

COWETA COUNTY 4-H HORSE SHOWMANSHIP

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Thursday, September 25, 2008 @ 6:30pm
Livestock Arena

Registration is due Thursday, August 21, 2008

GENERAL: *Fitting and showmanship classes are judged on the fitting and grooming of the horse and on the ability of the showman to present the horse properly and to best advantage. Type, conformation, and quality of the horse have no bearing on the judging of these classes. Manners and response to the showman, however, do indicate the degree of training received by the animal and should be credited to the showman.*

Requirements are based on the 2008 State 4-H Horse Show Rule book.

- All exhibitors must currently be enrolled in the Coweta County 4-H program.
- Showmanship classes will be Pre-Club, Cloverleaf, Junior and Senior as determined by the 4-H'ers *grade* as of August 1, 2008.
- Exhibitors in the Horseless Horse Showmanship class *must* not own a horse. Participants are encouraged to contact the Horse & Pony Club leader to set up opportunities to work with other club members.
- Only one horse per child, per class may be shown.
- Decision of the judge(s) will be final.
- Personal appearance of 4-H member should be neat, clean, well-groomed, attentive, courteous, and the appropriate attire for the class.
- All equine are required to present an original negative Coggins Test Report current within one year of show date.
- Horses are shown at owner's risk. Each exhibitor must assume liability in case of death or injury to his/her livestock.
- Any animal exhibiting vicious or uncontrollable aggression which endangers the safety of the judge, other exhibitors or another animal may be excused from the class.
- Equipment:
 - Hunter: Clean, adjusted and acceptable hunter bridle (no halters). No crops or bats are permitted.
 - Saddle Seat: Clean, adjusted halter or bridle (full, pelham, curb or snaffle).
 - Western: Clean, adjusted halter to fit the horse. Fancy halter shall not be given preference over good-working halters.
- Horse (fitting and grooming):
 - The horse should be clean, well-groomed and fitted for his type.
 - The horse's feet should be cleaned and either trimmed or properly shod.

4-H Horse Showmanship Classes

Class 1	Pre Club Hunter in Hand (8yrs and under)
Class 2	Cloverleaf Hunter in Hand (9yrs - 6 th grade)
Class 3	Junior Hunter in Hand (7 th - 8 th grades)
Class 4	Senior Hunter in Hand (9 th - 12 th grades)
Class 5	Pre Club Western Showmanship (8yrs and under)
Class 6	Cloverleaf Western Showmanship (9yrs - 6 th grade)
Class 7	Junior Western Showmanship (7 th - 8 th grades)
Class 8	Senior Western Showmanship (9 th - 12 th grades)
Class 9	Horseless Horse Showmanship (12 th grade and under)
Class 10	Costume Class (All ages & disciplines)