

LaPorte County 4-H Horse & Pony Newsletter

January 2024

Hello Easy Riders,

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, January 16th at 7:00pm in the Small Projects building at the LaPorte County Fairgrounds. Horseless Horse will meet at 6:00pm.

4-H Enrollment:

Make sure you have enrolled for 2024. The enrollment deadline is January 15, 2024. Please visit <https://extension.purdue.edu/county/laporte/4h=page.html> to enroll today.

First & Second Year Members:

At the January 16th meeting, there will be a meeting for our first and second year members. The meeting will be at 6:30pm. Our volunteers will share useful information about 4-H horse and pony.

Officer Elections:

The Club will be electing officers at the January meeting. To be eligible for office, you need to be an active member and be ready to speak as to why you would be a good club officer. Please review the officer roles that will be available attached to this newsletter.

Drill Team Call Out:

The Drill Team call out meeting will be held on Monday, February 5th at 6:00pm in the Small Projects building. If you are interested or would like to learn more, please attend the meeting.

Hippology & Quiz Bowl:

If you are interested in learning more about the world of equine science and care, consider joining the Hippology & Quiz Bowl Team. Contact Debbie at 219-545-2693.

Elder Tree:

Thank you all for your generosity and success of the Elder Tree Community Event. We know this has brought some Christmas Cheer to all their residents. Also, thank you to the Ambassadors for helping out with the gift delivery! - Rita Beaty

Message from the Nursing Home:

Merry Christmas to you and God bless you and your 4-H families for making our residents so happy. It went great! Residents were so excited and happy just like little kids!

Toys For Tots:

The Ambassadors, Kyra Nicholson and Jackson Cipares, would like to thank everyone that participated in the toy drive for Toys For Tots. It was a great success.

CLUB OFFICER ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

PRESIDENT

- *Work with club officers
- *Work on meeting agenda with club officers and club leader
- *Lead the club meetings
- *Provide opportunities for club members to express opinions and participate in meetings
- *Be courteous and fair to all.
- *Be model club member.
- *Notify club leader and vice president in advance if unable to attend the meeting or activity

VICE PRESIDENT

- *Serve as chair to plan club activities and events
- *Survey members to learn their interests and ideas for club programs
- *Work on meeting agenda with club officers and club leader
- *Arrive early for meetings to prepare
- *Know the duties of the president so you can conduct a meeting in the president's absence

SECRETARY

- *Take complete and accurate notes during the meeting
- *Record any motions made during the meeting.
- *Be prepared to read the motion as stated. *Prepare minutes of the last meeting
- *Record names of club officers.
- *Help club officers and club leader to develop meeting agenda
- *Arrive early to prepare for meeting
- *Let the club president and club leader know in advance if unable to attend the meeting.
- *Provide a copy of meeting minutes in your absence to present at the meeting.
- *Prepare any club correspondence and share any club correspondence

TREASURER

- *Maintain accurate records of club funds
- *Work with club committee treasurer
- *Prepare treasurer's report to share at club meetings
- *Help club officers and club leader to develop meeting agenda

RECREATION LEADERS

- *Plan a recreation activity for each meeting
- *Be enthusiastic and encourage others to have fun
- *Plan activities that everyone can do
- *Get everyone involved
- *Stop the activity before the group gets bored
- *Participate in planning club meetings and activities

HEALTH/SAFETY LEADERS

- *Participate in planning club meetings and activities
- *Provide some type of health/safety information at club meeting. This can be guest speaker, demonstration, activity, etc
- *Arrive early to help prepare for meeting

SONG LEADERS

- *Lead the club in singing or get others to lead
- *Work with club officers and club leaders and songs to be used
- *Know the 4-H Song and teach it to other members

LaPorte County 4-H Horse & Pony - 2024 Schedule

The club meets on the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00pm CST. Horseless Horse meetings will begin at 6:00pm.

No December meeting	Community Project: Elder Tree
January 15, 2024	4-H Enrollment Deadline
January 16, 2024	Horse & Pony Meeting - Small Projects Bldg
February 20, 2024	Horse & Pony Meeting - Small Projects Bldg
March 19, 2024	Horse & Pony Meeting - Small Projects Bldg
April 16, 2024	Horse & Pony Meeting - Small Projects Bldg
May 1, 2024	Culver's Give Back Night
May 15, 2024	Animal Enrollment Deadline
May 21, 2024	Horse & Pony Meeting - Horse & Pony Barns
June 1, 2024	Vaccination Deadline
June 18, 2024	Horse & Pony meeting - Horse & Pony Barns
	Final date to turn in Project Book
July 5, 2024	Animal Check In for Fair
July 6 - July 13, 2024	Fair Week

There will be several work days scheduled. Those may be before the May and June meetings along with a few scheduled Saturdays. More information will come as the dates get closer.

This is a tentative schedule. Dates and times are subject to change. Please follow us on FaceBook, the Remind App or email for Club updates.

Should you have any questions, please contact us by email at lp4horse@gmail.com or the Extension Office at 219-324-9407.

Happy New Year! Let's make 2024 great!

LaPorte County 4-H Horse & Pony Leaders

LaPorte County

3rd Annual 4-H Tack Sale

March 16th
9am - 4pm

March 17th
9am - 2pm

\$1/person

Ages 6 & under are free

10,000 sq. feet of New & Used Tack Vendors indoors

Outdoor Vendors

Equine Education Speakers & Demonstrations

Food Vendors on site

Mini Pedal Tractor Pull

Draft Horse Wagon Rides

Bounce House

Parade on Fairgrounds

Pot of Gold Scavenger Hunt

Silent Auction

2581 IN - 2 LaPorte, IN 46371

Interested in being a vendor, pedal pull, or parade?

Call or Text Kristy Chambers! 574-876-4316

*Must be present to win Silent Auction

ST. JOSEPH COUNTY 4-H HORSE AND PONY TACK SWAP MEET

Sponsored by the St. Joseph County 4-H Horse & Pony Club



Saturday April 6th, 2024 9:00 am – 2:00 pm

LOCATION: St. Joseph County 4-H Fairgrounds

51117 Ironwood Road, South Bend, In 46614 Esther Singer Bldg.

Set-up 8:00 am

Concessions
on Grounds

REGISTRATION DEADLINE—Monday April 1st, 2024

To reserve a table or booth, please mail the bottom of this form with payment to:

DEALERS
CALL FOR
SET-UP

DEALERS
WELCOME!

TACK SWAP MEET

c/o Julie Kawalski

54968 Currant Road

Mishawaka, IN 46545

NO
EARLY
SALES

For more information Call Julie @574-309-3469 stjoecty4hhorseandponyclub@gmail.com

St. Joseph County 4-H Horse & Pony Tack Swap Meet & Sale

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-Mail _____

10 X 10 Booth with Electric _____ @ 40.00 each (no tables provided)

10 x 10 Booth _____ @30.00 each (no tables provided)

Table space _____ @ \$20.00 each

Additional Table rental _____ @10.00 each

Total Enclosed= \$ _____

Payment must accompany form – No refunds

Make checks payable to : St. Joseph County 4-H Horse & Pony Club

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