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The Official Newsletter of the Kentucky 4-H Horse Program







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### About the Kentucky 4-H Horse Program:

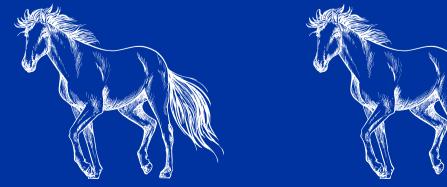
The objectives of the Kentucky 4-H Horse Program are to provide a means for 4-H members to:

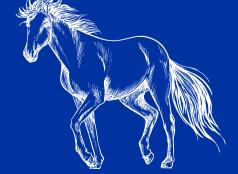
- 1. Develop leadership, initiative, self-reliance, sportsmanship and other desirable traits of character.
- 2. Be better prepared for citizenship responsibilities through working in groups and supporting horse projects and activities.
- 3. Promote a greater love for animals and a humane treatment toward them.
- 4. Experience the pride of working with a horse, pony or mule and being responsible for its management and welfare.
- 5. Develop an appreciation for horseback riding as a healthy and wholesome form of recreation.
- 6. Enhance their horsemanship skills and knowledge as well as understanding the business of breeding, raising and training horses, ponies and/or mules.
- 7. Increase their knowledge of basic safety precautions in order to prevent injury to themselves, their horse and others.

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The 4-H Horse Program in Kentucky is designed to reach youth that have a passion for horses, whether they own one or not. The program offers a variety of areas that 4-H participants can be involved, learn valuable skills, and make friends for life. To participate in state level 4-H events you must be a member of a 4-H Horse club and complete 6 hours of education through the club's certified volunteer leader.







## Upcoming Events

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Kentucky 4-H State Horse Contests

- Judging; June 2nd @ Lakeside Arena, Frankfort KY
- Contests June 3rd 4th @ Hardin County Extension Office, Elizabethtown KY
- For more information, click here to visit our website!

#### **Kentucky 4-H State Horse Show**

July 3 - 8 @ Broadbent Arena, Louisville KY

<u>Shows/Trail Rides/Clinics</u> - We do not endorse any event mentioned below; this list is for informational purposes only and is based off of word-of-mouth. This is not a complete list of every fun show/trail ride/clinic within the state of Kentucky.

- Wayne Co. Horseman's Association: All Breed Fun Show June 5 Monticello, KY
- Scheffelridge Farm Horse Show Series: May 15-16, June 19-20, July 17-18 Paris, KY
- Campbell County Horse Camp: June 11-16 Alexandria, KY
- KY Horse Park Foundation Trail Ride: May 8 Lexington, KY
- Breathitt Co Horseman's Association Spring Trail Ride: May 20-23 Jackson, KY
- Donald L. Snellings Memorial Trail Ride/Picnic: May 30 Versailles, KY
- Allen Co Saddle Club Point Shows: May 1, May 15, June 5, June 19, July 3, July 17, August 7 Scottsville, KY
- Edmonson Co 4-H Pony Express Fun Horse Show: May 31 & September 6 Brownsville,
   KY
- Jackson Co Spring Fun Show: May 15 Gray Hawk, KY
- Wrangler Riding Club Dressage & Hunter Schooling Show: June 12 Murray, KY
- Ballyhigh Young Horse & KHJA Show: May 9 Versailles, KY

#### Trail Riding Project



Hit the trails with the new 4-H Trail Riding Project! Learn about the goals, safety, trail etiquette, tack/equipment, choosing the right horse, conditioning, preparing yourself for trail riding, where to find trails in KY, possible scenarios, Tracking/logging hours, and having fun! Visit our website <a href="https://afs.ca.uky.edu/4h-Youth/horse/trail-riding-project">https://afs.ca.uky.edu/4h-Youth/horse/trail-riding-project</a> to learn more!

## Bit Study Educational Article

Click the article below to redirect you to a study done on bit-related lesions found in Eventing horses



Study: Bit-Related Lesions Found in 52% of Eventing Horses

Finnish researchers found more horses with bit-related lesions than horses without—and most of the riders had no idea.

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