# HORSIN' AROUND 4-H CLUB



### A NEW BEGINNING

Welcome aboard to our brand new 4-H Horse Club newsletter! As we saddle up for a thrilling journey filled with hoofbeats, hay, and heartfelt camaraderie, it's an absolute delight to extend a warm greeting to each and every one of you.

Within these pages, you'll find a treasure trove of insights, stories, and updates about our club and the passionate individuals who make our club a vibrant community. Whether you're a seasoned rider, a curious beginner, or simply someone who finds solace in the company of horses, this newsletter is your invitation to join us on an adventure through the world of horses.

As members of the 4-H community, we're bound by a shared love for horses and a commitment to learning, growing, and giving back. Through our club activities, educational programs, and the unwavering support of our dedicated volunteers and mentors, we aim to cultivate not only our riding skills but also invaluable life lessons in responsibility, empathy, and teamwork.

# **NEW CLUB OFFICERS**

Join us in congratulating our new club officers! Candidates were able to give short speeches and communicate with their peers why they would be the best candidate for each role. Congratulations to Hailey Williams - President; Madden Gilmore - Vice President; Hallie Hardy - Secretary; Ryleigh Azevedo - Treasurer



#### **COUNTY ACTIVITY NIGHT - PUBLIC SPEAKING AND 4-H ENTERTAINS**

"Communication and public speaking are important life skills gained through 4-H participation.....the only way to learn how to give a great speech is to give one."

Select your subject by determining if it is something you like or recently learned to do AND if it interests you. The horse public speaking contest will be divided into three age divisions (8-10, 11-13, 14-18). A public speech must be a minimum of 4 minutes (Junior Division) or 8 minutes (Senior Division), and no longer than 10 minutes.

One point will be deducted per judge for each minute, or fraction thereof, under 4 minutes...

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...(Junior) or 8 minutes (Senior), or over 10 minutes. References are not to be included in the time. References are not to be included in the time limit. County Activity Night is May, 13, 2024 from 6pm -8pm at the McSwain Center.

More information can be found at <u>https://equinehusbandry.ces.ncsu.edu/equinehusbandry-nc-4-h-horse-program-educational-events/equinehusbandry-public-speaking-contest/</u>

To register, visit https://2024countyactivitynight.4honline.com/

### **2024 ARTISTIC EXPRESIONS AND CREATIVE WRITING COMPETITIONS**

#### Artistic Expressions Competitions:

Cloverbud, Junior, Senior Divisions

- Crafts Horse
- Horse Drawing
- Horse Painting
- Digitally Created Art
- Horse Poster
- Horse Photography (Standard)
- Digitally Enhanced Horse Photography
- Sewing Horse

Entry Deadline: June 1 Registration Fees Due: June 15 Projects Submitted for Judging: July 12, 10-4 Projects/Awards Available for Pick Up: July 13, 4-6

#### **Creative Writing Competitions:**

Junior & Senior Divisions

- Poetry
- Short Story
- Essay

Entry Deadline

- June 1
- \$3 entry fee

Entries/stories/documents must be digitally submitted by June 15.

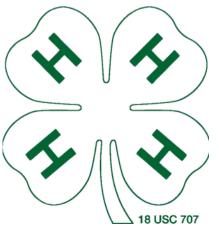
Awards will be available for pick up on July 13 at the NC

State 4-H Horse Show.

Art Exhibits must be submitted in the dining room of the James B. Hunt Horse Complex in Raleigh at the NC State 4-H Horse Show on July 12 from 10 AM to 4 PM.

Be sure to read through the appropriate pages of the NC 4-H Horse Program Rules and Regulations Manual for the contests in which you are entering.

If you have any questions, please contact Lori Stroud at llstroud @ ncsu.edu



## **IMPORTANT DATES**

May 9th - Club Meeting - 6pm -7pm

**May 13th** - County Activity Night - 6pm - 8pm @ 2420 Tramway Rd, Sanford

May 17th-19th - South Central District Horse Show @ Lake Waccamaw Boys and Girls Home Arena

May 23 - Club Meeting - 6pm - 7pm