

Skagit County 4-H Horse Division Handbook

Project year 2016 to 2017

Horse Leaders meet 3rd Tuesday of every month except September

Each Horse project club shall have a horse project leader representing the club at 10 of the 11 meetings held.

Executive Board:

President-Michelle Earnst

Vice President- Lauren Hedlin

Secretary- Tabi Whitford

Treasurer-Morgan Morrison

Fair Superintendent -Sharrie Nelson

Committee Chair: (Who is 'in charge'?)

Games (in charge of 3 Leaders Shows and go to person(s) at fair)- Autumn Pawlowicz and Eden Robinson and Morgan Morrison

Performance- Tabi Whitford

Judges - Sharrie Nelson

Equine Extravaganza - Autumn Pawlowicz

Medals- Games: Autumn

Performance Tabi and Lola Whitford

Vet check- Mary Hilliard

Tuesday dinner- Jamie Yantis (SS parent)

Judging (2 clinics/manage state team)- Sharrie Nelson, Tabi Whitford, & Kelli Peterson

Horse Bowl (preparing team and getting them to state)- Sharrie Nelson

Fair Knowledge Test - Hannah Brown

Herdsmanship - Wendy Betts (Kelli Peterson as backup)

Arena jobs at fair- Maribeth Carlton

Fair take down (bulletin boards, trophy case, set up office tent equipment moved)-everyone!!

Fair MEMBER Participation Requirements

- Up to date Record Book turned in May to Horse Leaders
- County Public Presentation Contest March dates will be announced
- Minimum 1 of each County Horse Bowl or Hippology Participation, January and February
- County Horse Judging Participation April and May.
- Blue Slip with photo DUE May 1, 2017 at WSU Extension Office 11768 Westar Lane Burlington
- Parent sign off of project HANDBOOK received ***Each club is responsible for a sign off sheet stating member and parent have received Skagit County 4-H Horse Division Handbook****. 4-H office will collect sign off sheets and compare with Blue slips DUE MAY 1, 2017
- Member needs to have up to date records kept on any horse they will submit a blue slip for in record book when record book check is done on or before May 16th
- Incomplete member -this member did not meet requirements by deadline; did a make-up; which allows fair participation.
- May 24, 2017 is final chance for make ups on Horse Bowl, Public Presentation and Record Book. If member has not made those requirements they may compete at the fair in a Substitute Horse/Incomplete Member status.

Fair HORSE Participation Requirements

- Main project horse and/or Back up horse has a project record(s), shots and blue slip with photo
- Substitute horse is a member's horse that does not have a project record or member did not fulfill a requirement; such as Public Presentation, record books, judging, bowl, blue slip. Must have immunization shots within time frame published in Premium book.
- Incomplete member or substitute horse- can earn no grand or reserve placing in classes at Fair and earn no position on state team.

Make up opportunities for these requirements will be offered on May 24, 2017

Skagit County follows Pacific Northwest 4-H Horse Contest Guide PNW 574
Revised October 1, 2015

Member Information

Enrollment Info

- New Enrollments and re-enrollments are done at 4honline.com. No paper enrollments will be accepted.
- Dues paid to 4-H office by club leaders due 1st Wednesday of December.
- New enrollments for Horse Project are due by May 1st- Any enrollments received after May 1st are approved at the discretion of 4-H office.
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4-H Events

- Achievement Night- 4-H project Members County wide are presented with an award. Applications can be found on the 4-H website. These are due with your record books at the end of the year.
- Equine Extravaganza- Horse members full day workshop.
Date: February 4, 2017 Location: Skagit County Fairgrounds Time: 8:15 a.m.
- A horse Knowledge contest will be offered that fulfills the Horse Bowl/Hippology requirement for fair.
- Horse Bowl January 18, 2017 at B-EHS Library
Check in times: Juniors 5:45
Intermediates 6:30
Seniors 7:15
- Public Presentations- will be held on the following dates/locations. March 1st is at Skagit Farmers Supply, in Mount Vernon, March 9th is held at Coastal Farm & Ranch in Mount Vernon, March 11th will be held at Where the Heart Is, a Senior Center in Burlington, registration done online; check with leader
- Judging Clinic- March 18, 2017 at Silver Quarters Arena check in at 8:45 A.M.
May 7th, 2017 at Silver Quarters Arena check in at 12:45 P.M.
- Super Saturday- April 22- all day event at Burlington Lutheran Church
- Blue slip deadline- May 1, 2017 4:30 PM at WSU extension office
- Record Books Check- May 16, 2017 5:00pm to 6:30pm at Fairgrounds. Up to date Record Book to be presented by member if possible so corrections can be made then and there. If incomplete-member may complete and turn in on May 24th at Skagit County Fairgrounds @ 6p.m.
- Fair Entries Due- July 7, 2017

Ride Nights

Ride nights begin the first week of May at the Skagit County Fairgrounds. Each weeknight is assigned to clubs at a Horse Leader meeting prior. Keys checked out by leader at Fairgrounds for use from April through September. The keys need to be returned by October 1st.

Monday- VGA, SS
Tuesday- ARR & NWBB
Wednesday- BERR
Thursday- TB & RR
Friday- HF

Arena Guidelines

- A LEADER MUST BE PRESENT ENTIRE TIME
- Only enrolled members and leaders are allowed to be horseback.
- Leaders must wear helmets
- Helmets and boots are required when mounted. Long pants, t- shirts and no bare shoulders
- Boots are required anywhere with horses, parents too
- Dogs on leash and in parking area only
- Take manure and trash home with you
- NO smoking on fairgrounds
- All children must be in eyesight of group; use good parental judgment
- Riding in arena only-not in parking area or lawns

Horse Leaders Games Series Fundraiser AKA Clover Classic

- June 4th and June 24th- Games Shows
- Saturday July 29, 2017- Showmanship and Performance
- Sunday July 30, 2017- Showmanship and Western Games
- Concession duties are shared and proceeds go to Horse Leader's Fund

Sedro Woolley Riding Club/ Skagit County 4-H Games Series

- Dates TBD

Skagit County Fair- August 9-12, 2017

Who's in charge of what?

- Stall assignments- Superintendent Sharrie Nelson
- Haul in (Tuesday- week of fair) -Fair Staff
- Vet check- Mary Hilliard
- Arena jobs- Maribeth Carlton
- Herdsmanship- Wendy Betts
- Tuesday dinner- Jamie Yantis
- Exhibitor numbers (printing, laminating and sorting)- Kim Blumenhagen
- Code of conduct- Superintendent Sharrie Nelson
- Sub horses- Horse Leaders Executive Board
- Back up horse- Horse Leaders Executive Board
- Grievance- 4-H office
- Sportsmanship award- Krista Purcell
- Round Robin competition- Bob Elsner
- Fair Awards- Saturday Night @ Fairgrounds
- Haul Out- Fair staff

GUARDIAN/MEMBER PROJECT EXPECTATIONS AGREEMENT

Our County and state events are planned, managed and staffed entirely by volunteers. Volunteers are usually Horse project leaders, alumni, members of the horse community, parents, friends and relatives of horse project members.

It is expected that a parent, guardian or other responsible adult associated with each member that is participating will provide support at horse project events. The intent of this is to set an expectation for volunteer service to the horse project.

Leaders should make parents aware of this expectation.

Parent/adult representative participation is expected and is vital to a 4-H member's success. Each member needs an advocate and a support system.

Leaders need to have a relationship with member and family. It is difficult to make a project, with the large scope that the Horse Project has, be successful if there is not a Leader/Member/Parent (adult) connection.

I have read, understand and agree to the Skagit County 4-H Horse Division Handbook

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Member Name

Club

This signed page is required with Blue Slip by May 1, 2017