

## HORSE AND PONY

All animals MUST be entered into FairEntry by May 15th.

**General Livestock Information:** See page 13 for more information

**Manual Information:** See page 11 for more information.

**Mini 4-H** - Refer to Mini 4-H rules on page 14.

**Animal Enrollment Deadline:** ALL animals MUST be identified in FairEntry by May 15<sup>th</sup>. See page 13 for more information.

**Quality Livestock Assurance:** In order to show an animal, 4-H members must be certified through Quality Assurance Training. Please See page 15 for more information.

**Animal Education Posters:** See Animal Education page 45. **ALL POSTERS** need to be turned in on check-in day for the exhibit buildings. **DO NOT** turn any posters in at animal check ins.

**Stall Selection Process:** Assigned by Horse and Pony Leaders based on number of animals, size of animals, and best traffic flow for the barn. Members will provide information to the leaders and leaders will make final stall assignments.

### Exhibit Introduction:

**Horse and Rider Skills:** Members in their first year of riding must participate in this before they become a riding member of the Wranglers. No member may ride with the Horse and Pony Club until they have passed this skill assessment.

**Drug Testing:** All 4-H animal exhibits must be free of drug, steroids, and chemical or foreign substance residue. The Dubois County 4-H Council and the Horse & Pony Committee reserves the right to test any animal exhibit for any foreign substance, included, but not limited to, drugs, steroids, or chemicals. The submission of any 4-H entry into the Dubois County Fair by an exhibitor expressly grants the Dubois County 4-H Council and/or the Horse & Pony Committee the right to conduct such tests. A positive test or refusing such tests will result in disqualification and forfeiture of all points and awards. Test samples collected from any 4-H horse, pony, mule, or donkey must be free of any foreign substance, including any steroids or any drug or chemical affecting the central nervous system (for example, stimulants, depressants, or pain killers). The owner will bear the cost for a positive test. Otherwise, 4-H Council will pay for the test. If an animal is injured or under the care of a vet requiring medication/pain control/etc., the animal is allowed to remain on the grounds but must not be shown the remainder of the fair week.

### Pre 4-H Class (Grades K-2)

**For animals over 300 pounds:** the Pre 4-Her must be assisted by a parent, legal guardian, club leader, or club volunteer designated in writing by parent or legal guardian. (Assisted means with the child at all times.) \*See rule 15 under general rules

Must be enrolled in 4-H as a Pre 4-H member (4-H Online)

Must have completed Kindergarten as of May of the current year and have a liability waiver release signed and in the Purdue Extension office.

Must show an equine that is already enrolled in 4-H by another 4-H member and will be in attendance at the fair. NO other equines will be allowed to come in for a Mini 4-H member to show that day.

### Division 241: First Year Members Only (any age)

ANY FIRST-YEAR member (regardless of age or what size/type of horse) may enter these classes. If any of these classes are shown that showman is NOT ELIGIBLE to show or ride in any other division other than 'contesting' classes in 243 or 244. The member may only show as a first year member their very first year as a Wrangler.

- First Year Halter - Big Horses and Miniatures 24101
- First Year Showmanship - Big Horses and Miniatures 24102
- First Year In-Hand Jumping - Big Horses and Miniatures 24103
- First Year Obstacle - Big Horses and Miniatures 24104
- First Year Miniature Trail - Miniatures Only 24105
- First Year Western Walk Trot - Big Horses Only 24106
- First Year English Pleasure Walk/Trot - Exhibition Big Horses Only 24107

**Division 242: Miniature Horse (any age)**

- Mini Halter, Junior (Grades 3-7) 24201
- Mini Showmanship, Junior (Grades 3-7) 24202
- Mini Trail, Junior (Grades 3-7) 24203
- Mini Jumping, Junior (Grades 3-7) 24204
- Mini Obstacle, Junior (Grades 3 - 7) 24205
- Mini Halter, Senior (Grades 8-12) 24206
- Mini Showmanship, Senior (Grades 8-12) 24207
- Mini Trail, Senior (Grades 8-12) 24208
- Mini Jumping, Senior (Grades 8-12) 24209
- Mini Obstacle, Senior (Grades 8 - 12) 24210

**Division 243: Junior (3rd-7th Grade)**

- Showmanship, Junior 24301
- Gelding at Halter, Junior 24302
- Mare at Halter, Junior 24303
- Western Pleasure, Junior 24304
- Gaited Western Pleasure, Junior 24305
- Western Horsemanship, Junior 24306
- Gaited Western Horsemanship, Junior 24307
- Ranch Pleasure, Junior 24308
- Trail, Junior 24309
- Contesting - Speed and Action, Junior 24310
- Contesting - Pole Bending, Junior 24311
- Contesting - Flag Race, Junior 24312
- Contesting - Barrel Race, Junior 24313

**Division 244: Senior (8th-12th Grade)**

- Showmanship, Senior 24401
- Gelding at Halter, Senior 24402
- Mare at Halter, Senior 24403
- Western Pleasure, Senior 24404
- Gaited Western Pleasure, Senior 24405
- Western Horsemanship, Senior 24406
- Gaited Western Horsemanship, Senior 24407
- Ranch Pleasure, Senior 24408
- Trail, Senior 24409
- Contesting - Speed and Action, Senior 24410
- Contesting - Pole Bending, Senior 24411
- Contesting - Flag Race, Senior 24412
- Contesting - Barrel Race, Senior 24413

Contesting - Keyhole Race, Junior 24314  
English Pleasure, Junior 24315  
Gaited English Pleasure, Junior 24316  
English Equitation, Junior 24317  
Gaited English Equitation, Junior 24318  
Hunter Hack, Junior 24319

Contesting - Keyhole Race, Senior 24414  
English Pleasure, Senior 24415  
Gaited English Pleasure, Senior 24416  
English Equitation, Senior 24417  
Gaited English Equitation, Senior 24418  
Hunter Hack, Senior 24419

### **Division 245: Pre 4-H Showmanship**

Showmanship Pre 4-H (Grades K-2) 24501

### **Wrangler Club Awards Given**

**Outstanding 4-Her Award** - Open to any age member. The award is based on attendance and participation in Wrangler, area, and state Horse & Pony activities.

**Over-All Horsemanship Award** - Open to any age member. A 4-Her may receive the first-place award only twice in his or her 4-H career. The award is based on attendance and participation in Wrangler, Area, and State Horse & Pony activities.

**Clean Stall Award** - A clean stall award will be given to a first year, miniature horse, and large horse showman who have been judged to have the cleanest stall during the fair. Points are awarded by the chaperones and leaders during the fair week.

**Lexi Mattingly Award** - Club members will choose one of the graduating seniors for this award. The award is based on helpfulness, sportsmanship, and overall attitude. Leaders will choose award recipients from among the nominees if there is a tie.

**Stall Decorating Award** - Stall decorations must be made by the 4-Her. Decorations must be safe and are limited to the front of the stall. Consideration will be given to 4-Hers who incorporate the current Dubois County Fair theme into the decorations.

**Outstanding Novice** – Awarded to the novice (1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> year member) who has shown the most improvement and sportsmanship throughout the 4-H year.

### **Horse & Pony General Rules**

1. First and foremost, all exhibitors, parents, and spectators will conduct themselves as ladies and gentlemen. They will be expected to conduct themselves in a manner to set a good example for other 4-H exhibitors and other spectators at the show. Impolite behavior, poor sportsmanship, disruptive actions, may cause disqualification and/or cause for personal removal from the grounds.
2. To show at the Dubois County 4-H Fair, a 4-H'er must:
  - a) Complete and turn in an Indiana 4-H Horse & Pony Ownership, Enrollment and Entry Form by May 15 via 4-H Online. (Unlimited number of animals may be enrolled)
  - b) Use Google Chrome to access 4-H Online and any pictures uploaded need to be in jpeg format.
  - c) Attend a combined total of four events from the Horse & Pony scheduled meetings, horsemanship camp, and/or county sponsored 4-H events of which at least three are with the animal that has been

enrolled on the State Entry Form. A limit of two horses per 4-Her will be imposed at the Dubois County 4-H Fair. Also, only one entry per class will be accepted per 4-Her at the Dubois County 4-H Fair.

3. Only 4-H Horse and Pony members shall ride, drive, or lunge their enrolled animals at the fairgrounds during fair week or during mock shows. Exception: In the interest of safety, a 4-H Horse & Pony leader may allow an immediate family member to ride, drive or lunge a 4-H'er's horse or pony. Only 4-Hers and/or parents will prepare a horse for the 4-H show.
4. Attire - All exhibitors shall wear appropriate attire as outlined in the Indiana 4-H Horse & Pony Handbook. Properly fitted ASTM standard F1163 (or above) certified helmet must be worn whenever mounted, or driving.
5. Any 4-H Horse & Pony project deemed by the 4-Her, parent, or 4-H leader to be a "kicker" must be designated with a visible red ribbon in the tail. It is the 4-H member's responsibility to make sure each time the animal is brought to the fairgrounds it is designated by a prominent red ribbon in the tail.
6. Any animal exhibited must be shown and owned by the contestant, or owned in partnership with the contestant's father, mother, brother, sister, grandparent, or legal guardian. Exception: Leased animals may be shown subject to approval of both the County 4-H Horse and Pony Committee and the extension educator in charge in the county from which the entry is submitted. Leasing is considered the equivalent of ownership of a 4-H project animal. The 4-H'er should be regularly involved in the care of the horse regardless of where stabled and the 4-H'er should have exclusive show use of the animal during the 4-H lease period. Any animal, whether owned or leased by the exhibitor, must be on display at the fairgrounds DURING THE ENTIRE FAIR WEEK.
7. Indiana state 4-H imposes vaccination requirements for horse show participants beyond the requirements of the Indiana State Board of Animal Health minimum requirements. A current year vaccination record must be on file for each horse enrolled in the 4-H program, using the required 4H vaccination form.
8. Placing - Six placings will be awarded in each class. First and second place will receive champion and reserve champion. Third – sixth place will get a ribbon.
9. Classes may be sub-divided or combined in the event the number of entries warrant. Also, the committee reserves the right to change classes being offered as the situation dictates.
10. Awards
  - Halter Classes - Champion and Reserve Champion in all halter classes will compete for Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Halter Horse, including Miniature Halter
  - Showmanship Classes - Champion and Reserve Champion in all showmanship classes will compete for Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Showman, including Miniature ShowmanshipThe following awards are using a six-point system. First Place – six points, Second Place – 5 points, Third place – 4 points, Fourth place – 3 points, Fifth place – 2 points and Sixth place – 1 point.
  - High Point Performance Rider, Junior - 24304, 24306, 24308, 24309
  - High Point Performance Rider, Senior - 24404, 24406, 24408, 24409
  - High Point Gaited Rider - All Gaited classes and ages combined
  - High Point Contest Rider, Junior - 24310-24314
  - High Point Contest Rider, Senior - 24410-24414
  - High Point First Year Showman - 24101-24106

- High Point Miniature Showman, Junior - 24201-20205
- High Point Miniature Showman, Senior - 24206-24210

11. Each member is required to show in at least one halter and/or showmanship class.

12. 4-H Horse and Pony Executive Club Leaders- this group has the responsibility of bringing needs of species to the 4-H Council Livestock Committee, oversee check in at fair, oversee ID days, provide barn chaperones as needed, provide volunteers to run the show, and livestock barn set up.

13. 4-H Council Livestock Committee – this group is the decision makers, review suggestions from species committees, review concerns and grievances from livestock individuals, set livestock dates, oversee, and enforce rules, and procedures of the livestock program. 4-H Council Livestock Committee also has the right to remove any animal during the week of the fair for the health of the animal or for the safety of any person(s).