Fall 4-H Horse Clinic Program

Clinic is FREE! Please bring a lunch.

Sunday, October 25, 2015
10 a.m. until 2 p.m.
Snook Training Stables
8692 Centerport Road
Weedsport, NY 13166

Special thanks to:
The Agriculture and New York State Horse Breeding Development Fund

Register online:
http/blogs.cornell.edu/ccecayuga
Hover over the 4-H Youth Development tab on top. Scroll down to County Programs and click on Everything Horse.

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Cyndi Clark & Hillary Clark-Kulis

Having successfully adopted a retired standardbred horse from Sunshine Horses rescue program; we will introduce the standardbred breed and present the group with the history, uses and attributes of the breed, and their suitability as a 4-H project horse. We will then discuss the Sunshine Horses rescue program and demonstrate what Cindi & Hillary have done to repurpose “Rio” into a pleasure/trail horse.

Heather Whitten

Cayuga County 4-H volunteer and equine instructor will teach a session on “Riding Patterns”. Riding patterns are a very important part of training a horse. When done correctly, riding patterns will greatly improve the communication between you and your horse. When you give your horse a specific job to do he/she will be more focused on you and your aids rather than wandering aimlessly around the arena. With your horse tuned into you as the rider, you can work on improving your riding skills for competitions and more.

Registration information on the back of this flyer!

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History of the Standardbred Horse

The origins of the Standardbred trace back to Messenger, an English Thoroughbred foaled in 1780, and later exported to the United States. Messenger was the great-grand sire of Hambletonian 10, to whom every Standardbred can trace its heritage. Standardbreds are a relatively new breed, dating back just over 200 years, but it is a true American breed.

The name "Standardbred" originated because the early trotters (pacers would not come into the picture until much later) were required to reach a certain standard for the mile distance in order to be registered as part of the new breed. The mile is still the standard distance covered in nearly every harness race.

There are two types of Standardbreds, pacers and trotters. Pacers and trotters do not race against each other, as the pacing gait is generally faster than the trot. Trotters have a diagonal gait: the right front and left rear will move forward at the same time with the left front and right rear moving back at the same time. Pacers move the legs on the same side of the body at the same time: the right front and right rear move forward at the same time with left front and left rear moving back at the same time.

Standardbreds Off the Track

For all their stamina and speed in harness, Standardbreds adapt easily to any riding discipline and show intelligence and willingness. Therefore, you will find them more and more as outstanding horses in many riding styles and all types of competition.

Topics for the Fall 4-H Horse Clinic

- Riding Patterns
- Training on the Lunge Line
- Re-purposing your Standardbred horse with Rio
- Drill Team

Lisa Brunner

A drill team coach (with the help of some of her team riders,) will explain the different Team Riding opportunities in 4-H. Topics of discussion will include: Team types: Drill, Parade & Quadrille; Required seats/tack/disciplines; Basic maneuvers; and competition opportunities. In addition, Lisa will provide handouts of rules & links to more information and pre-recorded demo.

Wendi Casper

Owner and trainer for Snook Training Stables will teach a session on “Training of the Lunge Line”. Lunging a horse well is the best foundation for training because it develops strength and straightness required for a horse to carry a rider without damaging effects. It is essential that lunging be done correctly for it to be beneficial. Lunging a horse well is an art that takes patience and application to develop. Wendi will properly demonstrate and discuss successful ways of executing Lunge Line Training.

(Information taken from Standardbredfanclub.com and http://www.ustrotting.com)