

## WHAT 4-H CAN DO FOR YOU!

- Learn to care for, train, and show animals
- Learn record keeping on feed, and other costs
- Participate in competitive 4-H events
- Earn ribbons and premiums for your efforts
- Complete project books
- Participate in 4-H Club Field Trips
- Make new friends while sharing a common interest
- Attend club meetings once a month

**4-H Motto:**  
**“TO MAKE THE BEST BETTER”**



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## Botetourt 4-H Kids & Critters Club



### For Boys & Girls

ages 9—19  
as of  
September 30  
of the  
current 4-H year  
&  
**4-H Cloverbuds**  
ages 5 — 8





# Botetourt County 4-H Kids & Critters Club



## WHO ARE WE?

The Botetourt County 4-H Kids & Critters Club members are a diverse group of boys and girls with different animal interests including livestock, pets and poultry. The club was organized to provide the youth of Botetourt County opportunities to learn about animal care, and show livestock and poultry.

## WHO CAN JOIN?

The Club is open to youth between the ages of 9 — 19; and younger youth ages 5—8 (Cloverbuds) as of September 30th of the current 4-H year. Any youth with an interest in animals, who wants to learn more and be with others with similar interests may join. Not all club members are experienced with livestock; many join without owning their own livestock.

## HOW TO JOIN?

Come to the club's monthly meeting. Contact the Virginia Cooperative Extension—Botetourt Office at 540/473-8260 or carterke@vt.edu for club meeting dates/time and more information.

## WHAT DO WE DO?

Hold monthly 4-H club meetings

- Elect officers
- Conduct club business
- Educational programs and guest speakers
- Plan activities, field trips, community service projects, and more!
- Prepare for competitive animal events

All members enroll in at least one 4-H project book and are encouraged to complete it as a way to learn more about their project, as well as a means of recording 4-H activities for the year.

Members are encouraged to participate in 4-H activities, such as the Roanoke Area Livestock Show, Botetourt County Fair, Poultry Chain & more!

Members participate in community service projects. Recent projects have included assembling and delivering Thanksgiving baskets. Decorating a themed club float to participate in the local parade. Volunteering at the Roanoke Valley SPCA and local food pantries.

## Upcoming Events for 2014—2015:

- All about goats and cheese making
- Wildlife Adventures and Pelt Identification
- Get on the Chicken Chain
- Raising Lambs & Goats for 4-H Projects
- Have a Heart: Valentine's Day for those Less Fortunate
- Getting Ready for the Botetourt County Fair: What can I bring?

