

January 2026



## Mandatory Meeting Tuesday, January 27

The Waukesha County 4-H Horse and Horseless Horse Project mandatory meeting will be held on **Tuesday, January 27 at 6:30pm** at the Waukesha County Library.

All Horse and Horseless Horse project members are required to attend to be in good standing. We will cover rules, expectations, and events for the year.

Please RSVP [HERE](#) to let us know you are coming! If you cannot make it to the meeting, please let us know in advance so we can make alternate accommodations.



[Waukesha County 4-H Horse Project](#)



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### Upcoming Events:

- Mandatory Meeting  
Tuesday, January 27
- Project Days Activity  
Sunday, February 1
- Horse Management Workshop  
Tuesday, February 3
- Waukesha 4-H Tack Sale  
Sunday, February 8
- Horse Board Meeting  
Tuesday, February 10

## Tack Sale Fundraiser Sunday, February 8



This is the Waukesha County 4-H Horse Project's largest fundraiser of the year. 100% of the proceeds benefit our youth's equestrian education through the 4-H Horse Project in Waukesha County. This year's tack sale will be held on **Sunday, February 8 from 9am to 1pm**

Looking for tack, clothes, toys, books, gifts, and more? The tack sale has something for everyone!

This is a massive event and therefore we need massive help! There are still many volunteer slots still open. We need all hands on deck to make this a successful event. [Sign up HERE](#)

The youth board will have a table at the tack sale and are looking for **donated items** to sell. If you have any items you are willing to part with, please let us know!

They are also taking items to sell at their **bake sale**, so please bring some individually packaged baked goods for a good cause!

### DONATIONS NEEDED

- Tack in good condition
- Show clothes
- Horse books
- Horse décor
- Model horses or toys
- Anything horse people would like!

### BAKE SALE



**DONATIONS NEEDED**



Add the Horse Project calendar to your Google calendar [HERE!](#)



## State 4-H Events

May 2-3, 2026  
**State Horse Speaking & Demonstration, Horse Bowl and Hippology**  
Entry Deadline: April 1  
[More Information Here](#)

June 26-28, 2026  
**State 4-H Hunt & Dressage Show & Clinics**  
Entry Deadline: May 15  
[More Information Here](#)

September 12, 2026  
**State 4-H Gymkhana Show**  
Entry Deadline: August 1  
[More Information Here](#)

September 18-20, 2026  
**State 4-H Horse Expo**  
Entry Deadline: August 1  
[More Information Here](#)

*\*Note—members must be in good standing with the project to be eligible to attend state events. All registration must go through the Waukesha 4-H Horse Association.*

## Upcoming 4-H Clinics & Activities

**Sunday, February 1 — Project Days: Hippology & Treats**



Make some horse treat to sell at the 4-H Tack Sale. Practice hippology and learn about horse health emergencies. Sign Up [HERE](#) by 1/25

## 4-H Clinic & Activity Recap

### 2025 Year-End Banquet



All members that were in good standing with the project for the 2024-25 project year earned year-end awards. Everyone was invited to a banquet at Thunder Bay Grille to celebrate all of the hard work the kids put in this year. Congratulations to all of our good-standing status members!

*Shown above: Johanna, Gwendolyn, Kendall, Annie, and Wyatt  
Not shown: Ella, Sydney, Maddie, Michaela, Silas, Kaydence, and Evelyn*

## Project Days Horse Treats



Members came to Project Days in Big Bend to make horse treats to sell at the Youth Board Bake Sale at the Waukesha 4-H tack sale to earn money for the project!

## Horse Management Workshop

# HORSE MANAGEMENT WORKSHOP

Learn from experts about horse health, pasture management, and environmental health.

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3<sup>rd</sup>**

RETZER NATURE CENTER  
S14 W28167 MADISON ST  
WAUKESHA, WI

5:00 - 8:00 PM



FOOD AND DRINK PROVIDED  
PARKING IS FREE



RSVP by JAN 23<sup>rd</sup>

[Click here or scan QR Code](#)

or call

Alyssa Vaughan @262.896.8306



## Model Horse Showing Clinic



Members learned what different classes are available for showing model horses and what is required for each. If you are interested in making your own model horse tack, we will be collaborating with the Washington County Horse Project this year.



To Make the Best  
**BETTER**

PROPER TACK

HEALTH  
BREEDS

HIPPOLOGY

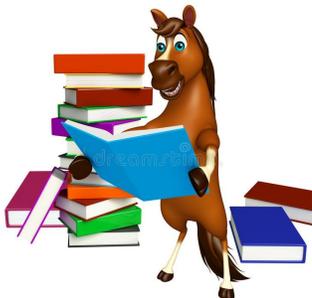
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REPRODUCTION

NUTRITION  
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## Learn more about...

- [Teaching your horse to sidepass](#)
- [Gaits with Emphasis on Diagonals](#)
- [Drawing horses](#)
- [Showmanship Tips](#)

Keep Learning

## Did you know?

### Horses can't breathe through their mouth

Horses are obligate nasal breathers. This means that they are unable to breathe through their mouth as humans can. Horses can only breathe through their nose.



## Color Registries

Along with registries for specific breeds, there are many "color registries" for horses from different breeds that share a specific color or coat pattern.

Some examples include buckskin, palomino, pinto, and American white/cream.



Faint



Star



Stripe



Broken Stripe



Blaze



Snip



Blaze & Snip



Star & Stripe



Bald Face

## Hippology Practice

1. What are the basic parts of the bridle?
  - A. headstall, bit, reins
  - B. noseband, headstall, reins
  - C. noseband, browband, headstall
  - D. headstall, browband, reins
2. Which of the following is NOT a nutrient?
  - A. vitamins
  - B. protein
  - C. minerals
  - D. dry matter
3. Which of the following is NOT a strategy used to prevent colic?
  - A. avoid sudden changes in the feeding program
  - B. feed frequently rather than once a day
  - C. feed your horse grain on bare ground
  - D. have ample drinking water available at all times
4. Which of the following terms describes a mane that is cut off so part is left standing upright?
  - A. pulled mane
  - B. roached mane
  - C. thinned mane
  - D. trimmed mane
5. Which of the following gaits is four (4) beats?
  - A. trot
  - B. walk
  - C. lope
  - D. jog
6. Which of the following is NOT a natural cue?
  - A. hands
  - B. voice
  - C. crop
  - D. seat or weight



# Hippology Practice

## Horse Coat Patterns



The  
More  
You  
Know

The  
More  
You  
Grow



To Make the Best  
**BETTER**

Fill in the letter that matches the picture number

- 1 \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 \_\_\_\_\_

- A. Blanket
- B. Dapple
- C. Leopard
- D. Overo
- E. Roan
- F. Snowcap
- G. Splash
- H. Tobiano





# Hippology Practice

## Horse Coat Colors



The More You Know

The More You Grow



To Make the Best BETTER

Fill in the letter that matches the picture number

- 1 \_\_\_\_\_
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- A. Bay
- B. Black
- C. Buckskin
- D. Chestnut
- E. Cremello
- F. Dun
- G. Gray
- H. Palomino

