LANCASTER - The September meeting of the Lancaster County Boots and Saddles 4-H Horse and Pony Club was held at the home of Bud Spahn. Three junior members gave demonstration speeches: Bud Spahn on "What to Look for When Buying a Horse"; and Nadine Brown and Heather Howery on "Care of The Saddle.'

Don Fisher, a local blacksmith, was guest speaker. He talked about properly trimming and shoeing horses' feet and showed how conformation faults can be corrected by

proper shoeing. He ended his demonstration by trimming the feet of a yearling filly. The 4-H members had a lot of questions for Fisher.

Club members who competed at the District Horse Show were recognized. Three members qualified for the state competition by their placement at the district show: Karen Eberly, first place in Pole Bending; Kris Bach, first place in Junior Western Equitation; and Jason Watts, second place in Pony Pleasure.

Three new members from

Lancaster were introduced. They are Karen Waltman, Carolyn Peterson, and Paige Schmich.

Future activities include the club's annual trail ride on October 25 and 26 at Valley Lea. Also, a Family Fun Show will be held on October 19 at the Fellenbaum Farm. Most of the classes planned are fun and games but a few equitation classes are scheduled.

The next meeting will be a costumed Halloween Party on October 31 at the home of club member Sharon Snyder.



Miles per cord (mpc) may be a new automotive operational efficiency term if Morton Fry, of the Morton S. Fry Nursery, Ephrata Township, Lancaster County, has his wav.

The Fry nursery operation this week unveiled a new avenue of research in its program to increase utilization of Hybrid Poplars as a source of energy. A wood gasification unit has been installed on a 1967 Ford pickup and is being used to power the vehicle.

The unit includes a gasifier, two filters, cooler and wood chips for combustion. Carburation of the truck was changed.

Primary use for such units, according to Fry, would be generation of electricity for climatecontrolled livestock confinement, buildings.

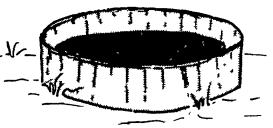


the standby source of electricity.

Here, Fry is shown

Then, the utility could be under hood of truck and framed between components of wood gasification unit.

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