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Cal Poly Students’ Annual Performance and Ranch Horse Sale is Aug. 28

SAN LUIS OBISPO – Cal Poly students will hold the annual Performance and Ranch Horse Sale on Saturday, Aug. 28.

Fifteen Cal Poly students have spent several months training 22 young Quarter Horses and Appaloosas to get them ready for the sale. Pictures, pedigrees and descriptions of each horse are available on the Ranch Horse web site at www.ranchhorse.calpoly.edu.

The event takes place at the Horse Unit arena on campus at the west end of Via Carta. It begins at noon with a barbecue lunch for prospective buyers. Horses will be previewed at 1 p.m. and the sale begins at 2:30 p.m.
For details on the sale, contact student Alyssa Conly at aconly@calpoly.edu.

The horse sale is one of many "enterprise projects" in the College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences. Students spend their time raising everything from horses to sheep to tomatoes to poinsettias, and making everything from jam to chocolate to honey under the supervision of a faculty advisor.

Proceeds from the sale of the animals and products they produce and sell are used to fund the next year's enterprise projects. The students receive class credit and gain real world business experience working on the projects.

The enterprise projects are an example of Cal Poly's hands-on, learn by doing tradition.

See photo gallery of students working the horses in August.

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