

News Article
Coosa County 4-H
Natural Resources Club
Kristy Abrams, Volunteer Leader

Coosa County 4-H is well underway with two After School 4-H Clubs. Nancy Alexander who is our Regional 4-H Extension Agent leads a monthly General 4-H Club. This club covers all areas of 4-H, with a different topic each month. The next General Club meeting will be this Tuesday, December 6th. All Club meetings are held at the 4-H Club House located directly in front of the Central Elementary and Middle Schools from 3:00 to 4:30 pm.

The second after school program is a 4-H Natural Resources Club lead by Volunteer Leader, Kristy Abrams. This club focuses on all of our natural resources and how we can be good stewards of our environment and the resources that it offers. Our first meeting was held in October and the focus was on our most valuable natural resource, water. We learned many important facts about water and how we can conserve it. Roger Vines, our County Extension Coordinator taught us how to test pond water.

Our November meeting was an exciting one! T.J. from the Alabama 4-H Center came to the Club House and gave a raptor demonstration. The club members learned that raptors are meat eating birds of prey. T.J. brought in a Red-tailed Hawk, a Great Horned Owl and a Barred Owl. She taught us about their food sources, habitats and their hunting skills. Each club member was allowed to touch the beautiful barred owl. We would like to send a special thanks to T.J. at The Alabama 4-H Center for her dedication to the animals and her willingness to bring them to the youth of Alabama. She gave an awesome demonstration!

4-H provides a fun exciting way to learn and it is not too late to join. Forms are located in the offices of each school, or you can call the Coosa County Extension Office at 256-377-4713 to have forms mailed directly to your home. We are also looking for adults to become volunteer leaders so more after school programs will be available. Call the Extension Office if you are interested in leading a club.