

# **Walworth County Horse and Pony**

## **New Member Reference Guide**

### **Walworth County Horse and Pony Leadership Team**

The leadership team is made up of 7 Youth and 11 adults, who set up meetings, clinics, workouts, and educational opportunities. The leadership team supports the by-laws and policies of the horse program with the help of the Walworth County UW-Extension Office.

### **Have an animal-** Please see Handbook

Families with two or more youth and one horse

Only members of the immediate family, and a 4-H youth paired with a Horseless Horse youth, are permitted to show the same project animal. Each family member may show the horse if only shown once in a specific class. The only exceptions are showing Trail and Speed.

### **Do not have an animal-** Options available.

Horseless Horse

Definition: To be a Horseless Horse project member, no one in the family may own, lease, or manage a horse/pony (Wisconsin 4-H Horseless Horse Guidelines).

Buddy definition: A “buddy” can be a 4-H youth member 8<sup>th</sup> grade or older, an adult horse program member or and adult outside the horse program. All non-horse program adults’ buddies must be approved by the UW-Extension Office and complete the volunteer orientation prior to working with youth.

### **Non-animal Exhibits**

Judging will be face-to-face during pre-fair judging week unless otherwise noted.

Vet Science Divisions, Hippology, Model Horse.

### **State Required Forms**

#### **Coggins Test**

The State of Wisconsin requires an annual negative coggins test. This test must be done by a licensed veterinarian to show that the horse/pony to be exhibited does not carry the incurable disease Equine Infectious Anemia. Results are good for 12 months. Any time the horse/pony to be exhibited leaves home, the original test paper must accompany the horse/pony. All events, shows, clinics, drill team, trail rides and fair will require a **copy** of this test paper be left at the site of the event. Out-of-state animals must have a health certificate to be shown at any event.

## **Premise ID**

The State of Wisconsin requires a Premise ID Number for farms or hobby farms where livestock is kept. There is no charge to register. If the horse/pony to be exhibited is stabled other than member's property, then that landowner's premise ID number is to be used. This number is required for the Animal Identification form.

To obtain a number go to the following website <http://www.wiid.org/> or call WLIC at 1-888-808-1910

## **Fair Class Information**

4-H sign up for the Qualifying Show is done online at the same time as other County Fair projects. Subject to all deadlines that are used for the County Fair. Use the abbreviation key to sign up for classes on 4-Honline.

Fair Class Abbreviations:

WHS-Western Horse Showmanship

HHS-Horseless Horse Showmanship

PPS- Ponyless Pony Showmanship

WHH- Western Horse Horsemanship (Stock Seat) Equitation

WPH- Western Pony Horsemanship (Stock Seat) Equitation

WHP-Western Horse Pleasure

WPP- Western Pony Pleasure

EHS- English Horse Showmanship

HSE- Horse Saddleseat Equitation

HSP- Horse Saddleseat Pleasure

PSE- Pony Saddleseat Equitation

PSP- Pony Saddleseat Pleasure

HHE- Horse Huntseat Equitation

HHP-Horse Huntseat Pleasure

PHE- Pony Huntseat Equitation

PHP- Pony Huntseat Pleasure

PSEW-Pony Showmanship English/Western

MHS- Miniature Horse Showmanship

HPD- Horse Pleasure Driving

### **County Fair Arrival Information**

Registration begins on Friday evening. Western performance, Trail and Speed are on Saturday. English Performance, and Driving are on Sunday.

What you need to register:

Copy of coggins

Stall numbers

\$20.00 Stall deposit for each stall in use.(including tack stalls)

Be prepared with any scratches you might be making.

Camping is available by stables, first come first serve.

Stalls are not assigned and there is a stall fee collected at registration. Refunded upon check out when stall is clean.

No riding or driving in an arena unless a leader is present.

Arena is open from 6:30am-10:00pm.

Barn lights will be shut off at 10:00pm

24 hr access to arena bathrooms.

### **State 4-H Horse Shows**

In order to exhibit at the Wisconsin 4-H Horse Expo the members must be in grades 6<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> to show/ride horses and 3<sup>rd</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> for educational projects. These are the following opportunities youth may participate at the Wisconsin State 4-H horse expo.

- a. State 4-H Hunt- Dressage Show- Be in good standing with the Walworth County Program. Held in June, separate then Horse Expo.
- b. State Gymkhana Show- Be in good standing with the Walworth County Program. Held in September, separate than Horse Expo.
- c. Wisconsin State 4-H Horse Expo Educational Exhibits- Must be a member in good standing. Requires no blue ribbon from the Walworth County Qualifying show to participate in educational events at the state level. This includes horse Bowl, photography, woodworking, arts, scrapbooking, sewing etc.
- d. Wisconsin State 4-H Horse Expo Equine Events- Must receive a blue ribbon at the Walworth County Qualifying Show in one of the following classes and show in that class at state:

1. Showmanship
2. Pleasure
3. Horsemanship
4. Trail
5. Equitation
6. Western Riding
7. Driving

### **State Awards**

Wisconsin State 4-H All-Around Awards- All state participants are invited to register for the All-Around award. Recipients are awarded based on their placings of the riding/driving and educational events at the state competitions. Please check state website for additional information.

State Expo Sportsmanship Award- Nominees are selected by the Walworth County Horse Program Leadership Team based on the criteria set by the state.

Wisconsin Horse Association Scholarship- Six scholarships are available to high school seniors and members attending their first year in college. Please visit the state website for additional information.

### **State Activities other than Expo**

Hippology- learn to identify parts of the horse, markings, breeds, colors, or other knowledge related to horse science, by matching pictures to definitions. This is an educational activity of five or more horse related areas or stations. Contestants are given a score sheet and two minutes at each station to complete their answers. Held in early May.

Speeches and Demonstrations- To help youth gain self-confidence. Participants develop the ability to demonstrate or illustrate skill or activity ability and share it with others. They develop skills in effective organization and presentation while working with another person to achieve these goals. Held in early May.

Horse Bowl- Demonstrate member's knowledge of equine related subject matter in a competitive setting where attitudes of friendliness and fairness prevail. Held in early May.

Wisconsin State 4-H Horse Leader Conference and Youth 7<sup>th</sup> grade and up- Educational workshops which include both information and hands on activity ideas for leaders to utilize when teaching youth. A forum teaching strengthening communication skill relative to the 4-H Horse & Pony project. Typically held in November.