

St. Joseph County, MI 4-H HORSE COUNCIL



Clark Memorial High Point Belt Buckles Award

- A. One buckle to be awarded to each of the high point members regardless of age in the following divisions: Registered Horse Stock, Registered Horse Non-Stock, Quarter Horse, Grade Horse, Pony, and Walk-Trot.
- B. Points are accumulated from the following classes: Showmanship, Horsemanship, Bareback, English Equitation, Trail, Western/English riding pattern, Reining and Saddleseat Equitation. Riders must participate in at least 6 of the 8 classes to be considered for this award. Points will be tabulated from all the classes mentioned above. Points will not be tabulated from the competitions in Dressage, Jumping, Driving, judged Pleasure Trail ride, or Gymkhana events.
- C. Points are tallied from classes at the fair ONLY.
- D. Exhibitors showing more than one horse or pony will accumulate points on each animal separately. Points will be tabulated on a one horse, one-rider combination. Points will ONLY be awarded for the primary rider for the horse/pony. Points will NOT be awarded to shared rider for any horse/pony.
- E. Points are pro-rated based upon class size of those that compete in the class, scratches or no-show entries do not count towards class size.
- F. You must meet all eligibility requirements to show at the fair and to win at this award (example: such as wearing correct back number, attend required meetings/workouts, etc.)
- G. A given exhibitor may win this award TWICE but EACH BUCKLE MUST BE IN A DIFFERENT DIVISION IN A DIFFERENT YEAR than previously won. Example: If you previously won Grade, in a future year you would now be eligible for Quarter Horse, OR if you previously won Pony, you would now be eligible for Registered Non-Stock, etc. in a future year.
- H. In the event of a tie, the following will apply: The exhibitor who beats the most horses shown at the fair horse show shall be the winner. The tie-breaker class will be Western Bareback. Example: in a class of fifteen, a 1st place would have beaten 14 other horses. If a tie remains the second tie breaker class would be: English Equitation, and points would be given in same manner as described in 1st tie breaker class above.
- I. An award buckle will be given in the WALK/TROT division. Points will be accumulated from one Showmanship class, Walk/Trot Horsemanship, Walk/Trot Trail, Walk/Trot English Equitation and Walk/Trot Reining. To be eligible 4-H member must show in at least 4 of the 5 classes mentioned to be eligible for this award. Points will be tallied in the same method as described in Section E above.