



New Hampshire 4-H Hippology Contest Entry Information

DATE: April 27, 2019 **TIME:** 9:00 AM SENIORS AT FARM; 12 NOON JUNIORS & INTERMEDIATES

LOCATION: Seniors – Live Judging: Deer Creek Farm, 22 Horner Rd, Thornton NH 03285
Juniors, Intermediates (and Seniors remainder of day) at Campton Elementary School, 1110 NH Route 176, Campton NH 03223 Directions are on the last page of this packet

ENTRY DEADLINE: April 18

FOOD: TBD

Note: Junior and Intermediate Hippology contestants may also participate in non-reasons Judging. Seniors may participate in Hippology OR Judging, but not both.

SUPERINTENDENT: Andrea Kenter

We will start on time. Participants that are late may be allowed to participate in the next available judging class/contest component as available at the discretion of the superintendent. If unforeseen circumstances occur and you are going to be late, please call Mary Davis at (603) 312-0128. Registration begins at 9:00 AM at the farm for seniors, judging starts at 9:30 am. Juniors and Intermediates, registration starts at 12 noon at the Campton Elementary School. The contest starts at approximately 12:30 or as soon as judging contestants and Hippology seniors arrive from the farm.

Please be prepared to stay until the contest is complete (possibly as late as 5 pm). SCORING THIS CONTEST IS COMPLEX AND TIME CONSUMING. Participants are not required to stay for awards; we understand that you will be tired and may have a long distance to travel. Please let the contest superintendent or staff know if you are leaving, and be sure you have completed all your contest components.

The New Hampshire 4-H Hippology Contest is a comprehensive, skill based competition where youth demonstrate their knowledge and understanding of equine science and horse husbandry through hands-on and written tests, skill stations and a horse judging contest. The Senior Division contest is used to select the senior members that may compete as the New Hampshire State 4-H Hippology Team in regional and national events.

ELIGIBILITY: **NOTE CHANGES in Junior and Intermediate divisions starting 2017**

Junior & Intermediate Divisions: The Junior Division is open to 4-H members 8-10 years old on January 1 of the current year & The Intermediate Division is open to 4-H members 11-13 years old on January 1 who wish to participate in a Hippology experience. Juniors & Intermediates may also enter the Horse Judging Competition (non-reasons division) held in the morning (a separate entry is required).

Senior Division: The Senior Division is open to 4-H members 14-18 years old on January 1 of the current year. Seniors cannot compete for New Hampshire State 4-H Judging Contest if they wish to compete in Hippology. Counties enter seniors as individuals or in three or four member teams and may send multiple teams. Individuals may be entered and will be placed on a team as space is available. Participants must not have competed in the National 4-H Hippology Contest or in any official collegiate level contest and may not have taken collegiate level courses above introductory level in the subjects involved.

Youth with special needs (physical, learning, etc.) who require accommodations or their parent/guardian/leader should contact Mary Davis (see below) prior to the entry deadline.

INCOMPLETE TEAMS AND ALTERNATES:

A Senior team from a County can be made up of 2, 3, or 4 members. Only teams of 3 or 4 can compete in the competition. A two-member team will need to be assigned an additional contestant or two contestants to compete. Individuals may be entered and will be placed on teams as space is available.

First priority would be that all competitors that come to the competition compete. Next priority would be to make every effort to keep two-member teams together. In the event that a unique team number arrangement presents itself, all coaches, the superintendent, and the event coordinator will meet prior to the contest and decide on the best way to handle the situation. The decision will be presented back to the youth involved and the youth involved will weigh in on the decision. The superintendent makes the final decision.

ENTRY FEE: Each contestant must pay a \$10.00 entry fee. *In accordance with UNH Cooperative Extension policy, no 4-H member will be denied the opportunity to participate because of an inability to pay.*

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE: ** Times are approximate; times subject to change and event could run late.

9 AM	Registration
9:30	Judging begins for Senior Hippology Contestants and All Judging Contestants
12:00	Contestants return to the school; Lunch
	Registration for Juniors Orientation for Station Timers and Problem Judges
12:30 or ASAP thereafter	Hippology Contest Resumes/Begins for Junior & Intermediate Contestants
ASAP after conclusion of contest	Awards Ceremony

STATE 4-H HIPPOLOGY TEAM CANDIDATES:

The top four Senior 4-H contestants in New Hampshire 4-H Hippology Contest will become the *tentative* New Hampshire 4-H Hippology Team (A Team) and the next four top scoring individuals become alternates (B Team). All will be offered further training in judging to prepare for the Regional Contest. Both the A and B Team (4 alternates) have the opportunity to compete at the New England Regional 4-H Horse Contest in October. Team members are not guaranteed a spot on the final team. Team members could be replaced if they do not satisfactorily attend practices and do assignments/homework. Final team selection will be made by coaches according to objective, written criteria approved by the State 4-H Office and announced and handed out to all of the tentative team and alternates at the first official practice held ASAP after the contest (within 3 weeks of final coach appointment). **The NH Hippology team(s) will attend the Regional Contest in 2019 and may attend the Eastern National 4-H Horse Roundup in 2019. All youth qualifying for NH state teams may be asked to pay a portion of their trip expenses. Funding is uncertain for a Hippology team to attend the Eastern National 4-H Horse Roundup. The decision of which teams will attend ENHR will be determined by team rotation, team member qualification & participation and availability of a qualified coach.**

SENIOR CONTESTANTS- WHAT TO BRING TO THE JUDGING CONTEST:

1. Please dress warmly; it may be VERY COLD (mittens and hats) during the Judging Contest. Please wear socks and appropriate footwear. Clothing or insignia that identifies 4-H may be worn during the contest.
2. Clipboard, pencils, notepad, and notes but travel light.
3. Personal items for a cold, dusty, environment (tissues, etc.)
4. Contestants will not have contact with coaches or personal items outside the contest area until they have completed the contest. Things needed during the contest must be carried - a small backpack is suggested.

QUESTIONS: Mary Davis, NH 4-H Program Manager, Animal and Agricultural Sciences email: Mary.Davis@unh.edu Office: (603) 862-2188

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NH 4-H Junior & Intermediate Hippology Contest Rules

PHASES:

Phase I - Horse Judging: (50 Points) Juniors will judge classes using slides, photos, and/or videos.

Phase II - Examination: (50 Points)

- Written Exam (25 Points) and Anatomy (10 Points) May include parts of the horse and detailed anatomy.
- Projected Slides (15 Points) Identify and/or answer questions about photos/pictures.

Phase III - Station Phase: (50 Points) Identification of or questions about horse knowledge from official sources listed below.

Phase IV – Individual Problem: (50 points based on: accuracy, organization, and presentation.) Members solve a problem using their practical knowledge of horses. May involve assembling equipment, or an oral presentation/demonstration.

AWARDS:

Danish rosettes (Blue 85%+, Red 70-84%, White below 70%) will be given following the contest. The top 8 scoring juniors will receive place ribbons based upon total overall scores.

The following criteria will be used to break ties, should they occur: 1) highest written phase, 2) highest station phase, 3) highest judging phase.

SOURCES:

Junior tests/stations subject matter will be taken from the following sources:

- Equine Science: Basic Knowledge for Horse People of All Ages by Jean Griffiths
- Illustrated Dictionary of Equine Terms, New Horizons Education Center, Inc.
- Pacific Northwest 4-H Horse Project Member's Manual (available online)
- Dover Saddlery Catalog
- Schneider's Catalog
- Washington State University Harness Driving Manual (available online)
- Grains, forages, and feeds representative of those used in horse rations
- Common horse knowledge that every 4-H Horse Project member should know

Note: Junior and Intermediate 4-H members can participate in both Hippology and Horse Judging. This might be too long a day for some youth – please evaluate on an individual basis. Seniors may do only Judging or Hippology but not both.

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NH 4-H Senior Hippology Contest Rules

PHASES:

Phase I – Horse Judging: (100 Points) - the average of the member's halter class scores (50 points) and the average of the performance class scores (50 points) earned in the morning at the New Hampshire 4-H Horse Judging Contest.

Phase II – Examination: (100 Points)

- Written Exam: Questions on horse knowledge (50 Points) and anatomy (25 Points). From sources listed below.
- Projected Slides (25 Points)

Phase III – Station Phase (100 Points): Series of stations to answer questions and identify items.

Phase IV – Team Problem (100 points - two problems - added to team score only): Team members work together to solve problems using their practical knowledge of horses. Problems may be hands on, verbal, written or a combination and may involve an oral presentation, and/or demonstration. 50 points per problem will be awarded based on: accuracy, organization, presentation, and team participation. *Example question:* Here are some items that might be in a farrier's box. Put them in the order that the farrier would use to take off a shoe and to prepare the hoof for a new shoe. (Tools displayed on a table).

AWARDS:

Individual: Points earned from Phases I-III. Individuals achieving 85%+ will receive a blue Danish; 70 – 84% a red Danish; and 69% or less a white Danish rosette.

Top 8 seniors will receive place ribbons based upon their overall scores.

Team: Based upon the sum of the top three team members total scores and the Phase IV team score. Overall: 1st - 6th place and 1st through 3rd in Written, Station, Judging and Problem Solving phases.

For a team of four, the lowest scoring member of the team's score will be dropped.

The following criteria will be used to break ties, should they occur:

Individuals: 1) Highest written phase, 2) Highest station phase, 3) Highest judging phase.

Teams: 1) Highest average written phase, 2) Highest average station phase, 3) Highest average judging phase.

SOURCES:

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- Pacific Northwest 4-H Horse Project Member's Manual (available online)
- Illustrated Dictionary of Equine Terms, New Horizons Education Center, Inc.
- The Coloring Atlas of Horse Anatomy, Kainer, R. & McCracken, T.
- Horse Industry Handbook – American Youth Horse Council
- Horse Smarts published by the American Youth Horse Council, 2016
- Feeding and Care of the Horse - Lewis, C. (2nd edition)
- Equine Science by Parker, 5th ed)
- Dover Saddlery Catalog & Schneider's Catalog
- Washington State University Harness Driving Manual (ONLINE)
- Grains, forages, and feeds representative of those used in horse rations & Common horse knowledge

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NH 4-H HIPPOLOGY CONTEST ENTRY

Entry Deadline: April 18

Entry Fee: \$10.00 per person

Make checks payable to: UNH Cooperative Extension

Entry fee must accompany entry.

COUNTY: _____

SENIOR DIVISION TEAM ENTRY

	Team 1 Names	AGE 1/1	Phone	Address	Email Address
1.					
2.					
3.					
4.					
	Individual Names				
1.					
2.					
3.					

Use an additional page for more entrants.

JUNIOR (8-10) & INTERMEDIATE (11-13) DIVISION ENTRIES

	Name	AGE 1/1	Phone	Address	Email Address
1.					
2.					
3.					
4.					

Use an additional page for more entrants.

Coach Name	Telephone	Address	Email Address

This contest requires a lot of volunteers. Please submit the name and email address of a volunteer(s):

Volunteer Name

Email Address

Send to: Mary Davis, NH 4-H Program Manager, Animal and Agricultural Sciences, Mary.Davis@unh.edu 129 Main Street/ Kendall Hall Suite 403, Durham, NH 03824 Fax: (603)862-2157

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For SENIOR Members Only
NH 4-H HIPPOLOGY TEAM INTENT FORM

Upon completion of the New Hampshire 4-H Hippology Contest the four highest scoring Senior 4-H contestants (and four alternates), who have not previously competed in a national Hippology competition, will be eligible to receive further coaching in horse hippology and may represent New Hampshire in an October regional competition and November at the Eastern National 4-H Horse Roundup.

The New Hampshire 4-H Hippology candidates will work with the coach at periodic, pre-scheduled practices. The final team will be named by coaches using objective selection criteria approved by the State 4-H Office and announced and handed out to all of the team candidates at the mandatory first official practice held within 3 weeks of final coach appointment. A calendar for all required practices will be determined at the first meeting and shared with all contestants.

As this opportunity requires a great deal of commitment, we ask that you consider this carefully and indicate now whether or not you are interested in pursuing a spot on the state team if selected. This doesn't yet commit you to a team, but simply indicates your interest.

All youth who qualify for NH State Teams may be asked to pay a portion of their trip expenses.

Please check one:

- _____ I am only interested in participating in the New Hampshire 4-H Hippology Contest and do not want to qualify for the state team.
- _____ I am interested in qualifying for the New Hampshire 4-H Hippology Team, which means participating in practices throughout the year and when applicable, attending the regional and/or Eastern National contests .

Yes No I give permission for the use of quotes/photos of my child or myself: in the newspaper, newsletter, UNH Cooperative Extension web sites, or in other ways to publicize 4-H events or activities.

Participant Name (please print)

Parent Name (please print)

Participant Signature

Parent Signature (Even if over 18)

Participant Email

Parent Email

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22 Horner Rd
Thornton New Hampshire
www.deercreekfarm.org**

From points south/ (Concord, Plymouth) take I-93 Northbound

From I-93 Take exit 28. Turn right at bottom of ramp, onto Route 49 toward Campton/Waterville Valley. Drive 1.1 miles

At stop at lights turn left onto New Hampshire 175 North. Drive 3.5 miles

Go past the sugar shack maple syrup house and take the next left -- look for big sign that is blue that says Deer Creek Farm, drive down to you see the barn.

From points north/Lincoln I-93 Southbound

Take exit 30 off I-93. Turn right to US 3 toward Woodstock/Thornton

Travel 3.2 miles South on Route 3 then take a left on Cross Rd this will take you over a bridge to Route 175

At stop sign take a right onto 175 S. this is .8 miles drive very slowly as you see a cemetery on your right because on the downward hill turn you need to take a sharp right onto Horner Road

Directions to Campton school from Deer Creek Farm

For directions to Campton elementary school turn right onto 175 S. and go 4.3 miles going through a stoplight by the dam in Campton Elementary School will be on your left

Directions to Campton Elementary School (for Junior Hippology Contestants)

From Concord and points south: Take I-93 North to Exit 28 Campton/Waterville Valley. Turn Right on Route 49E to Route 175. Follow Route 175 until you reach the school on your left.

From Lincoln and points north: Take I-93 South to Exit 28 Campton/Waterville Valley. Turn left on Route 49E to Route 175. Follow Route 175 until you reach the school on your left.