Western Riding Club

**Royalty Contest** 

Welcome to the Western Riding Club!

Founded in 1941, our club's 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. You are the "Face" of WRC!!!! So your behavior must always reflect a positive attitude and respectful demeanor, this will include ALL social media. 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 on horseback. 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 and/or Co-Coordinator will be in charge of setting our parade and event schedule as well as our official dress. Please remember the coordinators always have final say. Please be aware that most costs incurred by the Queens is at their and their families expense. We can do fundraisers to offset some of the costs. If any event is to be attended by only one 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, Teen Queen, and Mini Queen will be heavily committed, and you may face many scheduling conflicts during your contract period <u>we</u> <u>believe your commitment to this club comes first</u>. 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 at all times. 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, instagram, and so on. 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. Western Trendy clothing will be acceptable for most events that are not horseback, with a hat, crown, belt, buckle, boots and sash. Please remember your clothes are to represent the Western Way of Life.

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**

#### May:

Club meeting Required Contest Required

Clean up day TBA

### June:

**Club meeting Required** 

Eagle Rodeo Thursday thru Sat June 7th - 9th

Nyssa Nite Rodeo TBA

Emmett Cherry Festival Parade TBA

Meridian Dairy Days PARADE

Idaho Gold Dust Rodeo will buzz on horses

Meridian Lions Rodeo Will Buzz Daniel Dobbs Memorial Rodeo

## July:

**Club meeting Required** 

Vale Rodeo, will buzz on horses and Parade Elmore County Fair and Rodeo Melba 4<sup>th</sup> of July <u>MANDATORY</u> <u>PARADE</u> (no fee)

Weiser Valley Rodeo

Snake River Stampede <u>MANDATORY PARADE</u>

Snake River Stampede <u>MANDATORY RODEO</u>

Miss Junior Rodeo Idaho Awards Ceremony

Miss Teen Rodeo Idaho Coronation 7:00 PM: Grand Entry Line Up (Not WRC Queens?)

MRI Coronation After Barrel Racing

Snake River Stampede <u>INTRODUCTION GRAND ENTRY</u>

**Council Rodeo** 

Famous Preston Night Rodeo

## Aug:

Club meeting Required Gem/Boise County Fair and Rodeo Emmett

Homedale Rodeo

WIF Horse Interviews

**Caldwell Night Rodeo** 

WIF

# Sept:

Club meeting Required Cleanup at WRC ICA Finals in Caldwell

### Nov:

Club meeting Required Boise Veterans Day Parade Boise Holiday Parade

## Dec:

Club meeting Required Treasure Valley Nightlight Parade WRC Christmas Party

## Jan:

**Club meeting Required** 

New MRI Kickoff Party

McCall Parade

# Feb:

Club meeting Required Fundraiser

## March:

**Club meeting Required** 

Fundraiser

# April:

Club meeting Required

Horse Epxo (run clothing swap and booth)



# **Royalty Application Form**

Name			
Address			
Parents Name			
Parents Phone/Your Phone			
Your Date of Birth limited to age of 21 years old.			
Title or position you are applying for and your age.	16-21 Queen	12-15 Teen Queen	up to 11 Mini Queen

# 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 ど FARRIER	NUMBER	Any medical history of horse; rider info like allergies, bee stings etc.

Please circle all that apply to you. Underline those you are interested in doing. You may use the lines below to describe something not listed here:

**Riding Experience:** 

*<u>Riding Level</u>*: Beginner Intermediate experienced, please explain your answer below.

## <u>Please circle all that apply:</u>

*Interests*: Games camping out drill team carry flags moving cows reining roping

goat tying races showing breeding riding clubs

### <u>I ride every:</u>

Daily once a week twice a week once a month twice a month three times or more a month My parents get frustrated because all I do is ride.

### I spend most of my time:

Practicing my instrument singing listening to music reading working sewing watching movies Texting watching TV getting ready for the day sleeping Homework computer games cooking Surfing the internet social media in school riding horses

### What other clubs or organizations are you involved in?

## What is your favorite?

Person	
Color	

Holiday	
Word	
Phrase	
Place	
Dessert	
Movie	
Song	
Horse	
Thing so far Today	
And why	
Thing to do at School	
City	
State	
Food	

Tell us about any past titles you have held:

**Contacts for previous titles:** 

<u>I do check with these.</u>

Tell us about any offices you have held in any club or school setting:

Tell us about yourself:

Why do you want to represent Western Riding Club:

Tell us about your horse:

Tell us about your fami	ly:
Tell us what is the Spit (	of The West to you:
Personal References:	Names and good telephone numbers please (teachers are great)

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, Teen Queen age 13 to 15 and Mini Queen is 12 and under age is as of the contest.

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 or coordinators.

*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.

# <u>You will need to bring a centerpiece to the contest that you feel represents The Spirit of The West</u> <u>and Western Riding Club!</u>

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:

How the West was Won	Sr Queen,
The First Rodeos in the West	Teen Queens
What the West is to me	Mini Queen

You must give a speech, no props. Time limit for speech is 2 to 3 minutes. The judges <u>will</u> 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 5th 2018 at 7:30 pm is the meeting date.

Please remember that you and your family must be members of Western Riding Club <u>BEFORE</u> 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.

If contestant is under the age of 18

	Date:	
Parent or Legal Guardian		
	Date:	

**Applicant Signature** 

# Western Riding Club

# **Royalty Contest**

\_\_\_\_\_Completed application

\_\_\_\_\_Completed Waiver

\_\_\_\_\_8 X 10 Photo

\_\_\_\_\_Signed acknowledgment of Duties

\_\_\_\_\_ Proof of good standing with Western Riding Club.

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 <u>Queen's mother</u> 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), at least one 4th of July parade as well as the Caldwell & Boise Christmas Parades. These 3 parades are a minimum not the only ones we will attend. 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 fundraising 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. Also assisting in any other needed or offered responsibilities.

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 h*ospital* 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. *Autograph/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 the 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 toolbox 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. Always be prepared to answer questions about your activities. Royalty will attend each regular monthly meeting to briefly present/report on their previous month activities and upcoming plans.

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 and give your speech. You will also give an outline of your goals for the upcoming year during your reign.

15. 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, disrespect toward any person or family member will not be tolerated.

16. **Queens and parents will remain in regular contact with the Royalty Chair and if you have any questions:** Call. You must return all calls/texts within 2-4 hrs or sooner. Communication is key and will be the contributing factor to having a smooth, enjoyable year for everyone!

17. Near the end of your reign, you may want to purchase your crown. You must notify your Royalty Chair by the January meeting and pay for the crown 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 will also need to provide gifts for the outgoing and incoming courts.

19. Provide your coordinator with a calendar of the days that correspond with the events that you are unable to attend. Please remember our expectations; You are making WRC your main 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 the court is willing to do fundraisers.

Signed and agreed thi	isday of	, 20	
Titleholder	Date	Royalty Chair	Date
 Parent Signature	Date		Date