

# Indiana 4-H Horse and Pony Events

## **Horse Bowl**

The objective of Horse Bowl is to provide an opportunity for youth to demonstrate their knowledge of equine related material in a competitive setting where attitudes of friendliness and fairness prevail. The Horse Bowl consists of two teams of four using buzzers to answer questions read to them by a moderator. Each team should consist of four but no more than 5 members. Horse Bowl is divided up into 4 different levels: novice, junior, intermediate, and senior.

## **Hippology**

The objective of Hippology is to provide an opportunity for youth to demonstrate the span of their knowledge and understanding of equine science and management, and the practical application of this knowledge and skill. Hippology consists of 4 components: written exams, stations, slides, and judging. If you have team of at 3 but not more than 4 there is an additional component the team problem. Hippology has 4 different levels: novice, junior, intermediate, and senior.

## **Public Speaking**

The objective of Public Speaking is to provide an opportunity for youth to demonstrate their ability to speak on an equine topic they have researched and are interested in. The Public Speaking is for individuals only. Public speaking has 3 different levels: junior, intermediate, seniors.

## **Demonstration**

The objective of Demonstration is to provide an opportunity for youth to show something they know a lot about or to give an illustrated talk on a subject. Demonstrations can be done as a team of two or individuals.

## **Versatility**

The objective of Versatility is provide youth an opportunity to show their horse in 4 different events and to demonstrate teamwork during the time they have to change before each event. Versatility consists of these 4 events: Hunter Under Saddle, Western Pleasure, Horsemanship, Keyhole Race. Two judges will judge the event and the results are figured by the taking the average of all placings.

## **Horse Judging**

The objective of Horse Judging is to provide a learning opportunity for individuals interested in horse evaluation and oral reasons by gaining experience in a contest situation.

## **Groom and Clean**

The objective of Groom and Clean is to provide an opportunity for 4-H members to demonstrate their grooming and handling techniques and abilities under unusual and unique circumstances.