



Clark County 4-H Horse Leaders Association MEETING MINUTES

February 11, 2026 @ 7 p.m.

Heritage Farm/WSU Extension Office
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Facebook page – Clark County 4H Horse Leaders

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<https://www.cc4h-horseleaders.com/>

I. Call to Order and Pledges

Meeting called to order by Holly Swenson at 7:02.

Attendance: Holly Swenson PTW, Tricia Goode Royal R, Heidi Massie Range R, Cindy Chase Stablemates, Babette Terry Freedom Riders, Courtney Atkins and Kyle Abernathy Command Performance, Wes Oliphant, Kaileigh Core TTR, Jeanne Schaeffer, Jessica Overbaugh R&S

II. Officers/Regional Specialist/Superintendent/Executive Board Reports

a. SECRETARY REPORT/APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Approval of January 14, 2026 minutes as forwarded via email on 1/17/26. Kaileigh motioned to approve the minutes and Cindy seconded- ALL APPROVED/MOTION PASSED.

b. TREASURER'S REPORT (Ann):

3,165.65 in bank, WSU has cashed the donation check of 3500.00 from Margo for the container storage. Now it has to get funneled to Phoebe to us. That will double our balance.

c. HORSE SUPERINTENDENT REPORT (Jeanne)-

Jeanne has found a judge for part of fair. Amy Ewing will judge M-TH of fair. We are looking for someone for the 1st Friday (dressage and judging.) Still looking for judges for prefair shows. The judge pool is getting small because people have retired and the rift between OR and WA. Steve Bryson and Kim McLaughlin are ideas to reach out to. Jeanne is reaching out to find more judges.

They are reworking the layout of the commercial building. Jeanne thinks they're leaving 4H alone, but will double check.

d. CLARK COUNTY EXECUTIVE HORSE COUNCIL (CCEHC)- none

III. Committee Reports

a. Show committee- entries were sent out and they're working on finding a judge. Tricia sent a flyer to Phoebe to send out to other counties. She is working on getting a FB post ready to promote. Sounds like Skamania is a go to participate in prefair shows. Tricia just needs to add a bit to the flyer and then it will post within the next week.

b. Fundraising committee- Holly reached out to Phoebe about the dine in nights and she said it's fine if we do that. We have to use the 4H leaders tax ID and not your club's tax id. The money will go to the horse leaders association. Each club will do one dine in night by fair. Once you have your dine in night set, email to leaders email thread so we can support each other! Range Riders is taking Battle Ground Burgerville.

IV. Old Business

a. Showmanship pattern voting- leaders voted on patterns for each age group. Tricia will get the winners all typed up and put on the website. Heidi will email pics of the winners to our leader email thread when she sends the minutes.

b. Prize ideas for pre fair shows to encourage more kids to enter- Tricia's club talked about ideas to encourage kids to participate more. They came up with the idea of each club bringing a 25-30.00 prize for each prefair show day. The kids who place will earn raffle tickets. They will put their tickets in for the prizes they'd like to win and there will be a drawing for the prizes. Bring things they could be excited about to want to win.

Rein and Shine club talked about getting sponsorships and getting higher end prizes. They tabled it for their next meeting. One of her moms tried to get sponsorships previously, but couldn't get the information (class lists, how many grand champions/reserve champions, how many big prizes we'd need.) Her club members would like bigger ribbons- like the ones we get at state.

We need to create a list of how many prizes we need.

We decided to start on a smaller scale and then work our way up. Put together a flyer for raffle donations at prefair shows. Each club would bring a total of 4

things (up to 25-30) to the April Leaders Meeting. Motioned by Heidi and Jennifer seconded. All approved.

c. Medal Program- Kaleigh will help Jennifer with getting the program going. Snohomish County has a great medal program already. Jennifer explained it a bit, but Kayleigh and Jennifer will work together to put an explanation to email out to us. Rein and Shine thought plaques would be cool, but patches for state jackets would be cool and cheaper- or pins. Will try to work horsemanship into it.

d. Parking- Tricia's son is doing it and Charley Keller will help when needed. Tricia will email Heidi what nights he's needed.

V. New Business/Announcements

a. Trail patterns- Tricia came up with patterns for us to look at.

b. Educational contests- Royal R groomsquad, PTW horse judging, CP horse bowl, hippology (tests, board, scenarios) Tricia will talk to Shawna and Stacy about them helping with hippology- table for next meeting. Study materials would be amazing.

c. Edit email list- updated list

d. Dressage clinic interest? Leaders are to ask their club members if anyone is interested in a dressage familiarization clinic.

Meeting adjourned at 8:23 by Holly.

Approved as to form this ___ day of _____, 2026.

Heidi Massie, Secretary

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