



4-H Newsletter

MARCH 2, 2010

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best better"*

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OKEECHOBEE COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER

March 2010

Dear 4-H Family,

I am proud to be associated with our Okeechobee 4-Hers. I have observed you in many different situations, our 4-Hers always work well together, helping each other, as well as youth and adults from other counties and states. Please make sure you always follow the code of conduct and ethics in everything you participate in. You never know who is watching your behavior and actions. Always be a humble winner and a graceful loser.

The Okeechobee Youth Livestock Show, in conjunction with the Fourth Annual Okeechobee County Fair, will be held this month (check your calendar). Remember health papers when you check in. All exhibitors must attend the **Mandatory Meeting on Monday, March 15 even if you are exhibiting a project that does not check in until later that week.** The mandatory workday is March 21st. There is a lot of volunteer time and effort that goes into making the show and sale a success. Please be sure to thank the adult volunteers.

County Events will be held on Thursday, April 22nd at the Extension Office beginning at 5:00 PM. I need your registration in my office by Thursday, April 15th. Call me if you need help developing your presentation or need ideas for demonstrations or public speaking.

All senior 4-Hers are eligible to submit a portfolio to the State 4-H Office for award consideration. Awards consist of trips to National Congress, Scholarships, trips to National Conference, etc. You can do it! There will be a workshop on April 20th to help you get started. The portfolio process has changed from recent years. You will need the new information. Check the state 4-H website for a preview.

Everything you do is an advertisement for 4-H....make sure the message you are sending is the right one. Continue to make your best better.

Sincerely,

Debbie S. Clements

EA III 4-H/FCS
DCS/lmg



Bacon Bunch

By: Meaghan Thomas

Hello Bacon Bunch members! Our last meeting was held on February 11 at Osceola Middle School. We mainly discussed the South Florida Pig Preview show. Results of the show are as follows:

- Grand Champion: Pablo Nunez
- Reserve: Tristen Anderson
- Second Runner-Up: Cody Prescott
- Third Runner-Up: Wesley McClanahan
- Fourth Runner-Up: Denise Holmes

The showmanship results are as follows:

- Senior:
 - Grand Champion: Shyanne Prescott
 - Reserve: Kristen Barnes
 - Second Runner-Up: Meaghan Thomas
 - Third Runner-Up: Pablo Nunez
- Intermediate:
 - Grand Champion: Cody Prescott
 - Reserve: Dalton Harris
 - Second Runner-Up: Zachery Lawrence
- Junior:
 - Grand Champion: Trey Thomas
 - Reserve: Josey Pearce
 - Second Runner-Up: Shelby Kirton
 - Third Runner-Up: Kasey Durand

Congratulations to everyone!

Here are some reminders:

- Make sure your pigs are dewormed. If you have not dewormed them do so as soon as possible. Make sure to read the withdrawal directions on the label, too!
- You should be getting your show boxes ready. (They should include everything you need for grooming, etc.)
- Don't forget about buyer's baskets. (You want to have a basket full of goodies to give to your buyer at the sale!)

Barnyard Buddies

By: Janet McKenna

The Barnyard Buddies had a wonderful meeting in February. We talked about the Livestock Show and the County Fair. Then we went to the fire tower, saw the trucks, the dispatch area and met with Smokey the Bear. March will be an exciting month for the Barnyard Buddies. If you are registered for the Okeechobee Youth Livestock Show, you must bring your small animal to the traffic circle at the horse barn between 2-4:00 PM on Friday, March 12. If you cannot get there by 4:00 PM, you may NOT park in the circle. You will be required to park with the fair visitors and carry your animal to the small animal exhibit area. You may NOT bring your animals in cardboard boxes. You must bring your partially completed record book. You will be given an exhibitor's card, a clover to put the card on and a 4-H bandana to wear at the

4-H LEADERS:

Please turn in your plan of work if you have not already done so.

Reports for the newsletter are due the 20th of each month. Please remember to turn them in on time!!

Report can be turned in to the Extension Office, faxed to (863) 763-6745 or e-mailed to lmhought@ufl.edu

**4-H Age Divisions
As of Sept 1, 2009**

Cloverbud: 5-7

Junior: 8-10

Intermediate: 11-13

Senior: 14-18

**It's time to sign
up to decorate
the bulletin
board again!
Please call the
Extension Office
to reserve your
club's month!**

show. There will be a mandatory meeting at 6:00 PM on Friday, March 12. The show will be held at 9:00 AM on Saturday, March 13. Be on time as the judging will start at 9:00 AM. Our club meeting is Saturday, March 13 at the Okeechobee County Fair in the small animal barn. There will be an area set up for animals not in the OYLS. All club members may bring any animal they have that qualifies as a small animal as long as it is in its cage, on a leash or in an aquarium to be shown. To be in the club show, you must come before 9:00 AM. There will be tables for the cages and you will get a bandana to wear for the club show. We need parent volunteers to help set up the tables, stands and decorations on Thursday, March 11 from 3-11:00 PM and Friday, March 12 before 2:00 PM. Please call Mrs. McKenna at 357-1019 if you have any questions or are able to assist.

Beef-N-Bacon Raisers

By: Nat Stratton

The Beef-N-Bacon Raisers met at the Extension Office on February 9. We discussed pig weights. If you have any questions about your pig's weight, call Ms. Ginnifer at 801-4745. We went over our record books. You should be getting your Buyer's Letters out, the show is almost here! We are going to be working on a 50/50 drawing fundraiser. More information about that will be coming soon.

Bits & Spurs

Bits & Spurs is excited to be creating an educational display for the Okeechobee County Fair! The display will be on horse colors. Members will meet at the Extension Office on March 3 at 3:30 PM to work on the display. Bits & Spurs will have their next business meeting on March 8. We will talk about the Okeechobee County Fair Horse Events and our Buyer's Basket Fundraiser. See you there!

Chobee Cattle Kids

By: Jenna Wolff

Hi everyone! Our last meeting was great. Thanks to everyone that showed up. We are very proud of our livestock judging team. Marshall Johnson, Jessica Humphrey, Josh Lea, and Allyson Trimble placed 4th in the Senior Division at the Florida State Fair Livestock Judging Contest in Tampa. Jessica Humphrey placed 6th high individual in Tampa. At the South Florida Fair, Allyson was 1st place high individual in the senior division, Jessica placed 4th high individual and the team won 1st place. The South Florida Fair Team was Marshall, Jessica, Allyson, and Sarah. On March 20 they are competing in Gainesville. We wish them luck! Our next Meeting will be held March 11 at 6:00 PM. See everyone then!

Chobee Crackers

By: Brenda Soto

Wow, this year has gone by so fast! Hope you are up-to-date on your record books and preparing your animal for show. Buyer's letters should be out! We had a grooming work shop in February and we had a real good turnout and the weather was perfect! We are working together with the 4-H club Raisin' Em Right. If you need any help with your animal or record book PLEASE LET ME KNOW NOW! You will have to have your record book at check-in and it needs to be up-to-date. Get your health papers and everything else needed for show ready. You don't have much longer. March 11 will be our monthly meeting at the Extension Office at 6:30 PM but please call if you need help before then. My home number is 763-7025 and my cell is 772-260-6852. Thanks, Brenda Soto.

Chobee Roundup

By: Cameron White

We held another monthly meeting on Monday, February 8. We did a couple of fun activities that would help our club bond and get to know each other better. As one activity, we had people try to remember our names and with another activity, we had to match pictures of cows to their formal name. It was very fun and educational! After that, we split into three groups (beef project members, swine project members, and small animal project members) and an adult was assigned to each group to walk us through every part in our record books. It was very helpful and everyone seemed to enjoy it.

County Council/Junior Leaders

By: Shiloh Anuez

The production of our goody bags was a huge success. Thanks to all the help, we were able to provide 74 elders with wonderful treats. Our next meeting will be April 20 at the Extension Office at 7:00 PM. County Events will be on April 22, so be ready! If you are interested in entering a poster in the Okeechobee County Fair Poster Contest, go to the fair website (www.okeechobeeountyfair.com) for more information. Again, our next meeting will be on April 20 so see you there!

Places To Go

By: Pat McCoy

The month of March will be busy for all 4-H'ers and Places To Go is no exception! March 21 will find us fishing at Okee Tantie beginning at 1:00 PM. We will have a picnic lunch and use what we have learned from our Take the Bait material. March 27 the club will travel to Gatorland. Mrs. McCoy will call members with more details. April 2-3 the club will be camping at Kissimmee Prairie Preserve Park and completing a service project at the Preserve. April 24 members will travel to the Dolly Hand Theatre in Belle Glade. Our next meeting will be April 27 at North Elementary School at 6:30 PM.

Raisin' Em Right

By: Zachary Stripling

I would like to start out by apologizing for not completing the last two month's newsletter reports. We would like to thank Audra Colgan for coming to our meeting and sharing her knowledge with us. Audra talked about the beef industry. She talked about where cuts of meat come from and where to give a shot so it won't leave a scar. A lot has been happening in our club. Some of our members went to the Hardee County Preview Show. Our very own Shayla Pendrey came home with Reserve Grand Champion in the junior heifer division. Congratulations Shayla! The Okeechobee Youth Livestock Show is in less than a month, make sure you are prepared!

Rough Riders: The Next Generation

The Rough Riders met on February 25 at the Extension Office. Katie Brummett and Sierra Coward shared their experience at the Bushell 4-H clinic and show. Hunter Bryant went to the Arcadia 4-H clinic and show for reining. Sierra Coward and Amanda Messmer attended the Apopka 4-H show. The clinics and shows were a great learning experience for all.

Rough Riders discussed the club display at the County Fair and will meet at Michelle Harper's house to work on it. Morgan Brandell will have her father help with design of the wood board. It is important that all members participate as part of a team.

Michelle Harper would like to hold a clinic and fundraiser for the club. Jennifer Moiser was the judge at the 4-H Bushell show and would love to teach the clinic at Michelle Harper's house. We will need to schedule a date.

The club needs to start getting ready for Area and State shows. This will also involve participating in another club display.

Sharp Shooters

By: Ciara Verano

Hello Sharp Shooters! Our last meeting was held on February 18. We went over record books. All of our members need turn one in this year. We discussed our fundraiser and announced that your ticket stubs and money will be due at the next meeting which was rescheduled to be on March 11 because of the Livestock show. About half of the members have not yet made arrangements to pick up tickets. If you have not, please contact Mrs. Menendez as soon as possible so you can start selling tickets. We have been asked to help with the concession stand during the livestock auction (Saturday, March 20), so if you are not showing an animal we would appreciate your help. See you at our next meeting!

Swine Time

By: Paige and Preston Arnold

The show is almost here and I hope everyone is as excited as I am. This month's meeting will be held on March 9 at 6:30 PM in the Yearling Middle School cafeteria. Hopefully everyone's hog has been weighed, if not contact Mrs. Tomi ASAP! I wish everyone the best of luck during the show and sale. I hope everyone's hogs make weight. Don't forget, the swine check-in is on March 16 from 2:00 to 6:00 PM. The small animal check-in is on March 12 from 2-4:00 PM and lamb check-in is on March 12 from 4-6:00 PM. Don't forget to have your record book up-to-date by check-in. Please make sure that you are selling your wheelbarrow fundraiser tickets. It is never too late to still bring in items for the wheelbarrow. See ya'll at the show!

Udder Bunch

By: Emilie Lege

Greetings fellow Udder Bunch members! I hope that everyone had a fun and successful time at the South Florida Fair, Florida State Fair and State 4-H Dairy Show. Now that all of the traveling is done, we can enjoy the show from our hometown. Check-in for OYLS is March 15 from 3-6:30 PM. After checking-in, there will be a **Mandatory** meeting at 7:00 PM for all exhibitors. March 16 will be the dairy show starting at 5:00 PM. Remember that, following the conclusion of the dairy show, all non-sale dairy animals are permitted to go home and must be removed from the barn by **noon** on Wednesday, March 17. If you have any further questions, please call any of the clubs leaders for assistance. I hope to see all of you at the show!

Wild Bunch

By: Cynthia Letcher

During the month of February, our club got together for two events. On February 7, we had a yard sale at the Brahman Theatre. Then on February 13, we went out to Arnold's Wildlife Center for a "Night Amongst the Stars". Visitors were able to view the animal collection at night and view the stars in the night sky. Christopher Stephan and a few of his astronomer friends brought their telescopes and presented a wonderful, informative talk on individual stars we could view, as well as planets and many constellations. Although it was a very cold night, everyone had a great time. Special thanks to club members Katie Muldoon, Ashley Carter and Joanna Rhymes (and their moms) for baking cookies. Our club helped hand out coffee, hot chocolate and cookies, which were free to anyone needing a snack. Everyone had a great evening!

The club is planning to help out at the Okeechobee Youth Livestock Show in March, although the date for our volunteer work at the concession stand has not yet been chosen.

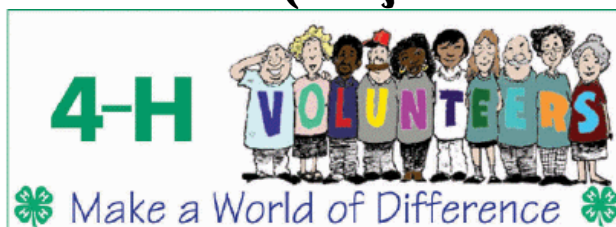
We hope all goes well with everyone's Livestock show preparations and with FCAT.

No news submitted from Absolutely Splitting Hares, On The Hoof, Steaks & Chops or Moving Forward. Members of these clubs should contact their leaders for March meeting information.



IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN!

The OYLS Concession stand will be open again this year. We need all the 4-H help we can get! Remember, proceeds benefit the Okeechobee 4-H Foundation (not just one club).



Club leaders, please call the Extension Office to sign up for a time slot for your club to lend a hand. We need 2-3 youth and 2-3 volunteers for each time slot.

Remember – you must have a CURRENT Ethics Certification to participate in the FSF, SFF and OYLS.

2010 Okeechobee Youth Livestock Show

CHECK-IN

Mandatory Meeting <i>(Lamb and Small Animal Exhibitors only)</i>	Friday, March 12, 2010	6:00 PM
Mandatory Meeting <i>(Beef Breeding, Dairy, Steer, Swine Exhibitors only)</i>	Monday, March 15, 2010	7:00 PM
Small Animal Check-in	Friday, March 12, 2010	2:00 – 4:00 PM
Lamb Check-in	Friday, March 12, 2010	4:00 – 6:00 PM
Dairy Check-in	Monday, March 15, 2010	3:00 – 6:30 PM
Steer Check-in	Tuesday, March 16, 2010	9:00 AM – 1:00 PM
Swine Check-in	Tuesday, March 16, 2010	2:00 – 6:00 PM
Beef Breeding Check-in	Wednesday, March 17, 2010	3:00 – 6:30 PM

SHOWS

Small Animal Show	Saturday, March 13, 2010	9:00 AM
Lamb Show	Saturday, March 13, 2010	6:00 PM
Dairy Show	Tuesday, March 16, 2010	5:00 PM
Swine Showmanship	Wednesday, March 17, 2010	5:00 PM
Swine Show	Thursday, March 18, 2010	5:00 PM
Steer Show	Friday, March 19, 2010	3:00 PM
Beef Breeding Show	Friday, March 19, 2010	After Steers
Fitting & Grooming	Saturday, March 20, 2010	9:00 AM

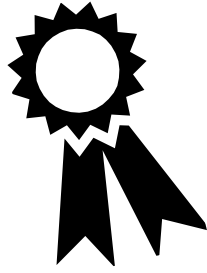
SALE

Sale	Saturday, March 20, 2010	2:00 PM
<i>(Sale begins with Beef Breeding, followed by Swine, Dairy & then Steers)</i>		

MANDATORY WORKDAY

Mandatory Workday	Sunday, March 21, 2010	8:00 AM – 12:00 PM
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COMPLETE OYLS RULE PACKET CAN BE OBTAINED AT THE
OKEECHOBEE COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE



Farm Credit

will host their

Annual BBQ

for all

Okeechobee County Livestock Show

Exhibitors

on

Tuesday March 16



Bits & Spurs 4-H Horse Club
will be selling

Buyer's Appreciation Baskets
for the

Okeechobee Youth Livestock Show

Pre-order your basket now.

Call Paula Daniel at 763-8185 or 447-1919

The **Okeechobee County Farm Bureau** is
sponsoring their 28th Annual BBQ

In honor of

Okeechobee's Young Farmers and Ranchers at the
4-H & FFA Livestock Sale

: When – Saturday, March 20, 2010

: Where – Agri Civic Center, Hwy 70E

: Times - Barbeque – 3:00pm – 6:00pm

: Donations - \$10.00 per person

See your 4-H Leader for tickets & details

All proceeds go towards the

Young Farmer & Ranchers Scholarship Fund

2010 Okeechobee County Fair Horse Show Schedule

Parade of Breeds & Exhibition Night

Friday March 12, 2010

Check-in begins at 4:00 pm Show starts at 5:00 pm

Pre-registration Required, No Entry Fee

Stall Fee: \$10.00 per day (1 Horse per stall)

Breed Demonstrations including: American Quarter Horses, American Paint Horses, Paso Fino Horses, Thoroughbred Horses, Wild Mustangs, American Morgan Horses, Miniatures, Donkeys, Mules, Ponies, & more

Exhibitions including: Reining, Cutting, Dressage, Barrels, Poles, Mounted Drill Team

All entries must be pre-registered

Saturday March 13 Speed Events

Registration at 3pm, Show starts at 4pm, Pre-register or register the day of the show

Five event classes – Poles, Keyhole, Stake Race, Hairpin, Barrels

Four age divisions, Entry fee: \$2 per class

Premium – 1st place \$20, 2nd place \$15, 3rd place \$10 Ribbons – 1st thru 6th place

Sunday March 14 Extreme Trail Challenge

Registration at 3 pm, Show starts at 4pm, Pre-register or register the day of the show

Four age divisions, Entry fee: \$10 per horse per rider (3 horses max)

Premium – 1st place \$20, 2nd place \$15, 3rd place \$10 Ribbons – 1st thru 6th place

Saturday March 20 Mounted Drill Team Competition

Pre-registration required by March 15th, Check-in begins at 10am, Show starts at 12pm, Four divisions, \$10 per entry per division, Team trophy and individual ribbons for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places

For more information, registration forms, stall fees, official rules and directions go to www.okeechobeecountyfair.com, go to exhibits and view the 2010 Premium Book. Or call Renee' Mims @ 561-324-3624 or email mimsr2ranch@embarqmail.com. Show located at Okeechobee County Agri-Civic Center outside arena. Follow signs to Horse Show Registration tent located between covered arena and outside arena/stall barn.

Horse Show Sponsorship Packages Available

2010 Okeechobee County Fair Horse Shows Speed Events Challenge

Saturday March 13, 2010
Check-in begins at 3:00 pm
Competition begins at 4:00 pm

Divisions

Junior Riders: 8 yrs – 10 yrs old
Intermediate Riders: 11 yrs – 13 yrs old
Senior Riders: 14 yrs – 18 yrs old
Adult Riders: 19 yrs & over
Ages as of September 1st, 2009

Class & Class Description

1. Poles
2. Keyhole
3. Stake Race
4. Hairpin
5. Barrels

4-H Area E Horse Show Rules Apply
Pre-register or register the day of the show
Entry Fee: \$2.00 per class
Stall Fee: \$15.00 per day (1 horse per stall)
Check or money order accepted payable to
Okeechobee County Fair Association

Mail entries to: Okeechobee County Fair Horse Shows
275 SW 32nd Street
Okeechobee, FL 34974:

ENTRY FORM

Classes Entered: _____

Rider Name: _____ Rider Age Division: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ St: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Total Amount Due: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

For more information, registration forms, stall fees and official rules go to
www.okeechobeecountyfair.com, go to exhibits and view the 2010 Premium Book. Or call
Renee' Mims @ 561-324-3624 or email mimsr2ranch@embaromail.com. Show at
Okeechobee County Agri-Civic Center.

2010 Okeechobee County Fair Horse Shows Extreme Trail Challenge

Sunday March 14, 2010

Check-in begins at 3:00 pm

Competition begins at 4:00 pm

Divisions

Junior Riders: 8 yrs – 10 yrs old

Intermediate Riders: 11 yrs – 13 yrs old

Senior Riders: 14 yrs – 18 yrs old

Adult Riders: 19 yrs & over

Ages as of September 1st, 2009

There will be 10 obstacles in each competition.

Each rider and horse must complete each obstacle per the rules that will be provided with the course map at the beginning of the show.

This will be a timed event and seconds will be added per the rules.

Pre-register or register the day of the show

Entry Fee: \$10.00 per horse per rider (3 horses maximum)

Stall Fee: \$15.00 per day (1 horse per stall)

Check or money order accepted payable to Okeechobee County Fair Association

Mail entries to: Okeechobee County Fair Horse Shows

275 SW 32nd Street

Okeechobee, FL 34974:

ENTRY FORM

Rider Name: _____ Rider Age Division: _____

Horse Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ St: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Total Amount Due: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

For more information, registration forms, stall fees and official rules go to www.okeechobeeountyfair.com, go to exhibits and view the 2010 Premium Book. Or call Renee' Mims @ 561-324-3624 or email mimsr2ranch@embarqmail.com. Show at Okeechobee County Agri-Civic Center.

Note: we have been told the registration deadline for this event has been extended to March 15:

2010 Okeechobee County Fair Horse Shows Mounted Drill Team Competition

Saturday March 20, 2010

Check-in 10:00 am

Competition begins at 12:00 pm

Divisions Available

Quad Team: 4 riders of any age

Junior Riders: 6 to 10 riders on a team - 18 yrs old & under

Senior Riders: 6 to 10 riders on a team - 19 yrs old & older

Open: 6 to 10 riders on a team – any age

Ages as of September 1st, 2009

Pre-registration Required, Entries due by March 1st, 2010

Entry Fee: \$10.00 per entry per division, Late fee \$25.00 per team pending space availability

Stall Fee: \$15.00 per day (1 horse per stall)

Check or money order accepted payable to Okeechobee County Fair Association

Mail entries to: Okeechobee County Fair Horse Shows
275 SW 32nd Street
Okeechobee, FL 34974

No Refunds will be given

Each team to ride their drill one time.

All drills to be a maximum of 12 minutes or 5 point deduction.

Release must be signed by each rider or parent/guardian, if minor, and turned in with entry form.

The decisions of the judges are final.

Team trophy and individual ribbons for 1st, 2nd & 3rd places.

Youth 16 years old & under must wear proper safety helmet.

Current Negative Coggins Required (Xerox copy will be accepted)

ENTRY FORM (One form per team entry)

Team Name: _____

Number of Riders: _____ Division: _____

Manager's Name: _____ Address: _____

City: _____ St: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Total Amount Due: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

For more information, registration forms, stall fees and official rules go to www.okeechobeeountyfair.com, go to exhibits and view the 2010 Premium Book. Or call Renee' Mims @ 561-324-3624 or email mimsr2ranch@embarqmail.com. Show at Okeechobee County Agri-Civic Center.

2010 Okeechobee County Fair Horse Shows

Rules

1. ALL HORSES MUST HAVE PROOF OF NEGATIVE COGGINS (XEROX COPY WILL BE ACCEPTED).
2. Stalls are available on a first come, first serve basis. Horse information card must be on each stall relating to the animal in that stall. Card must include breed, owner, club affiliation and emergency information. One horse only per stall.
3. Only exhibitors with completed signed release forms are permitted to handle or work any horse exhibiting on the fairgrounds. Anyone found in violation of this rule will be excused from the fairgrounds.
4. Exhibitors are responsible for acquiring exhibitor passes at the check-in booth. Exhibitor passes will not be issued until a completed and signed release form is submitted.
5. Vehicles towing horse trailers will park in the designated trailer parking area.
6. Vehicles not towing a horse trailer must park in vehicle parking area.
7. There will be ABSOLUTELY NO riding, racing or standing of horses, mounted or not, in or around horse stall area, spectator area, midway or entertainment area, or other areas that will endanger the horse, rider or public.
8. NO member of the fair-going public is permitted to ride or handle any horse on the fairgrounds.
9. No riding of horses with halter or rope unless part of exhibition.
10. There will be no mistreatment of animals allowed. Proper action will be taken by Horse Show Committee against violators.
11. Exhibitor must remain with your horse while it is in the horse barn and exhibition area, unless arrangements are made by you and approved by the Horse Show Committee.
12. Stalls in horse barn must be cleaned regularly and as soon as your horse is removed at the end of your show. Aisles of the horse barn must be kept clean and clear of obstacles.
13. No horses with visible signs of illness, fever, lameness, or unhealed injuries shall be exhibited. Only horses in good general health shall be allowed to exhibit. Horses must be in show condition.
14. Proper show attire is required. This is to include proper footwear (no sneakers, sandals, or tennis shoes – only heeled shoes are acceptable).
15. Youth participating in the Fair must be accompanied by a parent or supervising adult while in the horse stall and exhibition area. Youth
- 16 years and younger must have proper ASTM or SEI safety helmet to exhibit. The parents or guardian will be held accountable for the action of the youth entrusted in their care.
16. While performing, announcing, or manning a booth, or while having contact as an exhibitor with the fair- going public, an exhibitor may not possess or consume alcohol or other intoxicating substances, or be intoxicated. This rule will be strictly enforced, and violations will be dealt with immediately.
17. Horses must be under control at all times.
18. NO DOGS will be allowed in or around horses, exhibitors or the public.
19. EXHIBITORS MUST ABIDE BY ANY AND ALL SPECIAL RULES POSTED IN THE HORSE BARN AND EXHIBITION AREA.
20. Any violations of these rules and/or any conduct dangerous to people or horses will subject the individual to immediate dismissal from the fairgrounds and jeopardize any future activities in the horse events. Any unethical action is considered a violation of these rules.

2010 Okeechobee County Fair Horse Shows Horse Barn and Exhibition Area Participation Form

EXHIBITOR NAME:

ADDRESS:

CITY/STATE/ZIP/COUNTY:

PHONE NUMBER:

CLUB AFFILIATION:

EACH EXHIBITOR MUST SIGN THE FORM BELOW TO PARTICIPATE
IN THE 2010 OKEECHOBEE COUNTY FAIR HORSE SHOW

*Please submit participation form to: Okeechobee County Fair Horse Shows 275
SW 32nd Street, Okeechobee, FL 34974*

DEADLINE FOR FORM IS: MARCH 15, 2010 for *Mounted Drill Team
Competition* and the *day of the show* for the other events.

Please be sure to read the rules and regulations for the Okeechobee County Fair Horse Shows. All forms must be completely filled out and signed by the exhibitor. Forms must also be signed by a parent or guardian if exhibitor is a minor.

By signing this entry form, I (we) agree to indemnify and to hold harmless the OKEECHOBEE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, OKEECHOBEE COUNTY FAIR, its agents and employees, against any and all liabilities for injuries to persons or damage to property, whether such damage or injury is from the OKEECHOBEE COUNTY FAIR negligence or not, which may arise by reason of use by signing exhibitor(s) of the OKEECHOBEE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' property. I have read and understand, consent to, and agree to abide by the IAFE (International Association of Fairs and Exhibitions) National Code of Show Ring Ethics as stated in the Premium Book of the OKEECHOBEE COUNTY FAIR. The undersigned specifically released and forever discharges the Fair, its Officers, Trustees, Directors, employees, and all persons connected directly or indirectly with the operation of the Fair from any liability for libel, slander, loss, damage, breach of contract, negligence or other tort, harm, damage to property, injury or death suffered by me which may occur during or as a result of participation by me in the Fair.

EXHIBITOR: _____

(Adult or Youth – If Youth see below)

GUARDIAN/PARENT/ADVISOR of the above signator:



this 4-H t-shirt
needs a...
DESIGN

AREA 'E' 4 - H HORSE SHOW T-SHIRT DESIGN CONTEST RULES

4-H'ers may submit a hand-drawn or computer-generated design on letter size paper. The design should not feature one riding discipline exclusively, and cannot be offensive. Other than that, you can get as creative as you like. The winning design will be chosen by a committee of volunteers.

WIN: A **\$50 Savings Bond** goes to the winner of the T-shirt design contest.

Due: March 19, 2010

Where: Indian River County Extension ATTN: T-Shirt Design
1028 20th Place, Suite D Vero Beach, FL 32960

For other questions, contact your local 4-H Agent.



Area 'E' 4-H Horse Show — Order of Classes

Florida State Fairgrounds ♦ Tampa, Fla. ♦ April 24 – 25, 2010

Saturday, April 24, 2010

COVERED ARENA — 8 a.m.

28. Hunter Type Mares, 14.2 hands and under
29. Hunter Type Geldings, 14.2 hands and under
30. Hunter Type Mares, over 14.2 hands
31. Hunter Type Geldings, over 14.2 hands
Champion & Reserve Hunter Mare
Champion & Reserve Hunter Gelding

32. Jr/Int Hunter Showmanship, 18 years and under
33. Sr Hunter Showmanship, 14 years and over
90 MINUTE BREAK

34. Pony Hunter Under Saddle, 14.2 hands and under
35. Jr/Int Hunter Under Saddle, over 14.2 hands
36. Sr Hunter Under Saddle, over 14.2 hands
37. Jr/Int Hunt Seat Equitation, 18 years and under
38. Sr Hunt Seat Equitation, 14 years and over

WEST ARENA — AFTER FLAT CLASSES & BREAK

39. Jr/Int Hunter Hack, 18 years and under
40. Sr Hunter Hack, 14 years and over
41. Pony Working Hunter, 14.2 hands and under
42. Working Hunter, over 14.2 hands
43. Jr/Int Equitation over Fences, 18 years and under
44. Sr Equitation over Fences, 14 years and over
45. Handy Hunter

PONY ARENA — 8 a.m.

18. Saddle Type & Gaited Mares
19. Saddle Type & Gaited Geldings
Saddle Type Grand & Reserve
20. Jr/Int Saddle Type & Gaited Showmanship
21. Sr Saddle Type & Gaited Showmanship
90 MINUTE BREAK
22. Saddle Seat Pleasure, trotting
23. Gaited Pleasure, non-trotting
24. Saddle Seat Equitation, trotting
25. Gaited Equitation, non-trotting
26. Road Hack, trotting
27. Gaited Performance, non-trotting

INDOOR ARENA — 9 a.m.

48. Jr/Int Pole Bending, 18 years and under
49. Sr Pole Bending, 14 years and over
60. Jr/Int Barrel Race, 18 years and under
61. Sr Barrel Race, 14 years and over
62. Jr/Int Keyhole Race, 18 years and under
63. Sr Keyhole Race, 14 years and over
64. Jr/Int Stake Race, 18 years and under
65. Sr. Stake Race, 14 years and over

INDOOR ARENA — Following Speed Events

46. Jr/Int. Dressage, 18 & under
47. Sr. Dressage, 14 & over

PONY ARENA — 4 p.m.

14. Jr/Int Trail, 18 years and under
15. Sr Trail, 14 years and over
(Jr/Int and Senior Trail Concurrent)

Sunday, April 25, 2010

COVERED ARENA — 8 a.m.

1. Stock Type Mares, 14.2 hands and under
2. Stock Type Geldings, 14.2 hands and under
3. Stock Type Mares, over 14.2 hands
4. Stock Type Geldings, over 14.2 hands
Champion & Reserve Western Mare
Champion & Reserve Western Gelding

5. Jr/Int Showmanship
6. Sr Showmanship

90 MINUTE BREAK

7. Western Pleasure Pony, 14.2 hands and under
8. Jr/Int Western Pleasure, over 14.2 hands
9. Sr Western Pleasure, over 14.2 hands
10. Jr/Int Western Horsemanship, 18 and under
11. Sr Western Horsemanship, 14 and over
15 MINUTE BREAK

12. Western Riding
13. Reining
16. Ranch Riding
17. Ranch Versatility Trail

CHECK-IN

Friday: 3 p.m. – 7 p.m. at the Livestock Barn

Saturday: 6:30 a.m. at the Show Office

Sunday: 7 a.m. at the Show Office

Bring your horse, Negative Coggins, bits, helmets and yourself to the check-in. You will receive your number, show book, and have your helmets and bits checked.

RULES

The "Florida 4-H Area & State Horse Shows Official Rules 2010 (4HSG06)" is the official rule book for the Area 'E' 4-H Horse Show.





MANATEE COUNTY 4-H OPEN HORSE SHOW

March 20-21, 2010

Mosaic Arena, Manatee County Fairgrounds, Palmetto



Registration 8:00 am; 8:45 am deadline for first three classes

Show begins at 9:00 am

1. Negative Coggins is REQUIRED 2. Boots and SEI or ASTM helmets MUST be worn by ALL participants 3. Show will observe Florida State 4-H Horse Show Rules Available online: http://manatee.ifas.ufl.edu/4H/index.shtml 4. No Stallions allowed 5. No one under 8 years old as of September 1, 2009 will be allowed to show	4-H Juniors – 8-13 as of 9/1/09 4-H Seniors – 14-18 as of 9/1/09 \$2 insurance for all non 4-H'ers Classes are: Pre-entry ~ \$5 for 4-Hers; \$6 for non 4-Hers (Due in 4-H Office Wednesday before Show) Day of Show ~ \$6 for 4-Hers; \$7 for non 4-Hers
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Absolutely No Refunds

The Manatee County 4-H Horse Committee reserves the right to evict from the grounds anyone exhibiting unsportsmanlike conduct or otherwise unacceptable behavior. Show management also reserves the right to cancel or combine classes.

SATURDAY, March 20, 2010

WESTERN

1. Western Grooming & Conditioning
 2. Grade Mares
 3. Grade Geldings
 4. Registered Mares
 5. Registered Geldings
 6. Non Stock
 7. 4-H Senior Western Showmanship
 8. 4-H Junior Western Showmanship
 9. Open Western Showmanship
- Break
10. 4-H Jr./Sr. Walk Trot Western Pleasure
 11. Open Walk Trot Western Pleasure
 12. Walk Trot Western Horsemanship
- Break
13. 4-H Senior Western Pleasure
 14. 4-H Senior Western Horsemanship
 15. Open Western Pleasure
 16. Open Western Horsemanship
 17. 4-H Junior Western Pleasure
 18. 4-H Junior Western Horsemanship
 19. Western Riding
 20. Reining
 21. Trail
- Break

SPEED

22. 4-H Senior Poles
23. 4-H Junior Poles
24. Open Poles
25. 4-H Senior Stake Race
26. 4-H Junior Stake Race
27. Open Stake Race
28. 4-H Senior Barrels
29. 4-H Junior Barrels
30. Open Barrels
31. 4-H Senior Keyhole
32. 4-H Junior Keyhole
33. Open Keyhole

Please, No Cell Phones or Pagers in the Ring

A responsible adult must be on the grounds with each youth exhibitor.



For more information, please contact:

Manatee County 4-H Office
1303 17th Street, West
Palmetto, FL 34221 at (941) 722-4524
or

Show Secretary, Nancy Morris at (941) 322-9675

SUNDAY, March 21, 2010

ENGLISH

34. English Grooming & Conditioning
 35. Hunter Mares
 36. Hunter Geldings
 37. Saddle Seat Trotting Mares & Geldings
 38. Saddle Seat Non-trotting Mares & Geldings
 39. 4-H Senior English Showmanship
 40. 4-H Junior English Showmanship
 41. Open English Showmanship
- Break
42. 4-H Jr./Sr. Walk Trot English Pleasure
 43. Open Walk Trot English Pleasure
 44. Walk Trot English Equitation
- Break
45. Saddle Seat Pleasure Non-trotting
 46. Saddle Seat Pleasure Trotting
 47. Saddle Seat Equitation
 48. 4-H Senior Hunter under Saddle
 49. 4-H Senior Hunt Seat Equitation
 50. 4-H Junior Hunter under Saddle
 51. 4-H Junior Hunt Seat Equitation
 52. Open Hunter under Saddle
 53. Open Hunt Seat Equitation
- Break
54. 4-H Senior Hunter Hack
 55. 4-H Junior Hunter Hack
 56. Open Hunter Hack
 57. 4-H Senior Equitation over Fences
 58. 4-H Junior Equitation over Fences
 59. Open Equitation over Fences
 60. Working Hunter
 61. Handy Hunter

Daily High Point Circuit Awards Available in	Pointed Classes based on Same Horse/Rider Combination
4-H Junior Western	8-17-18
4-H Senior Western	7-13-14
Open Western	9-15-16
4-H Junior Hunt Seat	40-50-51
4-H Senior Hunt Seat	39-48-49
Open Hunt Seat	41-52-53
Walk Trot Western	10-12 & Showmanship
Walk Trot English	42-44 & Showmanship
Saddle Seat	45 or 46-47 & Showmanship
Over Fences	(54-55 or 56) (57-58 or 59) 60 61
4-H Junior Speed	23-26-29-32
4-H Senior Speed	22-25-28-31
Open Speed	24-27-30-33
Tie Breakers ~ Poles, Showmanship & Hunter Hack	

You Can Help Support Florida 4-H Agents



The Comfort Inn West in Gainesville is offering a promotion called “People Helping People” for the 2010 calendar year. With any sleeping rooms booked with them this year, 10% of that room rate will come back to Florida 4-H. Currently we have negotiated a \$79.00 a night double room rate which includes free wireless, deluxe continental breakfast, fridge and microwave in the room - this rate is good for the entire year - except during certain times (game days, graduation, etc) but they will also donate 10% of that higher roomrate to 4-H. When booking a room you **MUST** say you are with **UF4-H** for these rates and promotion to take affect. Any funds generated from the 10% contribution to 4-H will be used to support the **2012 NAE4-HA Conference** that Florida is hosting.

They also have a meeting room with an area set aside for snacks and refreshments that is available for small groups (15-20) with the rental of this room 10% will also be donated to Florida 4-H.

I would like to encourage you to share this information with your co-workers in your office and colleagues in your district that if coming to Gainesville for an overnight meeting to consider staying at the Comfort Inn West - off Archer Rd - past Cabot Lodge and Steak & Shake. The rate is great and you will also be supporting the 2012 Conference. This rate is also good for families, guests, etc coming to town as long as you mention **UF 4-H** when making your reservations.





**BRADFORD-UNION COUNTY FAIR
4-H HORSE SHOW
March 20, 2010**

Bradford County 4-H Agent/Coordinator – Debbie Nistler



Show Date: Saturday March 20, 2009

Location: Bradford County Fairgrounds Horse Show Arena
2266 N. Temple Ave.
Starke, FL 32091
904-966-6224

Gates Open – Saturday March 20, 2009 7:00 AM

Registration 7:30 AM – 8:30 AM

Show begins at 9:00 AM

Exhibitors must be on the grounds and checked in by 8:30 AM

ENTRIES CLOSE March 1, 2010. Entry forms must be approved and signed by a parent and the applicant's 4-H Club Leader. A registration fee of \$35.00 must accompany the completed application. Entries must be received in the Bradford Extension Office by Thursday, March 11, 2010. No refunds will be made for accepted entries.

Make Checks Payable to:

Bradford County 4-H Foundation
2266 N. Temple Ave.
Starke, FL 32091

Eligibility

1. Entries shall be restricted to registered 4-H Club members, ages 8-18. 4-H JUNIORS must be between the ages of 8-10 INTERMEDIATES must be between ages 11-13 and SENIORS between the ages of 14-18, as of September 1, 2009.
2. Exhibitor may enter only one (1) horse which must be owned or leased and certified as a 4-H Project by September 1, 2009. Replacement of a project horse prior to the Bradford-Union County Fair 4-H Horse Show is allowed if the horse entered is certified unsound by a veterinarian and request for replacement is approved by the 4-H Agent.

Receiving

Gates will open Saturday, March 20, 2010 at 7:00 AM. Prior to unloading, horses must be checked by a State Inspector or person authorized by the fair staff and must be accompanied by a Negative Coggins Test Certificate. Golf carts or motorized vehicles of any kind are not allowed on the grounds at any time during this event.

Judging

1. The modified Danish System of judging will be used. Six (6) individual placings, 1st through 6th will be used for each class.
2. Exhibitors may enter seven (7) classes. However, premiums will only be paid for the top five (5) classes for an individual. To qualify for High Point, you must enter Showmanship. Classes may not be added after entries have been received.
3. Florida State 4-H Show Regulations will govern the Show, (revised 2009) a copy of which is available at your respective County Extension Office. The Judge's decision shall be final. When an exhibitor's parent, leader or agent is guilty of un-sportsmanship-like conduct, the show management may suspend the exhibitor's right to participate in future classes and/or shows for such period as judged appropriate. Adults involved will be asked to leave the Show and may be asked not to return for future shows. Appeals to the Judge's decision must be in writing and filed with the Show Superintendent immediately upon conclusion of the class or event in question. A fee of \$50.00 (certified funds) must accompany the protest. If the Appeals Committee upholds the protest, the deposit shall be refunded. If the appeal is overruled, the deposit will be forfeited.
4. **Attire:** Exhibitors must wear proper attire and appropriate footwear at all times for the event in which they are competing. Exhibitors are required to wear SEI or SET/ASTM approved safety equestrian helmets with chin harness fastened. These must be worn in all classes, warm-up and make-up areas or anytime while mounted. Only numbers provided by the Show may be worn.

Awards

Under the Modified Danish Judging System, contestants will be placed in three (3) groups and paid as follows: **BLUE - \$7.00 RED - \$5.00 - WHITE - \$3.00**

Individual placings, 1st -6th, will be used to determine High Point Awards, which will be given for Junior and Senior Western: Junior, Intermediate and Senior Speed. Ties for High Point Western and English will be broken by the exhibitor placing highest in Showmanship.

Classes

1. Grooming & Conditioning
2. Pony at Halter, (Western 13.2 H and under, English 14.2 H and under)
3. **Mares at Halter**
4. Gelding at Halter, *Grand & Reserve Champion at Halter, (includes 1st & 2nd place pony, mare and gelding)
5. Jr. Showmanship,
6. Intermediate Showmanship
7. Senior Showmanship
8. Jr. Western Pleasure
9. Inter. Western Pleasure
10. Senior Western Pleasure
11. Jr. Western Riding
12. Int. Western Riding
13. Sr. Western Riding
14. Jr. Hunter Under Saddle
15. Int. Hunter Under Saddle
16. Sr. Hunter Under Saddle
17. Jr. Hunt Seat Equitation
18. Int. Hunt Seat Equitation
19. Sr. Hunt Seat Equitation
20. Jr. Hunter Hack, (2'3")
21. Int. Hunter Hack (2'3")
22. Sr. Hunter Hack (2'3")
23. Jr. Trail
24. Int. Trail
25. Sr. Trail
26. Jr. Pole Bending
27. Int. Pole Bending
28. Sr. Pole Bending
29. Jr. Cloverleaf Barrels
30. Int. Cloverleaf Barrels
31. Sr. Cloverleaf Barrels
32. Jr. Keyhole
33. Int. Keyhole
34. Sr. Keyhole



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4-H HORSE SHOW
BRADFORD-UNION COUNTY FAIR

ENTRY DEADLINE MARCH 1ST NO EXCEPTIONS

(PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

Exhibitor _____ Age _____ D.O.B. _____ Division: Jr.() Int.() Sr.()
Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
e-mail address _____ Phone _____
County _____ 4-H Club Name _____

COGGINS: A copy of a negative Coggins Test Certificate MUST ACCOMPANY THIS ENTRY.

ENTRY FEE - Thirty five (\$35.00) entry fee and the money must accompany this entry. Each Exhibitor may enter seven (7) classes of their choice but will only be paid premium on the top five (5) placings. NO REFUNDS. Make checks payable to the Bradford County 4-H Foundation.

NAME OF HORSE _____
Everyone must participate in showmanship. Choose either English or Western

- 1. CLASS NUMBER ___ CLASS NAME SHOWMANSHIP English Western
2. CLASS NUMBER ___ CLASS NAME
3. CLASS NUMBER ___ CLASS NAME
4. CLASS NUMBER ___ CLASS NAME
5. CLASS NUMBER ___ CLASS NAME
6. CLASS NUMBER ___ CLASS NAME
7. CLASS NUMBER ___ CLASS NAME

I hereby release the FLORIDA COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE, THE BRADFORD-UNION COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION, and THE CITY OF STARKE, their respective employees and the volunteer 4-H Leader(s) from any financial responsibility for the sickness of or accident to (him-her) while going to, returning from, and while at this 4-H event. To insure prompt attention, in case of serious sickness or accident, I hereby authorize the person responsible to incur expense considered necessary and I agree to pay for same, if this is not covered by an accident and sickness insurance policy.

Signature of Parent or Guardian _____

I hereby certify that the information given in this entry is correct and that the exhibitor is a bona-fide 4-H Club Member, and the horse is registered as a 4-H Project by September 1st of current year.

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2010
SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION
SPEAKING CONTEST
Tuesday, April 13, 2010

SPONSORED BY:

**OKEECHOBEE SOIL AND WATER
CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

TOPIC

**"HOW DO CONSERVATION HABITS
EQUAL HEALTHY HABITATS?"**

Entry Deadline is Monday, April 12, 2010 @4:30pm.

Open to any Okeechobee County student, grades 6 through 12.

Each speech will be no less than **five** minutes or more than
eight minutes long

Prizes

First Place \$250.00
Second Place \$175.00
Third Place \$ 75.00

Each remaining contestant \$25.00

For a complete list of rules and entry form contact 763-3619 ext. 501 or email:
audrey.driggers@fl.nacdnet.net

March 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8 Bits & Spurs E.O.—6:30 PM	9 Swine Time YMS—6:30 PM	10	11 Chobee Crackers E.O.—6:30 PM ***** Sharp Shooters Mr. Sellers' - 7:00 ***** Chobee Cattle Kids OMS—6:00 PM	12 OYLS Small Animal Check-in 2-4:00 PM ***** OYLS Lamb Check-in 4-6:00 PM ***** Fair Horse Shows Parade of Breeds & Exhibition Night 5:00 PM	13 Barnyard Buddies Meeting ***** OYLS Small Animal Show 9:00 AM ***** OYLS Lamb Show/Sale 6:00 PM ***** Fair Horse Shows Speed Events—3:00 PM
14 Fair Horse Shows Extreme Trail Challenge 4:00 PM	15 OYLS Mandatory Mtg—7:00 PM ***** Dairy Check-in 3-6:30 PM	16 OYLS Steer Check-in 9 AM—1 PM ***** OYLS Swine Check-in—2-6:00 PM ***** OYLS Dairy Show 5:00 PM ***** Farm Credit's OYLS Exhibitor BBQ	17 OYLS Beef Breeding Check-in 3-6:30 PM ***** OYLS Swine Showmanship 5:00 PM	18 OYLS Swine Show 5:00 PM	19 OYLS Steer Show 3:00 PM ***** OYLS Beef Breeding Show After Steers	20 OYLS Fitting & Grooming—9:00 ***** OYLS Sale 2:00 PM Beef, Swine, Dairy, Steers ***** Fair Horse Shows Drill Team Competition 12:00 PM
21 OYLS Mandatory Workday 8:00 AM—12:00 PM ***** Places To Go Fishing Trip Okee Tantie—1:00	22	23	24	25 End of 9 Weeks	26 No School Teacher Workday	27 Places To Go Travels to Gatorland ***** Breed Quiz Bowl Tryouts Tampa
28	29	30	31			