

# CROOKED RIVER ROUNDUP

## 2025 Queen Application

August 19, 2024

Dear Applicant,

Thank you for interest in trying out for the title of the 2025 Crooked River Roundup Queen. We look forward to seeing you on **Saturday September 28th, 2024 at 10:00 am** at the Crook County Fairgrounds Pavilion Tent in Prineville, Oregon. We will start with introductions promptly at 10:00 am.

### Schedule:

- Introductions-** meeting with all contestants, parents and judges. Draw for contestant order.
- Personal Interviews**
- Speeches and Impromptu Questions**
- Horsemanship**
- Awards and Announcement of 2025 Crooked River Roundup Queen**

The application packet is due no later than **Friday September 20, 2024 by 5:00 pm PST**. Please email to [lindasmith.crr@gmail.com](mailto:lindasmith.crr@gmail.com) (you will get an emailed acknowledgement) or mail to Crooked River Roundup Queen C/O Linda Smith 225 SW Meadow Lakes Drive Prineville, OR 97754 (must be postmarked by 9/13/24).

If you have any questions, please feel free to call or email me.

Sincerely,

*Linda Smith*

Linda Smith, Crooked River Roundup Board Member  
Queen Coordinator  
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[lindasmith.crr@gmail.com](mailto:lindasmith.crr@gmail.com)

## General Information

The Crooked River Roundup Queen represents the Rodeo & Race industry throughout Oregon, appearing in/at parades, rodeos, luncheons and other promotional activities. All applicants must reside in Oregon and be between the ages of 16-26 as of January 1, 2025 and be unmarried with no children. Applicants must be willing to abide by the Queen Committee rules and be available to participate in queen activities throughout the year.

The young lady that is chosen as our queen will get a beautiful buckle and custom-made chaps that she will design herself. A saddle will be awarded to the lucky winner along with a \$2000 scholarship for her continuing education. You are required to do fund raising but your advisor will go with you.

### Reign:

December 15, 2024 – December 15, 2025

### Expenses:

**The Queen is responsible for all costs for travel, lodging, meals, equipment and other expenses related to her duties as the Crooked River Roundup Queen.** Historically, the CRR Queen has raised enough money at the Coronation and Auction (outlined below) to be reimbursed for her expenses.

**Note:** All reimbursable expenses **do** require pre-approval from the Queen Coordinator. Receipts must be turned in **within two weeks of purchase.**

### Coronation & Auction:

The Crooked River Roundup Queen Coronation & Auction is TBD and pending board approval. The Queen is required to help with the planning, setup and tear down of this event. The Queen is required to solicit auction items to be sold at the event to support her year of reign. She must be available from October through the event to gather auction items and advisor will accompany the Queen in procuring items. The auction proceeds will be used to reimburse travel expenses, advertising (e.g. autograph sheets, luncheon invitation), clothing, boots, hat, tack and other expenses related to the Queen.

### Participation & Appearances:

The Queen is required to represent the Crooked River Roundup at all required appearances (outlined below). Non-required appearances will be scheduled with input from the Queen and Queen Committee. Funds raised will determine the number of additional events where travel and other expenses will be reimbursed.

- **Required:** *The Queen must be available “full-time” the week of the rodeo and the week of the race meet. She will need to make arrangements around the schedule of rodeo and race functions with work, school or other extracurricular activities she may be involved in. She must be available for all TV, radio, newspaper and public appearances prior to and after the events. She will attend meetings leading up to the events in order to be informed of what is happening.*

*The Queen will attend and participate in the parades and all performances of the High Desert Stampede, Spray Rodeo, Sisters Rodeo, St Paul Rodeo, Deschutes County Fair and Rodeo, Paulina Amateur Rodeo and the Pendleton Roundup. All non-required appearances must be preapproved by the Queen Coordinator.*

## Tryout Information

**Application Deadline:** Friday September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024 by 5:00 pm PST

### Tryout Application must include:

1. Completed and signed application packet
2. Brief typed biography
3. Statement of why you want to be the Crooked River Roundup Queen
4. Recent photo of yourself
5. Copy of your current health insurance card
6. Copy of lease for horse (if not owned by applicant)

Be prepared to show your best at the tryouts. Every effort will be made to have unbiased judges. Judges will not take into account any prior knowledge of contestants during the completion.

The committee reserves the right to have a secret judge behind the scenes watching such things as behavior, manners and personality.

Applicants supply their own horse and equipment for tryouts and **must use the same horses for tryouts as they will use for appearance during the year** (unless the horse is ill or injured- the committee will require a letter from your Vet). No stallions will be allowed.

### The tryouts consist of the following sections:

**Personality:** Judged throughout the entire contest.

Judges will consider the contestants sense of humor, interaction with others, likability, her authenticity and originality.

**Appearance:** Judged throughout the entire contest.

Appearance will be judged on neatness, fit and appropriateness. Horsemanship apparel should be basic western horsemanship outfit. No chaps. Apparel for the fashion show/interview/speech portion of the contest can be a western jean outfit or a western skirt/dress outfit.

**Personal interview:** You may be asked about yourself, the history of the Crooked River Roundup and current events.

*Basic judging criteria: Pleasant, friendly, relaxed, poised, sincere, confident, thoughtful and well spoken.*

**Fashion Show:** A small showing of your fashion and stage appearance- this will lead right into your speech.

**Speech:** There will be a memorized 2-3 minute speech.

**Speech topic:** How would you describe the Crooked River Roundup to someone who had never been to a rodeo?

*Basic judging Criteria: Self-projection and self-confidence, speech topic, content and effectiveness (not canned), delivery (no ums, memorized, etc.).*

**Horsemanship:** Includes horse knowledge questions, pattern, flag run and arena run in. They must be ridden with one hand. Pattern must be ridden with one hand.

*Basic judging criteria: Horse is clean, neatly clipped, well taken care of responsive to the contestant, controlled and able to carry a flag. Pattern is controlled and completed correctly on correct leads with a noticeable variation in speed when called for. Queen and flag run are completed at speeds expected at a rodeo performance. Rider demonstrates good seat, hands and posture.*

## Rules of Royalty Conduct Contract

1. The Queen is a “Representative” of the Crooked River Roundup (CRR). It is the duty and obligation of the Queen to portray the highest of moral standards. Appearance and personality shall reflect being “on the job” at all times. The Queen must portray good sportsmanship to other court members, committee members and all people they encounter, setting an example above reproach.
2. The Queen shall not consume alcohol during any public event while she is the Crooked River Roundup Queen.
3. The Queen Committee Chair must approve all clothing and accessories to be worn by the Queen.
4. The Queen is responsible for upkeep of the items belonging to CRR. Any lost or torn clothing or tack must be replaced or repaired at the Queen’s expense. Revolving items such as crowns, serapes, etc. are owned by CRR.
5. The Queen must be dressed in the appropriate outfit (cleaned and pressed) with hair and makeup done at all events attended as the Crooked River Roundup Queen.
6. The Queen must be prepared and willing to keep her horse and ALL tack & equipment in show condition **at all times**. The Queen Committee Chair will determine if horses & tack are in show condition. All parades and appearances require attention to detail in regards to the condition of horse, tack, clothing, serapes and flower pack.
7. The Queen and her family members are expected to represent CRR in a courteous, professional manner. A positive attitude and teamwork is expected.
8. Any conduct displayed by the Queen, or her family, that is detrimental to the title or to CRR may result in automatic disqualification and/or dismissal. Any misconduct, including but not limited to, the list below will not be tolerated:
  - a. Use of illegal drugs, tobacco or alcohol;
  - b. Foul language, inappropriate behavior, including inappropriate behavior with members of the opposite sex;
  - c. Attacks or abuse, either physically or verbally, of other court members, family members, or rodeo members, including gossip;
  - d. Abuse or neglect of the member’s horse or clothing and tack that is the property of CRR.

9. The Queen will be required to attend rodeos, parades, speaking engagements, meetings, and other events. Some appearances are required and all travel is at the expense of the Queen.
10. The Queen Committee will assist in determining the Queen's schedule. The Queen may suggest possible appearances and functions to attend.
11. The Queen will not attend or act on behalf of CRR without a chaperone. The Queen Committee Chair must approve any exceptions to this.
12. Parental support and attendance is strongly encouraged. Parents, friends and guests are in no way to interfere with the Queen Committee Chair's decisions or to disrupt the Queen at any functions.
13. The Queen must agree to the rules and sign the contract prior to the tryouts. CRR and the Queen Committee have full authority in making final decisions regarding the Queen.
14. Applicant shall waive all liability. If under 18, parent or legal guardian must co-sign.
15. Failure to comply with any of the above rules may result in immediate forfeiture of title. All attire, crown, buckle, chaps and all other court items will immediately be returned in good condition to CRR Queen Committee Chair (or designee).
16. **I have read, understood and agree to abide by the Queen Rules of Conduct as stated on this document. If selected, I understand as the Crooked River Queen, these rules will remain in effect throughout my reign.**

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

Name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**If under 18 must have parental/legal guardian signature.**

Parent/Legal Guardian Name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

## Application Requirements

1. Applicant must be at least 16 and not over 26 years of age as of January 1, 2025.
2. Applicant must reside in Oregon (parent’s home residence if in college).
3. Applicant shall not be married, never have been married, not pregnant nor have children. Applicant will not get married or become pregnant during her reign.
4. Applicant will have her own horse (owned or leased), reliable transportation and horse trailer.
5. Applicant **will try-out on the horse that she will ride as the CRR queen** (exceptions may be made on a case-by-case basis). Horse should have previous parade experience. Only one horse is required, however a backup horse is recommended. The horse must be healthy, with current vaccinations and worming. The horse must be at a healthy weight, kept clean, trimmed and/or shod. No stallions, late term pregnant mares, or mares with foals allowed.
6. Previous Queens of the Crooked River Roundup are not eligible.
7. The selection will be made on a score system; the highest scorer to be named Queen.
8. If the Queen is unable to fulfill her term, the Queen Committee Chair and Committee will decide if that position shall be filled for the remainder of the term or will remain vacant.
9. The successful candidate will reign from December 15, 2024 to December 15, 2025.

**Please include a signed copy of lease agreement if horse is leased.**

**Hold Harmless:** by my signature, I hereby release Crooked River Roundup, Queen Committee Chair and Committee and/or their agents from any responsibility for loss, injury, accident, theft or damage to horse, rider, persons or property. I enter this tryout at my own risk and am subject to the tryout rules, both written and verbal.

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Signature of Applicant Date

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Signature of Parent (if under 18) Date



**Contestant Information**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(First, Middle, Last)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street or PO, City, State, Zip)

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth date: \_\_\_\_\_ Have you ever been married? \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Horse: \_\_\_\_\_ Description: \_\_\_\_\_

Sex: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Owned or Leased: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you own your own truck and trailer? \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Information:**

Mother: \_\_\_\_\_  
(First, Middle, Last)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street or PO, City, State, Zip)

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Father: \_\_\_\_\_  
(First, Middle, Last)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street or PO, City, State, Zip)

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Education:**

Highest year completed:	High School	College	Grad School
	_____	_____	_____

High School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

College Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Scholastic Honors & Other Accomplishments:**  
(attach additional sheets if necessary)

**Horsemanship Experience:**  
(attach additional sheets if necessary)

**Current Employment:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

From: \_\_\_\_\_ To: \_\_\_\_\_

Month/Year

Month/Year

Job Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Description of Duties:

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**Emergency Contact Information**

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Name Phone

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Address Relationship

My signature affirms that all information on this application is understood by me and is true to the best of my knowledge. I have read, understand and will abide by the Application Requirements and Rules and understand that violation of any rule may result in suspension or dismissal. I agree to be available for the entire week of the Rodeo and Races and I release the Crooked River Roundup, Queen Committee Chair and Committee, or their agents from any responsibility for loss, injury, accident, theft, or damage to horse, rider, persons, or property.

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Signature Date

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(Parent or legal guardian if under 18) Date

**RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY  
CROOKED RIVER ROUNDUP AND FAIR ASSOCIATION**

In consideration for being allowed to volunteer at the Crooked River Roundup and Horse Races in Prineville, Oregon (the "Event"), sponsored by Crooked River Roundup and Fair Association (the "Sponsor"), I acknowledge, understand, and agree to the following:

1. I have the necessary mental and physical skills and ability to volunteer for the Event. I will comply with all recommended safety precautions, instructions, and procedures. My participation in the Event is purely VOLUNTARY. I understand and agree that I am not entitled to payment or any other compensation in connection with my services and participation in the Event.
2. There are inherent and non-inherent risks in the activities at with the Event in which I have chosen to voluntarily participate. I understand that these risks may result in serious accidents occurring during the Event for various reasons, including but not limited to (a) wild and dangerous animals, (b) negligent planning, instruction and supervision, (c) defective, broken, or improperly maintained grounds, premises, equipment and/or other personal property, (d) actions or omissions of the Sponsor, participants, other volunteers or spectators, and/or (e) other circumstances, and consequently I could sustain serious illness, bodily injuries, damages to my property, or even death. I AGREE TO ASSUME ALL RISKS KNOWN, UNKNOWN, SUSPECTED AND/OR UNSUSPECTED ARISING OUT OF, RELATING TO, AND/OR CONNECTED WITH THE EVENT, WHETHER CAUSED BY NEGLIGENCE OF THE SPONSOR OR OTHERWISE.
3. I AGREE TO FULLY AND FINALLY, NOW AND FOREVER, RELEASE, EXONERATE, WAIVE, DISCHARGE, INDEMNIFY, HOLD HARMLESS, DEFEND, AND COVENANT NOT TO SUE THE SPONSOR AND ITS SUBSIDIARIES, AFFILIATES, PREDECESSORS, AND SUCCESSORS, AND THEIR RESPECTIVE DIRECTORS, OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES, PRINCIPALS, SHAREHOLDERS, MEMBERS, ATTORNEYS, AND AGENTS, FROM ANY CLAIM, CAUSE OF ACTION, DEMAND, SUIT, LOSS, OBLIGATION, COST, EXPENSE, DAMAGE, OR LIABILITY WHATSOEVER FOR ANY BODILY INJURY, DEATH, PROPERTY DAMAGE, OR OTHER LOSSES OF ANY KIND OR NATURE WHATSOEVER CAUSED BY OR RESULTING FROM, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, THE EVENT, WHETHER CAUSED BY NEGLIGENCE OF THE SPONSOR OR OTHERWISE.
4. Should an accident or other medical emergency occur during the Event, and I am unable to timely give medical authorization, I hereby give consent for Sponsor staff and agents to authorize necessary hospitalization and medical treatment, including, without limitation, injections, anesthesia, surgery, and medication. I will be responsible for any and all billings and debts incurred with respect to such medical treatment or services.
5. I give Sponsor permission to photograph and/or videotape me and use, reproduce, and publish such photographs and videos for Sponsor's marketing and publicity purposes without my inspection or approval. I understand and agree that Sponsor is the exclusive owner of this material, and it will not be returned.
6. This release is governed by and will be construed in accordance with Oregon law, without regard to conflict-of-laws principles. Any dispute relating to this Release and Waiver of Liability will be settled exclusively and finally by binding arbitration conducted in Bend, Oregon, before a single arbitrator using the rules of the Arbitration Service of Portland, Inc. Judgment on the award rendered by the arbitrator may be entered in any court of competent jurisdiction.
7. This Release and Waiver of Liability is binding on my heirs, personal representatives, guardians, executors, administrators, and assigns. This Release and Waiver of Liability will be construed broadly to provide a release and waiver to the maximum extent permissible under Oregon law and any other applicable law. Any provisions found to be void or unenforceable will not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provisions.

I certify that I am at least eighteen (18) years old (or that if I am younger, my parent or legal guardian has executed this Release and Waiver of Liability below), and have carefully read and understand the terms of this Release and Waiver of Liability. I have not been induced to sign this Release and Waiver of Liability, and I have done so knowingly and freely. I understand that the Sponsor has relied on the contents of this Release and Waiver of Liability in allowing me to volunteer for or otherwise participate in the Event.

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Volunteer Printed Full Name*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Volunteer Signature*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date*

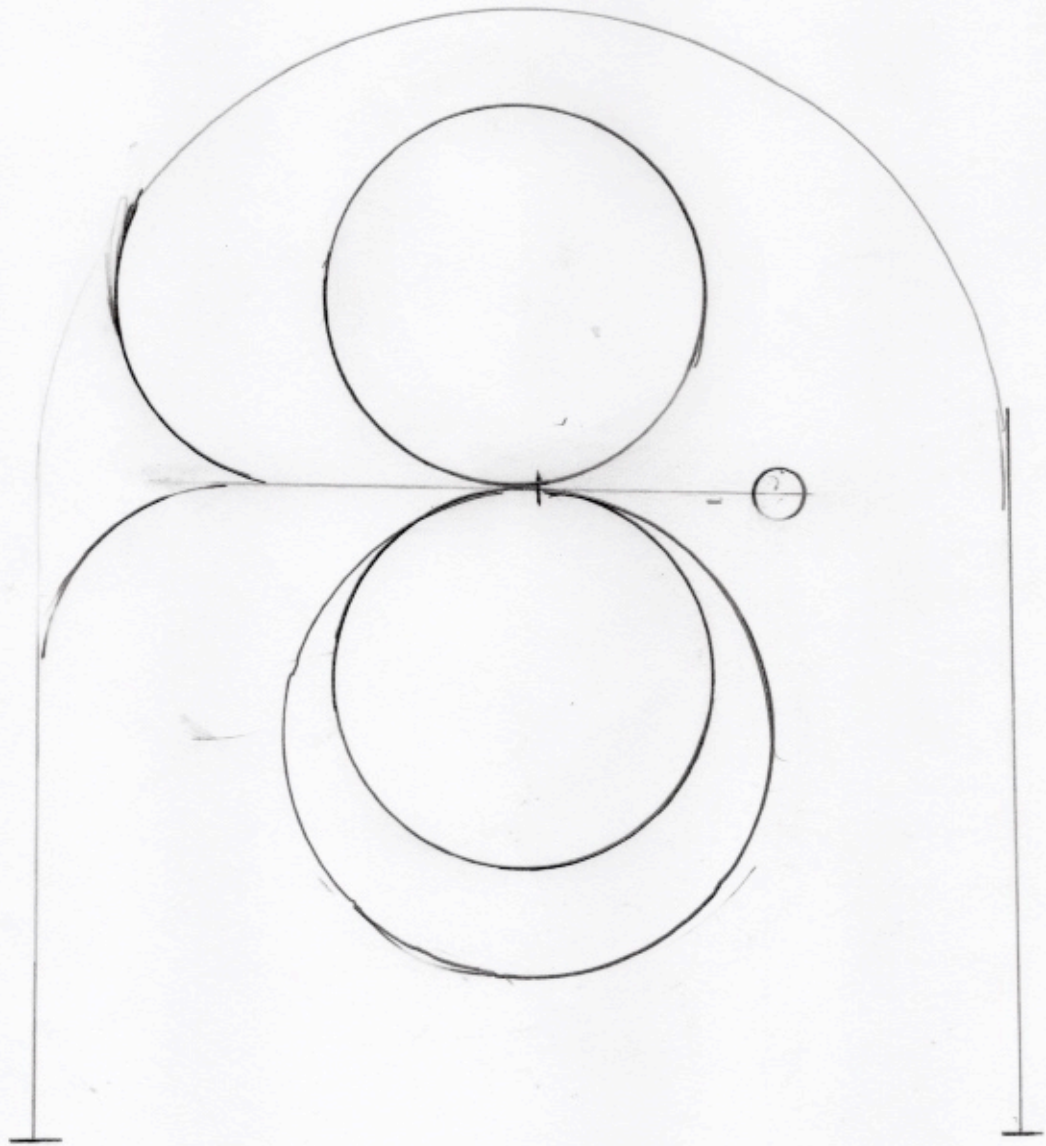
I am the parent or legal guardian of \_\_\_\_\_ ("Child"), and have carefully read and understand the terms of this Release and Waiver of Liability. I have not been induced to sign this Release and Waiver of Liability, and I have done so knowingly and freely. I understand that the Sponsor has relied on the contents of this Release and Waiver of Liability in allowing my Child to volunteer for or otherwise participate in the Event. In consideration for allowing my Child to participate, I consent to the terms of this Release and Waiver of Liability and agree that its terms bind me, my Child, and our heirs, personal representatives, guardians, executors, administrators, and assigns.

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Parent of Legal Guardian Printed Full Name*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Parent of Legal Guardian Signature*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date*

# Crooked River Roundup Horsemanship Pattern



- 1 Fast Lope around the arena to the center
- 2 Do a small circle Left
- 3 Change leads small circle right
- 4 Big fast circle Right past center
- 5 Stop 360 degree circle right 180 degree left
- 6 Lope Left lead to cone stop and back