



YAC Report

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I hope everyone had a great summer full of 4-H shows and provincial camps!

Since my last report in February, I have been busy with both 4-H Canada and 4-H Alberta events.

In February, I attended the 4-H Canada Leadership Summit in Ottawa. It was a great few days facilitating the conference and connecting with my fellow YAC members from across the country.

As canine project leader for the Millarville Mutts and Mustangs, I planned Canine Regional Fun day on April 21st. We had 31 members participate from 4 different clubs in the Calgary region! Members rotated through different stations with their dogs including Agility, Rally-Obedience, Games, and a Canine Skill-a-Thon. It was a great to see the kids having fun with their dogs and meeting other members in the region. I have a feeling that this will become a yearly event!

In May, I traveled back to Ottawa to facilitate the 4-H Canada Citizenship Congress with my fellow YAC member Kody from Saskatchewan. The week was packed with activities relating to the theme “Hands to Larger Service.” I really enjoyed watching the delegates prepare and deliver their debate in the Senate.

From there, I moved into 4-H on Parade preparations as a member on the Canine committee. While I was down there for the canine show, I did have a chance to take in the beef, horse and life skill competitions. I am blown away by the talent and hard work in the Calgary region.

In July, I participated in the Alberta Young Speakers for Agriculture competition held at the Calgary Stampede. I delivered a speech on “how to educate urban populations about where our food comes from.” While this event was not exclusive to 4-H members, 4-H Alberta is a large sponsor. I highly recommend this competition to all youth aged 11-24!

I then moved off the Conferences working group and accepted a position on the AGM working group. This position puts me on the Board of Directors as a non-voting youth member so I can contribute a youth opinion. I hope to bring some fresh ideas about senior member involvement and alumni engagement to the table. I look forward to attending the in-person meeting in Toronto in November.

I’ve attached a few photos below from these events. I look forward to updating everyone again soon. In the meantime, please do not hesitate to direct any questions or comments to Yvonne Yaremicio or myself.

Kindest Regards,

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Canine Regional Fun Day Skill-A-Thon



4-H Canada Citizenship Congress



Millarville Mutts and Mustangs take on 4-H on Parade