

CPRA Royalty Ambassador Pageant

General Information

Updated 2022

Stall & Hook-up Information

Horse stalls are available for all contestants and visiting royalty at the Bar K Bar Arena.

The stalls are **\$30.00** each for Friday, Saturday, and Sunday afternoon. Thursday night check-in is an additional \$15.00. Each stall comes with a bag of shavings, additional bags can be purchased during Horse Check-in for **\$8.00 a bag**. The Bar K Bar requires that all shaving be purchased from the Arena.

You CANNOT tie your horse to your trailer or set up a portable pen at the grounds. All horses will be required to be in stalls or will have to be loaded and leave the grounds.

The Bar K Bar does have limited electrical only hook-ups for trailers, the Pageant is only able reserve a select number, and you will need to advise needing one on your contestant application. **When you arrive at the Contestant Check-in you will be charged for your stalls, additional shavings, and electrical trailer hook up if needed (\$30.00 for Friday & Saturday night, additional \$15 for Thursday night for no water hookups, additional \$5/day for water hookups if needed and available), please have cash ready for these fees or enough money raised that they can be paid out of your Payback amount.**

One horse per stall only. Any charges for violations on the Bar K Bar Arena grounds will be billed to the CPRA, it is imperative that Royalty Contestants and Visiting Royalty follow all instructions.

The indoor arena and/or outdoor practice arena should be available for practice Friday morning. Please be flexible due to the need for the stock contractor to run stock and work the arena before the rodeo. There is a practice arena available for you to work your horse in when the indoor arena is not available.

Hotel Information

The following hotels are available, we are working to get special rates and will post them if/when they are available. It is advised to book your room early as they can fill up.

Celebration Centre Inn, 1108 US-56, Lyons, KS 67554 (see hotel info) Call 620-680-6022 to book your room directly.

Lyons Inn: 817 W Main St., Lyons, KS 67554 Call 620-257-5185 to book your room directly.

Country Inn Motel: 430 S Broadway Ave. Sterling, KS 67579 Call 620-904-4424 to book your room directly.

Meals

The CPRA Royalty Pageant is not providing meals. There has been enough time scheduled between pageant events and rodeo events for meals.

Contestant Check-in/ Orientation

All contestants are required to bring handwritten thank you cards for each of the pageant sponsors and turn them in at the time of check-in. Labels will be included in your contestant packet, please label each thank you. All contests benefit from gifts, prizes and support given by these sponsors. The thank you packets we send help us retain sponsors for the next year.

At check-in contestants and visiting royalty will be charged for their horse stall(s), shaving(s), and electrical hook-ups.

Orientation will cover the events of the weekend, allow time for questions, and introduce our judges, contestants, parents and attending sponsors.

Welcome Bags & Gift Exchange

The CPRA Royalty Pageant likes to welcome all our contestants with bags full of goodies that they can use during and after the pageant. It has also become a tradition for each contestant to bring a small token to exchange with the other contestants. During orientation Friday afternoon, contestants will be given the opportunity to meet other contestants and exchange something as a way to share their personality and to get to know each other. It is customary to bring a gift for the contestants and outgoing royalty in your age group and it is acceptable to bring a gift for all contestants and all outgoing royalty if you want. If you have question concerning the Gift Exchange please contact Amanda or Jackie.

Personal Interview

Personal Interviews will be conducted at the Celebration Center following Orientation. Contestants will wear the same jean outfit they wore for Orientation. Miss CPRA interviews will not exceed 20 minutes, CPRA Princess Interviews will not exceed 15 minutes, and Little Miss interviews will not exceed 10 minutes. Contestant interview times will be adjusted based on the number of contestants.

Written Test

Written Test will be given per age group during the same time that Personal Interviews are being conducted. Contestants in each category will be given a test written for their group specifically. Each contestant will have a maximum of 30 minutes to complete her test. Any unanswered questions are forfeited. **All written test questions, for all age groups are posted on the CPRA Pageant Facebook page prior to the pageant.** The *Questions of the Day (QOD)* that include test and impromptu questions will be numbered and start to post after the application deadline has passed. If you have any questions about the test questions please contact Jackie White.

Horsemanship

Horsemanship will be held Saturday morning at the Bar K Bar Arena. There will be a rail work session for each age group (Miss, Princess, then Little Miss) then a horsemanship pattern followed by a horsemanship

interview (Little Miss, Princess, then Miss) so Little Miss contestants have more time to rest. Miss Contestants may switch horses for a second pattern if the judges request.

Fashion Show & Impromptu Questions

The CPRA Royalty Fashion Show will be held at the Celebration Center. Each contestant will be provided with a sponsored outfit(s) and accessories, it is the contestant's job to complete the look and provide a outfit that highlights the sponsored items.

All rodeo impromptu and current event impromptu questions, for all age groups, will be posted on the CPRA Pageant Facebook page the week(s) leading up to the pageant.

Each contestant will need to provide a Western Elegance Outfit (dressy western) for the formal modeling portion of the Fashion Show which she will wear during Speech. See Wardrobe Guidelines for more details.

Speech Topics

Speeches for Miss CPRA and CPRA Princess contestants should be 1-2 minutes in length. Little Miss Contestants speeches are to be 20 seconds to 1 minute. All contestants should give a speech on the topic of **RODEO**. No props are allowed. Any other specifics are up to the contestant. Speeches will be given at the Celebration Center in your Western Elegance Outfit after it is modeled in the Fashion Show.

Judges

Will be announced after the close of applications; see the CPRA Pageant Facebook for pictures and bio's.

Ad and Ticket Sales

Sponsors Ads are due Friday September 16th, 2022 (they can be mailed by Monday September 12th or emailed by the due date.) If you are mailing your ads it is fine to include the ad money you have collected also. Make sure to list this on your Money Turn in Sheet. Please send a copy (emailed or mailed) of the Sponsor Ad sheet filled out to verify what size ad, how paid and which contestant. If Amanda is building the ad please include the information needed to build it. If sponsor is emailing ad directly to Amanda please ask them to include ad size and constant they are sponsoring.

Rodeo

The outgoing Miss CPRA will carry the American Flag, CPRA Princess will carry the Kansas State Flag, and Little Miss CPRA, if able, will carry the CPRA flag at the Finals performance/Grand Entry on Friday and Saturday night. *If Miss Rodeo Kansas is present she will carry the American flag for the National Anthem.* CPRA Royalty and Miss Rodeo Kansas representatives will be the only ones working cattle in the arena. Visiting Royalty and CPRA Royalty will run sponsor flags after each event. Newly crowned Royalty will post flags for Grand Entry and work cattle in the arena during Sunday afternoon's performance. Visiting Royalty will run victory laps during all performances of CPRA Finals.

All contestants are REQUIRED to ride in the Saturday night Grand Entry after coronation. Do not dismount your horse. Remain in the waiting area until you are dismissed by Jackie White to unsaddle your horses and pick up your pageant prize packages. All contestants receive a prize package.

Tips for Success

The following are suggestions to help you prepare to become the CPRA Royalty.

- Read the Rules & Regulations and the other information posted on the CPRA website and social media. Call with questions if needed.
- Follow the CPRA Royalty Facebook Page and other social media including Instagram and Twitter for Questions of the Day, information on sponsors, study reference materials (in album in photos) and any updates on the pageant.
- Know the CPRA Royalty Pageant Sponsors and what they provide to the pageant
- Study the CPRA Facts and History.
- Know your Pageant deadlines and turn things in on time.
- Use the **Most Commonly Asked Questions** to study.
- Follow the CPRA Association Facebook Page for updates on association news.
- Watch the nightly news.
- Review prorodeo.com for the latest in the pro rodeo world.
- Visit aqha.com for general equine knowledge.
- Review the 4-H horse program information for equine knowledge, and general horsemanship tips.
- Take every opportunity to speak to people about your goal to be a representative of the CPRA; this will prepare you for the job you are competing for.
- Study, study and then study some more before the pageant. When you get to the pageant have confidence that your preparation is enough and allow your personality to show.
- Enjoy the experience. Win or lose, if you learn at least one thing about yourself, and feel that you presented yourself in the best way possible, you have won something available even without a crown: pride in yourself.
- Never give up on your dreams. If you apply yourself, create a path to accomplish your dream, and do not take a defeat as the end of the road, you will achieve your dreams.
- Have FUN! When you approach the events with the right attitude your personality (not your nerves) will show through and allow the judges to see your best side. We want you to make good memories and hopefully an new friend or two!