

**2010 JOHNSON COUNTY 4-H  
OPEN HORSE JUDGING CONTEST**

Saturday, January 16, 2010      Diamond "W" Arena - Alvarado, Texas

**ENTRY DEADLINE: TUESDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2009**  
**LATE ENTRIES ACCEPTED: \$85.00 Team / \$25.00 Individual**

**REGISTRATION:                    7:30 A.M.**  
**JUDGING CONTEST:               9:00 A.M.**  
**AWARDS:                            IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING TABULATION**

**RULES & REGULATIONS:**

- RULE 1:**      The contest is open to all 4-H clubs and FFA Chapters.
- RULE 2:**      Entry fee of \$75.00/per team or \$20.00/per individual will be charged. This must be submitted with entry form and is non-refundable. Late entries will be accepted the day of the contest. A late entry fee of \$85.00/ per team or \$25.00/per individual will be charged.
- RULE 3:**      Teams may be entered by completing the attached OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM and mailing it to: Ed Bader, Horse Judging Contest; P.O. Box 515; Burleson, TX 76097 **no later than December 29, 2009.**
- RULE 4:**      Each CEA or AST in Texas will be permitted to enter as many teams as desired. Each team will consist of three (3) or four (4) members with the three high scores counting for team score. Individual contestants not on a team may judge for individual awards.
- RULE 5:**      Contest will be divided into four (4) age divisions: Junior (age 8 and in the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade or 9 and 10), Intermediate (age 11 to 13), Senior (age 14 and over), and Adult Jackpot. Youth ages as of August 31, 2009.
- RULE 6:**      Team members do need to be designated on the entry form. Only coaches, CEAs or ASTs will be allowed to pick up registration packets.
- RULE 7:**      All contestants must be bona fide 4-H club members or FFA members in order to participate. If an ineligible contestant is used, the team and other members of that team will be ineligible for awards.
- RULE 8:**      Each class will consist of four (4) animals.
- RULE 9:**      At least, eight (8) classes will be judged: (2 or 3) halter classes ( 1 maybe Arabians or ½ Arabians ) and six (6) performance. Performance classes will be selected from the following: Western Pleasure, Western Horsemanship, Hunter under Saddle, Calf Roping, Reining, Hunter Equitation, Western Riding, and Hunter Hack.

- RULE 10:** All Senior 4-H and FFA members will give a set of oral reasons on one (1) halter class and two (2) performance classes. Intermediate members will give oral reasons on one (1) halter class. Juniors will NOT be required to give reasons. *Optional:* May give reasons for practice. Awards will be given.
- RULE 11:** Contestants will be allowed twelve (12) minutes for judging each class.
- RULE 12:** Contestants will be notified one minute before the time is up. When final time is called, the contestants will hand their score cards to the group leader immediately.
- RULE 13:** While the contest is in progress, there will be no sideline coaching from any adult (CEA, AST, 4H Leader or Parent). Violation of this rule will cause the individual and their team to be disqualified from all awards. NO EXCEPTIONS.
- RULE 14:** Only contestants and contest officials will be permitted in the judging arena during the contest.
- RULE 15:** While the contest is in progress, there will be NO TALKING between contestants or anyone else except as directed by the contest officials. No pagers, cell phones or other forms of communication will be allowed on any contestant. VIOLATION OF THIS RULE WILL CAUSE THE INDIVIDUAL AND THEIR TEAM TO BE DISQUALIFIED FROM ALL AWARDS. NO EXCEPTIONS.
- RULE 16:** A contestant violating any of the rules will cause himself and the team of which he is a member to be disqualified from all awards.
- RULE 17:** Appropriate awards will be presented to the high scoring individuals and the high placing teams in each age division. A \$500.00 scholarship will be awarded to the high point individual in the Senior Division by Chesapeake Energy.
- RULE 18:** The Hormel system will be used to score this contest. Ties will be broken using reasons scores, then performance scores. The results, as announced at the completion of the contest, will be final.
- RULE 19:** Scantron sheets will be used. There will be two (2) scantrons in each packet per contestant. THEY BOTH HAVE TO BE FILLED OUT.

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**ENTRY FORM**

Entry Fee:     \$75.00 per team  
                  \$20.00 per individual  
                  \$20.00 per adult – Jackpot (*half entry fee - \$10.00 goes to jackpot*)

Fees must accompany entry form and are non-refundable.

Fees include lunch for contestants.

\$10.00 late fee (per team) \$5 (per individual) if **postmarked after December 29, 2009.**

**PLEASE COMPLETE**

NAME OF GROUP _____		Teams	Individuals
No. of 4-H Teams	Junior	_____	_____
No. of 4-H Teams	Intermediate	_____	_____
No. of 4-H Teams	Senior	_____	_____
FFA Teams		_____	_____
Adults – Jackpot	_____ x \$20.00/each		\$_____
Total Number of Teams	_____ x \$75.00		\$_____
Total Number of Individuals	_____ x \$20.00		\$_____
		Total	\$_____

Rules for contest are attached. Entries must **BE IN THE OFFICE BY DEC. 29, 2009.**

Team changes can be made on the day of the contest.

Forms will be provided for contestant names.

**Make Checks Payable to: JOHNSON COUNTY 4-H HORSE COMMITTEE**

**Mail Entry Form and Check to: Ed Bader, Contest Coordinator  
Horse Judging Contest  
P. O. Box 515  
Burleson, Texas 76097**