minimal fat
Withers	You want well defined withers and to be able to see a defined triangle in front of their hips
Femininity	You want an overall feminine looking cow who carries herself well and gracefully

Monthly Meetings

- Learn Showmanship and Clipping
- Tying halters & packing tack boxes
- How to turn in Fair Entry Forms
- Learn about your record books
- Meet other members
- Win Door Prizes
- Dairy ID's - pictures of your animal turned into 4-H Online
- Dairy Nutrition
- Selling Carnival Tickets



Larimer Dairy Project

Hoards Dairyman

Dairy Judging

Hoards Dairy Judging Due

Sunday, March 9th

email or text results to Jennifer

RD'S DAIRYMAN

ational Dairy Farm Magaz



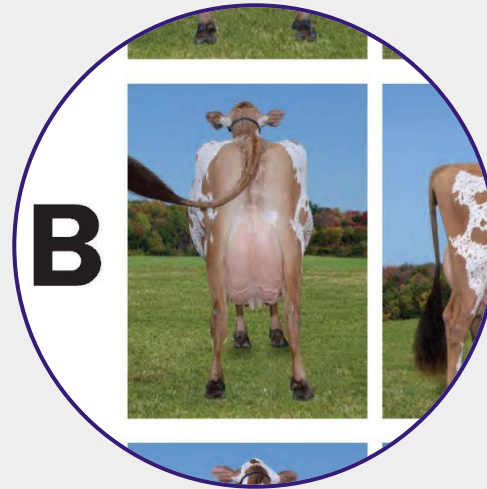
Hoards Dairyman

<https://youtu.be/zbtBWZrgCbQ>



Scorecard

- Udder is 40%
- Dairy Strength %25
- Feet and Legs 20%
- Frame 15%



Learn Parts of the Cow

Dairy judging is a great way to learn the parts of the animal. Show judges may ask you these questions



Tie Breaker

All LAD members are required to participate in Hoards Dairyman.

Larimer County 4-H

Dairy Shows & County Fair

Little American Royal
Greeley Dairy Extravaganza
Larimer County Fair



Little American Royal



Friday, May 2nd in Kersey at Platte Valley High School

- Great time for new members and LAD members to come and support and learn from other members
- Mostly attended by those that own their animals, unless your Dairy gives you permission to attend with your animal.
- Outdoor show and it almost always rains, hails or thunders by 4pm

Greeley Dairy Youth Extravaganza



Friday May 30 - Sunday, June 1st at Island Grove Park

- 3 day show and one we strongly recommend everyone attend
- Cost is \$50/member, show shirt included
- Learn clipping, showmanship and dairy quiz bowl. Hang out with your new friends and sleep in the barn!

Larimer County Fair



August 1 - 5th at The Ranch in Loveland

- Requirement for LAD to participate in the fair in showmanship, poster contest and breed show
- You must register online in June with Fair Entry
- Your RECORD BOOK must be turned in at stall set up and up to date before you can show your animal.

Dairy Royalty



Apply by July 20th

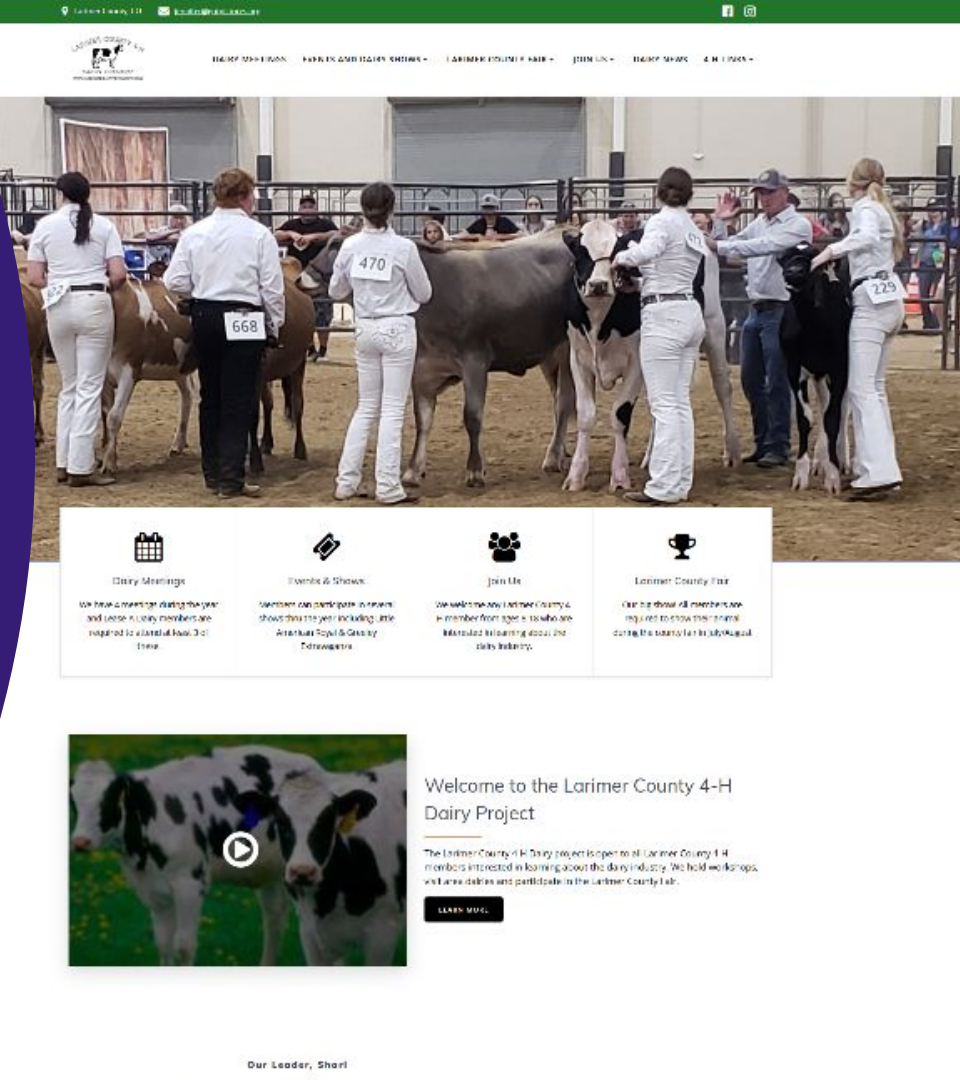
- 2+ year member in the dairy project
- Attend all our dairy workshops (Jan-April)
- Hand out awards and ribbons at the Greeley Dairy Extravaganza and County Fair

<https://larimerdairyproject.com/larimer-county-fair/>

Larimer Dairy Project

Staying Informed

larimerdairyproject.com
Facebook/Instagram
GroupMe app



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Dairy Meetings

We have a meeting during the year and those in dairy numbers are required to attend two (2) of these.



Events & Shows

Members can participate in various shows throughout the year including the American Royal & Grand National Cattle Shows.



Join Us

We welcome you to Larimer County 4-H membership from ages 8 to who are interested in learning about the dairy industry.



Larimer County Fair

Our top 1000 4-H members are required to show their animals during the county fair in July/August.



Welcome to the Larimer County 4-H Dairy Project

The Larimer County 4-H Dairy Project is open to all Larimer County 4-H members interested in learning about the dairy industry. We hold workshops, visit area dairies and participate in the Larimer County Fair.

LEARN MORE

Our Leader, Shari

Dairy Communications

- Website - larimerdairyproject.com
- Facebook - [larimer county dairy project](https://www.facebook.com/larimercountydairyproject)
- Instagram - [@larimerdairy](https://www.instagram.com/larimerdairy)
- GroupMe - [Phone App](#)
- Google Calendar - [Dairy Calendar](#)



USDA

Avian Flu and other illness in Dairy Cattle

Illness can hit a dairy at any time during our season. Last year, 1 month before the county fair, our LAD members were told they would not be able to bring their animals to the fair. Decisions of the dairies are final.

Let's



Get



Excited!



Any Questions?

Sticker Bank

Copy and paste an emoji to add to your slides!

