2017 Handbook for Project Members and Families



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PROJECT INFORMATION

Horse and Pony Youth and Adult Leaders

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Walworth County 4-H Horse & Pony Committee Constitution

ARTICE I-NAME

Section 1: Name- Walworth County 4-H Horse & Pony Committee

ARTICLE II- PURPOSE

- Section 1: To plan, promote and implement educational programs in the area of equine science for Walworth County youth and their leader.
- Section 2: To assist in the development of educational activities in equine science that will enhance the growth and development of Walworth County youth.
- Section 3: To stimulate interest in and promote youth programs with equines.
- Section 4: To promote, sponsor and/or implement educational activities and events in equine science for Walworth County youth.
- Section 5: To provide and/or encourage equine science and youth development for volunteer leaders.
- Section 6: To plan and coordinate the Walworth County Horse & Pony shows (including judge selection and fair book changes).
- Section 7: To provide an annual progress report (financial).

ARTICLE III- MEMBERSHIP

Section 1: Membership on the Committee is open to all persons without regard to sex, race, age, ethnic background, or economic circumstances and the Committee does not operate on a segregated basis.

ARTICLE IV- OFFICERS

Section 1: Officers shall be President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

ARTICLE V- AMENDMENTS

Section 1: The Constitution and By-Laws may be amended by a majority vote of the Committee, provided notice of such amendments shall be given two (2) meetings prior to voting.

Walworth County 4-H Horse & Pony Committee By-Laws

ARTICLE I- ELECTION OF COMMITTEE MEMBER

- Section 1: Election of Committee Members seven (7) senior members (age 19 and over), to serve two-year terms, and six (6) 4-H youth leaders to serve one-year terms. Four (4) adult members will be elected every two years (even years), with three (3) members being elected odd years. The Key Leader will serve three-year terms. Youth members are to be elected yearly. Voting for committee members will be open to parents/guardians, leaders, and youth members who have been enrolled in the 4-H Horse and Pony Project for at least one year. First year members are not able to vote or run for office. Voting will take place at the Walworth County Fair 4-H Horse and Pony Qualifying Show from Friday registration until after the last class has shown on Sunday. Representation on this committee will be open to all aspects of the horse and pony project (riding, driving, educational, and horse-less horse).
- Section 2: If a person (committee member) resigns or is dismissed before his/her term expires, he/she is out for the remainder of their term, plus one additional year.
- Section 3: Vacancies- Any vacancy occurring in the Committee may be filled by the affirmative vote of the majority of the Committee then in office. The individual will fill the remainder of the vacant term.

Section 4: Terms start November 1 of the elected year and end October 31 of the last year of their term.

ARTICLE II -CALENDAR YEAR

- Section 1: The calendar year will end October 31, and the New Year Wisconsin 4-H fiscal year is defined as will begin November 1.
- Section 2: The Wisconsin 4-H fiscal year is defined as July 1 June 30 and the project committee financial books must be rectified annually by June 30.
- Section 3: The committee will meet on the second Tuesday of each month. Contact the President for meeting location and time (subject to change). Any project member and/or their parent/guardian can attend a committee meeting, but only committee members may vote.

ARTICLE III - EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE DUTIES

The following officers make up the Executive Committee in case of emergency decisions:

Section 1: The President will:

- Prepare and distribute the agenda, always welcoming additional items from Committee members.
- Call the meeting to order and direct the business meeting.
- Provide opportunities for all Committee members to be heard.
- Keep order. Be courteous but firm.
- Initiate Committee reflection after events.
- Facilitate a yearly review of the project's constitution and by-laws.
- Cooperate with the treasurer to complete the annual charter paperwork.

Section 2: The Vice-President will:

- Preside at meetings in the absence of the president.
- Know the duties of the president.
- Work closely with the president, leaders, and all other Committee members on all project activities.
- Help plan 4-H project programs and events.

Section 3: The Secretary will:

- Keep an accurate record of the proceedings of all meetings. Record any officers elected, sub-committees appointed, financial decisions, and other business brought before the Committee.
- Encouraged to submit a copy of the Committee meeting minutes to the UW-Extension office.
- Record attendance.
- Distribute minutes from the last meeting at the current meeting. Make corrections to minutes as presented by Committee members.
- Youth Secretary will: Read correspondence received by the Committee and send any correspondence as directed by the Committee.

Section 4: The Treasurer will:

- Keep accurate records of all the money taken in and paid out by the Committee.
- Make deposits of money to the bank, write checks requested by the Committee, and pay bills authorized by the Committee.
- Give a report of money received, bills paid, and amount on hand at each Committee meeting.
- Be ready to give an itemized account of funds at any time on request of members, leaders, or Committee members.
- Conduct a Committee audit at the end of the fiscal year with appropriate volunteers as it applies to the financial portion of the charter paperwork.
- Be accountable to the UW-Extension office.
- Prepare an annual budget at the Committee's request. The budget must be approved by the Committee to be put into effect.

ARTICLE IV- KEY LEADER

Section 1: The Key Leader will:

- Act as the communication link between the Committee and project membership.
- Answer general project inquiries, promoting all areas of the project equally.
- Have the same voting rights as other adult Committee members and essentially acts as another Committee member.
- Cooperate with all project leaders and Committee members to create an annual educational project meeting and event calendar.
- Support project leader training.
- Coordinate State Competition sign-up with help from Committee members as needed.
- Handle non-animal, stationary fair items.
- Work with judges, Committee members, and helpers to provide a positive experience for all participants.
- Act as the communication link between the Committee and UW-Extension office and Fair Office.

<u>Section 2</u>: Appointed to a three year term by the Senior Leaders association, following an application and selection process with consideration of the project membership's popular vote.

ARTICLE V- COMMITTEE MEMBERS' DUTIES

Section 1: Committee members' (including Executive Committee) will:

- Be responsible for planning, implementing, and evaluating their work.
- Represent the Horse and Pony project membership as a whole: Communicate needs of project members and leaders to Committee. Communicate and describe action of the Committee members and leaders.
- Promote the development of youth through participation in 4-H horse and pony projects.
- Encourage development and implementation of educational activities to strengthen the impact of youth, families, leaders, and the community.
- Elect one Committee adult representative to attend annual Mandatory Leader Training presented by the UW-Extension office.
- Communicate appreciation to and recognition of people who have contributed to the Horse and Pony project's success.
- Support youth voice and youth adult partnerships in the Committee and project.
- Provide leadership to plan, coordinate and evaluate the winter meetings, summer clinics, warm-up show and the County Fair.
- Welcome all Horse and Pony members from all areas to attend meetings.

<u>Section 2</u>: If a member misses four (4) Committee meetings (for any reason), they will be removed from the Committee by the decision of the President and the UW-Extension office.

ARTICLE VI- SUB-COMMITTEES

- Section 1: Sub-committee shall be appointed by the President as necessary by the Committee.
- Section 2: The responsibilities of the sub-committee shall be determined by the Committee.

ARTICLE VII- COMMITTEE FUNDS

- Section 1: No part of the net earnings of this Committee shall inure to the benefit of any member or officer of the Committee or any private individual, except that reasonable compensation may be paid for services rendered to or for the Committee affecting one or more of its purposes; and no member or officer of the Committee or any private individual shall be entitled to share in the distribution of any assets on dissolution of the Committee.
- Section 2: Upon dissolution, all assets not required for distribution for discharge of liabilities shall be distributed for exclusively charitable and educational purposes for 4-H interests through the Walworth County 4-H Youth Agent.

ARTICLE VIII- QUORUM

Section 1: A quorum for transaction of business of the Committee shall consist of a majority of the Committee then in office.

PROGRAM SAFETY RULES AND REGULATIONS

General Safety Rules

- Be respectful of other members, parents, animals, and instructors.
- Adults and youth participating in all high risk programs, including horses, must wear protective clothing, head and foot gear. Minimum requirements for these programs:
 - a. Protective head gear (SEI approved for the specific activity) which properly fits the participant.
 - b. Shoes or boots which provide protection from the hazards of said program.
 - c. Clothing appropriate for the activity which will protect the participants from the elements surrounding the event.

The policy means that all 4-H members and leaders (adult or youth) participating in the Horse and Pony Project and/or activities need to use protective or safety equipment while participating. Approved safety helmets need to be worn while mounted, driving, or doing a challenge course with a horse.

- If a 4-H club is listed as a sponsor or co-sponsor of a Horse and Pony activity, the helmet and safety equipment requirement applies for all participants. This includes adults. 4-H groups set an example of using proper safety equipment and maintaining the highest standards of injury prevention.
- The goal of the project is education. It is important to have a safe learning environment for our youth.
- Safety standards apply to all 4-H activities, regardless of location. Meeting these standards may require
 the selection of an alternative site, or requiring the use of additional safety equipment, even though it is
 not standard practice for the facility where the 4-H activity is to occur. If these safety requirements are
 not followed, then the particular event is not eligible to use the 4-H name and emblem, nor will it be
 recognized as a part of the UW-Extension program.
- Should people decide not to comply, they need to be disqualified from the competition or asked to dismount, if during a non-competitive activity. If leaders fail to comply with the safety policy and individuals are participating without proper safety equipment and an injury occurs, the leader may be found negligent and application of liability insurance coverage would be guestionable.
- Any classes which require 4-H membership to enter, or serves as a qualifying event for district or state competition must adhere to these safety policies.
- To exhibit animals at any public event as a 4-H member, youth must be in at least 3rd grade during the current 4-H year. This policy is for the safety of the 4-H member and the public at the public exhibition. The developmental ability and maturity level of the exhibitor and the unpredictable behavior of animals should be considered prior to involving a 4-H member in the exhibition of animals.

Rules of Summer Clinics at Walworth County Fairgrounds

- No riding or driving unless designated adult clinician or adult committee member is present (see above for designated clinicians).
- All participants must wear an SEI approved helmet whenever they are involved with their project animals on clinic nights.
- All riding and driving participants must wear closed toe shoes that have a 1/2" heel.
- All riding participants must wear long pants/riding skirts.
- All shirts/tops must have a minimum 1" shoulder strap.
- Clinician or committee member has the right to excuse a participant for inappropriate attire.
- Riding participants must use a bridle and saddle on clinic nights.
- No bareback riding allowed at any 4-H event.
- Horses must be service-ably sound to participate at clinics.
- Only Walworth County 4-H Horse & Pony Project members and leaders may ride/ drive at clinics. FFA
 members may participate with proof of insurance. Leaders must wear a helmet when riding/ driving.
- No riding or driving beyond arena areas, this includes grass areas and draft arena when supervision is not available.

- Clean up after yourself. If you use a stall you must clean it before you leave.
- The arenas are the property of the Walworth County Agricultural Society. They are kind enough to allow us to use these facilities, free of charge, for our clinics. Please respect the property and help us show the Walworth County Agricultural Society and Fair Board that we appreciate their support of the Walworth County 4-H Horse & Pony Project.
- 4-H accident liability insurance covers only registered participants. <u>Parents please be aware of this</u>.

Walworth County Fair Rules Recap: See Walworth County Fair Book for more detailed information

- The Junior Horse and Pony Department is open to any members of 4-H, FFA, FCCLA, or any other youth organization having adult leadership in Walworth County or Burlington FFA.
- No intact male horses can be shown.
- Any exhibitor showing at a previous county fair during a calendar year in Junior Competition is not eligible to show in the same division at the Walworth County Fair.
 - Managerial Not to be owned by the exhibitor. Management (to include riding, driving, and grooming) to commence May 1 and to include at least 70% of the work associated with the managed animal.
 - Ownership To be owned by the exhibitor or the exhibitor's immediate family (mother, father, brother, sister, or legal guardian) to be cared for by the member at least 70% of the time commencing May 1.
 - Hardships Must be appealed to the Horse & Pony Committee
- No exhibitor will be allowed more than one entry under each class.
- All animals in the Junior Horse Show will be confined to the judging and loading area.
- ENTRIES: An exhibitor may enter as many classes as they are eligible for.
- Exhibitors must wear SEI approved protective headgear and proper footwear (according to discipline) at all times while mounted or driving, including the practice ring and show ring.
- Ponies may enter only classes designated as a pony class. (NOTE: Once entered in the Pony Division, exhibitor must remain in the Pony Division for the entire show). Ponies include heights of 38"-56".
- To be eligible to show at the Qualifying Show, participants must pay Horse and Pony Project fees, turn in identification forms, attend one (1) mandatory meeting, and three (3) clinics (approved by the Walworth County 4-H Horse and Pony Committee) per discipline you plan to show in. Requirements apply to all members, including Horseless Horse youth.
- The 4-H member is to make all efforts to bring project animal to required clinics. Member is to contact a committee member with good reason if unable to attend clinics with horse.
- Members must be enrolled in Horseless Horse Project to enter Horseless Horse/Ponyless Pony classes
- Supreme Championship Awards that are provided at this show are awarded by the Walworth County
 4-H Horse and Pony Project for eligible members. Exhibitors may only win one (1) Supreme
 Championship Award per year at the Qualifying Show. Supreme Championship Award recipients are
 encouraged to send a thank you note to the Supreme Championship Award sponsor.
- NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THE SECOND FRIDAY IN JULY ENTER ALL EXHIBITS UNDER CORRECT CLASS NUMBERS WRONG ENTRIES WILL BE DISQUALIFIED – NO EXCEPTIONS
- All exhibitors must wear their back tag/ number in the show arena or they will be disqualified.
- The Qualifying Show is an opportunity for our youth to exhibit skills they have learned during the current project year. No professional groom or trainer is permitted to work with youth or horses in a professional paid capacity at the Qualifying Show. For youth able to qualify for State Expo (grades 6-13): Horses cannot be driven, ridden or schooled by anyone other than the Exhibitor. Special permission for lunging another exhibitor's horse for hardship cases only may be obtained prior to the Qualifying Show from the Committee. Special permit must be worn while handling the animal.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Shelia DeGrave Memorial Scholarships

Two scholarships are given: one in the amount of \$500 and one in the amount of \$250. (Continued on pg. 7)

Both scholarships are open to graduating high school seniors continuing to a 2 or 4 year post graduate school or current freshmen at a 2 or 4 year post graduate school. For applications and criteria please go to the Walworth County 4-H website at http://walworth.uwex.edu/4-youth-development/. Then go to the Scholarships & Awards section to find the applications. Youth may only receive the scholarship once.

Walworth County 4-H Horse and Pony Project Scholarship

One scholarship to be given in the amount of \$200 plus any donations received up to a maximum of \$500

 Scholarships are open to graduating high school seniors continuing to a 2 or 4 year post graduate school or current freshmen at a 2 or 4 year post graduate school. For applications and criteria please go to the Walworth County 4-H website at http://walworth.uwex.edu/4-youth-development/. Then go to the Scholarships & Awards section to find the applications. Youth may only receive the scholarship once.

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WISCONSIN STATUTES
PROVISIONS COMMON TO ACTIONS AND PROCEEDINGS IN ALL COURTS
CHAPTER 895. Miscellaneous general provisions
Wis. Stat. S 895.525 (1994)
895.525 Participation in recreational activities

- (1) The legislature intends by this section to establish the responsibilities of participants in recreational activities in order to decrease uncertainty regarding the legal responsibility for injuries that result from participation in recreational activities and thereby to help assure the continued availability in this state of enterprises that offer recreational activities to the public.
- (2) In this section, "recreational activity" means any activity undertaken for the purpose of exercise, or pleasure, including practice or instruction in any such activity. "Recreational activity" includes, but is not limited to, hunting, fishing, trapping, camping, bowling, billiards, picnicking, exploring caves, nature study, dancing, bicycling, horseback riding, horseshoe-pitching, bird-watching, motorcycling, operating an all-terrain vehicle, ballooning, curling, throwing darts, hang gliding, hiking, tobogganing, sledding, sleigh riding, snowmobiling, skiing, skating, participation in water sports, weight and fitness training, sight-seeing, rock-climbing, cutting or removing wood, climbing observation towers, animal training, harvesting the products of nature and any other sport, game or educational activity.
- (3) A participant in a recreational activity engaged in on premises owned or leased by a person who offers facilities to the general public for participation in recreational activities accepts the risks inherent in the recreational activity of which the ordinary prudent person is or should be aware. In a negligence action for recovery of damages for personal injury or property damage, conduct by a participant who accepts the risks under this subsection is contributory negligence, to which the comparative negligence provisions of s. 895.045 shall apply.
- (4) (a) A participant in a recreational activity engaged in on premises owned or leased by a person who offers facilities to the general public for participation in recreational activities ins responsible to do all of the following:
- 1. Act within the limits of his or her ability.
- 2. Heed all warnings regarding participation in the recreational activity.
- 3. Maintain control of his or her person and the equipment, devices or animals the person is using while participating in the recreational activity.
- 4. Refrain from acting in any manner that may cause or contribute to injury to himself or herself or to other persons while participating in the recreational activity.
- (4) (b) A violation of this subsection constitutes negligence. The comparative negligence provisions of s. 895.045 apply to negligence under this subsection.
- (5) Nothing in this section affects the limitation of property owners' liability under s. 895.52.

AMBASSADOR PROGRAM

Adult Volunteer Leaders:

- Ashley VanSchyndel (262) 210-6229, <u>akvan06@hotmail.com</u>
- Lisa Brockman (414) 303-1422, <u>lidon90@yahoo.com</u>

What is the Ambassador Program?

Four youth will represent the Walworth County 4-H Horse and Pony project at horse shows, leadership conferences, meetings, and other activities such as parades and county and state fairs. Ambassadors need to be at least 12 years of age as of January 1 of the current year. The applicant also must have been enrolled in the Horse & Pony Project for at least 2 years. Both boys and girls are welcome to apply.

How do I become an Ambassador?

Applications will be available on the 4-H Horse and Pony website (listed on the front cover) and from the adult volunteer Ambassador Leaders listed above. The interviews will be held with-in two weeks after the applications are due. The adult leaders will inform you via letter when and where the interviews will be held. For the interviews, a panel of three unbiased judges will be chosen. Applications will be turned into the judges. The interviews will take place with the same

three judges that have read over the applications. Each applicant will be interviewed by all three judges. After all three judges' scores are added, the top four will be chosen to represent our county. You will receive a letter in the mail regarding the judge's decision. Applicants will be scored on:

- Personal appearance, manner, and maturity (well groomed, appropriate attire, at ease, and alert)
- Self-Expression (able to communicate effectively, eye contact, and evidence of original thought)
- 4-H leadership (ability to relate how skills are learned, leadership roles, and experiences)
- Knowledge of project
- Neatness, grammar, spelling, and punctuation on written application.

Events:

The Walworth County 4-H Horse & Pony Ambassadors will be expected to represent our county at the following Mandatory events:

- Horse & Pony Lock-in
- Tack Sale
- Fun Show
- Work both days at The Qualifying Show (Aug)
- Ambassador booth (Walworth County Fair)
- Silent Auction Banquet (Oct)
- WI Horse Leadership Conference (Nov)

Not-Mandatory- but suggested:

- Midwest Horse Fair (Apr)
- Burlington Chocolate Festival Parade (May)
- Harvard Milk Day parade (Jun)
- 4th of July parade (Jul)
- Genoa City Days Parade (Aug)
- Darien Corn Festival (Sep)

- 1 day at State Horse Expo (Sep)
- Northern Horse Fest (Fall)
- Elkhorn Christmas parade (Dec)
- Lake Geneva Christmas parade (Dec)
- Sharon Christmas parade (Dec)

Other Information:

This is for fun! If you would like to add a page in your record book about the Ambassador Program that would be great, but it's not mandatory.

DRIVING PROGRAM

Adult Volunteer Leaders:

- Kathleen & Jeff Markham, (414) 412-4385,
 W6673 Territorial Road, Whitewater
- Will & Nancy Swierenga, (262) 882-5053— Only advanced drivers who have worked with the Swierenga's before

• Dawn Rullman, (262) 949-3013

Youth Volunteer Leader:

Alexx Rullman, (262) 745-1240

What is the Driving Program?

You will learn how to train your animal, fit the harness properly, and drive your animal safely. Driving is a valuable training option for light horses, draft horses, ponies, donkeys, mules, or miniature horses. The driver, horse, vehicle, and harness together are referred to as the turnout.

What can I do in Driving?

- Horse, Pony, Mini, Team Driving, and Ponyless Driving (Horseless Horse youth that are in Driving)
- Reinsmanship: This class is designed to test the driver's knowledge of driving techniques and his or her
 ability to put that knowledge to use to present a proficient performance. Patterns are required.
 Reinsmanship is judged as an equitation class based on hands, seat, correct driving technique, and
 proper harnessing and hitching. Driver should be able to change gaits quickly, smoothly, and
 unobtrusively while always maintaining contact and demonstrating correct driving techniques.
- <u>Obstacles:</u> Precision driving through various obstacles that have been assigned points. The course will consist of unnumbered obstacles, each carrying a specific point value based on degree of difficulty. Each driver will have a two minute time limit to negotiate as many obstacles as possible. Each driver attempts to obtain the highest score within the time allotted.
- <u>Pleasure Driving:</u> The pleasure driving horse should have the same general qualities as the pleasure saddle horse. Special emphasis is placed on the quality of the gaits, manners, and the pleasurability of the ride for the driver. The horse should be in balance with a head and neck carriage typical of its breed or type, should be light-mouthed, and have a free way of moving. Erratic movements are highly undesirable. Hesitation or breaking stride will be penalized.

Meetings:

Please check the Horse and Pony Practice and Event Flier at the back of this book. The 4-H Newsclip and the 4-H Project Meeting Guide will have updated or changed dates and times.
 (http://walworth.uwex.edu/4-youth-development/news/)

Other Information:

- Miniatures are recognized as a horse breed, but for safety reasons for driving classes will be those listed as 38" or under.
- Cost (projected costs subject to change):
 - \$50.00 per member for use/rental of equipment (harnesses, carts).

Activities:

In addition to the Walworth County 4-H Horse & Pony Qualifying Show (August) and State 4-H Horse Show (September) activities **MAY** include, but are not limited to:

- Trail Driving
- Columbus Carriage Classic, Columbus, WI, June
- Boone County Fair, Belvidere, IL, August
- Villa Louis Carriage Classic, September

All scheduled, supervised events in which youth are representing 4-H are covered by 4-H insurance.

EQUINE EDUCATION PROGRAM

Adult Volunteer Leaders:

Youth Volunteer Leader:

Emily Geffers

- Torell Geffers, (920) 527-1500
- Melissa Schneider (262) 758-1136

Note: Educational classes, including Hippology, are listed under Veterinary Science Department 110, Divisions D and E.

Equine Education is the name and learning is the game! 4-H offers unlimited opportunities to learn and provides lots of ways to show what you've learned – Demonstrations, Hippology, Horse Bowl, and Judging are some of the ways to get involved. Becoming involved in the Equine Education component of the Walworth County Horse and Pony Project is sure to be a valuable experience, whether you own or lease an equine now or whether you plan to in the future. **ALL horse and pony members are able to participate!**

- Demonstrations and Speeches Demonstrations (individual or team) or speeches on any horserelated subject are presented at the State 4-H contest held in Wausau (May).
- Hippology Hippology is the study of the horse. In a Hippology contest, there are a series of stations with questions or pictures on a variety of horse related topics. Contestants are given 2 minutes at each station to fill in their answer sheet. Contests will be held at Wausau (May), Southeast Area Animal Science Day (June or July), and Walworth County Fair (August during pre-fair judging). Both individual and team awards may be earned at the State contest at Wausau (May).
- Horse Quiz Bowl Horse Bowl is like a game show. You buzz in to answer questions and earn points for your team. Teams meet to study ahead of time. Competition is at the State 4-H Horse Bowl Contest, Wausau (May). Teams of 3-5 members compete at Junior and Senior levels.
- Judging Horse judging allows you to turn the tables and be the one to judge classes of horses at halter and riding. Individuals and teams may compete in "reasons" where they must justify their placing. Contests are held at Southeast Area Animal Science Day (June or July) and State 4-H Horse Expo (September). Both individual and team awards may be earned at the State contest (September).
- Other: Art, Clothes Horse, Creative Writing, Drawing, Model Horse, Photography, Posters, Team
 Problems, Vet Science, Woodworking may be exhibited or presented on any subject related to the
 horse at the State 4-H Horse Expo (September) and some may be exhibited at Southeast Area Animal
 Science Day (June or July).

Opportunities to compete at regional or state level forums are available for ALL (grades 3 and above) 4-H members participating in Equine Education.

- State 4-H Hippology & Horse Quiz Bowl Contests, Wausau
- Southeast Area Animal Science Day
- State 4-H Horse Expo, State Fair Park, West Allis

Opportunities to compete at national level forums are available for qualifying 4-H members in grades 9 and over participating in Equine Education:

- Quarter Horse Congress, Columbus, Ohio
- Eastern National 4-H Horse Roundup, Louisville, Kentucky

Meetings:

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HORSELESS HORSE/ PONYLESS PONY PROGRAM

Adult Volunteer Leaders:

- Donna Kundert, (262) 275-5155
- Joy Dupee (262) 203-2926
- Ashley VanSchyndel (262) 210-6229

Youth Volunteer Leaders:

- Heather Police
- Emily Beinert
- Payton Bankenbush

You don't need to own a horse of pony to be in the project. Love any kind of equine, Mini, Pony, Horse or Mule. Learn about the basic care, health and knowledge of the equine.

What is the Horseless Horse Program?

An interesting learning experience for youth who are interested in horses but do not have access to them or the people who are knowledgeable about horses. The project is designed to accommodate youth who have this interest in horses but know little or nothing about them. This group usually includes urban and rural youth of all social and economic levels.

What can I do in Horseless Horse?

- To enter Horseless Horse/ Ponyless Pony on fair form, Look under Veterinary Science.
- Learn about horses and ponies without owning one (hands-on sometimes).
- Opportunities to compete at State level.
- Earn a Horseless Horse Supreme Championship Award as stated in the Fair Book (Department 106 Rule #17 and #18). Members must be enrolled in Horseless Horse project to enter Horseless Horse/Ponyless Pony classes. A Supreme Championship Award will be awarded on cumulative points from performance classes at Qualifying Show and non-performance classes from Horseless Horse/Pony and Equine Education located in the fair book (Department 10, Division K, classes 1-13).
- If showing a horse or pony with a Buddy, <u>Must attend a mandatory meeting, clinics, submit</u>
 <u>registration and insurance fees, and complete proper paper work.</u> Please check the schedules in
 the handbook, same as the Horse and pony project members.
- Most of all you will make new friends while having fun learning about equines.

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Other Information:

Members must be enrolled in Horseless Horse Project to enter Horseless Horse/Ponyless Pony classes. A Supreme Championship Award will be awarded on cumulative points from performance classes at the Qualifying Show and non-performance classes from Dept. 110, Section I, Class 1-12.

RIDING PROGRAM

Adult Volunteer Leaders:

- Ann Williams (262) 749-4713, Sharon location
- Laurie Olson (608) 449-3588, <u>Sharon</u> <u>location</u>
- Melissa Schneider (262) 758-1136, <u>Elkhorn</u> location
- Christie Pogreba (262) 901-5143, <u>Elkhorn</u> <u>location</u>
- Dawn Rullman (262) 949-3013
- Tracey Quackenbush (402) 879-5781

Youth Volunteer Leader:

Alexx Rullman

What is the Riding Program?

The Riding Program is focused on improving knowledge in the equestrian industry and safety for youth involved with horses. Project goals include safety awareness for horse and rider, basic riding skills, and horse husbandry skills. This is not a specialized riding program and instruction is general in nature. English and Western riding disciplines are both covered in instruction.

What can I do Riding?

- English Pleasure
- English Equitation
- Western Pleasure
- Western Horsemanship
- Saddleseat

- Walk-Trot
- Horseless Horse
- Showmanship
- Trail

As far as riding goes, the main difference between English and Western riding is that in English riding, the rider takes a direct contact with the horse's mouth via the reins and uses the reins as part of the "aids" (along with the seat and the leg) for speed and direction. Most Western riding horses are ridden on little or no contact and the rider uses his seat, his weight and neck-reining to give aids to the horse.

The position of the rider is much the same in both English and Western. The rider should sit tall and straight, leaning neither forward nor backward. The rider's legs should hang naturally against the horse's sides and the arms should be relaxed and against the rider's sides (flapping elbows are frowned up in both disciplines).

In English riding, the rider takes a rein in each hand, whereas Western riders take both reins in one hand, allowing the other hand to fall naturally at their side, or lay on their thigh. - See more at: http://www.equisearch.com/article/english-vs-western-riding-17557#sthash.Mb9nraFu.dpuf

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Other Information:

Youth in the Walworth County 4-H Horse and Pony Project and those participating in the Qualifying Show will need to attend three mandatory clinics. For youth in riding, two clinics must be at the Elkhorn location, and the final clinic may be at either the Elkhorn or Sharon location.

SPEED/ GYMKHANA PROGRAM

Adult Volunteer Leaders:

- Christie & Jon Pogreba, (262) 901-5143
- Rebecca Marschner, (262) 492-1225

Youth Volunteer Leaders:

- Shannan Pogreba
- Amanda Horlacher
- Elizabeth Quackenbush

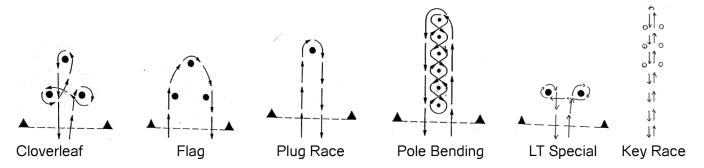
What is the Speed/Gymkhana Program?

Classes include timed speed events such as Barrel racing, Keyhole race, Flag race, and Pole bending. All of these events are designed to display precise, controlled actions and tight teamwork between horse and rider at speed, although most clubs offer a variety of classes, allowing riders to compete at the speed level they are most capable of, and feel comfortable with.

Riders show their skills in obstacle courses, races and relays with the main focus being fun and teaching horsemanship. Gymkhana is the action packed, precision sport of the equestrian world.

What can I do in Speed/Gymkhana?

We will be working on patterns exhibited at Wisconsin State 4-H Gymkhana, including: Cloverleaf Barrels, Flag Race, Key Race, LT Special, Plug Race, and Pole Bending. We will also learn exercises to work on at home to help the performance of our horses. Each week we will work on a couple of patterns. We run speed clinics in the outdoor arena, however, if the weather is bad we will only use the indoor arena. If the temperature is at or above 90 degrees at noon, we may not be riding. Gymkhana participants are required to attend three speed clinics to show at the qualifying show.



Meetings:

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DRILL TEAM

Adult Volunteer Leader:

- Judy Schweitzer (262) 745-1421
- Rebecca Marschner (262)492-1225

Youth Volunteer Leader:

- Chevenne Schweitzer
- Aspen Zillmer
- Emily Beinert



What is the Drill Team?

An equestrian drill team is a group of horses and riders performing choreographed maneuvers to music.

Meetings:

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Agreement for Assumption of Risk, Indemnification, Release, and Consent for Emergency Treatment UW-Extension General Waiver Form

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Supreme Championship Award

For many years, a Supreme Championship Award was presented to the top performing 4-H member for Showmanship. The Supreme Championship Award has become a very popular award and the Walworth County 4-H Horse & Pony Project is committed to carry on the tradition of awarding a Supreme Championship Award for top performers.

Each Discipline is responsible for obtaining sponsorship funds for the Supreme Championship Awards. If no sponsorship is obtained, no Supreme Championship Award will be awarded.

- Mini Showmanship
- Pony Showmanship
- Western Showmanship
- English Showmanship
- English Equitation
- Western Horsemanship
- Driving Reinsmanship
- Walk/Trot Horsemanship
- Equine Education
- Horseless Horse
- Gymkhana Junior
- Gymkhana Senior

The Riding Discipline and the Driving Discipline are responsible for five sponsorships each.

The Education, Horseless Horse, and Gymkhana Disciplines are responsible for one sponsorship each.

The cost of a Supreme Championship Award sponsorship is \$50.00 which includes the purchase of the Supreme Championship Award, as well as the engraving.

If you are interested in contributing towards a Supreme Championship Award, please complete the bottom section and return it to an adult committee member.

The Walworth County 4-H Horse & Pony Project appreciates your support.

Walworth County 4-H Horse & Pony Project Supreme Championship Award Sponsor Form

Name:
Address:
City, State, Zip:
Phone:
Amount you wish to Contribute:
Class you wish to Sponsor:
Signature:

Walworth County Sportsmanship Award

Walworth County 4-H Horse and Pony Project Sportsmanship Award nominees will be chosen by project leaders. To be turned in to the Key Leader or President by August 1. Recipient of the Sportsmanship Award will be awarded a leather halter with a brass plate. Member will also be honored at the State Horse Conference in River Falls and/or Oshkosh in the fall. <u>4-H members are encouraged to recommend fellow youth members who exhibit good sportsmanship to their project leaders.</u>

While choosing your youth, think of someone who:

- Puts others before themselves
- Exhibits a sportsman-like attitude
- Is a good role model and sets a good example for younger and older members to follow
- Puts other people's feelings before their own
- Is helpful to others and to the project
- Uses the horse project to grow as a person and as a 4-H member
- Shares their knowledge with others
- Accepts wins/losses with dignity and respect
- Is enthusiastic, honest, and helpful

Walworth County Sportsmanship Award

Nomination Application

(To be completed by Youth or Adult Nominating the 4-H Member)

Walworth County 4-H Horse & Pony Project Checklist

NAME:	CLUB:
HORSE/PONY NAME & NEGATIVE COGGINS DATE	S:
✓ CHECK WHICH MANDATORY MEETING YOU AT	February 18, Senior Center March 16, Elkhorn Middle School
TURNED IN THE FOLLOWING TO THE UW-EXTENS Completed identification forms Two color photos (or coggins with photos) Signed code of conduct form \$20.00 registration and insurance fee	
DATE & CLINICIAN'S SIGNATURE ON THE APPRO	PRIATE LINE BELOW:
RIDING CLINIC #1	
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✓ CHECK THE EVENTS THAT YOU PARTICIPATII	ED IN:
Tack Sale – March 19 Pizza Ranch Impact Night – April 5 Brat Hut/Gymkhana – May 27 Mounted Shooting – Memorial Weekend Brat Hut/Gymkhana – July 1 Open Fun Show – July 17 Boot Camp – July 18-19	Mock Show – July 18-19 Attended a Committee Meeting Ambassador Health Clinic UW-River Falls Leadership Conference State Speaking and Demo Contest – May 5 State Horse Bowl & Hipp. Contest – May 6
MEMBER SIGNATURE:	DATE:
PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE:	DATE:
	V-Extension office or scan and email to u no later than August 8, 2017.
COMMITTEE ONLY: Requirements met for member to	o show at the Qualifying Show? YES NO
Committee President's Signature: Key Leader's Signature:	

Walworth County 4-H Horse & Pony Project Identification Form and Checklist

Date		

Please Note: A participant may identify an unlimited amount of project animals (use one ID form per animal, whether horse or pony). However, youth many only show: a driving team of four, a driving team of two, and up to two single horses (driving, pleasure, speed, etc.)

Animal (circle one): Riding Driving Horseless Horse

Horseless Horse members are not required to fill out section B or provide photos.

A) Manahar Information	Nama		
A) Member Information:	-		
	Address		
	Phone # 4-H Club		
	Parents' Names		
	Horse / Pony Project Member:		
OI		(To register or renew: http://www.wiid.org)	
	Horseless Horse Project Member	<u> </u>	
	Name of your Horseless Horse buddy		
	(Your buddy is responsible for providing coggins		
B) Animal Information:	Circle one: Horse Pony	Mini	
	Horse or Pony's Name		
	Type of Breed	Color	
	Age Gender	Height	
C) Checklist: \square V	Nill you own or assume management of your proj	ect animal on or before May 1?	
	Have you paid your \$20.00 registration and insura	ance fee at a mandatory meeting? (Checks	
	should be made payable to the Walwo	rth County 4-H Horse & Pony Project.)	
	Have you attached two color photographs of your entire horse or pony? (Can attach Coggins if it includes photos.)		
	Have you read and do you understand Wisconsin Equine Activity Statute S 895.525 (1994)		
	Participation in recreational activities?		
D) My parents and I have	e read and discussed the summer clinic safety po	olicies. We agree with and support them.	
Project Portio	inant's Signature Pare	nt / Guardian's Signature	

Please return the following to the following items to Chelsea Dertz—UW-Extension office: 100 W. Walworth Street, PO Box 1001, Elkhorn, WI 53121, postmarked or dropped off by May 1 at 5:00pm.

- Completed identification forms
- Two color photos (or coggins with photos)
- Signed code of conduct form
- \$20.00 registration and insurance fee

NEW THIS YEAR: All forms and payment <u>MUST be turned into the UW-Extension office</u>. No Horse and Pony leader/committee member will be accepting forms.

Code of Conduct

To be eligible to show at the Qualifying Show, participants must pay Horse and Pony Project fees, turn in identification forms, attend one (1) mandatory meeting, and three (3) clinics (approved by the Walworth County 4-H Horse and Pony Committee) per discipline you plan to show in. Requirements apply to all members, including Horseless Horse youth.

HORSE HARDSHIP POLICY – To apply for hardship, the youth member/parent/guardian must contact any adult member of the Horse & Pony Committee and request a hearing.

Coggins will be required at Fun and Qualifying Shows and/ or your first clinic.

Parents: The committee asks that parents and guardians volunteer to assist with at least one 4-H event, such as: annual lock-in, weekly clinics, fun show, fundraising events, Walworth County qualifying show, State 4-H Horse Expo, year-end banquet. Additional assistance is needed to make these events run smoothly.

One representative from each family is required to work a minimum of one (1) hour during the qualifying show.

No riding or driving unless designated adult clinician or adult committee member is present.

All participants must wear an SEI approved helmet whenever they are involved with their project animals on clinic nights.

All riding and driving participants must wear closed toe shoes that have a 1/2" heel.

All riding participants must wear long pants/riding skirts.

All participants must wear a suitable shirt, such as a T-shirt or sweatshirt. Revealing shirts will not be tolerated, and the participant will be asked to change. All shirts/tops must have a minimum 1" shoulder strap.

Clinician or committee member has the right to excuse a participant for inappropriate attire.

Riding participants must use a bridle and saddle on clinic nights. No bareback riding allowed at any 4-H event.

Only 4-H Horse & Pony Project members and 4-H leaders may ride or drive at clinics. FFA members may participate with proof of insurance. Leaders must wear a helmet when riding or driving.

No riding or driving beyond arena areas, this includes grass areas and draft arena when supervision is not available.

Clean up after yourself. If you use a stall you must clean it before you leave.

The arenas are the property of the Walworth County Agricultural Society. They are kind enough to allow us to use these facilities, free of charge, for our clinics and shows. Please respect the property and help us show the Walworth County Agricultural Society and Fair Board that we appreciate their support of the Walworth County 4-H Horse & Pony Project. This includes the fairs no alcohol policy.

4-H accident liability insurance covers only registered participants. Parents – please be aware of this.

o Horses must be service-ably sound to participate at clinics.

Requirements for all 4-H sponsored or co-sponsored horse activities and events: Effective October 1, 2015. a) A saddle (mounted) and bridle (mounted/cart) are required when riding and driving a horse. b) No intact male horses can be shown.

I have read and understand the Program Safety Rules and Regulations on pages 5 & 6.

Failure to comply with any of the above rules and regulations will result in a meeting with the 4-H Executive Board.

I understand and agree to follow the rules listed above.

Vouth signature:	Doront signature:	
Youth signature:	Parent signature:	

Walworth County 4-H Horse & Pony Project Areas of Interest Form

Name:		Date:
Parent/Guardian's Name:		
Address:		
		Zip:
Phone Number:		
Email:		
4-H Club:		
Age:	Years in Horse & Pony Pro	ject:
Please check boxes below indicat	ing areas you are interested in pa	articipating: Horseless Horse
Horse Driving	Pony Driving	Equine Education
Dressage / Jumping	Mini Driving	Ambassador Program
Speed / Gymkhana	Other (explain below)	Drill Team
As a 4-H parent/guardian, are yo	ou interested in volunteering at	t Walworth County Horse & Pony events?
Parent's Name:		
Address:		
City:		Zip:
Do you know of anyone who mathese could be instructors, vets, of up with the individuals. Please inc	experts, arena owners, etc. All ide	eas are welcome. The committee will follow-
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