



Northern District 4-H Horse Judging Contest



January 26th, 2020 Frying Pan Park, Herndon, Virginia

Schedule:

Registration: 8am – 8:45am

Contest Orientation: 8:45am – 9am

Contest Starts: 9am – 12pm (4-5 Halter Classes & 4-5 Performance Classes)

Lunch and Reasons will follow. Location TBD (Seniors: 2 sets, Juniors: 1 set)

Officials will be given following the conclusion of reasons.

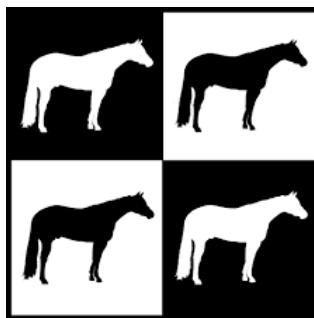
Awards will follow the officials.

Eligibility:

This contest is open to all 4-H members. There will be two divisions: Juniors (those age 13 and under on Jan. 1, 2020, will give one set of Reasons) and Seniors, (age 14 or older on Jan. 1, 2020 but who have not achieved their 19th birthday by January 1st of current year, to give two sets of Reasons). Contestants may participate as a team (3 or 4 persons) or as individuals.

Classes:

Eight to ten classes will be judged. Each class will have four horses. The showmen in each class will wear an appropriate number for identification purposes. Halter or conformation classes may be taken from (but are not limited to) the following: Quarter Horses, Thoroughbreds, Morgans, Arabians, Hunters, Stock horses, Sport Horses, Pony Hunters, Connemaras, Walking Horses, Draft Horses. All in hand horses will be judged as sound. Performance classes may include (but are not limited to) the following: Hunters under saddle, English Pleasure, Western Pleasure, Hunter Hack, Hunter Pleasure, Hunt Seat Equitation, Ambling Pleasure, Pleasure Driving, Trail, Western Riding. The contest committee will attempt to select only horses that are serviceably sound. All Horses are judged as they go. All tack and attire shall be considered legal.



Oral Reasons:

Contestants in the Senior Division shall be required to give oral reasons on two classes. Juniors will give one set of reasons, class to be announced. Reasons shall be given orally before the judge(s) and for this purpose a private area will be provided. Two minutes will be permitted for oral reasons on each class. Contestants will not be permitted the use of notes while giving oral reasons. Junior Reasons: All Juniors will be asked to give one set of reasons. **NEW THIS YEAR: All Juniors will be scored on their set of reasons and that score will be included in their overall score.**

Cost:

Cost for both Junior and Senior Teams is \$40 (covers cost of 4 lunches). \$30 if it is a team of 3 (covers cost of 3 lunches). Cost for individuals is \$10. ENTRY DEADLINE: WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2020. All entries postmarked after January 8th will be \$12 per competitor. No phone entries will be accepted.

General Information:

Contestants must provide their own pencils and note pads. Contestants will not be allowed to take any written materials, handbooks, etc. into the judging arena or use any aids other than notes they themselves took during the actual classes while preparing their oral reasons. Card Placing - Each contestant will be given a packet of cards before the contest begins. The contestant will hand to his/her group leader one of the cards after each class. Points will be based on the contestant's degree of agreement with the placing given by the official judges (Hormel computing system will be used). A perfect placing score on a class receives 50 points. Oral reasons are scored on a 50 point basis also. Individual Awards: Top 10 ribbons will be given to the Junior and Senior individuals accumulating the highest point totals for: Halter Classes (excluding reason scores), Performance Classes (excluding reason scores), Reasons, and Overall. Team Awards: The scores of the three individuals on each team with the highest overall scores will be used in determining the Overall Team Award. Each member of the top ten teams, Junior and Senior, with highest Halter totals, Performance totals, Reasons totals, and Overall totals will receive ribbons. Overall individual and team score ties will be broken on Reasons total for seniors, Halter total for juniors.

Contest will be held in the indoor arena

**Frying Pan Park
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ENTRY DEADLINE – January 8, 2020

Team Type Circle one: Junior or Senior

Team Name: _____ County: _____

Coaches Name: _____ Coaches Email: _____

Members: Team 1

1. _____ 2. _____

3. _____ 4. _____

Members: Team 2

1. _____ 2. _____

3. _____ 4. _____

Individuals:

1. _____ 2. _____

Total number of Participants _____

Total cost: Number of participants x \$10 (\$12 if postmarked after Jan. 8th) = _____

Make checks payable to NDHC (Northern District 4-H Horse Council)

Mail to: Hannah McDonald – 1085 Collinsville Road Cross Junction, VA 22625

Any questions please refer to Hannah McDonald (hannah8@vt.edu) 540-877-7756