



Northern District Hippology Contest

Frying Pan Farm Park Herndon, VA

February 3, 2018
9am - 3pm



Northern District 4-H
Horse Council

Join us for a competitive day of horse knowledge!

- ***New format***
- Great Practice
- Qualify for EquiSmartz Contest
- National Rules Apply
- Open to All 4-Hers
- Individual and Team Awards Given
- \$10 Entry Fee Before January 19
- \$12 Entry Fee After January 19
- Lunch Included

Contest includes:

- Live horse judging classes
- Slides
- Stations
- Written exam
- Team problem

Space limited to first 100 contestants.

Information and registration form at www.northerndistrict4horse.com or contact Michelle at wolfview35@aol.com

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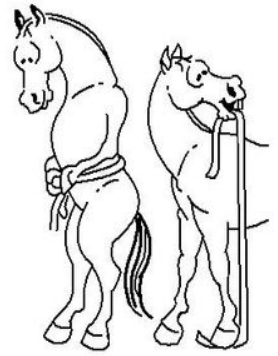
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Northern District 4-H
2017 Hippology Contest Rules and Resources
February 3, 2018
Frying Pan Park, Herndon, VA



SCHEDULE (All times approximate)

- 9:00 - 9:30 a.m. - Registration for all contestants (FPP Visitor Center)
- 9:30 - 9:45 - Orientation to contest (FPP Visitor Center)
- 9:45 - 10:15 - Slide portion of the Hippology competition (FPP Visitor Center)
- 10:15 -12:00 - Hippology continues (Stations, exam, and Team Problem)
- 12:00 – 12:45 - Lunch (FPP Visitor Center)
- 1:00 – 2:00 Judging Classes, (FPP Indoor Arena)
- 2:00 – 2:30 Reasons Clinic and results of Judging
- 2:30- 3:30 Tours of Frying Pan Park
- 3:30 p.m. – Awards (FPP Indoor Arena)

FORMAT

The Northern District 4-H Council will be holding a Hippology competition this year, offering qualifications for EquiSmartz. This is a slightly different format than last year – once again, this will only be a hippology competition.

OBJECTIVE

The primary objective of the Hippology contest is to provide, in a friendly but 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.

ELIGIBILITY:

This contest is open to all enrolled 4-H members. Individuals 19 years of age or older before January 1st of the contest year are ineligible. Junior contestants must turn 9 years of age on or before September 30 of the year in which the contest is held. Senior contestants are those 14 years of age or older before January 1st and junior contestants are under 14 years of age as of January 1st of the contest year. This age eligibility conforms to the National 4-H Horse Contest Rules and Regulations.

COSTS:

Cost for all contestants is \$10 (Includes lunch). **If there are any dietary restrictions, please include a list with your registration.**

Registration must be **postmarked by January 19, 2018** and accompanied by a registration fee of \$10.00/contestant. **No phone entries will be accepted**

Entries postmarked after January 19, 2018 are considered **LATE ENTRIES** and should be accompanied by a registration fee of \$12.00 /contestant. Any team changes must be made by January 25, 2018 to the contest manager via email: Michelle Dionne (wolfview35@aol.com).

GUIDELINES AND ESSENTIALS

Teams consist of three or four members. In teams in which there are four members, all will compete, but the member receiving the lowest overall score will be automatically declared the alternate. The scores of the alternate will not be included in any of the team totals, but will be eligible for individual awards. Teams consisting of three members will have no alternate and all members' scores will count in determining team awards. Combining individuals to form cross-club teams is allowed but must be included in registration, or arranged with the contest manager no later than January 25, 2018.

Junior Division and contestants participating as individuals only will not compete in the team problem.

******NO ELECTRONIC DEVICES WILL BE ALLOWED AT EITHER CONTEST – PLEASE LEAVE YOUR CELL PHONES ETC.. IN THE CAR OR WITH AN ADULT. FAILURE TO DO SO COULD RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION!!!!!! ******

Note: All answers will be recorded on scantron sheets. We ask that each competitor please bring several #2 pencils and erasers, as well as a clipboard to write on. Dress accordingly – part of the competition will be in the indoor arena and it will be in February!!!

Hippology Rules

THE CONTEST

- A. **Examination Phase** – This phase of the contest will consist of a written exam.
- B. **Slide Phase** – This phase of the contest will consist of PowerPoint slides consisting of multiple – choice questions, identifying or using pictures.
- C. **Station Phase** – This phase will consist of a series of stations or tables where all contestants will respond to the requirements of the station. Examples of stations that may be used include:
 1. Identification of:
 - a. Various types of saddles (actual or pictured) and parts of saddles
 - b. Tack, bits, bridles, horseshoes and parts of shoes
 - c. Tools and equipment, and assembly of specific parts of various pieces of equipment.
 - d. Grains and forages used in equine rations, including various forms and methods of preparations.
 - e. Internal and external parasites based on actual samples, pictures, life cycle chart and / or damage caused.
 - f. Blemishes and unsoundnesses.

- g. Ages of equines based on teeth.
2. Use of pulse rate, respiration rate, temperature, dehydration, anemia etc. to assess horse health.
3. Measurements such as, but not limited to, wither height, shoe size, girth, collar size, gullet width, seat length of saddle, etc.

D. Judging – Contestants will be required to place four classes. (In the event of inclement weather, judging may be restricted to videos or still pictures)

1. While the contest is in progress, there will be no conferring between contestants or between a contestant and anyone else, except as directed by contest officials. Failure to abide by this regulation may result in disqualification of the contestant.
2. Classes - Four classes will be judged. Each class will have four horses. The showmen in each class will wear an appropriate number for identification purposes. Halter or conformation classes may be taken from (but are not limited to) the following: *Quarter Horses, Thoroughbreds, Morgans, Arabians, Hunters, Stock horses, Sport Horses, Pony Hunters, Connemaras, Fjords, Walking Horses, Draft Horses*. All in hand horses will be judged as sound.
3. Performance classes may include (but are not limited to) the following: *Hunters under saddle, English Pleasure, Western Pleasure, Hunter Hack, Hunter Pleasure, Hunt Seat Equitation, Ambling Pleasure, Pleasure Driving*. The contest committee will attempt to select only horses that are serviceably sound. At the beginning of each class if the official judges determine that a horse is not sound, that horse will be identified to the contestants and should be placed at the bottom of the class. All tack and attire shall be considered legal.
4. Contestants must provide their own pencils and note pads. Contestants will not be allowed to take any written materials, handbooks, etc. into the judging area or use any aids.
5. Time - Contestants will be allowed 15 minutes to place all classes.
6. Card Placing - Each contestant will be given a colored cards before the contest begins. The contestant will hand to his/her group leader one of the cards bearing his/her placing as soon as time is called for each class.
7. Scores - Points will be based on the contestant's degree of agreement with the placing given by the official judges (Hornel computing system will be used). A perfect placing score on a class receives 50 points.

E. Team Problems – All teams will be presented with the same problems. Each team will have equal time to discuss among themselves the problem, immediately after which they will have to present an oral solution or series of suggested procedures relative to the problem. Each member of each team is encouraged to contribute to the oral presentation. Evaluation will be based on the understanding of the problem completeness of the logic used in making the oral response. The official may ask questions of any or all of the team members to clarify the presentation. **Juniors will not participate in the team problem.**

Examples of team problems might include:

1. Balancing a horse's ration

2. Farm management recommendation for specific purpose (i. e. breeding, training, boarding, nursery, lay-up, etc.) horse operations.
3. Consideration of the establishment of a new horse facility (stable needs to be used for a specific purpose).
4. Recommendations for selecting, locating, and purchasing horses for specific uses.
5. Behavior problems: problems, management and of course, corrections.
6. Training and conditioning programs: equipment, schedules, methods, nutrition and problem avoidance.
7. Breeding and or leasing contracts – specific clauses for insurance, liability, payments, care, termination, transport, etc.
8. Teaching lessons in horse management (specific subject to be announced) to a group of 9-11 year old beginner's 4-Hers: where, how long, how much information, hands - on experiences, reinforcement, and testing evaluation.
9. Explanation of use or assembly of specific equipment will be considered.
10. Demonstrate skill or ability to use specific equipment.

Team problem scores will not be included in determining the rank of individuals in the contest, but will be added to the team scores of the other three phases to determine overall Sr. 4-H team standing.

AWARDS – Junior and Senior Divisions

1. Individual awards are given within 4-H Junior and Senior divisions, respectfully. Three awards categories for the top 10 individuals will include: (1) examination & slide phase scores combined; (2) stations & judging scores combined; and (3) overall total score.

2. Team awards are given within 4-H Junior and Senior divisions, respectfully. The top five senior teams will be recognized for scores in (1) examination & slide phase scores combined; (2) stations & judging scores combined; (3) team problem; and (4) overall total score. Junior teams will be recognized in a similar manner with the exception of no team problem category.

Tie Breaking

All ties overall, individual and 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.

REFERENCE MATERIAL

Reference Material: All the information covered in this contest may be found in one or more of the following publications:

Senior Reference Material:

All the information covered in this contest for the **Senior competition** may be found in one or more of the following publications:

1. EQUINE SCIENCE– Basic Knowledge for Horse People of All Ages by Jean T. Griffiths. <https://www.equinenetworkstore.com> Phone: 800-952-5813
2. ILLUSTRATED DICTIONARY OF EQUINE TERMS, New Horizons Education Center, Inc. Alpine Publications, PO Box 7027, Loveland, CO 80537 Phone: 1-800-777-7257 Fax: 1- 970-667-9157
3. HORSE INDUSTRY HANDBOOK - By the American Youth Horse Council The Equine Collection -Dept. AYHC, PO Box 1539, Fort Lee, NJ 07021- 1539 Phone: 1-800-952-5813 Fax: 1-201-840-7242
4. FEEDING AND CARE OF THE HORSE (2nd edition), by Lon D. Lewis. Williams and Wilkens, P.O. Box 1496, Baltimore, MD 21298-9724. Phone: 1-800-638-0672
5. DOVER AND SCHNEIDER’S SADDLERY CATALOG
6. THE COLORING ATLAS OF HORSE ANATOMY by Robert A. Kainer & Thomas O. McCracken. Alpine Publications Inc., P.O. Box 7027, Loveland, CO 80537-0027 Phone: 1-970-667-2017 or 1-800-777-7257
7. AMERICAN YOUTH HORSE COUNCIL YOUTH LEADERS MANUAL by the American Youth Horse Council. The Equine Collection-Dept. AYHC, PO Box 1539, Fort Lee, NJ 07024-1539 Phone: 1-800-952-5813 Fax: 1-201-840-7242

Junior Contest References will be limited to:

1. EQUINE SCIENCE– Basic Knowledge for Horse People of All Ages by Jean T. Griffiths. <https://www.equinenetworkstore.com> Phone: 800-952-5813
2. Horse Science – by Ray Antoniewicz <https://shop4-h.org/products/horse-program-curriculum-horse-science>
3. Horses & Horsemanship – by Ray Antoniewicz <https://shop4-h.org/products/horse-program-curriculum-horses-horsemanship>
4. DOVER AND SCHNEIDER’S SADDLERY CATALOGUES
Other: Grains, forages, and feed preparations used for both divisions of this contest will be representatives of feedstuffs utilized in horse rations.

For Parents and leaders who are looking for things to do in the area / day of the contest

Frying Pan Park is located in a wonderful area within 10 miles of

- * Tack Shops (Dover Saddlery, Chantilly)
- * Dulles Town Center Mall
- * Leesburg Outlet Stores

And many, many other stores and restaurants in the area

And a few more miles away is the wonderful town of Middleburg – Horse Heaven!

Check us out on Facebook for updates, questions or comments – search for Northern District 4-H Horse Council of Virginia

<https://www.facebook.com/Northern-District-4-H-Horse-Council-of-Virginia-222679284829465/?fref=ts>

In case of BAD WEATHER – please check our Facebook page for weather updates or email the contest manager for any questions.

Contest is limited in space to the first 100 entrants ~ register early to avoid being disappointed!!!!

All coaches are required to submit copies of each participant's health form (ask your county extension agent how to print out a copy) with their teams' registration.

Entry Date: _____

Office staff only

HIPPOLOGY REGISTRATION FORM

Frying Pan Farm Community Center, Herndon

February 3, 2018

PLEASE PRINT WITH COMPLETE, CORRECT SPELLING

NAME OF UNIT (COUNTY) _____

COACH'S NAME _____

COACH'S ADDRESS _____
Street City State Zip

Telephone (_____) Email _____

JUNIOR TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS

1. _____ 1. _____

2. _____ 2. _____

3. _____ 3. _____

4. _____ 4. _____

1. _____ 1. _____

2. _____ 2. _____

3. _____ 3. _____

4. _____ 4. _____

Individuals:

1. _____ 2. _____

Total Number of Junior Participants _____

SENIOR TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS

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Individuals:

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| 1. _____ | 2. _____ |
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Total Number of Senior Participants _____

Total number of Jr. & Sr. Participants _____ x \$10 = _____ (If postmarked by 1/19/18)

Total number of Jr. & Sr. participants _____ x \$12 = _____ (if postmarked after 1/19/18)

Total amount enclosed \$ _____

Make checks payable to NDHC (Northern District Horse Council)

Mail to: Michelle Dionne 36218 Bernadette Court, Round Hill, VA 20141

Any questions please refer to Michelle Dionne (wolfview35@aol.com) 413-626-2607

Don't forget copies of the 4-H health history papers!!!

Any dietary restrictions? If Yes, please list individual and what their needs are: