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NEW JERSEY 4-H HORSE JUDGING & HIPPOLOGY CONTEST

April 10th and 11th, 2021

Dear Competitors, Coaches, Leaders and Volunteers:

Due to the Covid - 19 outbreak and the need for social distancing, we will be holding online contests in 2021. The contest format will remain the same as past contests including exams, stations, team problems and slides for Hippology and for Horse Judging there will be classes to judge, oral reasons and questions to be answered. EACH Contestant will need to have access to a computer and internet connection for the duration of the contests. Computers cannot be shared for this event. Once they start, if they leave the contest web site they will be clicked off the contest and will receive a zero for any portions not completed.

Once we receive your registration and payment you will receive further directions on how to proceed with the contest. EACH CONTESTANT MUST provide a valid email address with your registration. Please make sure that you provide us with an e-mail address you regularly check as final instructions will be sent to you the week prior to the contest.

SATURDAY - April 10 - 8:30 AM - 4:00PM - HIPPOLOGY CONTEST (including judging) - THERE WILL BE AN ALLOTTED LUNCH TIME (HALF HOUR) Every participant/ Teams will be assigned a specific time to log into Zoom to do their team problems. You must check your email for directions.

SUNDAY - APRIL 11 - 8:30 AM- 3:00 PM - HORSE JUDGING CONTEST (including oral reasons and questions) THERE WILL BE AN ALLOTTED LUNCH TIME AND ALSO TIME TO PREPARE REASONS. Every participant will be assigned a specific time to log into Zoom to give their oral reasons. You must check your email for directions.

We are looking forward to a great contest and want to wish everyone good luck!!!!



Carol K. Ward
Somerset County 4-H Agent

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2021 NEW JERSEY STATE 4-H HORSE JUDGING and HIPPOLOGY CONTEST

*WHEN: Saturday April 10 – All Hippology Phases including Judging must be completed.
Sunday April 11- Horse Judging- All phases including reasons must be completed.*

WHERE: All participants must provide an individual e-mail address. Once they are registered, we will send them a link and specific directions to connect them to the contests ONE WEEK PRIOR TO THE CONTEST!.

START TIME: Each portion of the Hippology contest will be open for a limited amount of time. Contest components can be accessed from 8:30 am but all sessions must be finished by 4 pm on the designated date. Once a participant starts a portion of the contest, they must finish it within that time frame. If they click out of the tests or classes, they will be clicked off the contest website and the score will reflect a zero for portions not completed. Therefore, it is important for youth to know they will need to be on the computer for a period of several hours to participate in each portion of the contests.

OPEN TO: New Jersey 4-H Horse Project members grades 4 – 13. Youth need to have been registered in a county 4-H program as of January 1 and must compete as a member of that county program or team.

ENTRIES DUE: April 1st By Email to- Carol Ward at Ward@NJAES.Rutgers.edu and Emily Vail nj4horse@gmail.com

*MAIL PAYMENT with a hard copy of county entries to: Carol Ward 310 Milltown Road Bridgewater New Jersey 08807 Entry checks Should be made payable to **Somerset County 4-H***

QUESTIONS: Carol Ward Ward@njaes.Rutgers.edu or Emily Wunderlich- Vail nj4horse@gmail.com

ENTRY FEE: \$10 per contestant per contest.

AWARDS: Ribbons will be mailed to the top ten individuals in the examination phase, station phase, Team problem, judging phase, and overall, for both Jr. & Sr. divisions. Each member of the top four (4) teams overall (in both Junior and Senior divisions) will receive ribbons. Awards will be given to the Junior and Senior high individual overall. Awards will be presented to the high team overall Junior and Senior.

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2021 COUNTY HIPPOLOGY TEAM - COUNTY _____

JUNIOR DIVISION

Name	Email address
Contestant 1	
Contestant 2	
Contestant 3	
Contestant 4	
Individual	
Individual	
Individual	
Coach	
Coach	

SENIOR DIVISION

	Name
Contestant 1	
Contestant 2	
Contestant 3	
Contestant 4	
Individual	
Individual	
Individual	
Coach	
Coach	

I verify that the above 4-H'ers: _____

- Are "Members in Good Standing" and meet all event criteria and are competing in the appropriate division

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2021 STATE 4-H HORSE JUDGING COUNTY _____

JUNIOR DIVISION

Contestant Name	Email address
Contestant 1	
Contestant 2	
Contestant 3	
Contestant 4	
Individual	
Individual	
Individual	
Coach	
Coach	

SENIOR DIVISION

	Name
Contestant 1	
Contestant 2	
Contestant 3	
Contestant 4	
Individual	
Individual	
Individual	
Coach	
Coach	

I verify that the above 4-H'ers:

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Agent/Program Associate/Assistant Signature

Date

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2021 State Horse Judging/ Hippology Fee Sheet

County _____

of Hippology contestants _____ X \$10 = _____

of Horse Judging contestants _____ x \$10 = _____

Total entry fees for the county
(made payable to Somerset County 4-H) _____

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NEW JERSEY STATE 4-H HIPPOLOGY CONTEST

OBJECTIVES

The primary objectives of the 4-H Hippology Contest is to provide, in a friendly and competitive setting, an opportunity for youth enrolled in 4-H to demonstrate the breadth of their knowledge and understanding of equine science and management, and in particular, the practical application of this knowledge and skill. It is hoped that this contest will generate new friendships and be a rewarding experience for the contestants.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

Contestants and Eligibility

1. All counties are invited to enter an unlimited number of team(s) consisting of not more than four (4) members. In teams in which there are four members, all will compete, but the lowest overall score will be deleted. The lowest team members' score will not be included in any of the team totals but will be considered in making all individual awards. In teams consisting of three (3) members, all scores will count in determining individual and team awards. Counties with a team of two (2) or less members will be combined with another team where possible. Counties with more than four (4) members must make as many complete teams of four (4) as possible, any extras will then be combined with other counties to make as many complete teams.
2. *Grade* - Senior members are Grade 9-13*, Junior members are Grade 4-8*. *Grade is determined by the grade in which the member is enrolled the September prior to the event.
3. To be eligible for the State team competing at Eastern National 4-H Round Up youth must be 14, but not have passed their 19th birth date as of Jan 1 of the contest year and compete in his contest as a senior member.
4. Contestants must be enrolled in a 4-H Horse, Horse Science or Model Horse Club by January 1 of the current year, in the county they are representing and be a "Member in Good Standing" with an updated record book as of April 1.
5. *Entries must be* accompanied by the appropriate entry fees. There will be an entry fee for each competitor. *It is important to have entries in on time if you want to participate.*
6. Entries received after the due date will not be honored. *Checks returned for any reason will be assessed a \$25 fee.*
7. *Because the 2021 contest does not necessarily reflect how the National 4-H Hippology Contest would be done, the State Hippology Coach will give preference to senior competitors who have been in the state contest in previous years when selecting members of the state team.*
8. *Reference material.* All the information covered in this contest is related to current horse industry information and practices or may be found in one or more of the required resources. Practical application of horse management skills may be required. (*See attached reference list for edition and source information.*) Equipment, grains, forages, and feed preparations used in this contest will be representative of feeds utilized in horse rations.
9. Horses for the Halter Classes will be selected from:
 - a. Stock-Type Horses - (Quarter Horse, Appaloosa, Paint, Palomino, etc.)
 - b. Hunter Type - (Horse or Pony)
 - c. Saddle/Gaited Type - (Arabian, Hackney, Morgan, Saddlebred, Tennessee Walker, etc.)
 - d. Draft-Type and Others (Paso Fino, Freisian, Miniature Horse, Broodmares, Fjords, Warmbloods, Lippizanner, Suitable for Dressage, etc.)(All Halter Classes will be judged as sound of limb, eye, wind and mouth.)
10. Performance Classes will be chosen from
 - a. Western Pleasure,

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- b. English Pleasure,
- c. Saddlebred 5 or 3 Gaited and Country English Pleasure,
- d. Hunter Under Saddle,
- e. Hunter Hack,
- f. Western Riding,
- g. Reining,
- h. Plantation English Pleasure,
- i. Walking Horse,
- j. Pleasure Driving,
- k. Showmanship,
- l. Stock Seat, Hunt Seat, & Saddle Seat Equitation,
- m. Reinsmanship.

(Performance Horses will be judged as seen (unsoundness to be penalized accordingly).)

(All tack and attire is considered legal.)

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

Scoring

Individual

Individual Score Overall is a combination of the scores from Phase A (Examination), Phase B (Stations), and Phase C (Judging).

Team

Team Score Overall will be determined by the three highest individual scores on the team overall. The lowest scoring team member overall will be dropped from all team scores for the entire contest; however that individual is eligible for Individual Awards Overall and in each Phase.

Tie Breaking

All ties for Overall Individual and Overall Team will be broken using the following sequence:

1. Examination Scores
2. Station Scores
3. Judging Scores

Ties within any phase are to be broken using the overall score first, and then the same sequence as above.

If further tie breaking is needed, the scores at each station, in order may be used.

PRINCIPLES OF PLAY

PHASE A - EXAMINATION (100-500 pts)

Part I - Slide portion:

Each contestant will be given a link to the contest slides and will input their answers in the computer. Each slide will be worth two (2) points. Each slide will be on the screen for thirty (30) seconds. Contestants will input their answers within the time frame of 30 seconds and the slide will proceed to the next slide.

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Part II - Written Question portion:

Each contestant will open each test one at a time on the computer screen. Tests must be completed during the time designated for each test (30 minutes). If they click off of the test, the computer will shut them out of the remainder of the contest and they will receive a score of zero for those portions not yet completed.

PHASE B - STATIONS (100 pts.)

There will be a determined number of stations in this phase of the competition, with each station being worth ten (10) points. Participants will input their answers during this time frame for each station. Once the time is up, they cannot go back to the last station. Just like slides, each station has a definite amount of time for a participant to answer then will move to the next station.

PHASE C - HORSE JUDGING (200 pts.)

There will be up to FOUR (4) judging classes for Hippology. There will be 15 minutes allotted for each class. Participants will need to input their responses within the time frame allotted.

Phase D- Team Problems- (200 points)

There will be a maximum of (3) team problems. Each team will be asked the same questions. (Junior teams and Senior teams will have different questions.) A judge will present the problem to the team. The team will then have five (5) minutes to develop an answer to the problem, and five (5) minutes to present the team's solution to the judge.

REFERENCE BOOKS REQUIRED All the information covered in this contest may be found in one or more of the following publications:

***NOTE:** In an instance where there is a conflict of information between sources, the most recent source (publication date) will prevail. For example, if there is a conflict between *The Horse* and *Equine Science*, *Equine Science* would be considered correct as it is a newer publication.

1. NEWHOR
Illustrated Dictionary of Equine Terms, New Horizons Education Center, Inc.
Alpine Publications, Inc. 38262 Linman Road Crawford, Co 81415
www.alpinepub.com
970-921-5005
2. AYHC HIH
HORSE INDUSTRY HANDBOOK - By the American Youth Horse Council
AYHC, 1 Gainer Rd, McDonald, NM 88262,
www.ayhc.com
817-320-2005
3. LEWIS 2nd
FEEDING AND CARE OF THE HORSE (2nd edition), by Lon D. Lewis
Wiley-Blackwell, 111 River Street, Hoboken, NJ 07030

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www.wiley.com

201-748-6000

4. Kainer
THE COLORING ATLAS OF HORSE ANATOMY
By Robert A. Kainer & Thomas O. McCracken.
Alpine Publications Inc. 38262 Linman Road, Crawford, Co 81415,
www.alpinepub.com,
970-921-5005
5. AYHC- HS
HORSE SMARTS: AN EQUINE REFERENCE & YOUTH ACTIVITY GUIDE. By the American Youth Horse Council
AYHC, 1 Gainer Rd, McDonald, NM 88262,
www.ayhc.com,
817-320-2005
6. GRIFFITHS
EQUINE SCIENCE, by Jean T. Griffiths
Equine Network/Source Interlink Media
7. Dover Saddlery- Apparel, tack and horse care items for the English rider.
<http://www.doversaddlery.com>
1-800-234-6942
8. Schneider Saddlery- Apparel, tack and horse care items for the Western and English rider.
<http://www.sstack.com>
1-800-365-1311
9. Other: Grains, forages, and feed preparations used in this contest will be representatives of feeds utilized in horse rations.

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New Jersey 4-H Horse Judging Contest

OBJECTIVES

To Develop: The 4-H'ers **power of observation and decision-making** based on visible facts; the ability to state the reasons for the decision with logic, poise and confidence.

To Provide: An opportunity to test the skills acquired by participating as a member of a team in horse judging contests at county, state or national levels.

To Teach: The ability to select horses of superior quality and performance capability that will serve well over time. This ability will enhance the horse industry by encouraging selections of high-quality stock for breeding to achieve superior performance.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. The contest will be in an online format. Participants will receive a link and directions to the contest classes, and each class will have a time limit.
2. Contestants must have been enrolled in a 4-H Club as of January 1 and carry a Horse Project in the county they are representing, and be a **Club "Member in Good Standing," with** an updated Record Book as of April 1st.
3. A County may enter an unlimited number of junior and senior teams. There will be an entry fee for each team of (3) or (4) members or for each individual not on a county team. Checks returned for any reason will be assessed a fee of \$25.
4. A team will consist of (3) or (4) participants; when (4) are entered, the (3) highest overall scores will make up the team scores for the competition. If a county has less than three (3) members per division, they may compete on an individual basis. If enough individuals compete, we will do our best to place them on existing 3-person teams or form a new team from the individuals
5. Senior members are Grade 9-13, Junior members are Grade 4-8. To be eligible for the State Team competing in Eastern National Round Up, youth must be at least 14, but not have passed their 19th Birth date as of Jan 1 of the contest year **and a Senior member**
6. The individual members of the team representing a county shall be selected in the manner determined by the County and the contestants shall be declared eligible and certified by the County 4-H Agent/Program Associate.
7. Members of the State Team that went to Round-Up in previous years are eligible to compete in the state contest, as are the alternates. This also includes the winning county team, winners of individual awards, or team members winning breed awards at previous state contests.
8. Contestants will be allowed to take any books, notes into the contest.
9. While the contest is in progress (judging and oral reasons), *there shall be no communication among the contestants.*, If individuals click off of the contest for any reason, the program will shut them out and record a zero score for any classes not yet judged or any reasons not yet given.

HORSES FOR CONTEST

1. The animals will be designated #1-2-3-4 worn by the handler/rider
2. Horses for the Halter Classes will be selected from:
 - Stock-type Horses (Quarter Horse, Appaloosa, Paint, Palomino, etc.)
 - Hunter-type (Thoroughbred Horse or Pony)
 - Saddle Horse-type (Arabian, Hackney, Morgan, Saddlebred, Tennessee Walker, etc.)

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3. All Halter Classes will be judged as sound of limb, eye, wind and mouth.)
4. Performance Classes will be chosen from
 - Western Pleasure
 - English Pleasure,
 - Hunter Under Saddle
 - Hunter Pleasure
 - Hunter Hack
 - Western Riding
 - Reining
 - Ranch Riding
 - Ranch Pleasure
 - Pleasure Driving
 - Western Horsemanship
 - Hunt Seat Equitation
 - Saddle Seat Equitation
 - Saddlebred 3-gaited, County English Pleasure, Flat-Shod Walking Horse
5. Performance Horses will be judged as seen (unsoundness to be penalized accordingly).
6. All tack and attire is considered legal.

CLASS TIME ALLOTMENT

Fifteen (15) minutes shall be allowed for the contestants to judge non-reason classes, and (17) minutes** will be given to the contestants during reason classes, to make their observations, take notes and input their placings.

Oral REASONS

Oral reasons will be given on three (3) or four (4) classes to be announced the day of the contest, after the classes are judged. Two minutes shall be allowed to give oral reasons to the judge. A specific time will be given to each contestant to present their reasons to the judge. Halter classes will be judged as sound. Performance classes will be evaluated as seen on contest day. Senior contestants are not permitted to use notes while giving reasons; however, their placing cards may be returned to them during the time they are giving oral reasons. Junior Contestants will be allowed to use notes when giving Oral Reasons. See enclosed for Oral Reasons Scoring information.

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SCORING

Fifty (50) points shall constitute a perfect mark on placing and fifty (50) points a perfect mark on reasons.

Fifty (50) points shall constitute a perfect score in a non-reasons class. One hundred (100) points shall constitute a perfect score in a reasons class.

The Hormel System shall be used to grade the placing combination for each class.

Oral Reasons Time Penalties Minutes

2:00.1 – 2:10.0 – 1 point deduction

2:10.1 – 2:20.0 - 2 point deduction

2:20.1 – 2:30.0 – 3 point deduction

2:30.1 – Upward – 4 point deduction

Deductions are cumulative up to a maximum penalty of 10 points for any reasons over 2 minutes and 30 seconds.

Determination of Individual Scores

High Individual Oral Reasons – Is determined by the total of all reasons scores in both Halter and Performance.

High Individual Overall – Is a sum of the non-reason Halter and Performance class scores plus the sum of the reasons class scores. (Make sure the Overall Total Score does not include the Reason score twice.)

Individual Class Placings – Are determined by the placing score in non-reason classes, or by a combination of placing and reason scores in reason classes.

Determination of Team Scores

Team scores shall be determined from the scores of the (3) highest individuals overall on the team. The lowest scoring layer overall will be dropped from the team but will be eligible for individual awards.

High Team Oral Reasons – Is determined by the total of the oral reasons scores of the (3) highest Individuals Overall.

High Team Overall – Is a sum of the Halter and Performance class scores plus the reasons classes or by a combination of placing and reason scores in reasons classes, of the (3) team members with the highest Individual Overall scores.

Tie Breaking

1. If tied for a division award in Halter or Performance, the contestant or team having the highest reason score in that division will be listed first. If tied for a division award in reasons, the contestant or team having the highest overall placing score will be listed first.
2. If tied for individual or team overall award, the contestant or team having the highest overall reason score shall be listed first.
3. If still tied for either of the above, the contestant or team having the highest score in placing reason classes shall be listed first.
4. If still tied, the contestant or team with the highest overall placing score in all classes shall be listed first.
5. If still tied, the contestant or team with the highest single class reason score shall be listed first.
6. If contestants are still tied from 1,2,3,4, and 5 above, the youngest contestant or team shall be listed first.

