



2024-  
2025

IRON COUNTY 4-H

ACHIEVEMENT  
NIGHT PROGRAM

KIMBALL COMMUNITY CENTER  
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2025  
4:00 - 6:00 PM



UW-MADISON EXTENSION



# 2024-2025 IRON COUNTY 4-H CLUBS

## IRON COUNTY 4-H GREEN TEAM

### ENROLLED LEADERS:

Amanda Jewell, Kari Klemme, Neil Klemme,  
Emily Moore, Paul Tijan, Stacy Wood

### ENROLLED MEMBERS:

(Members in bold achieved):

**Wynter Binz, McKennen Gerbig,**  
**Azaylia Jewell, Wysteria Jewell,**  
**Braeden Klemme, Kasey Klemme, Meah Luoma, Ryley Nyquist,**  
October Oja, Snow Oja, **Zoe Raymond, Lydia Risik, Sam Risik, Serena**  
**Tauer, Brendan Tijan, Bruce Tijan, Roarke Tijan, Jake VanEpern**

### CLUB OFFICERS:

President - Braeden Klemme  
Vice President - Roarke Tijan  
Treasurer - Jake VanEpern  
Secretary - Lydia Risik  
Reporter - Wynter Binz







# PENOKEE RANGE LIVESTOCK CLUB

## ENROLLED LEADERS:

Kristina Cole, Chelsea DeRosso, Scott DeRosso, Farah Erickson, Jerry Hitter, Kellie Hitter, Andrew Laurin, Jenna Laurin, Courtney Maslanka, Joe Maslanka, Ashley Passuello, Tina Romosz, Holly Swartz, Marcus Swartz, Kendra Thewis, Peter Thewis, Lisa Grimsby

## ENROLLED MEMBERS (Members in bold achieved):

**Bella DeRosso, Brodie Erickson, Piper Hitter, Samantha Hitter, Taylor Hitter, Everett Laurin, Peyton Maslanka, Piper Romosz, Parker Sivula, Leighton Swartz, **Skyler Thewis, Starr Thewis, Alexandra Tolemy, Nicholas Walesewicz, Angeline Wiita, Madelyn Wiita, Michael Wiita****

## CLUB OFFICERS:

President - Brodie Erickson

Vice President - Nicholas Walesewicz

Secretary - Taylor Hitter

Treasurer - Peyton Maslanka







# ADVENTURERS OF THE NORTH 4-H CLUB

## ENROLLED LEADERS:

David Lutz, Penny Lutz, Deb Swartz

## ENROLLED MEMBERS (Members in bold achieved):

**Wyatt Elenbaas, Karly Gervais, Luke Juoni, Max Juoni, Charlie Ofstad, Viola Ofstad, Adalyn Rice,** Elsie Swartz, Parker Swartz, Benjamin Yurchak, Norah Yurchak

## CLUB OFFICERS:

President - Viola Ofstad

Vice President - Max Juoni

Secretary - Vacant

Treasurer - Luke Juoni







# SISU ENDURANCE TEAM CROSS COUNTRY SKI CLUB

Members and coaches in bold participated in the SET XC Ski Club's race team!

## ENROLLED LEADERS:

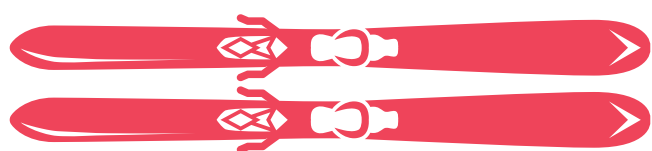
Jessica Backman, Neil Klemme, **Josh Lehrkamp**, **Colleen Matula**, **Hannah Panci**

## YOUTH LEADERS:

Serena Tauer

## ENROLLED MEMBERS:

**Annika Andresen**, Sten Andresen, Olivia Backman, Elin Brand, **Marlo Brand**, Kyrie Carlton, Brooklynne Coulter, Lucas Cryan, Liam Haas, Lydia Heathman, Lyla Heathman, **Elise Holloway**, **Siri Jacobson**, Kiarra Kauppi, Andrew Lawson, **Bryce Lehrkamp**, Owen Lehrkamp, **William Lehrkamp**, Jameson Loeffler, Kylie Loeffler, Tyson Madison, Xavier Mata, Madeline McPherson, Soren Rulseh, Brycen Ruppel, Liam Ruppel, Willow Ruppel, Ezri Schmidt, Tasha Schmidt, Clara Schoone, Ryan Schoone, **Liam Schoeller**, **Evan Sim**, Charlotte Spaniel, Jedi Spaniel, Angel St. John, **Grace Tuzee**, **Ryan Tuzee**, Axel Warren



*SET Race Team members and coaches started early practices in October that included roller ski workouts on the the Iron Belle Trail.*







# SISU ENDURANCE TEAM RUNNING CLUB

## ENROLLED LEADERS:

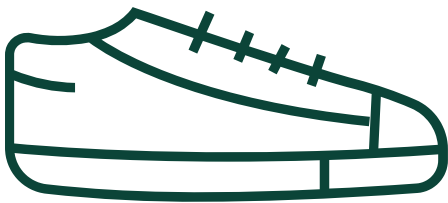
Jessica Backman, Leah Nikula

## NON-ENROLLED VOLUNTEERS/PARENT HELPERS:

Donna Gering, Rob Freeman, Krista Granroth, Tony Lupino, Michael & Rachelle McPherson

## ENROLLED MEMBERS:

Annika Andresen, Marlo Brand, Jamie Brushhaber, Isaac Granroth, Siri Jacobson, Matthew Lupino, Dexter Madison, Josiah Minier, Jonathan Minier, October Oja, Snow Oja, Harper Pietrocatelli, Janelle Prindle, Max Thompson, Alaina Thompson, Axel Warren







# 2024-2025 IRON COUNTY 4-H LEADERS

Thank you to our 2024-2025 Leaders who volunteer countless hours of their time to the Iron County 4-H program. Thank you for all you do!

Kierstin Andresen  
Jessica Beckman  
Kristina Cole  
Chelsea DeRosso  
Scott DeRosso  
Farah Erickson  
Joyce Gayan  
Jason Geach  
Melissa Geach  
Duane Gulan  
Lisa Grimsby  
Jerry Hitter  
Kellie Hitter  
Rebecca Holm  
Amanda Jewell  
Kari Klemme  
Neil Klemme  
Andrew Laurin  
Jenna Laurin

Josh Lehrkamp  
David Lutz  
Penny Lutz  
Courtney Maslanka  
Joe Maslanka  
Colleen Matula  
Emily Moore  
Leah Nikula  
Hannah Panci  
Ashley Passuello  
Greg Ramme  
Tina Romosz  
Deb Swartz  
Holly Swartz  
Marcus Swartz  
Serena Tauer  
Kendra Thewis  
Peter Thewis  
Paul Tijan  
Stacy Wood  
Karl Zinsmaster





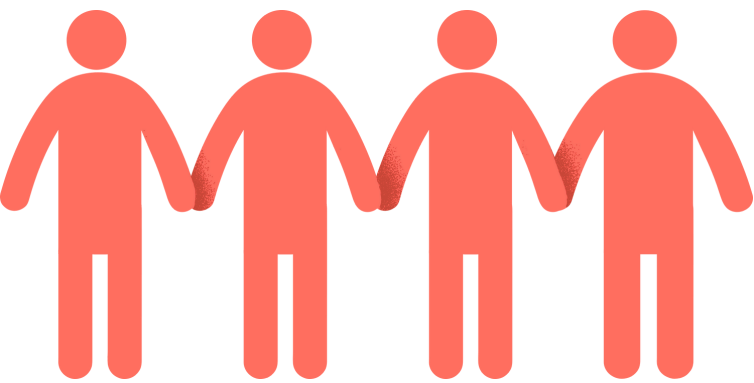
# 2024-2025 COMMUNITY SERVICE

Each club participated in a variety of community service projects this past year, ranging anywhere from cleaning up the roadway on County C near the Gile Flowage, making Christmas cards for area nursing homes, volunteering at community events, and more!

Annika Andresen  
Wynter Binz  
Marlo Brand  
Bella DeRosso  
Wyatt Elenbaas  
Brodie Erickson  
McKennen Gerbig  
Karly Gervais  
Piper Hitter  
Samantha Hitter  
Taylor Hitter  
Luke Juoni  
Max Juoni  
Azaylia Jewell  
Wysteria Jewell

Braeden Klemme  
Kasey Klemme  
Bryce Lehrkamp  
Will Lehrkamp  
Meah Luoma  
Peyton Maslanka  
Ryley Nyquist  
Charlie Ofstad  
Viola Ofstad  
Zoe Raymond  
Adalyn Rice  
Lydia Risik  
Sam Risik  
Piper Romosz  
Parker Sivula

Elsie Swartz  
Leighton Swartz  
Parker Swartz  
Serena Tauer  
Skyler Thewis  
Starr Thewis  
Brendan Tijan  
Bruce Tijan  
Roarke Tijan  
Alex Tolemy  
Jake VanEpern  
Nicholas Walesewicz  
Ben Yurchak  
Norah Yurchak



*Pictured top right: SET Race Team members volunteered their time to assist with trail work efforts at Miners Memorial Park. Pictured bottom right: Penokee Range Livestock members pose with the Christmas baskets they assembled and later delivered, in partnership with the Town of Kimball and Kimball Volunteer Fire Department.*





# 2024-2025 4-H PIE AUCTION

Thank you to the 2025 Iron County 4-H pie auction bakers and buyers for making this year's auction a huge success! Check out our buyers and bakers, in no particular order.

## BUYERS:

Ashland Area Veterinary Clinic, Binz Bros Well Drilling, Black Cat Farms, Double R Farm, Driftwood Bar & Campground, Family Of Doris And Bob Ofstad, Frontier Bar, Iron County Fire Chief's Association, Jim Swartz, John Kutz, Neil & Kari Klemme, Serena Tauer, Emily Moore, Knock Knock Penny, Kretzschmar Holsteins, Lulich Implement, Minocqua Chevrolet, O'Dovero Meat Market, Paws In Time Pet Cremation, Quality Collision, Ragged Ass Syrup Company, R.E.D. Construction, Inc., Rowe Forest Products, Saxon Harbor Boating Club, Snowbelt Longbeards, Spring Creek Beef Farm, Tree Removal, Inc., White Thunder Riders

## BAKERS:

Stacey Wiercinski, Karina Saari, Wynter Binz, Brooke Marczak, **Stevie Lafortune (Reserve Grand Champion)**, Jamie Ofstad, Pat Mccullough, Norah Yurchak, Karina Saari, Luke Juoni, Wynter Binz, Joyce Gayan, Toni Ratkowski, Sarah Rowe, Jeanne Matchefts, Becky Koivisto, Corinne Ofstad Blomberg, General Donation, Joyce Gayan, Carrie Kirtland, **Ava Innes (Youth Grand Champion and Youth Reserve Grand Champion)**, **Deborah Leonard (Honorable Mention)**, **Azaylia Jewell (Youth Honorable Mention)**, Roarke Tijan, Iris Rowe, Carol Saari, Benjamin Yurchak, **Deborah Leonard (Grand Champion)**, Nancy Garrelts, Carol Saari

*Thank you to our pie judges, Peter Thewis, Jason Rowe, Paul Samardich, and special guest judge, Miss Wisconsin, Willow Newell. We also want to thank our auctioneers Nolan Salzmann.*

*With your support, \$22,025 was raised for during the pie auction. Pictured right is Jason Rowe (Quality Collision) and Ava Innes. Jason was not only a pie judge but placed a record \$2550 bid for Ava's youth grand champion pie. Thank you to Jason, our buyers and bakers for making this year's auction a sweet success!*





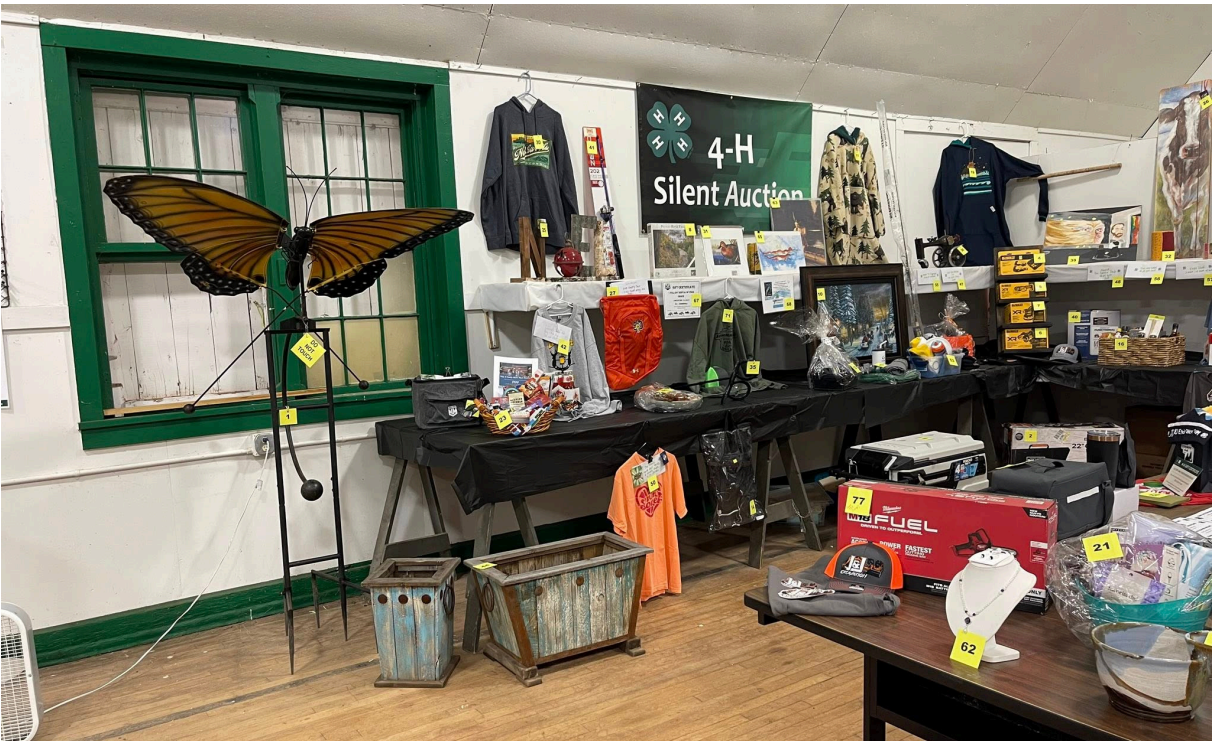
# 2024-2025 4-H SILENT AUCTION

Thank you to the businesses & individuals who donated to this year's 4-H silent auction, which raised just over \$5,200. Also thank you to the many 4-H families who helped collect donations!



## 2025 Iron County 4-H Silent Auction Donors:

906 Beauty, Abelman Clothing, Adventurers of the North 4-H Club, Amber Guglielmotto, Angelina Wiita, Anglers All, Around the Corner Pub, B&B Adventures, Bella Graiser, Ben Franklin, Cary Mine Market, Cathy Techtmann, CETUSA (Deb Swartz), Cold Iron Brewery, Curt's Creations, Dan Rowe, Dark Side Pyrography, Duck's Unlimited-Jesse Vokolek, Eagle Bluff Golf Course, Gene Clemons, Gogebic Community College, Green Team 4-H Club, Gus Macker Basketball, Hitt's Fine Furniture, Impulsive Necessities at Whimsies, Iron County 4-H, Janette Christie, Jamie Ofstad Custom Crafts, Jesika Cane Art & Pottery Studio, J&J Excavation and Land Clearing Services, Johnny's Bar & Grill Mercer, Jordan Essentials (Deb Swartz), Late Run Coffee, Lulich Implement, Luoma's Saxon Pub, Mattson's TV and Appliance, Mike Magdziak, Nails by Amanda, Nasi Constructions, NICER, North Star Beverage, Northwood Accents, Odonata Art Gallery, O'Reilly Auto, Ofstad Sales & Service, Park Point Marina Inn, Penokee Range Livestock Club, Pine Lake Lodge, Ragged Ass Syrup, Don & Kim Rice, Sharon's, Leah Simonich, Snow's Family Market, Stoffel's Country Store, Sunshine's Agriculture Farm Experience, Swartz Seamless Gutters, Tahoe Lynx Golf Course, Taste of Wisconsin, The Key to Escape, Three Eagles-Ashland, True North Wellness, Turtle River Trading Company, Wampum Shop, Yukon 51





# 2025 LIVESTOCK AUCTION PURCHASERS

The Penokee Range Livestock Club would like to thank all of the buyers and those that supported the youth by placing bids during the 2025 Market Sale at the Iron County Fair.



## STEERS

**Taylor Hitter (Grand Champion) - Bretting Manufacturing**

**Peyton Maslanka (Reserve Grand Champion) - Saint's Hardware**

Brodie Erickson - Enbridge

Samantha Hitter - Swartz Trucking & Excavating LLC & Future Plumbing LLC

Parker Sivula - Lulich Implement

Nick Walesewicz - Mattson's TV & Appliance

## BROILERS

**Piper Hitter (Grand Champion) - Double R Farm & Swartz Trucking & Excavating LLC**

**Everett Laurin (Reserve Grand Champion) - Sharon's Coffee Company**

Bella DeRosso - Stoffel's Country Store

Alex Tolemy - Somero Construction

## LAMB

**Skyler Thewis (Grand Champion) - Big Axe Firewood**

**Starr Thewis (Reserve Grand Champion) - Superior Lawn Care**

Piper Romosz - Sandhill Land Services LLC

## TURKEYS

**Skyler Thewis (Grand Champion) - Rat's Animal Feed**

## HOGS

**Peyton Maslanka (Grand Champion) - Enbridge**

**Bella DeRosso (Reserve Grand Champion) - J&J Excavation Services**

Starr Thewis - Lulich Implement

Piper Hitter - Stoffel's Country Store

Samantha Hitter - Rick & Marie Swartz

Alex Tolemy - Tree Removal Inc.

Parker Sivula - Rick & Marie Swartz and Dean Sherrell

Taylor Hitter - Mattson's TV & Appliance

Nick Walesewicz - Rice Family





# 4-H EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCES

It's great to see Iron County 4-H'ers taking advantage of educational experiences Wisconsin 4-H offers. Thank you to the Iron County 4-H Leaders Association and anyone who donated to fundraising efforts to help make these experiences accessible to our area youth.



## FALL FORUM

**November 2-3, 2025**

**Stevens Point, Wisconsin**

**Attendees:** Braeden Klemme, Kasey Klemme, Starr Thewis, Serena Tauer,

**Chaperones:** Neil Klemme, Kendra Thewis



## SUMMER ACADEMY

**June 16-19, 2025**

**UW Madison Campus**

**Attendee:** Bella DeRosso



# SPARKING NEW CONNECTIONS!



# IRON COUNTY SUMMER CAMP PROGRAMS

We wanted to recognize Iron County 4-H'ers who participated in the Iron County Summer Camp programs.

## IRON COUNTY OUTPOST CAMP - July 8-11, 2025

**Campers:** Wyatt Elenbaas, Max Juoni, Starr Thewis, Bruce Tijan

## CHALLENGE ACTIVITY - Canoe Trip

Outpost campers participated in a half-day canoe trip on the Mantowish River.



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## IRON COUNTY SUMMER YOUTH CAMP - July 22-25, 2025

**Camp Staff:** Bella DeRosso, Wysteria Jewell, Braeden Klemme, Kasey Klemme, Meah Luoma, Ryley Nyquist, Zoe Raymond, Lydia Risik, Alex Tolemy, Jake VanEpern

**Campers:** Wynter Binz, Piper Hltter, Adalyn Rice, Skyler Thewis, Brendan Tijan

## SPECIAL CAMP AWARDS:

**Most Enthusiastic Male Counselor:** Jake VanEpern

**Most Enthusiastic Female Counselor:** Bella DeRosso

**Most Valuable Female Counselor:** Kasey Klemme

**Rookie of the Year Female Camp Staff:** Alex Tolemy

**Female Camper of the Year:** Leah Geach

**Top Male Archery Champion:** Skyler Thewis

**Best Female Counselor Team:** Ryley Nyquist (Danika Kendall & Natalie Cane)

**Best Male Counselor Team:** Braeden Klemme (& Keewin Wilson)





# 2024-2025 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Congratulations to the 2024-2025 Iron County 4-H Scholarship recipients, Brodie Erickson and Ava Innes. Congratulations on your achievements in the 4-H program, in school and in your community.



## **BRODIE ERICKSON**

Penokee Range Livestock Club

Brodie Erickson has been a part of the program for 12 years and I have had the opportunity to watch him grow as a leader of the Penokee Range 4H Livestock Club as well as a well-spoken representative and advocate of the 4-H program. I have attended his club meetings and watched him demonstrate leadership as president of the club. Leading the club through their agenda and calling for motions and helping younger members engage in the meetings while they make decisions.



## **AVA INNES**

Iron County Summer Youth Camp Staff

Ava Innes, has been on the camp staff all 4 years and has served as the camp arts and crafts director, cabin counselor and received the Most Valuable Female Counselor award in 2024. She always does a great job and makes the camp experience fun for her campers. She has baked a pie for the auction as far back as I can remember. Her pies have sold for roughly \$10,000 with several selling for over \$1000.00. This money is put back into the program, funding things like camp, state and national trips for 4-H members and the development of new 4-H projects and learning opportunities for youth.

Both of these young people will be missed in our program but have set a good example for younger members. We wish them the BEST as they start their next journey in life! 🍀

Neil Klemme  
4-H Youth Development Educator  
Extension Iron County



# IRON COUNTY 4-H - LEARN BY DOING!







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