

# 2016 AUSTIN COUNTY 4-H HORSE PROJECT RECORD BOOK

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4-H CLUB \_\_\_\_\_

AGE \_\_\_\_\_ GRADE \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

HORSE'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_

(USE ONE RECORD BOOK FOR EACH PROJECT ANIMAL!)

### Instructions for Completing the Project

Keeping good records is an important part of your 4-H work. Accurate records will tell others about your work and progress and will help you to become a better horseman.

You should answer all of the questions under "General Information" at the beginning of the project. Some of the questions will ask you to establish goals for the coming year. Each Austin County Colt Project horse member is encouraged to set at least one goal which he or she plans to attain during the project year.

### GENERAL INFORMATION

Complete one record for each project animal per year.

Registered Name of Horse:	Barn Name of Horse:	
Date Born:	Age:	
Breed:	Reg. Number:	
Identification:      Height:	Weight:	Sex:
Color:	Markings:	

Registration number \_\_\_\_\_ Name of Breed Association \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you owned your horse? \_\_\_\_\_ Was he raised by you? \_\_\_\_\_

Who feeds him most of the time? \_\_\_\_\_

Do any others help you with him other than you? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, why? \_\_\_\_\_

What was your horse trained to do when you obtained him? \_\_\_\_\_

What have you taught him since you've owned him? \_\_\_\_\_

What do you plan to teach him this year? \_\_\_\_\_

How do you plan to become a better horseman? \_\_\_\_\_

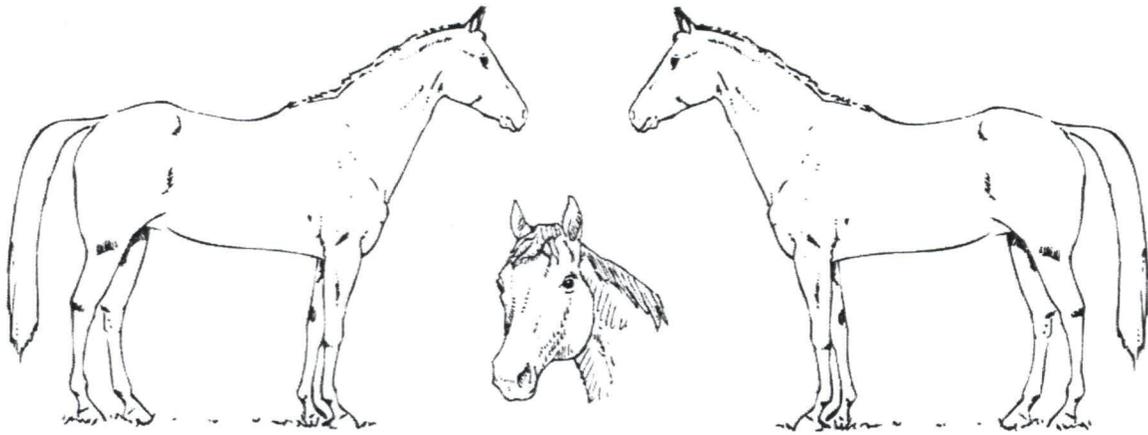
What 4-H horse activities do you plan to participate in this year? \_\_\_\_\_

How do you plan to help others appreciate and enjoy horses? \_\_\_\_\_

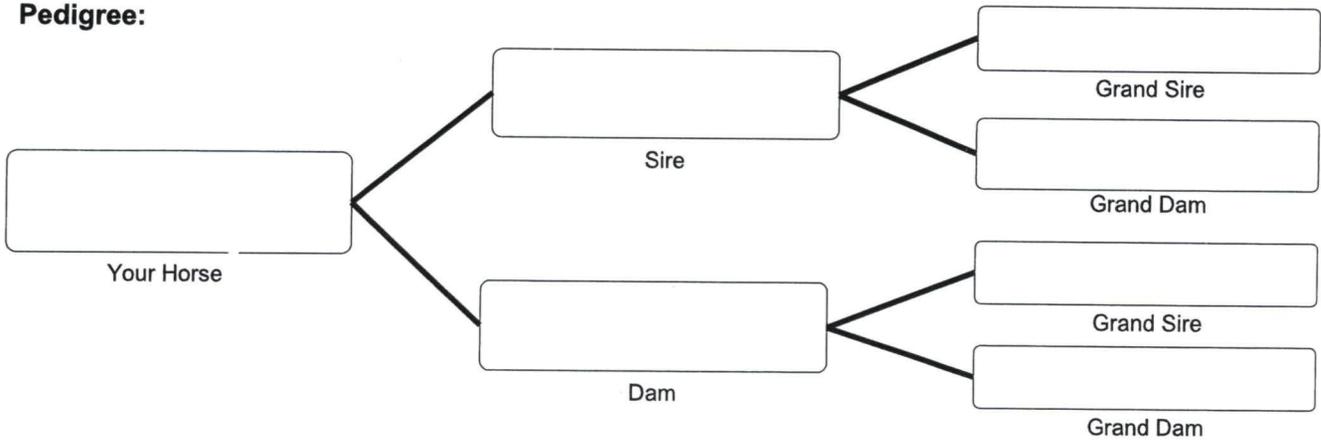
What major goal do you plan to attain or what skill do you plan to develop during the course of this project? \_\_\_\_\_

Put a copy of your  
Horse Registration  
Papers here

Draw in any identifying markings.



**Pedigree:**



4 X 6 Photo of horse here

## Important Telephone Numbers

### Veterinarian:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

If unable to be reached in an emergency call:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

### Farrier:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

### Austin County Colt Project Leader(s):

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

### Austin County Extension Agent:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

## Horse Facts You Should Know

- Horses' hooves grow approximately 0.25 in a month, and take nearly a year to grow from the coronet band to the ground.
- Adult heart rate (pulse) is between 28 and 44 beats per minute while at rest
- Adult respiratory rate is 10-24 breaths per minute
- Adult temperature is between 99.5 - 101° F
- A horse typically sleeps two and half to three hours a day
- A horse is traditionally measured in "hands". A "hand" is a unit of measurement to determine a horse's height. One hand equals 4 inches. Partial measurements are then broken down to .1, .2 and .3 (example: 15 hands, 15.1 hands, 15.2 hands, 15.3 hands, 16 hands). Horses are measured from the ground to their withers.

Put a copy of your  
Coggins Test  
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# Project Goals and Plan

1. What knowledge or skills do you hope to achieve during the project year? \_\_\_\_\_

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2. Who will assist you in gaining these skills and knowledge? \_\_\_\_\_

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## **To be completed at end of Project**

3. Did you accomplish your goals listed above (question 1)?  Yes  No If no, why?

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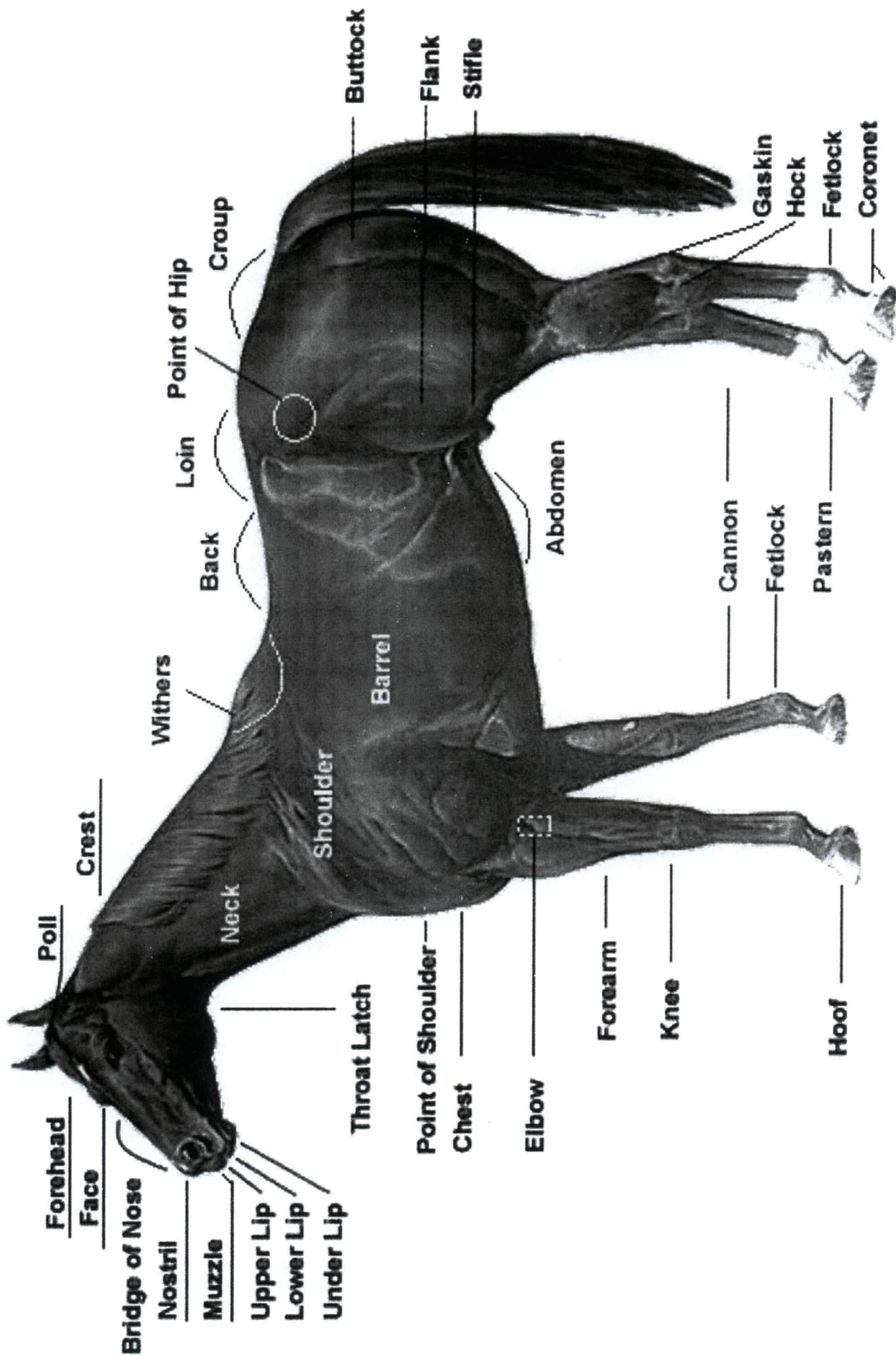
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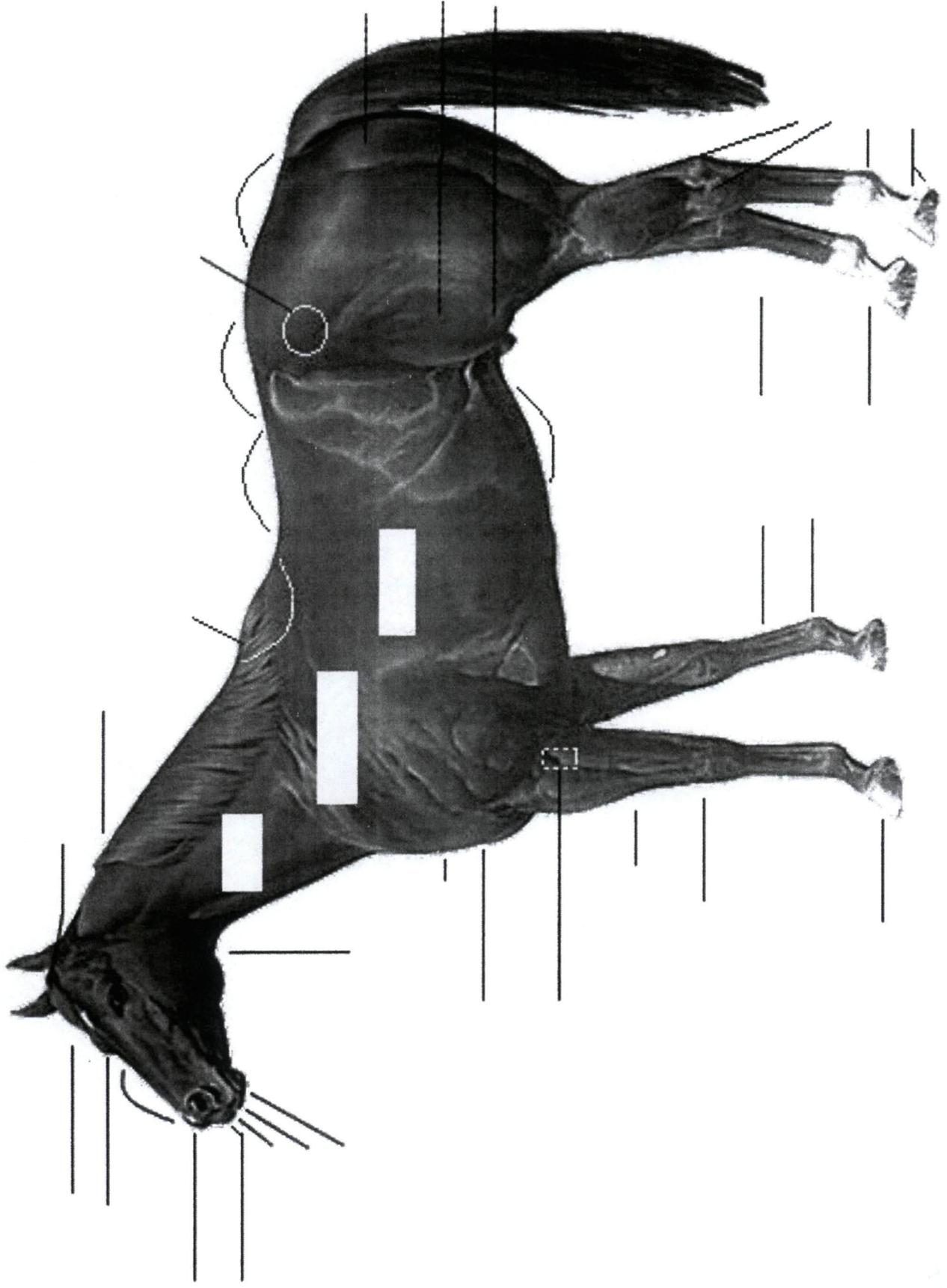
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Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Exhibitor Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Austin County Colt Project Leader Signature: \_\_\_\_\_





## Horse Anatomy Glossary

**Abdomen (belly):** Area between the ribs and the stifle, contains the digestive system.

**Back:** Upper portion of the barrel, between the withers and the loins.

**Barrel:** Trunk of the horse.

**Bridge of Nose:** Bony portion of the face between the forehead and the muzzle.

**Cannon:** Bone that lies between the knee & the fetlock on the front leg, and the hock and the fetlock on the hind leg.

**Chest:** Front portion of the body between the shoulders.

**Coronet:** Lower part of the pastern immediately above the hoof, generally described as the band.

**Crest:** Top part of the neck, from the ears to the withers; where the mane grows.

**Croup:** Upper part of the hindquarters between the loin and the tail.

**Dock:** Bony area of the tail where hairs grows from.

**Elbow:** Projected joint above the forearm and in front of the girth.

**Face:** Part of the head from the forehead to the muzzle.

**Fetlock:** joint where the cannon bone meets with the pastern.

**Flank:** Thin folds of skin on the sides of the horse between the abdomen and the stifle.

**Forearm:** Area between the elbow and the knee.

**Forehead:** Upper part of the face, extends down the forelock to the top of each eye; the area between the horse's eyes.

**Gaskin:** Muscle above the hock.

**Girth:** Just behind the front leg where the cinch of the saddle is situated.

**Hock:** Joint between the gaskin and the hind cannon bone.

**Hoof:** Horny growth that protects the lower limb/foot.

**Jaw:** Large rounded area under the eye.

**Knee:** Joint located between the forearm and the cannon bone.

**Loin:** Portion of the spinal column after the ribs, between the back and the croup.

**Neck:** Area between the head and the shoulder.

**Nostril:** External opening of the nose.

**Muzzle:** Includes the nostrils, and the upper and the lower lip.

**Pastern:** Located between the fetlock and the hoof.

**Point of the Hip:** Bone projecting on both sides of the hindquarters, located between the loin & the croup.

**Point of the Shoulder:** Bone protruding from the shoulder, toward the chest.

**Poll:** Part of the head, at the top of the neck and between the ears.

**Shoulder:** Area below the withers and above the front leg.

**Stifle:** Joint of the hind leg located at the lower part of the flank.

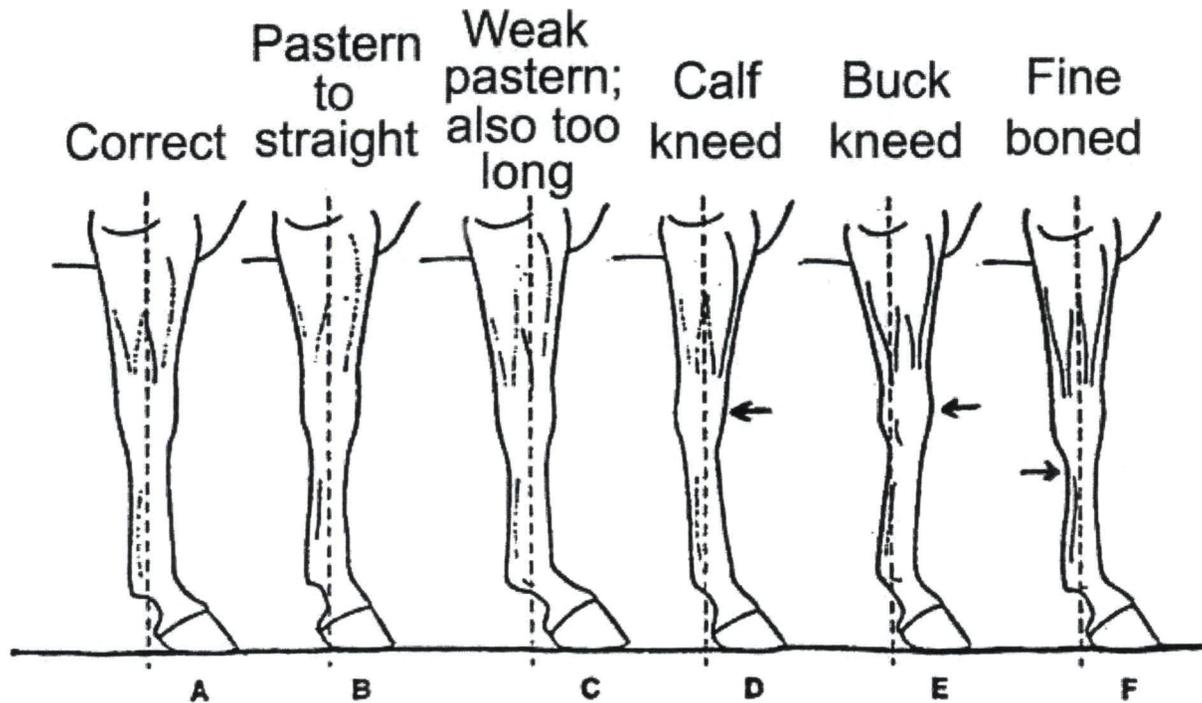
**Throat Latch:** Behind the jaw where the head attaches to the flank.

**Withers:** A bony ridge that begins at the crest of the neck and runs into the back in a gradual manner.

# CORRECT AND INCORRECT STRUCTURE OF THE FRONT LEGS

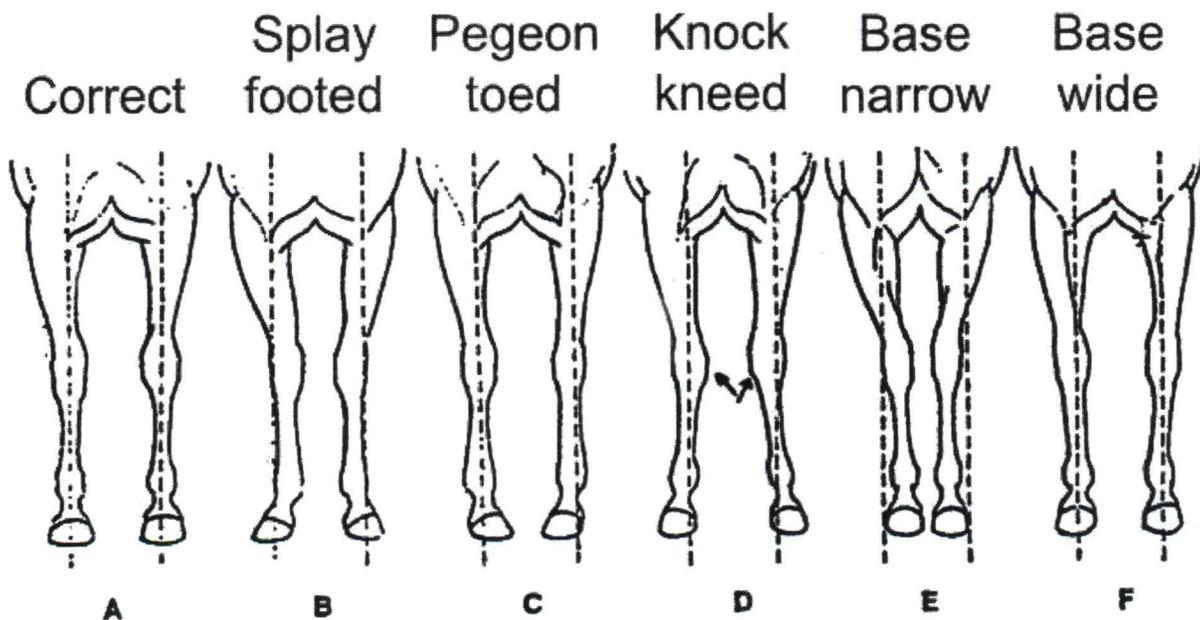
## Side View

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## Front View

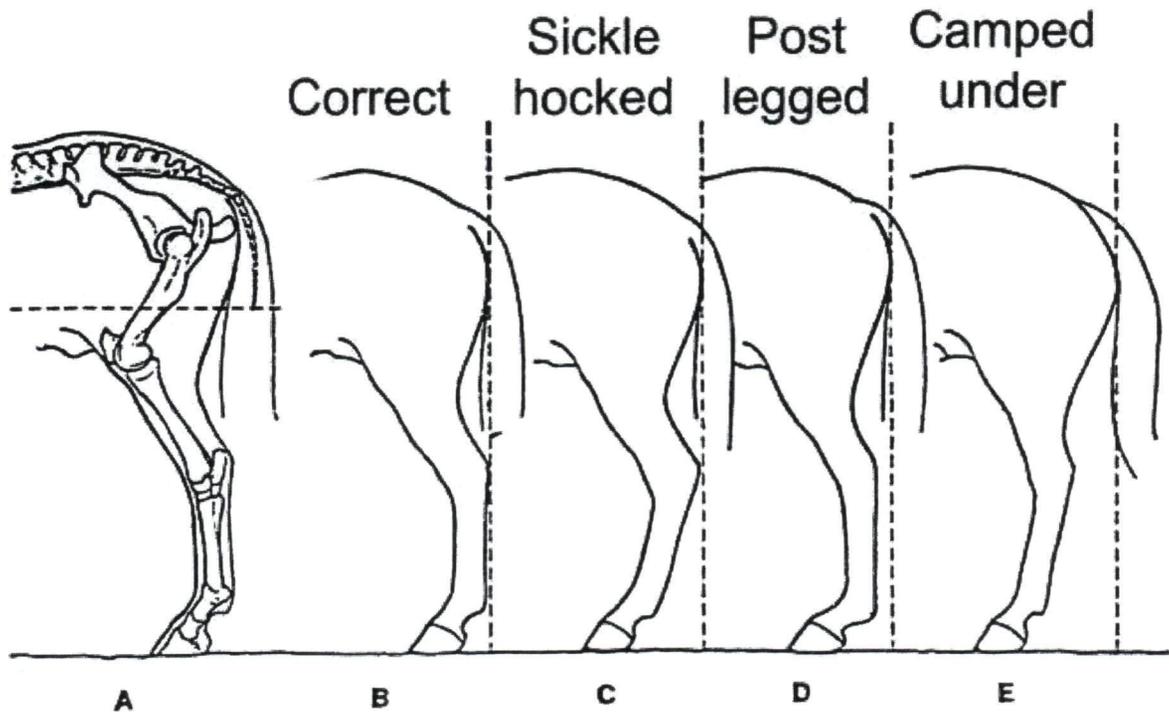
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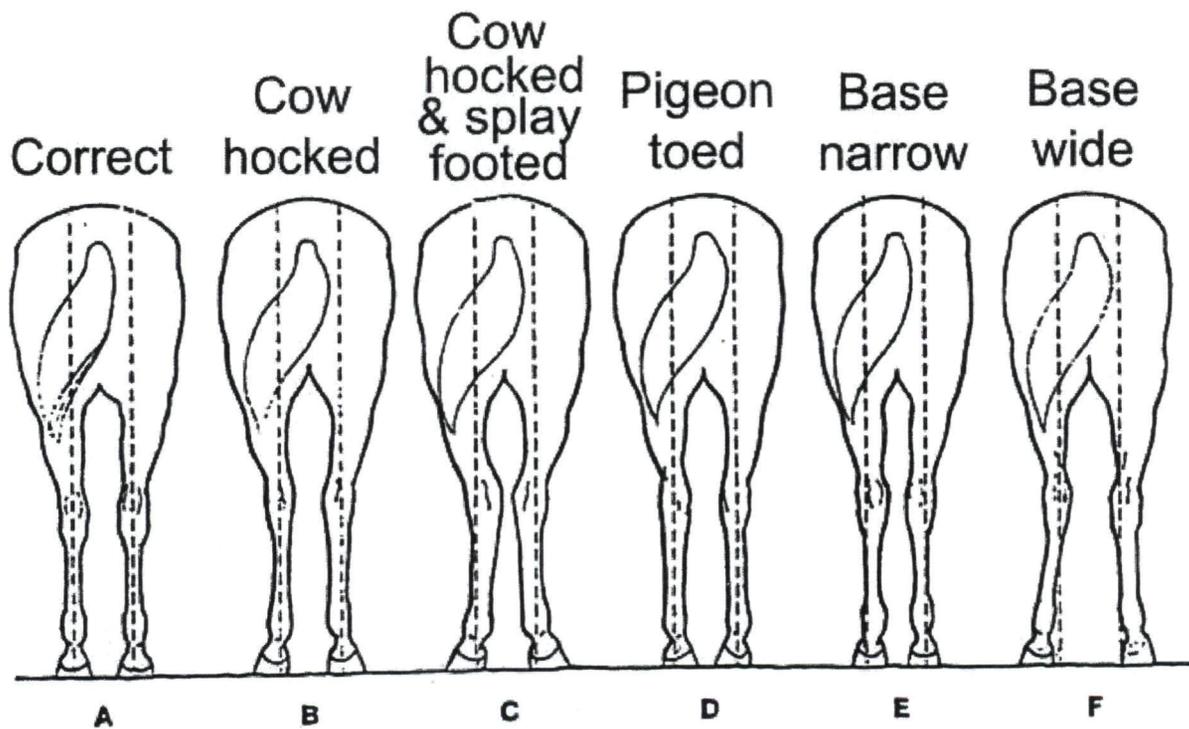
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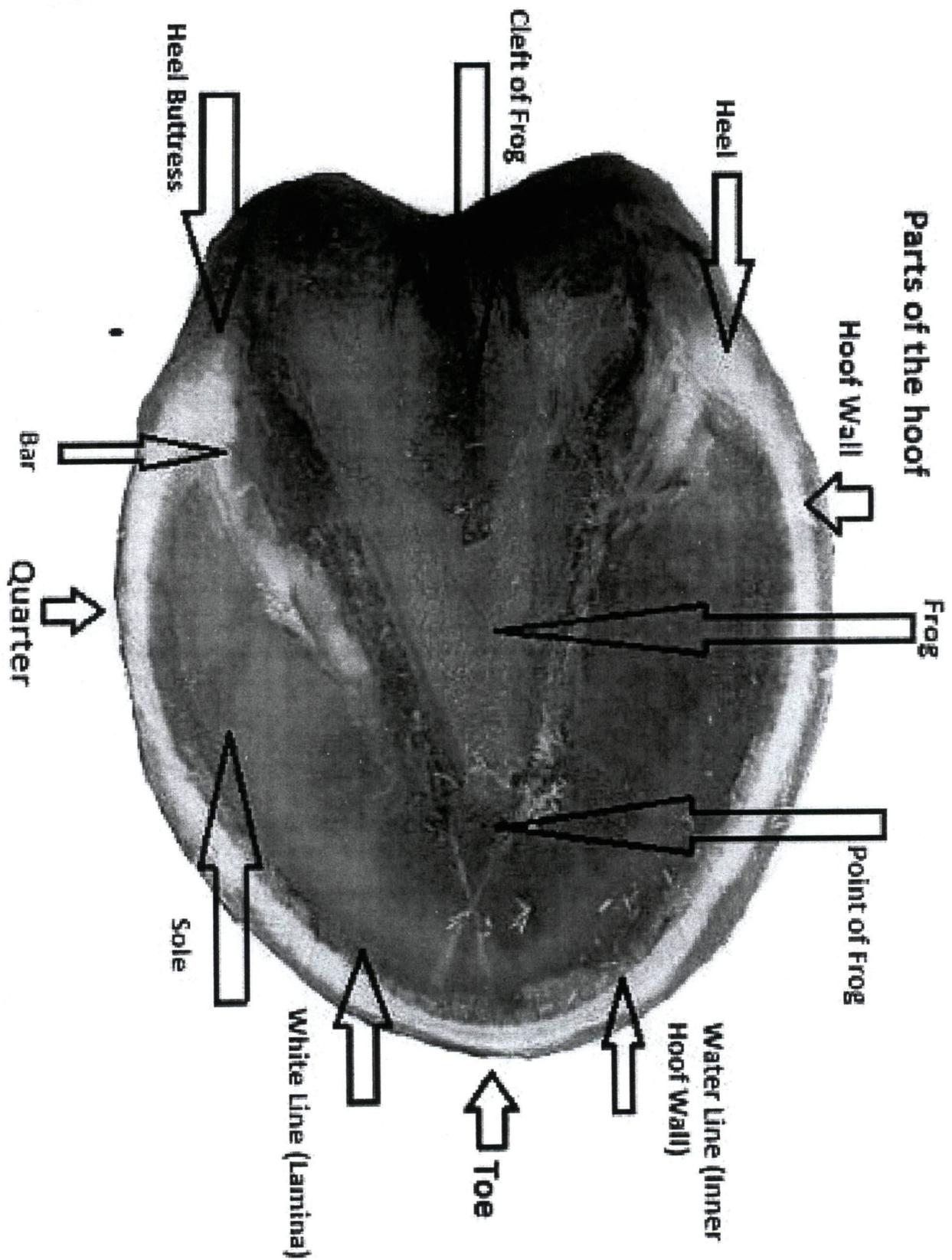


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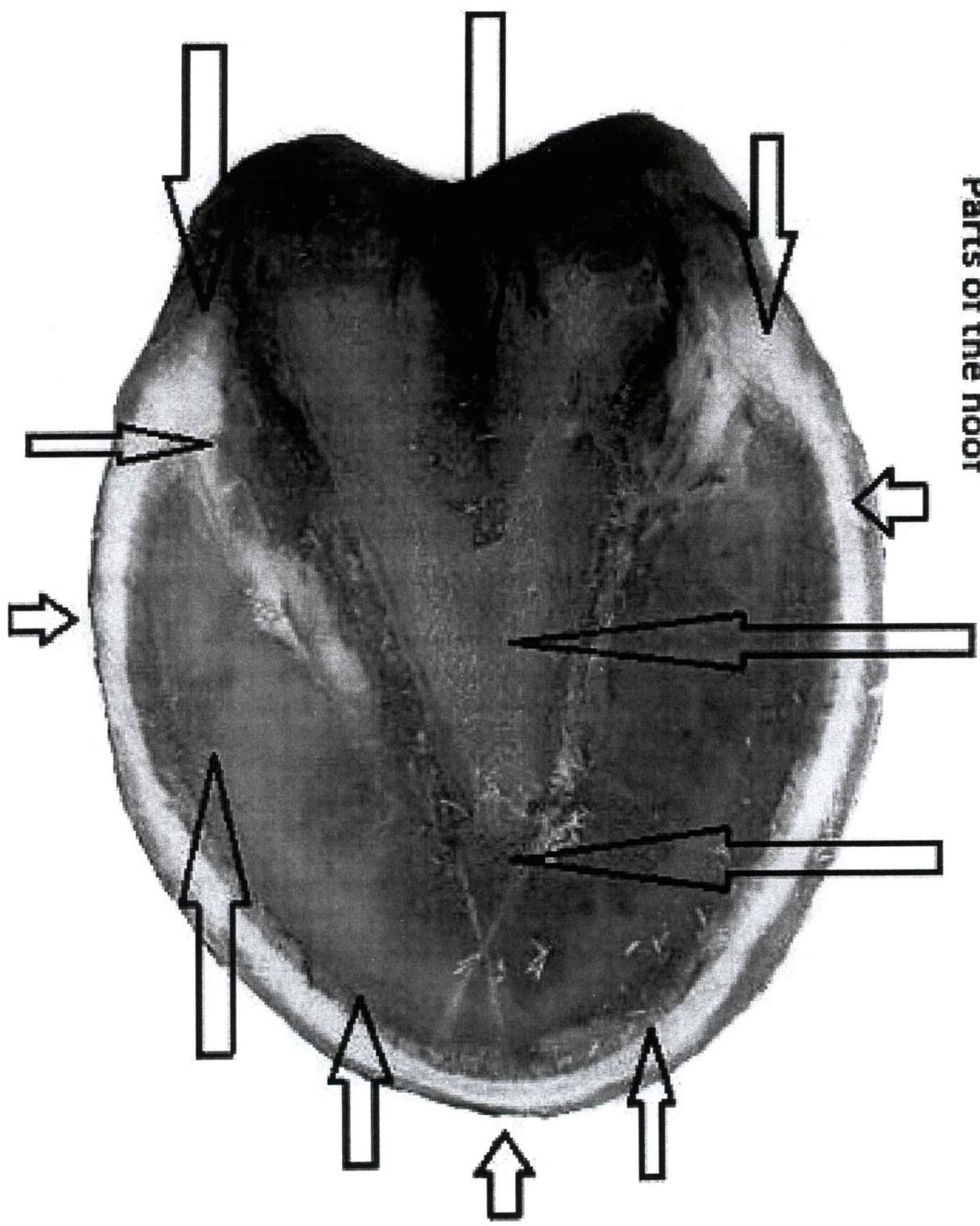
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# Parts of the hoof



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Training and Exercise Schedule pages here

**EXPENSES**

**PROFIT / LOSS 2015 RECORD BOOK – (A) \$** \_\_\_\_\_  
(This is the bottom line – Grand Total from your 2015 Record Book)

**SELLING PRICE OF 2015 FAIR COLT – (B) \$** \_\_\_\_\_  
(This is on the check you received after the Fair in November from the Austin Co. Fair Board –  
**Price of what your colt sold for minus any additional add-ons... Price of horse only**)

**PURCHASE PRICE FOR 2016 FAIR COLT – (C) \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**VACCINATION HISTORY & RECORD – (D)**

DISEASE	DATES OF BOOSTER			COST
Encephalomyelitis				
Influenza				
Rhino pneumonitis				
Strangles (Optional)				
West Nile (WNV)				
Rabies				
Tetanus				

*\*Own vaccines must include vaccine label & receipt*

(D) TOTAL VACCINATION COSTS: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**DENTAL PROCEDURES – (E)**

Date	Procedure / Cost	Date	Procedure / Cost

(E) DENTAL COSTS: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**DEWORMING HISTORY – (F)**

DATE	PRODUCT	COST

(F) DEWORMING COSTS: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## FEEDING RECORD – (G)

Month	Grain			Hay			Salt / Minerals
	Kind	Amt. (lb)	Cost	Kind	Amt. (lb)	Cost	Cost
October							
November							
December							
January							
February							
March							
April							
May							
June							
July							
August							
September							
October							
<b>Total Cost:</b>	<b>Grain \$ _____</b>			<b>Hay \$ _____</b>			<b>Salt \$ _____</b>

(G) TOTAL FEEDING COSTS: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### DESCRIPTION OF FEED AND SUPPLEMENTS

**Grain:** Whole Oats \_\_\_\_\_ Crimped Oats \_\_\_\_\_ Crushed Oats \_\_\_\_\_ Corn \_\_\_\_\_  
 Pellets \_\_\_\_\_ Sweet Feed \_\_\_\_\_ (Give analysis or attach a tag from the bag)  
 Brand Name and % protein \_\_\_\_\_

**Hay:** Alfalfa \_\_\_\_\_ Timothy \_\_\_\_\_ Coastal \_\_\_\_\_ Orchard Grass \_\_\_\_\_  
 Jigs \_\_\_\_\_ Mixed Hay \_\_\_\_\_ Other (Give Name) \_\_\_\_\_

**Supplements:** Vitamins (What Kind) \_\_\_\_\_ Corn Oil \_\_\_\_\_  
 Salt \_\_\_\_\_ Wheat Germ Oil \_\_\_\_\_ Linseed Meal \_\_\_\_\_ Bran \_\_\_\_\_  
 Molasses \_\_\_\_\_ Other (list) \_\_\_\_\_

### BOARDING RECORD – (H)

Month	Bedding		Pasture Board		Board/Stall Rent
	Kind	Cost	Kind	Cost	Cost per month
November					
December					
January					
February					
March					
April					
May					
June					
July					
August					
September					
October					
<b>Total Cost:</b>	<b>Bedding \$ _____</b>		<b>Pasture Board \$ _____</b>		<b>Stall Rent \$ _____</b>

(H) TOTAL BOARDING COSTS: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### HOOF CARE PROCEDURES – (I)

DATE	PROCEDURE	COST		DATE	PROCEDURE	COST

(I) HOOF CARE COSTS: \$ \_\_\_\_\_





**HORSE SHOWS, FAIRS & EXHIBITS – (L)**

DATE	LOCATION	CLASS/EVENT	PLACING/AWARD	COST OF EVENT	COST OF MILEAGE

(L) HORSE SHOWS, FAIRS, & EXHIBITS COSTS: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Add everything together: (A – L)**

- (A) – Profit / Loss 2015 Record Book \_\_\_\_\_
- (B) – Selling Price of 2015 Fair Colt \_\_\_\_\_
- (C) - Purchase Price of 2016 Fair colt \_\_\_\_\_
- (D) – Vaccination Costs \_\_\_\_\_
- (E) – Dental Costs \_\_\_\_\_
- (F) – Deworming Costs \_\_\_\_\_
- (G) – Feeding Costs \_\_\_\_\_
- (H) – Boarding Costs \_\_\_\_\_
- (I) – Hoof Care Costs \_\_\_\_\_
- (J) – Medical Care Costs \_\_\_\_\_
- (K) – Tack/Equipment Costs \_\_\_\_\_
- (L) – Horse Show / Fairs / Exhibits Costs \_\_\_\_\_

**Grand Total – All Costs (A-L).....\$ \_\_\_\_\_**



## Attendance Sheet of Colt Meetings

Dates marked with an asterick (\*) are mandatory; Optional Meetings (Must attend at least one of these meetings)

Date	Attended	Not Attended	Comments – (what I learned, what I liked, what I didn't like, etc.)
<b>** April 4</b> (6:00 pm / Rice Ranch) (Turn in ALL forms)			*mandatory weigh-in and evaluation; Neg. HERDA and/or HYPP, neg. coggins & proof of vaccinations MUST be turned in
<b>** May 2</b> (6:00 pm / Rice Ranch)			*Booster Vaccines will be given, mandatory weigh-in and colt work-out
<b>** June 6</b> (6:00 pm / Rice Ranch)			*Mandatory weigh-in & evaluation plus colt work-out
<b>July 11</b> (TBA / Rice Ranch)			
<b>** August 6</b> (7:00 pm / Rice Ranch)			*Mandatory weigh-in & evaluation plus colt work-out
<b>August 15</b> (TBA / Fairgrounds)			
<b>** August 20</b> (Showmanship Progress Show - Fairgrounds)			*Mandatory Showmanship Progress Show at Fairgrounds
<b>** September 5</b> (5:30 / Fairgrounds) (clean-up stalls, etc)			*Mandatory clean-up at Fairgrounds
<b>** September 12</b> (5:30 / Fairgrounds) (clean-up stalls, etc)			*Mandatory clean-up at Fairgrounds
<b>September 19</b> (5:30 / Fairgrounds) (clean-up stalls, etc)			*Mandatory clean-up at Fairgrounds
<b>September 26</b> (5:30 / Fairgrounds) (clean-up stalls, etc)			*Mandatory clean-up at Fairgrounds / Pick stall
<b>**October 3</b>			Move in supplies (tack box, etc) and decorate stalls – must be done and completed by MONDAY night 10:00 pm.
<b>**October 4</b> (TBA / Rice Ranch Final Evaluation)			*Mandatory FINAL weigh-in & evaluation
<b>** October 6</b> (Austin County Fair Horse Show 1:00 pm)			

Complete the Quality Counts training at <http://agrilife.org/qualitycounts/texas-trails/>.  
Your completion number will be required to enter the Austin County Fair.

**\*\*Record Books must be turned in on October 4<sup>th</sup> at Final Fair Colt Evaluation\*\***

## My Horse Story

1. What are some of the new things you learned this year? \_\_\_\_\_

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2. What provided the greatest challenge for you this year? How did you solve it?

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3. What did you like best about your project this year?

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4. If your horse could talk, what tales would it tell about your 4-H project this year?

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**Monthly Progress Pictures**

4 X 6 Photo of horse here - JANUARY

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4 X 6 Photo of horse here - FEBRUARY

4 X 6 Photo of horse here - MARCH



4 X 6 Photo of horse here - APRIL

4 X 6 Photo of horse here - MAY



4 X 6 Photo of horse here - JUNE

4 X 6 Photo of horse here - JULY



4 X 6 Photo of horse here - AUGUST

4 X 6 Photo of horse here - SEPTEMBER



4 X 6 Photo of horse here - OCTOBER

# Training and Exercise Schedule

Horse's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Owner's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

	Sunday			Monday			Tuesday			Wednesday			Thursday			Friday			Saturday		
	Date	Exercise	Time	Date	Exercise	Time	Date	Exercise	Time	Date	Exercise	Time	Date	Exercise	Time	Date	Exercise	Time	Date	Exercise	Time

Month of \_\_\_\_\_

Week 1																								
Week 2																								
Week 3																								
Week 4																								
Week 5																								

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	Sunday			Monday			Tuesday			Wednesday			Thursday			Friday			Saturday		
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Month of \_\_\_\_\_

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**L** = Lunge      **HW** = Hand Walk    **SR**=Stall Rest    **P** = Ponied      **WU** = Warm-Up      **S** = Swim      **TO** = Turn Out  
**O** = Off        **SP** = Showmanship Practice    **T** = Tied Up      **G** = Groom (bathing; brushing; neck sweating; etc.)

**HORSE DIVISION**

**ENTRY DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 2, 2016**

**ENTRY FEE: \$20.00**

COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN: Duane Dudensing

COMMITTEE VICE CHAIRMAN: Susan Rice

COMMITTEE: Aaron Brandt, Dr. Ted Lamp, Terri Lamp, Kim Morgan, Matlock Rice, Leigh Ann Schulz, and Kevin Wingo

The purpose of the Austin County Fair Horse Division is to provide 4-H and FFA members an opportunity:

1. To set personal goals,
2. To show one's pride in himself/herself and his/her horse,
3. To work together as a team with other project members,
4. To demonstrate good sportsmanship, self discipline and responsibility for his/her horse's care,
5. To learn and apply sound nutritional, hoof, health and record keeping practices,
6. To provide a continuing program for exercise, fitness and conditioning, and
7. To instill a knowledge of proper grooming and handling of a horse to assure each horse will reach it's ultimate growth potential.

Exhibitors will also demonstrate knowledge of showmanship and maneuvering the colt over/through obstacles in order to exhibit the horse to its best advantage.

Classes, which will be offered at the Fair, will be:

Performance Yearling Filly at Halter

Performance Yearling Gelding at Halter

Non-Sale Performance Yearlings (if appropriate)

Showmanship at Halter 8-10 (age as of Oct. 6, 2016)

Showmanship at Halter 11-13(age as of Oct. 6, 2016)

Showmanship at Halter 14-18(age as of Oct. 6, 2016)

**Exhibitors must attend six (6) mandatory evaluations and clinics on April 4 (Monday), May 2 (Monday), June 6 (Monday), August 6 (Saturday), August 20 (Saturday – 4-H Parent Leader Showmanship Show) and October 4 (Tuesday).** The committee will allow one (1) early evaluation with the prior approval of the Committee Chairman. The project also offers several additional clinics throughout the project. The dates for the additional clinics are TBA.

ALL MEETING TIME(S)/LOCATION(S) ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE HORSE DIVISION COMMITTEE. IF THERE IS A CHANGE, ALL HORSE DIVISION EXHIBITORS WILL BE NOTIFIED BY EMAIL AND/OR A REMIND MESSAGE. PLEASE BE SURE YOUR EMAIL IS CURRENT WITH THE HORSE DIVISION COMMITTEE AND CHECK YOUR EMAIL/REMIND MESSAGE ON A REGULAR BASIS.

\*\*\*If there are two (2) horses or less in a class, the project reserves the right to combine classes.

\*\*\*All exhibitors and their horses should participate in Showmanship Class. The Showmanship exhibitor must be the owner of record.

\*\*\*To exhibit in the Austin County 4-H Showmanship Contest on Saturday, August 20, 2016, exhibitors must have attended five (5) project meetings (four (4) mandatory evaluations and at least one (1) of the other additional meetings that are offered by the Colt Project). Exhibitors are required to write thank you notes to the 4-H Parent Leaders Association for prizes won.

\*\*\*If a colt is permanently injured or dies before the second mandatory weigh-in, a substitute colt will be accepted for exhibition. This acceptance will be based upon a decision by the project committee and a vet chosen by the committee. This vet will check the colt for verification of permanent disability, which would prevent the colt from being shown or sold at that year's fair.

\*\*\*All equine entries are subject to the General Rules and Regulations of the Austin County Fair and to the rules governing the Youth Auction Sale.

### **2016 RULES AND REGULATIONS**

1. It is mandatory that a gelding or filly from the performance horse bloodlines be chosen. The Austin County Colt Project will exhibit colts from the performance/stock horse lineage with qualities that preserve the working American Quarter Horse type (AQHA or APHA). Exhibitors will select well-mannered individuals in the order of their resemblance to the breed ideal and that are the most positive combination of balance, structural correctness (straight legs), and movement with appropriate breed and sex characteristics and adequate muscling. Colts will be judged on quiet-mindedness and willingness to perform for the exhibitor, as well as his capability to be a good riding horse. The judge will give preference to colts with conformation, structure, balance and quality of movement that is related to the colt's ability to perform under saddle, and who also display a quiet-minded, willing attitude. This class will be judged as a Performance Horse Halter Class.

2. There will be no substitutions after the 1st required evaluation except in the case of the colt's death or permanent injury before the 2nd mandatory weigh-in as explained above. Each horse must be

eligible to be shown in a show approved by its own breed association. All stud colts must be gelded by the 2nd mandatory weigh-in/evaluation on Monday, June 6, 2016.

3. All horses in the Austin County Fair Colt Show and Sale must have been fed and cared for by the exhibitor in an approved location for the duration of the project. Daily care, fitting and handling of the horses will be limited to the exhibitor and his/her immediate family members classified as a person living in the same household. If notified, the Austin County Fair Colt Project Committee members, Austin County Extension Agents or Bellville, Brazos, Faith Academy or Sealy FFA/Ag Science teachers will be allowed to assist. Rules 20 and 21 in the General Rules and Regulations will be strictly enforced. If the exhibitor does not meet the qualification above, the exhibitor will be disqualified from the show and sale.

4. All colts/fillies must have **NEGATIVE HERDA test results prior to being checked in at the first weigh-in/evaluation on April 4, 2016.**

a. Fillies with a HERDA test result of either N/HRD or HRD/HRD are NOT eligible to be shown.

b. Colts/Geldings with a HERDA test result of HRD/HRD are NOT eligible to be shown. Additionally, if a colt/filly is a descendant of any halter-bred lineage, then he/she must also have a negative HYPP test result prior to being checked in on April 4, 2016. If HYPP is not labeled on the colt's registration papers, then the colt/filly must be tested for HYPP. Colts AND/OR fillies with a test result of HYPP H/H or HYPP N/H will NOT be eligible to be shown.

ACCEPTABLE Test Results for Eligibility:

SEX	TEST	RESULTS
Filly	HERDA	N/N
	HYPP	N/N
	Coggins	Negative
Colt/Gelding	HERDA	N/N or N/HRD
	HYPP	N/N
	Coggins	Negative

5. **A COPY OF A NEGATIVE COGGINS, HERDA RESULTS AND/OR NEGATIVE HYPP RESULTS and clearly documented proof of VEWT, Flu, Rhino, West Nile Virus and Rabies vaccinations MUST BE TURNED IN AT THE FIRST EVALUATION.** (We will provide a form for documenting the vaccines.)

AVAILABLE TO EXHIBITORS: At the first evaluation on April 4, 2016, we will administer vaccines to those colts that need them (first round...or booster if you have documentation of prior vaccinations). Vaccines will be given and documented by Dr. Lamp or other licensed veterinarian. We will also offer the booster vaccinations for those that need them at the second mandatory meeting on May 2, 2016. You will be responsible for reimbursing the colt project the cost of the vaccines. We will be purchasing these vaccines at vet's cost.

The copy of your COGGINS must be brought to each project meeting for every horse in your trailer. Strangles vaccines is highly recommended but not mandatory. Colts must have two (2) rounds of VEWT, Flu, Rhino, and West Nile Virus. (Strangles vaccine is optional; if giving it, there must be a second vaccine given). There should be 30 days between each vaccine dosage.

6. A ten (10) day Health Certificate and a current Negative Coggins are required for all horse entries and horses must be sound and in good health upon arrival at the Fairgrounds for the Fair.

7. Each 4-H or FFA member is limited to one (1) horse in each division. Divisions are Performance Yearlings at Halter and Non Sale Performance Yearlings at Halter. A 4-H or FFA member cannot show both a Performance Yearling at Halter and a Non-Sale Performance Yearling at Halter.

8. Exhibitor or immediate family member (same household) must own horse(s) on or before the horse's first required evaluation and must continue to own horse(s) throughout the project period.

**9. THE OFFICIAL HORSE PROJECT REGISTRATION AND FIRST MANDATORY WEIGH-IN AND EVALUATION FOR ALL EXHIBITORS AND YEARLINGS WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, APRIL 4, 2016 AT 6:00 P.M. AT RICE RANCH.** THERE WILL BE NO OTHER REGISTRATION DATE. Horses should be halter broken and manageable. A NEGATIVE COGGINS AND HERDA RESULTS AND/OR NEGATIVE HYPP RESULTS ARE REQUIRED; as well as, proof of VEWT, Flu, Rhino, West Nile Virus, and Rabies vaccinations. A COPY MUST BE TURNED IN TO THE PROJECT FOR ALL PROJECT HORSES AT THIS EVALUATION. (Copies of records showing the 2nd vaccine administration is due by the June 6, 2016 meeting.)

**10. THE SECOND MANDATORY MEETING FOR ALL EXHIBITORS AND YEARLINGS WILL BE HELD MONDAY, MAY 2, 2016 AT 7:00 P.M. AT RICE RANCH.** Horses must be halter broken, fit and easy to handle. Unfit or unmanageable horses will not be allowed to show at the Showmanship Show, nor at the October Show.

**11. THE THIRD MANDATORY WEIGH-IN AND EVALUATION FOR ALL EXHIBITORS AND YEARLINGS WILL BE HELD MONDAY, JUNE 6, 2016 AT 7:00 P.M. AT RICE RANCH.** There will be a workout with the horses, practicing handling and maneuvers.

**12. THE FOURTH MANDATORY MEETING FOR ALL EXHIBITORS AND YEARLINGS WILL BE HELD SATURDAY, AUGUST 6, 2016 AT 7:00 P.M. AT RICE RANCH.** THERE WILL ALSO BE A SHOWMANSHIP PRACTICE FOR ALL EXHIBITORS AND YEARLINGS AT THIS MEETING. MORE DETAILS WILL BE GIVEN AT A LATER DATE.

**13. THE FIFTH MANDATORY MEETING WILL BE HELD SATURDAY, AUGUST 20, 2016, AT 9:00 A.M.** THIS IS THE 4-H PARENT LEADERS SHOWMANSHIP SHOW. Details will be given at a later date. An optional obstacle course may be offered at the conclusion of the Showmanship classes.

**14. THE FINAL MANDATORY WEIGH-IN, CLINIC AND EVALUATION FOR ALL EXHIBITORS AND YEARLINGS WILL BE HELD AT RICE RANCH ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2016, AT 6:30 P.M.** At this meeting, a soundness exam will be administered by a licensed veterinarian appointed by the Colt Project

Committee. Our veterinarian may be assisted by a person that our veterinarian deems appropriate. Examination results must be acceptable for the horse to be exhibited and/or sold at the Fair.

15. If a substitute showman is needed to show a colt during the Fair due to an academic failure or a conflict with another show animal, the substitute must be chosen from the Colt Project exhibitors. Also, if a substitute is needed, he/she will only show the colt in the appropriate halter class. He/she will not show the colt in a showmanship.

16. Entry fee per horse exhibited will be payable at the time of sign-up through 4-H or FFA Club. Cards furnished by 4-H and/or FFA clubs must be turned in on each horse to be exhibited. In keeping with the Austin County Fair drug residue avoidance policy, exhibitors are required to pass the Quality Counts Verification test for entry into the 2016 Show. Entries will not be accepted without a verification code for each exhibitor.

The Quality Counts training and test can be found at <http://qualitycounts.tamu.edu/verification/>.

**ALL ENTRY CARDS, RELEASE & INDEMNITY FORM, W-9 AND APPLICABLE FEES ARE DUE IN THE FAIR OFFICE BY FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2016. (4-H Exhibitor's cards must be turned in to the Austin County Extension Office by Friday, August 19, 2016.)** Also, turn in a self-addressed stamped envelope with the entry card so that the list of buyers and add-on money donors can be mailed to the exhibitor after the Fair. Exhibitor will write thank you notes to the names on the list and turn in to the Fair Office by November 15, 2016. If not turned in, sale checks will not be issued. (These thank you notes are in addition to the thank you notes for donors that are turned in to the Colt Project at the Fair.)

**17. The show will be conducted according to AQHA rules and regulations where applicable, and will be judged as a Performance Horse Halter class by AQHA/APHA carded judges. Austin County Fair General Rules and Horse Project Rules take precedence over AQHA rules.**

**18. During the Fair, all horses are subject to blood, urine or saliva tests and re-evaluation conducted by a veterinarian and supervised by the Livestock Superintendent or the Committee Chairman before being administered by a veterinarian. All medications must be administered by a Fair veterinarian.**

**19. All horses must be shown free of a prohibited substance (medication) in accordance with AQHA rule 441(h), or forfeit its sales check and all other awards. Non-sale animals will forfeit all awards.** A prohibited substance is defined as any stimulate (Example: Epinephrine), depressant (Example: Demerol), tranquilizer (Example: Acepromazine), or local anesthetic (Example: Procaine), which may affect the performance of a horse, or any drug classified as a steroid. Also prohibited are any drugs, regardless how harmless or innocuous they might be, which may interfere with the detection of the aforementioned drugs. Such drugs are masking drugs. Some examples of masking drugs are as follows: Polyethylene glycol, Thiamin, Dipyrone, Furosamide, and other potent diuretics, Sulfa drugs, Benzimidazole Anthelmintics (wormer) and Isoxsuprie.

**19a. The Grand Champion Gelding and Filly, and Reserve Champion Gelding and Filly will be drug tested. One additional colt from each sale class will also be drug tested on the day of the show.**

**20. Horses must arrive at the fairgrounds on Wednesday, October 5, 2016, between 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 Noon, and may not leave until 11:00 a.m. on Sunday, October 9, 2016.** Exhibitors will unload in the alley between the cattle barn and the horse barn after entering the Fairgrounds through Gate 3. (Tack boxes, supplies and feed/hay must be unloaded on Monday, October 3, 2016; if not, they must be carted/carried in from Gate 3 parking lot.)

## **DIVISIONS**

### **YEARLINGS**

- 1. All yearling horses must be foaled between January 1st and December 31st of the preceding year. (Foaled during 2015)**
2. All yearling exhibitors are required to have registration papers showing exhibitors name or showing an immediate family member (same household) as owner.
3. A clear Xeroxed copy of registration papers must be turned in to Susan Young by the June weigh-in.
- 4. The Grand Champion and Reserve Champion mare and gelding in the Yearling division must sell in the Youth Auction Sale. The remaining number of colts to sell will be allocated and established each year by the Austin County Fair Youth Auction Committee. (Only a percentage of the colts/fillies will sell.....not all will sell. As with other animal exhibits, the selling percentage is determined by the Austin County Fair Youth Auction committee.)** If the exhibitor has another higher placing animal in the sale, the next placed horse of the same gender will move up to sell.
5. The winning horse in this division will be designated Grand Champion Performance Yearling Filly, Reserve Champion Performance Yearling Filly, Grand Champion Performance Yearling Gelding and Reserve Champion Performance Yearling Gelding.

### **YEARLING – NON-SALE DIVISION**

1. The rules for the non-sale yearlings are the same as the Sale Yearling division horses except the non-sale yearlings are not eligible for Grand or Reserve Champion nor are they eligible for the Youth Auction Sale.
2. A Xeroxed copy of registration papers must be turned in to Susan Young by the June evaluation.

### **RECORD BOOKS**

- 1. Each exhibitor is required to complete a record book.** The necessary criteria and forms will be distributed at the February 1, 2016, informational meeting. Records that need to be kept: expenses (feed, veterinary visits and supplies, barn supplies related to the colt, etc.), training log, shows attended (if any), etc. Pictures will not be included. Records should be recorded by each exhibitor. Recordkeeping will begin when the colt is bought, or if bought before February 1, 2016, and records are not available, recordkeeping should begin on February 1, 2016. Record books are due on October 3, 2016, unless notified otherwise.

### **STALL INFORMATION**

1. Stalls will be picked on Monday, September 26, 2016. Stalls will be determined by the number of meetings that each exhibitor attends during the year. This total will be based on the number of mandatory AND optional meetings that were attended. The exhibitors with the highest number of attended meetings will be able to draw first to pick their stall for the Fair. Each exhibitor or a family member must be in attendance to pick the stalls. For any exhibitor not in attendance when stalls are picked, a stall will be drawn for them from the remaining stalls.
2. Stall decorations must be completed no later than Monday, October 3, 2016.
3. No show boxes, feed, hay, etc. will be allowed to unload in the stall area after Monday, October 3, 2016. Items may be carted in from Gate 3 parking lot if needed.