

## 2011 Noble County 4-H Horse and Pony Club Directory

Welcome to the Noble County 4-H Horse and Pony Club, also known as the Blazing Saddles. This packet will try to answer some of the questions you might have throughout this coming year. Please keep this for future reference for important dates, activities and phone numbers. We hope you have a great year!

### Youth Leaders

Joel Wilkinson	President	854-4262
Mikayla Antonides	Vice President	347-5505
Audrey Grove	Secretary	761-2405
Sean Peters	Treasurer	349-2343
Paige DeCamp	Media Director	347-4690
Lauren Flotow	Director	349-3505
Colby Antonides	Director	347-5505

### Adult Leaders & Committee Chairman

Jim & Tina Wilkinson	<b>Youth Chairman</b>	854-4262
Peg Bricker	Secretary/Treasurer	347-5505
Lisa Pippenger	<b>Mid-States Co-Chair</b>	636-2360
Jen Newton	<b>Mid-States Co-Chair</b>	349=3391

Tina Wilkinson	<b>Fair Chairman</b>	854-4262
Melanie Tijerina	<b>Fair Co-Chairman</b>	894-0728

Nicole Antonides	<b>Spring Clinic Chairman</b>	347-5505
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Jenny Newton	<b>Hippology Coach</b>	347-3684
June Vandiver	Asst. Hippology Coach	854-2130
Sheryl Hawkins	<b>Judging Coach</b>	242-7468
Eve Peters	Asst. Judging Coach	349-2343
Mary Worman	Color Guard	229=4616
Jim Wilkinson	Work Projects	854-4262
Tina/Joel Wilkinson	Facebook Page	854-4262
Tiffany Parks	Camp Out	636-7356

Extension Office                      Albion, 260-636-2111 or 1-800-601-5826

Facebook Page                      Noble County 4-H Horse and Pony Page

\*\*There are committees under each event. If you are not currently on a committee and wished to be, contact the event chairman.

## **Youth Meetings**

Youth meetings will be held on the second Tuesday of each month January through April at the Noble County Fairgrounds Log Cabin, Kendallville, IN at 7:00pm. Meetings may be added as needed. The meetings are the best source of information about the club and upcoming activities. NOTE: If there should be any NOBLE County schools closed due to weather, the meetings will be postponed to the following Tuesday. If weather conditions become hazardous during the day, tune into B93.3 or TV channels 15 or 21. Also check the facebook page.

## **Leaders and Parents Meetings**

Even though the youth primarily run the club, there are certain items that the Adult Leaders handle. Our club has many exciting and fun activities that we do throughout the year and parent participation is vital to our success. The Adult Leaders and Parents meetings will be held as needed. Adult committee chairperson will schedule meetings when needed and all parents and committee will be welcome to attend.

## **Enrollment and Dues**

**MARCH 1, 2011**

4-H Enrollment forms and dues are due by **MARCH 1, 2011**. We will collect forms and dues at our February meeting, after that date you will be responsible for getting them turned into the Noble County Extension office by the deadline. We will be collecting \$7.00, \$5 of which will go to the Extension office for county dues and \$2 will stay with the Horse & Pony Club. If you are in a township club, you can pay your \$5 County dues there. You should only pay this **once**. It is required that you pay your dues before manuals and handbooks are to be distributed. Horse & Pony dues **must** be paid by our April Meeting

## **First Year Members Meeting**

**MARCH 15, 2011**

On March 16, 2011 @ 7:00 pm, at the Noble County Extension Office, on St. Rd. 9 in Albion, we will hold a meeting for first year members. This is an informative meeting in acquainting you with the Horse & Pony club and the upcoming events and activities. All first year members and parents are encouraged to attend.

## **Judging & Hippology Teams**

Though these functions are optional, they provide a basis for a better understanding of your horse. It is a wonderful and fun way to learn conformation, movement of horses, breed characteristics and so much more. There is an Area Judging Contest and the subsequent State and National Judging contest. If you have any questions, please contact the respective coaches.

## **Hoosier Horse Fair**

**April 1-3, 2011**

The Hoosier Horse Fair is an annual exposition that contains an extensive trade fair with retail, breed and club booths, numerous horse performances and breed demonstrations. The Hoosier Horse Fair is held in Indianapolis at the State Fair grounds. There are many clinics held for 4-Her's, so if you are interested in participating please contact your adult leader.

## Clean- Ups

We will have fairground clean-ups at different times throughout the spring and summer to get ready for Horse and Pony events. Please plan on attending. The dates are as follows:

Spring Clinic clean-up	April 30, 2011	9:00am
Mid-States clean-up	June 28, 2011	6:00pm
Post Mid-States/Fair clean-up	July 3, 2011	1:00pm
Mid-States Barn clean-up	July 6, 2011	6:00pm
Post Fair clean up	July 24, 2011	TBA

## Spring Clinic

May 6-8 Noble Co. Fairgrounds

The Spring Clinic is an opportunity for beginning 4-H members to receive instruction on caring, riding and showing your horse. Experienced horsemen will cover many of the events held during the county fair. The older 4-H members will assist by helping beginners and setting up the arenas for various classes. Check in is Friday evening. Saturday and Sunday will be filled with various demonstrations and classes. Plan on sleeping in the horse barn, eating from the kitchen and having a lot of fun. Contact the chairman for more information.

## Measurement Day – Horse Enrollment Form May 7-8 Noble Co. Fairgrounds

If you are going to show in a pony class and do not have a permanent card or would like to get your horse measured, this will be the only days to have the measurement taken. Leaders will also be on hand to sign and collect the 4-H Horse & Pony Enrollment and Entry Form. *After this date it will be your responsibility to get the proper signatures and turn your animal enrollment and entry form into the extension office. **DEADLINE IS MAY 13, 2011 by 4:00pm TO THE EXTENSION OFFICE.*** If you do not have this turned in you will not be able to show your animal at the fair. These forms are mailed directly to you by the extension office during the month of March.

## Enrichment Day May 14, 10am, Noble Co. Fairgrounds

Enrichment day is a combined community service day. In the morning we host students from the Northeast Indiana Special Education Co-op or area schools. We furnish horses and the muscle power to give these children a chance to enjoy riding just like you. This year we will also be providing games and food for the families. For more information contact: **Mikayla Antonides– Vice President** or Eve Peters.

## Workshops

May & June

All workshops are held at the Noble County Fairgrounds in Kendallville at 6:30pm. Workshops are on Tuesday (emphasis on the beginners), Wednesdays (speed events), and Thursdays (pattern type classes) starting May 10, 2011 and continuing through June 23, 2011. The mock horse show will be held only in Kendallville on June 14 (beginner), June 15 (speed) and June 16 (pleasure) at the fairgrounds. Mock week will also be Team Tournament Try-outs so show attire is required!!

**Area Judging Competition**

April 16, Adams County

**Mid-States Team TRYOUTS**

June 15 & 16 @ Noble Co. Fairgrounds

During try-outs you will compete against other members of our club to see who will represent Noble County on the horse and pony team. The horse and pony events are *Showmanship, Western Horsemanship, English Equitation, Western Pleasure, Pole Bending, Barrel Racing, Flags and Keyhole*. This year Speed event try-outs will be held Wednesday June 15 and Pleasure try-outs will be held June 16.

**Barn Stall Reservations for the Fair and Day Parking**

July 3, 2011

You will receive the stall reservation form or Day parking in your fair mailing from the club. You must turn in your completed form along with your deposit by July 3 at **5:00pm** to Tina Wilkinson or Melanie Tijerina. If you did not receive this form please contact Tina Wilkinson.

**Mid-States Team Tournament**

July 1-3, 2011 Noble Co. Fairgrounds

The Team Tournament is the largest event we host for the year. 4-Her's on their respective horse or pony team will compete in the following events: *Showmanship, Western Horsemanship, English Equitation, Western Pleasure, Pole Bending, Barrel Racing, Flags and Keyhole*.

July 1, 2011	Friday Evening Open Speed Show	5pm
July 2, 2011	Saturday Morning Team Tournament	9am 8 events
	Saturday Evening Open Speed Show	approx. 4pm
July 3, 2011	Sunday Morning Open Pleasure Show	9am

**Record Sheets and Activity Books**

July 1, 2011 (New Date)

Completed Horse and Pony record sheets and activity books are to be **turned in no later than Friday, July 1, 2011 by 4pm. Prior to July 1<sup>st</sup>, record sheets and activity books can be turned in to the Extension office or to Jim and Tina Wilkinson at any club meeting.**

**Please read the 4-H project book (rule #9A) to see what the criteria is to complete your project.** This is all new this year so please make sure not to miss the deadline. Tina Wilkinson will **not** be able to receive your record book on July 1<sup>st</sup>. They must be turned into the Extension Office.

## **Helmet Rule**

All 4-H members are required to wear a properly fitted ASTM or SEI standard F1163 (or above) certified helmet whenever mounted, or driving at a 4-H horse and pony event, show, or activity (Rule #21 in the 4-H project book).

## **Noble County Fair**

July 16-25, 2011

Noble Co. Fairgrounds

If you have been assigned a stall your horse must be checked in by 6:00pm on Sunday and will be released at 6:00pm on Friday. You have worked hard all year for this week, so let's have some fun! **Stall reservations are due by 5:00pm, July 4<sup>th</sup>. You must have turned in your reservation on time to be eligible for a stall.**

Sunday	Barn Check-in	Time: TBA
Monday	Showmanship, Halter, Trail, Pleasure Driving, English,	
Tuesday	Western Classes 9am, Performance Classes, Versatility	
Thursday	Speed Events 9am	
Saturday	Open Speed Show	
Sunday	Fun Show 9am	

## **Indiana State Fair**

August 5-21, 2011

Refer to our 4-H Handbook and the Indiana State Fair Project Handbook for rules and regulations to compete at State Fair.

## **Fall Campout**

September 16-18

All 4-H members and their families are invited to enjoy a weekend of trail riding. All 4-Her's ride free, compliments of the club. A potluck is on Saturday night with time around the campfire. Any questions contact Tiffany Parks.

## **Winter Awards Banquet**

November 6, 2011, log cabin @ Fairgrounds

At 1:00pm, in the log cabin at the fairgrounds, we will have a potluck dinner so bring your favorite dish to share. After we eat we will make presentations for most improved and high point awards. State Fair exhibitors will be recognized as well as the judging and Hippology teams. Special recognition is given to those adults and businesses that contribute and support our club. This is also the day the 4-H Horse and Pony club holds their **election of officers** for the next year. Please plan to attend.

**Facebook Page** This will be where all updates, closings and meetings will be posted. Make sure to check this page if you have any questions. Search under Noble County 4-h Horse and Pony

**Emergency Committee**

This committee was formed to allow a voted representation of the adult committee to listen and respond to any emergency situation wherein a normally scheduled meeting of the full adult committee is unavailable. Any questions see Jim and Tina Wilkinson at 854-4262. **2011 Committee members:** *Peg Bricker, Lisa Pippenger, Ann Barnard, Jenny Newton, Eve Peters, Troy Antonides, John Parks,*