

Department 18A Horse & Pony 2017

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1. Members may show one animal in this division.
2. A 4-H horse project member bringing a horse to fair must be enrolled in a 4-H horse club.
3. All horses and back up horses **MUST** be designated by the 4-H participant by May 1 in order to be eligible to show in the current years fair. **No Exceptions.**
4. Members planning to show must enter fair classes by June 1. **Late entries will not be accepted.**
5. The 4-H member should contribute at least 60% of the care of their 4-H horse project.
6. Ponies will be measured prior to show time. Ponies with shoes will deduct 1/2 inch from their measured height.
7. It is recommended that all horses be immunized against influenza, tetanus and EEE at least 12 weeks prior to the fair. For Potomac Horse Fever, Rhino pneumonitis, and Strep Equi (strangles) follow your veterinarian's recommendations.
8. All 4-H horses must have a current (dated December 1 or after) negative Coggins test to be exhibited at the Ionia Free Fair. A copy of the negative test must be attached to the 4-H entry form.
9. The Superintendent reserves the right to split any classes into heats, then choosing eight (8) placings from the group as a whole.
10. All 4-H Horse Club members are encouraged to carry accident insurance coverage for the fair. Forms are available at the Extension Office.
11. All horses being ridden must wear a bridle and riders must wear boots.
12. All 4-H members will show in the age category they will be on January 1 of current fair year.
13. A member entering as a first year or horseless member cannot enter an age class in the same section.
14. Walk/Trot winners are not eligible for championship classes.
15. First year classes are reserved for members showing a horse or pony for the first time at any fair.
16. Rules regarding clothing, equipment, and judging of classes will be governed by the most recent edition of 4-H Bulletin #1145: "4-H Horse & Pony Project Show Rules and Regulations."
17. No club or member will be dismissed before 10:00 p.m. on Thursday from the fairgrounds unless permission is granted by the Horse Superintendent **All requests to the Superintendent for special considerations are to be made through your 4-H leader.** Any member leaving early without permission will forfeit **any premiums, plaques and awards won** and may not bring the horse (or any other) back to the fair. All horses must haul out by noon on Friday unless they are being used for Sweepstakes.
18. A **PARENT** or **4-H LEADER** of a junior member may ride the member's horse only in order to resolve safety issues. Junior 4-H members, family, or leaders may do groundwork. **Senior members** are responsible for performing all groundwork and riding themselves, unless permission from the Superintendent is granted.

19. The 4-H Horse Superintendent is a volunteer representative of the MSU Extension 4-H Program and has authority in matters of housing, safety and parking. All matters regarding enforcement of rules will be at the discretion of the 4-H Horse Superintendent's and the 4-H Program Coordinator. Anyone disregarding the 4-H Horse Superintendent's requests, or refusing to follow established rules, will forfeit all awards won, including plaques, and will not be allowed to continue participation in the Ionia Free Fair or represent Ionia County at the State 4-H Horse Show of the current year.
20. Addition of classes at the fair will not be permitted. Participants may reserve the right to scratch from any class that they had entered granted that it is done by 8 p.m. the day before.
21. Lunch breaks will be at the show committee's discretion and will be announced the day of the show.
22. First and second places qualify for the Grand and Reserve Championship Classes except for Walk/Trot and Gymkhana. Exhibitors need not pre-enter Grand and Reserve classes (class Numbers with an *) on their entry forms.

Registration link is available the Ionia Free Fair website.

Ionia Free Fair is not responsible for lost, stolen, or damaged articles prior to, during or after the Fair.

Definitions:

First year: The first time a child brings a horse to this (or any other) fair, not including Mentor program. If a child has exhibited in western classes in previous years, they are not eligible for first year English classes.

9 year old: A member may show as first year OR in their age class.

Walk/Trot: A member is not capable of riding their horse at a canter. If the member rides in any walk/trot classes, they will not be allowed to exhibit in any other class that requires a canter.

Mentor Program: The member does not currently own a horse and the horse being used by the horseless member is currently at the fair being shown by another 4-H member. A member entering these classes cannot enter an age class in same section.

Gymkhana horsemanship and Gymkhana Trail:

A member entering these classes cannot enter an age class in the same section

Friday

Haul in by 7 p.m.

Mandatory Exhibitor Meeting 7:30 p.m. in bleachers

Day 1—Saturday, July 15 at 9AM

All jumping classes require parent signed liability form and SEI approved helmets required.

Hunter Hack

1-8 Place Flat Ribbons

4000 Hunter Hack, ages 15-19

4001 Hunter Hack, ages 9-14

Working Hunter Over Fences

1-8 Place Flat Ribbons

4002 Working Hunter Over Fences, ages 15-19

4003 Working Hunter Over Fences, ages 9-14

Equitation Over Fences

1-8 Place Rosettes

4004 Equitation Over Fences, ages 15-19

4005 Equitation Over Fences, ages 9-14

4006 All Ages Grand & Reserve Over Fences*

* **All Ages** Grand & Reserve Champion Over Fences

Combination of classes 4002, 4003, 4004 and 4005 Judge Selects

Prizes: "Trophy" and "Plaque"

Hunt Seat/Saddle Seat Pleasure

1-8 Place Flat Ribbons (Cloverbuds Not Placed, Use Cloverbud Flat Ribbon)

4007 Horse Hunt Seat/Saddle Seat Pleasure, ages 17-19

4008 Horse Hunt Seat/Saddle Seat Pleasure, ages 15-16

4009 Horse Hunt Seat/Saddle Seat Pleasure, ages 12-14

4010 Horse Hunt Seat/Saddle Seat Pleasure, ages 9-11

4011 Pony Hunt Seat/Saddle Seat Pleasure, ages 9-14

4012 Horse Hunt Seat/Saddle Seat Pleasure First Year, ages 15-19

4013 Horse & Pony Hunt/Saddle Seat Pleasure First Year, ages 9-14

4014 All Ages Grand & Reserve Hunt/Saddle Seat*

* **All Ages** Grand and Reserve Champion English/Saddle Seat Pleasure

1st and 2nd place participants from classes 4007, 4008, 4009, 4010, 4011 and 4012 and 4013. Judge Selects

Prizes: "Trophy" and "Plaque"

4015 Hunt/Saddle Seat Pleasure Walk Trot Horse/Pony, ages 15-19

4016 Hunt/Saddle Seat Pleasure Walk Trot Horse/Pony, ages 9-14

4017 Hunt/Saddle Seat Pleasure Walk Trot, Cloverbud, ages 7-8

Hunt Seat Equitation

1-8 Place Rosettes (Cloverbuds Not Placed, Use Cloverbud Rosette)

4018 Horse Hunt Seat/Saddle Seat Equitation, ages 17-19

4019 Horse Hunt Seat/Saddle Seat Equitation, ages 15-16

4020 Horse Hunt Seat/Saddle Seat Equitation, ages 12-14

4021 Horse Hunt Seat/Saddle Seat Equitation, ages 9-11

4022 Pony Hunt Seat/Saddle Seat Equitation, ages 9-14

4023 Horse Hunt/Saddle Seat Equitation First Year, ages 15-19

4024 Horse & Pony Hunt/Saddle Seat Equitation First Year, ages 9-14

4025 All Ages Grand & Reserve Hunt/Saddle Seat*

***All Ages** Grand and Reserve Champion English/Saddle Seat Equitation *1st and 2nd place participants from classes 4018, 4019, 4020, 4021, 4022, 4023 and 4024. Judge Selects*

Prizes: "Trophy" and "Plaque"

4026 Hunt/Saddle Seat Equitation Walk Trot Horse/Pony, ages 15-19

4027 Hunt/Saddle Seat Equitation Walk Trot Horse/Pony, ages 9-14

4028 Hunt/Saddle Seat Equitation Walk Trot, Cloverbud, ages 7-8

Dressage

1-8 Place Flat Ribbons

Snaffle bits required. You may exhibit in two (2) levels. The latest edition of the USEF Dressage tests will be used. Other test will not be scored.

4029 Dressage Training Level I, age 15-19

4030 Dressage Training Level I, age 9-14

4031 Dressage Training Level II, age 15-19

4032 Dressage Training Level II, age 9-14

4033 Dressage Training Level III, age 15-19

4034 Dressage Training Level III, age 9-14

4035 All Ages Grand & Reserve Dressage*

*4035 *Will be determined by the highest percentage rides (your score divided by total number of points possible in that test) in each age division. Reserve Champion will go to different rider than Grand.*

Prizes: "Trophy" and "Plaque"

4036 Green as Grass Dressage, age 15-19

4037 Green as Grass Dressage, age 9-14

Participants must be a first time rider in a Dressage class. The pattern will be a basic pattern provided to Exhibitors. Not eligible for Levels I through III or Championship classes. Participants may not show in any other Dressage class.

4038 Egg & Spoon – All Ages

1-8 Place Flat Ribbons

(splits as needed – award for each split)

4039 Pairs Class – All Ages

1-8 Place Flat Ribbons

(splits as needed – award for each split)

Draft Horses 7PM Main Arena

Day 2—Sunday, July 16 at 9AM

Showmanship

1-8 Place Rosette (Cloverbuds Not Placed, Use Cloverbud Rosette)

4040 Horse & Pony Showmanship Senior, ages 15-19

4041 Horse & Pony Showmanship Intermediate, ages 12-14

4042 Horse & Pony Showmanship Junior, ages 9-11

4043 Horse & Pony Showmanship First year, ages 15-19

4044 Horse & Pony Showmanship First year, ages 9-14

4045 Horse & Pony Showmanship, Cloverbud, ages 7-8

Grand Champion plaques awarded to the winner of Senior, Intermediate, Junior and First Year Classes. Winner of class 4040 will be the Senior Horse Division Showmanship Sweepstakes Representative. The Junior Representative will be chosen by the judge from classes 4041 and 4042.

Western Pleasure

1-9 Place Flat Ribbons (Cloverbuds Not Placed, Use Cloverbud Flat Ribbon)

4046 Horse Western Pleasure, ages 17-19

4047 Horse Western Pleasure, ages 15-16

4048 Horse Western Pleasure, ages 12-14

4049 Horse Western Pleasure, ages 9-11

4050 Pony Western Pleasure, ages 9-14

4051 Horse Western Pleasure First year, ages 15-19

4052 Horse & Pony Western Pleasure First year, ages 9-14

4053 All Ages Grand & Reserve Western Pleasure*

**All Ages Grand and Reserve Champion Western Pleasure 1st and 2nd place participants from classes 4046, 4047, 4048, 4049, 4050, 4051 and 4052. Judge Selects
Prizes: "Trophy" and "Plaque"*

4054 Western Pleasure Walk Trot, Horse & Pony, ages 15-19

4055 Western Pleasure Walk Trot, Horse & Pony, ages 9-14

4056 Western Pleasure Walk Trot, Cloverbud, ages 7-8

Western Horsemanship

1-8 Place Rosettes (Cloverbuds Not Placed, Use Cloverbud Rosette)

4057 Horse Western Horsemanship, ages 17-19

4058 Horse Western Horsemanship, ages 15-16

4059 Horse Western Horsemanship, ages 12-14

4060 Horse Western Horsemanship, ages 9-11

4061 Pony Western Horsemanship, ages 9-14

4062 Horse Western Horsemanship First Year, ages 15-19

4063 Horse & Pony Western Horsemanship First Year, ages 9-14

4064 All Ages Grand & Reserve Western Horsemanship*

**All Ages Grand and Reserve Champion Western Horsemanship 1st and 2nd place participants from classes 4057, 4058, 4059, 4060, 4061, 4062 and 4063. Judge Selects
Prizes: "Trophy" and "Plaque"*

4065 Western Horsemanship Walk Trot Horse & Pony, ages 15-19

4066 Western Horsemanship Walk Trot Horse & Pony, ages 9-14

4067 Western Horsemanship for Gymkhana Riders, ages 15-19

4068 Western Horsemanship for Gymkhana Riders, ages 9-14

4069 Western Horsemanship Walk Trot, Cloverbud, ages 7-8

Bareback Equitation

1-8 Place Rosettes

SEI Approved Helmets Required

4070 Bareback Equitation, ages 17-19

4071 Bareback Equitation, ages 15-16

4072 Bareback Equitation, ages 12-14

4073 Bareback Equitation, ages 9-11

4074 Bareback Equitation, First Year, ages 15-19

4075 Bareback Equitation, First Year, ages 9-14

4076 All Ages Grand & Reserve Bareback Equitation*

**All Ages Grand and Reserve Champion Western Horsemanship 1st and 2nd place participants from classes 4070, 4071, 4072, 4073, 4074, and 4075. Judge Selects
Prizes: "Trophy" and "Plaque"*

4077 Ride-A-Buck – All Ages

SEI Approved Helmets Required

1-8 Place Flat Ribbons

(splits as needed – award for each split)

Gymkhana

1-8 Place Flat Ribbons

4078 Horse Pole Bending, ages 17-19

4079 Horse Pole Bending, ages 15-16

4080 Horse Pole Bending, ages 12-14

4081 Horse Pole Bending, ages 9-11

4082 Pony Pole Bending, ages 9-14

4083 Horse Pole Bending First Year, ages 15-19

4084 Horse & Pony Pole Bending First Year, ages 9-14

4085 All Ages Grand & Reserve Pole Bending*

**All Ages Grand and Reserve Champion Pole Bending. Best times from classes 4078, 4079, 4080, 4081, 4082 and 4083 and 4084.
Prizes: "Trophy" and "Plaque"*

4086 Horse Keyhole, ages 17-19

4087 Horse Keyhole, ages 15-16

4088 Horse Keyhole, ages 12-14

4089 Horse Keyhole, ages 9-11

4090 Pony Keyhole, ages 9-14

4091 Horse Keyhole First Year, ages 15-19

4092 Horse & Pony Keyhole First Year, ages 9-14

4093 All Ages Grand & Reserve Keyhole*

**All Ages Grand and Reserve Champion Keyhole. Best times from classes 4086, 4087, 4088, 4089, 4090, 4091 and 4092.
Prizes: "Trophy" and "Plaque"*

Draft Horses 7PM Main Arena

Day 3—Monday, July 17 at 9AM

Trail

1-8 Place Flat Ribbons (Cloverbuds Not Placed, Use Cloverbud Flat Ribbon)

Exhibitors may enter only one Trail class.

4094 Trail, ages 17-19

4095 Trail, ages 15-16

4096 Trail, ages 12-14

4097 Trail, ages 9-11

4098 Trail First Year, ages 15-19

4099 Trail First Year, ages 9-14

4100 All Ages Grand & Reserve Trail*

***All Ages** Grand and Reserve Champion Trail

Highest scores from classes from classes 4094, 4095, 4096, 4097, 4098, and 4099. Judge Selects

Prizes: "Trophy" and "Plaque"

4101 Trail Walk Trot, ages 15-19

4102 Trail Walk Trot, ages 9-14

4103 Trail Gymkhana, ages 15-19

4104 Trail Gymkhana, ages 9-14

4105 Trail in Hand, ages 15-19

4106 Trail in Hand, ages 9-14

4107 Trail Walk Trot, Cloverbud, ages 7-8

Western Dressage - All Ages

1-8 Place Flat Ribbons

See 2016 4-H Horse & Pony Project Show Rules & Regulations for this newly offered class.

Western Dressage tests are provided by the Western Dressage Association of America (WDAA).

Other test will not be scored.

4108 Basic Level - All Ages

4109 Introductory Level* - All Ages

*Participants must be a first time rider in a Western Dressage class.

This **walk/jog** test is an introduction to the discipline of western dressage. Participants may not show in any other Western Dressage class.

Versatility

1-8 Rosettes

1st year and Walk/Trot riders are not eligible for this class.

There is a maximum of three (3) helpers per rider.

Five (5) minute tack change from Showmanship to English in the ring.

Five (5) minute tack change from English to Western in the ring.

Riders will be excused from the ring after Western to prepare for Gymkhana. Senior then Junior Gymkhana Class will be run after Junior Riders complete their Western class.

Four (4) parts in this class:

-Showmanship

-English: 50% Pleasure and 50% Equitation

-Western: 50% Pleasure and 50% Equitation

-Gymkhana: Pattern will be Cloverleaf

4110 Versatility Class, ages 15-19

4111 Versatility Class, ages 9-14

4112 All Ages Grand & Reserve Versatility*

***All Ages** Grand and Reserve Champion Versatility

Judge Selects

Prizes: "Trophy" and "Plaque"

STICK HORSE SHOW

To start at 6 p.m. in Make-Up Arena

Open to participants age 8 and under who are not showing a horse at fair.

Let's Have Fun!

-Pleasure Class

-Egg & Spoon

-Relay Race

Day 4—Tuesday, July 18 at 9AM

Western/English Riding

1-8 Place Flat Ribbons

Participants may ride in Western or English attire.

Riders may only ride once.

Basic Riding Pattern: 1st and 2nd year members may only ride in Basic Riding Pattern or Basic Riding Pattern Walk/Trot. Basic Riding and Basic Riding Walk/Trot are for members beginning pattern work. Basic Riding and Basic Riding Walk/Trot exhibitors are not eligible for Western/English Riding or Reining or Championship classes.

4113 Basic Riding Pattern, ages 15-19

4114 Basic Riding Pattern, ages 12-14

4115 Basic Riding Pattern, ages 9-11

4116 Basic Riding Pattern Walk/Trot, all ages

4117 Western/English Riding, ages 17-19

4118 Western/English Riding, ages 15-16

4119 Western/English Riding, ages 12-14

4120 Western/English Riding, ages 9-11

4121 All Ages Grand & Reserve West/English Riding*

***All Ages** Grand and Reserve Champion Western/English Riding.

Highest scores from classes 4117, 4118, 4119 and 4120.

Prizes: "Trophy" and "Plaque"

Reining

1-8 Place Flat Ribbons

4122 Reining, ages 17-19

4123 Reining, ages 15-16

4124 Reining, ages 12-14

4125 Reining, ages 9-11

4126 All Ages Grand & Reserve Reining*

***All Ages** Grand and Reserve Champion Reining.

Highest scores from classes 4122, 4123, 4124 and 4125.

Prizes: "Trophy" and "Plaque"

Team Competition

1-8 Special Team Ribbons

Draw for teams during exhibitor meeting.

Each team will consist of four (4) members.

Each team member will compete in one (1) event.

The events are:

-Showmanship

-English Equitation

-Western Horsemanship

-Gymkhana-Down and Back

4127 Team Competition, All Ages

4128 Showmanship Fund Raiser Class

1-8 Place Rosettes

Ionia County 4-H Leaders, Parents/Guardians with 4-H members

\$2 nomination donation/\$5 nominee scratch donation

(money collected will fund post awards celebration lunch)

4129 Freestyle Reining - All Ages

1-8 Rosettes

1st & 2nd place awarded gift card

Gymkhana

1-8 Place Flat Ribbons

4130 Horse Speed & Action, ages 17-19

4131 Horse Speed & Action, ages 15-16

4132 Horse Speed & Action, ages 12-14

4133 Horse Speed & Action, ages 9-11

4134 Pony Speed & Action, ages 9-14

4135 Horse Speed & Action First Year, ages 15-19

4136 Horse & Pony Speed & Action First Year, ages 9-14

4137 All Ages Grand & Reserve Speed & Action*

***All Ages** Grand and Reserve Champion Speed & Action. *Best times from classes 4130, 4131, 4132, 4133, 4134, 4135 and 4136.*

Prizes: "Trophy" and "Plaque"

4138 Two-Person Relay – All Ages

1-8 Place Flat Ribbons

Day 5—Wednesday, July 19 at 9AM

Costume

1-8 Place Flat Ribbons (Cloverbuds Not Placed, Use Cloverbud Flat Ribbon)

All costume narratives must be turned in at the Show office before 8 p.m. the night before.

4139 Costume, ages 15-19

4140 Costume, ages 9-14

4141 Costume, Cloverbud, ages 7-8

Gymkhana

1-8 Place Flat Ribbons

4142 Horse Kegs, ages 17-19

4143 Horse Kegs, ages 15-16

4144 Horse Kegs, ages 12-14

4145 Horse Kegs, ages 9-11

4146 Pony Kegs, ages 9-14

4147 Horse Kegs, First Year, ages 15-19

4148 Horse & Pony Kegs First Year, ages 9-14

4149 All Ages Grand & Reserve Kegs*

***All Ages** Grand and Reserve Champion Kegs.

Best times from classes 4142, 4143, 4144, 4145, 4146, 4147 and 4148.

Prizes: "Trophy" and "Plaque"

4150 Horse Big-T, ages 17-19

4151 Horse Big-T, ages 15-16

4152 Horse Big-T, ages 12-14

4153 Horse Big-T, ages 9-11

4154 Pony Big-T, ages 9-14

4155 Horse Big-T, First Year, ages 15-19

4156 Horse/Pony Big-T, First Year, ages 9-14

4157 All Ages Grand & Reserve Big-T*

*** All Ages** Grand & Reserve Champion Big-T

Best times from classes 4150, 4151, 4152, 4153, 4154, 4155 and 4156.

Prizes: "Trophy" and "Plaque"

4158 Horse Down & Back, ages 17-19

4159 Horse Down & Back, ages 15-16

4160 Horse Down & Back, ages 12-14

4161 Horse Down & Back, ages 9-11

4162 Pony Horse Down & Back, ages 9-14

4163 Horse Down & Back First Year, ages 15-19

4164 Horse & Pony Down & Back First Year, ages 9-14

4165 All Ages Grand & Reserve Down & Back*

*** All Ages** Grand & Reserve Champion Big-T

Best times from classes 4158, 4159, 4160, 4161, 4162, 4163, and 4164.

Prizes: "Trophy" and "Plaque"

4166 Horse Cloverleaf, ages 17-19

4167 Horse Cloverleaf, ages 15-16

4168 Horse Cloverleaf ages 12-14

4169 Horse Cloverleaf, ages 9-11

4170 Pony Cloverleaf, ages 9-14

4171 Horse Cloverleaf First Year, ages 15-19

4172 Horse & Pony Cloverleaf First Year, ages 9-14

4173 All Ages Grand & Reserve Cloverleaf*

*** All Ages** Grand & Reserve Champion Cloverleaf

Best times from classes 4166, 4167, 4168, 4169, 4170, 4171 and 4172.

Prizes: "Trophy" and "Plaque"

4174 Horse Flag Race, ages 17-19

4175 Horse Flag Race, ages 15-16

4176 Horse Flag Race, ages 12-14

4177 Horse Flag Race, ages 9-11

4178 Pony Flag Race, ages 9-14

4179 Horse Flag Race First Year, ages 15-19

4180 Horse & Pony Flag Race First Year, ages 9-14

4181 All Ages Grand & Reserve Flag Race*

*** All Ages** Grand & Reserve Champion Flag Race

Best times from classes 4174, 4175, 4176, 4177, 4178, 4179 and 4180.

Prizes: "Trophy" and "Plaque"

Generation Sensation

Special Team Ribbons

Ionia County parents of 4-H members or leaders with 4-H members.

This class may be split into heats if there are over 20 riders.

One rider will be judged on Horsemanship, the other will perform the Cloverleaf pattern. Tiebreaker will be Cloverleaf.

4182 Generation Sensation, 4-H member ages 15-19

4183 Generation Sensation, 4-H member ages 9-14

Day 6—Thursday, July 20 at 10AM

10 a.m. Horse and Pony Awards Ceremony in Horse Arena.

All Thank you cards must be turned in by Wednesday at 8 p.m. to receive Grand and Reserve Championship awards.

Haul out after 10 p.m. Thursday to Noon Friday.

All horses must haul out by Noon on Friday unless they are being used for Sweepstakes.