



Stevens County 4-H Horse Leaders Horse Judging Groom Squad Clinic and Competition



Clinician and PNW Judge: Dan Moriarty

When: April 22, 2018 at 1 pm
Where: Northeast Washington Fairgrounds 317 West Astor, Colville
Who: All interested 4-H/FFA/open youth in Stevens and Surrounding Counties
Cost: FREE **Registration due by April 14th**
Awards: Danish ribbons to all youth participating youth. Additional awards may be given based on sponsors.

HORSE JUDGING CLINIC:

Youth will have the opportunity to learn what the judge is looking for when judging 4-H classes. All youth will learn how to place horses on a judging card, give oral reasons, prepare to participate in a judging competition and match their placings with the judge. This clinic will help youth understand how to judge handling, conformation, equitation, etc. and what they can do to improve their own horsemanship skills.

HORSE JUDGING:

Horse judging is one of the most educational and popular activities of the 4-H Horse Project. Horse judging contests involve two actions: first, you must place each animal in a class; second, you must be able to orally defend that placing.

Horse judging helps youth to:

- Develop communication skills
- Make decisions based on facts and observations
- Compete with a sportsmanlike attitude
- Learn a skill essential for success in the horse industry
- Develop self confidence

The horse judging event is open to **all** 4-h aged youth who want to try their hand at horse judging.

All Intermediate and Senior 4-H members who earn a blue ribbon at this event will be reviewed for eligibility to attend the state fair judging competition at the State 4-H Fair in Puyallup. Stevens County may send up to 10 senior and 10 intermediate blue ribbon youth to the state judging event, so if you are interested, come and give this event a try. See Stevens County Horse Policy for eligibility requirements.

Youth will judge at least four classes, with at least one being showmanship or a halter class and a couple of riding classes which could be In English or western riding discipline in equitation or pleasure.

Highest scoring 4-H youth may be eligible for a project medal at the year-end Stevens County 4-H Awards Banquet

GROOM SQUAD:

The purpose of groom squad: Groom Squad is to teach proper use of grooming tools, teach correct grooming procedures, encourage good teamwork, and to provide a fun activity. It also provides an area of competition, which includes 4-H members in the horse project who do not yet have their own horse.

The groom squad event is open to all 4-H aged youth to participate in for a learning experience. Only one senior 4-H team of three youth with the highest score at this event will be reviewed for eligibility to participate at the state level competition at the state 4-H fair in Puyallup, if their team receives a blue ribbon. (See Stevens County 4-H Horse Policy for eligibility requirements).

**All tests, judging cards, and grooming equipment will be provided at this event for use.

State rules for Groom squad can be located at: http://4h.wsu.edu/horse/groom_squad_rules_04.pdf

PNW 575 Horse Judging Manual is a great reference at: <http://cru.cahe.wsu.edu/CEPublications/pnw0575/pnw0575.pdf>

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Horse Judging—Groom Squad Entry Form

Entries due by April 14th, 2018

Please sign and MAIL this form and the attached liability release form to:

Debbie Harbin
2526 Burgess Rd
Addy, WA 99101

Youth will need to bring pencil, clipboard, and scratch paper.

Contestants DON'T BRING horses, you will only be judging. Horses for Groom Squad will be provided for handling/grooming.

Teams will be addressed and assigned at check in for groom squad.

Please answer the question below to help register youth for event

I want to participate in Horse judging yes no I want to qualify for state yes no

I want to participate in Groom Squad yes no I want to qualify for state yes no

ALL YOUTH MAY PARTICIPATE IN THIS EVENT. This is a state qualifying event for those eligible,
This event is also an event being held for everyone to attend and participate as a County learning event.

Name: _____

Date of Birth _____ Age: _____

I am a ___ Jr___ Int___ Sr 4-H member 4-H Club name: _____

FFA ___ Open youth _____ age: _____

Email _____ Phone: _____

Pre registration is necessary to have adequate materials available for each youth for this event.

