

## Morgan County Fair & Rodeo Pistol Annie's Official Rules of the Contest:

1. Contestants must conduct themselves in a proper manner and portray high moral standards.
2. Each contestant will be required to pay a \$50, non-refundable entry fee. Late entries will be \$75.
3. Age Divisions: (as of July 1 of current year)
  - a. Pistol Annie 16-21
  - b. Calamity Jane 12-15
  - c. Little Belle 8-11
  - d. Little Sure Shot: contestants choice
4. Contestants must read and agree to the official contract/application online. Agreement to the online application is also agreement to the rules and official contract of Morgan County Pistol Annie's Contest.
5. Each contestant will submit a color photo for the contestant announcement by **Monday, July 10, 2023**. Photo should be a head and shoulder shot (school photo is sufficient).
6. All clothing must be strictly western in style. This includes: standard plain white button or snap up, long sleeve shirts. No zippers allowed on shirts anywhere and a collar is required. No revealing or transparent shirts. Plain, western denim jeans (any color may be worn). A western hat must be worn along with a western belt and boots.
7. Competition:
  - a. Contestants are required to give a 2 to 2 ½ minute speech on **a reputable wild west woman (historical or modern)**. Speeches should be memorized.
  - b. Impromptu questions will be asked after their speech.
  - c. Contestants will have a 5 minute individual interview with the judges. This interview will include questions about general knowledge of horses, rodeo and the Morgan County Fair. Contestants are not permitted to leave during this time, contestants are to use this time to get to know one another and prepare for the "Little Sure Shot" vote. Leaving during the event will result in disqualification.
  - d. Each contestant will provide their own horse and tack necessary for the trail/ horsemanship competition. Horses must have a western bridle with either split or romel reins. If at any time the committee feels a contestant is in harm's way during their horsemanship pattern, they will be excused from the arena.
  - e. Contestants will participate in a speed event and will be scored.
  - f. Contestants will participate in cattle sorting (gate keeper will be provided).
8. Contestants need to be punctual. The Contest will not wait for participants. Not being punctual will result in disqualification.
9. A contestant or any individual with the intent to influence or harass may not approach the judges or members of the committee before or after the contest. Action of this type will be reported and disqualification may result.
10. All contestants and royalty are expected to exhibit professional behavior and good sportsmanship at all times. Failure to maintain professional behavior and good

sportsmanship may result in removal from the contest or in the case of royalty relinquishing your title and all prizes.

11. The Pistol Annie's Committee shall have the right to publish or cause the publication of the name, basic biographical background, and photograph of each contestant for the purpose of the promotion of the contest and the Morgan County Fair & Rodeo.

12. Participation:

- a. Contestant winners will be required to attend **ALL** public functions connected with the Morgan County Fair and Rodeo as designated by the Pistol Annie's Committee and Morgan County Fair Board.
- b. Winning contestants will also be required to represent the Morgan County Fair & Rodeo at the July 4th and Morgan County Fair Parades held in Morgan the following year.
- c. Winning contestants could promote the Morgan County Fair & Rodeo at other events within reasonable traveling distance. This includes but is not limited to:
  - i. Ogden Horse and Hitch Parade,
  - ii. Summit County Fair Parade and Rodeo Grand Entry,
  - iii. Evanston Cowboy Days Rodeo and Grand Entry,
  - iv. Oakley Rodeo Grand Entry (Queen only), and
  - v. Hooper Tomato Days Parade and Rodeo Grand Entry.
- d. Past contestant winners should wait until they meet the age requirements for the next division.
- e. Contest will be open to Morgan County residents or Morgan School District Students. (unless min participation is not met)
- f. Thank You cards/ letters are required by all contestant winners for all contest sponsors by **September 1st**.

*\*Current Pistol Annie representatives not participating at required events may be removed from their position and will be required to pass all prizes and title to their runner up for the remainder of their reign.*

13. If you are under the age of 18, a parent or guardian must also agree to the contract.

For any questions or concerns you may contact: Lisa Clark at 801-791-3712.