

# *Johnstown Saddle Club Royalty Guidelines and Expectations*

It is important to understand that when trying out for a royalty position you are applying to become an outstanding member of the community that serves as a role model to not only other members of the club but a role model to all young girls. You are also a representation of the club as a whole. This is not meant to scare anyone but to show the importance that royalty positions hold within the club and community.

## *~Events~*

Being a part of the royalty court you are expected to attend all of the shows, gymkhanas, meetings, and other activities hosted by JSC throughout the entire year. If you are unable to make it to a meeting or a show you must address this with the officers at a either a meeting, or via email and tell them why you won't be able to make the event. There are a number of local parades that must be attended to promote the club to the community and surrounding areas.

This increases awareness and drives higher attendances for JSC events. It also helps in sponsorship opportunities. Although not required, it is highly recommended that you attend one luncheon throughout the year. The royalty will be expected to participate in the following events:

**National Western Stock Show – Denver, CO January**

**Berthoud Days Parade – 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday in June typically**

**Greeley Stampede Parade- July 4**

**Larimer County Fair Parade- typically last Saturday in July before the start of fair**

\*These events are local events that generate the most publicity and support for our local communities. If any member of the royalty court is unable to make these dates they should address this at a meeting prior to the event, and it should be discussed among the board and club members.

Other Optional but Recommended Events

**Miss Rodeo Colorado Coronation & Luncheon--Greeley, CO June or July**

**Rooftop Rodeo Parade/Queen's Luncheon & Rodeo Grand Entry—Estes Park, CO July**

**Boulder County Fair Parade & Queen's Luncheon – Longmont, CO August**

\*\* It is at your discretion to attend these, and it the Royalty Court's job to pursue these events\*\*

Girls are not required to ride at all the shows or gymkhana's but if you are not riding you are still expected to be in attendance to hand out ribbons and bucks. You should also have a raffle item(s) at each Show and Gymkhana available for members and non-members to purchase tickets for. Any money earned from the raffle item(s) goes into the royalty fund.

# *~Dress Attire~*

While being a part of royalty it is imperative to look your best; this includes the way you are dressed, your hair, and for the older girls, your make up.

## **While at Shows & Gymkhanas**

- The girls should wear western boots, belt and hat that matches
- Western long sleeve shirts should be worn that are clean, and pressed
- Jeans should be western jeans that are clean and should relatively look similar to each other or coordinated appropriately
- Sash with the name and position in the royalty court should be worn anytime the royalty is representing JSC
  - Crowns should be worn at all times, unless participating in an event
  - For Gymkhanas, fitted short sleeve button ups, or fitted t-shirts may be worn

## **While at Meetings**

- Should be dressed in matching outfits or coordinate in an appropriate fashion
  - Hat, crown, sash, belt and boots should be worn
  - Western button up shirts and/or fitted t-shirts are acceptable

## **While at Parades**

- Hat(shaped), boots(clean), belt, sash and crowns should be worn
- Should be able to tell royalty from the members riding, girls should match, or be coordinated appropriately
  - Jeans should match or be close to matching

## **While at Luncheons**

- Should be the dressiest occasion
  - Western suits with skirts or Western dresses
  - Tights should be worn with dresses or skirts; skirts below the knee
  - Jewelry should be appropriate for the outfit
- Boots should be dressy, any western shoe that is appropriate for the outfit is acceptable

## **While Seeking Sponsors**

- Should be dressed in matching outfits or coordinate in an appropriate fashion
  - Hat, crown, sash, belt and boots should be worn
  - Western button up shirts and/or fitted t-shirts are acceptable

## *~Hair & Make Up~*

- Hair should always look well maintained and styled
- Whether hair is curled or straightened it should be pulled back out of your face This is done simply by pulling the hair from the top of your head to the top of your ears back and using a hair tie or bobby pins to hold it back
  - At the meetings, gymkhanas, and shows a curly or straightened pony tail is also acceptable
- At the luncheons, and parades hair should be more styled as these are important public representations of JSC
  - Make up should not be over the top, natural shades only

## *~Sponsorships~*

- As Royalty you should be contacting local and non-local businesses for Sponsorships in the form of product or monetary donation; there is a Sponsorship form on the website that can be used
  - It is preferred but not required that Royalty goes out together to seek sponsors

## *~Conduct as Part of the Royalty Court~*

- All members should be behave in a proper fashion being respectful, hardworking and honest at all times
- Should be willing to step in and help at any of the functions of the JCS, and any outside events that they are asked to help with
  - Should always be bright, happy and enthusiastic
  - Should strive to make things fun and better the club
- NO one should be in the royalty roost other than the royalty court and parents helping
  - While in the royalty roost you should be focused and working
- When representing the club, whether at JSC events or other places you should be polite, respectful, friendly, and have good horsemanship at all times
  - Profanity should not be used at any time
- All of the items listed above apply to any personal social media accounts you have, please recognize that people utilize social media on a day to day basis and that you are choosing to be a good representation of the club even when you are not at a club function
- Events that the saddle club posts on Facebook and Instagram should also be promoted by the royalty however this is not mandatory

## *~Queen~ Ages 15-19*

- Should be the leader, and a role model to the younger girls
  - Will directly mentor the Junior Queen
- Should be in charge but should not be bossing others around
- Should plan the year with the other girls and hold responsibility of the money raised by the royalty
  - Should coordinates the outfits for specific events
  - Communicate and Coordinate information for parades, luncheons, events, etc.
- Should be prepared to speak about what the royalty has been and will be doing at every meeting \*Any absences should be addressed at the prior meeting to the absence

## *~Princess~ Ages 13-15*

- Should help the Queen with important duties, this position is here to help prepare for the title of Queen the following year
  - Will directly mentor the Junior Princess
- The Princess is the next responsible person following the Queen and should know the ins and outs of the day at a Show, Gymkhana, Parade, Meeting, etc. should the Queen not be able to attend

## *~ Attendant~ 10-13*

- Will directly mentor the Junior Attendant
  - Duties will be given to you by the Queen and/or Princess throughout the year
- You are not an assistant to the older royalty you are a helper that should be learning what it takes to be Princess and/or Queen in the future

## *~Junior Queen~ Ages 9-11*

- Should be the leader, and a role model to the younger girls
- Will work and shadow the Older Queen to learn what it takes to be in the position for future years
  - Will come up with new fun ideas that the Junior Royalty will do

## *~Junior Princess~ Ages 7-9*

- Will work and shadow the Older Princess to learn what it takes to be in the position for future years
  - Will assist and work together with the Junior Queen in fun events and functions

## *~Junior Attendant~ Ages 7 & Under*

- Will work and shadow the Older Attendant to learn what it takes to be in the position for future years
  - Will assist and work together with the Junior Queen and Princess in fun events and functions

\*Ages can be discussed with the officers prior to the Royalty Try-Outs taking place\*

## *~Getting Started in October~*

- The first order of business should be getting together to meet each other
  - Arrange the buckle and crown order with the officers
- Set up group and individual pictures and get a personal bio for the website
- Raffle materials should be gathered for each gymkhana and each show \*Every show and gymkhana should have a raffle and it should be clearly advertised by taking it around to trailers and people sitting in the stands to raise money to be able to do more things and have more outfits
- Events should be planned at the beginning to ensure everyone knows about them and are able to attend
- Reach out to sponsors; most people set up their budgets from November to March so they know how much they can sponsor

## *~Other ideas to Consider to make the Year more Fun~*

- Have a free raffle at the year-end banquet
- Give out a couple special awards to highlights a few members that you thought were exceptional throughout the year
  - Bring Breakfast or Coffee to the parades
    - Bring snacks to meetings
  - Participate in other events as JSC Royalty supporting other clubs
- The limits are endless and strive to do something new and different