



### **What is the ABC Rodeo & Lubbock Downtown Chapter of Ambucs?**

For over 69 years the members of the Lubbock Downtown Chapter of the American Business Clubs have supported and improved the lives in our community by working to produce some of the greatest western sporting events in the country.

#### ***Description***

The Lubbock Downtown Chapter of the American Business Clubs is made up of highly energetic and hard working business men and women, each of whom has a unique desire to help improve the quality of life in Lubbock. From setting up stock panels to selling programs to blowing up balloons, EVERYONE contributes in some way to the success of Lubbock!

#### ***Mission***

Nationally, the AMBUCS mission is to "create independent lifestyles for people with disabilities." We are proud to support this effort with donations to a living endowment fund which provides scholarships for therapy students in the Lubbock area. Locally, our mission is to support the **Lubbock Boys & Girls Club** and other local charities. We have in fact built the three existing clubs and provided operational funding for over 60 years to this fine organization for our children. Over the years, we have donated in excess of \$1,000,000.00 to Lubbock charities and support groups with funds generated by the **ABC Pro Rodeo**.

#### ***More Information***

The ABC Pro Rodeo is a PRCA sanctioned event. For more information about the rodeo and PRCA visit [www.prorodeo.com](http://www.prorodeo.com) or [www.abcrodeo.com](http://www.abcrodeo.com).

**The 70th Annual ABC Pro Rodeo will begin Thursday, March 29, 2012.**

**Leslie Cox is the Rodeo Chairman for the 70th Annual ABC Pro Rodeo.**

\*Please submit completed applications, short answer questions, a photo, application fee, and proof of age to:

Lubbock Downtown Chapter of Ambucs

Attn: Ashley Dunn

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Lubbock, Texas 79424

### *Role Model*

Miss ABC Pro Rodeo Princess is a public figure of the ABC Rodeo. As a princess, the Rodeo Committee and members expect the princess to act with respect to the title, event, and organization. Miss ABC Pro Rodeo is a representative of the ABC Rodeo, Lubbock Downtown Chapter of Ambucs, and the region.

### *Horsemanship*

Miss ABC Pro Rodeo Princess will be riding in the Grand Entry of the ABC Pro Rodeo. Therefore, horsemanship is a required attribute of the Princess. Miss ABC Pro Rodeo Princess will be required to make arrangements to transport her own horse to contests, public events, and promotions. The Princess will be riding her own horse in the Grand Entry pending approval.

### *Attendance*

Miss ABC Pro Rodeo Princess is required to attend promotional events. These events include, but are not limited to:

- Rodeo Kick-Off at the Lubbock Boys & Girls Club
- School Days/ Kids Rodeo
- Muttin' Bustin'
- Photo Shoot
- Check Presentations
- Rodeo Performances
  - Thursday, March 29, 2012
  - Friday, March 30, 2012
  - Saturday Matinee, March 31, 2012
  - Saturday Evening, March 31, 2012
- Crowning of Queen & Princess

**\*Failure to attend an event without permission may result in  
forfeiture of Crown & Awards.**

## **Rules & Regulations Miss ABC Pro Rodeo Princess Contest**

### *Age*

Contestants must be between the ages of 10 and 12.

### *Application Requirements*

- Contestants must submit a completed application to the Director of the Princess Contest by November 1, 2011.
- Contestants must be residents or living in Texas.
- The short answer questions, photo, and application fee are due with the application.
- The top 10 applicants will be voted on by the Rodeo Committee and invited to participate in the Miss ABC Rodeo Princess Contest.
- The horsemanship portion of the contest will be held to determine the top 3 applicants.
- The top 3 Princess contestants will be invited to attend the final portion of the contest held in January.

### *Issues & Concerns*

- The consumption of alcoholic beverages, use of drugs, use of tobacco products, or public use of obscene language while representing the ABC Rodeo and affiliates is prohibited.
- Failure to comply with attendance and duties as Miss ABC Pro Rodeo Princess will result in the forfeiture of title and awards.
- Behavior deemed as unfitting of Miss ABC Rodeo Princess will result in disciplinary action determined by the Rodeo Committee. Applicants may not have criminal charges against them or be convicted of a felony or other serious criminal activities.
- All contestants must be single and never been married nor given birth. If a winner marries during her reign or becomes pregnant, she will forfeit her title and awards.
- If the Rodeo Committee votes to de-throne the Miss ABC Pro Rodeo Princess, the runner-up of the contest will be notified and awarded the position.
- The runner-up should be aware that during the event that the winner of the Miss ABC Pro Rodeo Contest is unable to fulfill her duties, the runner-up will be expected to take her place.
- Issues that arise may be addressed to: Ashley Dunn

ash.n.dunn@gmail.com

(806) 441-0477

### *Awards*

- The winning princess will receive a 2012 Miss ABC Pro Rodeo Princess Buckle & Sash.
- A photo shoot, makeover, and signature photos will be provided to the winning princess.
- The Crown is to be returned prior to the crowning of the 2013 Miss ABC Rodeo Princess.

## **Rules & Regulations Miss ABC Pro Rodeo Princess Contest**

### ***Dress Code***

- Miss ABC Pro Rodeo Princess must be aware of and conform to all PRCA dress codes while in the arena (long sleeve western shirt, Wrangler Jeans, and western hat).
- The Princess is required to dress in western attire while representing the ABC Rodeo Club in any capacity.
- During the horsemanship portion of the contest, the contestant should conform to PRCA dress codes.
  - Prohibited attire during the horsemanship contest includes: dresses, skirts, jackets, vests, full leather/suede outfits, and ultra suede shirts/blouses.

### ***Photographs***

- Pictures taken of the applicants by ABC Pro Rodeo photographers during the contest or for the rodeo program become the property of the ABC Pro Rodeo and can be used for publicity.
- Copies may be made available to applicants.

### ***Important Contest Dates***

- November 1, 2011: Deadline for applications
- November 12, 2011: Horsemanship Contest will be held.
- January 28, 2011: Final Contest includes Private Interview, Public Speaking, Modeling, and On-Stage Question.
- The date of the Crowning of the 2012 Miss ABC Pro Rodeo Princess is to be determined.
- Final Decisions for the Top 10 Applicants, Top 3 Applicants, and Miss ABC Pro Rodeo Princess will be promptly made after the dates to allow for adequate time for scheduling.

*The Contest (7 Sections, 2 Phases)*

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- **Horsemanship (30%):** The horsemanship portion of the contest and application are used to determine the Top 3 Princess Applicants. Horsemanship includes 3 sections: Princess' Ride (5%), Freestyle Ride (5%), & Set Horsemanship Pattern (20%).
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- **Private Interview (30%):** The panel of judges will conduct a private interview with each contestant. Questions may be asked pertaining to their application, rodeo, or current events.
  - **Public Speaking (20%):** Contestants will deliver a 2-minute speech.
  - **On-Stage Question (10%):** The unique question will be asked after the 2 minute speech.
  - **Modeling (10%):** Contestants will need to write a brief autobiographical commentary for the judges. This will be read as the contestant models.
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*During the Contest*

**Sportsmanship:** Unsportsmanlike behavior from contestants, parents/guardians, or anyone directly related to the contestant during and after the competition is cause for dismissal and relinquishment of all awards at the discretion of the Rodeo Committee.

**Judging:** At no time before, during, or after any part of the competition will a parent or family member be allowed to approach a judge. A contestant may approach the judges after the competition with questions concerning areas of improvement only.

*Horsemanship Phase of Contest*

The horsemanship phase of the competition provides insight into the contestant's preparatory and performance skills. This phase also acknowledges the rider's ability to control her mount. Contestants may change mounts for any phase of the competition, but change is not required. Contestants must be ready when called, even if change in mounts occurs. If contestant fails to be ready, then she will not be allowed to compete. Bridles and saddles are required at all times.

**Set Horsemanship Pattern (20%):** Consideration is given as to whether the contestant completes the pattern correctly.

**Freestyle Ride (5%):** Consideration is given as to whether the contestant's freestyle selection fits the skills and her personality. The time limit is 2 minutes to demonstrate individual riding ability and creativity. Costumes and music are not allowed, but props with a crew may be used.

**Princess' Ride (5%):** Consideration is given to the contestant's ability to *connect* with the audience.

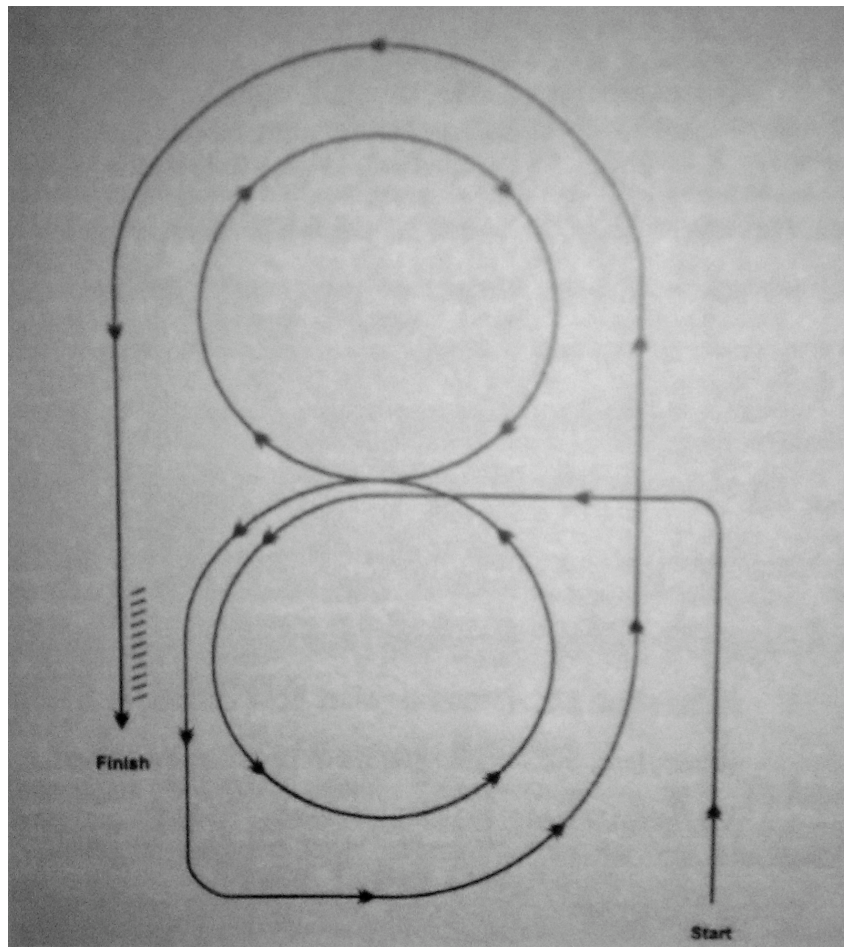
\*Judges may ask you to dismount, mount, and unbridle your horse. Horsemanship questions may be asked.

# Rules & Regulations Miss ABC Pro Rodeo Princess Contest

## *Riding Pattern*

1. Trot along the right side of the arena to the center, turn left at center.
2. Begin lope and lope left circle on left lead.
3. Change leads at center of arena and lope right circle on right lead.
4. After completing the figure 8, change leads and continue loping around to the end of the arena.
5. Once on the straight, increase speed and continue around the arena.
6. Come to a slide stop.
7. After your horse has settled down, back up about 10 to 15 feet.
8. Walk your horse over to the judges, dismount, remove your bridle and bit, answer the judges questions, replace the bridle and bit, and remount.
9. Once you have remounted, walk your horse out of the arena.

\*The Set Horsemanship Pattern has the highest weighted percentage within this phase, so become familiar with the requirements.



# Rules & Regulations Miss ABC Pro Rodeo Princess Contest

Last	First	Middle
Address	City	State
Phone	Emergency Contact	
Date of Birth	Age	Verified

I, \_\_\_\_\_, understand what is required of me if I am awarded the title of Miss ABC Pro Rodeo Princess. I will do my best to fulfill my role as Miss ABC Pro Rodeo Princess. I understand that I am not guaranteed to win the contest. I also understand that if I do not complete the requirements after winning the contest that my title and awards may be removed.

Signed	Date
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As the guardian/parent of \_\_\_\_\_, I permit her to compete in the contest for Miss ABC Pro Rodeo Princess. I also understand the required commitment of the guardian/parent and am willing to commit to these requirements.

Print Name	Relationship to Contestant
Signed	Date

- Submit short answer questions, photo, application, and proof of age by the deadline.
- A \$25 non-refundable application fee is required of all Miss ABC Pro Rodeo Princess applicants.
- Deadline is **November 1, 2011**.

**Rules & Regulations Miss ABC Pro Rodeo Princess Contest**

<b>School Name:</b>	
<b>Extracurricular Activities:</b>	
<b>Rodeo &amp; Equestrian Activities:</b>	
<b>Club Memberships:</b>	
<b>Why do you want to be the 2012 Miss ABC Rodeo Princess?</b>	