## Western Riding Club

### Royalty Contest

Welcome to the Western Riding Club! Founded in 1941, , our club purpose is to: "inculcate and develop good horsemanship, cooperation with other riding clubs, love of horses, maintain and perpetuate the Spirit of the West, and promote and improve breeding of good saddle stock."

Your membership and participation in the WRC and our Royalty Court will be a rewarding experience for you and your family.

We have a number of annual club functions, community and public events you will be required to attend. Royalty must always be prepared to make an appearance for club events; as club members you must also be ready for unexpected opportunities to represent Western Riding Club in your everyday life. You are ALWAYS representatives of our club and membership. So your behavior must always reflect a positive attitude and respectful demeanor. This is true also for your parents, they must also be aware of their behavior and actions both in word and action.

The Western Riding Club Queen and her Court will be charged with the solemn duty of representing our club to the Boise equine community at large; with numerous opportunities to reach the Treasure Valley and the State of Idaho. These appearances may or may not require you to be mounted. It is important that you have a horse that is always available to you without exception that that horse is able to buzz an arena, participate in parades, carry flags and other mounted activities. Our goal is ALWAYS to promote the Western Riding Club!! We are a local riding club and will take every opportunity to promote our club here in the treasure valley!!

Our Queen and Queen Mother with direction from the coordinator will be in charge of setting our parade and event schedule as well as our official dress. Please remember the coordinator always has final say. If any event can be attended by only 1 member of the court they MUST receive special permission from the coordinator BEFORE attendance is made. There will be no exceptions given to this rule.

The trail to "maintain and perpetuate the Spirit of the West" is inviting you to a world steeped as deeply in Western Tradition as you choose to discover it. We invite you to join us in preserving the "Spirit of the West."

# Saddle up!



# Western Riding Club Royalty Calendar

The attached calendar has a number of dates proposed for the coming year. There will be additional opportunities throughout your reign to appear at other clubs, organizations, and numerous public and private events. Your priority will be promoting and participating in Western Riding Club events. Your participation in this contest means that you and your family agree to commit your time and energy for one year to the Western Riding Club. Join us to help preserve and promote the Western lifestyle and culture. You may be the next generation of lifetime members.

During the next twelve months, the time of the Queen, Junior Queen, and Mini Queen will be heavily committed, and you may face many scheduling conflicts during your contract period we believe your commitment to this club comes first. Our expectation is that you will attend all required monthly meetings ready and prepared to give your report or presentation to the club members about the activities of your previous month as well as upcoming events.

You will participate in at least two additional meetings, events or activities each month. These requirements will be set with your coordinator. There may be more than 2 so please keep that in mind.

Queens must lead a wholesome lifestyle both in their public and private lives. Your behavior in all areas of your life will be a reflection on the Western Riding Club. You are expected to be polite, kind, respectful, informed and professional. Always be prepared to share information about the club and our upcoming events. Your social media accounts will be scrutinized and monitored by your coordinator and you must allow her access to them, ie friends on facebook. She will have ultimate say over the content of any page that is viewable by the public.

You and your family will be responsible to ensure you arrive at required appearances on time or early, immediately ready and appropriately dressed to represent the Western Riding Club both in appearance and demeanor. Ultimate wardrobe decisions will be judged appropriate by coordinator. If you have a concern please contact her before you leave for your appearance. Fashion forward clothing will be acceptable for most events with hat, crown, boots and sash.

The following calendar is intended as a draft and may alter and adjust throughout the year. It is meant as a guide; dates, times, and events may change when discussed and final plans set at meetings; you must be capable of adapting gracefully to altering plans both within and without the club.

# Western Riding Club Royalty

## Annual Plan of Meetings and Events

<u>Month</u>	Business Agenda	<u>Program</u>	<u>Recreation</u>	Community Service	<u>Special Events</u>
April	Meeting	Expo Required	Practice patterns for contest	Clean up out at the club in prep for contest	Egg Hunt we host Expo
May	Meeting, contest	Learn Duties	Parade of America	Clean up for contest	Parade America
June	Meeting	Intro of new Queens Report/ scrap book	Rodeo	Eagle rodeo  Meridian rodeo  Idaho city rodeo	Rodeos
July	Meeting	Report/ scrap book	Rodeo	Vets SRS rodeo	Parades rodeos
August	Meeting	Report/ scrap book	Rodeo	Fair	Rodeos
September	Meeting	Report/ scrap book	Rodeo	Indoor cleaning	Labor Day Club work day?
October	Meeting Poker Ride	Report/ scrap book	ICA Finals	Ica finals	Black Tie event
November	Meeting	Report/ scrap book	Indoor Projects	Vets	Tk hunt Holiday parade
December	Meeting	Report/ scrap book	Christmas	Family/food bank Vets	Holiday parades
2016 January	Meeting Plan for next contest	Report/ scrap book	Indoor projects	Val for Vets	Contest planning
February	Meeting	Report/ scrap book	Indoor Projects	Go to Vet home	Contest planning
March	Meeting	Report/ scrap book	Indoor Projects	Break	Contest planning
April	Meeting	Report/ scrap book	Parade Practice	Indoor cleaning	Easter egg hunt we host
May	Meeting	Learn Duties	Parade of Am	Parade America	Parade America



Royalty Application Form

Name				
Address				
Parents Name				
Parents Phone/Your Phone				
Your Date of Birth limited to age of 21 years old by Jan 1 <sup>st</sup> , for that year				
Title or position you are applying for and your age.	16-21	12-15	up to 11	
ioi ana your age.	Queen Queen		Junior Queen Mini	

## **EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION**

A representative of the Western Riding Club may have appearances or attend activities when not all the family is present. Please list at least two emergency contact numbers in the event you have a medical or other emergency.

Name	Number	Relationship
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VETERINARIAN & FARRIER	NUMBER	Any medical history of horse; rider info like allergies, bee stings etc.
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Word		
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Place		
Dessert		

Movie	
Song	
Horse	
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And why	
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City	
State	
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Contacts for these title	es:
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Tell us about any offic	es you have held in any club or school setting:
Tell us about yourself:	
Why do you want to re	epresent Western Riding Club:

Tell us about your horse:
Tell us about your family:
Tell us what is the Spit of The West to you:
Personal References:
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## Western Riding Club Royalty Contest

Our Royalty contest will consist of Modeling, Speech, Impromptu, Interview and Horsemanship, Photogenic and Personality.

Age category for SR Queen is 16 to 21, Junior Queen age 12 to 15 and Mini Queen is 11 and under.

There will be opportunities to ride in the arena prior to the contest. Arena riding schedule for May will be available at our booth during Idaho Horse Expo and may be arranged with your sponsor.

**Contest Attire**: Modeling, speech, horsemanship, interview, and impromptu is a western outfit of your choice. Head shots must be western style including a hat and turned in with your application in 8X10 format, in color please.

You will need to bring a centerpiece to the contest that you feel represents The Spirit of The West and Western Riding Club! These will be auctioned off before coronation. This is a MAJOR fundraiser for our girls to get down the road for the year so PLEASE invite ALL your friends a family to this event and have them bring their check books!!! Time for coronation will be announced closer to contest. It will be same day as the contest just that evening. There will be refreshments available for guests.

**The speech topic:** is **How am I a Women of the West** for Sr Queen, **What is the Spirit of the West** for Jr Queens and Mini will be **How I show the Spirit of the West**. You much give a speech, no props. Time limit for speech is 3 to 5 minutes. The judges will ask questions at the end of your presentation which is not included in your time. Be prepared to answer questions on Western Riding Club, rodeo knowledge, and current events. You never know what they might ask!!

## **APPLICATION DEADLINE:**

May meeting, at end of the meeting.

May 6th 2017 at 730pm, is the meeting date.

Please remember that you and your family must be members of Western Riding Club BEFORE you can turn in your application.

Return completed applications to:

Paulette Henderson

8966 S Greenhurst Rd

Kuna, Id 83634

208-629-6817

You may turn in your application in person by calling Paulette.

## Western Riding Club Waiver of Liability

In consideration of my application being accepted (and my helpers and myself being permitted to engage in the above event shall, without further notice, be deemed and accepted thereof, I hereby for myself and my executors, administrators, assignees, and my helpers, agree to abide, and that they shall abide by all the rules and regulations pertaining to the event, and I and they will assume all liability and responsibility for any loss, accident or injury whether as to property of persons, arising in any way out of the operations or activities of your committee or management, in the event of any performance or parade, or while in or about the premises of where the Western Riding Club holds its activities. As for the consideration, I further agree to indemnify your committee and management from and against any loss or damage sustained by you by reason of any claim of any photographs that may be taken to the management for their further uses. I further certify that I am said age as shown on the form. I hereby certify that I have never been married, had a marriage annulled or have had a child out of wedlock. I am not married now and will remain unmarried during my reign. The undersigned have read the foregoing release carefully and fully understand the meaning and effect of the same.

Parent or Legal Guardian

Date:

Date:

Date:

Applicant Signature

If contestant is under the age of 18

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Royalty Contest
 _Completed application
 _Completed Waiver
 _8 X 10 Photo
 _Signed acknowledgment of Duties
 Proof of good standing with Western Riding Club.

#### Western Riding Club Royalty

#### **DUTIES** to include but are not limited to:

- 1. You and your family must be and remain members in good-standing and participate actively with Western Riding Club.
- 2. You MUST have a horse and trailer in order to participate in the competition. Many of the activities require you to have a horse and transportation in order to buzz, carry flags and participate in other outside activities.
- 3. The current *Queen's mother* will be responsible for entry forms for each parade, rodeo or guest appearance. Parades typically are one parade per month from May through August (some months there may be more than one), as well as the Meridian & Boise Christmas Parades. Parades usually occur on Saturdays with the exception being the Meridian Dairy days Parade which historically occurs on a Friday evening. When riding in the parades you all are expected to wear your parade matching royalty attire with your matching breast collar and headstall. If you are buzzing at rodeos or appearing at special functions you do not have to match. If you are unclear what you should wear, don't assume: "ASK!"
- 4. Failure to appear or being late without permission from the royalty coordinator may result in suspension of the individual's title as well as all prizes, tiaras, sashes, & trophies, tack, and serapes that were provided by the Club.
- 5. All royalty will be required to help with the club fund-raising activities. Royalty will also have royalty fund-raising opportunities for your expenses and for the following years' competition as directed and arranged with the Royalty coordinator.
- 6. Royalty court and families shall assist in club activities as directed by the Royalty Chair:
  - a. Helping with the club Turkey Hunt, Christmas Party & Easter Egg Hunt. Support and/or host, prepare, entertainment/education, inviting guests and making guests feel welcome.
  - b. Horse Expo booth Support Club on theme, staffing, decorating, presenting and especially with the Club annual fund-raising campaigns. Recruiting potential members and life-time members.
  - c. Cook shack as needed at WRC events, fundraising, trail rides, overnight rides.
  - d. Annual field Meets/trail rides
  - e. Other responsibilities and activities as needed to support WRC and as directed by the Royalty Chair.
- 7. Participate in at least two documented community service activities per month, ie: during a rodeo, help with ushering; a school activity, a volunteer project at a hospital, Luminous Lantern parade at Idaho

State VA Hospital, toy deliveries to children in need at the hospital during the Christmas time, keep kids warm, Personal Ponies of Idaho and the Annual Down Syndrome, any number of activities. Some may be on your own.

- 8. A memory photo book (we recommend purchasing a 3" 3 ring binder with view windows on front and back cover.) will be kept and displayed in foyer at each monthly meeting; additionally, you will prepare & give a 3 5 minute verbal report on the previous month activities as well as any upcoming plans. It is suggested that every invitation received to make a presentation ride as visiting royalty at various rodeos or field meets is accepted. Always take your crown and sash if you attend any play days or rodeos, banquets or contests. You may have the opportunity to be introduced make sure you are prepared. Always have your tear off sheets ready. Tear off sheets are at the family's expense.
- 9. Stampede You will have opportunity to participate in autograph sessions with many other courts at all manner of events from rodeo to rides, including the Stampede post-rodeo autograph sessions with Miss Rodeo Idaho which will be coordinated through your Royalty Director. You will also have the opportunity to attend Miss Rodeo Idaho and a number of other royalty court events if you so choose. Queen Mother's and Director will co-coordinate several events both on and off-site of the WRC facility.
- 10. Conclusion of the contest and awards presentation does not conclude your requirement to actively participate in club events as a member of WRC. All contestants and their families are encouraged to participate in our pursuit to maintain and perpetuate the Spirit of West.
- 11. Contestants and new titleholders must remain at the WRC after the conclusion of the contest. Thank you notes will be written and signed by all participants before they or their families may leave the grounds. The new Queen mother will be responsible to ensure all thank you notes are signed and deposited in the mail.
- 12. New title holders will receive a number of WRC Royalty traveling inventory items ie tiara, serapes, saddle bouquets, and various other items that must be returned at the end of each reign in clean, ready to use condition. Each family will be supplied with an itemized list of traveling awards that must be returned prior to the next contest and the requirements for their condition upon return. Fees or cost assessments shall be imposed if the requirement to maintain the traveling WRC Royalty items in good, clean, ready to use condition is not met or for necessary replacement cost for excessive wear & tear. Your tack bucket must be returned and filled by the outgoing titleholders and their families. All items will be returned to WRC just following your final appearance in April.
- 13. You are required to attend each regular monthly meeting of the WRC in full Royalty attire and will be prepared to assist club officers and members if requested. You must be at the clubhouse 1/2 hour prior to the meeting start to meet with your Royalty Chair and update on any upcoming events.
- 14. All appearances as WRC Royalty are important, especially your first appearance at the regular monthly club meeting following the contest. You will be required to introduce yourself give your speech. You will also give an outline of your goals for the coming year during your reign.
- 15. Royalty will attend each regular monthly meeting to briefly present/report on their previous month activities and upcoming plans. Always be prepared to answer questions about your activities. You must always present yourself in a kind and professional manner when wearing your banner and crown; this is a good idea even if not under crown and banner; and especially with your family members.
- 16. You will remain in regular contact with the Royalty Chair and if you have any questions: Call. You must return all calls or texts within 24 hrs or sooner. Communication is the most important thing to having a great year.

- 17. Near the end of your reign, you may want to purchase your crown. You must notify your Royalty Chair by January meeting and pay for same when it arrives.
- 18. Outgoing Royalty and families are required solicit donations from 2 businesses to support the upcoming contest. You will help get the contest ready and to recruit new members and contestants. You also need to provide gifts for outgoing and incoming courts.
- 19. Provide coordinator with a calendar of days that you are not available to attend events. Please remember our expectations is that you are making WRC the priority for the length of your reign.
- 20. Poor attitude or difficult behavior may lead to removal of title, suspension of activities and appearances, and other consequences. These decisions are made solely by the coordinator and her decision is final.
- 21. Activities are the financial responsibility of the Title Holder and her family. They will pay for own tear sheets, travel, cost to attend events, clothing and any other cost associated with holding the title. Some of these costs may be offset if court is willing to do fundraisers.

Signed and agreed this	day of, 20_			
Titleholder	Date	Royalty Chair	Date	
Parent Signature	 Date	Parent Signature	Date	