Horse and Pony Department

Superintendent—Mary Lynn Murray

Horse/Pony Games—Tuesday, June 26th, 2012
3pm—3:45pm Horse/Ponies arrive and check-in for Games • Outside Horse Arena
4pm Horse/Pony Games in grandstand • Outside Horse Arena

Horse/Pony Show—Monday, July 2nd, 2012
7:30am—8:15 AM Horse/Ponies arrive and check-in • Outside Horse Arena
8:30 AM Judging • Outside Horse Arena

Rules (Note: All General Rules and rules for Animal Division apply)

1. Horse/Ponies may be owned by the 4-H/FFA member or in partnership with an immediate family member (mother, father, sister, brother or legal guardian).
2. Leased horses/ponies are permitted IF the member has taken 75-80% active role in care and training. If you own a horse you cannot lease additional horses for showing. Leased animals may not be exhibited in halter classes.
3. Each exhibitor may only exhibit three horses and three ponies at the fair.
4. Exhibitors will be participating in one of two divisions:
   - 8th Grade and Under
   - 9th Grade and Over
5. Horses and ponies are to be entered in the halter classes according to their age as follows:
   - Weanling—animals born on or after January 1, 2012
   - Yearling—animals born between January 1, 2011 and December 31, 2011
   - Two-year-olds—animals born between January 1, 2010 and December 31, 2010
   - Three-year-olds—animals born between January 1, 2009 and December 31, 2009
   - Aged—animals born before January 1, 2009
6. No stallions born before January 1 of current year.
7. Clinic hour requirements
   - All members are required to attend 6 hours of clinic time.
   - 1st, 2nd and 3rd year members are required to attend 6 hours of riding clinics with their project horse or pony. Dubuque County 4-H horse camp will count as 4 riding clinic hours.
   - 4th year and above will be required to attend 4 hours of riding clinic time. Two hours can be non-riding clinics.
   - All members must at least attend 2 hours of a Linn County riding clinic in order to show at the fair.
   - Members must sign in and check out to receive credit for clinic hours.
   - Pre-approved shows, rodeos and clinics may count for up to two hours of riding clinics.
8. On show day, ponies and horses must arrive between 7:30am and 8:15am. Ponies and horses will be released following the show each day.
9. Only the 4-H/FFA exhibitor may ride his/her horse/pony during the fair. Horses may be ridden only in designated areas. Do not ride around the race track. *No trotting or loping between the trailers.
10. All youth participating in any 4-H/FFA equestrian event or activity MUST wear American Society of Testing Materials (ASTM) and Safety Engineering Institute (SEI) approved protective head gear with chin strap and properly fitted harness when mounted and riding in any Linn County 4-H/FFA sponsored horse riding activity.

   It is the responsibility of the rider or parent or guardian of the minor rider, to insure that the head gear complies with such approved standards and carries the proper seals, and is properly fitted and in good condition. Iowa State University, Extension staff, organizing committees or leaders are not responsible for checking head gear for compliance. Iowa State University makes no representation or warranty, expressed or implied, about such head gear and cautions riders that serious injury may result despite wearing head gear, as no helmet can protect against all foreseeable injuries in equestrian sports.

11. The gate will be closed for all classes. Only project committee members or appointed gate person will be allowed to stand at the arena entrance. Game horses must enter the arena under control and may start pattern after the gate is closed. Must dismount before exiting in all game classes.
12. Western Dress code: Blue or black jeans, long sleeve white shirt. Safety helmets, belt and boots are mandatory.
13. English Dress code: Safety helmets, white shirt, belt and boots are mandatory. English breeches and jackets are optional.
14. Game class dress code: Blue or black jeans, boots, belts, long sleeve white shirt, plain white or plain green t-shirt (4-H logo is acceptable). Helmets are mandatory.
15. Western Pleasure and Game Show Tack:
   - Western saddle, bridle and bit, chin strap (except snaffle) either romanal or split reins. No hackamores (either mechanical or leather bosal), nose bands or tie downs allowed. Exception for all game classes: Hackamores and tie downs will be allowed in timed events. Refer to 4-H Light Horse Guide for appropriate bits.
   - A junior horse (5 and under) may be shown in either a snaffle bit or a rawhide bosal in any western pleasure or horsemanship.
16. If numbers warrant, any class may be divided or combined at the discretion of the project committee.
17. Exhibitors will receive premiums for their top 10 placings in the combined horse and pony classes. Only ribbons will be given for any additional placings.
18. First and second place winners of all halter classes will compete for Grand Champion and Reserve Champion Halter Horse or Halter Pony.
19. There will be high point and reserve high point awards given to the top 2 individuals in each division (8th grade and under, 9th grade and above) for pleasure and games.
   - a. Pleasure division classes are Showmanship, Walk-Trot, English, Western Pleasure and Horsemanship and Trail.
   - b. Game division classes will be Barrels, Poles, Speed and Flags.
20. Non-compliance of rules will result in forfeiture of earned placing and premiums as well as elimination from the remaining classes that day. This includes compliance with the dress code.
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21. Show management reserves the right to refuse an exhibitor entry into any class or event if they deem that entry unsafe for the exhibitor or other exhibitors or animals. All show officials have the authority and must dismiss from the ring any entry that is unruly or not in sufficient control for safety of the handler or other exhibitors.

22. Exhibitors/parents may not approach the judge. Concerns must be brought to the horse committee. During the class, only the judge, committee members, and exhibitors may be in the show ring.

23. To be eligible for the State Fair, exhibitors need to be in 5th grade by September 15, 2011.

24. Ponies are any animal under 14.1 hands. Ponies that are shod will have ½ inch deducted from height. POA height cards will be accepted. Exception: If you have horse breed registration papers, you are allowed to classify the animal as a horse. Example – A quarter horse that is 14.0 hands and is registered with AQHA can be classified as a horse. Registration papers must be provided at check-in.

25. A horse is any equine 14.1 hands and over (14.1 hands equals 57 inches).

26. ALL EQUINE MUST BE UNDER CONTROL WHILE ON FAIRGROUNDS. Animal behavior will be evaluated by department committee and exhibitors may be asked to remove the animal from the fairgrounds. This applies to clinics as well as the Fair itself.

Games Show

Tuesday June 26th, 2012

Classes in order of showing

Joe Soukup Memorial Class*

Barrels*
121LA Pony—9th grade and above
121LB Pony—8th grade and below
121BC Horse—9th grade and above
121BD Horse—8th grade and below

Flags*
121PQA Pony—9th grade and above
121PQB Pony—8th grade and below
121QA Horse—9th grade and above
121QB Horse—8th grade and below

Speed*
121PSA Pony—9th grade and above
121PSB Pony—8th grade and below
121SA Horse—9th grade and above
121SB Horse—8th grade and below

Poles*
121CA Pony—9th grade and above
121CB Pony—8th grade and below
121PA Horse—9th grade and above
121PB Horse—8th grade and below

Egg and Spoon*
121ES—all ages horse or pony –prize awarded

Class may be ridden single or double. Dress code does not apply except for boots and helmets. For safety reasons, your costume must be approved in advance by the Horse Committee.

*Classes marked with (*) do not receive premiums

Horse/Pony Show

Monday July 2nd, 2012

Classes in order of showing

121AA—Pony Halter Weanlings and Yearlings
121AB—Pony Halter 2-3 Year Olds
121AC—Pony Halter Mare 51” and under
121AD—Pony Halter Gelding 51” and under
121AE—Pony Halter Mare over 51”
121AF—Pony Halter Gelding over 51”
121BA—Pony Showmanship 9th grade and above
121BB—Pony Showmanship 8th grade and below
121MA—Mini Horse Halter - Mare
121MB—Mini Horse Halter - Gelding
121MC—Horse Halter Weanlings and Yearlings
121MD—Horse Halter 2-3 year olds
121ME—Horse Halter Stock Type Mares
121MF—Horse Halter Stock Type Geldings
121MG—Horse Halter Classic Type
121MH—Horse Halter Mule, Draft, Donkey
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121NA—Horse Showmanship 9th grade and above
121NB—Horse Showmanship 8th grade and below

Lynn Dunn Memorial Walk/Trot Class*
121DA—Pony Walk-Trot 9th grade and above
121DB—Pony Walk-Trot 8th grade and below
121FA—Pony Western Pleasure 9th grade and above
121FB—Pony Western Pleasure 8th grade and below
121H—Jr. Pleasure (Pony age 5 and under)
121GA—Pony Western Horsemanship 9th grade and above
121GB—Pony Western Horsemanship 8th grade and below
121RA—Horse Walk-Trot 9th grade and above
121RB—Horse Walk-Trot 8th grade and below
121TA—Horse Western Pleasure 9th grade and above
121TB—Horse Western Pleasure 8th grade and below
121V—Jr. Western Pleasure (Horse Age 5 and under)
121UA—Western Horsemanship Horse 9th grade and above
121UB—Western Horsemanship Horse 8th grade and below
121KA—Pony Trail 9th grade and above
121KB—Pony Trail 8th grade and below
121TT—Horse Trail 9th grade and above
121TR—Horse Trail 8th grade and below
121JA—English Pleasure Pony 9th grade and above
121JB—English Pleasure Pony 8th grade and below
121WA—English Pleasure Horse 9th grade and above
121WB—English Pleasure Horse 8th grade and below

Costume*
121XB—All ages horse or pony—prize awarded