Sheboygan County Horseless Horse Project

Horseless Horse Groom Survey

Name: ____________________________________________

Address: ____________________________________________

City: ___________________________ Zip: ____________

Phone: ____________________________________________

Email: ____________________________________________

Parents / Guardians: ____________________________________________

How should I contact you? ___________________________ Are you on Facebook?  Y  N

Are you willing to drive further than 10-15 minutes away to meet with a coach:  Y  N

4H Club: ___________________________________________ Yrs in Project: ____________

Age / 4H grade: ______ / ______

___ I already have a HHG Coach (Name/Club): ________________________________

My current skill / experience level:

___ NONE. I've never had a chance to work with a horse before

___ BEGINNER. I have a little experience being around a horse. I've been taught some of the basics like safety, leading, etc. but I'm not very confident yet.

___ INTERMEDIATE. I have some experience with horses. I'm comfortable being around a horse and handling a horse on the ground. I would like to learn more advanced skills like first-aid, clipping, loading, etc.

I'm interested in working with a coach / horse that can teach me: ___ showmanship  ___ western

___ huntseat  ___ gymkhana  ___ trail  ___ saddleseat  ___ I don't know

**Things to Remember**

The purpose of the Horseless Horse project is to give youth who are not ready or able to own their own horse a chance to learn as many aspects of owning a horse and horsemanship as possible. A large part of that is commitment, both time & effort. Not only from the 4-H'er, but parents as well. Make sure you are ready for that.

~ The HHG project is not meant to be a "riding" project, which means that the purpose of the project is not to teach you how to ride. Some coaches may be willing to get you started in riding, but you should not expect that from them.

~ A good goal to have is being able to show your friends & family all that you have learned during the year by exhibiting in a class at the fair. BUT, the ability to do that will be the decision of your coach. If they are not comfortable with you showing at the fair you need to respect their decision.

~ You are being given a great opportunity to learn about horses. It is VERY important that you are respectful to your coach, their horse, your parents, and your 4H leaders.

We can't guarantee the we will be able to pair you up with a coach. In the event that a coach isn't available or may not be a good match, we will do our best to create opportunities for you to get experience working with a horse.

**Please Complete Reverse Side Also**
As part of the Sheboygan County Horseless Horse Groom (HHG) project, the HHG member and their parents/guardians agree to the following:

1) The HHG and his/her parents or legal guardians (Family) agree to hold harmless the bona-fide owner (Owner) of the horse, the Horseless Horse Coach (Coach), Coach's parents/guardians, trainer, and property owner where the horse is kept from any and all liability claims, damages, and expenses of any kind including any damages or death to any persons or property in connection with participation in the Horseless Horse Project.

2) The HHG & their Family agree to follow all wishes of the Owner and/or Coach regarding handling, care, and activities regarding the horse & their equipment.

3) The HHG & their Family acknowledge that the Coach is volunteering their time & their horse to give the HHG member the opportunity to learn about horses. I will be respectful of their decisions regarding what activities I will be allowed to participate in with their horse. I agree that it is a privilege, not a right, to be working with the coach, their property, and their horse and will act appropriately.

4) The HHG & their Family acknowledges that this IS NOT a project that guarantees that the HHG will ride a horse. That decision will be made by the Coach / Owner.

5) The HHG & their Family understand that while there are classes specifically for HHG members at Sheboygan Cty. Horse & Pony sponsored shows, the Coach / Owner is not required to allow them to participate in them with their horse. Should the HHG member be allowed to show, it is not the responsibility of the Coach / Owner to provide appropriate tack / clothing.

6) The HHG & their Family accepts that participating in activities away from home with their Coach & the horse is a valuable experience for the HHG member to learn what responsibilities are needed to physically take care of a horse. When a HHG member is able to participate in outside activities with the horse, it is strongly recommended that they assist their coach with as many of these responsibilities as possible.

7) The HHG member understands that they are responsible for meeting any and all club & project requirements necessary to be a member in good standing. This includes, but is not limited to, being responsible for completing & handing in of necessary paperwork.

8) By signing this form, the HHG & their Family accept & understand that having a horse is a huge responsibility and can take a great deal of time. Because one of the main goals of the project is to learn about horse ownership, the HHG member & Family are willing to put in the time & effort it takes to own a horse.

**Due by April 1 to HHG Chair**

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