



## LaPorte County 4-H Horse & Pony Club Newsletter

### MAY 2025

Hello E-Z Riders!

Our next club meeting will be on Tuesday, May 20th at the Horse & Pony arena at the LaPorte County Fairgrounds .

Horseless Horse will meet at 6:00 at the west end of the open barn which is next to the new cattle barn.

Horse & Pony at 7:00PM \* **There will be a work day at 6:00!**

#### Link for the new web page:

<https://extension.purdue.edu/county/laporte/4-h/horse-and-pony.html>

## IMPORTANT DEADLINE!!

#### Animal Enrollment:

All animals need to be enrolled by **MAY 15TH!** This is done through your 4-H Online account. You will need to upload 2 pictures of each horse. Front facing and side facing with face and all 4 feet. \*Add any and all backup horses! Backup horses can be enrolled under as many members as needed but only 1 can take to fair. This is a HARD deadline, please don't miss it!

## MORE IMPORTANT DEADLINES...

#### Horse Camp:

Horse camp sign ups will be **due by the next meeting, May 20th.** Horse camp will be **May 30-June 1** for any 1st and 2nd year member. Please use QR code on the flyer. Flyer is located on the new club web page. **Junior leaders are needed!** The leaders do plan to be done with everything cleaned up by noon on Sunday.

#### Sponsorships:

Sponsor forms are needed by **MAY 20th** in order to get their name on the back of club shirts this year. Please be reaching out for sponsorships. These sponsorships help offset costs for member awards, club outings, judges fees, and class trophies, etc. Sponsorship form is attached to this email.

**Ambassador project:**

Your club ambassadors, Audrey Forney & Dixie Hay will be making "birthday boxes" for local centers in need. They are asking for some items to reach their goal of 50 boxes! Here is the link:

<https://www.walmart.com/lists/shared/WL/323e42e5-0b31-433e-832f-482abaee9bb6>

If you could bring items to the next meeting that would help them with their goal!

**5 Year Jackets:**

If you are a 5th year member, we need your jacket size. Please see Danielle Ekovich after the meeting or message her on the Remind app with your jacket size **by May 20th**. There will be some sizes to try on at the meeting.

**Club T-shirt:**

Please provide your preferred t-shirt size **by May 20th**. The club is providing 1 free t-shirt for all club members. Please go to the google form link and fill it out for each member. <https://forms.gle/izidZGhtdMwbH6da7>

**All 10 year and last year members:**

Banners are provided for our last year and 10 year members. Please send a photo to the club email by June 13th so they can get ordered. Thank you seniors!!

[lp4hhorse@gmail.com](mailto:lp4hhorse@gmail.com)

**Work Day:**

We will be having a work day before the meeting, starting at 6:00. Please show up in proper WORK attire! We will be in need of some tools to help during the work day if you could bring any of the following; Leaf blower, wheelbarrows, rakes, shovels, hammer etc.

**Stall assignments:**

Stall assignments will be done on fair entry. This will need to be submitted before you can sign up for classes.

**Fair Entry:**

Fair Entry will open up on May 17th. It will be open until June 13th. This is where you will need to go for class sign ups.

**Pizza & Dance Party!!!**

Sunday, July 6th, we will be having a pizza and dance party provided by the club! Please stick around after the last class to watch the Horseless Horse kids show, then the Drill Team performance. Party will start after the drill team performance!

### **Curriculum Books:**

Book 1, Giddy Up & Go, is currently on back order. We will give an update at the meeting. All other books will be available at the meeting.

Here is the book you will need and chapters to complete.

• Grade 3	Giddy Up & Go	Ch. 1,2	Pgs 6-20
• Grade 4	Giddy Up & Go	Ch. 3,4	Pgs. 21-33
• Grade 5	Head, Heart, & Hooves	Ch. 1-3	Pgs. 9-20
• Grade 6	Head, Heart, & Hooves	Ch. 4-6	Pgs. 21-32
• Grade 7	Head, Heart, & Hooves	Ch. 7-10	Pgs. 33-48
• Grade 8	Horse Care	Ch. 4-8	Pgs.21-39
• Grade 9	Horse Care	Ch. 9-13	Pgs. 41-59
• Grade 10	Riding the Range	Ch. 1-3	Pgs. 9-26
• Grade 11	Riding the Range	Ch. 4-8	Pgs. 27-42
• Grade 12	Riding the Range	Ch. 9-13	Pgs. 43-60

### ***LaPorte County 4-H Horse & Pony - 2025 Schedule***

The club meets on the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00pm CST.

Horseless Horse meetings will begin at 6:00pm.

**May 15, 2025**

**4-H Enrollment**

**May 15, 2025**

**Animal Enrollment Deadline**

May 20, 2025

Horse & Pony Meeting - Horse & Pony Barns

\* Work day before meeting

May30-June 1, 2025

Horse Camp for 1st & 2nd year members

**June 1, 2025**

**Vaccination Deadline**

June 13, 2025

Fair Entry Deadline

June 17, 2024

Horse & Pony meeting - Horse & Pony Barns

\*Final date to turn in High Point qualification sheet

\*Project Book due

\*Work Day before meeting

**July 5, 2025**

**Animal Check In for Fair**

July 5 - July 12, 2025

Fair Week

There will be more work days scheduled, 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](mailto:lp4horse@gmail.com) or the Extension Office at 219-324-9407.

**LaPorte County 4-H Horse & Pony Leaders**

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Youth Committee Members: Kyra Nicholson, Lily Mrozinski, and Ophelia Baughman