

MISS LIVERMORE JUNIOR RODEO QUEEN CONTEST

2012

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Applicant Packet

PRESENTED BY

LIVERMORE JUNIOR RODEO ASSOCIATION

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DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES:

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Miss Livermore Junior Rodeo Queen Contest

Eligibility

Contestant must be between the ages of 13 through 17, as of June 1, 2012.

Rules and Regulations

1. Contestant must submit the following documents in order to compete in the contest. All documents must be signed by parent/guardian and contestant and be properly completed in order to be eligible for consideration.
 - a. Miss Livermore Junior Rodeo Queen Contestant application form.
 - b. Agreement to Abide by Rules and Regulations and Waiver of Liability.
 - c. Expectation Agreement
2. A \$25 entry fee will be required by the contestants.
3. Contestants are required to be on time and adhere to the schedule of the contest. In addition, there is a strict time factor involved for the Horsemanship portion of the contest, so it is mandatory that you and your horse are ready to compete.
4. Upon arrival to the location of the contest, contestants will be responsible to and under the jurisdiction of the Livermore Junior Rodeo Queen Committee.
5. Contestant must have a suitable horse for the rodeo and other related events, but it need not be the horse used in the contest.
6. Contestant shall be the only person preparing their horse on the day of the contest. Exceptions will only be made for persons with physical limitations. This includes grooming, saddling, bridling, and warming-up their horse. This must be done on site and any coaching from the sidelines during these tasks are grounds for disqualification!
7. Parents, friends, and relatives are welcome to attend any or all activities designated and must agree to abide by all rules and regulations.
8. Only members of the Livermore Junior Rodeo Association, Contestants and Judges are permitted in the arena area during competition.
9. If any problems occur, i.e., a tack failure or a thrown shoe from the horse, the contestant should stop their pattern immediately and go directly to the judges in order to solve the problem. If you experience any problems and complete your pattern in the arena, the matter will not be considered.
10. Final decision will be that of the judges; including any matter while the contestant is competing.
11. Contestants must conduct themselves in a proper, lady-like manner, portray high moral standards and demonstrate good sportsmanship or they may be disqualified.
12. All contestants are required to dress in full western attire.

13. All contestants are not permitted at any time during the contest or as reining queen to smoke, drink, or use foul language.
14. Any problems that arise should be directed to the Livermore Junior Rodeo Queen Committee.
15. The perpetual crown and chaps are the permanent property of the Livermore Junior Rodeo Association.
16. After the coronation, each contestant, including the new Queen is expected to remain at the event location and demonstrate good behavior and sportsmanship. It is appropriate for contestants as well as the new Queen to show their appreciation for the opportunity to compete, by thanking judges, sponsors, Livermore Junior Rodeo Queen Committee members and other Association officials, who may be present, for their efforts to support and organize the event.
17. Any misconduct may be grounds for contestants to be disqualified from this contest or ineligible for future contests.
18. Any violations of these Rules and Regulations may disqualify a contestant from participation in this contest.
19. The Livermore Junior Rodeo Queen must participate in one rodeo event in one of the NorCals Jr. Rodeos or approved Ranch Rodeo.
20. The Livermore Junior Rodeo Queen can only hold her title for one year, and can not compete for a second title during her reign unless approved by Queen Coordinator.

NOTE:

These rules and regulations are designed for your safety and to keep the contest running properly and in a professional manner. If any grievances arise, either during or after the queen contest, the matter should be brought to the attention of the Livermore Junior Rodeo Queen Committee.

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Agreement to Abide by Rules and Regulations

And

Waiver of Liability

In Consideration of my application having been accepted for participation in the Miss Livermore Junior Rodeo Queen Contest 2012, I hereby certify that I have read and agree to abide by all Rules and Regulations and understand that any violation of these Rules and Regulations may disqualify me from participation in this contest.

I further agree to hold harmless the Livermore Area Recreation and Park District and the Livermore Junior Rodeo Association, their officers, agents and volunteers for any claims resulting in loss, accident or injury received by me in connection with participation by me in any event or performance of this contest.

If contestant has existing royalty title: In consideration of my application I will have my exiting coordinator sign application below that I am eligible to apply for this title and understands if crowned LJRA Queen 2012, there are no dates of events or duties in conflict of serving my LJRA title.

In consideration, I hereby release the right, title and claim of any photographs that may be taken by the management for their use in promotion and publicity.

Contestant's Street Address

County

City, State, Zip

Contestant's Home Phone Number

Parents/Guardian Street Address

County

City, State, Zip

Parents/Guardian Home Phone Number

Parent's / Guardian's Signature

Date

Current Title Held

Current Title Coordinator's Signature

Date

Coordinator's Phone Number

Contestant's Signature

Date

Miss Livermore Junior Rodeo Queen Contest

Expectation Agreement

This expectation Agreement is between the Livermore Junior Rodeo Association, hereinafter referred to as the "LJRA" and _____ a Miss Livermore Junior Rodeo Queen contestant, competing for the honor of being selected as a Miss Livermore Junior Rodeo Queen, hereinafter referred to as "QUEEN". The purpose of the Expectation Agreement is to make both parents and CONTESTANTS aware of their responsibilities in the event a contestant is selected as QUEEN.

If I am selected QUEEN, I agree to abide by the following expectations during my reign.

1. I will send thank you notes to all sponsors, judges, and appropriate LJRA officials within 7 days of the date I am crowned.
2. I will promote LJRA and the sport of rodeo in a positive manner at all times.
3. I will always demonstrate honesty, good sportsmanship and good behavior & etiquette. This includes but not limited to use of Social Media such as Facebook, Twitter, MySpace, etc.
4. I will be chaperoned at my events by either parent(s), LJRA adult member (adult is 21 years age or older) or approved chaperone, i.e. Livermore Pro Queen.
5. I will treat animals humanely.
6. I will have a horse and appropriate tack suitable for use in the Livermore Junior Rodeo Grand Entry and other special events.
7. I will wear my banner, crown and proper western attire whenever I make public appearances as QUEEN.
8. I will participate in no less than three (3) Junior Rodeo Grand Entries.
9. I will represent LJRA at many local functions and fundraisers. (see attached list)
10. I am not expected to make appearances during school hours unless approved by my parents.
11. I will keep in close contact with my coordinator(s) and will notify them if I am unable to meet any of my obligations as QUEEN or if any problems arise.
12. All appearances must be approved by LJRA Queen Coordinator. Any unapproved appearance may result in loss of title.
13. If I am unable to fulfill my duties as QUEEN or if I do not adhere to this Expectation Agreement, I agree to forfeit my title as QUEEN and return all LJRA property and all prizes I receive.

Contestant's Signature

Date

Parent's/ Guardian's Signature

Date

Miss Livermore Junior Rodeo

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Judging Categories

1. POISE & APPEARANCE

- A. Appropriate western attire.
- B. Modeling
- C. Neatness and general appearance.
- D. Riding Competition dress code: Blue Jeans, Plain White Blouse.

2. PERSONALTY

- A. Positive and pleasant attitude.
- B. Good common sense and logic.
- C. Conversational ability.
- D. Showmanship (presenting oneself in a gracious manner)

3. KNOWLEDGE

- A. Organization
- B. Rodeo
- C. Horse/Tack
- D. General Knowledge

4. HORSEMANSHIP

- A. General riding skills.
- B. Control of mount.
- C. Execution of pattern
- D. Presentation run.
- E. Horse presentation
- F. Tack presentation

Points will be awarded to contestants in the above categories through various judged tests. The tests may be Personal Interview, Impromptu Questions, Written and Horsemanship. A horsemanship pattern and modeling pattern will be given at orientation.

Each contestant will be responsible for selling 100 raffle tickets for our annual 50/50 raffle. An extra 5 points will be awarded to each contestant who sells (showing promoting skills) all 100. There will be a sliding scale of points awarded. The contestant who sells the most tickets over 100 is eligible for top promoter award.

Tickets will be given to contestants with acceptance letter.

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Contestant Application Form

Instructions: Please type or print clearly. If application form is illegible it may not be accepted. If additional space is needed, please type information on plain white paper (8 1/2 x 11) and attached to this application form. Please include a photo of yourself with your application.

Applicant's Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: (____) _____ Age: _____ Birth date: _____

School: _____

Parent's Name: _____ Parent's Phone: (____) _____

WHEN AND HOW DID YOU BECOME INTERESTED IN HORSES?

WHAT IS YOUR RIDING BACKGROUND?

HOW DID YOU BECOME INTERESTED IN RODEO?

LIST YOUR SPECIAL ACTIVITIES, INTERESTS AND HOBBIES (not related to horses):

LIST ANY AWARDS OR RECOGNITION THAT YOU HAVE RECEIVED: (i.e. rodeo or horse related, school, work, church, or community service)

WHAT ARE YOUR PERSONAL GOALS FOR THE FUTURE?

WHY DO YOU WANT TO BE THE MISS LIVERMORE JUNIOR RODEO QUEEN?

There will be an orientation and informational meeting held **March 10, 2012** at 2 pm. The location will be in given with our acceptance letter. Date is subject to change. The seminar will discuss the riding pattern, each of the judging categories outlined in this application packet, and the responsibilities of the queen as detailed in the "Expectation Agreement". Food and Refreshments will be provided.

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Tentative Contest Schedule

Arrive At Arena / Set-up	8:00 AM
Contestants may arrive between 8 and 9 AM	
Check-In / Refreshments	9:00 – 9:30 AM
Meet and Greet the Judges	
Prepare for Horsemanship	10:00 - 10:30 AM
Warm up horses in Arena	
Horsemanship Competition	10:30 – 11:30 AM
Please support all contestants	
Personal Interview/Written Test	12:00 – Completion
Short time will be given for contestants to prepare for Interview	

Queen will be crowned and awards presented when the Judges have made their decision!

Helpful Information

1. Please include a photo of yourself with your application. It does not need to be in western attire, and will not be judged. This is just to put a name with the face!
2. Keep in mind that you will be watched at ALL times. Judges are looking for sportsmanship, friendliness and good behavior.
3. There are many websites available for Rodeo Queens. They include where to find clothes, helpful hints, practice horsemanship patterns and rodeo knowledge. So Check Them Out!
4. Be familiar with basic rodeo knowledge, some history of the Jr. Rodeo, and horse knowledge for the contest. There will not be great detail, but know the basics!
5. Write Thank You Notes! People remember who appreciates what they do!
6. Don't be afraid to ask questions! If you need help ask!