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## K-State Horse Judging Team Nearly Makes Clean Sweep

The Kansas State University Horse Judging Team had a tremendous year this past season having won every major collegiate judging contest, except for the National Reining Horse Association Contest in which they placed second—missing first place by 3 points.

High Team honors were obtained at the All American Quarter Horse Congress (Columbus, Ohio), The AQHA World Show (Oklahoma City) and the Southwestern Intercollegiate Contest (Fort Collins, Colorado).

The team, coached by Julie Wolf, was comprised of Dale Brown, Tanya Draper, Megan Douthit, Chad Douthit and Shane Tiffany. *Congratulations to all on a job well done!*

## K-State Horse Show Team Starts Inaugural Season With Two Wins

On October 29, the K-State Horse Show Team traveled to Stillwater, Oklahoma, to compete in their first collegiate horse show competition. Nine K-State students participated in the contest where riders randomly draw for horses to compete on.

Highlights of this show include Maureen Reynold's first-place finish in the Intermediate Fence class and Kelly Gratny's first-place finish in the Open Stock Seat class. Kelly also was named the high point Western rider.

Their second outing was at West Texas A & M University in Canyon on November 19 and 20. Kelly Gratny won first place in the Open Horsemanship class and was named the reserve high point rider.

After the two shows, Kelly Gratny is leading the team with 41 total points. Other team members and their cumulative points include Nicky Bredfeldt (16), Maureen Reynolds (10), Kara Jagels (10) Megan Douthit (6) Jessie Baldwin (6), Danielle Anderson (6), Amanda Gigot (5), Janelle McAuley (5), Allison Anderson (30) and Charyl Messenger (3).

Open class team members need 28 points to qualify for the regional contest, while other division riders need 35 points to qualify for the regional contest or to move up to the next level. The team's next contest is on February 12 and 13 at Texas A & M University. *Good Luck!*

## K-State Research & Extension and Colby Community College to Host Equine Reproductive Management School

The KSU Equine Reproductive Management School will be held on March 4 and 5 at Colby Community College (CCC).

The school is jointly conducted by K-State Research & Extension and the CCC Equine Science Program. Participants gain up-to-date information and hands-on instruction in the breeding of horses. An emphasis is placed on artificial insemination (AI) practices and the use of cold-stored stallion semen. The school will consist of approximately eight hours of lecture and eight hours of hands-on activities. Lectures will deal with the basics of reproductive physiology and anatomy of the stallion and mare. Hands-on activities include semen collection, evaluation and processing, artificial insemination, hygiene of mare and stallion, teasing, etc.

Each day, participants will practice procedures that are required of producers who are using AI, so that when they leave, they will have the basic skills necessary to begin their own program.

Schools are limited to 10 active participants and 10 audits (strictly observation, no hands-on activities). Fees are \$450 per active participant and \$150 per audit. Fees include lectures, two lunches, one dinner and text (hands-on). For additional information contact Dr. Gary Webb (785-462-3984 or [gwebb@katie.colby.cc.ksu.us](mailto:gwebb@katie.colby.cc.ksu.us)) or Dr. Mark Arns (785-532-1246 or [marns@oznet.ksu.edu](mailto:marns@oznet.ksu.edu))

## Leader's Training Workshop Set for February 12

Several training sessions will be held during the Horse Panorama event being conducted on February 12 and 13 at the Rock Springs 4-H Facility.

On Saturday, February 12, Mark Arns will offer a two-hour workshop (2:00 - 4:00 p.m.) for certification of leaders wishing to serve as evaluators for the Kansas Standard of Excellence program. This workshop will be required for those wishing to sit for the exam on Sunday morning. At 4:00 pm, Sue Webb,

Administrative Assistant at Colby Community College, will present an hour session entitled "Developing the Proper Seat". Ms. Webb has ridden competitively on the hunter-jumper circuit, as well as on the cutting horse circuit, and has taught horsemanship at several universities. The next talk entitled "Over Fences: What Does the Judge Look for?" will be presented by Dr. Katy Hoyt of Kansas City. Dr. Hoyt has ridden and trained Hunters and Jumpers, and has taught horsemanship at Texas A & M University. In addition, she served as the coach of the Intercollegiate Horse Show Team.

Following dinner, an open project action committee meeting will be held where several new programs will be introduced. To start the meeting, Dr. Gary Webb will present a short presentation on student opportunities at Colby Community College. This will be followed by a short presentation on student opportunities available at Kansas State University given by Julie Wolf, Extension Youth Coordinator for the Department of Animal Sciences & Industry.

On Sunday, Julie Wolf will present a lecture entitled "Why Did my Kid Receive a Red Ribbon?" All of the presentations will be held in Spencer Auditorium.

## **KSU Horse Unit On-Line**

Interested in breeding your mare to a K-State stallion? Now you can view stallion information on-line at the K-State web site ([www.oznet.ksu.edu/pr\\_horse](http://www.oznet.ksu.edu/pr_horse)). Information on stallion fees and pedigrees can be viewed and contract information easily downloaded.

The K-State consignments for the KSU Select Horse Sale also will be available at this site in the near future. If you are not on-line and are interested in breeding to one of K-State's four stallions, contact Jason Turner, KSU Horse Unit Manager at 785-537-0966.

## **Horse Clinics Offered in April at K-State**

Two days of Western and English Clinics will be held in Weber Hall in the month of April. Final details are currently being worked out. For more information, contact Julie Wolf at (785) 532-1264.

## **Running Bred Stallion "On The Bubble" Joins K-State Stallion Battery**

Brad Tate of Lakin has generously donated the 4-year-old stallion "On The Bubble" to the Department of Animal Sciences & Industry. Unfortunately, "Bubbles" was injured during his second start and did not return to racing.

His pedigree leaves no doubt that he was bred to be a race horse. He is sired by Runaway Winner, a top race horse (SI 104, \$369,410.00, AQHA Superior Race Horse, multiple grade 1 stakes winner) himself, and a leading sire of running horses. He is the sire of winners earning \$7,718,640.00, 17 AQHA Superior Race Awards, 67 100+ Speed Indices (SI), 223 90+ SI and 210

80+ SI. His leading money earner is Treacherously with earnings of \$622,004. "Bubbles" dam is equally impressive: Fast And Racy is the earner of \$128,552, 185 AQHA Race Points and a speed index of 101. She is the producer of 7 starters who have earned \$195,486.00, 2 100+ SI, 2 90+ SI, 1 80+ SI and one AQHA Superior Race Award. Fast And Racy was bred and owned by Brad Tate.

"Bubbles" will stand the 2000 season at the KSU Horse Center for an introductory fee of \$500. For more information, contact Jason Turner, Horse Unit Manager at 785-537-0966.

## **Kansas 4-H Horse Project Well Represented at National 4-H Horse Classic**

The National 4-H Horse Classic - Western Division was held January 7-9 during the National Western Stock Show in Denver. This is one of two national contests held each year for 4-H members. Nineteen states and one Canadian province sent youth to compete in public speaking, demonstration, horse bowl, hippology and horse judging.

Kansas 4-H horse project members were well represented this year with the following winners: Maggie Stalder (Pottawatomie) - 1st High Individual Public Speaking; Erin Rees (Shawnee) - 5th High Individual in Demonstrations; Suzann Coyne (Neosho) - 3rd High Individual Horse Bowl; Heather Zsamba (Dickinson) - 3rd High Individual Hippology - Exam, 8th High Individual Hippology - Overall; Kelsey Nogle (Dickinson) - 1st High Individual Hippology - Horse Judging, 4th High Individual Hippology - Exam, 4th High Individual Hippology - Overall; Kathryn Mayes (Dickinson) - 6th High Individual Hippology - Exam; Trisha Janssen (Ellsworth) - 4th High Individual Horse Judging - Halter, 7th High Performance, 3rd High Overall; Ashley Huseman (Ellsworth) - 6th High Individual Horse Judging - Halter; 3rd High Reasons; Emmylou Rathbun (Ellsworth) - 7th High Individual Horse Judging - Halter.

In addition to the individual awards, Kansas team awards included: Neosho County 5th High Horse Bowl Team; Dickinson County - 1st High Team Hippology - Exam, 5th High Team Hippology - Stations, 3rd High Team Hippology - Horse Judging, 2nd high Team Hippology - Overall, and Ellsworth County - 1st High Team Horse Judging - Halter, 4th High Team Horse Judging - Performance, 3rd High Team Horse Judging - Reasons and 3rd High Team Horse Judging - Overall.

## **Horse Judging Made Easy Scheduled for April 8**

K-State Research & Extension and the K-State Horse Judging Team will be conducting a one-day workshop on horse judging. The workshop will be held in Weber Hall Arena on April 8, 2000.

The program will begin with a review of the criteria evaluated when judging halter horses. Participants will then practice judging halter horses. The segment will cover oral reasons with youth members getting the opportunity to practice

with the K-State judging team members. While the youth are practicing, adult participants will visit with Julie Wolf, Extension Youth Coordinator & K-State Horse Judging Coach, regarding coaching a youth horse judging team.

Next on the agenda is a review of the criteria used when evaluating performance classes under saddle (Western Pleasure, Hunter Under Saddle, Reining and Horsemanship). Participants will then have the opportunity to apply this information while practicing judging of these under saddle events. A question and comment session will wrap up the days' activities.

The workshop will begin at 8:30 with registration. There will be a 30-minute "on-your-own" lunch break. Participants are encouraged to bring a bag lunch so as not to miss any of the afternoon session. There is a \$2 fee to attend, which can be paid at the door. Pre-registration is requested to assure that enough materials are on hand. Please contact either Julie Wolf (jrwolf@oznet.ksu.edu or 785-532-1264) or Mark Arns (marns@oznet.ksu.edu or 785-532-1246) by April 3 with a head count.

## Third Annual Youth Horse Judging Camp Scheduled for June 5 - 7

A new format for this year's camp includes a one-day program for beginners (age 9 - 12) on June 5, and a two-day camp for intermediate and advanced judges on June 6 & 7.

The sessions will provide an in-depth coverage on oral reasons and placings. Further information will be available in the near future and can be obtained by contacting Julie Wolf (jrwolf@oznet.ksu.edu or 785-532-1264). Due to the one-on-one nature of this program, registrations will be limited. Participants are encouraged to plan ahead and make early registrations.

## K-State Horse Judging Seminar to be Held March 11, 2000

A seminar will be conducted for individuals interested in becoming a horse show judge. The seminar will be held on Saturday, March 11, in Weber Hall and will feature Jon Wolf, Galva, Illinois, as the speaker. Mr. Wolf is a AMHA, AMHR-carded judge, and more importantly, has coached many World Champion junior collegiate horse judging teams. He is an excellent teacher and will provide participants with an understanding of how to evaluate the western classes that are currently recognized in the Kansas 4-H horse program (English classes not covered due to time constraints. These will be covered in the future).

The seminar is open to anyone wishing to learn more about judging. For those participants 18 years and older who wish to be included on a state horse judging reference list, a certification exam will be offered following the seminar. The certification will include an exam over all of the 4-H horse show rules, as well as on knowledge of the judging criteria (western classes). The second section will feature class placings and ribbon grouping of western classes (video).

The seminar fee is \$15 per person and includes lunch and materials. The certification fee is an additional \$10 for those wishing to sit for the test. The seminar will begin at 8:30 am (registration opens at 8:00). Pre-registration will be required by March 1 to get an accurate count for meals and materials. The seminar should finish in time for participants to attend the K-State Select Horse Sale. The certification exam will be held immediately following the workshop (Not on Sunday as originally stated) and should take approximately 2 hours (video class judging and multiple choice written exam).

For further information contact Dr. Mark Arns (785-532-1246, marns@oznet.ksu.edu) or Julie Wolf (785-532-1264, jrwolf@oznet.ksu.edu).

## Horse Show Judges' Seminar Registration Form

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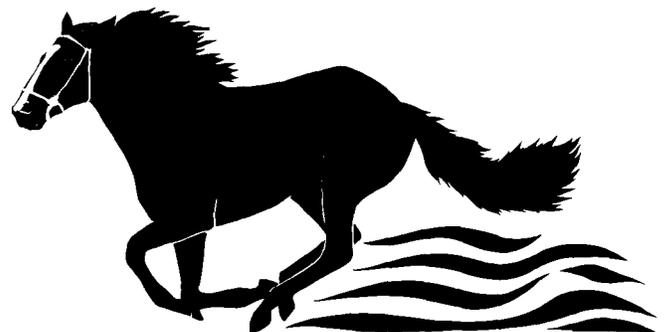
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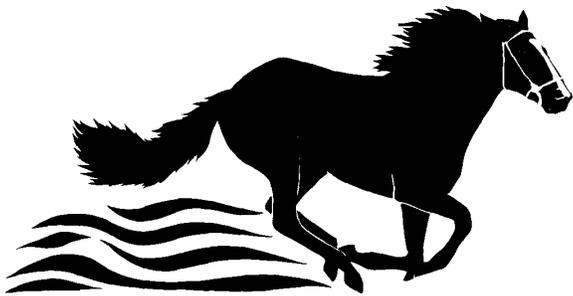
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