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*Section 1—Educational Opportunities for Horse Owners

Attachments 1, 2, & 3 are forms for major programs. They are ready to xerox and place at local feed stores, tack suppliers and other horse related businesses in your county.

*Section 2—Program Topics, Ideas, Activities in other Counties

*Section 3—The 4-H Horse Project

CEA's please xerox this section and give to your key adult leaders. This is important information on opportunities, deadlines and required paperwork that needs to be distributed at 4-H Horse Projects meetings. All 4-H leaders, members and families need this information.

Extension programs serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability or national origin. The Texas A&M University Systems, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating.

Foal Clinic/Denton County

January 26, at Winterhaven Ranch in Aubrey, the annual **Denton County Foal** Clinic will be put on by the Extension Horse Committee. Planned via leadership from CEA Rebecca Parker,

this day-long clinic will include mare & foal management, nutrition and health care, and several interesting topics. Speakers include farm managers, veterinarians and nutritionists. This clinic routinely attracts well over 100 horseowners. The program begins at 8:30 a.m. For directions and other information. contact Rebecca Parker at (940) 349-2880 or r-parker@tamu.edu.



6th TAMU Mare/Foal Workshop—College Station

February 5, the 6th annual TAMU Mare/Foal Workshop will be held at Texas A&M. A registration form is included in this newsletter, and on the web at http://animalscienceextension.tamu.edu.

The workshop will be held at the Louis Pearce Pavilion and Animal Science Department's Horse Center. This location will allow for hands-on approach to some of the workshop topics. Mare owners will be able to gain experience using the body condition scoring system, with mares on hand for

scoring and discussion. yearlings. Weight estimation and broodmare nutrition will be covered. Forage selection and hav quality will be included.

Basic reproductive function, estrus detection and teasing, and signs of foaling will be discussed or demonstrated. Health care and restraint of mares. as well as foal handling and neonatal care will be covered.

The workshop includes information on moderate vs. rapid growth and determining acceptable feeds for foals, weanlings and

Additional topics will be an overview of the social and economic importance of the Texas industry, and resource material related to horse theft awareness and prevention. A freeze branding and microchipping demonstration is planned.

This day-long workshop is designed for mare owners. It is not intended to be a breeder's school and will focus much more on mare management than on breeding procedures. The information should be useful for the mare owner, regardless of the number of mares they own or manage.

Instruction will be provided by equine faculty from both the College of Veterinary Medicine and the Equine Sciences section of the Animal Science Department.

You must pre-register to attend the workshop which includes printed materials, refreshment breaks and noon meal.

Contact Pete Gibbs, Martha Vogelsang or Brett Scott for more information.

We're On The Web! http:// animalscienceextension.tamu.edu/

Did you know that a young foal nurses 70 times per day?

Stock Horse Clinic & Competition—January 4-5

The Stock Horses of Texas (SHOT) will host a one-day clinic followed by a day of competition on January 4-5 at the N.W. Dick Freeman Arena, Texas A&M University.

Friday, January 4 activities will be a handson clinic geared toward advancing horses in

trail, pleasure, reining and cowhorse categories available through this stock horse organization. Primary clinicians will be B.F. **Yeates and Dennis** Sigler, well known horsemen and active SHOT participants. Management tools such as body condition, scoring and

weight estimation will be taught by Extension Horse Specialists **Brett Scott and Pete** Gibbs, and information on nutrition and conditioning will be included as well. Freeman Arena is a nice facility with good stall availability. Reservations and advance sign up are required. Contact

Extension Specialist Emeritus (retired) B.F. Yeates at 979-846-0936 to get on the list and attend this program. This clinic and competition is sponsored by the Gulf Coast Chapter of SHOT and the Brazos County Extension Horse Committee.

B.I.G. Horse Short Course

January 15, the horse program at the H.O.T. Fairgrounds will focus on horse health, theft prevention and marketing; with a Working Cow Horse demonstration by Glen & Renee'

Heiney. Organized by **CEA Doug Andrews** and the Extension Horse Committee, this is one of those good programs to kick off the new year. Admission is only \$3.00 and

includes a meal. The program starts at 4:00 p.m. and runs until 9:00 p.m. Contact CEA Doug Andrews in McLennan County at (254) 757-5180 for more information.



TAMU Performance Horse Owner Workshops #1 & #2—March/April

Horse owners can pick either March 26 or April 9 to attend day long workshops focused on management, care and use of riding horses.

Basic management tools such as body con- est information on fatdition scoring and weight estimation will be demonstrated. Both thermal regulation. have direct application

to the regular assessment and management of performance horses.

Nutrition will include hav selection and use, evaluating feed tags in making feed purchasing decisions, and latsupplemented feeds as related to fatigue and

On board heart rate

monitors will be placed Attached is a preon horses to give participants real insight into the effects of exer- serving performance cise on level of fitness. work load, fatigue and recovery.

Each workshop will include a live training demonstration on basic training techniques for advancing the performance horse.

registration form for these new workshops horse owners. A form is also available on the web at http:// animalscienceextension.tamu.edu.

Contact Brett Scott or Pete Gibbs at 979-845-1562 before March 15. Volume 2, Issue 1 Page 4

New Horse Owner Workshop-April

Just getting started? This workshop may be for you. New horse owners are coming into this industry everyday. These new comers need information on facilities, pastures, exercise areas, feeding management, health care and what to do when. Answers to many of the questions a

new horse owner might have will be provided at this workshop on April 23.

Attached is a pre-registration form. Participants will receive printed material, refreshments and a catered bar-b-que lunch. Contact Pete Gibbs or

Competitive Activities Across Texas

Texas Extension works closely with Ranch Horse and Stock Horse groups in organizing competitive activities that also have educational value for various types of performance horse owners. Early in 2002, Ranch Horse Association and Stock Horses of Texas sanctioned activities are being held in numerous counties. See the Calendar of Events for specific dates, locations and contacts.

The Texas Thoroughbred Convention—January

The Texas Thoroughbred Association's annual conference will be in Austin on January 19. Educational presentations and panel discussions will focus on topics of interest to

breeders, owners, trainers and managers of racebred horses. Contact the Texas Thoroughbred Association at (512-458-6133 to get registration information.

6th TAMU Mare/Foal Workshop—February

See the attached pre-registration form. This day-long workshop is attended annually by owners and managers of race-bred mares and young racing prospects.

It is February 5 at Texas A&M. Information is also available in the January issue of the Texas Thoroughbred magazine.

The Race Horse Conference—March

Set for March 9 at Sam Houston Race Park, the 2002 conference will include research-based presentations on nutrition, body condition, thermal regulation, conditioning and fitness, health care and various aspects of the racing industry. Co-sponsored by Texas Extension, Texas Horsemen's Partnership and Sam Houston Race Park, this conference will also include an update on current research that has been funded and being conducted on the high performance athlete. Speakers will include industry professionals, association representatives, nutritionists and equine practitioners.

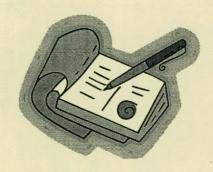
Texas Extension has worked closely with Susan

O'Hara, in designing this conference. Mrs. O'Hara owns Woodswitch Farm, is a Texas Thoroughbred Association Board Member, and quite active with the Texas Horsemen's Partnership.

Make plans early to attend this exciting and informative Race Horse Industry Conference. To pre-register or get specific details, contact the Texas Horseman's Partnership at 512-467-9799. For other general information, contact Pete Gibbs at (979) 845-1562 or pgibbs@tamu.edu, or talk to Susan O'Hara at 936-825-6984 or susan@woodswitch.com.

Calendar of Events—2002 Horseowner & Producer Programs

Date	Program/Activity	Contact	
January 4-5	Stock Horses of Texas Clinic/Competition—Competition—College Station	B.F. Yeates 979-846-0936	
January 15	B.I.G. Horse Short Course—Waco	Doug Andrews 254-757-5180	
January 19	Texas Thoroughbred Association Conference—Austin	Dave Hooper 512-458-6133	
January 24	Performance Horse Nutrition & Health Meeting—Nacogdoches	Jackie Risner 409-560-7711	
January 26	Foal Clinic—Winterhaven Ranch—Aubrey	Rebecca Parker 940-565-5535	
January 30	ry 30 Texas Farm Bureau Horse Commodity Meeting—San Antonio Ned Meiste		
February 5	6th TAMU Mare/Foal Workshop—TAMU	Pete Gibbs or Martha Vogelsang 979-845-1562	
February 15	Ranching Heritage Festival—Stock Horses of Texas Clinic—Kingsville	John Ford 361–595-8566	
February 16	RHAA Sanctioned Ranch Horse Competition—Kingsville	John Ford 361-595-8566	
February	Liability for Equine Activities Program—Denton	Rebecca Parker 940–565-5535	
March 9	Race Horse Conference—Sam Houston Race Park	Texas Horsemen's Partnership 512-467-9799	
March 22-24	Tarrant County Horse-O-Rama—Ft. Worth	Ken Johnson 817-884-1946	
March 26	Performance Horse Owners Workshop #1—TAMU	Brett Scott or Pete Gibbs 979-845-1562	
April 9	Performance Horse Owners Workshop #2—TAMU	Brett Scott or Pete Gibbs 979-845-1562	
April 23	New Horse Owners Workshop—TAMU	Brett Scott or Pete Gibbs 979-845-1562	
May TBA	State 4-H Adult Leader Reining Clinic—Abilene	Vicki Hoggett 254-823-6860	



6TH ANNUAL

MARE/FOAL MANAGEMENT WORKSHOP

February 5th, 2002

Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas

Where: Pearce Pavi

Pearce Pavilion and Texas A&M University Horse Center on George Bush Drive on South Side of Road between Wellborn Road and Loop 2818. Only one-tenth

mile from the TAMU Baseball Field (Olsen Field) on the West Campus.

When:

Coffee and Donuts

8:00 a.m.

Start Time

8:30 a.m.

Topics:

- Broodmare Nutrition

Body Condition Scoring

- Weight Estimation
- Reproductive Function
- Estrus Detection & Testing
- Signs of Foaling

- Forage Selection & Hay Quality
- · Moderate vs. Rapid Growth
- Selecting Good Feeds for Foals
- Foal Handling & Neonatal Care
- Equine Dentistry
- Economic Impact of Industry

Cost:

\$30.00 per person. Includes refreshments, noon meal, and all printed materials. Pre-registration requested by January 25, 2002. Make check payable to Extension Acct. # 229202.

Zip

Registration Form for TAMU Mare/Foal Management Workshop

Name:	
Address:	
City/State:	
Phone:	
If more than one person attending, list names below.	

Attach check for \$30.00 per person made payable to Extension Account # 229202.

Mail to: Dr. Pete G. Gibbs

249 Kleberg Center

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PERFORMANCE HORSE OWNERS WORKSHOPS

March 26th or April 9th, 2002 Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas

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	Where:	Pearce Pavilion and Texas A&M University Horse Center on George Bush Drive on South Side of Road between Wellborn Road and Loop 2818. Only one-tenth mile from the TAMU Baseball Field (Olsen Field) on the West Campus.					
	When:	Coffee and Donuts	8:00 a.m.				
		Start Time	8:30 a.m.				
	Topics:	Body Condition scoring	Basic Conditioning Principles				
		Estimating Body Weight Deworming & Immunizations	Live Demonstration Using Heart Rate Monitors				
		Hay Selection and Use	Horse Theft Awareness and Prevention				
		Feeding the Performance Horse	Featured Training Demonstration				
		Equine Dentistry					
	Cost:	\$30.00 per person. Includes refresh materials. Pre-registration requested to TAEX Acct. # 229202.	ments, noon meal, and all printed d by March 15, 2001. Make check payable				
	Registration	Form for TAMU Perfor	rmance Horse Workshop				
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Mail to: Dr. Brett D. Scott 249 Kleberg Center 2471 TAMU

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NEW HORSE OWNERS WORKSHOP



April 23rd, 2002

Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas

Where:	Pearce Pavilion and Texas A&M University Horse Center on George Bush Drive on South Side of Road between Wellborn Road and Loop 2818. Only one-tenth mile from the TAMU Baseball Field (Olsen Field) on the West Campus.							
When:	Coffee and Donuts	8:00 a.m.						
	Start Time	8:30 a.m.						
Topics:	Body Condition Scoring	General Nutrition						
	Estimating Body Weight	Feeding Management						
	General Health & Immunizations	Basic Safety Stalls, Flooring, Fence & Paddock Design						
	Hay & Pasture Selection and Use							
	Selection and Maintenance of Trailers	Featured Training Demonstration						
Cost:	\$30.00 per person. Includes refreshments, noon meal, and all printed materials. Proregistration requested by April 9th, 2002. Make check payable to Account # 229202							
Name:	ration Form for TAMU New	Horse Owners Workshop						
Address:								
City/State:		Zip						
Phone:	email:							
If more than one pers	son attending, list names below.	Attach check for \$30.00 per person made payable to Account # 229202. Mail to: Dr. Brett D. Scott 249 Kleberg Center 2471 TAMU College Station, TX						

Horse Theft Awareness and Prevention

In calendar year 2001, a total of 78 different CEAs were involved in 123 programs that focused on or included Horse Theft Awareness in directly reaching 3,981 horse enthusiasts. Thousands more were reached by radio and television. Special recognition goes to the following CEAs and counties that used resource persons, printed material, displays, video, radio, TV and media to share the message about permanent identification and theft prevention.

<u>CEA</u>	County	CEA	County	CEA	County
Joe Taylor Peter McGuill	Atascosa/Bexar	Dennis Smith	Gregg	Jackie Risner	Nacogdoches
Philip Shackelford	Austin	Charles Neill	Hardin	Harvey Buehring	Nueces
Rene Mosqueda	Bexar	Brian Hill	Harrison	Mark Currie	Polk
Jack Hunter	Brazos	Larry Spradlin	Hopkins	Jeff Stapper	San Patricio
Scott Anderson	Brown	Eddie King	Houston	Brian Triplett	Smith
Maron Finley	Cass	Carrie Sharp	Kaufman	Derrick Bruton	Smith
Jack White	Cherokee	Lee Knox	Kendall	Chad Coburn	Sterling
Kyle Miller	Clay	Dale Brandenberger	Kimble	Gary Bomar	Taylor
Eddie Baggs	Collin	Rick Hirsch	Henderson	Corky Redden	Throckmorton
Bernard Mitchell	Colorado	John Ford	Kleberg/Kenedy	James Alford	Trinity
Lance Rasch	Coleman	Frank Escobedo	Kleberg/Kenedy	Marc Tucker	Tom Green
Thomas	Crane	Mike Morrow	Lamar	John Allen	Val Verde
Rebecca Parker	Denton	Brent Batchelor	Matagorda	Brian Cummins	Van Zandt
Donnie Peters	Delta	Paul Jaure	Maverick	Pascual Hernandez	Ward
Toby Oliver	Dickens	Doug Andrews	McLennan	Gary Clayton	Wise
Jerry Stanford	Ellis	Mike Heimer	Montgomery	Jerry Jackson	Wood
Rick Maxwell	Fannin				= ,
Carrie Bowen	Galveston				
Mark Arnold	Grayson				

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Theft Prevention education at Specialty Events in 2001 reached another 3,382 peopled with information on theft awareness at the following programs:

5th TAMU Mare/Foal Workshop-TAMU

Agribrand International Equine Nutrition Workshops-TAMU

TAEX Horse Theft Awareness & Prevention Advisory Committee Meeting-Austin

29th TAEX Summer Horsemanship School Program-42 Counties

17th Equine Nutrition & Physiology (Extension Section) Society-Kentucky

Texas Equestrian Trail Riders' Association Convention-Belton, Texas

State 4-H Calf Roping School—Stephenville

Texas Sate 4-H Roundup—State Horse Judging Contest—TAMU

39th Texas State 4-H Horse Show-Abilene

Cargill Animal Nutrition Workshop—TAMU

TRHA Governor's Classic NRHA Reining-Austin

Sam Houston State University—TSCRA's Butch Davis

Tom Lockwood Horse Sale—TSCRA's Butch Davis

Stock Horses of Texas Festival-Glen Rose

Orange County Sheriff's Dept.—TSCRA's Butch Davis

If your county conducted or is planning a theft awareness program/ activity and you were not included above, please email p-gibbs@tamu.edu to provide particulars about your efforts in this area.

The following counties are planning Horse Theft Awareness education in 2002.

CEA	County	CEA	County	Statewide
Phillip Shackelford	Austin	Gary Antilley	King	State 4-H Calf Roping School
Rene Mosqueda	Bexar	Rogelio Mercado	Jim Wells	TAMU Mare/Foal Workshop
Robert Pritz	Callahan	Lee Knox	Kendall	TAMU Performance Horse Workshops
Eddie Baggs	Collin	Mike Morrow	Lamar	TAMU New Horse Owner Workshop
Rick Maxwell	Collin	Jackie Risner	Nacogdoches	
Charles Neill	Hardin	Todd Williams	Rockwall	
Larry Spradlin	Hopkins	Don Kelso	Terrell	
Sara Allen	Hunt			

Educational Resources for CEAs, County Extension Horse Committees and 4-H Horse Project Leaders

The Website—http://animalscience-extension.tamu.edu.

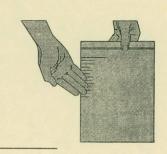
Go here and click on the horse. You'll find lots of horse related publications, registration forms for upcoming programs, even this newsletter. Later in the year, you'll find things such as the

schedule of events for the 2002 State 4-H Horse Show, as well as the revised Rules and Regulations for Horse



The Judges' List—Contact Horse Specialists Office

Not really 'the list', but there is a list of some 40 people who are past members of the TAMU Collegiate Horse Judging Team and who indicated that they are available to judge county and open horse shows. Most of them currently reside in Texas.



Printed Materials—Publication & Supply Distribution

Whether it's the Texas Horse Owner's Reference Guide, individual nutrition publications, horse theft awareness and permanent identification fact sheets, or 4-H judging and quiz bowl guides, chances are you can get it from Publication & Supply Distribution, P.O. Box 1209, Bryan, TX 77806-1209.

2002 State 4-H Horse Rules & Regulations—AS 3-2.043

Currently being type-set. Once copy will go to each CEA office for copying and distribution to your county 4-H horse project members. It will also be on the website at http://animalscienceextension.tamu.edu. Expect it to be available by March.



Calendar of Events—In this Newsletter

There are 2 calendars in this newsletter, at the end of section 1 and section 3. Be sure your 4-H leaders and families get all of section 3 along with the calendar of events. This will answer lots of questions and help them plan for the new year.



Certifying 4-H Horse Projects & Nominating 4-H Futurity Horses

Key dates are March 15, 20 and May 1. All 4-Hers nominating young horses for the Futurity project must get these in to the CEA office by March 15. CEAs have until March 20 to attach nominations to a summary sheet and mail to Horse Specialists office.

All other horse projects must be certified by May 1. The certification form, futurity nomination form and summary sheet are all found in Section 3 of this newsletter. Please call or email us if you have any questions on the procedures.

To: County 4-H Horse Project Leaders

From: Your County Extension Office

The new year is here, and there are many opportunities for 4-Hers in the horse project. There are also some important deadlines and paperwork requirements for nominating young horses to the Texas 4-H Futurity horse program, and for certifying all other horses as projects for the current year.

This summer of 2002 marks the 30th anniversary for Texas Extension's summer Horsemanship School Program. If our county intends to host a two-day or three-day school, we have until January 31 to make a formal request.

The Texas State 4-H Horse Show Rules and Regulations, Publication AS3-2.043 is being revised for 2002 and a copy will be in our County Extension office by March at the latest. Some of the more significant rules which you need to know about are included in this letter. These rules are revised annually and apply to:

- 1) all County shows related to District show qualification
- 2) Our District 4-H Horse Show and
- 3) The State 4-H Horse Show in Abilene.

The rules will also be available on the internet at http://animalscience-extension.tamu.edu.

Also, the calendar of events is included which lists dates for judging contests, our District 4-H Horse Show, State Roundup Horse contests, and the 40th Texas State 4-H Horse Show.

Contact our office for information on other county-wide 4-H horse project activities and dates. In the meantime, as adult leaders involved with the horse project, please see that the information in this letter is shared with 4-Hers at the first two or three horse project meetings of 2002.

Horse Project Certification Deadlines

*March 15—Deadline for Nominating yearlings, two-year-olds and three-year-olds for the Texas 4-H Futurity Horse Program. Categories include yearling halter, yearling longe line, two-year-old western pleasure and three-year-old stock horse.

The futurity project is intended for older, more experienced 4-Hers who have acquired the skills necessary to manage, handle and train a young horse.

Horses **must be owned solely** by the 4-Her, their parent, brother, sister, grandparent or legal guardian by March 15. Futurity horses **must also be in the 4-Her's management and care** by March 15, and must remain under their management and care until the project is completed at the State 4-H Horse Show. **No loaned, leased, borrowed or rented horses allowed.**

To nominate a young horse, complete Attachment #1 and turn in with a \$10 nomination fee to the County office no later than March 15. Absolutely no late nominations will be accepted. Read the form carefully regarding rules. If the horse is registered, a copy of the papers should be stapled to the nomination form. If the horse is not registered (grade), a Grade Horse ID certificate must also be completed (Attachment #2) and stapled to the nomination. The county office will attach all nominations to a County Summary Sheet (Attachment 3), which is completed by the Extension Agent, before mailing to the State Horse Specialists office not later than March 20.

*May 1—Deadline for Certifying all other 4-H Horse Projects in order to be eligible for District and/or State 4-H Horse Shows.

Horses must be owned by the 4-Her, their parent, brother, sister, grandparent or legal guardian. No loaned, leased, borrowed or rented horses allowed.

Complete Attachment #4, listing all horses to be carried as a project, by May 1. The County office cannot and will not certify any horse projects after May 1.

Futurity projects, even though already nominated by March 15, should also be included on this form. This '4-H member and Project Horse(s) Eligibility Certification form' is kept on file in the County Office as a permanent record. When completing the form, attach a copy of the horse's papers or a Grade Horse ID form before turning the form into the County office.

Summer Horsemanship Schools

Last year, schools reached 1,400 4-Hers, parents, parents & adult leaders in 42 counties. This summer will make the 30th consecutive year that the program has been offered. These schools are taught by college-aged students and are designed to help 4-Hers achieve more with their existing horse project. The schools are hands-on where 4-Hers bring their horses and participate in lengthy riding sessions that follow short demonstrations.

Two-day long schools are \$550 and three-day long schools are \$750. A county may have up to 30 riders. Attachments #5 & #6 are request forms. The county has until January 31 to request a school for late May or through the month of June.

New Horse Owner Workshop

Parents of new 4-H members just getting involved in horse ownership may benefit from a day-long workshop at Texas A&M on April 23. This workshop is for new owners who need information on health care, nutrition & general care, including facilities, equipment and management tools. Attachment #7 is a workshop registration form. Cost is only \$30 and includes refreshments, noon meal and some printed materials.

4-H Roping Schools

The annual Team Roping School is May 30-June 2 in Lleveland. Contact Hockley CEA Kathryn McCulloch at (806) 894-3159 for details and pre-registration.

The State 4-H Calf Roping School is June 16-20 in Stephenville. Contact Brown CEA Scott Anderson at (915) 646-0386 for pre-registration.

Texas State 4-H Rules and Regulations

All 4-Hers and family members with youth who show at County, District or State levels will benefit from access to the rules and regulations. The 2002 rule book will be sent to the County office by March. It can also be found on two web-sites. They are http://animalscience-extension.tamu.edu and http://texaserc.tamu.edu. The 2001 version will remain on both web-sites, until the revised 2002 rules are posted. Here are some of the more significant general rules that everybody needs to be familiar with:

- 1) All 4-H horses must be owned by the 4-Her, their parents, brother, sister, grandparents or legal guardian. (See Rulebook, page 2) This includes Drill and Precision Team horses as well. (Page 40) No leased horses. See new hardship rule regarding Drill and Precision horses (Page 3).
- 2) At District and State shows, a horse may be ridden by only one 4-Her in the qualifying portion of the show, and by only one 4-Her in the open portion of the show. However, the same horse may be shown by one 4-Her in the qualifying show and by another 4-Her in the open show, provided that the 4-Hers are sibling, the ownership requirements are met, and the horse has been properly identified as a 4-H project by both siblings. Futurity horses may never be ridden by more than one person. (Rulebook, page 3).
- 3) At the discretion of the county horse show committee, a 4-H member may be allowed to change horses between county and district shows, provided all horses involved meet ownership requirements. It is recommended that, in hardship cases, this substitution be allowed. Under no circumstances will horses be changed during a district show, and no change of horses will be allowed from district to state in the qualifying show. A change of horses may be allowed for the open classes, provided the horse was properly owned and identified on or before May 1. (Rulebook, page 3).

- 4) Qualifying for State—All exhibitors earning 1 or more points in the Qualifying portion of the district show shall be eligible for Qualifying show classes at State. They may then enter a total of 4 qualifying show classes at the State show. (Rulebook, page 5).
- 5) In judged classes (excluding futurities), horses may be ridden with a curb, spade or half-breed bit. Split reins must be used and held in one hand with no more than one finger between reins. If a romal is used, fingers between reins are not permitted. If a 4-Her chooses to exhibit a futurity project horse in qualifying classes such as western pleasure or horsemanship, those horses must be shown one-handed in a curb bit. However, since the futurity project is available, extended use of 2- and 3-year-old horses in qualifying show classes is discouraged, simply due to the immature state of such horses. (Page 9).
- 6) Trail—for 4th year now, it is an Open Class at State Show (Rulebook, page 33). In the prelims, the gate is obstacle #1. Exhibitors have 30 seconds to open and pass through the gate (Rulebook, page 34). The gate is optional in the finals.
- 7) Team roping—a 4-Her enters as an individual and may enter only once. The partner can be any 4-Her who also is entered in the Team roping. A 4-Her may help as many times as desired. Points will be awarded only to the person entered, not the helper. Teams receiving a time in the first go will progress to the final go. Duplicate awards presented to top placing teams overall (Rulebook, page 22).
- 8) In All Roping Classes—any unruly horse or horse considered unsafe to either the contestant or the arena help may be dismissed from the competition. Horses are expected to be able to enter the box and wait for the barrier to be set. Decisions on such matters are made by show management in charge of the roping events and are not subject to protest (Pages 21 and 22).
- 9) The reining patterns in the 2001 rulebook are being revised for 2002. New patterns 1 & 2 may be useful for some county shows, and may be used at State Show as a 'qualifier pattern' to determine riders advancing to the finals. Finals patterns will be #3-9 and will be consistent with NRHA patterns in most cases.
- 10) High Point Hunter Horseman—To be eligible, must place in one fence and one flat class.

Calendar of Events

From judging to educational programs, from State Roundup to the State Show, find dates and contacts in the Calendar of Events. See Calendar at end of this section.



for

YOUNG HORSE TRAINING PROJECT (MARCH 15 DUE DATE IN COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE)

(Yearling Halter, Yearling Longe Line, Two-Year-Old Pleasure, Three-Year-Old Stock Horse)

This form must be completed and accompanied by a \$10.00 nomination fee and must be received in your County Extension office not later than March 15. Make check payable to Texas 4-H Foundation. Take form and check to CEA office by March 15. County Extension office will mail all nomination forms and checks, with a County 4-H Futurity Summary Form to the Horse Specialists' office.

4-H	Members' Name	4-Hers Age County
Area	plete Address, City, State, Zip Code Code Phone Number e's Name	Nomination for: (circle one) * A Yearling Halter Fillies * B Yearling Halter Geldings * C Yearling Longe Line Only * D Yearling Longe Line Plus A * E Yearling Longe Line Plus B * F 2-Year-Old Pleasure * G 3-Year-Old Stock Horse
Regis	stration #	Circle (sex of horse): Filly Gelding
Birth	date of Horse	Name of Owner
		r it is brother, sister, parent, grandparent or legal guardian.
1)	The above named horse is owned solely March 15.	by by you or your brother, sister, parent, grandparent or legal guardian as
2)		agement and care as of March 15, and will remain so from March 15
3)	You agree to do all of the riding and tr	aining on this horse from March 15 through the State 4-H Horse Show, to ride or train this horse or to show this horse in a competitive class or
4)	You have read the rules regarding futur	ity horses in the Texas State 4-H Horse Show Rules and Regulations, and tion. Failure to abide by these rules shall cause you to withdraw yourset the State 4-H Horse Show.
4-H N	Member's Signature	Date
Parer	nt or Guardian Signature	Date
Coun	ty Agent Signature	Date

^{*} Reminder: This is your nomination and does not constitute an entry. Nominated horses must still be entered in the respective State Show class. Make entries at your District Show.

Turn this form and check into your County Extension office by March 15.

Please print or type

TEXAS 4-H FUTURITY HORSE NOMINATION COUNTY SUMMARY SHEET

MARCH 20 DEADLINE POSTMARKED TO HORSE SPECIALISTS' OFFICE

[To be completed by CEA Office and sent along with individual 4-Her's nominations and fees to State Horse Specialists office. All Futurity Horse Project Nomination Forms must be received in the County Extension Office. Do not accept any nominations after March 15.]

County:	District:	
CEA Name:	CEA Signature:	
CEA Office Address:	Date:	
city/townCEA Office Phone#: ()	* C Yearling Long	er Geldings ge Line Only ge Line Plus A ge Line Plus B leasure

4-Her's Name	4-Her Age	Sex of Horse (Filly or Gelding)	Age of Horse	\$10 Fee Included?	Nominated for: (use letters A-G)

CEA office, be sure each of the attached nomination forms are signed by the 4-Her and parent or guardian. Make a copy of this summary sheet and all attached nominations, as well as copies of checks and keep on file. Mail completed summary and all individual nomination forms and checks on or before March 20 to:

Pete G. Gibbs or Brett D. Scott Horse Specialists Office 2471 TAMU - Kleberg 249 Texas A&M University College Station, TX 77843-2471

Grade Horse Identification & Certification Form Texas 4-H Horse Project

Note: A horse purchased without papers that was once a registered horse does not qualify as a Grade Horse. Any horse having papers, regardless of whether they are in the owner's possession or not, is a registered horse in terms of 4H horse show participation.
Horse's Name 4H Member's Name
Breed Sex: Gelding or Mare (please circle) County
Horse's Birthdate (if known) if unknown, horse's approximate age (years) Month Day Year
Horse's Height (inches) Color Sorrel Bucksin Black Chestnut Palomino Brown Bay Paint Spotted Dunn Roan
Any unique identifying marks or brands
Horse was raised by 4Her or immediate family from birth or From:
Date Seller's Name Seller's Address
The state of the s
Draw in all areas where white exists on the horse's face, nose, jaw, body, legs. Draw in any brands, scars or other identifying characteristics
Signatures by the following certify that the horse identified on this form is the 4H horse project and that this horse was owned on or before May 1 of the current 4-H year by the 4-Her or that 4-Her's parent, brother, sister, grandparent or legal guardian.
4-H Member Date
Parent or guardian Date
County Extension Agent Date

4-H MEMBER AND PROJECT HORSE(S) ELIGIBILITY CERTIFICATION FORM TEXAS 4-H HORSE PROJECT

To be completed for each 4-H member, with their project horses, and filed in CEA's office by May 1 of project year. May 1 is deadline for project certification, except for Futurity Project Horses, which must be owned by March 15.

	4-	H Member				4-H Year
Name Mailing Address City/Town & Zip Area Code + Phone Number 4-Her Birthda	te		current Age _			
	,,,					Horse 3
owned on or before May 1	Yes	orse 1 No	Yes	No No	Yes	No
Horsemanship Weanling/Yearling 2/3 yr. old Training						
Horse Registration Papers	attached	not attached	attached	not attached	attached	not attached
Grade Horse ID Certificate	attached	not attached	attached	not attached	attached	not attached
Futurity Nomination Form	attached	not attached	attached	not attached	attached	not attached
		CERTII	FICATION			
Signatures by the following co- owned on or before May 1 of the Her's parent, brother, sister, g	the current 4-	H year (March 1	on this form 5 for Futurity	is the 4-H horse pr Horse Projects) b	roject and that by the 4-H mo	at this horse was ember or the 4-
4	-H Member			Date		
Pare	ent or Guardia	an an		Date		
The 4-H member and horse(s) Horse Shows in the project ye rules and limitations pertainin	ar. (See Publ.	AS3-2.043 Texa	as State 4-H]	Horse Show Rules	ty, district, a & Regulatio	nd the State 4-H ns for specific
Club Mana	ager or Projec	et Leader		Date		
County	Extension A	gent		Date		
12/01/01 KEEP THIS	FORM ON	FILE IN THE	CEA OFFIC	E.		

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Summer Horsemanship School Program

Summer of 2002

Two-Day Horsemanship School Request Form

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GROUP:						nmer Horsemans	ship/Horse
7	Training S	School to be held	in		(tow	n).	
DATES:	Rank you	r choices below:	(Note: mu	<u>ıst</u> have at least t	hree choice	es filled in to be co	onsidered)
	1—1st Choice			3—3rd C	Choice		
	2-2nd	d Choice		4—4th C			
	Choice	Fri/Sat	Choice	Mon/Tues	Choice	Wed/Thurs	
		May 24, 25*		May 27, 28*		May 29, 30 *	
		May 31, June 1		June 3, 4		June 5, 6	
		June 7, 8		June 10, 11		June 12, 13	
		June 14, 15	31 10	June 17, 18		June 19, 20	
		June 21, 22		June 24, 25		June 26, 27	
		June 28, 29					
*please checdates.	ck to make	sure that area eleme	entary, junio	or high and high sch	ool are not in	n session before requ	esting these
229104 by in the Horse scheduled fo County Exte	January 31 e Specialist or your cou ension Ager	, 2002. This \$250.0 s' Office by April 15, nty on one of the fo	oo serves as 2002. The ur choices n refund of de	a deposit for sched deposit will be refu narked above. Once eposit or balance. C	uling. The re ndable <u>only</u> i the schedule	rable to Extension maining \$300.00 batin the event that a day has been finalized ands will be made if a	alance is due ate cannot be and sent to
COUNTY	CONTA	ACT PERSON					
Name:				Address:			
Phone:				<u></u>			
Signature	: County	Extension Agent		County:			
				Date form ret	urned:		
Return to Kleberg C		G. Gibbs, Extens 71 TAMU, Colleg				ive Extension Ser 79-845-1562.	vice, 249

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Summer of 2002

Three-Day Horsemanship School Request Form

GROUP:_				ost a 2002 Summer Hors	semanship/Horse
Tra	aining School t	to be held in		(town).	
DATES: Ra	ank your choic	es below: (Note:	must have at lea	st three choices filled in	to be considered)
	1—1st Choice 2—2nd Choice		3-3	3—3rd Choice	
			4—4th Choice		
	Choice	Mon-Wed	Choice	Thurs-Sat	
		May 27, 28, 29*		May 30, 31 & June 1*	
		June 3, 4, 5		June 6, 7, 8	
		June 10, 11, 12		June 13, 14, 15	
		June 17, 18, 19		June 20, 21, 22	
		June 24, 25, 26		June 27, 28, 29	
		July 1, 2, 3			
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COUNTY	CONTACT PE	ERSON			
Name:			Address:		
Phone:					
Signature: (County Extensi	on Agent	County:		
			Date form	returned:	
Return to: Kleberg Cer				exas Cooperative Extens 471 Phone: 979-845-15	



NEW HORSE OWNERS WORKSHOP



April 23rd, 2002

Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas

Where:	Pearce Pavilion and Texas A&M University Horse Center on George Bush Drive on South Side of Road between Wellborn Road and Loop 2818. Only one-tenth mile from the TAMU Baseball Field (Olsen Field) on the West Campus.						
When:	Coffee and Donuts	8:00 a.m.					
Start Time		8:30 a.m.					
Topics:	Body Condition Scoring	General Nutrition					
Estimating Body Weight		Feeding Management					
	General Health & Immunizations	Basic Safety					
	Hay & Pasture Selection and Use	Stalls, Flooring, Fence & Paddock Design					
	Selection and Maintenance of Trailers	Featured Training Demonstration					
Cost:	\$30.00 per person. Includes refreshments, noon meal, and all printed materials. Pre- registration requested by April 9th, 2002. Make check payable to Account # 229202.						
Registra	tion Form for TAMU Ne	w Horse Owners Workshop					
Name:							
Address:							
City/State:	Zip						
	email:						
If more than one person	n attending, list names below.	Attach check for \$30.00 per person made payable to Account # 229202. Mail to: Dr. Brett D. Scott 249 Kleberg Center 2471 TAMU College Station, TX					

Calendar of Events—2002				
Date	Program/Activity	Contact		
Jan 12	Johnson County Open Horse Judging contest—Cleburne	Ed Bader 817-447-1704		
Jan 15	B.I.G. Horse Short Course—Heart-O-Texas Fairgrounds—Waco	Doug Andrews 254-757-5180		
Jan 19	Montgomery County Open Horse Judging Contest—Conroe	Bruce Jones 281-252-0887 or 281-703-5555		
Jan 24	Performance Horse Nutrition & Health Meeting—Nacogdoches	Jackie Risner 409-560-7711		
Jan 26	Mare/Foal Clinic—Denton County	Rebecca Parker 940-565-5535		
Jan 31	Request Deadline for a Summer Horsemanship School	Pete G. Gibbs 979-845-1562		
Feb 2	Ft. Worth Stock Show Youth Horse Judging Contest—Coliseum 8:30 am. See December 1 entry deadline.	Stock Show 817-877-2400 or www.fwssr.com		
Feb 5	6th TAMU Mare/Foal Workshop	Pete Gibbs or Martha Vogelsang 979-845-1562		
Feb 8	San Antonio Stock Show Youth Horse Quiz Bowl	Stock Show 210-225-0575		
Feb 9	San Antonio Stock Show Youth Horse Judging Contest—Rose Palace. See December 1 entry deadline.	Stock Show 210-225-0575		
Feb 19	Houston Stock Show Youth Horse Judging Contest. See December 1 entry deadline	Stock Show 713-791-9000 or www.rodeohouston.com		
Mar 15	Deadline for 4-H Futurity Horse Nominations to CEA office (for 4-H'ers Nominating Yearling Halter, Yearling Longe Line, 2-Year-Old Pleasure and 3-Year-Old Stock Horse Projects)	CEA Offices		
Mar 20	Deadline for CEAs to mail Futurity Nominations to Horse Specialist Office	Horse Specialists 979-845-1562		
Mar TBA	Stock of Horse of Texas (S.H.O.T.) Clinic—Abilene	Vicki Hoggett 254-823-6860		
Mar 22-24	Tarrant County Horse-O-Rama—Ft. Worth	Ken Johnson 817-884-1946		
March 26	Performance Horse Owner Workshop #1—TAMU	Brett Scott or Pete Gibbs 979-845-1562		
Mar 23	Multi-District (5,9,11) Horse Judging Contest—TAMU	Kevin Chilek 979-845-6800		
April 9	Performance Horse Owner Workshop #2—TAMU	Brett Scott or Pete Gibbs 979-845-1562		
April 23	New Horse Owner Workshop—TAMU	Brett Scott or Pete Gibbs 979-845-1562		

	Calendar of Events—Continued				
Date	Program/Activity	Contact			
May 1	Deadline for Owning and Certifying 4-H Horse Projects (except Futurity Projects, see March 15)	CEA Offices			
May TBA	State 4-H Adult Leader Reining Clinic—Abilene	Vicki Hoggett 254-823-6860			
May 25—	County-wide 30th Annual TAEX Horsemanship Schools	See January 31 Deadline			
May 30— June 2	State Youth Team Roping School—Lleveland	Kathryn McCulloch 806-894-3159			
June 7-8	District 12 4-H Horse Show—Cotulla	Terry Lockamy 956-969-5581			
June 7-8	District 4 4-H Horse Show—Sulphur Springs	Randall Upshaw 972-231-5362			
June 12	State 4-H Horse Judging Contest—TAMU	State 4-H Office 979-845-1211			
June 13	State 4-H Horse Bowl Contest—TAMU	State 4-H Office 979-845-1211			
June 13	State 4-H Horse Demonstration Contest—TAMU	State 4-H Office 979-845-1211			
June 16-20	State 4-H Calf Roping School—Stephenville	Scott Anderson 915-646-0386			
June 17	District 7 4-H Horse Show—Sweetwater	Scott Durham 915-653-4576			
June 18-19	District 6 4-H Horse Show—Ft. Stockton	Charles Neeb 915-336-8585			
June 19-20	District 9 4-H Horse Show—Katy	Dale Fritz 979-845-6800			
June TBA	District 10 4-H Horse Show—TBA	Darrell Dromgoole 830-278-9151			
June 20-22	District 3 4-H Horse Show—Vernon	Galen Chandler 940-552-9941			
June 21-22	District 11 4-H Horse Show—Bay City	Lin Wilson 361-265-9203			
June 23-24	District 8 4-H Horse Show—Belton	Ron Woolley 254-968-4144			
June 24	District 2 4-H Horse Show—TBA	Jett Major 806-746-6101			
June 24-25	District 5 4-H Horse Show—Athens	Tony Douglas 903-834-6191			
June 28-29	District 1 4-H Horse Show—Canyon	Bob Robinson 806-359-5401			
July 20-27	40th Texas State 4-H Horse Show—Abilene	Pete G. Gibbs or Brett D. Scott 979-845-1562			
July 31— Aug 4	Southern Regional 4-H Horse Championships—Tennessee	Brett D. Scott 979-845-1562			