

2026 New England Carded Judges		
Connecticut		
Bennett	Karol	
Distefano	Rhealynn	
Groht	Margie	
Proulx	Corrine	Corrine Proulx has been actively involved in 4-H horse programs and brings valuable experience to the show ring as a judge. With a strong understanding of horsemanship, sportsmanship, and youth development, she evaluates exhibitors with fairness, consistency and attention to detail. Corrine is committed to upholding the 4-H standards while providing constructive feedback that encourages confidence, learning and growth in young riders.
Andrews	Dawn	
Paine	Ellen	I have been actively involved with 4-H from the age of 9 and working directly with horses since my early teens. My judging experience started in college as a member of the UCONN horse judging team. Expanding those skills during the summer breaks while teaching summer horse camp programs. Learning about all things horse continued as a coach for the Litchfield County 4-H horse judging team. Winning the state championships expanded the experiences to include the national 4-H horse judging contests. I have been an active horse show judge for more than 40 years, regularly attending the New England 4H-Horse Show Judges school since its inception. My pleasure is working with 4-H and small to medium open or combined 4-H shows where I have the opportunity to be part of a team to create a safe and positive learning experience for all participants. Shows I have judged included divisions for Western, English, Hunt seat, Minis, gymkhan, Fitting & Showing and more. I look forward to the chance to discuss your show, find out how I can be a positive part to the excitement.
Picard	Karen	
Ricciardone	Luke	
Tomanelli	Addison	
Zanolli	Mary Jo	
Guillemin	Josephine	
Joseph	Nicole	
Massachusetts		
Fultz	Donna	
Bonini	Sarah	

Golembeski	Amanda	
Wainscott	Kelli Marie	
Blomgren	Rose	Hello, My name is Rose Blomgren. As a New England 4-H Carded B Judge, I am proud to be an active and engaged member of the 4-H community that helped shape me. An alumna of 4-H, I grew up showing my own horse projects and learning firsthand the pride, hard work, and passion that go into every class. Those early experiences in and out of the ring laid the foundation for the leader and judge I am today, and they continue to inspire my commitment to giving back. I have been judging for over six years, bringing experience from small 4-H schooling shows to larger open shows throughout New England. I pride myself on being efficient, organized, and mindful of keeping a show moving smoothly while maintaining fairness and professionalism. Just as importantly, I strive to provide thoughtful, constructive feedback that allows exhibitors to grow, build confidence, and continue developing their horsemanship skills. Deeply committed to expanding my knowledge base and continuing my education, I approach every opportunity with a desire to learn, grow, and uphold the 4-H motto, "To Make the Best Better." My goal is to provide youth with positive, educational experiences that foster growth, enhance horsemanship skills, and create lifelong memories. Above all, I hope to inspire young exhibitors to remain involved in 4-H long after they age out—returning as alumni, leaders, and mentors—just as I have, dedicated to ensuring the next generation thrives both in and out of the ring.
Brown	Karen Tracy	
Lalli	Melissa	
Massoni-Facto	Brie Anna	
Damon	Erica	
McEachern	Sarah	
ONeill	Caitlin	
Robinson	Caitlin	
Curry	Caitlin	I am a novice carded judge, working on continuing to grow my judging experience. I grew up as a 4-Her and am familiar with the operations of 4-H shows, and as a competitor myself I have shown both locally and rated in 4-H, hunt seat, dressage, and ranch riding, as well as Arabian breed shows. I use my experiences, combined with judging training, to inform my judging. My priority when judging is to make sure that competitors are able to learn and grow, while having a good time

Farnham	Tracy	Tracy Farnham(Umass B.A. 85 and M. Ed 91) According to her mother, "horse was the first word she ever said". Horse crazy doesn't even begin to cover her desire to eat, sleep, dream. Think, read and pretend to be a horse when she wasn't riding one. Early riding lessons were with Mr. Jophn Moffet, the director of the Equestrian Program at Mount Holyoke College. Lessons with Mr. Moffet revolved around the sheer joy and sometimes terror, of riding across fields, up and down steep hills, across streams, and over natural obstacles all at a breakneck pace on a barely broke OTTB's. Growing up just down the road from a dairy farm led her to find a horse & pony in with the cows and a kind farmer who allowed her to do "whatever" she liked. The horse, named Lady, eventually became hers and they spent hours exploring the mountains and trails around town and even sometimes right through it to get to a local 4-H horse show. Growing up in times when people knew how to navigate an encounter with a horse on the road and an absolutely bombproof mount are gifts and memories she treasures from her childhood. High School riding years also included showing Morgan Horses Saddleseat & Western for a generous local breeder and formed a lifelong love of the Morgan breed that continues to this day. College years brought Tracy to UMass, Amherst where her lessons with world class instructors and riding on the IHSA Team while studying Equine Management, formed her desire to pursue teaching riding and running a farm in the future. As a team member Tracy went to Nationals 3 out of 4 years and a position as Co-Captain and coach for 2. During that time she was also fortunate to intern in Westchester County NY under famous Grand Prix riders Barney Ward (McClain Ward's father) Anthony D'Ambrosio (world high jump record holder at 7'7 1/2" a record that still stands today) and a cherished winter in Southern Pines NC learning the ins and outs of Fox Hunting and taking care of Albany the 1983 American Grand Prix Assoc. Horse of the year and Olympic Gold Medal winner for his rider Leslie Burr. These experiences brought Tracy to many roles in the horse world including owning and running two boarding and riding stables, judging local shows, coaching the Amherst College Equestrian Team for 15 years, the Hampshire College Equestrian Team for 5 years and Assistant Coaching the UMass Equestrian Team for 5 years. Tracy also started and coached the Middle & High School IEA teams for Muddy Brook Farm in Amherst MA. Discovering that the tough choices of being a full-time farm owner was too much along with starting a family, Tracy turned to a full time career as a High School English Teacher, a passion she has pursued for thirty years. During those years Tracy has coached winning riders of all ages in to the show ring but her concentration now lies in taking time to lay a foundation of correctness, softness and acceptance in the horse with a
Looney	Caitlin	
Zawalski	Zackery	
Maine		
MacDonald	Robert	

Johnson-Trafton	Sherrye	Sherrye A dedicated equestrian professional with over 40 years of equine experience. Sherrye started early with her love of horses through the Bonny Brook 4-H Club, Brunswick, Maine and earned her 4-H pin. Sherrye has opened her facility-Sable Oak Equestrian Center each year since 2022 for the Midcoast Literacy Project which brings local youth with reading and literacy issues to an outdoor environment with a chance to ride a horse (under supervision) and choose books on Horses. Sherrye is a strong believer in the concept of paying it forward and has continued for decades to support all youth by mentoring and providing education and development at Sable Oak Equestrian Center, Brunswick Maine. Many students have stated in 4-H earning Championships at the Indiana State Fair, Illinois State Fair, & Eastern States 4-H (showmanship & horsemanship), She has hauled many youth to top ten, top five Top three plus a Reserve Championship at the QH Congress. Sherrye has also hauled 3 students to AQHA Justin Rookie Nationals titles in the 12-14 year youth., 15-18 Youth and Select 50 and over. Sherrye's professional life has centered around the development of horses & riders including herself. A AQHA World qualifier-Halter 9 mares, Stallions, Geldings) Trail, Western Pleasure, Hunter Under Saddle and Western Riding (finalist) she has also earned a Reserve World Grand Championship at the Tennessee Walking Horse Celebration, and has won Gypsy Horse Registry Association Multiple World Championships. Sherrye a 1985 University of Findley Deans list graduate-Pre Vet Med/Equine Sciences. She made the collegiate judging team placing 2nd at the AQHA Congress and 5th at the AQHA World Show. After graduation while working at McCormick Farms Inc. Sherrye earned a AJA (American Judging Assoc.) all discipline Horse Show judges card through the University of Champaign/Urbana, IL. After working (breeding, showing, judging) in Indiana for 7 years Sherrye & husband moved back to Maine. In 1991 Sherrye & John built Sable Oak Equestrian Center and now Sherrye currently serves as a AQHA National Director (3 years) & AQHA National Youth Committee member (15 years) 1st Vice President of MeQHA, R6 Board Of Directors. A life member of NSBA, AQHA, & MeQHA she has served as a NRHA & AQHA Show /Steward and currently judges cards for AQHA All Around & VRH
Thornton	Molly	
Thornton	Sherri	
Miller	Caitlin	
New Hampshire		
Danforth Keyser	Lindsy	For nearly two decades as a 4-H and Open Horse Show Judge, I strive to continually learn and evolve as a professional to better the horsemanship in each ring I step into. I specialize in judging 4-H and open horse shows with western, hunt seat, ranch pattern, pleasure, showmanship and other classes.

Hackett	Ray	Ray Hackett is carded as an A rated New England 4-H, OHSA ,& ATOA (American Tobiano/Overo Assoc.) with over 45 years of wxperience with numerous local,county, state, & Eastern States competitions. He was a member of the Salem Silver Spurs, Atkins Chaps n' Breeches (NH 4-H clubs) & ran Plaistow Snappy Striders. Ray is a MA licensed instructor, accomplishedmulti-discipline showman in all winning numerous year-end championships; healing horsemanship clinician and published freelance writer. Ray had been featured in: the Boston Globe,"Horse Sensr Redefined," by SusanChaityn Lebovits, May 25,02008; WCVB Channel 5's Chronical "Horses" July 23, 2009; filmed by ABRI (Animal Behavoir Research Institute) as well as Boston.com in 2012; Oats News,com by Annemarie Field " Ray HackettHealing Horses (And Their Owners) Nov 2013:protagonist in documentary film "Back Roads USA" by Katia Esson show in France, Germany & the USA in 2013
McGowen	Natalie	
O'Neil	Tom	
Gelinas	Jo	
Lamarche	Linda	
Barry	Allison	
Morin	Christina	Christina Morin is a Skilled B New England 4-H caded horse show judge & steward with a lifetime of equine experience. A proud 4-H project alumna, she has judges a wide range of 4-H and open horse shows throughout New England and is dedicated to providing fair, knowledgable, & encouraging evaluations. Christina brings extensive personal show experience across multipul disciplines, includinf Saddle Seat, Western, Hunt Seat, Versitle Horse & Rider Challenges, Hunter Paces, & Eventing. Her well rou clinnded background allows her to evaluate competitors with both technical insight & practical understanding. She isthe owner operator of Gale Force Kennel & Stable. In addition to judging & competing Christina enjoys teaching clinics & continually expanding her extpertise through ongoing professional development oportunites,
New York		
Voehringer	Linda	
Nichols	Missy	
Betros	Kim	
Thrasher	Catherine	
Rhode Island		
Stone	Beth	

Pepin	Camille	I have shown Appaloosa, Quarter Horses & Morgan's for 35 years. I competed in Western, English Hunt, Saddle Seat & Driving with my Appaloosa horses. I won several year-end awards in Western Equitation from the age of 13 until the age of 20, and many Saddle Seat & Western Pleasure Championships sponsored by the New England Horsemen's Council (NEHC) and the Rhode Island Horsemen's Council. In 1984 I was awarded Reserve Champion for the Appaloosa division by USEF. I showed Morgans at the World Show in Oklahoma & I showed my Appaloosa at the Can-Am International Appaloosa Show in Canada. Even today I try to ride daily with my Morgan Horse. From 1977 to 1984 I taught riding to about 20 riders of different abilities and then began judging horse shows. Today I have 5 judges cards--The New England Horsemen's Council Western card and the English card. East Coast Ranch Riding and I am a Skilled A Judge for 4-H of New England and a judge of Open Horse Show Association. I was a Pony of America Judge for 27 years. I have been judging horse shows for about 40 years. Nearly every year I have an average of 15 to 20 horse shows a season to judge. I have judged open shows, 4-H shows, and breed shows throughout the New England states and New York, New Jersey, and Maryland. I also judge the POA International Show in Maryland. I am on the Board of Directors of the New England Horsemen's Council and the Rhode Island Horsemen's Council. For the past 15 years I have been Chairman of the NEHC Western Seat Medal Finals that are held at the Big E grounds in Springfield, MA where exhibitors compete for a college scholarship. Chairman of the NEHC Hunt Seat Pleasure Medal. During the winters I conduct clinics on Western Equitation and Showmanship to sharpen the skills of the riders for the upcoming season. In 2024 I acquired a 5 year old Morgan horse. I am currently participating in Western events at the Morgan horse show with this horse. My full time employment is at Pepin Lumber a family owned business that has been in existence for 78 years. I am also a part time Pastoral Care Coordinator of 2 local hospitals with 12 pastoral care volunteers who provide service 7 days a week.
Cugini	Alicia	
Vermont		

Danforth	Deborah	Deb Danforth, Chairperson of the New England 4-H Horse Show Rules & Judge Education Program, has been involved with horses for over 50 years as a 4-H Alumni, exhibitor, breeder, teacher, coach, 4-H leader & judge. She has taught Horse Judging at the college level and was the coach of the Vermont 4-H Horse Judging Team for 19 years. She has coached and trained multiple youth to both Showmanship and Equitation Championships, including a national queen title. As a breeder and exhibitor, her horses have won countless year end awards in a wide variety of classes with several organizations. She actively competes in Halter, Hunt Seat, Western and Ranch classes with her Appaloosa gelding. She has been judging open shows for over 45 years and enjoys mentoring young judges and working with youth-teaching, training, coaching and sharing the passion of horses.
Adams	Julia	
White	Bethany	Bethany White is a career judge with 20 years on the job. She has judged approximately 300 shows from the local, 4-H to national and world levels. She is known for being reliable, fair , prompt, ethical, prepared and well dressed. Bethany has been an instructor for over 25 years and was a professional rider. She was the manager/trainer for a Morgan breeding farm, was one of the first people in the Northeast to train and show Gypsies, trained and sold field hunters, and trained numerous stallions. Her competition history ranges from hunters, jumpers, combined training, and dressage to western pleasure and equitation, western dressage, and barrel racing. She has been a clinician and speaker of a number of expos, seminars and dinners in numerous states. Bethany enjoys judging all kinds of shows, but particularly enjoys youth shows and shows that encourage the judge to give feedback. She is a carded mule judge and loves judging Donkeys & Mules. She holds the following cards ATOA, AMA, ECRRA, POAC, OHSA3, NE 4-H. Bethany is also head of the ATOA Judging committee and founder of the Open Horse Show Judging Seminar of Vermont.
Bachmann-Lertola	Jessica	
Lacroix	Emily	
Switser	Patricia	