



Hi all,

The horse advisory group and myself have approved several changes for the 2019 4-H horse program. If you will please pass the following information on to your horse leaders and 4-H youth involved in the horse project so they are aware of the changes for this upcoming horse show season. Also, I held a webinar to discuss and answer questions for people yesterday evening. Here is the link to the webinar recording: <https://youtu.be/ti07z1f4BMw>

District Horse Show:

1. An individual and/or horse may enter ALL CLASSES level 2 classes at Districts, meaning 1 Western Pleasure, 1 Western Horsemanship, 1 Hunter Under Saddle, 1 Hunt Seat Equitation, 1 Reining, 1 Barrel Racing and 1 Pole Bending.

Fonner Park State 4-H Expo:

1. An individual and/or horse may enter all advanced classes (if they have passed their level 3), meaning 1 Advanced Western Pleasure, 1 Advanced Western Horsemanship, 1 Advanced Hunter Under Saddle, and 1 Advanced Hunt Seat Equitation as long as they ride a different horse than they competed with at the District Horse Show for level 2 classes.
2. There will be an additional age group for the following classes: Western Pleasure, Western Horsemanship, and Showmanship. For these classes only the age groups will be as follows: Elementary – 10 to 11; Junior – 12 to 14; Senior – 15+. All other classes will have only two age groups: Junior – 10 to 14 and Senior – 15+.
3. The addition of a Level 3 Miniature/Shetland Pony In-Hand Trail Class.
4. Trail will move to the outdoor arena on Monday following the conclusion of Showmanship. It will run all afternoon and we will not conclude the class until the evening so that anyone competing in the Horse Judging Contest/Hippology could compete in trail after the conclusion of those contests.
5. Trail will have only one judge and be judged using the 0 to infinity scale for scoring.
6. New class Miniature/Shetland Pony In-Hand Trail will be offered (Level 3 class).
7. English and Western Dressage Level 2 will ride: English - Training Level Test 3 (https://www.usdf.org/docs/showflash/web/tests/2019/USEF_TLT3.pdf) or Western - Basic Level Test 4 (<https://westerndressageassociation.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/WDA-2017-WESTERN-DRESSAGE-BASIC-LEVEL-TEST-4-v1-4-2019.pdf>).
8. English and Western Dressage Level 3 will ride: English - First Level Test 3 (https://www.usdf.org/docs/showflash/web/tests/2019/USEF_1LT3.pdf) or Western - Level 1 Test 4 (<https://westerndressageassociation.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/WDA-2017-WESTERN-DRESSAGE-LEVEL-1-TEST-4-v1-4-2019.pdf>).
9. Schedule changes so please refer to the schedule posted on the <http://4h.unl.edu/horse> webpage. Sometimes may be adjusted as we get closer and have a better idea of entries.

General Changes:

1. Helmet – ASTM/SEI approved safety helmets with a harness are required in ALL hunt seat classes. Hunting cap or derby is NOT acceptable in any classes.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to ask.

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