

SAN JUAN COUNTY EQUINE STATE QUALIFICATIONS GUIDELINES

To Qualify for State:

To represent San Juan County at the 4-H State Fair, a 4-H member must be an Intermediate or Senior in good standing and have completed the mandatory SJ County requirements to complete the 4-H year including the following: participate in 2/3 of local club meetings or meetings with the leader or special interest group; submit a 4-H Permanent Record Book by the published deadline; present a demonstration; participate in a community service project(s); and exhibit at the SJ County Fair.

Participants shall be selected in this order:

1. Blue in Showmanship; Blue in a Type Class*
2. Blue in Showmanship; Red in a Type Class*
3. Red in Showmanship; Blue in a Type Class*

* Type Class other than Showmanship (i.e. equitation, trail or games)

Red/Red or White's do not qualify for State

State Qualifiers points then will be totaled for all **4-H Type Classes**. In the event of a tie, Showmanship Placing at the San Juan County Fair will be the tiebreaker.

Gaming Showmanship and Performance Showmanship are separate divisions; they are not transferable. The Showmanship class will determine which division the rider is trying to qualify for State Competition. One rider w/one horse may enter both divisions; one rider with two horses may enter both divisions. In the event one rider qualifies for both divisions; they may only attend one division at State (This is a State 4H rule).

Points will be posted daily at the Fair. Participants are equally responsible for checking their placings/points for accuracy and reporting any concerns to their Leader.

Point keepers: will not be parents of participants. Point Keepers will be selected by the Horse Leaders.

Points for **Performance Type Classes:**

- Grand 10
- Reserve 8
- Blue 5
- Red 3
- White 1

Points for **Gaming Type Classes :**

- Blue 5
- Red 3
- White 1
- See qualifying times attached or on back.

Current Performance Type Classes:

Showmanship
Bareback Western Equitation
Bareback English Equitation
Hunt Seat Equitation
Stockseat Equitation
Trail
Saddle Seat Equitation
Equitation over Fences

Current Gaming Type Classes:

Showmanship
Two Barrel flags
Key Race
Poles
Barrels
Idaho Figure 8

Qualifying Horse Shows: SJC Equine registered 4-H Clubs may have State Qualifying Showmanship class' at their open horse shows, provided that the shows are held prior to the SJC Fair and that they have secured a State Qualified Judge. All participants would still be required to be in Showmanship at the San Juan County fair.

SAN JUAN COUNTY 4-H GAMING TIME QUALIFICATIONS

SENIOR:

Flags:	Blue	12.5 and below
	Red	12.6 – 15
	White	15.1 and above
Idaho Figure 8	Blue	21.5 and below
	Red	21.6 - 24
	White	24.1 and above
Key Race	Blue	11.5 and below
	Red	11.6 - 14
	White	14.1 and above
Poles	Blue	27.5 and below
	Red	27.6 - 30
	White	30.1 and above
Barrels	Blue	18.5 and below
	Red	18.6 - 21
	White	21.1 and above

INTERMEDIATE:

Flags:	Blue	13.5 and below
	Red	13.6 – 16
	White	16.1 and above
Idaho Figure 8	Blue	22.5 and below
	Red	22.6 - 25
	White	25.1 and above
Key Race	Blue	12.5 and below
	Red	12.6 - 15
	White	15.1 and above
Poles	Blue	28.5 and below
	Red	28.6 - 31
	White	31.1 and above
Barrels	Blue	19.5 and below
	Red	19.6 - 22
	White	22.1 and above

Minutes-Horse Leaders Meeting---February 19, 2005

Meeting began at 8:40 a.m.

Present: Niki Stolmeier
Shelly Clark
Ruthie Johns
Diana Cochran
Flo McAlary McFarland
Lisa Steinbrueck
Jodi Luft
Terri Brown
Cindy Gauthier
Lisa Guard
Jo Sandwith

Coordinator

Flo McFarland made a **motion** to have one or two coordinators to call yearly meetings and to go to the Leadership Council. Shelly Clark seconded the motion. There was some discussion. The idea is: if the meeting is being held on your island you can attend the meeting and pass the information on to the other leaders. After some discussion Flo Mc Farland decided to withdraw the motion and she agreed to become the new Coordinator. The next Leader's Council meeting is on Orcas on April 2, 2005.

4H Horse Superintendents

The new 4H Horse Superintendents are **Barb Griffin, Karen Becker and Deb Guilford**. **Tamara Greene** offered to help with jumping. Some other names were recommended for helping with Gaming.

State Fair

4H Fitting and Showing is now called **Showmanship**. Flo made a motion to make the change from Fitting and Showing to **Showmanship**. English should be changed to Hunt Seat and Jumping should be changed to **Equitation Over Fences**. Lisa seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Another motion was made by Flo—**Showmanship** should be added as a **Type Class** and those points earned would be added for State Qualification

and High Points. Jodi seconded the motion. The motion passed. Showmanship is still the tie breaker.

Flo made another motion—**Saddle Seat** should be added as a type class. Jodi seconded the motion. There was some discussion. The motion passed.

Lisa Guard made a **motion---****Showmanship for Gaming** should get points consistent with Performance for State Qualification and High Point Totals. Diana seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

Medals Program

Flo presented the Proposal for the San Juan County 4H Equitation and Showmanship Medals Program. (pattern riding)

Terri made the **motion** to accept the proposal for the San Juan County 4H Equitation and Showmanship Medals Program as written except for the following two revisions:

1. Transition between age groups a rider can get a blue ribbon and medal at the same show.
2. For the first year of the program everyone is eligible to get a blue ribbon and to try for a medal.

Jodi seconded the motion and the motion was passed.

Fair Equestrian Schedule

There was a lengthy discussion about schedule for the Fair. Some ideas were:

1. Perhaps start all horse events at 8:00 in the morning. Terri will talk to Christine Miller.
2. All jumping on Saturday??? Maybe start with the 4H and then Pony Club Jumping Events.
3. Possible Medals Program on Tuesday.
4. Possible Horse Judging on Wednesday.

Flo made a **motion** to add 4H Dressage Seat Class to the Fair. Lisa Guard seconded the motion and it was approved.

June Horse Show

The Bits 'n Spurs Club had voted to have all 4H qualifying events and Open classes on Saturday. On Sunday they wanted the Clinic and Gaming. The horse leaders from other islands explained that it would be harder to

accommodate riders from other islands due to the ferry schedule and transportation. We will talk to the club at the March meeting about changing the schedule.

July Horse Show

There is a plan for a horse show for July 23rd and 24th. It will be a qualifier for the Medals Program.

Flo asked the other islands to consider helping by getting sponsorships and in other ways so the burden would not fall on Bits 'n Spurs. The other leaders will get back to Flo.

Fence Heights Discussion

The heights will remain the same: Junior. 18", Intermediate 2'3" and Senior 2'6".

Fairgrounds Work Party—All Islands

We talked about having a day when 4H members from all the islands would help with projects to improve the Fairgrounds. Terri suggested the ideas of a sunscreen in the holding area for horses and riders by the arena. She all suggested a big board of some kind to post information. Another leader suggested a water station near the holding area. Terri said she would check.

Judges

Lori Sunby is a possible judge for the Fair. It was decided that the Horse Superintendents should contact her and contact Christine Miller for a contract.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Horse Round-Up Discussion and Recommendations

Saturday, October 13, 8:30-11:30

Important Deadlines

- Accepted the March 1, 2002 deadline for enrollment in the horse projects. Leaders may ask for earlier enrollment deadlines within individual clubs.
- Endorses the May 15, 3:30 p.m. 2002 deadline for the Horse Certificates to be in the 4-H office (no exceptions.) Mailed certificates must be postmarked 05/15/02.

Communication

- Added Shelley Clark to the address-book:<skipclark@rockisland.com>
- Resolved to put together the results of this meeting for acceptance in whole or part by the Leaders' council at the November 3rd meeting.

Resources

- Using three sources for rules: The Performance Horse Manual: EM4727, Western Games Manual EM4610, and the Washington State Horseman Rule Book.
- Two updated versions of Equine Rules for San Juan County (Western Games and Performance Horse) *American Horse Show Assn: (AHS)*

Horse Certificate Improvements

- A new, original certificate (NCR form from Extension) will be filled out each year for the Project Horse. It must be written onto the form whether the horse is the Project Horse or a Substitute/Alternate Horse.
- Substitute/alternate horses must also be enrolled using a separate certificate. Write on the form that the horse is a substitute horse.
- The Leaders will keep and compile the certificates as part of their project enrollment process. The copy will stay with them to be given out or used as the club decides. This could be a good job for the Secretary of each club. The original will go to Extension (see above.)
- A lease agreement will be attached to the completed certificate sent to Extension. It will be signed by the owner of the horse giving permission and details as asked for on the form (Karin Becker will come up with a good form.)
- Extension will compile a list of Project Enrollments with horse's name linked to each youth. The "project horse" will be listed as such, and the "substitute horse" will be identified as such. These will be sent to the club Leaders as proof that they were received. Such a list will go out before the May 15 deadline. Leased horses will be identified and it will be noted if the agreement is on file. The list will be finalized on May 15th. Leaders and the horse superintendents will get the final list ASAP after May 15th.
- Certificates will remain in the Extension Office and can be referred to in case of the need to identify a horse.
- Alternate horses can be taken to State Fair if 1) The Primary Horse can not participate based on a vet's evaluation, 2) The Alternate Horse was enrolled with a certificate by the May 15th deadline, 3) A vet has done a check on the Alternate Horse and has approved the alternative horse's participation.

Solving Conflicts

- The Veterinarian will decide if horses are accepted or rejected based on contagious disease problems, and make recommendations based on soundness of limb and mind of horse.
- The 4-H Horse Superintendent and 4-H Equine Judge in collaboration, can over-ride a Vet's recommendations concerning the soundness of limb and mind (Vs contagious disease). Further collaboration requires that the 4-H Equine Judge be part of the decision to accept or reject a horse in question.

- If a 4-H Horse Superintendent and 4-H Equine Judge over-ride a recommendation of the Vet as stated above and an injury to either horse and/or rider occurs during Fair, the liability will fall upon the Fair Board (Vs the Vet).
- When a Vet's recommendation is over-riden as stated above, it needs to be documented between the Superintendent, Judge and Vet.
- There will be a Show Management committee that will handle appeals. They will be the 4-H Horse Superintendent, the Western Games Superintendent and the Judge. The process and charge will be in the Premium book. These issues will be regarding judge decisions.
- Results of the Vet check will not be posted for the general public.
- The use of bute for horses continues to be the only horse medication allowed during Fair. If this restriction changes, Extension will communicate any changes to all horse leaders and superintendents prior to Fair 2002.
- If the protest is not about judge decisions, another appeal can be made. This will follow these lines. The Superintendents (4-H and Western Games,) will be asked to deliberate. If the decision is not accepted, then the Leader may take their case to a committee of all horse leaders. They will meet at a meeting time announced by Jody to deliberate and rule.
- There will be an updated 4-H Fair Mediation Committee that will serve to resolve conflicts, but it was the opinion of the horse leaders that most if not all conflicts could be addressed with knowledge of rules, communication of them, and the above conflict resolution measures.

The Fair

- Point keeping will be conducted as is stated in the SJC Equine Guidelines. Cassee Buckum (not a parent of a 4-H competitor) will be Jody's assistant for point keeping.

Improvements "In Process"/Some not yet discussed:

- Job Descriptions need to be updated and completed for the 4-H Horse Superintendent, the 4-H Horse Barn Superintendent, and the Western Games Superintendent. (Coordinate with Extension)
- Bill Shaw volunteered to do "before the fair" coordination of efforts to upgrade the Horsebarn. He will need help at Fair time and wants to share this position.
- More efficient communication is needed of the Horse Project results from the Superintendents to the Administrative Superintendent and Extension (to prepare for the Award Ceremony and to send results to the newspapers).
- Do you want to give out any horse trophies prior to the Fair Awards Ceremony?
- Are you willing to help with the process of getting all trophies tagged with member names at Fair to help Dave in the engraving process?
- Who can help get sponsors for trophies for this coming Fair?
- Could an official "communication tree" be agreed upon for important communication between Extension and horse leaders/superintendents? Can Extension e-mail all folks and then have a few folks responsible for communicating to those who do not have e-mail? Please volunteer to be a "communication buddy" for a friend without e-mail.