



# HOOFBEATS



Newsletter for 4-H Horse Clubs in Cache County---May-June 2011

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## 4-H Contests Provide Opportunities Beyond the Show Ring

The following contests are open to all 4-H-age participants. Participants will compete and be judged in age groups; Junior = grades 3-5, Intermediate = grades 6-8, and Senior = grade 9-12. Participation in these contests will provide youth with points which can be applied toward his/her Achievement Scorecard.

**County Horse Bowl** will be held on Thursday, May 19, 2011 in the 4-H office multipurpose room at 7:00 pm. Bring a team of four or come as an individual and we will put teams together to compete. For County Contests all questions will come from *Horses and Horsemanship* for the Juniors. The Intermediate and Senior division questions will come from *Horses and Horsemanship* and *Horse Science*. A few questions may come from the *4-H Horsemanship Contest Rules*.

**County Contests** will be held Tuesday, June 21, 2011 in the 4-H office multipurpose room. This is for all age groups. Youth are encouraged to compete in Horse Demonstrations, and Horse Public Speaking. Other 4-H contests will be held that day too. Contestants will be judged according to their age group level. Guidelines for all 4-H contests are available from the Utah 4-H website at <http://utah4h.org/htm/events-registration/statecontests> Please call the 4-H office (435)752-6263 or email [scott.williams@usu.edu](mailto:scott.williams@usu.edu) to register for these contests.

## 4-H Achievement Scorecard

The Cache County 4-H horse program will be using a new Achievement Scorecard System this year. Not every 4-H participant can excel in the show ring. This system will provide an opportunity for the 4-Her to be involved in the program and excel in other aspects of 4-H, and be recognized for their individual hard work and dedication. Even youth without a horse can be involved in the program and have their achievements recognized.

This new system is designed to encourage participation in 4-H activities, educational programs, and contests often overlooked by 4-H youth. The scorecard system awards points for participation in horseshows, county contests, State 4-H Contests, rank advancements, youth council activities, and 4-H service activities.

The Achievement Scorecard must be completed and turned into the 4-H office by October 5<sup>th</sup> each year to be eligible for year-end recognition. In addition to the scorecard, youth must also submit an up to date 4-H Portfolio. Youth have the opportunity to earn a Gold, Silver or Bronze medal, plus the three top individuals in each age group will earn a special recognition prize (i.e. tack, clothing, or gift cards).

The Achievement Scorecard is available at <http://extension.usu.edu/cache/htm/4horse>

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## First Step Horse Camp

**Monday, June 20, 2011**

First Step is a great educational opportunity for beginning and younger riders. At First Step, campers will learn most of the things he/she will need to pass off the Tenderfoot 1 and 2 ranks.

First Step Camp Registration is due May 26<sup>th</sup>. Registration Fee is \$20. Registration forms are at <http://extension.usu.edu/cache/htm/4horse> or from the 4-H office.

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# CACHE COUNTY FAIR AND RODEO QUEEN CONTEST

MAY 28, 2011

Modeling and Speeches: Cache County Historic Court House 9:30 AM (open speech topic)

Horsemanship: Cache County Indoor Arena

Four age categories: 9-11, 12-13, 14-15, 16-25

Open to Cache, Box Elder, and Franklin Counties

**Queen will receive a trophy Crates reining saddle**

For more information contact

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Or Kristan Jo Earl at [kristan@gossner.com](mailto:kristan@gossner.com)

**Entries due May 23, 2011**

**Applications are available at**

[www.cachecounty.org/fair](http://www.cachecounty.org/fair)

## 2011 Important Dates:

Western Show #1	<b>Rescheduled July 16<sup>th</sup></b>
Western Show #2	June 22 <sup>nd</sup> & 23 <sup>rd</sup>
Western Show #3	July 20 <sup>th</sup> and 21 <sup>st</sup> *
Western Show #4	August 9 <sup>th</sup> & 10 <sup>th</sup>
First Step Camp	June 20 <sup>th</sup>
4-H State Contests	July 11 <sup>th</sup> – 13 <sup>th</sup>
Horse Camp	June 13 <sup>th</sup> - 15 <sup>th</sup>

## Western Horse Show Test Questions

The Written Test questions for all age groups will include a few questions from the *Horsemanship Contest Rules* book. Additional questions for the Juniors will come from *Horses and Horsemanship*. Questions for the Intermediates and Seniors will come from the entire *Horses and Horsemanship* and *Horse Science*. Questions for each show will come from the sections listed below.

Show	Group	Pages	Reference
1	Junior	1 to 26	<i>Horses &amp; Horsemanship</i>
2	Junior	27 to 43	<i>Horses &amp; Horsemanship</i>
3	Junior	44 to 59	<i>Horses &amp; Horsemanship</i>
4	Junior	all	<i>Horses &amp; Horsemanship</i>
1	Int. and Sr.	1 to 21	<i>Horse Science</i>
2	Int. and Sr.	22 to 43	<i>Horse Science</i>
3	Int. and Sr.	44 to 59	<i>Horse Science</i>
4	Int. and Sr.	all	<i>Horse Science</i>

*Two Handed program information will be available soon on line at [extension.usu.edu/cache](http://extension.usu.edu/cache) and follow the 4-H horse program link.*

## 4-H Western Horse Shows



The First Horse Show will be

held Saturday June 4, 2011 at the  
**Rescheduled on July 16**  
Cache County Fairgrounds.

Registration will begin at 8:00 am and the show will begin with the parent/exhibitor meeting and written test at 8:30 am. Cost is \$5.00. All participants must be enrolled in 4-H for the current year. Approved equestrian helmets are required for all riding events.

❖ All participants are encouraged to review the updated Utah 4-H Horsemanship Contest Rule Book. It is available on line at <http://extension.usu.edu/cache/htm/4horse>.

❖ Participants will need to submit a current "Commitment to Excellence" form and a 4-H Show Horse Registration Certificate (both available on line) designating his/her project horse that will be used at the shows. If you are using the same horse as last year, and you turned in a registration certificate last year please update it at the first show.

❖ For the safety of the exhibitor and the safety of others, leaders and parents are encouraged to critically assess the ability of riders in their club and the readiness of their horses to assure the participants are ready to compete safely at the show.

❖ Show Events include Written Test, Showmanship at Halter, Western Horsemanship, Bareback Equitation, Pole Bending, Barrel Racing, and the Scurry Race.

Show 2 and show 3 will be held over two nights; the first night registration will begin at 5:30 pm with the test at 6:00 pm followed by the judged events, Speed events will be on the second night beginning at 6:00 pm. Exhibitors must take the written test and do Showmanship at Halter to participate in the speed events.

Information on the fair show will be announced later.

The **Region Show** for those who qualify will be in Box Elder County on Monday, August 8, 2011.

The **State Two-Handed Show**, September 15, and **State Individual Show** September 16 -17 will be held in Salina for those who qualify.