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2024 Madras Saddle & Gaming Club Queen Tryouts Information and Procedures

Thank you for your interest in the 2024 Madras Saddle & Gaming Club (MSGC) Queen! **Tryouts will be held at the Jefferson County Fairgrounds Saturday, August 12th, 2023.** MSGC Queen represents Madras Saddle & Gaming Club and its members throughout Central Oregon, appearing in parades, rodeos, luncheons, and/or other public and promotional activities.

Madras Saddle & Gaming Club will crown (1) 2024 Queen

MSGC Queen Contestant Eligibility Requirements:

- 1. Applicant(s) must be ten (10) years of age *as of January 1st*, but not exceed the age of fifteen (15) as of January 1st the pageant year.
- 2. Applicant(s) must be a current, paid member in good standing with MSGC for the 2023 season and purchase a 2024 membership.
- 3. Contest is open to all female participants/members of MSGC that meet the other eligibility requirements
- 4. The Queen Coordinator will have discretion on the horse that will be used at any function representing MSGC.
 - Safety is very important to MSGC. If a horse is injured or deemed unsafe, the horse replacement will need to be approved through the Queen Coordinator. Please utilize the horse you intend on completing the 2024 Queen season on during your tryout.
- 5. Applicants shall not be married, never have been married, not pregnant, nor have children.
- 6. Applicant(s) must be willing to abide by the Queen rules, including responsibility of her horse and transportation, and be available to participate in activities throughout the year. If the Queen does not represent MSGC in a manner deemed acceptable as to fulfilling her duties and/or the Queen is unable to fulfill her term, the MSGC Board and Queen Coordinator will decide if that position shall be filled for the remainder of the term or will remain vacant.
- 7. Transportation to all MSGC Queen events will be provided by the parents of the Queen. All expenses (Queen clothing, horse equipment, parade equipment, ect.) shall be supplied by the Queen's parents or sponsors, but **MUST** be approved by the Queen Coordinator. MSGC will provide a buckle.

- 8. MSGC does not have the budget to assist the 2024 Queen with travel and equipment needs. All funding will be the responsibility of the Queen's parents/gaurdians and/or sponsors.
- 9. Queens must receive specific permission in advance from the Queen Coordinator on any events and appearances. Must not conflict with MSGC events.
- 10. 2024 Queen will represent the MSGC by riding or attending ALL MSGC events and grand entries. The MSGC queen will be required to attend ALL MADRAS PARADES, MSGC FAIR JACKPOT, JEFFERSON CO. FAIR and COWDEO. In addition, the Queen will represent MSGC in two (2) Central Oregon events. Please see the 2024 MSGC Queen tentative schedule.
- 11. The 2024 MSGC Queen reign will start when the Queen is crowned during the December 2023 Awards/ Annual meeting Banquet to the following Awards Banquet in December 2024.

2024 Madras Saddle & Gaming Club Queen Tryouts consist of the following:

All contestants will participate in queen contest. The contestants will be judged on appearance, photogenics, personality, and ability to conduct themselves in a professional manner. Two categories will be a big focus in the completion:

- 1. Personal Interview/Impromptu Questions: You will be asked a variety of personality, MSGC club rule book, MSGC knowledge and current event questions. Your parents, or support team, are welcome to arrive with you; however, they will be asked to remain outside or in another building during the personal interview process. You will be judged on presentation of your answers, appearance, and knowledge of MSGC rules, protocols, event schedules, and contact information. Presentation can be defined as the ability to handle all competition situations with poise and maturity, preparedness for events, self-control and confidence while speaking in public or interacting with others and exhibiting grace and class while being flexible in and out of the public eye.
- 2. **Horsemanship:** The purpose of this category is to select the young lady who rates the highest in Horsemanship—including control of the horse and the way the contestant handles each situation that may occur. Riders will be judged on balance-the ability to sit in a saddle and position of hands, feet, and seat. You will perform a riding pattern announced at tryouts. Ages 10-15 will perform the pattern as well as a run in. Your parents, or support team, can help you prepare for horsemanship; once you are on your horse, they must go into the grandstands to watch the competition and are not allowed to talk to you until the horsemanship portion is completed.

2024 Tentative Tryout Schedule

Tryouts begin at 9:00 AM, Saturday, August 12th 2023. Open to the public, except for personal interviews. Please invite your family and friends to attend.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	PUBLIC/CLOSED
Saturday 8/12	9:00 PM	Orientation	Public
Saturday 8/12	9:30 PM	Horsemanship	Public
Saturday 8/12	after Horsemanship	Personal Interview	Closed

2024 Schedule of Parades and Rodeos (tentative)

As the Queen you are required to attend **ALL MSGC** events and grand entries The MSGC Queen will be required to ALL MADRAS PARADES, Jefferson Co. MSGC Jackpot and Fair and COWDEO. Queen will attend 2 other events in Central Oregon, but can attend more if desired. Below is a schedule by month that the Queen in the past has followed. As you can see, it takes a lot of commitment and financial support is very important. It is your responsibility to get yourself and your horse to every function. **All** travel is at the expense of the Queen. Queen is to let the MSGC know of her schedule **PRIOR** to start of rodeo season. Queen to provide pictures as needed of appearances for use for MSGC website and social media.

March:

• High Desert Stampede parade (Redmond, OR)

April:

- COPWRA rodeo
- Miss Rodeo Oregon Queen Clinic

May:

- COPWRA rodeo
- Spray Rodeo parade (Spray, OR)

June:

- COPWRA rodeo
- Sisters Rodeo parade (Sisters, OR)
- Crooked River Roundup parade (Prineville, OR)

July:

- COPWRA rodeo
- 4th of July Parade (Madras OR)
- Jefferson Co. Fair Jackpot (Madras OR)

October Tentative TBD:

COWDEO

November:

Veterans Day Parade (Madras OR)

December:

MSGC Annual Meeting/Awards Christmas Parade

Characteristics of a MSGC Queen Contestant:

- promote the western lifestyle
- be a horse enthusiast
- promote good sportsmanship
- have high moral and ethical standards
- be knowledgeable about MSGC events and rules
- be an animal welfare advocate
- have the ability to converse about playday events
- be friendly and personable
- have a sincere interest in MSGC and the promotion of our playdays

If you are chosen to represent MSGC as Queen, you will be required to:

- 1. Have at least one (1) parent/chaperone to help you at parades and rodeos
- 2. Wear approved wardrobe
- 3. Be prepared at all events with tack, clothing and a positive attitude
- 4. Be available for appearances and events throughout your reign

If you are chosen to represent MSGC as Queen, you may be doing the following:

- 1. Run in prior to MSGC events
- 2. Riding in parades or Participating in MSGC floats.
- 3. Distributing MSGC information as requested by the Board of Advisors or Queen Coordinator
- 4. Work/help at MSGC events when not competing as needed

2024 Judging Guidelines

You must be prepared to show your best on tryout day. Judges will not take into consideration past experience or knowledge of any contestants. You will be judged solely on your performance **that day**. Judges objective will be to find a young woman who can ride well, speak to the public, and represent herself as MSGC in a dignified and honorable manner.

Wardrobe/Attire for tryouts:

- 1. <u>Personal Interview/Impromptu Questions:</u> Western attire (dress or western shirt and jeans) appropriate for an interview or appearing at a luncheon or group presentation. Options might be vests or jackets, skirts, slacks (neatly pressed garments are always more professional).
- 2. **Horsemanship:** Western jeans, western long sleeve shirt, felt hat and boots (neatly pressed garments are always more professional).

Judges will be looking for these attributes in court contestants:

1. Personal Interviews

- Pleasant, friendly, relaxed, poised, sincere, and confident
- Able to converse
- Self confidence

2. Appearance

- Poise and posture
- Clean, well-fitting Western attire
- Clean, well-shaped Cowboy hat

3. Horse

- Clean, properly fitting tack
- Responsive to contestant
- Clean, neat appearance

4. Pattern

- Must be ridden with one (1) hand
- Seat, posture, control and hand placement
- Control, both slow and fast
- Completeness and correctness of pattern

2024 Madras Saddle & Gaming Queen Application

*Name of Applicant:		Phone:
Address:		
Age: Date of Birth:	Email:	
*Name of Mother:		Phone:
Address:		
*Name of Father:		Phone:
Address:		
		ge: Breed:
Description: (Please include a signed copy of ag	reement if horse is leased)	
*Do you own your own pickup/trai transportation:		
*Education (highest year complete	d) : School Name: _	
*Scholastic honors and other accor	nplishments:	
*Horsemanship skills, experience o participation in parades, rodeos, ho		ıl in fulfilling this position, especially
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2024 Queen/Parental Code of Conduct

- 1. <u>Public Image:</u> Throughout your court service, you will be acting on behalf of MSGC and all MSGC members and participants. It is important that your conduct and actions, as well as those of your parent(s)/guardian(s), are maintained appropriately, in good faith, and in the best interest of MSGC. You will not only be asked to make public appearances, but you and your parent(s)/guardian(s) must be able to interact with other members of the club and their parent(s)/guardian(s) in a manner that is appropriate, non-confrontational, and in a manner that serves the best interest of MSGC. The MSGC Board of Directors and Queen Coordinator reserves the right to discontinue your service on the court should MSGC, in the MSGC's sole discretion, determine that you and/or your parent's/guardian's behavior is not in the best interest of MSGC. The MSGC Executive Board and Queen Coordinator reserve the right to withdraw a title under various conditions including, but not limited to, if the titleholder engages in behavior that brings into question her honesty, maturity or moral character.
- 2. <u>MSGC Equipment:</u> You will be entrusted by MSGC with certain MSGC equipment, which may include, but is not limited to: flags, chaps, serapes, vehicle magnets, spurs and other similar property. You are solely responsible to maintain, care for, protect, secure and return all such personal property immediately upon the request of the MSGC or otherwise, upon your disassociation as Queen. The MSGC has the right to hold you responsible for any damage, misuse, failure to return, loss, destruction, or theft of any of MSGC property in your possession. In addition, MSGC may purchase, on your behalf, certain property including, but not limited to, hats, shirts, jeans, vests, and similar items which may be of custom fit to you, and therefore, of no other use to the MSGC. Therefore, you expressly understand and agree that you are solely responsible to timely pay MSGC or any third-party vendor for such specialty items, as determined by the MSGC.
- 3. **Remedies:** As a member and representative of MSGC, you and your parent(s)/guardian(s) warrant, represent, and agree that, should MSGC, in its sole discretion, find you or your parent(s)/guardian(s) in violation of: (a) the MSGC'S Code of Conduct; (b) MSGC Rulebook; or any disclosure forms provided to you upon tryouts, MSGC reserves the right to ask you to: (1) immediately step down as the Queen and cease any and all activities on behalf of MSGC; (2) seek any direct and indirect damages related to equipment or other personal property, or your failure to report and turn over MSGC donations, plus interest at the legal rate, until paid; or (3) seek all legal and equitable relief, including an injunction, to refrain you or your parent(s)/guardian(s) from disparaging the public image of MSGC; (4) damages in the amount of \$50 per day for any retention of MSGC property after termination of your association from MSGC and issuance of a ten (10) day letter of demand by MSGC and/or (5) the MSGC's attorneys fees and costs related to the enforcement of such matters.
- 4. <u>Assumption of Risk:</u> By signing below, you understand and agree that there are certain inherent risks associated with activities related to MSGC. These risks include, but are not limited to, the handling, riding, and proximity to rodeo animals, as well as other certain inherent risks that are associated with rodeos/events. You understand and agree to participate in these activities at your own risk and to hold MSGC harmless from any and all actions related to these risks, as well as other damages associated with your voluntary membership as MSGC Queen.
 - **5.** Consideration: As consideration for MSGC accepting you as the Queen and to act on behalf of MSGC, you and your parent(s)/guardian(s) agree to sign this Code of Conduct Disclaimer. By signing below, you all understand and agree to the terms and conditions of the MSGC Code of Conduct and the MSGC Rulebook, you agree that you are voluntarily signing this disclaimer and have had ample opportunity to review, ask questions, and seek counsel, prior to signing this disclaimer. To the extent that you are a minor, by signing below, your parent(s)/guardian(s) consent, on your behalf, to MSGC Code of Conduct.
 - **6. Photo Release:** Parents give permission to use approved photographs by MSGC Queen coordinator, for representation of MSGC.

Contestant Signature:	Date:
Signature of Mother:	Date:
Signature of Father:	Date:

2024 Social Networking Policy

The following is the Madras Saddle & Gaming Club (MSGC) Social networking policy. The absence of, or lack of explicit reference to a specific internet and/or web site does not limit the extent of the application of this policy. Where no policy or guideline exists, titleholders should use their professional judgment and take the most prudent action possible. Consult with the Queen Coordinator if you are uncertain.

- 1. Personal blogs should have clear disclaimers that the views expressed by the author in the blog are the author's alone and do not represent the views of MSGC. Be clear and write in first person. Make your writing clear that you are speaking for yourself and not on behalf of MSGC or your title.
- 2. Information published on your blog(s) should comply with MSGC's confidentiality and disclosure of proprietary data policies. This also applies to comments posted on other blogs, forums, and social networking sites.
- 3. Be respectful to MSGC, yourself, other title holders, your sponsors, MSGC sponsors, and possible pageant competitors.
- 4. Social media activities should not interfere with titleholder responsibilities or pageant rules and regulations.
- 5. Your online presence reflects MSGC and your title as the MSGC Queen. Be aware that your actions captured via images, posts, or comments can reflect that of MSGC and your title as well.
- 6. Do not reference or site sponsors, other title holders, or rodeos without their express consent.
- 7. Respect copyright laws, and reference or site sources appropriately. Plagiarism applies online as well.
- 8. MSGC logos and trademarks may not be used without written consent.
- 9. Ultimately you should be mature, be ethical, and think before you type or post.
- 10. The MSGC Executive Board reserves the right to determine if posts are acceptable and within moral standards set forth in the Code of Conduct.

Violation of this policy can result in disciplinary action, up to and including the removal of the title and crown. The Madras Saddle & Gaming Club Executive Board reserves the right to decide such disciplinary action at any time during your reign.

Contestant Signature:	Date:
Signature of Mother:	Date:
Signature of Father:	Date:

My signature affirms that all information on this application is understood by me and my parent(s) and is true to the best of my/our knowledge. I have read, understand, and will abide by the Eligibility Requirements, Code of Conduct, and Social Networking Policy and understand that violation of any rule may result in suspension and/or dismissal as Queen. I agree to be available for the entire MSGC season.

I release the MSGC Executive Board, Queen Coordinator, MSGC members and/or their agents from any from any and all claims, demands, actions, causes of action of any sort, or of any injury sustained to my person or my horse, or any damage or loss to my property resulting from my participation in any event, rodeo performance, activity, or parade for the entire term of my reign as Queen. I enter this pageant at my own risk and am subject to pageant rules, both written and verbal.

Contestant Signature:	Date:
Signature of Mother:	Date:
Signature of Father:	Date:

Please include with your application:

- A statement of WHY you want to be the 2024 MSGC Queen (50 words or less please)
- Signed MSGC Queen application
- Signed Code of Conduct
- Signed Social Networking Policy
- 5x7 headshot photo

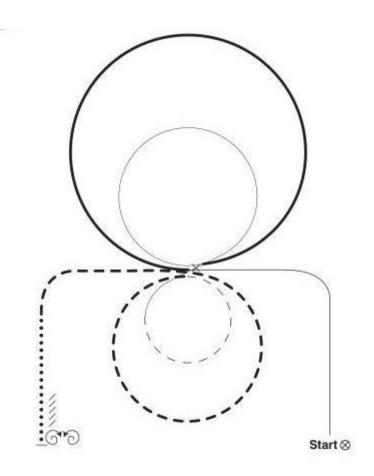
Your application for membership as the MSGC Queen is voluntary and we appreciate the time that you intend to volunteer on behalf of the MSGC. You were previously provided with information regarding the responsibilities of court members and a copy of this Code of Conduct with your MSGC court tryout packet. By signing below, you understand and agree as follows:

Please read all the rules and regulations carefully. If you have questions, feel free to contact the Queen Coordinator, Tasha Johns at 541-350-4210 or natasha_johns246@yahoo.com Please return your completed application to the Queen Coordinator via email, mail or in person. We look forward to getting your application!

APPLICATION DEADLINE: 8/05/23. Applications sent via mail **MUST** be postmarked by this date. Please mail applications to:

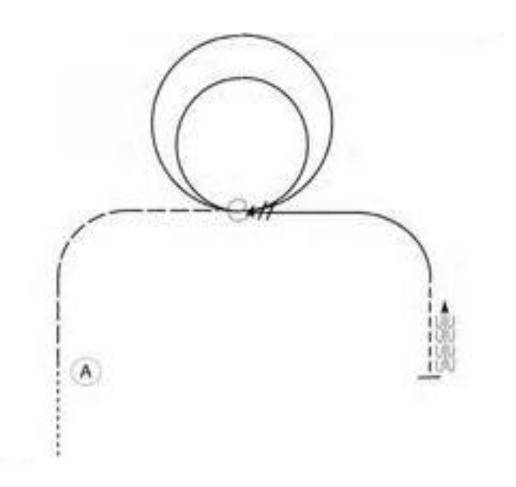
Madras Saddle & Gaming Club Queen Coordinator-Tasha Johns Po Box 981 Madras, Or 97741

2024 Madras Saddle & Gaming Club Queen Tryout Pattern #1



- 1. On foot, walk your horse to the starting cone
- 2. Mount your horse
- 3. Trot to center and around corner
- 4. Lope a large circle to the left with speed
- 5. Lope a smaller, cadenced circle
- 6. Change leads (may be simple or interrupted lead change)
- 7. Lope a large circle to the right with speed
- 8. Lope a smaller, cadenced circle
- 9. Transition to a trot without losing forward motion
- 10. Trot through the top of the arc and around the corner
- 11. Transition to a walk without losing forward motion
- 12. Stop at cone
- 13. 360° haunch turn (either way)
- 14. Back at least 5 steps
- 15. Exit at a walk

2023 Madras Saddle & Gaming Club Queen Tryouts Tryout Pattern #2



- 1. On foot, walk your horse to A (cone)
- 2. Mount your horse
- 3. Trot to center and around corner
- 4. Lope a large circle to the left with speed
- 5. Lope a smaller, cadenced circle
- 6. Change leads (may be simple or interrupted lead change)
- 7. Lope on the right lead through the top of the arc and around the corner
- 8. Transition to a trot without losing forward motion
- 9. Trot until even with A
- 10.Stop
- 11. Back at least 5 steps
- 12. Exit at a walk