Ranch Horse Skills Invitational
Another 2020 virtual 4-H Experience

What: An event to test your ranch horse savvy in lieu of this year’s Ranch Horse Invitational

Why: Because traveling between counties at such a distance is still not recommended and we MUST do something that continues to promote and expand the Ranch Horse Experience

Where: Via ZOOM, Easy Test Maker, and other fun technology resources.

When: During the week following Labor Day; Evenings of Sept 9 and 10; More specific dates and times to come depending on registration numbers.

Don’t: Only do what you have experience doing, do not try to rope cattle if you have never done it before! Instead, show us your best dummy roping. Don’t try to work cattle from your horse if you’ve never done it before, show us your other ranch horse skills.

Opportunity!

We get it, what “ranch horse” person wants to do something virtual instead – NONE! AND Everyone is on virtual overload. However, there is still much learning to be done – this is an opportunity to focus on knowledge, individual skills, and achieve in a different way; we will be VERY prepared for a great event in 2021 AND because of the “virtualness” we will also allow juniors to participate.

Pre-Registration Required – by Tuesday, Sept 1

Name _______________________________  Junior___      Intermediate___      Senior___

Email ____________________________________  Phone _________________________

Mailing Address:  __________________________________________________________

Roping:   DRH ____      SRH____      RE____      DRG____      RT____ (2 max)
Cow Working:  Horseback _____       From the Ground  _____ (Choose One)
Ranch Horse Knowledge:  _____
Sell Me Your Horse:  _____

Fees: $10 per competition (first 4);
Fees pay for judges, awards, etc.
(Each checkmark = $10; or $40 for 5)

Mail Registration and Check to:  
Ranch Horse Experience 
c/o Candi Bothum 
3800 SW Airport Way, Bldg #4 
Redmond, OR 97756

Checks should be made payable to: Oregon 4-H Foundation
Roping
You may enter up to 2 of these classes
- Dummy Roping from Horseback (DRH)
- Simulator Roping from Horseback (SRH)
- Best SAFE Roping Experience (RE) - Intermediates and Seniors ONLY.
- Dummy Roping from the Ground (DRG)
- Got Roping Tricks? (RT)

Submit a video of 2 loops on a dummy or one loop on a bovine, depending on which class you choose. Video must be 60 seconds or less; so those dummy loops should have a quick recoil and your roping trick(s), should fit into 60 seconds as well.

Ranch Horse Knowledge
This will include questions from your Ranch Horse, Cattle, and Horse project materials:
- Roping
- Cattle Working
- Horsemanship
- Trail

It will be a series of 4-8 “tests” of your knowledge about “Ranch Horse” stuff, including cattle, equipment, skills, etc. This will be done in an evening via EasyTestMaker.com and ZOOM; It will take no more than 2 hours, likely closer to 1.5 hours.

Sell Me Your Horse/Mule
Due via Email: By Tue, Sept 15 end of day

I am looking for a quality ranch horse that an experienced rider can use universally on the ranch when needed and that my 12 year old son can take on a trail ride occasionally.

This can be a fictional horse for the purpose of this contest or you can “sell me” a horse you know – all information will be used for contest purposes ONLY.

Each item below should be a separate pdf, word, or google document. All documents will be emailed, be sure to include your name in the file label. If you have a video to download, let me know and I can share a link with you. Prepare the following:

1. A Classified Ad suitable for the Capital Press
2. A Single page flyer, suitable for putting up at the local feed store, or event.
3. A brochure or 1 minute video (or both) that demonstrate what your horse can do and why I should purchase it.

Be sure you include as much important information as you can! What would you want to know and see if you were purchasing a horse or mule to work on your ranch?

Scoring is based on: Design, readability, spelling, punctuation, necessary information, etc.

Cattle Working
Do you have access to cattle in your area? Can you demonstrate skills of moving cattle from one place to another, pulling out a calf/cow, and stopping and/or changing course of a small herd? Then send in your video!

Or Maybe... You are part of a ground crew during calf processing day. This is your opportunity to show what gets done and how you participate.

Show us your Cattle Working skills – on the ground or on horse back (choose one)

Video should be 90 seconds or less. If you sign up, we’ll share a link for you to upload your video.

Awards
- Medallions and ribbons will be awarded for each contest and age division.
- An overall award for each age division will also be recognized

Questions
Contact Candi Bothum at 541-419-6350 or candi.bothum@oregonstate.edu

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