

LaPorte County 4-H Horse & Pony Club Newsletter MARCH 2025

Hello E-Z Riders!

Our next club meeting will be on Tuesday, March 18th. Horseless horse will meet at 6:00 Horse & Pony at 7:00PM at the LaPorte County Fairgrounds Small Projects building.

* There will be an additional meeting for 1st & 2nd year members from 6:15-6:45 in the back section of the Small Projects Building.

Club Outing:

Thank you to everyone that attended the club outing at the Central Park Plaza in Valpo. Ice skating was a huge hit and a lot of fun!! Be thinking if you would like to keep this as a yearly event.

Tack Sale Help:

Volunteers are needed for the tack sale. This can be used towards your community service needed for high point.

- Thursday evening 3/20/25 to set up tables
- Friday evening 3/21/25 to help vendors get moved in
- Sunday 3/23/25 to help vendors move out, put away tables and chairs, and get trash to dumpsters.

Please contact Kristy Chambers to volunteer 574-876-4316.

Horse Camp:

Horse camp dates are **May 30-June 1**. Please note that the dates were incorrect on the flyer passed out at the last meeting, but it will run Friday evening- Sunday. Please use the QR codes on the flyer to sign up as a camper or a junior leader. Or you can sign in to your 4-H online account and find this through the events tab. Any 1st & 2nd year members can sign up as campers, not just 3rd & 4th grades.

Fair Theme:

The fair theme is "Making Waves in 2025"

Vaccination Day:

Doc Smith will be at the fairgrounds on Saturday, May 10th from 10-12 doing vaccinations. Please note vaccinations need to be done by June 1st to attend the fair but these also need done before attending any clinics.

Sponsorships:

We will be putting all sponsors on the back of our t-shirts this year. Please start reaching out for sponsorships. These sponsorships help offset costs for member awards, club outings, judges fees, and class trophies, etc. Sponsorship form is attached to this email.

American Legion Port-A-Pit Donation:

The American Legion is having a Port-A-Pit Sale on Saturday, April 5th at Wallen Auto from 10-2. They are donating half of their proceeds to our club!! They are needing food runners during that time. Let's show our appreciation for their generous contribution and help run orders to vehicles. Any parents and members that are able to help please let the committee know or you can show up any time and help for as much as you can.

Fair/Class Schedule coming soon:

Class schedule will be available soon. Check-in date is Saturday, July 5th from 8-10am. Trail classes will not begin until after 12:00 noon.

LaPorte County 4-H Horse & Pony - 2025 Schedule

The club meets on the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00pm CST.

Horseless Horse meetings will begin at 6:00pm.

January 15, 2025 4-H Enrollment

March 18, 2025 Horse & Pony Meeting - Small Projects Bldg April 15, 2025 Horse & Pony Meeting - Small Projects Bldg

May 15, 2025 Animal Enrollment Deadline

May 20, 2025 Horse & Pony Meeting - Horse & Pony Barns

* Work day before meeting

May30-June 1, 2025 Horse Camp for 1st & 2nd year members

June 1, 2025 Vaccination Deadline
June 13, 2025 Fair Entry Deadline

June 17, 2024 Horse & Pony meeting - Horse & Pony Barns

*Final date to turn in High Point qualification sheet

*Project Book due

*Work Day before meeting

July 5, 2025 Animal Check In for Fair

July 5 - July 12, 2025 Fair Week

There will be more work days scheduled, along with a few scheduled Saturdays. More information will come as the dates get closer.

<u>This is a tentative schedule.</u> Dates and times are subject to change. Please follow us on FaceBook, the Remind App or email for Club updates.

Should you have any questions, please contact us by email at lp4hhorse@gmail.com or the Extension Office at 219-324-9407.

LaPorte County 4-H Horse & Pony Leaders

Superintendent: Libby Wilson

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Youth Committee Members: Kyra Nicholson, Lily Mrozinski, and Ophelia Baughman