

VA 4-H HORSE PROGRAM

Sept. / Oct.



Virginia 4-H Horse Program

Happy New Year 4-Hers!

October 1st marks the new 4-H year! Be sure to re-enroll at www.4honline.com no later than Jan. 1 to be eligible for the State Fair and State 4-H Horse Shows! May 1 is the horse project declaration deadline!



VA / NC Horse Leaders' Conference

The VA and NC 4-H Horse Programs are cooperating to provide leader training sessions at the biennial Horse Leaders' Conference, Jan. 19-21, 2018. Adult and teen leaders, 4-H Extension agents, FFA instructors and leaders from other youth equine associations are invited to attend. Learn techniques to train youth on horse related events and activities. Educators from VT and NCSU, plus invited seasoned horse program volunteers, will provide a variety of interesting topics. See brochure for more information and registration details.

Horse Ambassadors

Please welcome our new 2017-2018 4-H Horse Program Ambassadors: Taylor Prince from Appomattox, Hannah Beaver, Katie Define, and Caitlyn Russ from Albemarle, Camryn Madagan and Morgan Strickler from Frederick, Martina Essert and Kacy Goodson from Chesapeake, Abby Kambarn from Accomack, Laurel Pollock from Craig, Maryann Johnson from Southampton and Abbey Rinker from Shenandoah. Follow their service and activities on our Facebook page and call on their Ambassador Advisor for assistance in your club or District events or other outreach needs. See Horse Ambassador tab.

HALL OF FAME

Congratulations to our 2017 State Show Hall of Fame Volunteers serving over 20+ years: Danny Pearce from King William Co. and Bob and Julie Williamson from Culpeper Co.

State Fair Awards \$3K in Scholarships!



Congratulations to our scholarship winners awarded at the State Fair 4-H Horse Show! The Champion Drill Team, Loudoun Canterlopes riders Sarah H., Ashley M., Andrea M., Alexis M., Kaylee W. and Morgan K. will share a \$2,000 scholarship! Senior Ranch rider, Morgan Strickler, from Frederick Co., and Junior Ranch Rider, Trinity Green, from Lancaster Co., both win the High Point \$500 Scholarship!

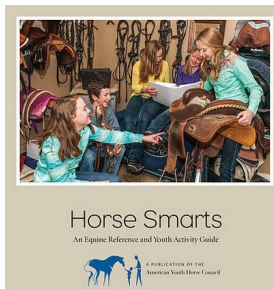


Silent Auction & State Show News:

Thank you to everyone who brought items for the Silent Auction! It was once again another huge success, over \$8K earned, many thanks to Rose McDonald and her fantastic team of helpers! We are able to keep the show costs down because of her valiant efforts to raise money on a large scale! Please give Rose a great shout out of **Thank You**. The show also could not have been so successful without our 128 staff show volunteers, plus numerous parents and leaders. We **thank you all** for giving up so much of your time and talents on behalf of our 4-Hers statewide! **State Show Survey**

EquiSmartz News:

The 2018 date has been set for March 23-25, being held again in conjunction with the Virginia Horse Festival. Please make note that the **only** reference change for this coming year's contest will be the AYHC Horse Smarts manual, available now for purchase and also may be borrowed in your District.



Calendar of Events

- Oct. 20-22 - SW District 4-H Horse Camp
- Oct. 29 - Fall Fun Horse Show
- Nov. 3-5 - Eastern National 4-H Horse Roundup
- Nov. 4 - Block and Bridle Horse Judging Clinic
- Nov. 18 - Southeast District 4-H Intro to EquiSmartz
- Jan. 1 - Deadline to be enrolled as 4-H Member for eligibility to enter State Fair or State 4-H Show
- Jan. 19-21 - VA / NC Horse Leaders' Conference
- Feb. 3 - Northern District 4-H Hippology Contest
- Feb. 9 & 10 - B&B Horse Judging and Hippology Contest
- March 23-25 - EquiSmartz!

Record Keeping

NEW UPDATED RECORD BOOKS ARE READY!

- Junior Horse Record
- Senior Horse Record



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