

How Do I Join Up?

Interested 4-H members apply to the project advisory committee. Participants must agree to abide by the rules and regulations of the project. Members will be approved based on *age, horsemanship experience, 4-H experience and 4-H involvement*. Members will be notified by December 1st whether or not they have been accepted.

How Does the Project Work?

Members must submit a cheque for \$225 to gain entry to the Young Horse Incentive Program. Upon approval, the cheque will be deposited with the 4-H Foundation, who will manage the fund. One third (\$75) of the fund will go in the yearling fund and the remaining 2/3 (\$150) will be pooled in the two year old incentive fund.

Members receive payouts each year from the Incentive Fund by participating in the yearling achievement day and the two-year-old achievement day and adhering to the program rules and regulations.



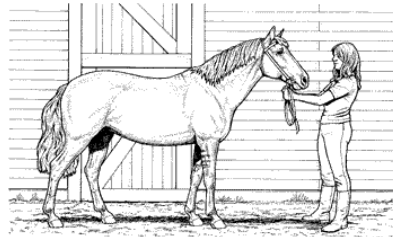
Year One Achievement

The year one “**In Hand Presentation**” may consist of an evaluation of basic showmanship skills, knowledge of nutrition and health, working on a lunge line, loading in a trailer and completion of project record book (including the yearly 4-H diary). Members receive a score out of 250 points and a copy of their evaluation.

The dollar value of the points received will be derived from a predetermined formula that

1. calculates 1/3 share of the project incentive fund for members who joined that year.
2. divides that share by the total points actually earned by all the presenters to determine the payout per point achieved
3. multiply the payout per point by the number of points a member receives to determine the payout for that member.

Example: Ten members with points ranging from 108 to 218, with an average of 159.4 points. 1/3 of an incentive fund for the yearling year totals \$750. The \$750 is divided by 1594 points is .47 cents/point. In this example the average member with 159.4 points received \$74.92 from the enhancement fund.



Year Two Achievement

The year two “**Under Saddle**” group consists of an evaluation of individual performance over a predetermined horsemanship pattern. The elements of the pattern may consist of mounting, simple lead changes, backing, side passing, walking over logs, trotting around cones, dismounting, unsaddling for inspection by the judge (**basic Alberta 4-H Horsemanship Level 1- 3**) and completion of their record book (including the yearly 4-H diary). Members will also be evaluated on their knowledge of training techniques, horse health and nutrition. Members will once again receive a score out of 250 points and a copy of their evaluation.

A similar payout process to the yearling process is used for two year olds.



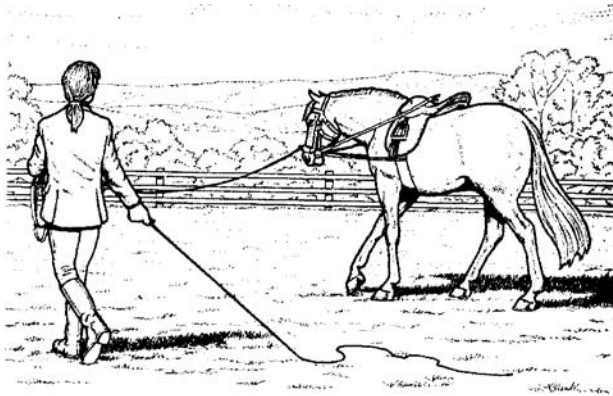
Why Participate?

4-H Program: Motivates intermediate and senior members to stay involved in the 4-H and gives them a marketable livestock animal.

4-H Parents: Great value-added 4-H Light Horse project. Members can keep their project horses or market them. Great exposure to the equine industry.

Members: A great way to try a different project, meet other 4-H members and improve your horsemanship skills.

Project Advisory Committee: 4-H Members **apply** to a project advisory committee consisting of Provincial 4-H Equine Committee (PEAC) members and a representative of the 4-H Branch of Alberta Agriculture and Rural Development.



I'm Selected - What Now?

Members must select and/or purchase their foal by December 15th. We recommend that you have a prospect in mind prior to applying to the program.

Members must **register** their projects with their local clubs under the young horse project. The 4-H members complete their project record book and care for their foals through the winter.

The member presents foal as a yearling at the project first year achievement day.

Tentative Time Line

November 1 - Deadline for Applications

December 1 - Participants - Notified if they have been accepted or not

3rd Weekend in April – Clinic – Location TBA

Saturday before Labour Day Weekent - Achievement Day – Location TBA

For more information contact:

Larry Baddock (YHIP 4-H Committee)

Phone: 780/853-2782 (h)

Phone: 780/853-4494 (w)

e-mail: baddocks@telusplanet.net

Send completed applications (available on-line through the Alberta 4-H web site at <http://ww.4h.ab.ca>) to:

4-H Office

Bag 600

STETTTLER AB T0C 2L0

FAX – (403)742-7575

Application Deadline – November 1, 2008

Young Horse Incentive Program

4-H Young Horse Project Option

The project involves a two-year commitment beginning with the 4-H member's choosing a weanling. Members raise and train their project horse with the objective of presenting the horse as a **yearling** "in hand" and as a **two-year-old** "under saddle".

Who Can Apply?

The project is open to 4-H members 12 years and older as of January 1, 2008, **who have completed 4-H Horsemanship Level 3** and have an interest in working with and training a young horse.



Alberta 4-H Young Horse Industry Project Option Application

Mail completed application to: 4-H Office
BAG 600
STETTLER AB T0C 2L0

Application Deadline – November 1st

On separate paper, please type or print clearly your answers to the following questions. The application is available on the 4-H web-site (www.4h.ab.ca and then go to Applications and [Forms/Project Related](#)) where you can complete it using that form if you wish.

Program Applying for: [YHIP](#) [Standardbred](#)

Check the program that you are applying for. If you are applying for both projects, you must submit two separate applications.

1. Date of application
2. Your Name
3. Your Date of Birth
4. Highest Rider Level Completed
(include both Mounted and Dismounted Levels)
5. Your Address (including postal code)
6. E-mail address (if you have one you use regularly)
and/or Fax Number
7. Parent or Guardian name(s)
8. Phone number(s)
9. How many years have you been enrolled in a 4-H Horse project?
10. Have you participated in the Young Horse or Standardbred project previously, if so, when?
11. Briefly list your major 4-H activity and leadership involvement as well as any special recognition you may have received from your 4-H horse experience.

12. Briefly explain why you want to enroll in the option project and what you hope to gain from it.

13. Please have one parent indicate why he or she would like to have you enrolled in the Alberta Standardbred or YHIP 4-H Horse Project, and what kind of support they are willing to provide to the program if you are selected to participate.

Facilities

14. Diagram and describe your barn and pasture facilities. Please indicate barn layout, design, dimensions, pasture acreage, type and condition of fencing and any other pertinent information that you may want to include. You may want to do this by taking pictures of your farm.

15. Do you reside on the property where the horse will be stabled? Yes No

16. Do you board your horse at a public or private facility? Yes No

17. Do you have other horses on the farm? Yes No

18. A number of educational events and activities will take place on weekends. Are you available to participate:

On Saturdays Yes No

On Sundays Yes No

Signature of people supporting member's participation in the **Alberta 4-H Standardbred or YHIP Horse Project**. Please ask each person to sign and print their name.

_____	_____
4-H Member (print name)	4-H Member signature
Date _____	
_____	_____
Parent or Guardian (print name)	Parent or Guardian signature
Date _____	
_____	_____
4-H Leader (print name)	4-H Leader signature
Date _____	

If you are applying for **YHIP**, please include a cheque for **\$225.00 payable to the 4-H Foundation of Alberta** with your application. If you are not successful, your cheque will be returned to you.