

# Union County 4-H Horse Leaders Association meeting

August 12, 2009

Leaders Present: Letty Miller, Carrie Hoofnagle, Sandy Henry, Annette Evans, Courtney Skeen

Staff Present: Carole Smith

Guests present: Jesse Miller

## 1) Debrief EOLS

- Mostly relaxed
- Race horse owners shoving 4-H members out of barns before show ended
- Members parking in handicap area- that needs to be reserved for handicap personnel.
- Campers should be moved to designated area, and trailers in another designated area
- 2 judges worked fine
  
- Discussed adding trail to EOLS
- Discussed adding ranch horse to EOLS
- New objective to get new and more entries
  - Carol will email other counties for interest
  - ask Candy back
- Other judges (Dixie Christenson, Wade Kirksy)

## 2) Debrief UCF

- New Jumps
  - There is an Educational budget- we need to get \$ for the jumps
  - need time to warm up before jumps
  - call leaders, arrange date, budget – Carrie Hoofnagle & Annette Evans
  - Who sets up? Who takes down? Need crews. Should have a Jump Coordinator to oversee this.
- Animal Showing Conflicts
  - goats and small animals led to conflicts
    - kids had to drop horse classes because of market animals
  
- If needing time to change clothing, 4-H members CAN get time for gate holds
- Is it possible to change western to Wednesday, and have Tuesday as English?
- SUPERVISORS are there to bend over backwards so that each member can do everything they want
- Can we bump some contests down?
- Horse Judging contest
  - Move to Monday night, or to another evening (tues, or weds- depending on Dressage schedule) (Wednesday nights are Mavericks Jackpot roping – check with Alfie- caretaker)
  - maybe move livestock judging down to 6 pm?
  - Would like to do judging in maverick's arena and have kids sit in stands
  - do hippology and oral reasons in stands area
  - Horse judging superintendent needs separately assigned gate keeper so that classes can be kept track of and contest run smoothly.
- Horses at UCF
  - o Do we want to move contests to Mon/tues of fair

- From current schedule only one day of horses is technically included in the fair.
- Cowboy mounted shooting – not quite a good idea
- Fair PA system
  - Cannot hear over at barns
- Wash racks
  - Need to be reminded to clean up after themselves – includes livestock exhibitors washing in horse wash racks.
- Fair stands by 4-H horse arena need to be repaired – talk to Brian (caretaker)
- Discussed trail course – electric fence looking rope –not good idea
- Trailers:
  - Horse trailers for horses need to get area marked for them. There are No places to tie horses except at wash rack and trailers. Members are not to tie to outside of fair arena, or onto stalls. Many livestock members trailers are parked so close you can't open doors to get tack out.
  - Is it possible to install hitching areas?
  - Livestock members keep most of their equipment in barn by animals.
  - Horses are there 2 days to get all contests done.
  - Livestock members have weds to do nothing (not including goats/small animals)
- Gaming
  - Would like to incorporate gaming back into fair

### 3) State Fair

- Cole Hoadley is only one going
- Each county is assigned a duty

### 4) PNW Horse Clinic

- registration due September 1<sup>st</sup>
- Leaders who aren't wanting to get on apprentice or judges tract are still welcome

### 5) Ranch Horse Project

- looking @ making it happen
- County wide program
- Ranch curriculum changed – carol will get curriculum for Carrie
- bring it to leader's mtg
- \*New Program\*

### 6) Committee signups- tabled

### 7) Elect officers- think ahead

### 8) Christmas party at extension office- county wide, all horse related games

- next newsletter

### 9) Dressage clinic

- Contact Carole for information

Next meeting September 9, 2009 @ 6:30 pm