

Fernley Rodeo Association

2018 Queen Competition

The Fernley Rodeo Association Queen Competition is being held to find young ladies **ages 12 to 30 years** to represent Fernley & Fernley Rodeo Association, which includes Senior Pro Rodeo and a Barrel Race, as an ambassador in the community and state.

Applications are available online at fernleyrodeo.com

Meet the Judges & Competition Begins!

August 9, 2017

Fernley Out of Town Arena

CROWNING CEREMONY

August 11, 2017

At 6pm

Fernley Fairgrounds in the Park

Entry Deadline (must be postmarked by):

July 3rd 2017

Applications and Packets are available by emailing Melisa Shepherd, Queen Committee Co-Chair at fernleysrprorodeoqueen@yahoo.com or call at 775-378-0669.

Your packet will outline the competition schedule, dress requirements and judging categories.

Duties include attending Fernley Rodeo events, additional Fernley events, parades and other identified supporting appearances. Throughout the year the queen will visit with clubs and service organizations and make a few appearances at events, while helping promote the Fernley Rodeo Association, the Fernley community, and recruit ladies for next year's competition.

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Rodeo
Association
Queen &
Princess
on facebook!!!**

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QUEEN COMPETITION

The Fernley Rodeo Association Queen Competition is being held to select young ladies who have the desire and enthusiasm to serve as a good-will ambassadors for the Fernley Rodeo Association and the community.

WHO IS Miss Fernley Rodeo?

Miss Fernley Rodeo is an ambassador of our community who wishes to promote the sport of rodeo and it's events, and in so doing, promotes the great Western way of life. She is the ideal Western type American girl who has an appealing appearance, a congenial personality and knowledge of the equine industry, our community, and the sport of rodeo.

WHAT TYPE OF YOUNG LADY DOES THE MISS FERNLEY RODEO ASSOCIATION COMPETITION ATTRACT?

- A young lady who wishes to be an ambassador of the community she represents, and the rodeo.
- A young lady who loves horses and everything they represent, and who is willing to show the rest of our community what can be accomplished when surrounded by this environment.
- A young lady who portrays excellent sportsmanship and high moral ethical character.
- A young lady who understands the sport of rodeo and is able to explain and “promote” rodeo to anyone with whom she may come in contact, especially those unfamiliar with the sport.
- A young lady who is able to speak intelligently and display dignity.

FERNLEY RODEO ASSOCIATION TEEN QUEEN: 12 – 17 years old (age as of January 1, 2017)
MISS FERNLEY RODEO ASSOCIATION: 18 – 30 years old (age as of January 1, 2017)

Important Information

- The Contest will be held on **August 9, 2017** at the Fernley Rodeo Out of Town arena. Coronation will be on **August 11, 2017** during our Dinner/Concert at 6pm.
- Each contestant will bring 2-3 silent raffle items for the queens table at our Dinner/Dance/Calcutta.
- Each contestant will help with setting up the silent auction table.
- Each contestant will help sell Man Up raffle tickets at the Saturday night performance.

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Wardrobe/Dress Requirements:

Please do not invest a lot of money in new clothes for the contest. We want you to feel comfortable, look neat, and enjoy your time with us. This is an area where you can have some questions, so please, freely call us to ask for guidance, if needed.

Your horsemanship outfit should be a pair of blue or black Wranglers, a white long sleeve shirt (may be eyelet, have white embroidery or clear crystals/rhinestones, NO AB), boots, belt, and western cowboy hat.

The outfit for Speeches and impromptu questions is your choice and can include a shirt and slacks, a shirt and skirt, or a dress, all to be worn with boots, a belt, western cowboy hat and accessories. Please do not invest in a traditional leather rodeo queen dress, as we do not want to see these at this competition. ***This outfit is where you are encouraged to be creative and put together a modern, western outfit that reflects the current trends and styles that you enjoy. Take time to notice the NEW items in your local western stores and online. You may also choose to reflect a traditional look and use your freedom and creativity to show a new style you want to influence in consideration of the new trending in design.***

When considering the wardrobe schedule you can choose to have more than one of any of the outfits listed above, or you may choose to enter the competition using only one of each. This is acceptable on both counts.

ALL OUTFITS SHOULD INCLUDE BELT, BOOTS AND HAT OF YOUR CHOICE!

Horsemanship:

Each Contestant must make arrangements to have a horse to ride for horsemanship and rail work.

Pattern will be chosen after all applications have been received.

You must be able to carry a flag and push cattle.

Speech Topic:

You may choose one of the following topics for your 2-minute speech. Dress for speech will be outfit #3. No longer than 4 minutes, but no shorter than 2.5 minutes.

- How does rodeo impact the local community?
- The sport of rodeo or anything pertaining to rodeo or the western lifestyle
- How does rodeo impact today's youth?

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ITEMS YOU WILL NEED TO TURN IN WITH QUEEN CONTEST ENTRY:

1. One 8 x 10 color photograph, printed and on disk, or via email file (jpg or other). Photos are to be with no crown or banner, neutral background and bust photo only. (Photos will not be returned)
2. Queen Contestant Biography (must be typed)
3. Contestant entry form – entry fee for 2018 Royalty
4. Queen Contest Contract & Waiver Form

ENTRIES MUST POSTMARKED BY TBD – NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.

If you have any questions call Melisa Shepherd 775-378-0669 or email fernleysrprorodeoqueen@yahoo.com

Qualifications

Entry fee of \$50 or more

FERNLEY RODEO ASSOCIATION TEEN QUEEN: 12 – 17 years old

Entry fee of \$50 or more

MISS FERNLEY RODEO ASSOCIATION: 18 – 30 years old

1. All contestants must be single, not have been married or pregnant, nor have any children out of wedlock, except Senior Pro Rodeo Queen.
1. Contestants must be residents of Nevada and reside in Lyon County or any county that borders Lyon County. Eligible counties are: Lyon, Washoe, Carson, Churchill, Storey and Douglas counties.
2. Contestants must attend Fernley Rodeo Association Senior Pro Rodeo and supporting events.
3. Contestants must help sell Man Up tickets at the Saturday night performance.
4. Each Contestant must bring 2-3 silent auction items for the Queen's table.

Rules and Regulations

1. Contestants must complete the contest application and submit the required documents along to enter the contest.
2. Each contestant must conduct herself in a professional manner, portray high moral standards and good sportsmanship, or she will be disqualified.
3. Contestants are to provide their own transportation to and from the contest and all promotional activities.
4. Contestants are required to have or make arrangements to have a suitable horse for use at the Rodeo and other related events, but it need not be the horse used in the contest.
5. Final decision in all categories will be that of the judges. **Minimum score to qualify for any title.**
6. Contestants are required to provide their own wardrobes.

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7. Parents, friends, and relatives are encouraged to attend any or all activities designated and agree to abide by all rules and regulations. Please invite them to come and provide the needed information to them.
8. Contestants are not permitted at any time during the contest or as reigning queen to drink alcoholic beverages, smoke, or use foul language in public.
9. Social media may be monitored. Any offensive posts or posts that are deemed inappropriate by the queen committee, may be grounds for dismissal. In that case the first runner up will take the 2018 title and finish the year.
10. All contestants and winner of the contest are required to dress western when representing the Fernley Rodeo Association and/or Senior Pro Rodeo in any capacity.
11. Any problems that arise should quickly be directed to your Queen Coordinator.
12. After the coronation, each contestant is expected to stay and behave appropriately as well as show good sportsmanship. Misconduct could cause ineligibility for future contests.

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Fernley Rodeo Association Application

Instructions: Please type or write using ink. This entry form, one 8" x 10" color photo printed and on disk or via email file (jpg), the participant contract and waiver must be received on or before **July 3, 2017**

Name: _____ Phone #: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Email: _____

Age as of January 1, 2017: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Title Competing for: _____ (see page 2 for age grouping)

Your employer (if applicable): _____

Elementary/Middle/High School: _____

College/Major: _____

Life Goals /Career: _____

How long have you been riding? _____ Do you own your own horse? _____

Daily newspaper in your area: _____

Information about you and your horse (description of horse(s), events that you compete in, horse related awards that you have won, etc.):

List your special activities, interests, and hobbies and awards or recognition you have received (not rodeo or horse related): _____

Please write a short autobiography (80-90 words) about yourself for the program.

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Participant Contract

I, the undersigned Fernley Rodeo Association contestant (MVD), agree to abide by the following statements, and understand that violation of any may result in my immediate disqualification from this contest:

1. I will attend all required activities and events as scheduled and directed.
2. I will maintain a desirable attitude, professional conduct, and be honest.
3. I will meet all eligibility requirements.
4. I will not act, appear, or be under the influence of alcohol, tobacco, or illegal drugs at any time while representing the Fernley Rodeo Association.
5. I will not attempt to influence or affect the outcome of the contest at the expense of a fellow contestant, a contestant's property or horse, or any other behavior or conduct deemed unacceptable by the Coordinator and/or Judges.
6. I agree for pictures to be released to newspapers as well as other publications for publicity of the Fernley Rodeo Association.

Should I be selected as the 2018 Miss Fernley Rodeo Association and or Association Queen, princess etc., I also agree to the following:

1. As an official ambassador of the Fernley Rodeo Association or, MFRA, I shall represent rodeo in a positive, professional and honorable manner.
2. I will adhere to and demonstrate high moral, ethical and professional character.
3. I will represent excellent sportsmanship and humane treatment of animals in all competitive and recreational activities.
4. I will act, dress, and speak properly at any time while in public, including appearing in full western attire with hat, crown and banner when appropriate.
5. I will be available to all reasonable requests and opportunities to appear in public on behalf of Fernley Rodeo Association, including but not limited to: Nevada Day, Veterans, Fernley Christmas and July 4th parades; and any other reasonable visits that do not cause a conflict of schedule making it impossible to attend. 4-H meetings and/or other club meetings; Winnemucca Ranch Hand Rodeo, and any other in state rodeos; Reno Rodeo and most of it's queen appropriate activities; any other events as planned by the queen coordinator.
6. I will allow my name and likeness to be used at no obligation in the promotion of Fernley Rodeo Association.
7. I will routinely consult with the Coordinator to schedule approved appearances, and not appear as MFRA unless previously approved by the Coordinator.
8. I will be present through the 2018 contest and coronation for Fernley Rodeo Association and will attend at the 2018 opening performance to pass on the title Miss Fernley Rodeo Association, Queen etc.
9. I understand that the crown/s and chaps (if provided) are property of the Fernley Rodeo Association committee, and should they be lost or damaged while under my control I will be held responsible for replacing them.

I understand and accept that in the event that I fail to comply in part or whole with any of the above requirements as MFRA, I will promptly be relieved of my title and its inherent duties, responsibilities and benefits, and return all gifts and prizes. The first runner-up will then assume the position, including its duties and responsibilities for the remainder of the reign, provided that she meets the eligibility requirements. Should the first runner-up fail to meet those qualifications, or be unwilling to assume those duties, the second runner-up will be the new MFRA, also contingent upon meeting eligibility standards.

All of the information contained within this application is true and correct. I understand, accept, and am willing to carry out the duties and responsibilities as outlined in this application, as MFRA or a runner-up.

Printed Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Contact phone # _____

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WAIVER OF LIABILITY

I, _____ (PARTICIPANT) ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I HAVE VOLUNTARILY APPLIED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE 2018 MISS FERNLEY RODEO ASSOCIATION COMPETITION AT THE FERNLEY RODEO OUT OF TOWN ARENA, WHICH INCLUDES RIDING HORSE, BEING AROUND UNFAMILIAR HORSES AND HORSE ACTIVITIES WHICH IS INHERENTLY DANGEROUS AND CAN CAUSE BODILY INJURY OR DEATH.

I AM AWARE THAT THE ABOVE DESCRIBED ACTIVITIES ARE HAZARDOUS ACTIVITIES, AND I AM VOLUNTARILY PARTICIPATING IN THESE ACTIVITIES WITH KNOWLEDGE OF DANGER INVOLVED, AND AGREE TO ASSUME ANY AND ALL RISKS OF BODILY INJURY, DEATH OR PROPERTY DAMAGE. I UNDERSTAND MY ACTIONS HAS THE GREATEST IMPACT ON MY OWN SAFTEY AND I AM RESPONSIBLE FOR THOSE CHOICES.

I VERIFY THIS STATEMENT BY PLACING MY INITIALS HERE: _____

AS CONSIDERATION FOR BEING PERMITTED BY FERNLEY RODEO ASSOCIATION/SENIOR PRO RODEO AND THE CITY OF FERNLEY TO PARTICIPATE IN THESE ACTIVITIES AND USE THEIR FACILITIES, I HEREBY AGREE THAT I, MY ASSIGNEES, HEIRS, DISTRIBUTEES, GUARDIANS, NEXT OF KIN, SPOUSE AND LEGAL REPRESENTATIVES WILL NOT MAKE CLAIM AGAINST, SUE, OR ATTACH THE PROPERTY OF FERNLEY RODEO OUT OF TOWN ARENA OR ANY OF THEIR AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS FOR INJURY OR DAMAGE RESULTING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OR OTHER ACTS, HOWEVER CAUSED, BY EMPLOYEE, AGENT, OR CONTRACTOR OF FERNELY RODEO ARENA OR ANY OF THEIR AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS AS A RESULT OF MY PARTICIPATING IN THE ACTIVITIES DESCRIBED ABOVE. I FOREVER RELEASE FERNLEY RODEO ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE AND FERNLEY RODEO OUT OF TOWN ARENA AND ANY OF THEIR AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS FROM ANY AND ALL ACTIONS, CLAIMS OR DEMAND THAT I, MY ASSIGNEES, HEIRS, DISTRIBUTEES, GUARDIANS, NEXT OF KIN, SPOUSE AND LEGAL REPRESENTATIVES NOW HAVE OR MAY HEREAFTER HAVE FOR INJURY OR DAMAGE RESULTING FROM PARTICIPATION IN THE ACTIVITIES DESCRIBED ABOVE.

I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THIS AGREEMENT AND FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS CONTENTS. I AM AWARE THAT THIS IS A RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND A CONTRACT BETWEEN ME, (IF UNDER 18) MY PARENT/ LEGAL GUARDIAN AND FERNLEY RODEO ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE AND FERNLEY RODEO OUT OF TOWN ARENA AND/OR THEIR AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS AND I SIGN IT OF MY OWN FREE WILL.

EXECUTED AT _____, _____ ON _____ 20____
CITY STATE DATE

PLEASE SIGN, PRINT NAME ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER

PARTICIPANT / RELEASER

PARENT / IF UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE

