

**Calaveras County Fair & Jumping Frog Jubilee**  
**Stampede Entry Form**  
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**General Guidelines:**

Residency Requirements - Open to Calaveras, Amador, Tuolumne and Alpine counties. Annually the Calaveras County Fair is homecoming for many people who grew up in Calaveras County and attended the Fair. We would like to encourage participation from cowpokes whose western roots are steeped in Calaveras County. These out of the area riders may participate in events if 50% of their team is a resident or producer in Calaveras County.

Residency shall be determined by a valid Driver's License, address of brand registration, or address of property used for grazing cattle.

Entry Deadline: All events will have a limit of 12 teams. If events have not been filled by April 12, 2024, contestants may enter a second team.

Final deadline is May 1, 2024.

A release of liability signed by the contestant or contestant & parent/guardian is required for all events.

Admission for Stampede Contestants: The entered contestant will be allowed free admission to the Fair on Saturday, May 18, 2024. All other individuals in the vehicle will need admission passes.

Contestant names will be on a list at the lower gate.

Age Restrictions: Age is determined by the contestant's age on January 1, 2024. To compete in the Stampede Events, a contestant must be at least 9 years old as of January 1, 2024.

All contestants, particularly junior contestants, are encouraged to wear a helmet during competition.

All contestants must wear a cowboy hat or helmet and long-sleeved western style shirt or blouse.

Contestants may not ride more than once on the same team in any one event. If a competitor competes 3 times in any one event (including a substitution) the team will be disqualified, and the rider is no longer eligible for the All-Around Award.

All substitutions must be made known to the secretary prior to the event.

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Once a team is called to enter the arena, they have one minute to get into the arena. If they do not respond, the team will be disqualified. The judge's decision is final.

In the event there is only a first-place team they will receive the entire purse, however only first place points will be awarded. In the event there are only 2 teams with qualified rides, first and second will split the third-place money but only receive first/second place points.

Buckles will be awarded at the conclusion of each event.

No outside alcohol is permitted past the holding area. Violation may result in disqualification.

The judge's decisions are final.

**Event Date: Saturday, May 18, 2024**

**Event Time: 7:30am - Contestant Meeting**

**8:00am - Events Begin**

**Event Order: Calf Branding, 3 Person Cattle Penning, 2 Person Cattle Penning, Ranch Penning (Jr. 2 Person), Cattle Sorting, Cattle Stealing, Ribbon Roping, Hide Race.**

**(Subject to change at discretion of Arena Staff)**

**Entry Fees: \$150-\$160/Entry**

**Awards & Payouts: 1<sup>st</sup> Place Team: \$250 (Each member of the 1<sup>st</sup> place teams will receive a buckle & \$100 cash). 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Team: \$200. 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Team: \$150**

**Final Entry Deadline: May 1 or (until event is filled if prior to May 1)**

**Arena Committee Members:**

Ace Anderson, Joe & Suzanne Butler, Tim Folendorf, Chris Markus,  
Kelsey Markus, John Osbourn, Nikole Tippit.

Arena Director: Tillie Mann

**Judges:**

Doug Joses, Steve Wooster, Aaron Cole, Shane Lucore

**Arena Maintenance:**

Joe Dell'Orto (Water Truck), Jesse Peterson (Tractor)

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**The Doug Joses All-Around Champion Award**

History: Doug Joses was born and raised in Calaveras County. In addition to being a Junior Livestock Exhibitor, Doug was the Livestock Manager for many years, served on the Board of Directors from 1975-1991 and is responsible for our competitive arena events being what they are today. He is still active with the Calaveras County Fair serving as a judge for the arena events and a ring man for the Junior Livestock Auction. Doug and his wife Loree currently run sheep and goats on their ranch in Mountain Ranch. The purpose of this award is to recognize the competitor who enters and places in more than one event.

Points: The maximum number of points allowed in one event is five. The Jr. Ranch Penning will not be considered in the scoring for this award.

Points shall be accumulated as follows:

1<sup>st</sup> Place - 5 Points

2<sup>nd</sup> Place - 4 Points

3<sup>rd</sup> Place - 3 Points

4<sup>th</sup> Place - 2 Points

Riders will only receive points for their highest placing in each event. Ties will be broken as follows: If the points are equal: the award goes to the competitor who has placed in the most events eligible for points. If the points and events are equal: the award goes to the competitor who places the highest in each event. If competitors are still tied: winner shall be determined by a coin toss.

Award: The Doug Joses All Around Champion Buckle

Buckle Sponsors: Anna-Lisa Laca & Rosemary Giannini

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**The Ron Anderson Champion Stock Horse**

Ronnie William Anderson, age 67, of Vallecito, CA passed away on June 22, 2023, from an accident while gathering cattle. Ronnie was a lifelong resident of Calaveras County and lived in the same house in Vallecito since his marriage in 1979. He worked in the sheetrock and timber industries, worked for Ford Construction, was a farrier, and retired from Caltrans after 25 years, having first worked on the snow crew, the tree crew, and finishing on the road maintenance crew.

Ronnie's passions in life were his family, hunting, packing hunters in and out of Kennedy Meadows, and cowboying with local ranchers such as the Whittle, Wooster, and Joses families to name a few.

He also loved and cared for every single one of his many dogs. Ronnie was known for his quick wit, infectious laugh and giving nature. He was always lending a helping hand and making those around him smile.

Ronnie was a member of the Angels Gun Club, the Calaveras County Cattlemen's Assoc., the Calaveras County Jr. Livestock Boosters, the Calaveras County Friends of the Fair, and an active member of the Arena Committee for the Calaveras County Fair. Ronnie was always behind the scenes ensuring that these arena events ran smoothly and giving the announcer plenty to talk about. We all dearly miss his smiling face and witty humor, and we know he will be here with us at the 2024 Calaveras County Fair.

An entry form for this is not required. Horses will be evaluated throughout the day. The 2024 Champion Stock Horse will be awarded at the conclusion of the events.

Award: Ron Anderson Champion Stock Horse

Buckle Sponsors: The 2024 Arena Committee for the Calaveras County Fair

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#### **Event Rules:**

#### **Reasons for Disqualifications – All Events**

- No hazing and/or contact with cattle by hands, hats, ropes, whips, rommels or any other equipment.
- No charging the cattle and/or slamming the cattle into a gate or fence. Undue roughness of cattle. Losing control of rider's horse. Drinking alcohol not purchased by the Fair outside the holding area.
- Arguing with judge or Arena Staff.

## **#1) Calf Branding**

The competition will be on a timed basis with a 6-minute time limit. The 4th place time will act as the elimination time. A 1-minute warning will be given. Each team will consist of a four-person crew: Two to rope the first calf, the other two on the ground. Team members will exchange places for the second animal. Each team will first head and then heel a total of one animal each. The head catch can be around either the neck or neck and one front leg. The hind catch must be from behind the shoulders back either around the flank or on one or both heels. There will be no penalty for bad catches. All 4 feet must be within the stretched ropes; if a foot slips out of the stretched rope it must be replaced in the rope before the animal is branded. Both the front and hind feet are the only legal stretch allowed before the animal is branded or a penalty will be applied. The ground crew must remain in the designated area while the animal is being roped. The ground crew can pick up a dropped rope and return it to the ropers without a penalty if the ground crew is back in the designed area by the time the animal is roped.

After the second animal has been branded, it must be on its feet and free of the ropes, the iron must be back in the paint can and the ground crew must be back in the designated area before the judge signifies final time. Only the team and judges will be allowed in pens. Once contest has started, there will be no discussion with the judges. If a fence goes down, all 3 watches are stopped. Time will be recorded, all 3 watches cleared and restarted. The new time will be added to the first time.

A rib brand will be applied on the right rib. This brand in no way denotes any ownership.

The following will result in disqualification.

- 30 seconds for a dropped iron.
- 30 seconds per incident for an improperly placed brand.
- 30 seconds each time the ground crew leaves the designated area before the animal has been headed and heeled. Exception: to pick up dropped ropes or for removal of illegal catches.
- Throwing of the iron by the ground crew will result in disqualification.

## **# 2) 3 Person Cattle Penning**

The competition will be on a timed basis, 3-minute time limit. The 4th place time will act as the elimination time. A 1-minute warning will be given. Each team will consist of three (3) riders. A team must cut out from the herd and pen three (3) cattle assigned to them. Cattle will be bunched on the cattle side of the starting line before time begins. The flagger will raise flag to signal when arena is ready. Riders are committed once they enter the arena. As the contestant's gallop across starting line, they will be given their cattle number by the announcer. Time begins when any rider crosses the starting line. Once committed to the cattle, the team is completely responsible for their animals. A team may call for time with only 1 or 2 cattle penned. Team may not pen wrong number cattle. To call for time, one rider must raise hand for the flag as the horse's nose crosses the opening of the pen. However, time continues until all unpenned cattle are on the cattle side of the starting line.

Disqualifications: Riding a horse completely into the catch pen will disqualify the team. No more than 4 head will be allowed across the foul line.

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#### **#3) 2 Person Cattle Penning**

The competition will be on a timed basis with a 3-minute time limit. The 4th place time will act as the elimination time. A 1-minute warning will be given. Each team will consist of 2 riders who upon entering the arena will be given their cattle number by the announcer. The team will have 30 seconds to view their cattle prior to time starting. Time will begin when the first rider enters the holding pen or if the 30 second time-period expires prior to entering the pen. Team will cut the 3 assigned animals out of the holding pen into the arena. The 3 animals must first be taken past the catch pen, and then be put into the catch pen. No more than 4 head of cattle will be allowed in the arena. The wrong numbered animal must be returned to the holding pen before the team can pen their animals. To call for time, one rider must raise their hand for the flag as the horse's nose crosses the opening of the catch pen. If four teams are unable to pen 3 cattle, awards will be named according to the fastest time made by the teams penning 2 cattle. If one team pens 3 cattle within the allotted 3 minutes, that team will take precedence over 2 cattle, regardless of time. Riding a horse completely into the catch pen will disqualify the team. More than 4 head in arena will result in disqualification. Teams may not pen wrong numbered cattle.

#### **#4) Ranch Penning – (9-18 yrs.)**

Riders must be between the ages of 9 and 18, as of January 1, 2024. There will be a 3-minute time limit. A 1-minute warning will be given. Each team will consist of 2 riders. There will be 3 head of cattle released in the arena. Time will begin when contestants gallop across the starting line. The 3 animals will then be put into the catch pen. To call for time, one rider must raise their hand for the flag as the horse's nose crosses the opening of the pen. Team must have at least one animal penned. If 4 teams are unable to pen 3 cattle, awards will be named according to the fastest time made by the teams penning 2 cattle, etc. If one team pens 3 cattle within the allotted time, that team will take precedence over 2 cattle, regardless of time.

#### **#5) Cattle Sorting**

The competition will be on a timed basis, 3-minute time limit. The 4th place time will act as the elimination time. A 1-minute warning will be given. A team will consist of three people. Starting number for each team will be drawn by show management. There will be 5 head of cattle in the end of the arena marked with visible numbers. Cattle will be settled after each run to the satisfaction of the next team.

As the team approaches the foul line, any rider will raise his/her hand signifying satisfaction of herd settling. At that time, the starting number will be announced. The number will be announced 2 more times for a total of 3 times. The team will start with the starting number and continue in numerical order. For example: Your number is 5. You must first sort out 5, then 1, 2, 3, 4. It is permissible to stop sorting any time and hold cattle already sorted until the clock runs out. If cattle cross the foul line out of sequence, the team will be disqualified.

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## #6) Cattle Stealing

No set dress code for this event. The competition will be on a timed basis with a 5-minute time limit. The 4th place time will act as the elimination time. A 1-minute warning will be given. Teams will be comprised of 3 people, 1 driver (must hold a valid driver's license), 2 riders, 2 saddled animals (and optional: a maximum of 2 dogs) A team loading 3 head will automatically beat a team only loading 2 head, providing all rules are followed. Prior to the team entering the arena, 3 head of cattle will be released into the arena. Time will begin when the front bumper of the vehicle passes through the main gate into the arena.

Upon entry all team members must be in the cab of the vehicle, dogs must be in the cab or rear of the vehicle, saddled animals must be in the trailer and panels must be attached to the exterior of the trailer with the trailer door closed. There will be an obstacle in the arena that may be used as part of the catch pen. The team's panels or vehicle must be within 16' of the object. The teams will situate the vehicle, trailer and panels in the arena staying at least 32 feet away from any fence. At no time is a team allowed to use an existing fence as part of their catch pen.

The team members must load the cattle in the trailer, close the middle door, load the saddled animals, close the trailer door, load the panels on the outside of the trailer, in a manner safe to travel; and then load themselves into the cab of the vehicle. If team uses dogs, they must be loaded in the vehicle as well. Time will stop when all livestock and contestants are loaded, and doors and gates are shut. Equipment Needed: One livestock trailer (with a middle door, attached to a running vehicle) One to three 16 ft. panels (maximum) which are to be attached to the exterior of the trailer.

#### Penalties and Disqualifications:

- Any panel falling off a trailer upon entry into the arena will result in a 10 second penalty.
- Roping or shooting of dog, cattle, or partner will result in disqualification.
- Hazardous driving that results in cattle/horses losing their footing will result in disqualification.
- An open trailer door upon entry into the arena will result in disqualification.

## #7) Ribbon Roping

Two-person team, one man and one woman. Either person can rope. Roper will come from behind the barrier out of the roping box. Runner must start from inside designated circle and may leave circle when chute gate opens. Roper must rope the steer around the neck, horns or neck and one front leg before the runner can pull the ribbon. Roper will be given two loops to catch. If steer is not caught in two loops team will receive a no time. Steer must be standing when ribbon is taken off the tail. No jerking cattle down. Runner will pull ribbon or part of ribbon off steers tail and return to circle for time to stop.

## #8) Hide Race

Three-person team, one mounted rider and two hide riders. Hide riders must wear safety helmets and safety glasses/goggles. Gloves, coveralls are suggested but optional for all riders. Mounted rider starts behind designated chalk line with hide dalled to horn. Hide rider #1 will be in prone position on the hide. Time will begin once the horse's nose crosses the start/finish line. Team will race to the other end of the arena across the designated chalk line and must stay outside of the barrel. Hide rider #1 will dismount the hide and hide rider #2 will then get in prone position on the hide. Hide rider #2 must be in position before crossing the designated chalk like to race back to the start/finish line.

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Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone# \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Event	Participants Names	Fee
Calf Branding    Team Name: _____	Name _____ Name _____ Name _____ Name _____	\$160
3 Person Cattle Penning   Team Name: _____	Name _____ Name _____ Name _____	\$150
2 Person Cattle Penning  Team Name: _____	Name _____ Name _____	\$150
Ranch Penning (Jr. 9-18 yrs)  Team Name: _____	Name _____ Name _____	\$150
Cattle Sorting   Team Name: _____	Name _____ Name _____ Name _____	\$150

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Event	Participants Names	Fee
Cattle Stealing  Team Name: _____	Name _____ Name _____ Name _____	\$150
Ribbon Roping  Team Name: _____	Name _____ Name _____	\$150
Hide Race  Team Name: _____	Name _____ Name _____ Name _____	\$150

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**RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY AGREEMENT**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ A STAMEDE ENTRANT ("PARTICIPANT") ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I HAVE VOLUNTARILY APPLIED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES ON THE GROUNDS OF THE 39TH DISTRICT AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION. (CALAVERAS COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS) (FROGTOWN) – Stampede Events

**I AM AWARE THAT THE ABOVE-DESCRIBED ACTIVITIES ARE HAZARDOUS ACTIVITIES, AND I AM VOLUNTARILY PARTICIPATING IN THESE ACTIVITIES WITH KNOWLEDGE OF THE DANGER INVOLVED AND AGREE TO ASSUME ANY AND ALL RISKS OF BODILY INJURY, DEATH OR PROPERTY DAMAGE.**

The exhibitor agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the fair, the county and the State of California from and against any liability, claim, loss or expense (including reasonable attorneys' fees) arising out of any injury or damage which is caused by, arises from or is in any way connected with participation in this program or event, excepting only that caused by the sole active negligence of the Fair. The fair management shall not be responsible for accidents or losses that may occur to any of the exhibitors or exhibits at the fair. The exhibitor (or parent or guardian of a minor) is responsible for any injury or damage resulting from the exhibitor's participation in the program or event. This includes any injury to others or to the exhibitor or to the exhibitor's property. I certify that these entries comply with Local, State and Department Rules contained in these rules. I certify that I have read the statement listed above.

As consideration for being permitted by the Fair and the State of California to participate in these activities and use their facilities, I hereby agree that I, my assignees, heirs, distributees, guardians, next of kin, spouse and legal representatives will not make a claim against, sue, or attach the property of the Fair or the State of California or any of their affiliated organizations as a result of my participation in the activities described above. I forever release the Fair and the State of California and any of their affiliated organizations from any and all action, claims, or demands that I, my assignees, heirs, distributees, guardians, next of kin, spouse and legal representatives now or hereafter have for injury or damage resulting from my participation in the activities described above.

**I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THIS AGREEMENT AND FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS CONTENTS. I AM AWARE THAT THIS IS A RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND A CONTRACT BETWEEN MYSELF AND THE FAIR, AND THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND/OR THEIR AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS AND SIGN IT OF MY OWN FREE WILL.**

EXECUTED AT ANGELS CAMP, CA ON \_\_\_\_\_

ALL PARTICIPANT SIGNATURES:

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PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN SIGNATURE(S): \_\_\_\_\_

IF YOU ARE UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE, YOU AND YOUR PARENT/GUARDIAN MUST SIGN THIS FORM WHERE INDICATED.

