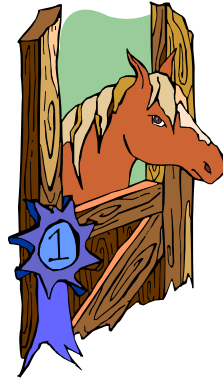


STATE 4-H HORSE ADVISORY COMMITTEE



CONNECTICUT 4-H HORSE SHOW SERIES



*AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM PROVIDER AND EMPLOYER. TO FILE A COMPLAINT
OF DISCRIMINATION, WRITE USDA, DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF CIVIL RIGHTS, ROOM 326-W,
WHITTEM BUILDING, STOP-9410, 1400 INDEPENDENCE AVE., SW, WASHINGTON
DC 20250-9410. OR CALL 202-720-5964*

2009

CONNECTICUT 4-H HORSE SHOW SERIES

PRIMARY OBJECTIVE

The main objective of the Connecticut 4-H Horse Show Series is to afford incentive for 4-H members the opportunity to show across the state, helping them to meet new people, experience new ideas and share their love of showing horses.

SECONDARY OBJECTIVES

- 1) To increase participation in 4-H Fair and 4-H Sponsored Horse Shows.
- 2) To increase attendance at these events, helping to promote the 4-H program as a whole.
- 3) To increase 4-H enrollments as a result of show series participation.
- 4) To target potential adult volunteers who could assist with the 4-H program.
- 5) To use the show series as a promotional tool for other State 4-H Horse Program activities.
- 6) To promote helmet safety awareness throughout the show series.
- 7) To recognize the hard work of show series participants and reward their hard work.
- 8) To promote other aspects of the 4-H program including record keeping, community service and responsible project management.

RULES OUTLINE

- 1) 4-H member must be enrolled by **April 1** of the current 4-H year and must fit all general age criteria.
- 2) 4-H member must have CT Large Animal Project Verification Form on file in their local 4-H office by **June 1**. You must also have a Connecticut 4-H Horse Show Series registration form mailed to the Middlesex County Extension Office by **May 10, 2009**.
- 3) 4-H members **MUST** submit their record book, completed to date, at their local 4-H Fair or corresponding event.
- 4) 4-H Series participants may show multiple verified project animals, however, points will be calculated for each horse and rider combination separately.
- 5) ► **Riding Class Points** will be calculated on the 7-5-4-3-2-1 scale. (7 for a top blue) These points will stand regardless of the number of riders in a class. In cases where open youth and 4-H riders are combined in a class, the 4-H rider must pin to receive points. Points totals will not be given out in advance of the awards - please do not call and request your total, or anyone else's. ► **Fitting and Showmanship** points will be given out on the Danish system first! The breakdown will be 7-5-2 for B-R-W. This will always be used unless you are at a show where the Danish system is not used for fitting at all. If no Danish ribbons are awarded, then they will have to use the riding class points system. You will not collect both types of points for any classes!
- 6) Each show committee determines rules for individual classes. All judge's decisions are final.
- 7) 4-H Series participant will be required to carry a paperwork portfolio with the following information: (regardless of show rules)
 - Certificate showing Negative Coggins – must be within 12 months prior to the show date
 - Rabies Certificate – must be current with serial number and veterinarian's signature
 - A copy of your 2009 CT Large Animal Project Verification Form signed by your county 4-H Educator.
 - Copy of registration papers – if you're animal is registered.
 - Connecticut 4-H Horse Show Series Point Forms – participants will need to present to these each participating show's secretaries. Participants will need to give the secretaries one form per horse and rider combination. Only points submitted on CT 4-H series points forms, filled out by the official show secretaries will be counted – no exceptions!
- 8) Participating Show's secretaries must fill out a points form for participating 4-H'ers.
- 9) 4-H Members must submit all points' forms to the Middlesex 4-H Office, postmarked within 2 weeks of their show date. Information must be sent to the office as "hard copy" originals from that show date showing secretary's signature. Faxed information will not be accepted.

Junior riders must be at least **7 and not yet 14 by 1/1/09**. Senior riders must be **14 and not yet 19 by 1/1/09**. These are the nationally accepted 4-H age groups for the horse project.

2009 SERIES CLASS LIST

The following classes will be considered as points classed for the pilot year of the Connecticut 4-H Horse Show Series.

- 1) Junior Fitting and Showmanship
- 2) Senior Fitting and Showmanship
- 3) Junior English Equitation (includes Saddleseat riders)
- 4) Senior English Equitation (includes Saddleseat riders)
- 5) Junior Western Horsemanship
- 6) Senior Western Horsemanship
- 7) Junior English Pleasure (includes Saddleseat riders)
- 8) Senior English Pleasure (includes Saddleseat riders)
- 9) Junior Western Pleasure
- 10) Senior Western Pleasure
- 11) Junior English Trail (includes Saddleseat riders)
- 12) Senior English Trail (includes Saddleseat riders)
- 13) Junior Western Trail
- 14) Senior Western Trail
- 15) Pleasure Driving
- 16) Reinsmanship Driving
- 17) Obstacle Driving

High Point and Reserve High Point recognition will be awarded for riders in each of the classes listed above as well as the following Divisions:

Junior English Division

Junior Western Division

Driving Division

Senior English Division

Senior Western Division

High point prizes for classes or divisions will be items like coolers, sheets, leather halters, bridal bags, garment bags, belt buckles, saddle pads, or other similar items. Suggestions or donations will be gladly accepted, please call Emily McCabe Alger in the Haddam Office – 860-345-4511. General recognition in the form of certificates and small prizes will be awarded to all series participants.

CONNECTICUT 4-H HORSE SHOW SEIRES

POINTS FORM

4-H Member: _____

4-H Age: _____ (on 1/1 of current year)

Discipline: (please circle one)

Division: (please circle one)

Western English

Junior Senior

Horses Name: _____

Show: _____ Show Secretary _____

CLASS NAME	PLACING	POINTS

Show Secretary Signature: _____

The participant showed copies of the following:

Negative Coggins _____

Rabies Certificate _____

Copy of 2009 4-H Verification Form

(For horse that is being shown) _____

Sample – you
will get official
forms when you
register!

2009

SHOW LIST

Date

Windham County 4-H Fair Horse Show – August 1, 2009 – Brooklyn Fair grounds, RT 169, Brooklyn, CT, - Show starts at 8:30 secretary's booth opens at 7:00 – Entry fees TBA
marc.cournoyer@uconn.edu

New London County 4-H Exposition Horse Show- Saturday, July 25, 2009 –Grange Grounds, Wyassup Road, North Stonington, CT. Show starts 9:00 am; secretary's booth opens 8:00 am. Entry Fees \$8.00 per class, Pre entry fee is \$7.00. 4-H classes free for New London County 4-H members. Riders in 4-H classes need current 4-H cards and 4-H horse project verification forms. Helmets required in ALL mounted classes. Request class list by calling 860-887-1608 or 860-885-2824.

Middlesex & New Haven County 4-H Fair – Horse Show June 13th, 2009 at the Haddam Neck Fairgrounds. 26 Quarry Hill Road, Haddam Neck 06424, Connecticut - Show starts at 8:00 am, secretary's booth opens at 7:00 am. Entry fee \$8.00 per class. Go to www.4-hfair.org for additional information. To use map quest use the zip code not the town.

Litchfield County 4-H Fair – Saturday, August 8, 2009 - Goshen Fairgrounds, RT 63, Goshen, CT - Show starts 8:30 am - Secretary's booth opens at 7:30 am - Litchfield County 4-H members - free - other 4-H members \$5.00 per class.

Tolland County 4-H Fair – Sunday, August 9, 2009- Tolland Agricultural Center, 24 Hyde Avenue, Vernon, CT, Show starts 8:30 am – Secretary's Booth 7:30 am.

Hartford County 4-H Fair – Hartford County 4-H Fair – Sunday August 16, 2009 - Four Town Fairgrounds, Egypt Road, Somers, CT. Show begins at 9:00am. Secretary's booth opens at 8:00AM. Entry fees: Pre-registered Hartford County 4-H members - free; Pre-registered out of county 4-H members - \$10.00. Post entry for any 4-H member is \$15.00 for the day. Contact Linda Horn at linda.horn@uconn.edu or 860-570-9074

If you would like further information on a show before June, please call the local 4-H office for the show you are interested in.

CONNECTICUT 4-H HORSE SHOW SERIES REGISTRATION

Mail to: (postmarked by 5/10/09)
Emily McCabe Alger
Middlesex County Extension Center
1066 Saybrook Road, Box 70
Haddam, CT 06438

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Street Address: _____

Town: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Birth date: _____ 4-H Age: _____

Age as of 1/1/09

Primary County: _____

Membership: Club Member Individual Member

If club member

Club Name: _____

Division: Junior English Senior English Driving

Circle all that you plan
on competing in

 Junior Western Senior Western

I have read all of the rules on page 3 of this mailing and understand how the series works. I understand I am responsible for: (a) sending my points forms in on time (b) for submitting my record book to my local county show or fair, (c) for carrying all required paperwork and (d) for making sure my enrollment and verifications are all up to date with my local office.

Riders Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date