

## **Skagit County 4-H Horse Division Handbook**

Project year 2017 to 2018

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- Stevie Sjogren & Sophia Swanson

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  
Lara Sjogren and Sherri Pritchard

Performance- Tabi Whitford

Judges - Sharrie Nelson

Equine Extravaganza - Tabi Whitford, Lara S. & Sharrie

Medals- Games: Autumn

Performance Tabi and Lola Whitford

Vet check- Mary Hilliard & Olivia Barr

Tuesday dinner- Skagit Valley Split Reins (Sarah Lavoy)

State Fair Decorations: Autumn Pawlowicz, Lara Sjogren & Sharrie Nelson & Kim Blumenhagen

Judging (2 clinics/manage state team)- Sharrie Nelson and Tabi Whitford

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

Fair Knowledge Test - Hannah Brown

Herdsmanship - Wendy Betts & Kim Wedul

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
- Must Participate in County Horse Bowl or Hippology (January and February)
- County Horse Judging Participation April and May.
- Blue Slip with photo DUE May 1, 2018 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\*\*\*\*. Due at the 4-H office with Blue slips DUE MAY 1, 2018
- 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 15th. Books can be turned in before this date or bring them to the S.C. Fairgrounds 5:30p.m. to 6:45 p.m.
- \*\*Incomplete member -this member did not meet requirements by deadline, if they do not attend the county make-up event they will be considered a Substitute Horse entry at Fair.
- May 23, 2018 @ S.C. Fairgrounds @ 6pm - 7pm 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 Member status.
- Substitute entry members will be required to help at a County event that is approved by the Horse Leaders committee and /or Board Members.

### **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 by the county deadline; such as Public Presentation, record books, judging, bowl, or blue slip. Must have immunization shots within time frame published in Premium book.
- Substitute Horse Entry Members- can NOT earn grand or reserve placing in classes at Fair and CAN NOT earn positions on state teams.

### **State Fair Double Qualifying Opportunity**

- Members will have an opportunity to double qualify for State Fair at the July Horse Leaders shows. To qualify:
- You must use the horse you will be taking to fair.
- You must enter all qualifying events for that discipline.
- You must compete in a different discipline than what you will compete at fair in.
- You must attend and compete at the Skagit County Fair.

**Make up opportunities for these requirements will be offered on May 23, 2018**

\*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.
- Enrollment & Dues must be completed before member can be active in the Skagit County Program.
- New enrollments in the Horse Project are due prior to May 1<sup>st</sup>- to be eligible for County Fair.

### 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-  
January 13th @ Equine Extravaganza @ S.C. Fairgrounds  
\*\*Opportunity to fulfill a Horse Bowl/Hippology requirement
- Horse Bowl/Hippology :  
January 24th @ Burlington Lutheran Church Jrs: 5:45 Int. 6:30 Sr. 7:15  
February 10th @ Silver Quarters @ 1:00p.m.
- Public Presentations-  
March 3rd & March 17th @ Where the Heart Is 9 - 11:30 & 1 - 3 p.m. (Sat.)  
March 7th @ Skagit Farmers/Mt. Vernon 3:00 - 6:30 (Wednesday)
- registration done online; check with leader
- Judging Clinic-  
April 14th @ 8:45 @ Silver Quarter  
May 6th @ 12:45 @ Silver Quarter
- Super Saturday- County Wide Event (Watch for more info.)
- Blue slip deadline- May 1, 2018 4:15 PM at WSU extension office  
\*\*May be turned in anytime prior to this date
- Record Books Check- May 15, 2018 5:30pm - 6:45pm 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 23rd at Skagit County Fairgrounds @ 6p.m.
- Fair Entries Due- July 7, 2018

## 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 May through September. The keys need to be returned by October 1<sup>st</sup>.

Monday- VGA

Tuesday- ARR

Wednesday- BERR

Thursday- TB

Friday- HF

## Arena Guidelines

- A LEADER MUST BE PRESENT the ENTIRE TIME
- Only enrolled members and leaders are allowed to be horseback.
- Leaders must wear helmets when mounted
- Helmets and boots are required when mounted. Long pants, t-shirts and no bare shoulders
- Boots are required anywhere with horses
- Parents must wear closed toed shoes
- 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
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## Horse Leaders Games Series Fundraiser AKA Clover Classic Series

- June 3<sup>rd</sup> and June 30<sup>th</sup>- Games Shows
- Saturday July 21, 2017- Showmanship and Western Games
- Sunday July 22, 2017- Showmanship and Performance
- Concession duties are shared and proceeds go to Horse Leader's Fund

## Skagit County Fair- August 7-11, 2018

### \*\*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
- 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

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Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

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Member Name

Club

This signed page is required with Blue Slip by May 1, 2018