

Quebec 4-H Association

2025 Annual Report

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4-H Pledge

I Pledge:

My HEAD to clearer thinking
 My HEART to greater loyalty
 My HANDS to larger service
 My HEALTH to better living
 For my club, my community,
 my country, and my world.

Je Promets d'employer:

Ma Tête pour des idées hardies,
 Mon Cœur pour être plus humain,
 Mes Mains pour être plus habile,
 Ma Santé pour vivre en harmonie,
 Pour mon cercle, ma communauté,
 mon pays et mon monde.

What do the 4 “Hs” Stand For?

HEAD: managing, thinking,
 developing critical thinking skills

HEART: relating, caring, developing
 friendship

HANDS: giving, working,
 volunteering and helping out

HEALTH: wellbeing, healthy living,
 taking care of yourself and the
 planet

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Past Presidents

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|---------|-------------------------------------|---------|-----------------------------------|
| 1969 | Colleen Coates-Younie (Lennoxville) | 1998-99 | Trudy Beaton (Sawyerville) |
| 1969-70 | Clayton Murphy (Huntingdon) | 1999-00 | Katie Coates (Haut St. Francois) |
| 1970-71 | Winnie Tibbits-Murphy (Brome) | 2000-01 | Katie Coates (Haut St. Francois) |
| 1971-72 | Joan Lang-Rusenstrom (Shawville) | 2001-02 | Melissa Nyveld (Shawville) |
| 1972-73 | Alvin Barrington (Howick) | 2002-03 | Daniel Mastine (Richmond) |
| 1973-74 | Nancy Hardacker-Corscadden (Brome) | 2003-04 | Jessica Cox (Hatley) |
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| 1975-76 | Mary Brus (Hatley) | 2005-06 | Tyler McCann (Shawville) |
| 1976-77 | Larry Ness (Howick) | 2006-07 | Tyler McCann (Shawville) |
| 1977-78 | Charles Fowler (Richmond) | 2007-08 | Jenna Soesbergen (Huntingdon) |
| 1978-79 | Ken Tolhurst (Howick) | 2008-09 | Jocelyn Closs (Shawville) |
| 1979-80 | Peter Griffith (Richmond) | 2009-10 | Christine Tolhurst (Howick) |
| 1980-81 | Rick Younge (Shawville) | 2010-11 | Angela Neal (Ormstown) |
| 1981-82 | Neil Burns (Sawyerville) | 2011-12 | Mathieu Rouleau (Howick, MAC JAC) |
| 1982-83 | Angus MacKinnon (Hatley) | 2012-13 | Mathieu Rouleau (Howick, MAC JAC) |
| 1983-84 | Suzan Smith-MacDonald (Lachute) | 2013-14 | Sarah Enright (Richmond,MAC JAC) |
| 1984-85 | Tim Beland (Waterloo) | 2014-15 | Sarah Enright (Richmond) |
| 1985-86 | Mark MacVicar (Lachute) | 2015-16 | Matthew Burns (Sawyerville) |
| 1986-87 | Kathy Beerwort-McKinven (Brome) | 2016-17 | Carolyn Coddington (Richmond) |
| 1987-88 | Kathy MacKinnon (Hatley) | 2017-18 | Andrew Boersen (Richmond) |
| 1988-89 | Al Beland (Waterloo) | 2018-19 | Jessica Rouleau (Howick) |
| 1989-90 | John Beerwort Jr. (Brome) | 2019-21 | Morgan Passmore (Richmond) |
| 1990-91 | Steven A. Latulipe (Huntingdon) | 2021-22 | Rebecca Welden (Lachute) |
| 1991-92 | Paul Mastine (Richmond) | 2022-23 | Hannah Frost (Richmond) |
| 1992-93 | Cheryl Stanley (Shawville) | 2023-24 | Paige Frost (Richmond) |
| 1993-94 | Lynn McOuat (Lachute) | 2024-25 | Christina Knox (Ormstown) |
| 1994-95 | Amber Heatlie (Lachute) | | |
| 1995-96 | Kathy Howard (Shawville) | | |
| 1996-97 | Mavis Judd (Shawville) | | |
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Provincial Statistics

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- 315 Members
- 50 Registered Volunteers
- 9 Active Clubs
- 1 New Club in 2025
- 17 Projects
- 1 Full time staff member
- 2 Summer staff members

2025 Projects

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|------------------------|-----|----------------------------------|----|
| Dairy | 143 | Foods | 55 |
| Square Dancing | 123 | Rabbit | 90 |
| Beef | 89 | Equine | 27 |
| Crafts | 140 | Goat | 28 |
| Garden | 117 | Sheep | 47 |
| Poultry | 40 | Community | 78 |
| Science and Technology | 33 | Public Speaking & Communications | 34 |
| Nature | 58 | Outdoor Living | 49 |
| Healthy Lifestyles | 43 | | |

2025 Membership Breakdown

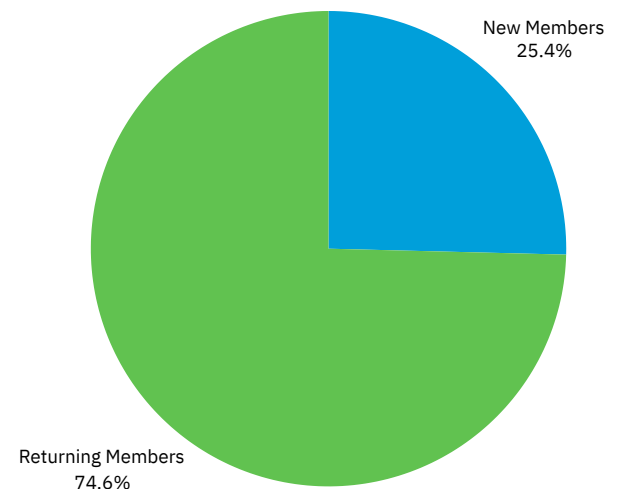
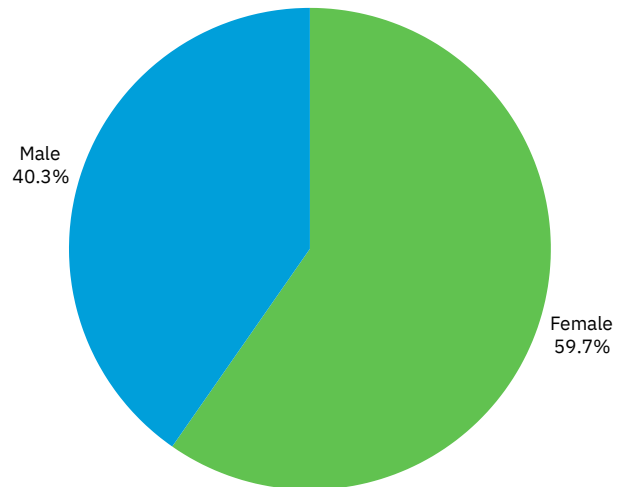
Peewee members ages 8 and under: 89

Junior members ages 9 – 12 years: 111

Intermediates ages 13 – 15 years: 64

Senior members ages 16 – 21: 47

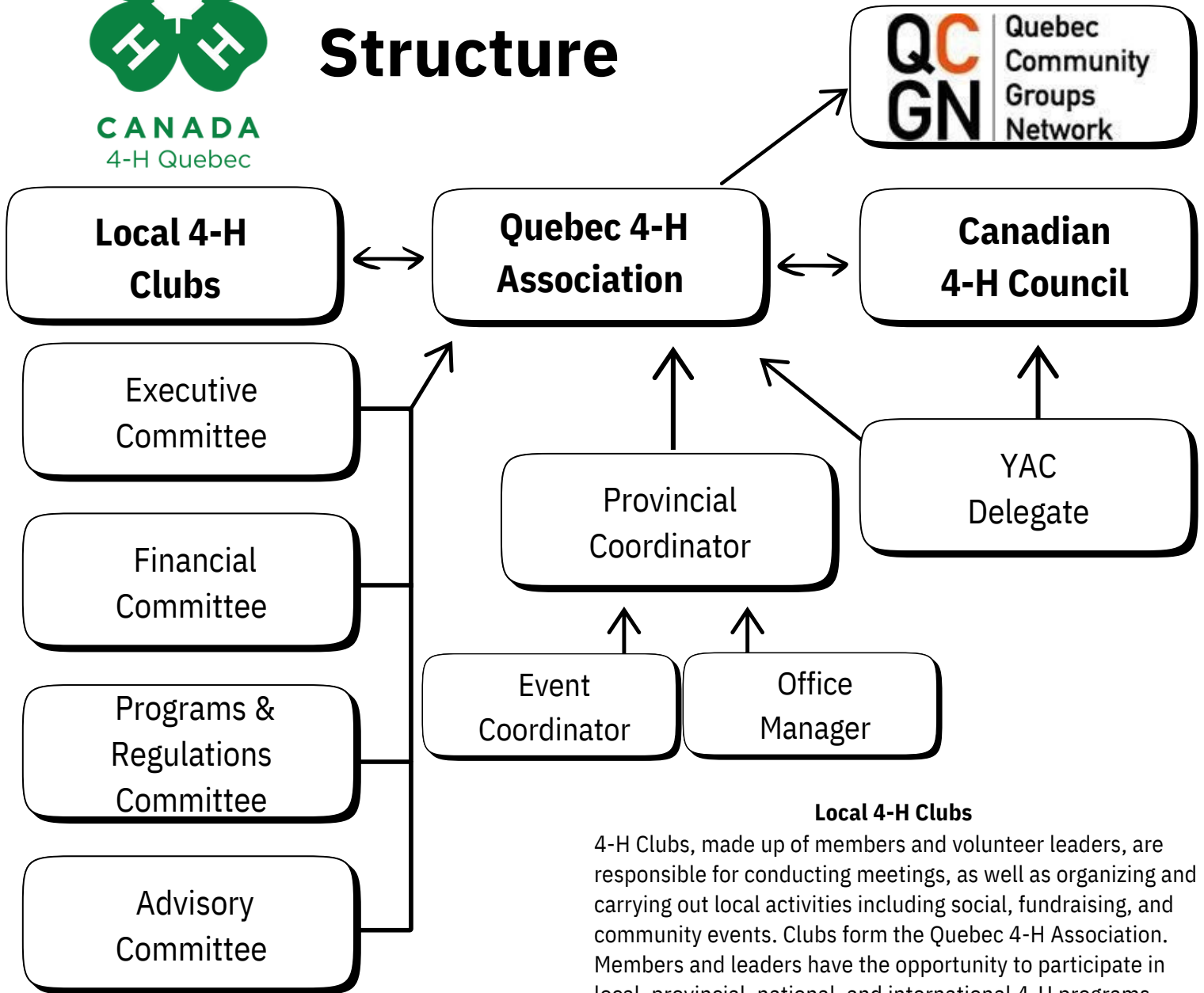
Proven members ages 22 – 25: 4





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4-H Quebec

Our Structure



Local 4-H Clubs

4-H Clubs, made up of members and volunteer leaders, are responsible for conducting meetings, as well as organizing and carrying out local activities including social, fundraising, and community events. Clubs form the Quebec 4-H Association. Members and leaders have the opportunity to participate in local, provincial, national, and international 4-H programs.

4-H Quebec Association

The provincial organization keeps track of individual memberships and club registrations, while administering all provincial 4-H programs and opportunities. 4-H Quebec also works collaboratively with other provincial 4-H agencies to provide resources and opportunities to members along with the Canadian 4-H Council and its committees. 4-H Quebec is run by a Board of Directors made up of member representatives, and four standing committees: Advisory, Executive, Financial, and Programs and Regulations. Individuals are nominated to the committees at the Annual General Meeting.

Canadian 4-H Council

The objective of the Canadian 4-H Council is to provide relevant programs and services which are consistent with the 4-H philosophy and serve to enhance provincial 4-H programs. The Council organizes and coordinates national and international conferences, exchanges, and scholarships. The Council is a not-for-profit, non-governmental agency governed by a group of member representatives. With the assistance of the Canadian 4-H Foundation, the Council provides funding assistance to the provincial associations. The mission of the Canadian 4-H Council is "Providing strong national leadership to ensure a quality 4-H program across Canada."

Board of Directors

Board members are elected for one-year terms. There is presently no limit on the number of years a board member may serve though the position of President is a maximum two year term. The Board is made up of 4-H members, youth from various clubs contributing their time for the benefit of the 4-H program and its members. In addition to attending the Annual General Meeting, board members meet three or more times a year in Ste-Anne-de-Bellevue or via conference call.

Executive Committee

The Executive Committee is made up of the President, Vice -President, Past-President, Chair of Programs and Regulations, Chair of Financial Committee. tor. It reports to the Board of Directors.

Financial Committee

The Financial Committee is made up of a minimum of 3 and maximum of 10 people in addition to the President and Vice-President. The role of the committee is to oversee the administration of the organization's finances. This includes but is not limited to employee salaries, expense account claims and budgets. All recommendations from the financial committee must be submitted to the board for approval

Programs and Regulations Committee

The Programs and Regulations Committee is responsible for all Provincial regulations, including: Constitution review, Policies and Procedures, Rally Rules, Activity rules and guidelines. It is also responsible for producing the criteria for different selection processes within the organization and selecting delegates for national programs. The committee is responsible for preparing proposals for changes to existing or new programs. Decisions of the committee shall be reported to the board and require ratification. The Programs and Regulations Committee shall be comprised of 5 - 15 members, 2 of which must be Provincial Directors.

Advisory Committee

The Advisory Committee is made up of at least 5 people, of whom 2 must be executive committee members. The remainder are adult advisors and partner representatives. The role of the Advisory Committee shall be to offer advice to the provincial board on matters of debate. Any questions concerning the policies and by laws of the organization are reviewed by the committee and their response gets submitted to the board.

YAC Delegate

The Youth Advisory Committee is the national youth voice for 4-H Canada, providing leadership opportunities for outstanding young people from across the country who have been part of 4-H and want to continue to play a role and contribute. YAC is made up of 12 provincial members who meet as a committee on a regular basis, play a large ambassador role within their provinces, make recommendations to 4-H Canada regarding programming, policy development, marketing and communications. The 4-H Quebec YAC member also sits on the Board of Directors.

Provincial Coordinator

Is responsible for financial and risk management including budgets, grant applications, and screening processes, as well as managing human resources and overseeing coordination of provincial activities. This position sits on the 4-H Canada Provincial Supervisory Committee, and Fund Development Network in addition to the QCGN Executive Directors' Network.

Event Coordinator - Summer Position

Is responsible for the organization of large scale events and special projects, delivery of resources, and promotion of opportunities.

Office Assistant - Summer Position

Is responsible for assisting on all aspects of communications and publications.

QCGN

The Quebec Community Groups Network is a not-for-profit organization linking 41 English-language community organizations across Quebec and advocating for the official language minority in the province.

4-H Quebec Mission

4-H Quebec is a community based organization, which is dedicated to developing life skills such as leadership, cooperation, responsibility and independence for the English-speaking youth of Quebec through skill development and achievement.

At 4-H Quebec, we focus on helping our members building self-confidence and acquiring skills in a fun and safe environment. Aimed at promoting the personal growth of English speaking youth aged 6 to 25, we provide opportunities for learning and skill development in an ever-evolving world. By harnessing the talents and enthusiasm of our members, volunteers, and staff, we work together to offer new programming, while continuing to uphold our successful traditional activities. Members can engage in diverse projects, from livestock and square dancing to communication.

We work to spread the impact of 4-H and empower today's youth to become tomorrow's leaders! 4-H is a youth development program where members "Learn To Do By Doing," utilizing their Head, Heart, Hands, and Health.

While deeply rooted in a rich agricultural history, we acknowledge that everyone can benefit from 4-H's holistic and socially conscious learning approach. Agriculture, food, and the environment remain integral to the 4-H program, but clubs addressing non-agricultural topics are also vital for today's youth. 4-H youth have the freedom and capacity to engage with issues that matter most to them, making the 4-H program unique and constantly evolving.



Annual General Meeting Schedule

9:00 am - 11:15 am - Annual General Meeting

11:15 am - 11:30 am - Break

11:30 am - 12:30 pm - Club and Activity Reports

12:30 pm - 1:00 pm - Pizza Lunch

1:00 pm - 2:00 pm - Collaborative Planning Session

2:00 pm - 2:30 pm - Round table sharing and Refreshments

2:30 pm - 3:00 pm - Awards presentation

3:00 pm - Farewell

Annual General Meeting Agenda
May 24th, 2025
Macdonald Campus, Ste-Anne de Bellevue

1. Welcome, 4-H Pledge
2. Introductions by the Quebec 4-H Executive
 - a. President
 - b. Vice-President
 - c. Past President
 - d. Chair of Finance Committee
 - e. Chair of Programs and Regulations
3. Approval of the Agenda
4. Approval of the Minutes from previous year
5. Approval of Financial Statement and Appointment of CPA
6. Reports:
 - a. President
 - b. Provincial Coordinator
7. Old Business
 - a. Strategic Plan
8. New Business
 - a.
9. Proposals for hosting Provincial Activities
 - a. Innovative Ag Tour 2027
 - b. Provincial Rally 2027
10. Election of Executives
11. Committee Nominations
 - a. Financial Committee
 - b. Programs and Regulations Committee
12. Announcement of the new 2025 - 2026 Executive
13. Appointment for Representatives
 - a. Signing Officers
 - b. QCGN
 - c. SPVM
 - d. 4-H Canada
 - e. QFA
14. Announcements
15. Adjournment

President's Message



Hey everyone,

It's been a pleasure to have held the position of Quebec 4-H president. Despite the short term I think the board has accomplished quite a bit so far and it's a great feeling to be apart of seeing increasing membership, participation, and opportunities for our membership. Having attended leaders summit this year it really makes me appreciate our youth board structure and members run approach for Quebec 4-H.

I hope to see you all this July in my hometown for Rally!

Christina Knox - President

Provincial Coordinator's Message



With a full year completed as the Provincial Coordinator of Quebec 4-H, this past year has flown by. As we look ahead, I am filled with enthusiasm for the projects and initiatives we have planned. Our goal is to build upon the successes of the past year and introduce new activities that will enrich the experiences of all our members. With a focus on fostering leadership skills, encouraging community involvement, and promoting agricultural education, we aim to provide diverse opportunities that cater to the interests and passions of our youth.

Much of the last year was dedicated to learning the ins and out, the renewal of our accreditation with 4-H Canada, and a new strategic plan. I am excited to focus on programming and outreach, increasing our 4-H presence in the province. By strengthening our connections with local communities and partners, we can expand our reach and offer even more resources and support to clubs across Quebec. Your feedback and ideas are invaluable to us, and I encourage all members to share their thoughts on how we can continue to grow and improve.

Thank you for your dedication and enthusiasm. Together, we can make this another incredible year for Quebec 4-H. Let's keep the momentum going and make a positive impact in our communities!

Don't be shy to reach out with questions or invitations to upcoming club activities. I look forward to another year of getting to know our 4-H Community better!

Gillian MacDougall - Provincial Coordinator

Chateauguay Valley

NEW IN 2025!

5 MEMBERS

| | |
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| President | Mackenzie Peddie |
| Vice-President | Jack Nussey |
| Secretary | Kennedy Peddie |
| Treasurer | Ethan Vine |
| Reporter | Mackenzie Peddie |

Chateauguay Valley
4-H Club



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Hatley

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| President | Allison Morse |
| Vice-President | Derek Dolloff |
| Secretary | Ava Hartley |
| Treasurer | Hailey Dolloff |

34 MEMBERS

This year the Hatley 4H club help multiple barn meeting activities. In February we visited Ferme Butler where we learned about the family history, visited the new and old barn and got to see various animals the family owns. In March, we visited La Ferme Bouffard where we learnt about the family-owned operation and had the opportunity to do a weight, carcass weight, and breed identification on 4 meet steers. In April we attended a sugar camp where we tasted goods, as well as judged maple syrup and did a tree identification directly in the sugar shacks woods. In May, the club held its meeting at the local town hall in Hatley, where we had a rabbit judge from USA show the kids both showmanship and conformation, ending it with the kids judging 3 rabbits.

This year the club has projects like beef, dairy, poultry, sheep, goats and one member is interested in introducing ducks as a project.

In the month of February, the Hatley 4-H club once again organized youth activities for the Ayer's Cliff Winter festival. Our members spent the day enjoying games on ice, such as broomball and curling, this was a great opportunity to get the community out and to enjoy the winter fun together.

In addition, the club donated a \$400.00 gift basket to the Breault Family. This family, with two young kids, owns a big dairy farm in Hatley. Last spring, the father was diagnosed with end-of-life terminal cancer. The club bought family games, accessories, and things for every one of the family. Lastly, at the beginning of the year, the club decided to give back to the community that supports us yearly. Handing checks to the Ayer's Cliff Fair Board, Ayer's Cliff Church, Ayer's Cliff Fair Horticulture department and Kyna Beekers.

This year we had no one attend ag tour unfortunately, but we are super excited to have members drive up to Ormstown for rally. We will have two family's attend AGM and Senior's Weekend.

Next month, in June we will visit a bee farm in Granby. We will plan a day of activities visiting and growing the knowledge of the members.



Hatley

The Hatley 4H club annually holds a benefit dance. We raise money by selling dance tickets and half and half tickets. The club will continue to have their ice cream booth at the Ayers Cliff Fairground again this year to help raise money. In addition, the club will hold a canteen during the Hatley 1st of July parade and day, selling cool drinks, food and sweets.

This year Derek Dolloff was the recipient of the leadership trophy in honour of Olivia Grimes a former 4-H member who passed away in a car accident.

For the 2025/2026 year, Hatley is aiming to improve the quality of our monthly meetings by visiting various farms in our community. Our goal is to host 5 out of 9 of our meetings at an agricultural location rather than in our usual location. During these meetings we are planning to introduce ideas and activities that will be useful for our members in 4-H, school, personal lives, and future careers. Often, we have a judging activity for our members to do. When judging, members are encouraged to give reasons for their placings and to build on their arguments with supporting evidence. We plan on arranging more community activities as well for this year.





Howick

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| President | Roewan Cosgrove |
| Vice-President | Aliza Stacey |
| Secretary | Peyton Brown |
| Treasurer | Alison Brown |
| Reporter | Alex Brown |



In December we participated in our local Christmas parade and gave out candy to those watching.

Our club started its craft club. We have had many meeting where our members have created and discussed crafting. So far we have participated in craft and garden projects. Our dairy projects are in preparation and will start in June.

On may 18th we organized a garage sale, where we rent out tables to those who would like to sell their treasures and the club sets up a canteen. This is one of our annual fundraisers.

We fundraise money for our local pink schools roof, we also helped elders carry their flowers to their cars.

Our first fair of the year will be Ormstown in June.

Special events this year will be Rally, our local fairs, and hopefully the TD classic for some of our members. We participate in all of our local fairs, we raffle off baskets at our rock picnic and craft fair.

We hope to expand our club and bring in more members as well as expand our projects and get more diversity in our projects.



Huntingdon

5 MEMBERS

Huntingdon



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Lachute

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|-----------------------|-----------------|
| President | Julia Silverson |
| Vice-President | Bailey Clark |
| Secretary | Thomas Harland |
| Treasurer | Shawn McOuat |

29 MEMBERS

Since it is still early in the year, we have not had much time to host many events. So far this year we had the pleasure of hosting the 2025 Innovative AG, had a sports night, a maple syrup meeting, our annual fundraiser dance, and participated in three square dance competitions

Projects for 2025: Dairy, Horse, Rabbit, Square dancing, Beef, Garden

So far this year our club has:

- Helped serve and clean up at our local Legion's Remembrance Day supper.
- Made cookies & Christmas cards to give to seniors at the local long term facilities.
- We gave a square dance demo for the Brownsburg Curling Club's 50th anniversary.
- We also gave a square dance demo for our local Legion's St. Patrick's Day fundraiser supper.

During Innovative AG tour we were we toured: McOuat Poultry, Desrosiers Feedlot, Hadley Tree Farm, Tranquillity Farm, Intermiel, Blondin Farm, and Fromages et CIE

We had our three teams entered at the Quebec 4-H, Vankleek Hill Fiddle and Dance Association, and Ormstown competitions. All teams did well and look forward to another season of dancing.

Once again this year we hosted a fundraiser dance. We had a great turn out and fun was had by all. All 3 square dance teams also did a demonstration during the dance. We had many different callers from different clubs which is always nice to see.

We are constantly striving to encourage more members to join our club. We hope that by diversifying our projects, more people will join. We will also be starting to plan for Rally 2026, which we will be hosting.



Ormstown



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| President | Connor Bryson |
| Vice-President | Félix Loiséle |
| Secretary | Ashton Bryson |
| Treasurer | Keith Quinn |
| Reporter | Edward Mason |
| Chair of Small Animal Club | Murray Bryson |
| Chair of Garden Club | Preston Mason |
| Chair of Square Dance Club | Spencer Mason |

65 MEMBERS

We started off our year with our annual banquet where we had a delicious super and many prizes were awarded. Then a bit later in the year we help at a guignolée for our local food bank, sorting donated foods. We also did a wood working day where we made Viking chairs which was a simple but fun project.

In the late winter and spring we had a barn meeting on judging cows, TMR, peppers, and soil ID. In that time we also started our square dance practices. For the first time in many years, we held a welding clinic which was fun and appreciated by our members.

We attended the Quebec 4-H Square Dance Competition, which was awesome to have back. Then the Vankleek Hill Competition, which was as usual was a great time. Followed by the Ormstown Square Dance Competition with amazing attendance and super fun to attend and host. Later we had a judging clinic on honey, showmanship clothes and newspaper articles. Following that we had a showmanship clinic for dairy and horses. Overall we had a great and very successful start to the year.





Richmond

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| President | Sophie Liebrecht |
| Vice-President | Madison Hamel |
| 2nd Vice | Anna Liebrecht |
| Secretary | Kianna Keenan |
| Treasurer | Sierra Mastine |
| Reporter | Owen Buzzel |
| Others | Maverick & Jessica Frost |

40 MEMBERS

This year, our 4-H club has been active, engaged and always looking for ways to learn and give back. We were fortunate to welcome several experienced people who shared their knowledge through clinics on showmanship, fitting, feeding and etc. These clinics helped our members improve their skills and improve their understanding on animals and preparation for shows.

Community involvement always remains an important part of our club. We participated in local parades such as the Christmas light parade and St. Pats parade, brought joy to the residents at the Wales Home with some dancing from our square dancers, planting with the residents on Earth day and soon with our outdoor showmanship clinic. We also helped spread holiday cheer by donating towards Christmas baskets for families in need. These event allowed us to connect with our community.

A highlight of this year was the launch of our new dog project, which brought a lot of excitement and new learning opportunities for members interested in working with their dogs. Every member that is apart of the dog project absolutely loves it and we can't wait to see how it continues! We also have members participating in Beef, Sheep, Dairy, Rabbit, Lifeskills, and Square dancing projects.

We believe in making our meetings and events fun and memorable. In addition to our regular monthly meetings, we organized creative and social activities like our Halloween costume/pumpkin contest, our Easter rabbit poop bingo and a New Years curling party. These events helped increase our club spirit and kept members engaged throughout the year. This year has been tons of fun and we look forward to continuing to learn while having a great time!





Sawyerville

President Brianna Rothney
Vice-President Annabelle Lalonde-Humphrey
Secretary Kaely Morrison
Treasurer Vanessa Rothney
Reporter Annabelle Delaney

30 MEMBERS

On October 27th, 2024, we held our Annual General Meeting, where we elected our new executive team. To add some festive fun, members dressed up for Halloween and were awarded prizes for best costumes.

At our December meeting, club members created handmade Christmas cards and delicate snowflakes for the senior residents at Grace Christian Home. Our goal was to ensure that every resident had something heartfelt to open on Christmas Day. As we crafted, we sipped hot chocolate and shared laughter, making the experience warm and memorable. Our club truly cherishes these moments of connection and the joy we can bring to our senior community.

In January 2025, we kicked off the new year with our first meeting and had our year-end banquet. Members were recognized for their hard work and dedication with awards, and families enjoyed a potluck meal while watching a slideshow of our club's accomplishments over the past year.

February brought a change of plans. We had scheduled a tobogganing and fire-building challenge at Woodview Farms, but due to inclement weather, we made the difficult decision to shift to a virtual meeting for everyone's safety. Mother Nature clearly had other ideas that day—tobogganing wasn't one of them!

On March 30th, we gathered at Rocking J Bar for a hands-on meeting all about sheep. Despite the wet and muddy conditions, members learned how to judge, fit, and show sheep while brushing up on their showmanship skills. The sheep were very fluffy and soft.

In April, we hosted a judging clinic for our older members, while our Cloverbuds learned essential skills like how to halter animals, tie knots safely, and practice farm safety. It was a great learning experience for all ages.

Looking ahead to May, we're excited to welcome a veterinarian from the Sherbrooke Vet Hospital, who will speak to our members about biosecurity and vaccination protocols—important knowledge to help keep our animals healthy and safe. On May 10th, our 4-H members lent a hand at the community-wide Michoui, held at the local fairgrounds. They helped serve food and assisted with clean-up after the event. This was our way of giving back to the Cookshire Fair Board, whose ongoing support means so much to our club throughout the year.

We've had an incredible year filled with learning, laughter, and growth—and we can't wait to see what the rest of the year brings!



Sawyerville

For the 2025 show season, we will have members involved in Dairy, Beef, Goat, Sheep, Rabbit, Horse, Life Skills, and Gardening projects. We've added the Life Skills project for 2025 to help attract new members and retain those who may no longer be interested in animal-related projects.

On May 10th, our 4-H members will be lending a hand at the community-wide Michoui, held at the local fairgrounds. We'll be helping serve food and assisting with clean-up after the event. This is our way of giving back to the Cookshire Fair Board, whose ongoing support means so much to our club throughout the year.

January 2025 brought even more opportunities for growth and connection. One member attended Junior Winter Camp, while another participated as a Junior Leader. Both had an amazing time and returned with new friendships and unforgettable memories. In February, two of our members participated in the Mini Mac Judging Competition in Ste. Anne. The event was exceptionally well-organized, and they walked away with helpful tips and tricks to sharpen their judging skills for future events. One fun takeaway? They discovered that anything can be judged—seriously, anything! March 2025 was buzzing with excitement—literally! Seven of our members attended the Innovative Ag Tour (including me), where they learned to square dance, brushed up on their line dancing, and visited a variety of farms and agri-businesses. One of the most unforgettable moments was standing in a room filled with three million bees—without a single sting! Another highlight was the incredible food—so much delicious food! This tour not only filled their bellies but also sparked ideas and inspiration for the IAT event that our club will proudly host in March 2026. Looking ahead to 2025, we're thrilled to have ten members interested in attending Rally, which will be held in Ormstown, Quebec.

On July 1st we will be entering a float in the Canada Day Parade in Bury. This will be something new for us and we are really looking forward to it. On July 5th, Woodview Farms will host the Sawyerville 4-H Club for our Achievement Day. This year marks an exciting milestone, as we introduce our very first Pre-4-H Showmanship Class for children ages 3 to 5. This new addition offers our youngest future members a fun and engaging glimpse into the world of 4-H, helping spark their interest in agriculture and showmanship from an early age. We can't wait to see the smiles and enthusiasm this brings!

In 2025, Sawyerville hosted two successful fundraisers. The first, held in February, was a dance at the Johnville Community Centre featuring Slightly Haggard. In March, we organized an online auction on Facebook, featuring over 100 lots, it was a huge success. The funds raised will support our members in attending provincial, national, and international 4-H events, as well as help us prepare for the Innovative Ag Tour we will be hosting in March 2026.

We're thrilled to announce a new partnership with the Cookshire Rodeo! This year, the Rodeo will be donating \$1 from every ticket sold to support our 4-H club. These generous contributions will help fund our upcoming Innovative Ag Tour.

We're also bringing back a beloved tradition—our Ice Cream Booth—after a six-year hiatus! This exciting revival will be led by our younger members during the Rodeo, while our senior members proudly represent the club at Rally. It's a wonderful opportunity for all ages to get involved and showcase the spirit of 4-H.

As we look ahead, our club is excited to continue growing and evolving. We plan to expand the educational resources in our 4-H barn to help raise agricultural awareness and promote the 4-H program at our regional fair this summer. We're also focused on enhancing our judging skills and deepening our knowledge in various project areas. Strengthening our presence within the community is another key goal, as is encouraging greater participation and engagement from all our members. We're eager to build on the momentum we've created and continue making a positive impact together.





Shawville

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| President | Amy Sheppard |
| Vice-President | Tyson Childs |
| Secretary | Molly Dowe |
| Treasurer | Mason Vereyken |
| Reporter | Eloise Thompson |
| Junior Directors | Braylie Bullis & Brielle Bullis |
| Intermediate Director | Kasey Lafleur |

77 MEMBERS

In the short time since the 2024 Quebec 4-H AGM, Shawville has been quite busy. We held monthly business meetings, hosted several clinics to prepare for show season, participated in a number of community events and ran weekly square dance practices. Members have had the chance to learn about horticulture and flower arranging, wool processing and felting, sheep showmanship and judging, dairy nutrition and tips for judging corn silage. They also had some fun at a sliding and skating afternoon. It was a very cold day but everyone enjoyed hot chocolate to keep warm.

Members just finished registering their projects for 2025. We have members taking part in beef, dairy, horse, sheep, goat, rabbit, as well as, market steer, lamb and goat projects. On top of the animal projects members also participate in square dancing and lifeskills projects.

In December members decorated a beautiful Christmas tree for the Pontiac Agricultural Society’s Tinsel & Tiding event. After community members had the chance to vote for their favorite tree, the trees were auctioned off with the proceeds going to the Angel Tree and the Snowsuit Fund.

Our members continued spreading Christmas cheer by decorating over 130 cookies for the residents and staff of three local nursing homes. We had a lot of fun putting icing and lots of sprinkles on the cookies. Members also spent an afternoon decorating gingerbread houses with the residents at the long term care facility at Shawville Hospital. The residents loved watching us build the houses and helped to add some decorations. The members enjoyed a friendly competition of whose house would stay standing!

In March two teams of 4-H members took part in a fundraising curling bonspiel. Many of the members had never curled before but learned the game quickly and had so much fun!

To help celebrate St. Patrick’s Day at one of the nursing homes, the 3 teams of square dancers performed alongside some local musicians. The residents love seeing the dancers all dressed up in their costumes and tapping along to the music.



Shawville

In January, 3 members attended Junior Camp in Ormstown. They came back with lots of good things to say about the food and how much fun sliding was. Then in March, 3 members participated in Innovative Ag Tour hosted in Lachute. They returned home having met new people and learned lots from visiting the different farms. Finally, we had three teams of dancers take part in the Annual Provincial Square Dance Competition.

The club will be busy on June 1st as the RCMP Musical Ride is coming to town as part of a fundraising effort to save the local arena. The 4-H club will be onsite selling dinks and ice cream with proceeds going to the arena fund. The square dancers will also take the stage as part of an ongoing intergenerational square dancing project. After a demonstration dancers will invite members in the crowd to join them to learn some square dancing basics.

The club has a busy few months coming up attending school fairs and running a BBQ at a local horse event. Children love meeting 4-H members' projects and having a chance to pat them. It's a great opportunity for members to interact and teach their peers about raising animals.

Members are looking forward to upcoming annual events including Achievement Day and the Regional Judging Competition in August and then the Shawville Fair Labour Day weekend.



PROVINCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

2024-2025

Annual General Meeting 2024

The 2024 Quebec 4-H AGM brought together members, leaders, and volunteers from across the province for a day of connection and celebration. Held on Sunday, November 24th at the Macdonald Campus Farm Centre, the event showcased the remarkable achievements of the 4-H community while planning for an exciting year ahead.

The morning kicked off with the AGM itself. Elections for the board executives and committee members ensured that the organization remains youth-driven.

The afternoon featured club and activity presentations, as well as workshops. To end the day members and clubs were recognized for their dedication and accomplishments, and the event served as a chance to recognize the invaluable contributions of the 4-H community.



Winter Junior Camp



The Quebec 4-H Winter Junior Camp, held in Ormstown from January 24th to 26th, was a weekend filled with adventure and excitement for 26 junior members.

With the camp taking place in the heart of winter, the outdoor tubing and skating quickly became favorites. In addition to the outdoor fun, the camp offered other activities, such as games, cooking, crafts, and a challenging escape room activity where members worked in teams to try and solve puzzles to uncover the name of the double agent.

Participants were joined by staff, two volunteer chaperones, Sarah Briseboise Bryson and Lyzanne Cuddihy, and intermediate members, Annabelle Delaney and Bailey Clark. A huge thank you to our volunteers! Camp would not be possible without them.

Innovative Agriculture Tour

The Lachute 4-H Club welcomed members from across the province for the Provincial Innovative Agricultural Tour, March 7th to 9th.

Friday night members from Ormstown, Richmond, Sawyerville, and Shawville joined Lachute for a meet and greet, where they had the chance to visit, play games, and learn a line dance!

Saturday 's tour included

- McOuat Poultry Farm
- Desrosiers'
- Tranquillity Agriculture, Inc
- Fromagerie et CIE.

To wrap up the day everyone enjoyed a delicious dinner and a night of dancing!

Sunday participants visisted

- Intermiel
- Ferme Blondin
- Hadley Tree Farm

A huge THANK YOU goes out to the members and volunteers of the Lachute 4-H Club who put together such a wonderful tour! See you in Sawyerville for Innovative Ag Tour 2026.



Provincial Square Dance Competition



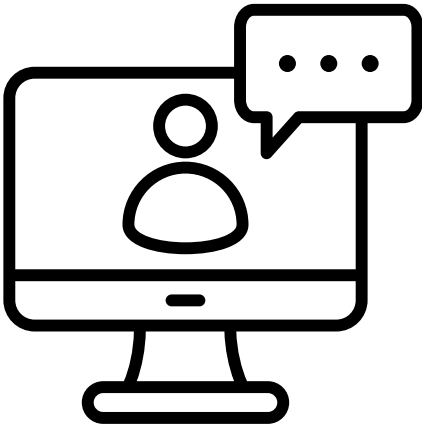
The 11th Annual Quebec 4-H Provincial Square Dance Competition took place on March 23rd, 2025. After a four year hiatus the competition was a huge success! With 11 teams competing, the Ballroom of the Centennial Centre of Macdonald Campus was full of dancers, family, and square dancing enthusiasts.

The Cloverbuds kicked off the competition with two teams competing. Followed by the juniors, aged 9 to 13, with the Senior teams wrapping up the competition. While the judges deliberated everyone had a chance to refuel with a snacks and then hit the dance floor for the open dance. Callers of all ages and experience had the chance to call for a full house.

Thank you to all of our volunteers, the judges Carrie Simpson and Jessica Rouleau, and the Neil McKay band for helping to make the day possible!



Canadian 4-H Council 2024-2025 Highlights



4-H Canada Leadership Summit

Leadership Summit is an exciting opportunity for 4-H volunteer leaders and professionals to showcase the communities they are building, share innovative program ideas, and hear from experts on emerging topics. It includes a mix of workshops, an expert keynote, knowledge sharing, networking, and fun! It is open to 4-H leaders and provincial supervisors. The 2025 Leadership Summit was a virtual event and the 2026 Summit will be taking place in Calgary, Alberta in February.

4-H Canada Youth Advisory Committee

With representatives from each provincial organization, YAC encourages a youth voice in program development and decision making at the national level. YAC delegates meet face to face at the annual 4-H Canada Leadership Summit and then met through conference calls throughout the year.



**Quebec 4-H YAC Representative - Mackenzie
Peddie
2025-2027**

King Charles III Coronation Medal Recipients



Ann Louise Carson (right)



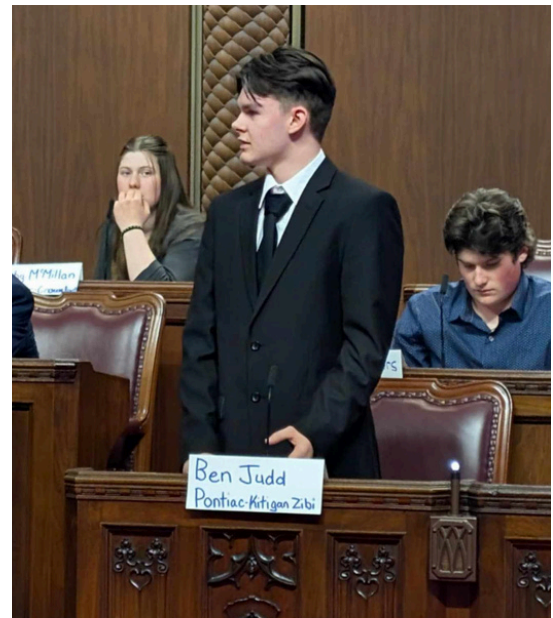
Stephanie Maynard (left)



Paige Frost (right)

4-H Canada Citizenship Congress

Every spring, approximately 60 4-H members from across the Canada come together for the Citizenship Congress. Developed in 1972 as a way to unite 4-H members from across the country, this flagship program gives 4-H youth knowledge and insight about Canada, its history and its systems. Delegates explore and develop skills related to civic engagement, governance, parliamentary procedures, citizenship and politics. It is open to all members aged 16-21. The 2025 Citizenship Congress was held in Ottawa May 10th to the 15th and Ben Judd from the Shawville 4-H represented Quebec 4-H.



2025 Ignite

This year 4-H Canada was invited by 4-H National to send a delegation to the 2025 Ignite by 4-H Conference in Washington DC. Representing Quebec 4-H, Reese Rusenstrom from the Shawville 4-H Club, meet up with the rest of the Canadian delegation on March 12th to travel to the conference. The nine members from Canada joined over 1600 youth from all over the United States, Italy, and Spain.

“4-H is so much more than livestock - Tug of war, automobiles, sewing, target shooting, cooking, swine, hunting & fishing, greenhouse, line dancing, design... Those are just a few things that people we met do as their projects!” - Reese



4-H QUEBEC FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

As appointed at the 2025 Quebec 4-H Annual General Meeting, MTA CPA Inc. is currently reviewing the 2024-2025 fiscal year for Quebec 4-H to complete a Compilation Engagement Report.

The report was not completed in time for the 2025 AGM and the numbers included in the Annual Report are based on the Quebec 4-H bookkeeping for the 2024-2025 fiscal year.

Thank you!

BALANCE SHEET

| Year ended March 31 | 2025 | 2024 |
|--|----------------|----------------|
| REVENUES | \$ | \$ |
| Canadian Heritage - Program | 122 618 | 98 094 |
| Sponsorship | 18 420 | 30 593 |
| Subsidies | 10 201 | 3 095 |
| 4-H Programs Revenues | 35 959 | 12 256 |
| Membership fees | 16 681 | 19 400 |
| Other income | 291 | 1 173 |
| TOTAL | 204 170 | 164 611 |
| EXPENSES | | |
| 4-H Programs Expenses | 36 460 | 25 471 |
| Occupancy costs | 7 583 | 7 951 |
| Administration expenses | 38 065 | 32 858 |
| Salaries and benefits | 84 639 | 76 091 |
| Financial expenses | 443 | 138 |
| Other | 1 153 | |
| TOTAL | 168 333 | 142 509 |
| EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES | 35 837 | 22 102 |

4-H Quebec recognizes the tremendous impact funding partners have on 4-H's ability to deliver a quality program.

Sponsorship and programming grants play an integral role in the operation of the Quebec 4-H program, helping our association to meet the needs of its members and adult volunteer leaders.

Contributions, whether cash or in kind, are greatly appreciated. Quebec 4-H would like to recognize the efforts of the Canadian 4-H Foundation, which complement fund development at the provincial level.

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