

# VA 4-H HORSE PROGRAM



## CONGRATULATIONS 4-HERS!

Twenty of our 4-Hers on the VA state winning teams have been on the road this past month at Quarter Horse Congress (Columbus, OH), Arabian Nationals (Tulsa, OK) and Eastern National 4-H Roundup (Louisville, KY). Their hard work has paid off in top wins and prizes.

## ARABIAN NATIONALS



L-R: Laurel Pollock, Shelby Kohn, Calah Puryear, Joy McGill, Chelsea Bickley, Nikki Novak and Brianne Lafonowitz.

Several members of the Virginia State 4-H Horse Judging Teams took top honors at the US Arabian National Championship Judging Contest held in Tulsa, OK on Oct. 28. Teams from across country participated in the competition. Contestants had to judge four halter classes and six performance classes. In the Individual phase, Joy McGill earned a 10th in Halter, 10th in Performance, 10th in Reasons and 9th Overall. Brianne Lefanowicz earned a 6th in Halter. Chelsea Bickley earned a 5th in Halter, 7th in Performance, 4th in Reasons and 5th Overall. Calah Puryear earned a 4th in Performance, 1st in Reasons, and 7th Overall. Nikki Novak placed 3rd in Performance, 7th in Reasons and 6th Overall. Shelby Kohn earned a 6th in Reasons. In the team competition, the A team of Brianne, Nikki, and Laurel Pollock, earned 5th in Halter, Performance, Reasons and Overall. The B team of Joy, Chelsea, Shelby and Calah earned 4th in Halter, 2nd in Performance, 1st in Reasons and 3rd Overall. The incredible journey these 4-H'ers have been on has been made possible by their county coaches, leaders and parents whose work at home helped to forge the way. Special thanks to Yvonne Miller and Kara Hite who travelled with the girls to Tulsa for the week.

## NATIONAL 4-H ROUNDUP

The first place winning teams and individuals at EquiSmartz 2016 represented our state at Eastern National Roundup this past weekend, Nov. 5-6, in Louisville, KY. These 4-Hers worked hard and prepared all summer for this very exciting national event final, completing their career in that particular contest. Those competing were Adela Novak for Individual Presentation, Abbey Rinker for Public Speaking, winning 6th overall, and Caroline Perkins and Emily Johnston in Team Presentation. With all three communication contests combined, VA won 10th overall. The team of Taryn Cowles, Caitlyn Russ, Emma Hartman and Katie Define competed in Hippology and the team of Camryn Madagan, Alina Hackney, Brenna Hathaway, and Charlotte Manvell competed in Horse Bowl. The Horse Bowl team placed 5th overall and Charlotte placed 5th overall individual. Chelsea Bickley participated in Horse Judging as an individual and was successful with six scores of 50. We thank our coaches, leaders and parents for traveling with our youth and providing a positive educational experience. They all enjoyed touring Louisville and shopping at the [venue](#).



L-R Emma Hartman, Katie Define, Coach Bertha Durbin, Taryn Cowles, Caitlyn Russ



L-R Adela Novak, Caroline Perkins, Emily Johnston, Abbey Rinker, and Lisa Beckwith



L-R Brenna Hathaway, Charlotte Manvell, Camryn Madagan and Alina Hackney

## THE NEW 4-H YEAR!

- **Save the Date!** EquiSmartz March 24-26, 2017. [See more calendar dates!](#)
- Feb. 10-11, 2017 - B&B Hippology and Horse Judging Contests, Blacksburg.

## QUARTER HORSE CONGRESS

Congratulations to Camryn Madagan, Charlotte Manvell, Caitlyn Russ and Ruth Martin for winning 3rd place in Horse Bowl out of 18 teams and Charlotte winning 2nd overall individual. The same team of players also won 3rd place overall in Hippology out of 21 teams. Hippology individual awards: Individual overall: Charlotte - 4th, Camryn - 10th. Exam: Charlotte - 5th, Camryn - 8th. Horse Judging: Charlotte - 1st. Team awards: Horse Judging - 1st, Stations - 5th, Exam - 3rd, Team Problems - 3rd.

Our Team Presentation pair, Caroline Perkins and Emily Johnston, also competed and earned a 6th place with the topic of "Thoroughbreds vs. Standardbreds". See pictures on our [Facebook!](#)

Be sure to sign up on the [4-H State Horse Listserve](#)



Post pictures on your social media with these hashtags: #4Hgrown, #trueleaders, #4HGrowsHere and #VA4H



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## [See Also the VA State 4-H Horse Program Google Calendar](#)

click on dates in Google calendar to see more details for documents (entry forms, flyers, etc.)

### 2016 -2017 Calendar of Events

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	CONTACT
Dec. 17, 2016	<a href="#">SE District Hippology Contest</a>	Williamsburg, VA	Krista Gustafson 804-693-2602 Janine Wilson 757-771-6644 <a href="mailto:Sedr2hc@gmail.com">Sedr2hc@gmail.com</a>
Dec. 31, 2016	<a href="#">Caroline Co. Hippology Contest</a>	Milford, VA	Lisa Beckwith <a href="mailto:triplecrownequineclub@gmail.com">triplecrownequineclub@gmail.com</a>
January 14, 2017	<a href="#">SE District 4-H Horse Bowl</a>	New Kent, VA	Krista Gustafson 804-693-2602 Janine Wilson 757-771-6644 <a href="mailto:Sedr2hc@gmail.com">Sedr2hc@gmail.com</a>
February 10, 2017	B&B Hippology Contest	Blacksburg, VA	Hannah McDonald and Hunter Liles <a href="mailto:hannah8@vt.edu">hannah8@vt.edu</a> or <a href="mailto:huntl97@vt.edu">huntl97@vt.edu</a>
February 11, 2017	B&B Horse Judging Contest	Blacksburg, VA	Harleigh Humphries <a href="mailto:Hlh13@vt.edu">Hlh13@vt.edu</a>
March 4, 2017	Northern District Horse Bowl and Communications contests	TBD	Bertha Durbin <a href="mailto:berthadurbin@earthlink.net">berthadurbin@earthlink.net</a>
March 6, 2017	<a href="#">EquiSmartz</a> entry deadline	postmarked	Sandy Arnold <a href="mailto:horse4h@vt.edu">horse4h@vt.edu</a>
March 24-26, 2017	<a href="#">EquiSmartz</a> (State Equine Educational Contests)	VA State Fairgrounds Doswell, VA	Sandy Arnold <a href="mailto:horse4h@vt.edu">horse4h@vt.edu</a>
August 2-6, 2017	<a href="#">Southern Regional 4-H Horse Championships</a>	Perry, GA	Leona Ransdell <a href="mailto:leonar@vt.edu">leonar@vt.edu</a>

#### Plan ahead with us!

State Championship Horse & Pony Show 2017 Dates - September 14 - 17

State Championship Horse & Pony Show 2018 Dates - September 13 - 16



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