



TAYLOR COUNTY 4-H HORSE PROJECT

2014 Clinic and Arena Information and Expectations

What you need to know before you arrive:

Clinic reservations will be on a first come/first serve basis for riders only. If a clinic is full, participants who did not pre-register may participate, but not on horseback. *Please note the Western Pleasure Clinics Part I & Part II will have a limited amount of participants.*

Clinics may be cancelled because of weather or a lack of registered participants. Members who have pre-registered will be notified of cancellations. We welcome non-registered participants, but it will be your responsibility to verify with Heidi Brandner if a clinic will happen as planned.

We are trying to keep the costs down for everyone this year, so all clinics will be \$5.00 for the early bird discount, and \$10.00 for registration after the deadline or at the gate. We know it may be hard to plan ahead, so you are welcome to come to a clinic even if you did not pre-register.

When you arrive at the clinic:

- Horse and Rider need to be ready by clinic start time. Please arrive early to unload and prepare your horse.
- If you are not pre-registered, you must check in and pay your fees prior to the start of the clinic.
- It is your responsibility to clean up any and all poop that your horse leaves behind. If it falls when you are walking across the lot or around your trailer, please clean up before you leave. Bring a muck bucket and fork/rake for this job. Use of the arena at the fairgrounds is a privilege – don't abuse it!
- For the same reason, please remember to clean up your garbage and grab your water bottles at the end of the clinic.

During the clinics:

- Approved riding helmets and boots must be worn at all times when you are mounted. You should only be mounted in designated areas.
- Be very cautious of others. We have many first time participants and several new horses this year, so please give extra space between each other at all times.
- Help each other out! For those of you that have a few years in the project, please try to tack up early and give a hand to a new member if needed. You will make them feel more welcome and may just make a new friend in the process. WE NEED YOUR MENTORSHIP THIS YEAR!
- If you need assistance or are having an issue with your horse, please let Heidi or the leader in charge know. If during a clinic you feel unsafe and need to dismount, please do so. If your horse is acting up, please move to an unattended portion of the arena.
- **HAVE FUN!**

If you have any questions or suggestions, please contact Heidi Brandner at any time at 715-678-6184, cell (text) 715-965-1018 or email at bmbbuilders@tds.net.