

# VA 4-H HORSE PROGRAM



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## Horsemanship Skills Update

Horsemanship Skills Levels 3 and 4 will be implemented at the State Championship Show in September! If you are interested in taking the Level 3 Mock Test, there is an opportunity at the Northern VA 4-H Center on June 22. Sign up today! A new Horsemanship Skills Video tutorial is in the production phase for Level 1. This project is coming to fruition with many thanks to a partnership with the Foxcroft School's Experiential Learning Course. Being a neighbor to the VT MARE Center has afforded us the use of their facility, horses, faculty and student expertise and equipment. Hannah McDonald and area 4-H members will be featured in the training and live demonstration. Contact: Leona Ransdell

## State Show Silent Auction

Here at the farm we are Silent Auction crazy. Myself and my staff are working on donations coming in and answering your emails and Facebook posts. Last year "together" we did a phenomenal job with the Silent Auction. We are hoping to match, no really we want to beat last year! Each year that the bar has been raised we are like 'there is no way to do more.' But because of wonderful hard working supporters like you, WE DO! This year for the raffle we will be featuring two YETI coolers, corn hole boards and \$500 worth of feed from Southern states. "When do you want our auction donations?" NOW... THE SOONER THE BETTER! "Are monetary donations welcome?" YES OF COURSE! How can you help us??? Solicit businesses other organizations friends family anybody you can for auction donation items and/or monetary donations. All proceeds go to support our youth at the State Show! Thank you! Questions - email Rose McDonald.

## Horse Show Season

**State Horse Show entries are due July 12th.** All skills and qualifying requirements must be met by that date. Submit your entry for the T-Shirt Design contest by June 22. Many other deadline dates are posted here. See horseless opportunities below!

**Southern Regional entries are due by June 20th.** Information is posted here. Volunteers are needed!

**Save the Date for the State Fair Horse Show - Oct. 6-7, 2018.** Entry information will be coming out soon for the Ranch Show (Sat), Fun Show (Sat PM) and Drill Team Exhibition (Sun). \$3K in scholarships are awarded at this show! You don't want to miss it! Contact: Leona Ransdell

## Ambassador Program News

We have had a very successful and prosperous inaugural year! Our Ambassadors have been actively serving across the state representing our 4-H Horse Program by leading and teaching at Intro to EquiSmartz, visiting the State Capitol, meeting with legislators, guest speaking at special events and serving at our State, Regional, and National 4-H events in various capacities! Opportunities to expand your world and network abound in this program.

Applications due July 31. Contact: Sandy Arnold



## Horseless Opportunities at State

- Cloverbud Camp
- Hippology
- Horse Bowl
- Horse Judging
- Record Books
- Portfolios
- Art Contest
- Photo Contest
- Ambassador Prgm
- Silent Auction fun!
- Leg Up Award
- Connie Collier Scholarship
- T-Shirt Design
- Volunteering!!
- Ice Cream Social!!!

## Calendar of Events

- June 16 - Central District 4-H Open Show
- June 17-21 - Mary Cole 50 Mile 4-H Horsemaster
- June 22 - N District Horsemanship Skills
- June 22 - Horsemanship Skills Level 3 Mock
- June 23 - MRS Summer Open & 4-H Qualifying Show
- June 23 - N District Qualifying 4-H show
- June 24 - SE District 1- Horsemanship Skills Test
- July 7 - SW District Qualifying 4-H Show
- July 7-11 - Virginia 4-H Hokie Horse Camp
- July 31 - 4-H Horse Ambassador App due
- Aug. 3 - Connie Collier Scholarship deadline
- Aug. 1-5 - 4-H Southern Regionals
- Sep. 13-16 - State 4-H Championship Show
- Sep. 21-23 - SW District 4-H Horse Camp
- Oct. 6-7 - State Fair 4-H Ranch Show, Fun Show & Drill Team



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