

Sierra and Merle (HF White Lightning)

Hi, my name is Sierra Macdonald and this is my 7th year in 4-H as well as my second time in the Standardbred Project. I ride and compete in Eventing as well as jumping and have been a part of Pony Club for 6 years. My long-term goal is to compete in the Olympics in Eventing. As this year is my second year in this project and I know it is such a wonderful experience and training opportunity. I have enjoyed working with Merle this year, she has been an amazing challenge especially to see her come around. She may be a little weary sometimes but when you give her a chance to come through she has never let me down



Dayton and Gator (Ceia Lata Alagata)

Hi my name is Dayton Rickard, I am 14 years old and belong to the Telford 4H Multi Club. This is my 3rd year in 4H but my 1st year in the Standardbred Project. I look forward to learning about harness racing and how to do more work with horses on the ground. My Standardbred Project is Ceia Lata Alagata (Gator). I am very thankful to have Gator as my project for this year. He arrived in January and I am working on teaching him to pick up his feet, leading and being tied. I bring Gator in the barn every day so he can have his grain and minerals and practice his leading at a walk and trot. He loads on and off the trailer and is fine for trailer rides with or without other horses accompanying him. Gator has a very nice disposition and is very easy to work with, I always say he is a rock star. In the next few months I will be introducing him to being cross tied, bathed and clipped as well.



Madisen and "Maissa" (Queenoftheriver)

My name is Madisen Groves and I have been in Equestrian 4-H for the past five years. I ride both English and Western. My favorite past time is taking my 20-year-old Standardbred gelding out for a ride. This year I am a member of the Taber 4-H Roughriders and I am also a member of the TNT 4-H Multi-club. This year I was privileged to participate in the Yearling Standardbred 4-H Project with my filly Queenoftheriver, whom I have nicknamed to Maissa. Maissa means shining one and is a star in the constellation of Orion. Maissa has challenged me and pushed me to become a better horseperson, she was a little shy and timid and did not want to be with people at first. But now, she loves to get scratches. I believe Maissa will do well at the races where she will be able to focus her energy on doing her job. It was a great honour and privilege to be able to participate in the Standardbred 4-H project this year.



Any 4-H member is welcome to join ASHA
for our next day at the track.

Deadline to sign up for the 2017-18 Standardbred Project is **Nov. 1, 2017!**
Talk to your 4-H Coordinator or call ASHA (403-263-7765) for more information.