

# 4-H Hippology Event

## North Dakota Winter Show - Valley City, North Dakota

Friday, March 7, 2008  
Winter Show Building, Main Arena

8:00 – 8:30 a.m. Registration for first section of contest  
8:30 a.m. Start of first contest section  
9:30 – 10:00 a.m. Registration for second section of contest  
10:00 a.m. Start of second contest section

**Hippology** is an activity to test participant's knowledge and understanding of horse science in a friendly but competitive setting. The event has four phases: 1. Written test, 2. Stations identification, 3. Team problem, 4. Horse judging.

**Pre-registration required:** In order to facilitate the contest in a timely and orderly fashion, a pre-registration with the following information must be sent to: dean.aakre@ndsu.edu by **Monday, March 3**. Name of county, number of teams expected in each, division – Junior, Senior, or Open; and first or second session. Failure to pre-register will mean going at the end of the contest.

### 4-H Participants

Youth may enter as individuals or as a member of a team. Team members are eligible for individual awards. 4-H division teams will consist of three or four participants from the same county. **Two or three counties may join to make a 4-H team of 3 or 4 provided that none of those counties have more than two participants in the contest.** A team of three may not pick up a fourth member from another county.

For the 4-H divisions, an individual county may enter any number of participants as in the guideline below. For example: a county has

1 participant	enters as individual or combines with another county
2 participants	enter as individuals or combine with another county

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3 participants	form 1 team (cannot join with another county)
4 participants	form 1 team
5 participants	form 1 team and 1 or 2 individuals
6 participants	form 2 teams or 1 team and 2 individuals
7 participants	form 2 teams

### Contest Divisions

Each age division is considered a separate contest and youth may enter one of the following divisions.

**Senior 4-H division:** Youth age 13-18 as of September 1, 2007, enrolled in 4-H. The three high individuals scores plus the team problem score will determine the team overall score. **(To be eligible for the Western 4-H Roundup national contest in January 2009, youth must be 14 and may not be 19 by January 1, 2008 and must have participated in this state contest.)**

**Junior 4-H division:** Youth age 8-13 as of September 1, 2007, enrolled in 4-H. The juniors will work together in this contest.

**Open division:** Youth age 8-18 as of September 1, 2007 (4-H enrollment not required). Participants may enter as an individual or as part of a three or four person team. Work will be done individually (same as the senior 4-H division).

### Dress Code

Participants in the 4-H divisions will comply with the 4-H Dress Code: 4-H members must be dressed neatly and wear a solid white, yellow, gray, or green shirt with 4-H emblem on front. The clover may be imprinted, screened, or attached with an adhesive (if clovers are pinned to the shirt, use multiple pins and place pins discreetly underneath the chevron). Failure to comply will result in the deduction of 25 points from the individual score or team score. 4-H members are asked to stay in official dress until completion of awards. Coats will be permitted if the arena is cold.

## **Awards**

Ribbon awards will be provided to at least the top three teams and top 50% of individuals.

## **Parents, Coaches, Volunteers**

Parents and Coaches will have access to the bleachers, and will not be permitted in the arena, unless working in a volunteer role to conduct the contest. Volunteers are needed to assist in the routing of contestants, monitoring stations, squad leaders, and scoring tests and stations, and tabulation.

## **Event Operation**

The event will consist of at least 5 and not more than 10 stations, a written exam (multiple choice/true or false/matching) and team problem plus 1 or 2 horse judging classes, depending upon availability of horses (no oral reasons will be given).

Ties for team score will be broken with team problem score, followed by total station identification score. Ties for individual awards will be broken by test score, total station score, then individual station scores from station 1, 2, 3 etc.

## **Hippology resource list:**

- Equus Magazine January 2007- December 2007
- \* The Horse - Evans, Borton, Hintz, and Van Vleck. Second Edition. W. H. Freeman and Company, 660 Market Street, San Francisco, CA 94104. (415) 391-5870
- Lewis, Lon Feeding and Care of the Horse Williams and Wilkins, Second Edition. 351 West Camden Street, Baltimore, MD 21201-2436. (800) 638-0672
- AYHC Horse Industry Handbooks -- by the American Youth Horse Council; THE EQUINE COLLECTION: Department. AYC PO Box 1539 Fort Lee, NJ 7024-1539 (800) 952-5813 Online: [www.theequinecollection.com](http://www.theequinecollection.com)
- \* A.C. Youth Leaders Manual -- by the American Youth Horse Council; THE EQUINE COLLECTION: Department. AYC PO Box 1539 Fort Lee, NJ 07024-1539 (800) 952-5813 Online: [www.theequinecollection.com](http://www.theequinecollection.com)
- Kaiser The Coloring Atlas of Horse Anatomy. Kaiser and McCracken, Alpine Blue Ribbon Books, P.O. Box 7027, Loveland, CO 80537-0027. (800) 777-7257
- State Line Tack Catalogs from 2007

## **Other Information**

There is no admission to the North Dakota Winter Show.

Discounted concert or rodeo tickets will be made available for all judging contestants and their supervisors. **These tickets must be purchased prior to March 1, 2008 to receive your discount of \$5 per ticket. Call the ND Winter Show office at 845-1401 and identify yourself with your county and 4-H name or FFA chapter to receive the coupon discounts.** Payment is required at time of your order. It can be used for Friday night's Little Texas/Western Underwood Concert or a PRCA Rodeo performance on Saturday. The ticket price for the concert is \$25 less the \$5 coupon or a net cost of \$20 when purchased in advance. The day of the concert the price will be \$30. The ticket price for a rodeo performance is \$16.50 (ages 13 and above) less the \$5 coupon or a net cost of \$11.50 when purchased in advance. For youth under age 13, the rodeo ticket cost is \$10 less the \$5 coupon for a net cost of \$5 when purchased in advance.

Housing may be requested if done so before February 20, 2008. Do this through your local county extension office.

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**Teams must pre-register as noted on instruction page, indicating which section your teams will participate in.**

**Please circle division for teams on this page – use a separate page for each division.**

**4-H Junior Division                      4-H Senior Division                      Open Division**

Do Not Mail - Bring this form with you and hand in at registration.

County(s) \_\_\_\_\_ (Counties may combine for teams only if each county in the combination has two or less participants in this division)

**Team names must start with County name: Benson1 or Benson Trailriders**

Team Name _____ Members Names: 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____	Please circle Session: 1 – 8:30 a.m.    2 – 10:00 a.m. Hometown _____ _____ _____ _____
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**Coaches** signature for Open division teams or **County Extension Staff** signature for 4-H teams (signature certifies members listed are entered in the proper age division and are enrolled in 4-H in the county they represent.)

Add additional sheets if needed, individuals may participate for individual awards.