

February 1, 2018

**MEMO TO:** County Extension Agents – Rolling Plains 3

**SUBJECT:** DISTRICT 3 4-H HORSE JUDGING CONTEST  
Wilbarger County Exhibit Building / Covered Events Center  
Monday, April 16, 2018  
Agent Contact: Langdon Reagan

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The District 3 4-H Horse Judging Contest will be held on Monday, April 16, 2018 in Vernon at the Wilbarger County Covered Events Center. Check-In/Registration will begin at 8:00am @ Exhibit Building and judging will begin at 9:30am @ Events Center.

### **AGE CATEGORIES**

The Horse Judging Contest is open to enrolled members between the ages of 8 years old and 3rd grade to grade 12.

- Grades 3-5 (Junior)
- Grades 6-8 (Intermediate)
- Grades 9-12 (Senior)

### **ENTRIES**

Registration will be completed online using 4-H connect. Online registration will begin March 19, 2018 and will close April 2, 2018 for a registration fee of \$15.00 per person. Late registration will open from April 2<sup>nd</sup> and close April 9<sup>th</sup> for a cost of \$25.00 plus the original registration fee per person. **Everyone will register on 4-H Connect as an individual. Teams will be designated the morning of contest at check-in. You will NOT be able to register or pay the day of the contest.**

When 4-H'ers enter, they may pay by credit card or county check. Credit cards speed up the process to almost instantly. Counties sending checks must include a copy of registration receipt. **Fees must be received by the State 4-H office by the contest date.** You will mail your county check along with transmittal to:

Texas A&M Extension / 4-H Connect  
2473 TAMU  
College Station, TX 77843-2473

## **ORAL REASONS / CLASSES**

Juniors will give one (1) set of oral reasons.

Intermediates will give two (2) sets of oral reasons.

Seniors will give four (4) sets of oral reasons on four (4) classes. Reasons classes will be determined day of contest. Contestants will be notified of the classes that reasons will be taken in.

Any number of teams may enter the contest. The top three (3) senior teams will advance to State Roundup. Therefore, all members of each team must be decided upon before the contest and maintained throughout the contest. If an advancing team cannot attend State Roundup, then the CEA must contact the District Office before registration closes so that alternate teams may be contacted. **See State 4-H Roundup Rules for team member substitutions.**

Teams can consist of three (3) or four (4) members. Individuals may also enter. Teams with four members will have low score dropped. Individual scores can be counted for individual awards. The three (3) high point senior individuals will advance to State Roundup.

7-8 classes will be judged consisting of 3-4 halter classes and 3-4 performance classes. Classes will be presented as to availability of quality animals. Ties will be broken based on high reasons scores on individuals and teams.

## **CHECK-IN**

On Monday, April 16, 2018 check-in will begin at promptly at 8:00 am at the Wilbarger County Exhibit Building. Once counties designate teams at registration, coaches will be given scantrons and team numbers. Teams must neatly and completely fill out Scantron to ensure it is read correctly in tabulation.

## **LUNCH**

Wilbarger County Adult Leaders will be selling meal tickets during registration. Tickets are \$10. The lunch meal will include Chicken Shack tenders, fries, biscuit, a drink, and a cookie. **Please contact the Wilbarger County office with an estimated number of lunch tickets a week prior to contest.**

There will be a “reasons” lunch break between judging and giving oral reasons. Project leaders, parents and coaches are not allowed in the judging area. If your youth will need a snack during this time, it is recommended that they bring items with them or purchase lunch tickets during registration. The awards will begin promptly after results are tabulated.

Please contact the District 3 office at 940/552-9941 if you have any questions or concerns.  
Or visit our website at <http://d34-h.tamu.edu/> or scan the QR code using your smartphone.

Sincerely,

*Kelli Lehman*

Kelli Lehman  
Extension Program Specialist 4-H



Rolling Plains District 3  
2018 4-H Horse Judging Contest  
April 16, 2018 — Vernon, TX  
Wilbarger County Exhibit Building - Registration  
Covered Arena – Judging

Agent Assignments

OVERALL SITE COORDINATORS – Langdon Reagan & Seth Hall

**Contest Coordinator** – Kayla Neill

**Registration** – Michael Bowman  
Kloey Cargill - Senior  
Charlie Martin – Intermediate  
Amanda Necessary – Junior

**Group Leaders / Runners -**

Brandon Cave	Toby Oliver	Cody Myers
Bill Holcombe	Ryan Martin	Justin Gilliam
Justin Hansard	Todd Vineyard	David Graf
Jerry Coplen	Thomas Boyle	Josh Kouns
Jason Westbrook	Justin Rogers	

All agents on hand to assist where needed.

**CLASSES & CONTEST INFORMATION**

**7-8 Classes:** 4 Halter  
4 Possible Performance Classes  
English Class  
Reining Class  
Western Horsemanship  
Western Pleasure

**Reasons Classes:** 4 Senior Division (2 Halter & 2 Performance)  
2 Intermediate Division  
1 Junior Division

*Animals need to be in place at 7:00 am and committee members need to be there to facilitate class coordination. Registration committee needs to be set up by 7:30 am.*

**Tabulation:**

**Jay Kingston** and **Kayla Neill** will serve in tabulation. No one will be allowed in tabulation unless previously assigned.

**Vernon Hotel/Motel List**  
**Members of the Vernon Chamber of Commerce**

Holiday Inn Express  
700 Hillcrest Drive  
Vernon, TX 76384  
940/552-0200

Rocking AA@ RV Park  
3725 Harrison  
Vernon, TX 76384  
940/552-2821

La Fonda Motel  
1004 Wilbarger  
Vernon, TX 76384  
940/553-1533

Budget Host Inn  
715 Wilbarger  
Vernon, TX 76384  
940/552-2531

Pecan Grove Bed & Breakfast  
1904 Houston Street  
Vernon, TX 76384  
940/553-3827  
940/838-8622

Old Glory RV Park  
1600 Commerce Street  
Vernon, TX 76384  
940-357-9712