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State 4-H Horse Show

ABILENE -- The 50th annual Texas State 4-H Horse Show will be held July 21-28, 2012 in Abilene, Texas, at the Taylor County Expo Center. Plans are currently underway to celebrate the special anniversary of the event.

The 2012 Texas State 4-H Horse Show Rules and Regulations are in the process of being revised. The finished version should be available in the early spring on the following website under the State 4-H Horse Show link: <http://animalscience.tamu.edu/academics/equine/index.htm>.

New Class for State 4-H Show - Stock Horse Pleasure

4-H'ers - Start getting ready now!

Based on an overwhelming majority recommendation from the State Horse Committee, a new event, Stock Horse Pleasure will be added to the State 4-H Horse Show list of classes. Since this is an "invitational" event, the class will be optional at all District shows. This class will count for tabulation of High Point Awards in the Stock Horse Division only. As is the case for Stock Horse Trail, horses cannot be entered in both the regular Western Pleasure and the Stock Horse Pleasure at the same show. Contestants can, however, show two different horses, one in each of the two pleasure classes.

The class routine for this new event will be scored according to American

Stock Horse Association (ASHA) rules and will involve running an individually scored, pleasure pattern around the rail, similar to the 2 and 3-Year-Old Futurity pleasure patterns. At the State 4-H Horse Show, there will be a finals to determine the final class placing. If offered at District Shows, finals are optional and the class may be placed on a one go-round basis.

Adding this class to the Stock Horse Division will give parents, adult leaders, and county agents the opportunity to introduce another level of training and "brokenness" to stock horses. Youth will gain a better appreciation of a new level of training and competition consistent with the Stock Horse Industry.

Horse Validation - New Procedure - 4-H Connect

A new procedure for validating horse projects will be implemented in 2012 via 4-H Connect. All 4-H horse projects, including futurity horses, must be owned and validated on or before May 1 each year. The program is nearing completion, and further details will be released to the counties, once they are finalized.

The purpose of validation is to certify that the horse project is owned by the 4-Her or their sibling, parent, grandparent,

or legal guardian. The process validates that the horse is owned and not leased or borrowed. Horses not validated on or before May 1 are ineligible for District and State 4-H Horse Shows.

Contact the Horse Specialists' office if you have any questions – Teri Antilley at tjantilley@ag.tamu.edu or Dennis Sigler at dsigler@tamu.edu.

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Anderson Bean Boot Company Sponsorship

Anderson Bean Boot Company has been added as a sponsor to the Texas 4-H Horse Program. They are now the "Official Boot of the Texas 4-H." Under the agreement signed in the fall of 2010, Anderson Bean will be a major sponsor of the State 4-H Horse Show, by awarding a pair of Anderson Bean boots to the winner of each class and to the High Point winners of each division. For 2012, the winning Drill and Precision Teams will also receive boots. Representatives of Anderson Bean will be present during the show, and there will be retail outlets who handle Anderson Bean Boots represented at the show. Please be sure you express your appreciation to Anderson Bean Boot Company at any time.

In addition, Anderson Bean is providing support to the AgriLife Extension Summer Horsemanship Program, which serves 4-H'ers all over the state. Program costs were supplemented by sponsorships from Anderson Bean and Purina Mills. Anderson Bean provided the instructors with boots and split the cost of the shirts and caps given to instructors with Purina Mills. In addition, money was donated by Anderson Bean to support the program. Purina Mills also supplied feed vouchers for the instructors' horses. This support is highly appreciated.



Anderson Bean Boots

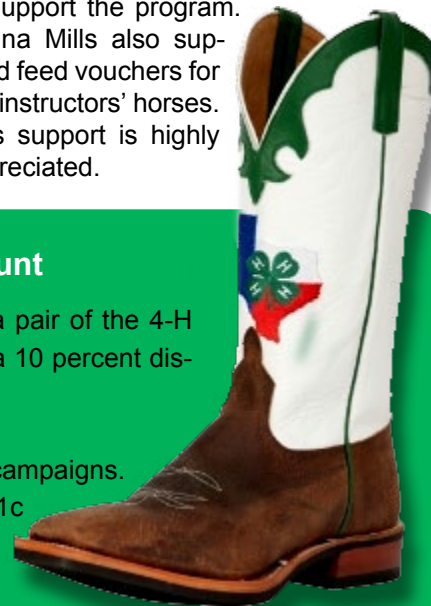
Buckle Sponsorships Needed

Buckle sponsorships for 2012 are needed and can be reserved any time throughout the 2012 year up to the show. If you are interested in supporting the State 4-H Horse Show youth, please see the buckle sponsorship form included in this newsletter. Buckles are \$200, and you can select the class that holds the most significance to you. In addition, other monetary sponsorships for items such as saddles, are welcome. Typically, the cost of each saddle is \$1,000.

NRS and 4-H Boot Discount

Any 4-H member interested in purchasing a pair of the 4-H boots made by Anderson Bean will receive a 10 percent discount with NRS.

For more information, please visit <http://campaigns.ratepoint.com/campaigns/0551b4185cc2cd1c813a025c3bf0d304?pm=1&r=6a8895ff15c6b0fff0950ca61811b586>.



2012 District Horse Show Reminders

Qualifying for State via District 4-H Horse Shows

Qualifying Division Classes

Each District will offer the following Qualifying Division Classes at all 2012 District 4-H Horse Shows. A 4-Her must show in at least one class within a division at their District 4-H Horse Show, in order to qualify for all the classes in that same division at the State 4-H Horse Show. A futurity project horse must be shown at District, in order to be eligible for its respective futurity class at the State Show.

Halter Division (1 horse per 4-Her)

Registered Four-Year-Old & Younger Geldings, Registered Five-Year-Old & Older Geldings, Grade Geldings, Grand & Reserve Champion Gelding, Registered Four-Year-Old & Younger Mares, Registered Five-Year-Old & Older Mares, Grade Halter Mares, and Grand & Reserve Champion Mare classes will be offered at all 12 District 4-H Horse Shows.

Judged Western Division (1 horse per 4-Her)

Showmanship, Western Pleasure, Western Horsemanship, Western Riding, and Trail will be offered at all 12 District 4-H Horse Shows.

Hunter-Flat Division (1 horse per 4-Her)

Hunter Showmanship, Hunter Under Saddle, and Hunt Seat Equitation classes will be offered at all 12 District 4-H Horse Shows.

Speed Events Division (1 horse per 4-Her)

Barrels, Poles, and Stakes classes will be offered at all 12 District 4-H Horse Shows.

Futurity Divisions

Yearling Halter Gelding Futurity Division (1 horse per 4-H'er)
Yearling Halter Filly Futurity Division (1 horse per 4-H'er)
Yearling Longe Line Futurity Division (1 horse per 4-H'er)
2-Year-Old Futurity Project Division (1 horse per 4-H'er)
3-Year-Old Futurity Project Division (1 horse per 4-H'er) - Cattle work is optional for all 12 Districts.

*All futurity project horses must be shown at District to be eligible for State.

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Non – Qualifying (Open or Invitational) Division Classes

Some Districts also offer a variety of Open (Invitational) classes, and whether they are offered or not at a District show, a 4-Her is not required to show in the following Open classes, in order to enter those classes at State. They must, however, meet entry deadlines, and for many Districts, the deadline for entering the State 4-H Horse Show is at the close of the District Show. Listed below are those classes that may or may not be offered at all District Horse Shows.

Roping Division

Tie-Down Calf Roping, Breakaway Roping, and Team Roping

Hunter Over Fences Division

Working Hunter, Equitation Over Fences, Hunter Hack, and Open Jumping

Drill/Precision Riding Division

Drill Teams and Precision Riding Teams

Stock Horse Division

Working Cow Horse, Team Penning, Reining, Cutting, Stock Horse Trail, and Stock Horse Pleasure

**Note: Horses that enter Stock Horse Trail and/or Stock Horse Pleasure CAN-NOT be entered in the regular Western Trail and/or Western Pleasure, respectively, and vice versa.*

Take Good Care of That Newborn Foal

by Martha M. Vogelsang, Ph.D., PAS, Dpl. ACAS

Section Leader, Equine Sciences

Department of Animal Science, Texas A&M University

Broodmare owners are always delighted when foaling season arrives and their year-long anticipations of new foals are realized. It is unfortunate for some that the newborn foal does not arrive healthy or remain completely healthy after arrival. Up to 25 percent of the wastage in the horse industry has been attributed to or related to neonatal disease. Because signs of neonatal disease are often subtle and non-specific, it is important for the owner or foaling manager to pay very close attention to the foal in the first few days after its birth.

Diseases that affect the newborn foal do not always present the same series of symptoms and progress in the same manner as they might in the adult horse. Additionally, foal diseases may not respond to treatment like diseases of the juvenile or mature horse. Diseases that affect the neonate can develop during gestation, at parturition, or after the foal has been born. Difficulty in detecting and diagnosing neonatal disease requires careful evaluation of the newborn so that inadequacies are found early enough for treatment to be effective for the survival of the foal. Under normal circumstances, attendants at foaling observe the foal's respiration to be sure that it is getting adequate oxygen, treat the naval stump and administer tetanus anti-toxin as preventives to infection, make sure the foal nurses and later test immunoglobulin (IgG) levels to determine whether the foal received sufficient antibodies from the colostrum for passive immunity. Frequent observation for the first 7-10 days of the foal's life is necessary in order to detect any indication that the foal may be in danger of developing life-threatening diseases.

If there is a reason to believe that the foal may be suffering from the initial onset of neonatal disease, an experienced veterinarian should be contacted to perform other diagnostic procedures that can identify the presence of infection. The veterinarian will be able to determine fibrinogen and white blood cell counts that would indicate infection, perform cultures to identify infectious organisms, diagnose respiratory tract disease by doing blood gas analyses, radiograph areas that seem to be the source of pain for the foal, and evaluate serum electrolyte and glucose balance. If neonatal disease is suspected, a complete examination of all systems should be performed because it is



unlikely that problems will be limited to one specific system in the newborn foal. Foals succumb to disease very rapidly so it is imperative that treatment of foals with neonatal diseases or dysfunctions begin early after detection of a problem.

Supportive nursing care is both time-consuming and labor-intensive but without attention to every aspect of the foal's condition, the chances for survival are diminished. The following list provides a guideline to follow in caring for sick foals.

1. Keep the foal warm, dry and clean.
2. Provide adequate nutrition either orally or parenterally.
3. Position in sternal recumbency to maximize ventilation.
4. Prevent self-trauma such as corneal ulcers.
5. Maintain cleanliness and integrity of intravenous catheters.
6. Provide sufficient exercise (active or passive) to prevent limb deformities.

Although most foals are born healthy and continue to do well as they adapt to their new environment, it is important that they are carefully observed so that early treatment can be utilized if a neonatal illness is detected.

For more information, contact Dr. Martha M. Vogelsang at <m-vogelsang@tamu.edu>.

Getting Ready for the Breeding Season

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Now is the time to make sure your mares are ready to have success at the breeding farm. Taking care of the following four areas will increase your chances of rapid success when it is time to breed your mares.

1.) Be sure the mare is on the proper plane of nutrition to be at a Body Condition Score of 6-7. Ideally, the mare should maintain a consistent body condition but being below the threshold of BCS 5 will certainly lessen your success in breeding her.

2.) Make sure the mare is on a regular schedule for deworming and immunization. Performing these treatments within the 45 days prior to expected foaling will benefit not only the

mare but the newborn foal as well.

3.) Put the open mares on an extended photoperiod in mid-December to ensure estrous cyclicity by the time you want to start breeding. Even if you start a little later, it could be beneficial in saving time.

4.) If the mare has a history of being difficult to get in foal, get your veterinarian to do a Breeding Soundness Exam and try to remedy any problems as early as possible. The longer a mare continues to have reproductive problems, the more difficult she may be to clear up.

Preparing for the breeding season is an investment in time and money that is not wasted. It allows the mare owner to be more prepared for breeding his mare since he knows she is ready.

Youth Horse Workshops & Camps

Mark your calendar...

■ Summer Horsemanship School Program

The 40th Annual Texas AgriLife Extension Summer Horsemanship School Program in 2012 will be here before we know it. Registration for the summer horsemanship schools will be made available through Texas AgriLife Extension Conference Services (Website: <https://agriliferegister.tamu.edu/> and Keyword search: Horsemanship). Deposits of \$300 will be required to secure a place on the calendar. Multiple forms of payment will be accepted (credit card, check, etc.). Please note that registration is now handled differently than in past years.

In order to break even and recover costs, the 2012 school rates will increase. The two-day schools will be \$1300 and the three-day schools will be \$1550. Even with an increase in price, the schools are still a great value for the amount of time spent riding and learning. The going rate for a private lesson from a credible trainer is \$50 per hour. With the Summer Horsemanship School Program, the cost per rider breaks down as follows:

- Two-day school – 16 hours of instruction - \$1300
 - 30 riders \$21.67 per rider per day
 - 20 riders \$32.50 per rider per day
 - 10 riders \$65.00 per rider per day
- Three-day school – 24 hours of instruction - \$1550
 - 30 riders \$17.22 per rider per day
 - 20 riders \$25.83 per rider per day
 - 10 riders \$51.66 per rider per day

Counties are highly encouraged to team-up with neighboring counties, if they do not have enough riders to fill the school. Maximum attendance is suggested to be 30 riders, in order to maintain a good student to instructor ratio. It should be noted that, although a large number of participants are youth riders,

adult riders are welcome and encouraged to participate in the schools; however, including adult riders is a decision that is left up to each individual county.

2-Day Schedule Date Choices:

Mon/Tues	Wed/Thurs	Fri/Sat
May 28, 29	May 30, 31	June 1, 2
June 4, 5	June 6, 7	June 8, 9
June 11, 12	June 13, 14	June 15, 16
June 18, 19	June 20, 21	June 22, 23
June 25, 26	June 27, 28	June 29, 30

3-Day Schedule Date Choices:

Mon-Wed	Thurs-Sat
May 28, 29, 30	May 31, June 1, 2
June 4, 5, 6	June 7, 8, 9
June 11, 12, 13	June 14, 15, 16
June 18, 19, 20	June 21, 22, 23
June 25, 26, 27	June 28, 29, 30

More information about the schools can be found on the following website, by clicking on the Summer Horsemanship School Program link: <http://animalscience.tamu.edu/academics/equine/index.htm>. Please contact Teri Antilley, Horse Program Specialist, at <tjantilley@ag.tamu.edu> with any additional questions.

■ State 4-H Cutting Clinic

The state-wide 4-H & Youth Cutting Clinic will be held at Tarleton State University Equine Center in Stephenville, Texas, March 31-April 1, 2012. It will be limited to 20 youth riders. This is not a beginning riding clinic. Riders must have a broke horse which has had considerable cow work to derive the most benefit from this clinic. The cost is \$175, and this includes one stall, handout material, meals, and all cow work. The focus will be on herd work, improving cattle handling and showmanship skills, improving horsemanship, helping the horse perform better, and rules for showing in the cutting class. For more information, contact Whit Weems, Erath County Extension Agent, at 254-965-1460 or <erath@ag.tamu.edu> or [see the flyer and registration form included in this newsletter](#).

■ Equine Ambassador Program

Special Opportunity for Advanced 4-Hers – Equine Leadership Training Camp

Gainesville, Texas will be the site of a June 3-7, 2012, Equine Ambassador Program aimed at training youth to become future leaders in their county 4-H horse program and in the horse industry. Programs will include tons of information, demonstrations, hands-on learning, leadership training, and fun activities!

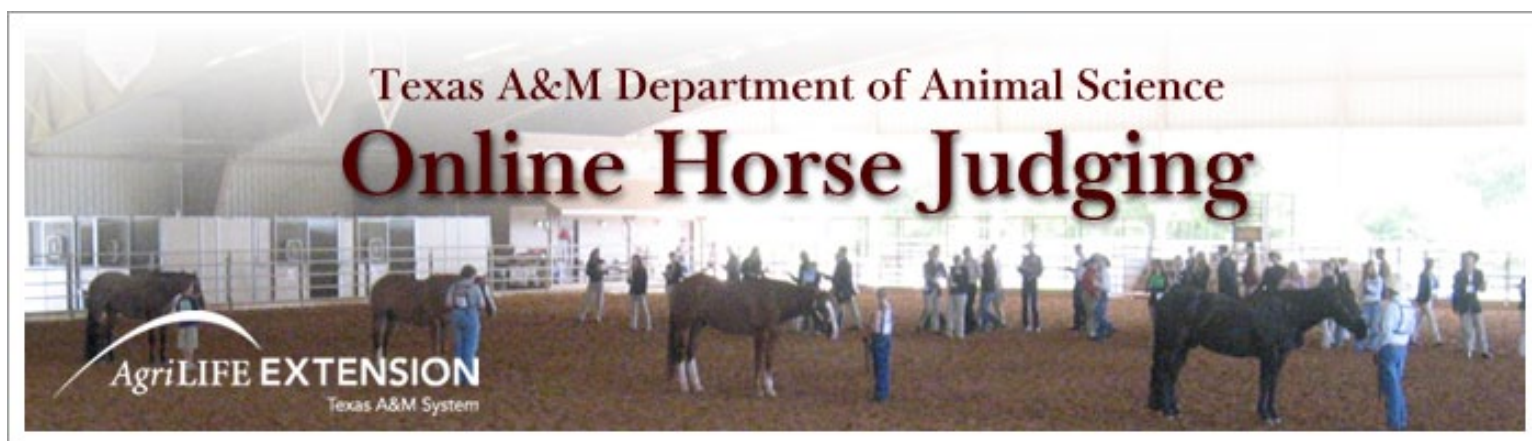
Cost will be \$250 per camper, which includes all meals, lodging, and handout materials. Participants are limited to 30, so be sure to get your application in and ask your County Agent and adult leaders to write recommendation letters. Application will be made on 4-H Connect and will begin on April 1st and closes on April 20th. Applications will be reviewed by a selection committee, and invited Equine Ambassadors will be notified if they have been selected to attend sometime in early May. For more information, contact Roger Skipper at 903-583-7453. [See the flyer included in this newsletter](#).

■ TAMU Horse Judging Camps

Mark your calendars for the 2012 horse judging camp dates: June 27-29 and July 11-13, 2012. Instruction on placing performance and halter classes, as well as reasons instruction, is provided to youth ages 12-18. Clay Cavinder, Assistant Professor and Horse Judging Team Coach, gives lead to overseeing the camps, while former and current horse judging team members instruct and supervise the youth over the three-day period. Youth are divided into beginner/intermediate and advanced groups, in order to provide the most beneficial instruction. A mock contest is held the last day of each camp, to enable the judges to practice their skills with some friendly competition. For more information or questions, contact Clay Cavinder at <cac@tamu.edu> or visit <http://animalscience.tamu.edu/horsejudgingcamp>.

■ Horse Judging Contest

The Brazos County Equestrian Club is hosting a horse judging contest in College Station on February 25, 2012. The event will be held at Freeman Arena, located on FM 2818. Pre-registration ends on February 15th. For more information, visit the website <http://www.equestrian4-h.org/> or contact Shaye Murphy at 936-348-1140. [See the flyer and registration form included in this newsletter](#).



Online Horse Judging Videos

The Texas AgriLife Extension Online Horse Judging videos are back!

The Online Horse Judging videos are designed to assist horse judging team coaches and judging team members in their quest to become more knowledgeable and more skilled judges. Each month a series of videos on a specific topic is released and includes: introductory videos, 2-horse videos (for less experienced judges), and 4-horse videos (for more experienced judges).

Background information, score sheets/placing cards, and practice videos are included in the course. Official placings and cuts are included, as are critiques of the class and/or reasons. Additionally, videos that allow practice on penalties are included.

Instructions on how to register and what options are available can be found on the following website:

<http://animalscience.tamu.edu/academics/equine/online-judging/index.htm>.

4-H Horse Publications Available

If your adult leaders are looking for horse publications to assist them in training youth for horse quiz bowl, horse judging, and riding, there are several options available online at the AgriLife Bookstore: <https://agrilifebookstore.org/>. Click on search, and then enter "horse" in the keyword box. Some of the publications are available for sale only, but there are many that can be downloaded for free. Below are a few that would be of benefit to the adult leaders and youth in the 4-H horse project.

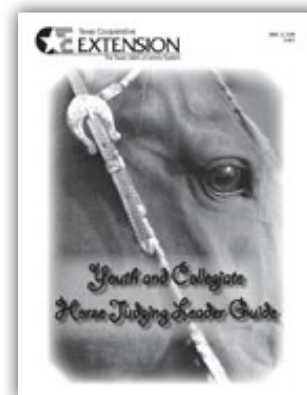
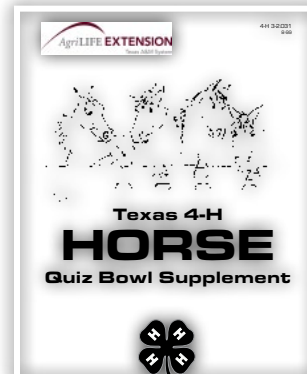
Horse Quiz Bowl - The Texas 4-H Horse Quiz Bowl Supplement (4-H 3-2.031) can be downloaded for free on the website, by clicking on View PDF.

Horse Judging - For judging, there is a leader guide that contains instructional material for teaching youth about how to judge halter and performance classes, as well as how to organize and prepare reasons. This leader guide is in a lesson-plan format and has worksheets for the youth to fill out. In addition, there is a manual that is a smaller supplement that contains helpful information about judging and provides youth with terminology for reasons. The manual is more for youth to have as an aid. Both of these publications are available in either print form or on a CD. Titles are below:

Youth and Collegiate Horse Judging Leader Guide (AS 1-2.120)

Youth and Collegiate Horse Judging Manual (AS 3-2.051)

Horsemanship - To help improve the riding skills and abilities of youth, the following guide is a great option: The Texas 4-H Horsemanship Leader Guide (AS 3-2.032). This guide is well worth the expense. It provides adult leaders with information about basic, intermediate, and advanced skills in riding in a lesson-plan format. It also provides graduated levels of each skill, helping to advance the horse and rider to additional degrees of difficulty. Numerous pictures, drills, and activities are provided, to help enhance the practice sessions. A list of topics included in the manual is provided on the website.



Calendar of Events

2012		
Feb. 4	Ft. Worth Horse Judging Contest - Will Rogers Coliseum - Ft. Worth, TX	Stock Show Office 817-877-2400
Feb. 16	San Antonio Stock Show Youth Horse Judging Contest	Stock Show Office 210-225-0575
Feb. 17	San Antonio Stock Show Youth Horse Quiz Bowl	Stock Show Office 210-225-0575
Feb. 25	Brazos County Horse Judging Contest - College Station, TX	Shaye Murphy 936-348-1140
Mar. 5	Houston Stock Show Youth Horse Judging Contest - Greater Southwest Equestrian Center - Katy, TX	Stock Show Office 832-667-1000
TBA	Fort Bend County Horse Judging Contest - Rosenberg, TX Fort Bend County Fairgrounds	Regina Peyre-Ferry 281-725-0249
Mar. 31-Apr. 1	State 4-H Cutting Clinic - Stephenville, TX	CEA Whit Weems 254-965-1460
April 14	Multi-District Horse Judging Contest - College Station, TX	Teri Antilley <tjantilley@ag.tamu.edu> 979-845-5264
May 1	Deadline for validating 4-H Horse Projects - All counties (Via 4-H Connect)	Teri Antilley <tjantilley@ag.tamu.edu> 979-845-5264

TBA	Horse Short Course - College Station, TX	Dennis Sigler <dsigler@tamu.edu>
May 30	Deadline for entries to TAMU Horse Judging Camps	Clay Cavinder <cac@tamu.edu>
June 11-15	State 4-H Roundup - Lubbock, TX Quiz Bowl (June 12) Horse Judging (June 13) Educational Presentations (June 14)	Teri Antilley <tjantilley@ag.tamu.edu> Dennis Sigler <dsigler@tamu.edu>
June 17-21	State 4-H Calf & Breakaway Roping School - Stephenville, TX	Brown County Office 325-646-0386
June TBA	State 4-H Roping School - Levelland, TX	Hockly County Office 806-894-3159
June 27-29 July 11-13	TAMU Horse Judging Camp - College Station, TX	Clay Cavinder <cac@tamu.edu>
July 22-28	50th annual State 4-H Horse Show - Abilene, TX	Teri Antilley <tjantilley@ag.tamu.edu> Dennis Sigler <dsigler@tamu.edu>



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2012 State 4-H Horse Buckle Sponsorship Form



You have the opportunity to sponsor a buckle at the Texas State 4-H Horse Show. The cost of the buckle sponsorship is \$200.00 per buckle. Buckle Sponsors will be recognized in the Program Book that is distributed at the State 4-H Horse Show.

Name: _____

In Memory of (Name): _____

In Honor of (Name): _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

**Please indicate which class(es) that you are interested in sponsoring.
Remember that multiple buckles are awarded in each class.**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Showmanship | <input type="checkbox"/> Poles | <input type="checkbox"/> Team Roping |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Western Pleasure | <input type="checkbox"/> Barrels | <input type="checkbox"/> Working Cow Horse |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Western Horsemanship | <input type="checkbox"/> Stakes | <input type="checkbox"/> Cutting |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Western Riding | <input type="checkbox"/> Hunter Showmanship | <input type="checkbox"/> Reining |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Trail | <input type="checkbox"/> Hunter Under Saddle | <input type="checkbox"/> Stock Horse Trail |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Registered Mares 5 & Over | <input type="checkbox"/> Hunt Seat Equitation | <input type="checkbox"/> Team Penning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Registered Mares 4 & Under | <input type="checkbox"/> Yearling Geldings | <input type="checkbox"/> Tie Down Calf Roping |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grade Mares | <input type="checkbox"/> Yearling Fillies | <input type="checkbox"/> Hunter Hack |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Registered Geldings 5 & Over | <input type="checkbox"/> Yearling Longe Line | <input type="checkbox"/> Working Hunter |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Registered Geldings 4 & Under | <input type="checkbox"/> 2-Yr-Old Futurity | <input type="checkbox"/> Equitation Over Fences |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grade Geldings | <input type="checkbox"/> 3-Yr-Old Futurity | <input type="checkbox"/> Open Jumping |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Tie Down Calf Roping | |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Breakaway Roping | |

Please Make Checks Payable To:

Texas 4-H Foundation—State 4-H Horse Show and indicate Buckle Sponsor in the memo line.

Return this form and check to:

Texas 4-H Foundation – P.O. Box 11020, College Station, TX 77842

State-Wide 4-H & Youth Cutting Clinic
Tarleton State University Equine Center – Stephenville, Texas
March 31 – April 1, 2012

Limited to 20 youth riders. This is not a beginning riding clinic. You must have a broke horse which has had **considerable** cow work to derive the most benefit from this clinic.

Cost is \$175 - includes one stall, handout material, meals, and all cow work. Registration must be postmarked by **March 16th**.

The focus will be on herd work, improving your cattle handling and showmanship skills, improving your horsemanship, helping your horse perform better, and rules for showing in the cutting class.

Friday, March 30th

5 pm – 7 pm Arrive

Saturday, March 31st

8 am	Registration
8:30 am	Equipment, bits and biting and proper tack
9 am	Introduction to cutting out of a herd
10 am	Practice cattle handling and separating cattle
12 noon	Lunch
1 pm	Classroom-Rules review
2 pm	Practice cow work
6 pm	BBQ Dinner and Professional Cutting Demo

Sunday, April 1st

8 am	Cowboy Church Service
8:30 am	Practice Cow Work-Selecting and Shaping a Cow
12 noon	Lunch
1 pm	Continue Individual Instruction and Practice
4 pm	Cutting Contest for all Contestants with prizes to the winners!
6 pm	Adjourn

For more information contact:

Texas AgriLife Extension Service
Erath County Office
Whit H. Weems - County Extension Agent – Ag
Courthouse Annex
112 W. College St. - #109
Stephenville, TX 76401
254-965-1460
erath@ag.tamu.edu

Statewide Youth Cutting Clinic
March 31 – April 1, 2012
Entry Form

Name _____ Age _____

Parent's Name _____

Address _____

Phone number _____ Cell Phone _____

How many years riding experience? _____

How many years cutting experience? _____

Horse's Name _____ Horse's Age _____

Please make \$175.00 payment to:

Erath Ag Committee
112 W. College St. - #109
Stephenville, TX 76401

***Registration must be postmarked by March 16th.**

Designed to provide an in-depth look at the horse industry in Texas for Texas youth. This program will train our youth to become future leaders in the horse industry. We will explore the past and look into the future of the modern horse industry! Program topics include leadership, horsemanship clinics, tours of breeding facilities, veterinary clinics, horse farms, and much, much more! These topics will be provided by some of the foremost experts in the Texas Horse Industry!

Who:

Open to all 4-H youth ages 14-17 by Application Limit 20 - 30
(Recommendation by advisor needed)

When:

June 3- 7 (Sunday - Thursday)

Where:

Lone Oak Retreat, Gainesville, Texas: <http://www.loneoakretreat.com>

Amenities include:

- Covered Arena
- Outdoor Arena
- Stalls
- Bunk Houses
- Classroom & Auditorium
- Cafeteria
- Staff Quarters Cabins (camp style, linens not provided)

Program Overview:

5 days, 4 nights with 11 included meals

Indoor stall and outdoor covered pen space

Recreational highlights include:

- Campfire
- Wagon Ride
- Swimming

For more information contact Roger Skipper at (903) 583-7453
or rdskipper@ag.tamu.edu

EQUINE

Ambassador

June 3- 7, 2012



BRAZOS COUNTY EQUESTRIAN 4-H CLUB

FIRST
ANNUAL

OPEN HORSE JUDGING CONTEST



4-H AND FFA CLUBS WELCOME!

Saturday, February 25, 2012 at 9:00AM

Dick Freeman Arena

7802 Turkey Creek Road, College Station, TX

Pre-Register by Feb. 15

PRE-REGISTRATION FEES:

**\$65 PER TEAM
\$20 PER INDIVIDUAL**

Include pre-registration form with payment. Fees are non-refundable. Team member changes may be made on site the day of the competition.

Registration fee after February 15 is \$80 per team and \$25 per individual

Registration on the day of the contest begins at 7:00AM

Purpose

Our goal is to provide a quality contest that allows all judges to have fun. This will be a great warm-up contest before the HLSR horse judging contest. There will be a good variety of horses and classes to judge, which provides an excellent learning environment.

Awards include: Individual ribbons for places 1-10 in halter, performance, reasons, and overall. Individual ribbons for team places 1-5 in halter, performance, reasons, and overall. An award for the Junior, Intermediate, and Senior high point, as well as a Senior scholarship. There will also be an Adult Jackpot!

The Brazos County Equestrian 4-H Club hopes to see you at our First Annual Open Horse Judging Contest!

Classes

8 Classes Total

Seniors: 2 sets of reasons (1 halter and 1 performance)

Intermediate: 1 set of halter reasons

Junior: Optional halter reasons



Contact

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Pre-Registration Form and Mail Information

Club/Organization Name:_____ Coach:_____

Address:_____

City:_____ State:_____ Zip:_____ County:_____

Email:_____ Phone Number(s):_____

DIVISION Age as of Aug. 31, 2011	TEAM/INDIVIDUAL	NUMBER	FEE	TOTAL
I SENIOR (AGE 14-18)	Teams (3-4 persons)		\$65	
	Individuals		\$20	
II INTERMEDIATE (AGE 11 THRU 13)	Teams (3-4 persons)		\$65	
	Individuals		\$20	
III JUNIOR (AGE 10 AND UNDER)	Teams (3-4 persons)		\$65	
	Individuals		\$20	
FFA	Teams		\$65	
	Individuals		\$20	
ADULTS	Jackpot		\$20	
Make checks payable to Brazos County Equestrian 4-H Club			TOTAL	

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**Be sure to send this form with payment
by February 15 to receive the Pre-Registration discount**