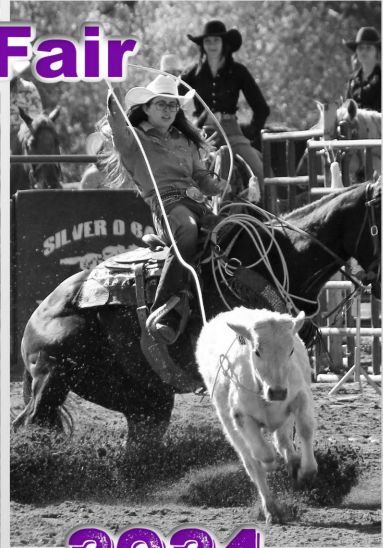


# Kern County Fair



2024

## Horse Events



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2024  
KERN COUNTY FAIR

**PLEASE CHECK YOUR EVENT FOR ENTRY  
DEADLINE**

**2024 KERN COUNTY FAIR SCHEDULE OF HORSE  
EVENTS**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>
Wednesday, September 18	6p.m.	Ranch Versatility-Trail Walk-Trot Classes
Thursday, September 19	6 p.m.	Ladies Night
Friday September 20	4 p.m.	Sorting-RSNC Rules and Ratings apply
Saturday, September 21	8 a.m.	Ranch Versatility KCRRV and AQHA Level 1 apply
Sunday, September 22 <b>Entries close 9/14/24</b>	8 a.m.	Jr Rodeo <b>Entries close 9/14/24</b>
Thursday, September 26	7:00 p.m.	4D Barrel Race

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**JR RODEO ENTRY DEADLINE 9/14/2024**  
**CHECK YOUR EVENT FOR DEADLINE ENTRY**  
For more information, TEXT Claudia Payne 661-342-1056

# Kern County Fair Horse Events

## General Rules

1. For all ages events, age will be determined as of date of the event.
2. It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian and contestants to read and comply with all the rules.
3. There will be ZERO TOLERANCE for any unnecessary roughness/abuse to any cattle or horses. Contact with any cattle by hands, ropes, or hits is considered unnecessary roughness and will result in disqualification. Rommels, reigns, may be slapped against hands or chaps.
4. The arena Chair Man has the right to cancel or change classes at any time.
5. Contestants **MUST** wear proper western attire: boots, western hat, long-sleeved shirt or jacket.
6. When possible, an electric timer will be used.
7. Exhibitors, their immediate family and agents thereof, who are not cooperating with security personal or fair officials in all matters of policy, including but limited to parking, stalls/pens/space assignments will have their entries canceled and will be ordered to remove their exhibit from the ground immediately and forfeit all monies. Exhibitors, their immediate family and agents thereof, causing public disturbance, those are un-corporative and/or unsportsmanlike, those not following good animal welfare practices as determined by management, or those found in violation of rules or in practices inadmissible with the Fair program and/or policies/procedures shall be penalized. Penalties may include forfeiture of premiums and all awards. Payment of fines and/or damages to State Properties, privileges and/or disqualification at this or subsequent Kern County Fairs as may be deemed appropriate by the Fair Management or the Fair's Board of Directors in the case of an official protest.

Protests will be considered only if there has been a violation of State or Local Rules specified herein **decisions of judges, veterinarian, weigh masters, flaggers and timers cannot be protested and are final**. All protests must be presented to the Livestock Office within 24 hours of the alleged violation and must be accompanied by a \$100.00 deposit (cash, money order, or certified check)

8. Which will be returned if the protest is determined valid. If the protest relates to violation State Rules X-XI (animal health rules) the deposit will increase to \$200.00. Note: if the protest is upheld the violator may be held liable for any portion of any direct costs incurred by the fair in the course of the protests resolution. Failure to reimburse the fair shall be cause disallowing future entries

in any of the California Network of Fairs. The exhibitors must participate in all aspects of the protests and must follow all state rules and procedures in filing the protests (see State Rules and Protest section).

9. The owner or custodian of property brought to the Fairgrounds either for exhibit or other purposes assumes as a condition of its admission to the grounds, all risks and/or responsibility for its loss, damage or theft. The Fair, its officers and employs cannot or will accept responsibility and liability for any damage or injury resulting from theft, fire, the elements, accidents or other conditions or causes; whether to exhibits property of exhibitor, vehicles on the grounds and articles let therein or in any other property of any nature whatsoever. Exhibitors, either through appropriate liability insurance or other means satisfactory to the 15<sup>th</sup> District Agricultural Association, will hold the Association Kern County Fair and the volunteers harmless from any claim arising out of the failure of the exhibitor to exercise control of his or her exhibitor's parents or legal guardian are required to sign a disclaimer on the entry form. **All independent exhibitors must provide certificate of general liability insurance (1,000,000 minimum) or purchase through fair office (\$18- small animal exhibitor, \$35- large animal exhibitor)**
10. Safety helmets, although not required Junior Open Events are recommended.
11. Pen shapes may vary from year to year. It is the committee's discretion as to size and shape pens.
12. Muley cattle may be used.

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### **Payoff**

The payoff is defined as premium checks that will be mailed after the fair. Unless otherwise specified in event rules.

1. The purse will divide in the following manner:
  - 1-3 entries – winner take all (100%)
  - 4-6 entries – 60%, 40%
  - 7-10 entries – 40%, 30% , 20%, 10%
  - 11-15 entries- 40%, 30%, 20%, 10%
  - 16-20 entries 33%, 27%, 20%, 13%, 7%,
  - 21 or more entries – 29%, 24%, 19%, 14%, 9%, 5%
2. If there are any ties the purse will be evenly split among the contestants. **In the event of a tie, the contestant with the fastest average takes the buckle.** There will be no purses paid below one dollar. Ground money will revert to the Fair grounds to help defray the cost of putting on the rodeo.
3. Points will be awarded only for qualifying ride or legal catch.

### **Judging**

1. Mechanical or barrier flag man can be used at the roping shoot. The animal is to be flagged when crossing the starting line if a barrier flag man is to be used.

Barrier judge will make sure no one stands close enough to the equipment to tamper with it.

2. Once the score line and the length of the box have been set in the timed events it will not be changed once the event has started.
3. Field Flagger: Any timed event if an animal escapes the arena flags will be dropped and time will be stopped. The contestant gets a new animal. A field flag judge must ask the contestant if he/she would like a second loop. Once the contestant has been flagged out contestant will not receive stock back.
4. The timers, barrier, judge, field flag judge, may not be changed during the course of the event except in the case of a sickness or except in the case of the rodeo officials.

### **Contestant Disqualifications**

1. Contestants shall be disqualified in all events for the remainder of the rodeo for the following offences at the rodeo:
  - Being under the influence of alcohol
  - Quarreling in or around the arena
  - Mistreatment of livestock
  - Cheating or attempting to cheat
2. If the contestant is not ready to compete when called upon three (3) times, contestant will be disqualified for that event.
3. Parental interference will not be tolerated. Violation will result in disqualifications at judge's discretion.
4. Contestant not in dress code can result in disqualification.

### **Rules to Ensure Humane Treatment of Livestock**

1. Animals for all events will be inspected before the contest, and no sore, lame, sick or injured animal or animals with defective eyesight shall be permitted in the draw at any time. Should an animal become sick or injured between the draw and the performance then the animal will be replaced.  
No animal will be beaten, mutilated, or cruelly prodded. Standard electric prods shall be as little as possible. Animals shall only be touched in the shoulder or hip area.
2. A conveyance must be available to remove any injured animals from the arena area.
3. Contestants will be disqualified for any mistreatment of horses or livestock
4. Any animal that becomes excessively excited so that it gets down in the chute repeatedly, or tries repeatedly to jump the chute, or in way appears to be in danger of injuring itself, should be released immediately.

## Cowgirls Night

It's Ladies Night FIRST-WE are kicking off the horse events at the Fair. If you aren't too sure about competing in some of the events don't worry. Just come out and have a good time. That's what this night is all about.

**Thursday, September 22, 2022 @ 6:00 p.m.**

**Division 910: Cowgirl's Night – Flat Fee \$60 per person**

Out of each entry fee \$15.00 will be withheld for office fees and awards. Payout: \$45.00 out of each entry will be evenly divided between each perspective class. Each event in the perspective class pays out 50% to 1<sup>st</sup> 30 % to 2<sup>nd</sup> 20% to 3<sup>rd</sup>. Checks will be mailed out.

**Buckles for the Average winner in each class**

Class 1: 10-18-Young Gun

Class 2: 19-49-Prime Time

Class 3 50 and over-Golden Girl

### General Rules Apply

1. One horse-one rider-NO EXCEPTIONS
2. A downed barrel or pole is a 5 second penalty
3. Stepping out or the line of the keyhole is a NO TIME
4. 60 second time limit on all events
5. Off pattern or broken timer will result in a NO TIME

### Events:

- 1 NFR Barrel Race
- 2 Washington Poles
- 3 Keyhole







**4D Barrel Race**  
**Entry deadline -day of race**

**Thursday, September, 26 @ 7:00 p.m.**

Division 922: 4D Barrel Race – OPEN Entry Fee -\$65.00 YOUTH \$50.00,  
Pee Wee \$20.00

**\$1,000 added money to OPEN class**

Out of each entry fee \$15.00 will be withheld for office fees.

Time only 4-5:30 p.m. - \$5 at the gate-Race starts at 6:00

Class 1-Pee Wee 8 years old and under-NO MONEY ADDED  
Class 2-Youth                      Class 3-Open

## JIMMY ROGERS ARENA JR RODEO

September 22th, 2024 @ 8:00 a.m.

Entry deadline 9/14/2024

### PREMIUMS:

70% of Entry Fee is returned back to pots. See payoff breakdown in General Rules.

7-10 All Around Buckles

11-14 All Around Buckles

15-18 All Around Buckles

Rodeo may be using muley cattle in all events. Safety hard hats are not required, but parents will be required to sign a waiver. **MUST SHOW BIRTH CERTIFICATES WHEN ENTERING.**

<u>DIVISION 924</u>	<u>ENTRY FEE</u>	<u>CLASS</u>	<u>AGES</u>
Class 1:	\$25	Barrel Race	7-10
Class 2:	\$25	Barrel Race	11-14
Class 3:	\$25	Barrel Race	15-18
Class 4:	\$40	Steer Stopping	11-14
Class 5:	\$40	Steer Stopping	15-18
Class 6:	\$40	Steer daubing	7-10
Class 7:	\$40	Steer daubing	11-14
Class 8:	\$40	Steer daubing	15-18
Class 9:	\$25	Pole Bending	7-10
Class 10:	\$25	Pole Bending	11-14
Class 11:	\$25	Pole Bending	15-18
Class 12:	\$40	Break Away	7-10
Class 13:	\$40	Break Away	11-14
Class 14:	\$40	Break Away	15-18
Class 15:	\$25	Keyhole	7-10
Class 16:	\$25	Keyhole	11-14
Class 17:	\$25	Keyhole	15-18



**Break Away**  
**Open to Boys and Girls**

**Time Limit: 60 seconds**

1. The rope must be attached to the horn in such a manner as to allow the rope to be released from the horn when the calf hits the end of the rope. This will be contestant's responsibility.
2. Rope must be tied to the horn with a string and may not run thru the bridle, tie down neck rope or any other device.
3. String will be provided and will be inspected by a designated official before each contestant competes.
4. The second rope must remain tied until used and must not be broken away from the horn.
5. No loops are to be built.
6. If second loop falls it cannot be rebuilt and used.
7. A cloth or ribbon must be attached to the rope at the saddle horn so the judge can tell when the rope breaks from the horn.
8. The catch as catch can rule shall apply after the loop passes over the calf's head.
9. In case the field judge flags out a roper that still legally has a one or more loops coming, the judge may then give another calf back lap and tap, plus time already lapsed and any barrier penalty.
10. Contestants will receive no time should they break the rope away from the saddle horn by hand. However, if the rope should dally around the horn then the roper may ride forward, unduly the rope and stop their horse so to make the rope breakaway.
11. Must carry 2 loops to use. Once rope is dropped it cannot be reused.
12. 10 second penalty for breaking the barrier

**KEYHOLE**  
**Open to Boys and Girls**

**Time Limit: 60 seconds**

1. Time will start and stop when the contestant's horse's nose crosses the barrier line.
2. The contestant must enter the keyhole and once through it, stop and turn left or right to turn around. The contestant must enter keyhole and return to start to complete the pattern.
3. A down pole is a no time

4. Returning outside the key hole is a no time
5. A broken eye or off pattern is a no time

### **STEER DAUBING** **Open to Boys and Girls**

#### **Time Limit: 60 seconds**

1. Hazers will be allowed.
2. Contestant must start on the Header side of the roping box.
3. Roping box to be considered part of the arena during Steer Daubing
4. Electric eye may be used for the barrier
5. Time is to be taken between 2 flags
6. Time starts when horse leaves box and ends when rider raises the tip of the dauber above their head and judge drops the flag.
7. There is a 10 second penalty for breaking the barrier.
8. If the contestant calls for time, but the steer has no visible paint mark this results in a no time.
9. Cattle can be marked anywhere.
10. Dropping the dauber is a no time.

### **STEER STOPPING** **OPEN TO Boys and Girls**

#### **Time Limit: 60 seconds**

1. Hazers will be allowed
2. Roping box to be considered part of the arena during Steer Stopping.
3. The score line will be the length of the roping box minus 8 feet.
4. Contestant must start on the Header side of the roping box.
5. Electric eye may be used for the barrier
6. In steer stopping, a horse MUST clear the box before a loop is thrown.
7. Time is to be taken between two (2) flags.
8. In any timed events, if an animal escapes from the arena, the field judge will drop the flag and all watches must be stopped. Contestant will receive animal back with lap & tap start. Time already accumulated will be added to the time to complete the qualifying run. If time is not recorded, the contestant will receive a penalty for any loop used
9. Rope must be released from roper's hand to be a legal catch
10. Contestant may carry only one (1) rope. Contestant may throw (2) loops.
11. Roper must be mounted when time is taken.
12. The animal must be standing up when roped and stopped.
13. There will be three (3) legal head catches: • Both horns • Half a head • Around the neck.
14. No illegal catches may be removed by hand.
15. If the animal is roped by one horn, roper is not allowed to ride up and put rope over horn or head with their hands.
16. Time stops when the animal faces horse and rider and judge drops flag.
17. 10 second penalty for breaking the barrier.



**POLE BENDING**  
**Open to Boys and Girls**

**Time Limit: 60 seconds**

1. Time will start and stop when the contestant's horse's nose crosses the barrier line.
2. The pattern is to run past the six poles placed down the arena, around last pole, weave through the poles one way, around the last pole and weave the poles back to cross the barrier line.
3. The distance from the barrier line and the first pole will be 15 feet. Distance between poles will be 21 feet.
4. A five second penalty will result from knocking over a pole.
5. Going off pattern will result in a no time.
6. If the timer fails to capture time, the contestant will be given a rerun plus any penalties already incurred.

7. A broken timer before the run is complete, will result in a no time
8. Judge to flag time and flag contestant out if they make an illegal run.



## **BARREL RACING** **Open to Boys and Girls**

### **Time Limit: 60 seconds**

1. Contestants will be allowed a legitimate time from the time he/she enters the arena until they cross the flagger or electric eye. The judge to determine legitimate problem for pre-start time.
2. Starting line in barrel racing will be subject to ground condition.
3. There will be a minimum of seventy- 75 feet of stopping room.
4. The horse's nose will be timed as it crosses the score line each way.
5. The barrel's and start line will be marked for each go ground.
6. Contestants may go to either right or left barrel first, must make two turns in one directions and one turn in the other direction. Failure to follow the clover leaf pattern will result in no time.
7. The course will be dragged at regular intervals, to be determined by management. No more than 12 runs will be made before the arena is dragged.
8. Following the barrel racing the arena will be leveled.
9. Arena gate must be closed immediately after contestants enters and remain closed until after the run and contestants has total control of their mount.
10. Judge to flag time and flag contestant out if they make an illegal run.
11. Knocking over a barrel will be a 5 second penalty.



12. If horse re-crossing the starting line at any time before the pattern is completed the pattern will be considered broken and a not time will be given. If timer fails to capture time contestant will receive a rerun, plus any penalties already incurred.



IN LOVING MEMORY OF JUSTIN PENSINGER

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