

4-H PHOTO PROJECT MEETING SERIES

Meeting 1

- Get acquainted game / ice breaker
- Discuss basic care of camera
- Clean cameras (cleaning kits from a camera store)
- Demonstrate how to hold camera steady, practice
- Discuss 5 basic rules of composition (5 rules handout)
- Introduce national 4-H photo curriculum (3 levels)
- Make “assignments” from curriculum activities for Meeting 2

Meeting 2

- Ice breaker
- Review assignments from Meeting 1, answer questions
- Clean cameras (cleaning kits)
- Get to know your camera (camera manuals)
- Explore photo interests of members (easel, flip chart, markers)
- Plan photo field trip based on group photo interests
- Make assignments from curriculum activities for Meeting 3

Meeting 3

- Ice breaker
- Review assignments from Meeting 2, answer questions
- Clean cameras (cleaning kits)
- Create “L” tools for cropping (dark card stock, scissors/paper cutter)
- Conduct photo judging activity (WI 4-H Photo Display – order from county 4-H office)
- Review county fair photo classes (county fairbook)
- Refine plans for photo field trip for Meeting 4
- Make assignments from curriculum activities for Meeting 5

Meeting 4 (Group Photo Field Trip)

Meeting 5

- Review photo field trip, answer questions
- Review assignments from Meeting 3, answer questions
- Clean cameras (cleaning kits)
- Conduct photo judging activity (use member photo entry possibilities for county fair)
- Demonstrate mounting for county fair exhibits (poster board, rubber cement, scissors)
- Make assignments from curriculum for Meeting 6

Meeting 6

- Review assignments from Meeting 5, answer questions
- Make final selections for county fair exhibits (member photos, L-tools)
- Mount county fair exhibits (poster board, rubber cement, scissors)

Meeting 7 (County Fair)

- Members enter photos at county fair, attend judging
- After all judging completed, group reviews/discusses top exhibits together
- Take photos of top exhibits

Meeting 8

- Review county fair results, answer questions
- Compare group results to county fair top exhibits (photos from fair)
- Upload photos to a group web site (e.g., SmugMug, Flickr)
- Discuss how to share group photos, knowledge with entire club (e.g., photo night)
- Discuss plans, changes for next year, who will be youth leaders
- Celebrate!