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Garrett Hoof Prints 4-H Club News Kyle Kepple, Reporter

The Garrett County Hoof Prints 4-H Club had its monthly meeting on September 8th at the Teets Family Farm. Mr. Paul & Mrs. Karen Teets gave the club a tour of their apple orchard while sharing valuable knowledge about growing and harvesting apples. Mr. Teets demonstrated how to make apple cider. Mrs. Teets provided apple and cheese samplings and hot and cold apple cider tastings. The couple also gave a history lesson on apple varieties. It was a great interactive experience for the club!

Following the presentation from Mr. & Mrs. Teets, Cole Kepple called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m. During the roll call, members shared their favorite things about Fall, which included jumping in piles of leaves, pumpkin pie, pumpkin spice coffee, and Halloween.

Secretary Dustlyn Rebar read the minutes from the last meeting, and they were approved with a motion by Mylee Hartman and a second by Kyle Kepple. Club Leader Lisa Thayer Welch provided the treasurer's report, and it was approved with a motion from Dustlyn Rebar and seconded by Mylee Hartman.

Dustlyn Rebar and Mylee Hartman provided a report on the trail ride the club held on August 24th. Plans were finalized for the club to participate in the Fireman's Parade during Autumn Glory, with several families signing up to ride on the float. Leader Lisa Thayer Welch reported that the club's 2025 treasurer's report was turned into the Extension Office.

The club was reminded of the upcoming events: Ag Bash on October 4th and the GCLA member picnic on October 5th. 4-H Week will take place from October 5th – 11th, with the theme "Beyond Ready." The Beef Fall Weigh-In event is on November 1st.

Club Leader Lisa Thayer Welch provided handouts on horse parts and hoof parts for the club to study. At the next meeting, the club's knowledge will be tested.

The next meeting will be held on October 13, 2025. If you'd like to learn more about Garrett County's 4-H program, contact our local Extension Office at 301-334-6960.



Paul Teets grinding apples for cider while members look on. Visible are Kyle Kepple, Dustlyn Rebar and Mylee Hartman.