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Acadiana District Horse Show

Health papers will be checked at District Show in the Bull Pen Area. Your health papers issue date must be good through the State Show (within 60 days). They will not be checked in Monroe at the State Show. Horses must be present at the time of check-in. The health officials will verify chips or permit markings on horses. Please refer to the schedule for check-in times.

Once the state inspectors check your health papers and Coggins, while verifying the chip number to the horse (horse must be present) then you will be given a "Health Paper Check Slip". This slip will allow you to proceed into the show office to complete your registration. Please check the posting boards in the Bull Pen to verify the classes that you have entered. To speed up the entry process, the following will be needed:

- A. A list of the classes (class name and number) that the horse is entered will speed up check in.
- B. Official health papers issued no longer than 60 days prior to the show, issued by an accredited veterinarian, asserting that the animals are showing no evidence of infectious, contagious, or parasitic disease and are apparently healthy and have met all the specific requirements of this regulation.
- C. A negative test for equine infectious anemia (Coggins Test) performed within the past 12 months (see page 75 of your show catalog).
- D. Registration papers/grade horse certificates/forms indicating immediate family ownership if necessary. If a copy of this paperwork was submitted in advance and is in order, the paperwork will not need to be rechecked. However, exhibitors are required to bring all paperwork with them at the time of check-in, in case it is needed.

All above mentioned paperwork will be **checked during check-in time only** prior to the district shows. Please come to the show office with paperwork in hand during check-in time as indicated. Please refer to the Hub-City Equine Newsletter dated May for the district show schedule.

The exhibitors that requested a stall prior to the deadline, will be assigned a stall with other members from Lafayette Parish. We will do our best to coordinate and assign stalls. If it is a problem, please contact Mr. Charles. Your cooperation, willingness to work with others, understanding for others, and patience is appreciated.

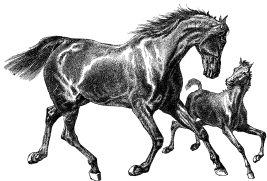
If you have not already requested a stall, on the entry form, we can not guarantee that you will be able to rent one. You may inquire upon check-in to see if there are any left.

We will continue charging camper fees for camper/trailer hook-ups at the district show. A parking fee of \$15.00/day will be assessed to any camper or trailer parked on the show grounds that plugs into electricity and/or water. Those planning to do so should purchase a parking pass at check-in/registration. Exhibitors will need to complete a State Show Planning Form and turn it in to Mr. Charles, Ms. Lisa Hebert or Ms. Heather Bordelon, prior to leaving the District Show grounds.

Special Thanks...

We at the Lafayette Parish LSU AgCenter would like to express our sincere appreciation to all you that have already volunteered to assist or will be assisting with our parish show. It takes an entire team to concur an event such as our show. Without your help, support and dedication our program could not be what is today.

We encourage the team to continue to practice teamwork and your continued commitment to the Louisiana 4-H Program as we make our way to the district and state shows. Thanks once again to a great team that is bringing results!



State Entry Fee Procedures

All 4-H and FFA Members (and/or parents, guardians, etc.) will be required to pay entry fees and stall fees in the LSU AgCenter Livestock Show Office upon arrival at the State Horse Show. Entry fees are as follows: \$10.00 per class, \$15.00 per stall/Day used, and \$15.00 per cattle class.

Back numbers will not be issued until all fees are paid. Exhibitors will have the same number for District and State, however the numbers for District are **green** and the numbers for State are **red**. Exhibitors must report to the registration desk to pay their fees and pick up their red back number. Exhibitors will not be allowed to use the green numbers from the District Show. Without the red numbers the exhibitors will not be allowed to participate in their respective classes.

Fees may be paid with a personal check, cash, or money order. No credit cards will be accepted. The checks will be made out to the **LSU AgCenter Livestock Show Office**.

Camper request for the state show must be submitted in advance with proper payment. Request must be mailed to the Ike Hamilton Expo Center, 501 Mane St., West Monroe, LA, 71292. Spaces will be assigned on a first come first serve basis. Camper spaces are **\$15 per day**.

All 4-H All 4-H and FFA exhibitors attending the State Show, no matter the age of the exhibitor, must have **ADULT** supervision. We will assume this to be parents. Any exhibitor who does not have parental supervision must have another adult responsible for the exhibitor while in Monroe. Agents and AG teachers will not be responsible for chaperoning of exhibitors.

All exhibitors attending the State Show are responsible for feeding, watering, and caring for their animals, as well as for cleaning of the area where their animals are stalled, etc. This must be done each morning, prior to 8:00 AM. Exhibitors are also responsible for getting all animals to the show ring on time.

Horse Show Catalogs

The new "Louisiana 4-H & FFA Horse Show" catalogs have arrived. We have a limited amount of copies from the state office; therefore, these will be provided to the first and second year exhibitors. If you have been involved in the project for more than two (2) years or if you have a problem obtaining a copy via the internet, please contact us for one.

It is very important that each horse exhibitor family has access to one of these catalogs. Please don't forget to pick one up or download it at the following AgCenter website. <http://www.lsuagcenter.com/livestockshow>.

Please Note:

It is the policy of the LSU AgCenter, Louisiana Cooperative Extension Service that no person shall be subjected to discrimination on the grounds of race, color, national origin, gender, religion or disability. If you have a disability which requires special attention for your participation in any aforementioned activity, please contact the Lafayette Parish Office at 291-7090.

Photographer

Beverly Vincent will be taking pictures at the District Horse Show. She also took photos at the Lafayette/Iberia Parish Horse Show. Pictures will be posted to her website for purchase after the show. You can contact her by phone at 337-224-9714 or through her website www.beverlyvincent.smugmug.com

Agent News

As mentioned in the November 2008 issue of the Lafayette Parish Hub-City 4-H Equine News, we have begun utilizing more volunteers in our program. Our program will continue to demand more volunteers to assist in our program.

The advisory board members, master horseman, and parents will be assisting/helping to coordinate some of the exhibit while at the state horse show. This will include parish groups on Saturday, July 11th. We encourage your cooperation in assisting and participating in the parish group. It shall consist of the (6) horses that place well in their classes at district and those that are the most uniform in color and type. This will be coordinated by our agents and master horseman.

The state show plans are for Mr. Charles to call in and confirm all exhibitors and their horses on Monday morning. He will arrive in Monroe at the show grounds on Tuesday or Wednesday midday and will be leaving on Thursday evening or Friday morning. If you have any questions in regards to your entries, you can go to the show office and speak to the secretaries. If there is a need to contact me, they will have my contact information. In addition, Mr. Stan may be assisting with the management of the state show.

Southern Regional Show

The Southern Regional Championship Horse Show will be held in Little Rock, AR, July 26-31, 2009. Any 4-H member that places in the top 10 of a class should consider completing paperwork for the regional show

The exhibitor and their parents must complete the appropriate entry forms, request stalls and leave a payment for the regional show prior to leaving the state show. Once an exhibitor qualifies in an event, they may enter as many classes as he/she desires at the Southern Regional Show. Refer to page 70 in the show catalog for more rules for selecting participants.

You will be notified on Tuesday following the show, if you were selected.

Louisiana has been allocated a total of 42 horses to participate in the regional show. The 42 horses will be composed of a halter mare and gelding of each breed (10 horses), 32 horses from performance classes and the next eligible horse selected from the performance class with the largest number of exhibitors

Your Character Does Count!

As we reflect on the past year, we realize that what we do does indeed matter! This year we have focused on the Character Counts program during each month of the 4-H club meetings. The showing character program has three important goals. The first and the most important is to provide an opportunity for young people to develop good character and life skills. In addition, the remaining two goals are to provide exhibitors and their families to expand their knowledge of livestock production and to improve an enhance livestock production.

The Showing Character program contributes to the development of positive character traits in the members that are in the program. It supports six universal pillars of character—trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring and citizenship. This month we will discuss the final component, decision making to tie them all together.

To begin we must start with ethics. What exactly is ethics? Ethics is a standard of conduct that tells how we should behave. It consist of values that guide our choices and actions. Ethics are what we should do. Our character is a reflection of what we do.

Exhibitors, family members and our sponsors know the difference between right and wrong, but better than that they live it. They do the right thing on a regular basis. People that live in this manner, making ethical decisions takes lots of courage. In some cases, you may have to make some decisions that are not popular with your fellow exhibitors, friends, or family. In many cases this can and will cost in terms of winning and loosing, friendships, prestige, pleasure or money, but the reward is in knowing that we have done the is right.

In making decisions, we will involve stakeholders. Who is a stakeholder? A stakeholder is a person, group or an institution affected by a decision.

Throughout our lives, we will make many decisions. Some are made on the spur of the moment, in a split second. We should consider the facts, our feelings, the options and consequences when making decisions. The result of a decision can last a lifetime or even longer. This is why we should utilize some type of procedure when making decisions. The following process can be used in making every decision:

1. Clearly identify the situation.
2. Consider all of the stakeholders.
3. The six universal principles of character outrank and override non-ethical ones.
4. When several core ethical values conflict, choose the one that will produce the most good for the largest number of people.

In much simpler terms in making a decision, before acting on a decision, should consider the following:

- Am I applying the Golden Rule?
- Am I violating any of the six principles of character?
- Would I be proud of my decision if it were published in the paper?
- What if my family finds out?
- How does it make me feel about myself?

Master Horseman

The LSU AgCenter is considering conducting a sixth **Master Horseman Program** for adults in the spring of 2009. The Master Horseman Project is designed to improve the overall knowledge and skills of horse people so that they can serve as 4-H leaders. This program consists of eight sessions. Each session will include horse care and management in a classroom setting, and riding and training in an arena. A fee of about \$200.00 will be assessed per participant to defray the cost of the program. This cost will include 18 meals, rope halter, yacht cord, lead rope, vet kits, books, binders, bits and prizes. Program participants are expected to serve as volunteers to help in extension horse programs.

Sessions begin with a meal and review at 5:30 PM, with the class starting at 6 PM. They are the Sugarena in Iberia and the Cecil McCrory Exhibit Bldg. (4-H Show Barn) in Abbeville.

An individual must participate in at least 6 sessions to receive the LSU AgCenter Master Horseman Certificate. The program will be limited to 14 participants. If you would like to get more information or an application, please contact Charles Hebert, Angie Arnould or Stan Dutile at 291-7090.

Advisory Committee

Advisory Committees are the key to a successful program. The primary purpose of the committee is to give the stakeholders the opportunity to express their views on the needs of their community and how Extension can best meet those needs. The committee's overall purpose is to advise and make recommendations to the Extension Staff to improve the parish program. Furthermore, the committee should assume responsibility in assisting the Extension personnel in planning, executing and evaluation programs.

The committee members gain and grow from their experience. Furthermore, they gain support for the Extension program in the community.

There will be an important meeting on **Tuesday, August 11 at 6:00 PM** at the 4-H office. It will be held at the local office of the LSU AgCenter at 1010 Lafayette St., Ste. 325, in the Lafayette Parish Government Building. During this meeting we will make recommendations for the 2009 horse program.

Closing Remarks

Farewell partner, till we meet on the trail again.....If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Charles at the Lafayette LSU AgCenter, Louisiana Cooperative Extension, 4-H Office at 291-7090.

Sincerely,

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STATE HORSE SHOW PLANNING FORM

To be completed and turned in to your 4-H Agent before leaving the District Show

ONE FORM NEEDED FOR EACH HORSE

Exhibitor's Full Name _____

Phone # _____

Horse's Full Name _____

I plan to arrive in Monroe on _____ at about _____
Day Time

Please circle the days that you will need a stall for this horse.

Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

I have qualified for and plan to show in the following classes:

Class Number	Class Name	Qualify	Wish to
_____	_____	Barrels	
_____	_____	Poles	
_____	_____	Stakes	

I have qualified for but plan to scratch the following classes:

Please check one:

1st Split
Roping & Speed Events

2nd Split
Western/English Performance & Halter Events



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

April 1, 2009 - Exhibitors must have possession of their horses by this time.

April 1, 2009 - Grade horse certificates must be completed. Documentation on horses that are in an immediate family member's name must be in the county agent's or FFA advisor's office. Horses must be registered in the name of the exhibitor or immediate family on or before this date.

STATE SHOW SCHEDULE

Monday, July 6, 2009

Noon - Check in begins. Horses cannot arrive before this time.

Tuesday, July 7, 2009

6:30 a.m. Check in begins. **Exhibitors must check in and pay fees at least 1 hour before their class begins.**

8:00 a.m. Show Begins – Class Order

Breakaway Roping, 14 and over

Breakaway Roping, 13 and under

Tie down Roping, 14 and over

Tie down Roping, 13 and under

Stake Race, 14 and over

Stake Race, 13 and under

Team Penning (will begin 1 hour after the conclusion of Stake Race)

Wednesday, July 8, 2009

8:00 a.m. Show Begins

Pole Bending, 13 and under

Pole Bending, 14 and over

Barrel Racing, 13 and under

Barrel Racing, 14 and over

4:00 p.m. Premier Exhibition Contest (Meet in the North Foyer by the Show Office)

Thursday, July 9, 2009

Each parish will be allowed two contestants or teams in each division of the contests at the State Horse Show. Contestants may enter one communication contest. (Public Speaking or Demonstrations) and enter any or all of the following (Premier Exhibitor, Quiz Bowl and Horse Judging).

8:00 a.m. Registration for Public Speaking, Judging and Team Demonstrations - Main Arena

8:30 a.m. Public Speaking, Individual and Team Demonstration Contests

10:00 a.m. Registration for judging contest - Arena

10:30 a.m. Judging Contest - Main Arena

2:00 p.m. Quiz Bowl

6:30 p.m. Awards Banquet - Ike Hamilton Expo Center foyer



Friday, July 10, 2009

8:00 a.m.	Show Begins	MAIN ARENA	WARM UP ARENA
		Western Pleasure, 13 and under	Trail 13 and under
		Western Pleasure, 14 and over	Trail 14 and over
		Western Horsemanship, 13 and under	Exhibitors in trail can show anytime between 9:00 and 2:00 pm
		Western Horsemanship, 14 and over	
		Western Riding, 13 and under	
		Western Riding, 14 and over	
		Reining, 13 and under	Ground Work Class- Exhibitors can show between 2:30 and 4:00 pm
		Reining, 14 and over	
		Dressage, 13 and under (Training Level)	
		Dressage, 14 and over (Training Level) anytime	

Saturday, July 11, 2009

8:00 a.m.	Show Begins
	Working Hunter All Ages
	Equitation over Fences All Ages
	Hunter Under Saddle, 13 and under
	Hunter Under Saddle, 14 and over
	Hunt Seat Equitation, 13 and under
	Hunt Seat Equitation, 14 and over
	Western Showmanship, 13 and under
	Western Showmanship, 14 and over
	English Showmanship, 13 and under
	English Showmanship, 14 and over

Halter Classes

Arabian Horse Halter
Gelding, all ages (Champion and Reserve)
Mares, all ages (Champion and Reserve)

Paint Horse Halter
Yearling Gelding
2 yr old Gelding
3 yr old Gelding
4 yr old and over Gelding
Champion and Reserve
Yearling Mare
2 yr old Mare
3 yr old Mare
4 yr old and over Mare
Champion & Reserve



Quarter Horse Halter

Yearling Gelding
2 yr old Gelding
3 yr old Gelding
4 yr old and over Gelding
Champion and Reserve
Yearling Mare
2 yr old Mare
3 yr old Mare
4 yr old and over Mare
Champion & Reserve

Appaloosa Horse Halter

Gelding, All ages (Champion and Reserve)
Mares, All ages (Champion and Reserve)

Miniature Horse Halter

Gelding, all ages (Champion and Reserve)
Mares, all ages (Champion and Reserve)

AOB (Grade and Others) Halter

Gelding, All ages (Champion and Reserve)
Mares, All ages (Champion and Reserve)