

PRETTY AND PUNCHY COWGIRL
Contest Packet
Thursday June 29, 2023

Thank you for your interest in the Pretty and Punchy Cowgirl Contest.

Contestants will be divided into two age divisions:

- a. Top Hand Junior Cowgirl: ages 11-15
- b. Top Hand Senior Cowgirl: ages 16-21

Contestants must be able to ride their own horse independently.

Contestants must be at least the minimum age for their division, and not exceed the maximum age for their division on or before June 29 2023.

This Packet includes the following:

Contest Details

Contest Rules and Requirements

Contest Entry and Disclaimer Forms

Sponsor Information Sheet

Horsemanship Details

Blackfoot Ranch Rodeo Rules (can be found on official Facebook and website)

The completed Contest Entry, Disclaimer Forms, and Sponsorship Money is due by **JUNE 3, 2023**. Entries received after this date will not be eligible to compete. Return completed packet to Nichole Steffler at 1382 E Wolverine RD Firth, IDAHO 83236. Contact Nichole 208-390-9974 with any questions. Contestants are required to obtain \$50.00 in sponsorship money. This could be one sponsor or multiple to meet the \$50.00 minimum, but additional sponsor support is encouraged to help make our contest a success!

PRETTY AND PUNCHY COWGIRL CONTEST DETAILS

Contest Date: Thursday, June 29, 2023

Entry Deadline: Saturday June 3, 2023

Location: Eastern Idaho State Fairgrounds Grandstands and arena (times and location are approximate and subject to change depending on weather and or unseen circumstances).

Check in: 3:00 p.m.

Modeling and speeches: 3:30 p.m. 5:00 p.m.

Horsemanship: 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Awards ceremony: to follow horsemanship.

Ranch Rodeo:

Friday, June 30, 2023:

Clinic 8:00 a.m.

Horse Show 11:00 a.m.

Rodeo Preshow 5:30 p.m.

Rodeo perf. 6:00 p.m.

Munsick Boys Concert following Rodeo (Free with entry into Rodeo)

Saturday July 1, 2023:

Ranch Hand Breakfast 8:00

Team Branding 9:00 a.m.

Rodeo Preshow 5:30 p.m.

Rodeo perf. 6:00 p.m.

Stalls available at the fairgrounds ask for details

THE CONTEST WILL CONSIST OF THE FOLLOWING SECTIONS:

Speech and Modeling: All contestants will be scored on their appearance and modeling. Contestants will have up to 2 minutes to "Invite the Audience" to the Blackfoot Ranch Rodeo in place of a speech, and then will be asked an impromptu questions.

Horsemanship: All contestants will be judged on horsemanship, precision, transitions, fluidity with which they execute the assigned ranch horse patterns designated to them. **ALL CONTESTANTS WILL BE REQUIRED TO PACK A FLAG TO SHOW THEY HAVE THE HORSE, ABILITY, HORSEMANSHIP, AND SKILLS THAT WILL BE NEEDED PERFORM IN RANCH RODEO GRAND ENTRY! ** There will be ceremonies and Indian Relays at each rodeo performance and a Top Hand Cowgirl MUST and ALWAYS be CAPABLE, and STAY in perfect control of her horse at all times!!****

Cowgirl Congeniality: Contestants will vote during the contest for another contestant they feel has been the most friendliest, likable, and kind. This award does not contribute to the contestant's overall score.

PRETTY AND PUNCHY COWGIRL CONTEST RULES

Contest Rules

1. The contest is open to all females, ages 11-21
2. Contestants will be divided into two age divisions:
 - a. Top Hand Junior Cowgirl: ages 11-15
 - b. Top Hand Senior Cowgirl: ages 16-21

Safety is number one priority!! At any given time if ranch rodeo committee, contest coordinator, or judges deems you and or your horse a risk or safety at any given time has been compromised you will be asked to step aside. Not negotiable!!!

Contestants must be able to ride their own horse independently and safely.

Contestants must be at least the minimum age for their division and not exceed the maximum age for their division or before June 29, 2023

3. Winners from last year's 2022 contest are eligible to compete in 2023 contest.
4. Contestants must never have been married, lived with a man, had a child or currently be pregnant, and winners agree to maintain their status during their reign.
5. Contestants, contestant's family, trainers, coaches, etc. must conduct themselves in a sportsmanship-like manner during the contest, and at all sanctioned events following the contest. Any of the above not behaving in a manner acceptable to the Contest Coordinator will cause for disqualification.
6. No trainers, groomers, parents, coaches, friends, siblings, ect., are allowed on the contestant's horse at the completion site. No coaching from the sidelines. Only judges, contestants, and contest coordinator are allowed inside the arena, modeling areas.
7. Contestants are required to execute with precision the patterns designated for their age groups. Patterns will be posted ONE WEEK before contest on Thursday June 22, 2023.
8. Contestants will abide by AQHA/Stock Horse of Texas rules and regulations for all Equitation, Ranch Horse Tack and Trail Riding. Contestants are expected to ride a mount equal to their ability to control and ride independently.
9. No stallions may be used for the competition or rodeo performances.
10. Winners and runner-ups will be required to represent The Blackfoot Ranch Rodeo, assist with horse show, pack flags at rodeo performances, Help Blackfoot Ranch Rodeo Committee and any other tasks that are needed to help the rodeo run smoothly. They will assist with the Watermelon Race, Mutton Bustin events.

*****ANY FAILURE TO FOLLOW RULES SET DOWN HERE WILL BE GROUNDS FOR FORFEITURE OF TITLE AND PRIZES AWARDED FROM THE CONTEST.*****

PRETTY AND PUNCHY COWGIRL CONTEST REQUIREMENTS

Requirements

1. Western attire (appropriate ranch wear) will be worn during all portions of the competition including western hat, belt, long sleeved western shirt with cuffs and collar, blue or black western jeans, and cowboy boots.
 - a. All clothing must be clean, well-cared for, and in good condition. A top hand cowgirl is well groomed.
 - i. Hat should be clean and well-shaped. It should be securely fastened in the arena.
 - ii. Boots should be polished and in good condition.
 - iii. Tack should be clean and in working condition. Horses should be clean, properly groomed, in good health and soundness condition.
2. Each contestant must provide a minimum of \$50.00 sponsor or cash donation. Each sponsor will be recognized.
3. Contestants will be required to “Introduce the Audience to the Blackfoot Ranch Rodeo” in place of a speech, no longer than 2 minutes.
4. Contestants will be judged on Introduction, Modeling, Appearance, Impromptu Question, Horsemanship, Ranch Rodeo rules.
5. Top hand senior, Top Hand junior, 1st and 2nd runner-ups will be required to assist at all ranch rodeos and events.
6. If a contestant or contestant’s parents /guardians disagrees with the coordinator, rodeo committee, or judges, comments must be made in a polite and private manner and pay a \$50.00 grievance fee to coordinator.
7. Scores and results will not be discussed with parents/guardians or contestant directly after contest and awards are given out. If you wish to discuss scores or results, please arrange a time to meet at a later date.
8. Any contestants or parents/guardians who display un-sportsmanship-like conduct during the contest or after contest and awards are passed out will not be allowed to enter future Pretty and Punchy Cowgirl Contests. JUDGES DECISIONS ARE FINAL!!!

PRETTY AND PUNCHY COWGIRL CONTEST
ENTRY FORM AND DISCLAIMER

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Shirt Size _____

Top Hand Cowgirls winners will receive a western shirt to be worn at the rodeo performances

Grade/school _____ Age as of June 29,2023 _____

Please write a brief introduction of yourself including hobbies, interests, accomplishments etc..
Write it as such to be read during modeling portion of the competition.

By signing this form contestants and parents agree to participate in the Pretty and Punchy Cowgirl Contest and related events. They also agree to abide by all contest rules and requirements as stated in the Contest Rules and Requirements. They also release The Blackfoot Ranch Rodeo and contest coordinator from any liability occurring during said contest, and travel to and from Contest related events.

Contestant _____ Date _____

Legal Guardian _____ Date _____

PRETTY AND PUNCHY COWGIRL CONTEST
SPONSORSHIP INFORMATION SHEET

Contestant Name: _____

Sponsor Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Amount Donated: _____ Email _____

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Pretty and Punchy Cowgirl Contest Horsemanship

Patterns: All horsemanship patterns will include the following;

1. Walk, extended cowboy walk, jog, extended cowboy trot, lope, extended cowboy lope and or gallop.
2. Soft solid stop on the hind quarters.
3. Back up
4. Open and close gate
5. Swing and rope bale of hay or roping dummy, dally, coil and tie rope on saddle.
(Seniors must swing rope while jogging their horses).
6. Drag pole
7. Pick up and carry flag, return flag to holder
8. Bridge
9. Circles
10. Dismount
11. Lead horse at a jog.

Patterns for all divisions will be posted ONE WEEK before contest. Thursday June 22 ,2023.

Western tack must be used. Tie downs, martingales, draw reins, ext., nose bands, cavessons, get down ropes, bosalitas, rope reins, mechanical hackamores, twisted mouthpieces are NOT ALLOWED. Contestants must ride horses with shank bit and either leather or flat chain chin strap, and one handed with split reins or romal reins. Contestants can ride horses 5 years old and younger two handed with smooth snaffle bit or bosal hackamore. Protective footwear is allowed. Contestants must have a rope and means to tie rope onto saddle. Western tack should be clean and in working order.

Horses should be clean, healthy, and in good body condition.