

## **Always a Classic!**

In its 17<sup>th</sup> year of operation, Provincial 4-H Horse Classic was again a huge success. This year's event saw 60 enthusiastic light horse project members from 21 clubs throughout the province. New faces and clubs were a welcome addition to the event, which also had 30 volunteers on hand to help facilitate the program.

"Horse Classic gives 4-H members who are enthusiastic about the equine project a chance to show their knowledge. We are able to have three industry/project clinics during the program because of the generous support from the program sponsors, Penn West Exploration, ATB Financial, and Lammler's Tack and Western Wear. The programming at Horse Classic actively develops 4-H members skills by testing horse knowledge and working on team and individual activities," says Janet Kerr 4-H Specialist for East and West Central.

All members registered for the event are automatically entered in the hippology contest, which tested members' equine knowledge through four phases- quizzes, judging, identification stations and team problem.

Following the success of last year's Challenge Marketing competition, delegates again had the chance to prepare their materials in advance and pitch their product to a judging panel. The winner of this year's event was Monique Uittenbogerd from the Three Hills 4-H Wranglers.

Qualifying based on individual hippology points, the top four members to represent Alberta at the Western Regional 4-H Horse Classic in Denver, Colorado in January 2012 will be; Stacy Berry from Warden 4-H Light horse, Stephanie Kinee from Coaldale Equestrian, Jennifer Wrubleski from Lakedell 4-H Light horse and Cassandra Crick from Tees Wranglers. Lauren Hughes, and Emily Henschel will act as alternates.

For a full listing of Horse Classic 2011 results, please visit the Alberta 4-H website's News/Events section.

Presenting Partner for Horse Classic is Penn West Exploration; Partner Supporters are ATB Financial, Government of Alberta and Lammler's Western Wear and Tack, with Partner Host Olds College.