

# Kent County Youth Fair Horse Program July 31 - August 5, 2023

## Welcome to the Kent County Youth Fair!

Entering any class or event in the Horse Program at the 2023 Fair automatically declares agreement on the part of the exhibitor, leader, and parent to the following:

Showing at the Kent County Youth Fair is a privilege and responsibility for those exhibitors who have successfully completed all 2023 Horse Project requirements. Positive conduct, good sportsmanship, integrity, and respect towards others are always priorities from exhibitors, parents and leaders above any class placing or award. All exhibitors and leaders in the horse division are subject to the rules and regulations defined by the Michigan Department of Agriculture, the Kent County Fair Board, and the Kent County Horse Leaders Association.

- Any violation may mean forfeiture of points, premiums, and/or awards, in addition to possibly being banned from further competition in the Horse Program and/or all project areas.
- Complete Kent County Horse Leaders bylaws, rules and guidelines can be found at: <https://www.kentcountyhorseleaders.com/>
- Michigan "4-H Horse & Pony Project Show Rules & Regulations" and Kent County Horse Leader Rules are used to conduct horse classes.
- The project animal can be owned by the exhibitor or borrowed/leased from someone else as long as the exhibitor has had the major responsibility of caring for and working with the project animal since May 1 of the current project year. The emphasis is on the time and effort the youth put into his/her project animal.
- It is required that all project horses have a negative Coggins test on or after September 1, 2022.
- It is required that all project horses be immunized against the minimum of Tetanus, Eastern/Western Encephalomyelitis, Rabies and West Nile.
- All members and visitors are to be out of the barns at closing time, 10:00 pm each night.
- Only Barn Captains, Horse Leader Executive Committee members or Security have authorized access after closing.
- Removal of ANY exhibit and/or project animal prior to the published release time of Saturday, August 5 from 5:00pm to 8pm, or after 10pm without prior written permission from the Horse Superintendent, will be fined the amount of premiums; and forfeit ALL ribbons, awards, and trophies in ALL project areas. See the Kent County Youth Fair – Early Release Policy in the Fair Premium book for further detail.
- Project animals may only be schooled by the exhibitor unless prior arrangements have been made with the Horse Leader Executive Committee.
- Each club is responsible to clean their own area in the horse barn including the aisleway, and stalls at the completion of fair, removing ALL items, trash, debris, bedding and manure. The Fair Board has the right to fine a club the amount of premiums and cost of clean-up if this is not complied with.
- No pets (including dogs), bikes or remote-controlled toys are to be used in the areas designated for horses.
- No smoking in or around the horse barns, arenas, or tack/feed trailer areas.
- The make-up ring is for those waiting for upcoming classes and not for schooling.
- Exhibitors using the exercise arena must follow the rules for that arena.
- Longeing is allowed in designated fenced-in areas only. No free longeing allowed.

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# Guidelines & Requirements

## Rule Book

The KCYF uses the Michigan 4-H Horse & Pony Project Show Rules & Regulations, online copy of the rule book is located at:

[https://www.canr.msu.edu/resources/michigan\\_4\\_h\\_horse\\_pony\\_project\\_show\\_rules\\_regulations](https://www.canr.msu.edu/resources/michigan_4_h_horse_pony_project_show_rules_regulations)

Any exceptions to Michigan 4-H Horse & Pony Project Show Rules and Regulations are noted in this program.

**Junior classes** - Junior Intermediate and Junior Advanced Horsemaster Levels are combined for Fair horse performance Classes in 2023. All classes and awards that reference "Junior" in this program are a combination of Junior Intermediate and Junior Advanced Levels.

**Senior classes** - Senior Intermediate and Senior Advanced Horsemaster Levels are combined for Fair horse performance Classes in 2023. All classes and awards that reference "Senior" in this program are a combination of Senior Intermediate and Senior Advanced Levels.

**Fair Age** - Exhibitors participating in the regular Horse Program must be of 7-21 years of age (as of January 1, 2023).

**Patterns** can be found at: <https://www.kentcountyhorseleaders.com/>

## Explorer and Horseless Division

- Exhibitors with a fair age of 7 years *may* participate in the regular horse program *or* the Explorer Division.
- Horseless Showmanship is a judged class but does NOT qualify for the Grand and Reserve Showmanship Championship Class and will be held in Ring A on Monday afternoon.
- Explorers MUST wear the name tag that was placed in their Explorer KEEP books for ALL events.
- Explorer mentors must be 18 years or older for events with a horse (showmanship, patterns, and rail classes).
- 6 year old Explorers may choose to have a mentor with a lead line attached for showmanship and pattern classes.
- Helmets must be worn by all Explorers for classes with horses.
- If you are sharing a horse, please let the show manager know.

## Explorer Classes:

7 yr. old Showmanship Class - When finished please saddle up for your riding classes.

6 yr. old Showmanship Class - When finished please saddle up for your riding class.

5 yr. old Showmanship Class -Mentor must have a lead line attached to the horse for safety reasons.

7 yr. old Riding Pattern Class - Please come saddled up and ready to ride as soon as your showmanship class is finished. Pattern to be completed one at a time with a mentor in the arena.

7 yr. old Equitation Rail Class - Mentor (1 per Explorer) must be in the arena with the Explorer, however, they do not have to walk right next to them.

6 yr. old Riding Pattern Class – Please come saddled up and ready to ride as soon as your showmanship class is finished. Pattern to be completed one at a time with a mentor in the arena.

7 yr. old Pleasure Rail Class – Mentor (1 per Explorer) must be in the arena with Explorer, however, they do not have to walk right next to them.

**Judges** - The KCYF has tentatively hired the following judges for the 2023 Horse Program:

**Ethics** - Judges and exhibitors are expected to adhere to the Michigan State 4-H Judging Ethics outlined on page 7 of the "4-H Horse & Pony Project Show Rules & Regulations". This prohibits certain financial transactions such as horse sales, paid clinics, lesson instruction etc. from occurring between judges and exhibitors (and their immediate family). When in doubt, please contact your club leader for clarification.

**Order of Go** – There will be Order of Go in Contesting, Jumping, Equitation over Poles, and Dressage. All other classes will run first come, first serve.

**Dress Code** (applies to all horse project area functions)

**The following dress code applies to all exhibitors and their families:**

- No clothing promoting alcohol, tobacco, drugs, profanity, sex or any other negative connotations.
- All undergarments (bras, sports bras, camisoles, underwear, boxers, etc.) must be covered up.
- No clothing with excessively large holes/tears (includes shirts, pants/shorts) or shirts torn down the sides.
- All shorts must have a minimum of a 2" inseam.
- Everyone must wear shirts.
- No flip-flops, sandals, open-toed, crocs (or knock-offs) are to be worn in or around the barns or horse traffic areas.

**The following footwear code applies to all exhibitors handling/riding an equine:**

- Exhibitors must always wear boots or shoes designed for horseback riding when handling or riding at all fair events. Handling includes but is not limited to leading, riding, bathing, and cleaning stalls.
- Tennis shoes are not acceptable when riding or handling your equine.

Footwear code is a state rule that can be viewed under the Horse and Pony Project Show Rules & Regulations at:

[https://www.canr.msu.edu/resources/michigan\\_4\\_h\\_horse\\_pony\\_project\\_show\\_rules\\_regulations](https://www.canr.msu.edu/resources/michigan_4_h_horse_pony_project_show_rules_regulations)

The following consequences will apply:

- 1<sup>st</sup> violation – a warning will be given to change or cover up.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> violation – the Kent County Horse Leaders Executive Committee will ask the offender to leave the grounds.

**Primary/Secondary Horse**

- Exhibitor may only enter each class once.
- Exhibitor may not take primary horse and secondary horse in the same class.
- Only Junior – Horsemaster exhibitors are eligible to bring 2 horses to the fair.
  - Novice and Walk Trot division may bring a Miniature as a secondary project animal.
  - Junior levels and above may bring any combination of Primary/Secondary/Miniature project animals.
- Both horses must stay the entire week.

**Dropping & Adding Classes**

- Please sign the drop list at the Entry Booth for classes you wish to drop as soon as possible.

- You may add classes at the Entry Booth by 8:00 pm the night before the class.
- **Dressage classes must be added OR dropped by noon on Tuesday to give riders an accurate ride time. If rider drops class, scratches, or does not participate in test after noon deadline on Tuesday, rider must pay \$15 per test that they dropped or scratched and are not allowed to participate in any other classes until paid.**
- Team Performance must be added or dropped by Wednesday at 8:00 pm.

### **Class Splits and Levels**

- Walk trot and Novice classes will be split at 12 riders
- Junior-Horsemaster Classes will be split at 14 riders and will be posted on the bulletin boards, except for "Fun Classes" which will be split coming in the gate.
- Riders must ride in their posted splits.
- Riders are to be divided into splits at random.
- Splits are expected in most Walk Trot and Novice Division rail classes and some Junior and Senior rail classes.

### **Grand and Reserve Showmanship Championship Class**

- All exhibitors placing 1<sup>st</sup> through 3<sup>rd</sup> in a Showmanship class may enter. (Excludes Explorer, and Horseless Classes).
- Exhibitors may only show one animal in the Grand and Reserve class, exhibitors notify the show office which animal they are showing.
- Exhibitors must show in the discipline they won the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, or 3<sup>rd</sup> using the horse they qualified with (i.e. Western, Hunt Seat, Saddle Seat).
- Two Showmanship Grand & Reserve Champions (chosen from the levels Nov Intermediate Horsemaster) will be invited to show in the Kent County Youth Fair Showmanship Sweepstakes on Saturday in the Reath Barn. One exhibitor will be fair age 13-15 years and another exhibitor fair age 16-21 years.

### **Grand & Reserve Equitation Championship Class**

- Classes qualifying for the corresponding Grand & Reserve class are noted with an \* in the program. (Excludes Miniature and Green Horse equitation classes)
- Exhibitors may only show one animal in the Grand & Reserve class and must notify the show office which animal they are using.
- Exhibitors must show in the discipline they won the 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> using the horse they qualified with (i.e. Western, Bareback, Hunt Seat, Equitation Over Fences, Dressage, Saddle Seat, Gymkhana).
- This a pattern class with rail work to follow at judges discretion.

### **Green Horse Classes**

- Open to horses in their first full year of walk, trot, canter competition.
- Can be a secondary project horse or a primary project horse.
- Green horse classes do not count for any Combination Awards or Grand and Reserve Classes with the exception of Grand and Reserve Showmanship.
- Green horses may only be shown in Green Horse Classes.

- Green horses need to be evaluated similarly to the other horse projects.
- Green horses can be shown in any seat: Western, Dressage, Hunt Seat, Saddle Seat.

**Jumping Division** - includes all Hunter Over Fences, Hunter Hack, Hunter Equitation Over Fences Classes and Walk Trot Equitation Over Poles.

- All jumping riders MUST be evaluated by a jumping evaluator for their level, this includes Hunter Hack. Riders moving up to a new level OR showing a new horse need a new evaluation. The rider must submit their completed jumping evaluation form to the jumping committee by the posted due date to participate in jumping events.
- All walk/trot equitation over pole riders MUST be evaluated by a horse leader. (Does not have to be a jumping evaluator.) The rider must submit their completed Walk-Trot Over Poles evaluation form to the jumping committee by the posted due date to participate in ground poles.
- KCYF Rule – polo wraps and martingales are prohibited in hunter hack.

### **Bareback Equitation**

- All seats are combined for bareback equitation.
- ASTM/SEI Helmets are required for all riders regardless of seat.
- Riders winning 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> in Bareback Equitation may compete in Grand and Reserve equitation.

**English Classes** - classes listed as “English” can be ridden Saddle Seat, Hunt Seat or Dressage – This pertains to Versatility, Team Performance and Green Horse Divisions.

**Horsemaster Freestyle Presentations** - ALL Horsemasters must participate (Friday evening)

Presentation Applications and Bios are due the same time as Project Books – submitted separately and neatly printed or typed please. Presentations may be up to 7 minutes long including set-up and teardown. Presentations are mandatory.

**Western and English Riding Patterns – Patterns potentially changing – pending pattern committee proposal** KCYF Rule: Although flying lead changes are encouraged for these classes, KCYF does not disqualify riders doing less than 4 flying lead changes from these classes.

### **Contesting**

- See Michigan 4-H Rules and Regulations AND Kent County 4-H Rules and Regulations below for complete horse and rider appointments.
- KCYF Rule: Horses shown English or western must have a breast collar that matches the seat ridden.
- KCYF Rule: Walk-Trot Contesting riders will be disqualified if they lope/canter more than 3 consecutive strides.

### **Classical Dressage**

- Dressage Goals & Guidelines, Freedom and regularity of gaits, correct appointments (acceptable bits/bridles) can be found in the “4-H Horse & Pony Project Show Rules & Regulations”.
- Bits with chains and/or fixed rein slots (with reins in the slots) may not be used and will be a disqualification. Some examples include: Kimberwicks, pelhams, Myler (or Myler type bits) with rein

slots in use and/or curb chains used. Double bridles, and bits with leverage, are not permitted in training level classes.

### **Dressage Seat Equitation**

- Exhibitors must participate in one Classical Dressage test to participate.
- Western Dressage not eligible.
- This is a rail class at the KCYF, and due to numbers and arena size, will not be held within a dressage arena. Class may show training level test gaits at the discretion of the judge: walk, working trot, canter, and free walk. Judges may require additional tests of some or all of the riders to help place the class.

### **Western Dressage**

- See rules and guidelines in “4-H Horse & Pony Project Show Rules & Regulations”
- KCYF Rule: Braids are allowed in Western Dressage due to time constraints.

### **Gymkhana Equitation**

- Gymkhana is an Equitation class for dedicated contesting riders only. Horse and rider must show a commitment to the contesting discipline and will be SEVERELY penalized for not representing it.
- Anyone placing 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> in any previous Horsemanship OR Equitation class noted with an asterisk (\*) within the program may not compete in Gymkhana Equitation.
- Exhibitors must have shown in a minimum of 3 contesting events prior to participating in this class.
- Appropriate and correct contesting appointments are required according to the “4-H Horse & Pony Project Show Rules & Regulations” and KCYF rules.
- Exhibitors Equitation will be judged according to the correct position and aids for contesting.
- Bucking, rearing, racing, swapping leads and refusing to go forward and/or stand will be penalized.

### **Team Performance**

- Team Performance is for Novice Intermediate through Horsemaster riders only.
- Teams of three members will be selected at random from the entries and posted Thursday morning.
- Each rider on a team will ride in only one class.
- One rider from each team will ride in the following classes:
  - English Equitation on the rail
  - Western Equitation on the rail
  - Speed & Action
- Teams should organize a meeting to determine which team member is riding which class as a team.
- Teams should promote unity and team spirit and cheer for and support their teammates.
- Casual clothing permitted, within KCYF clothing guidelines (seat appropriate riding pants, helmets where required)
- NO adds/drops of Team Performance after 8pm Wednesday.
- Team scores for each class will be combined to determine the top 10 places by team. (Awards will be presented to the top 6 teams).
- Individual scores will NOT be posted.

## Fun Classes

- Fun classes will be run *as time permits throughout the week, days and times to be announced as program allows.*
- No Fun Classes will start after 9:00 pm.
- Fun Classes do not count for All-Around and Combination Awards.
- Casual clothing permitted, within KCYF clothing guidelines (appropriate riding pants, helmets where required, etc.)
- Walk-Trot and WTC classes offered unless noted.
- Riders must wear back numbers.

## Versatility

- Junior to Horsemaster only - Classes: English Equitation, Western Equitation, Cloverleaf
- "4-H Horse & Pony Project Show Rules & Regulations" along with KCYF Rules apply to these classes.
- Placings from all 3 classes within the exhibitor's division are added together, with the highest score overall placing first in the class.
- Ties will be broken by the fastest Cloverleaf time.
- Exhibitors will have 5 minutes to change from English to Western in the show arena, and must be mounted and ready to show at the end of the 5 minutes.
- Safety is important! Unsafe tack changes can be penalized at the judge's discretion. Horses, exhibitors and their pit crew need to adhere to 4-H and KCYF safety and dress code guidelines.
- Pit crews may consist of up to two people aged 13+.

## Ranch Horse Classes

- Rules are found in the AQHA Rule Book: [https://www.aqha.com/documents/82601/0/770-20-194+2022\\_AQHA\\_Rulebook\\_Mobile\\_App\\_1-336.pdf/9af60de4-b7b6-745b-072ff5c26d3853ff?t=1605636761581](https://www.aqha.com/documents/82601/0/770-20-194+2022_AQHA_Rulebook_Mobile_App_1-336.pdf/9af60de4-b7b6-745b-072ff5c26d3853ff?t=1605636761581)
- KCYF RULE: Hoof black, fake tails, braids, clipping of ears/face, silver embellished equipment to NOT penalize the rider.
- KCYF RULE: Horses may cross-enter in both Ranch Horse Classes and Western Pleasure.

## Costume Class

- Exhibitors may ride or lead their horse. Exhibitors riding their horses must be led by a handler aged 13+.
- Handlers may choose to participate in exhibitors' costumes, but will not be penalized for plain street clothes adhering to KCYF attire policy.

## Miniature Horse Classes

- All levels can participate (Walk/Trot-Horsemaster). Age refers to Exhibitors age.
- Miniature horses must be 38 inches or less.
- Miniature horses may not be ridden on fairgrounds unless participating in the PEP program by PEP participants OR exhibiting as an Explorer.



- Minis may not be shown by more than one exhibitor unless being used in the Explorer or PEP Program.
- Classes will be judged using the “Michigan 4-H Miniature Horse *Show Guidelines*”:  
[https://www.canr.msu.edu/horses\\_ponies/uploads/files/Miniature-Horse-Rule-Book-Final-2019.pdf](https://www.canr.msu.edu/horses_ponies/uploads/files/Miniature-Horse-Rule-Book-Final-2019.pdf) and the “4-H Horse & Pony Project Show Rules & Regulations”.
- Note Miniature Hunter Over Fences exhibitors do not have to be evaluated

### **Proud Equestrian Program – PEP**

- Designed to provide opportunities to include fair eligible Kent County members with disabilities of a physical, developmental, or emotional nature.
- Riders can trailer in a horse for the classes no earlier than 9:30am, or use the horse they declared for the week, or borrow a horse that is already at the fair being used by another exhibitor.
- All riders will be required to wear helmets for both riding and groundwork.
- Riders should be able to ask their horses to walk forward, halt, turn left, and turn right.
- Riders are responsible for providing their own volunteers.
- Riders must control the horse- Leader and side walkers are a safety element only.
- Riders must be accompanied by their leader or parent/guardian for costume class.
- Exhibitors may cross enter between their level classes during the week of fair and the PEP classes.
- Classes may be shown in any discipline and with adaptive tack as needed.
- Exhibitors must choose to walk only equitation OR walk/trot equitation.
- All classes can be entered independently or assisted.
- Horses need to be removed within an hour of the conclusion of the Pep Program unless approved by the Superintendent.
- Exhibitors may share horses as long as they are not in the same class (Saturday classes only).
- Classes will be placed but do not receive points towards KCYF awards, the PEP show is its own individual event.
- Must clean up by your trailer before you leave.
- More information on the PEP program can be found at:  
[https://www.canr.msu.edu/proud\\_equestrians\\_program/](https://www.canr.msu.edu/proud_equestrians_program/)

# 2023 Awards

## Combination Awards

- Points – One horse/one rider for all Combination Awards.
- A Combination Award will be given in the levels and divisions below.
  - Horsemaster, Senior, Junior, Novice Advanced, Novice Intermediate and Walk/Trot.
- Exhibitors must participate in all point classes to be considered eligible for an award.
- Equitation classes will be used as the tie breaker (indicated in BOLD).
- Points will be given on a 6 points to 1 point basis according to placing, being pro-rated for under six riders. All DQ's and excused riders will count as riders.
- Novice combination awards can only be awarded to a rider once at each level. Junior and Senior Combination Awards may be awarded to a rider twice at each level. Horsemaster Combination Awards can be awarded to a rider multiple times.
- Versatility, Team Performance, and Grand & Reserve placings do not count towards these awards.

## WALK/TROT COMBINATION AWARDS

### Western

*Western Equitation*

Reining

Western Pleasure

### Hunt Seat

*Hunt Seat Equitation*

Equitation Over Poles

Hunt Seat Pleasure

### Classical Dressage

*Dressage Seat Equitation*

Classical Test

Classical Test

### Saddleseat

*Saddleseat Equitation*

Saddleseat Pleasure

Saddleseat Pattern

## NOVICE INTERMEDIATE – HORSEMASTER COMBINATION AWARDS

### Contesting (Best 4 of 6 placings)

*Keyhole*

Cloverleaf

Barrel/Pole Bending

Down & Back

Flag Race

Speed & Action

### Classical Dressage

*Dressage Equitation*

Classical Dressage Test

Classical Dressage Test

### Hunt Seat

*Hunt Seat Equitation*

Hunt Seat Equitation Pattern

Hunt Seat Riding Pattern

### Western

*Western Equitation*

Reining

Western Riding Pattern

### Saddle Seat

*Saddle Seat Equitation*

Saddle Seat Pattern

Saddle Seat Pleasure

### Hunter Over Fences

*Equitation Over Fences*

Hunter Over Fences

Hunter Hack

## All-Around KEEP Level Awards

- Points will be combined from the results of the total number of classes entered by the exhibitor (points can accumulate under both the primary and secondary equine combined).
- Awarded to the exhibitor who has the most points overall.
- All-Around awards will be given in the levels and divisions below.
  - Horsemaster, Senior, Junior, Novice Advanced, Novice Intermediate, Walk/Trot, Green Horse and Miniature Programs.
- Number of classes to qualify:
  - WTC Riders must enter at least 12 classes to qualify.

- o WT riders must enter at least 8 classes to qualify.
- o Green Horse and Miniature Divisions will qualify for their own All Around – no minimum number of classes required.
- Classes that do not count for the All-Around Award: “Fun Classes”, Versatility, Team Performance and Grand and Reserve classes.
- Ties will be broken based on overall points from the exhibitor’s KEEP Level Project Book.

## SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD

- Nomination forms are located at the Entry Booth.
- Parents, Leaders, and exhibitors may nominate multiple people throughout the week.
- Leaders may nominate members from their own club.
- Nominations will be accepted at the Entry Booth until NOON on Friday.

## 2023 Kent County Youth Fair Participants

A	Back #	Name	Level	
A Canterin Commotion Michelle Fabiano	001	Emma Fabiano	Horsemaster	
	002	Ashley Hibma	Junior Intermediate	
	003	McKinsley Karsten	Walk/Trot	
	004	Anna Kenyon	Novice Intermediate	
	501	Grace Kenyon	Explorer	
	005	Maeve Klein	Junior Advanced	
	006	Juliana Lieuwen	Junior Intermediate	
	007	Madison Lockwood	Novice Intermediate	
	008	Maci Nichols	Novice Intermediate	
	009	Lyla Strickland	Walk/Trot	
A Step Ahead Julie Klein Jill Nink	010	Emma Thomas	Novice Advanced	
	011 & 012	Gloria Alvarez	Horsemaster	4H State Show Delegate
	013	Sophia Alvarez	Novice Advanced	
	014 & 015	Livia Brouwer	Junior Advanced	4H State Show Delegate
	016	Kyra Hanna	Senior Advanced	4H State Show Delegate
Bit by Bit Karen Hatheway	017	Myah Sutter	Senior Advanced	4H State Show Delegate
	018	Paris Hatheway	Senior Intermediate	
	019	Elizabeth Julian	Novice Advanced	
	020	Kaylee Sweany	Novice Advanced	
Blue Ribbon Riders Kendall Smoes Nicole Rinks	021	Rylee Sue Sweany	Walk/Trot	
	022	Gavin Rinks	Junior Advanced	
	023	Maya Zaske	Novice Advanced	
Country Cowboys Cathy Nitschke Candice Russell	024	Emily Irwin	Novice Intermediate	
	025	Brooke Mikowski	Senior Advanced	4H State Show Delegate
	901	Brianna Page	Horseless	
	026	Madelyn Wabeke	Walk/Trot	

## Dirty Boots & Country Roots

Kathy Covert	027	Molly Austin	Walk/Trot
Lori Raimer	028	Remington Christensen	Novice Advanced
	029	Morgan Newland	Novice Advanced
	030 & 031	Alyssa Woern	Horsemaster

## Dream Riders

Helen Tichelaar	032 & 033	Johanna Bailey	Junior Advanced
	034 & 035	Abby Tichelaar	Horsemaster

## Leather N Lace

Marci DeVries	036	Loralei DeHoek	Walk/Trot	
Steph Tol	037	Gabrielle DeRivera	Walk/Trot	
Rosie Tomlinson	038	Erin DeVries	Junior Intermediate	4H State Show Delegate
	502	William DeVries	Explorer	
	039	Annagail Kircheis	Junior Intermediate	4H State Show Delegate
	040	Kaitlyn Olsen	Junior Intermediate	4H State Show Delegate
	041	Morgan Rouse	Junior Advanced	4H State Show Delegate
	042	Maisey Scott	Novice Intermediate	

## Making Strides

Abby Gogulski	043	EL Byerwalter	Novice Advanced
Jill Haagsma	044	Julia Fryling	Novice Advanced
Cari Gaffney	045	Natalie Holmes	Novice Advanced
	046	Josie Montgomery	Novice Intermediate
	047	Emelia Perez	Senior Advanced
	048	Jillian Vanderhorst	Novice Advanced
	049	Teresa Wortman	Junior Advanced

## Platinum Riders

Jessica Bouman	050	Natalie Bray	Novice Advanced
	051	Delaney Huizinga	Senior Advanced
	052	Paige Kreps	Senior Intermediate
	053	Kaci Reynolds	Junior Advanced

## Rainbow Riders

Linda Cooper	503	Ava Briggs	Explorer
Ryanne Mondry	054	Kathryn Briggs	Walk/Trot
	055	Arielle Corbett Englund	Walk/Trot
	504	Leo Corbett Englund	Explorer
	056	Hazel Flater	Walk/Trot
	057	April VanFleet	Walk/Trot

## Saddle Up Country

Rashelle Geerligs	505	Grace Geerligs	Explorer
	506	Luke Geerligs	Explorer
	058 & 059	Melody Geerligs	Novice Intermediate

## Showcase Riders

Aleisha Miller	507	Maggie Mae Bender	Explorer
	508	Shay Bender	Explorer
	060	Annelise Buist	Novice Advanced
	902	Kenzie Buist	Horseless
	061	Sophie Burnis	Junior Intermediate
	062	Maura Davis	Junior Intermediate

	509	Merritt Davis	Explorer	
	063	Myla Davis	Walk/Trot	
	064	Evie Huisman	Walk/Trot	
	065	Layla Jacobsen	Walk/Trot	
	066	Naomi Jacobsen	Junior Intermediate	
	067 & 068	Adalynn Masselink	Senior Intermediate	
	069	Keely Masselink	Novice Advanced	
	070	Sadie Masselink	Novice Intermediate	
	510	Claira Otto	Explorer	
	071	Graeme Wolverton	Novice Intermediate	
	072 & 073	Griffin Wolverton	Senior Intermediate	
Silver Spurs				
Afton Merritt	074 & 075	Bella Bajema	Walk/Trot	
Lindsay Stelma	511	Nita Bajema	Explorer	
	076	Makenzie Bender	Novice Intermediate	
	077	Kylah Buikema	Junior Intermediate	4H State Show Delegate
	078	Cylie Burns	Novice Intermediate	
	903	Alexandria Kruse	Horseless	
	079	Samantha Miller	Novice Advanced	
	904	Kinley Pfeiffer	Horseless	
	512	Bristall Wynsma	Explorer	
	905	Kendall Wynsma	Horseless	
Stepping With Style				
Berta Stiver	080	McKayla Gascoigne	Walk/Trot	
	906	Grace Geelhoed	Horseless	
	082	Raegan Shawa	Novice Intermediate	
	083	Scarlett Shawa	Novice Intermediate	
	084	Mia Stiver	Horsemaster	
	085 & 086	Nina Stiver	Junior Advanced	
	907	Lilliana Talcott	Horseless	

## 2023 Kent County Youth Fair Schedule

**Sunday, July 30, 2023**

[1:30 PM Explorer Recognition Event](#)

6:30 PM Opening Ceremonies for the 2023 Kent County Youth Fair – Main Stage Tent on Midway  
7:30 PM ALL CLUBS – Set up orange fence practice arenas!

**Monday, July 31, 2023**

**9:00 AM FITTING AND SHOWING/SHOWMANSHIP\***

RING A

- 101 Novice Adv – Saddle Seat
- 102 Novice Int – Saddle Seat
- 103 Walk/Trot – Saddle Seat
- 104 Novice Adv – Hunt Seat
- 105 Novice Int – Hunt Seat
- 106 Walk/Trot – Hunt Seat
- 107 Novice Adv – Western
- 108 Novice Int – Western
- 109 Walk/Trot – Western
- 110 Miniature Horse 13 and Under

RING B

- 111 Horsemaster – Saddle Seat
- 112 Senior – Saddle Seat
- 113 Junior – Saddle Seat
- 114 Horsemaster – Hunt Seat
- 115 Senior – Hunt Seat
- 116 Junior – Hunt Seat
- 117 Horsemaster – Western
- 118 Senior – Western
- 119 Junior – Western
- 120 Miniature Horse 14 and Over

**1:00 PM GRAND & RESERVE SHOWMANSHIP**

RING A

- Novice Intermediate
- Walk/Trot
- Junior

RING B

- Novice Advanced
- Senior
- Horsemaster

**2:00 PM GREEN HORSE SHOWMANSHIP & HORSELESS EVENT**

- 121 Green Horse Showmanship
- 801 Horseless Showmanship

**2:15 PM EXPLORER EVENTS** Refer to Explorer Guidelines (Name tags required for Explorers)

[Ring A](#)

- [901 7-Year-Old Showmanship](#)
- [902 6-Year-Old Showmanship](#)
- [903 5-Year-Old Showmanship](#)
- [904 7-Year-Old Riding Pattern](#)
- [905 7-Year-Old Equitation Rail Class](#)
- [906 6-Year-Old Riding Pattern](#)
- [907 7-Year-Old Pleasure Rail Class](#)

**SADDLESEAT PLEASURE – HELMET REQUIRED**

RING A

RING B

- |     |                     |     |             |
|-----|---------------------|-----|-------------|
| 130 | Novice Advanced     | 133 | Horsemaster |
| 131 | Novice Intermediate | 134 | Senior      |
| 132 | Walk Trot           | 135 | Junior      |

**SADDLESEAT EQUITATION\* – HELMET REQUIRED**

- |     |                     |     |             |
|-----|---------------------|-----|-------------|
| 140 | Novice Advanced     | 143 | Horsemaster |
| 141 | Novice Intermediate | 144 | Senior      |
| 142 | Walk Trot           | 145 | Junior      |

**JUMPING DIVISION: HUNTER OVER FENCES, HUNTER EQUITATION OVER FENCES, HUNTER HACK, WALK/TROT EQUITATION OVER POLES (MUST BE EVALUATED) – Note that walk through will be open for 15 minutes after completion of set up.**

- 150 Mini In Hand Hunter 13 and Under
- 151 Mini in Hand Hunter 14 and Over
- 152 WALK/TROT EQUITATION OVER POLES
- 153 HUNTER OVER FENCES - Novice Intermediate
- 154 HUNTER EQUITATION OVER FENCES - Novice Intermediate
- 155 HUNTER HACK Novice Intermediate
- 156 HUNTER OVER FENCES - Novice Advanced
- 157 HUNTER EQUITATION OVER FENCES - Novice Advanced
- 158 HUNTER HACK Novice Advanced
- 159 HUNTER OVER FENCES - Junior
- 160 HUNTER EQUITATION OVER FENCES - Junior
- 161 HUNTER HACK Junior
- 162 HUNTER OVER FENCES - Senior
- 163 HUNTER EQUITATION OVER FENCES - Senior
- 164 HUNTER HACK Senior
- 165 HUNTER OVER FENCES - Horsemaster
- 166 HUNTER EQUITATION OVER FENCES - Horsemaster
- 167 HUNTER HACK Horsemaster

**6:45 PM CONTESTING WARM-UP 7:00 PM START**

**SPEED & ACTION**

- 170 Novice Intermediate
- 171 Novice Advanced
- 172 Junior
- 173 Senior
- 174 Horsemaster

**BARREL BENDING**

- 180 Novice Intermediate
- 181 Novice Advanced

**POLE BENDING**

- 182 Junior
- 183 Senior
- 184 Horsemaster

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 1, 2023**

**9:00 AM**

## SADDLE SEAT PATTERN

### RING A

- 200 Novice Advanced
- 201 Novice Intermediate
- 202 Walk Trot

### RING B

- 203 Horsemaster
- 204 Senior
- 205 Junior

## HUNT SEAT EQUITATION PATTERN

- 210 Novice Advanced
- 211 Novice Intermediate

- 212 Horsemaster
- 213 Senior
- 214 Junior

## HUNT SEAT EQUITATION\*

- 220 Novice Advanced
- 221 Novice Intermediate
- 222 Walk Trot

- 223 Horsemaster
- 224 Senior
- 225 Junior
- 226 Green Horse

## HUNT SEAT PLEASURE

- 230 Novice Advanced
- 231 Novice Intermediate
- 232 Walk Trot

- 233 Horsemaster
- 234 Senior
- 235 Junior
- 236 Green Horse

## BAREBACK EQUITATION\* – HELMET REQUIRED (All disciplines combined)

\*See Grand and Reserve Guidelines

- 240 Novice Advanced
- 241 Novice Intermediate
- 242 Horsemaster
- 243 Senior
- 244 Junior

## CONTESTING WARM-UP Refer to Contesting Guidelines

### DOWN & BACK

- 250 Novice Intermediate
- 251 Novice Advanced
- 252 Junior
- 253 Senior
- 254 Horsemaster

### KEYHOLE

- 260 Novice Intermediate
- 261 Novice Advanced
- 262 Junior
- 263 Senior
- 264 Horsemaster

## 4:00 PM EXPLORER EVENT-Late arrival will forfeit event

908 Explorer Stick Horse Construction – King Building to take place immediately following stick horse construction

Explorer Stick Horse Parade – from King Building – Midway – Animal Barns – Horse Arena (announcer to pause and let them in the arena if possible)

## 6:00 pm VERSATILITY (Jr-Horsemaster only) - See Versatility Section.

- 270 English Equitation
- Western Equitation
- Cloverleaf

## WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2, 2023

8:00 AM - Dressage classes must be added OR dropped by noon on Tuesday to give riders an



accurate ride time. If rider drops class, scratches, or does not participate in test after noon deadline on Tuesday, rider must pay \$15 per test that they dropped or scratched and are not allowed to participate in any other classes until paid. Schedule lunch break move explorers to lunch break **DRESSAGE TESTS** See Rule Book for specific dressage requirements (bits, etc.) Lunch break will be announced the day of depending on class sizes and numbers.

#### **WESTERN DRESSAGE TESTS**

300	Novice Advanced WDAA BL Test 1	306	Horsemaster WDAA BL Test 3
301	Novice Advanced WDAA BL Test 2	307	Horsemaster WDAA BL Test 4
302	Novice Intermediate WDAA BL Test 1	308	Senior WDAA BL Test 3
303	Novice Intermediate WDAA BL Test 2	309	Senior WDAA BL Test 4
304	Walk/Trot WDAA Intro Test 1	310	Junior WDAA BL Test 2
305	Walk/Trot WDAA Intro Test 2	311	Junior WDAA BL Test 3

#### **EXPLORER EVENT – During Lunch break**

909 Explorer Stick Horse Dressage – Location TBD and Coordinated by Explorer Committee

#### **CLASSICAL DRESSAGE TESTS**

320	Novice Advanced USDF Intro C	326	Horsemaster USDF Training Level Test 2
321	Novice Advanced USDF Training Level Test 1	327	Horsemaster USDF Training Level Test 3
322	Novice Intermediate USDF Intro C	328	Senior USDF Training Level Test 2
323	Novice Intermediate USDF Training Level Test 1	329	Senior USDF Training Level Test 3
324	Walk Trot USDF Intro A	330	Junior USDF Training Level Test 1
325	Walk Trot USDF Intro B	331	Junior USDF Training Level Test 2

#### **DRESSAGE SEAT EQUITATION\* (Classical Only)**

340	Novice Advanced	343	Horsemaster
341	Novice Intermediate	344	Senior
342	Walk Trot	345	Junior

***Dinner Break: Miniature Horse Classes to start a minimum of 30 minutes after Dressage Seat Equitation but not before 6:00 pm***

#### **Mini Timed events – with cart**

350	Cones Course 13 and Under
351	Cones Course 14 and Over
352	13 and Under - Down & Back
353	14 and Over - Down & Back

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 3, 2023**

**9:00 AM**

## HUNT SEAT RIDING PATTERN

### RING A

- 400 Novice Advanced
- 401 Novice Intermediate

### RING B

- 402 Horsemaster
- 403 Senior
- 404 Junior

## WESTERN RIDING PATTERN

- 410 Novice Advanced
- 411 Novice Intermediate

- 412 Horsemaster
- 413 Senior
- 414 Junior

## WALK TROT ENGLISH/WESTERN RIDING PATTERN

- 420 Walk Trot English/Western Riding Pattern

## WESTERN EQUITATION\*

- 430 Novice Advanced
- 431 Novice Intermediate
- 432 Walk Trot

- 433 Horsemaster
- 434 Senior
- 435 Junior
- 436 Green Horse

## WESTERN PLEASURE

- 440 Novice Advanced
- 441 Novice Intermediate
- 442 Walk Trot

- 443 Horsemaster
- 444 Senior
- 445 Junior
- 446 Green Horse

## REINING

- 450 Novice Advanced
- 451 Novice Intermediate
- 452 Walk Trot

- 453 Horsemaster
- 454 Senior
- 455 Junior

## GYMKHANA EQUITATION – USE FULL ARENA\*

- 460 Horsemaster
- 461 Senior
- 462 Junior
- 463 Novice Advanced
- 464 Novice Intermediate

## GREEN HORSE RIDDEN CLASSES

- 470 Green Horse Pattern

## 6:30 PM EXPLORER EVENT

### 910 Explorer Stick Horse Reining – Exercise Arena

## MINIATURE HORSE – DRIVING CLASSES

- 480 Reinsmanship - 13 and Under
- 481 Reinsmanship - 14 and Over
- 482 Pleasure Driving - 13 and Under
- 483 Pleasure Driving - 14 and Over

## 6:45 PM GRAND & RESERVE EQUITATION Refer to Grand & Reserve Guidelines

- |                     |             |
|---------------------|-------------|
| Walk Trot           | Junior      |
| Novice Intermediate | Senior      |
| Novice Advanced     | Horsemaster |

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 4, 2023**

## 9:00 AM RANCH TRAIL

### RING A

500 Novice Advanced  
501 Novice Intermediate  
502 Walk Trot

### RING B

503 Horsemaster  
504 Senior  
505 Junior

## IN HAND TRAIL

506 Green Horse  
507 Miniature 13 and Under  
508 Miniature 14 and Over

## 12:00 PM EXPLORER EVENT

911 Explorer Stick Horse Trail – (Ring TBD)

912 Explorer Cloverleaf – immediately following trail

## 12:00 PM Sportsmanship Nominations Close

***Ranch classes to be a minimum of :30 minutes after the last trail class but not before 1:00 PM. See Ranch Horse Rules***

## RANCH PATTERN

510 Novice Advanced  
511 Novice Intermediate  
512 Walk Trot

513 Horsemaster  
514 Senior  
515 Junior

## RANCH PLEASURE

520 Novice Advanced  
521 Novice Intermediate  
522 Walk Trot

523 Horsemaster  
524 Senior  
525 Junior

**TEAM PERFORMANCE** (Novice Int – Horsemaster) Refer to Team Performance Guidelines - Judged 100% equitation, judge to call for commands on the rail.

NO adds/drops of Team Performance after 8pm Wednesday

530 Western Equitation  
English Equitation  
Speed & Action

## 6:00 HORSEMASTER FREESTYLES –All Horsemasters **MUST** Participate

## 6:45 PM CONTESTING WARM-UP 7:00 PM START

### FLAG RACE

540 Novice Intermediate  
541 Novice Advanced  
542 Junior  
543 Senior  
544 Horsemaster

### CLOVERLEAF

550 Novice Intermediate  
551 Novice Advanced  
552 Junior  
553 Senior  
554 Horsemaster  
555 Green Horse

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 5, 2023**

**9:00 AM**

**COSTUME CLASS** - Refer to Costume Guidelines.

- |     |                     |     |             |
|-----|---------------------|-----|-------------|
| 600 | Novice Advanced     | 603 | Horsemaster |
| 601 | Novice Intermediate | 604 | Senior      |
| 602 | Walk Trot           | 605 | Junior      |

**11:00 AM Proud Equestrian Program (PEP) – Refer to PEP Guidelines**

- 610 Costume
- 611 Showmanship
- 612 Obstacle Course
- 613 Walk Only Equitation
- 614 Walk/Trot Equitation
- 615 Pattern

**PAIRS - Fun Class** – HELMETS REQUIRED Sign up for class and arrive at gate with your team mate! Show your team spirit! Riders must wear back numbers. In class 612 walk/trot riders must pair with novice walk/trot riders. In class 613 any rider Nov Int to Horsemaster can be paired together. Classes will be judged on rider/horse similarity and synchronization. (Use entire arena)

- 620 Walk Trot
- 621 Novice Intermediate - Horsemaster

**PRO-AM - Fun Class** – Riders must wear back numbers. “Pros” (the youth Exhibitors) ride the first direction. “Amateurs” (any 4-H Leader or youth Exhibitor’s Family Member) rides the second direction. This class is placed as a pleasure class. Casual clothing permitted, within KCYF clothing guidelines (long riding pants, helmets where required, etc.). Equestrian professionals, professional grooms and professional cheer sections welcome! (Use entire arena)

- 630 Walk/Trot
- 631 Nov Int - Horsemaster

**2:00 PM COMBINATION AWARDS CEREMONY – COMMUNITY TENT**

Superintendent: Travis Geerligs  
President: Cathy Nitschke  
Vice President: Jessica Bouman  
Vice President: Lindsay Stelma  
Treasurer: Candice Russell  
Secretary: Aleisha Miller