

**PARADE ENTRY BLANK – 2025 CHOWCHILLA SPRING FESTIVAL PARADE  
SATURDAY, MAY 17, 2025 (Entries close April 25, 2025)**

Div. _____
No. _____
Class _____
<b>OFFICE USE ONLY</b>

CLASS NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_ TYPE OF ENTRY \_\_\_\_\_

PARTICIPANT GROUP/NAME \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER PARTICIPATING \_\_\_\_\_ PERSON IN CHARGE \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone (    ) \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ Entry has sound? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

**MAIL TO: CHOWCHILLA SPRING FESTIVAL P.O. BOX 457, CHOWCHILLA, CA 93610**

Your signature certifies to the category of your entry and will be judged as such in entering this event. I agree to accept the decision of the duly appointed judges as final and to abide by all the rules and regulations of this event. I further agree to release the Chowchilla Spring Festival Parade Committee and its Association from all and any responsibility for loss, damage or injury to any person or property from my participation in this event.

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE: \_\_\_\_\_  
**PLEASE DETACH & SAVE RULES**

**HORSE ENTRIES ONLY**  
Judged by California State Horsemen's Association  
Points can be earned toward High Point Championship.

**PRE-JUDGE**

All Equestrian entries must be pre-judged.  
Starting time: 8:00 a.m. Location: Orange Ave and Tenth Street (2 blocks south of Robertson Blvd.)

**AWARDS**

**High Point Equestrian**  
\$100 plus Trophy

**High Point Jr. Equestrian**

\$50 plus trophy  
1<sup>st</sup> Trophy, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ribbon, 3<sup>rd</sup> Ribbon (in each class)  
(Judged by California State Horsemen's Association)

**SENIOR MOUNTED DIVISION (Open Classes)**

- |   |                                      |
|---|--------------------------------------|
| 601 Sheriffs Posse  | 615 Working Vaquero                  |
| 602 Family Group  | 616 Parade Horse                     |
| 603 Future Horseman (1-8) Western & Costume                             | 617 Fancy Parade Horse               |
| 604 Junior Equestrian (9-17)  | 618 Working Western                  |
| 605 Horse &/or Pony Drawn Vehicle                                       | 619 Fancy Dressed Western            |
| 606 Mini Horse Drawn Vehicle<br>(Must have 2 or more vehicles in entry) | 620 Plain Western                    |
| 607 Mounted Group   | 621 Arabian Costume                  |
| 608 Color Guard   | 622 Charro/Charra Costume            |
| 609 Sets of four  | 623 Indian Costume Native American   |
| 610 Drill Team  | 624 Early California Spanish Costume |
| 611 Charro/Charra Mounted Group   | 625 Side Saddle Costume              |
| 612 Novelty Fiesta Mounted Group  | 626 Novelty Fiesta Costume           |
| 613 Family Mounted Group  | 627 Authentic Novelty Fiesta Costume |
| 614 El Vaquero (original cowboy)  | 628 Mule – Female Rider              |
|   | 629 Mule – Male Rider                |

**MILITARY VEHICLES**

- 1<sup>ST</sup> Place Trophy, 2<sup>ND</sup> Place Ribbon, 3<sup>RD</sup> Place Ribbon (in each class)**
- 801: Command Class (3/4 ton or below)
  - 802: Transport Class (softskin over 5/4 ton)
  - 803: Armor Class (all variations)
  - 804: Combat Class
  - 805: Other

**MILITARY VEHICLE SWEEPSTAKES**

(High Point Military Vehicle)  
\$100 Plus Trophy  
(Sweepstakes winner cannot place in its class)

**PARADE SWEEPSTAKES (Trophy & \$400)**

"2025 Chowchilla Spring Festival Parade"  
This award is for the Most Outstanding Parade Entry  
in the opinion of the judges.  
(Open to all entries)

**BAND SWEEPSTAKES (Trophy & \$400)**

Presented each year to the Most Outstanding Band.  
In Honor Of: Chowchilla High School Redskin Band Director Larry Hobson

**ENTRIES CLOSE APRIL 25, 2025  
LATE ENTRIES MAY NOT BE ACCEPTED**

**PARADE CATEGORIES AND AWARDS**

**FLOATS (FLOAT SWEEPSTAKES Award \$400)  
(Sweepstakes winner cannot place in its class)**

<u>Class</u>	<u>Awards</u>
110 Amateur (Local Entries Only)	1 <sup>st</sup> Place - \$200
120 Amateur - see rules 6 & 7	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place - \$100
130 Professional - see rules 6 & 7	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place - \$50
140 Commercial - see rules 6 & 7	1 <sup>st</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup> 3 <sup>rd</sup>
150 Mini (Open)	\$75 \$50 \$25

**SCHOOL BANDS**

**BAND SWEEPSTAKES TROPHY & \$400  
(Sweepstakes winner cannot place in its class)**

<u>Class</u>	<u>Awards</u>
210 Junior 0-200 enrollment	1 <sup>st</sup> place- Trophy
220 Junior 201-400 enrollment	2 <sup>nd</sup> place- Trophy
230 Junior 401+ enrollment	3 <sup>rd</sup> place- Ribbon
240 Senior 0-750 enrollment	(in each class)
250 Senior 751+ enrollment	

*Under band entries there will be awards in each class.  
The categories are:*

<u>Class</u>	<u>Awards</u>
ID Carriers, Banners or Letters	1 <sup>st</sup> place- Trophy
Majorettes, Solo	2 <sup>nd</sup> place- Trophy
Majorettes, Group	3 <sup>rd</sup> place- Ribbon
Drum Major	(in each class)
Flag Carriers	
Rifles	

**MARCHING UNITS**

<u>Class</u>	<u>Awards</u>
310 Drum and Bugle Corps	1 <sup>st</sup> place- Trophy
320 Color Guard	2 <sup>nd</sup> place- Trophy
330 Senior Drill Team	3 <sup>rd</sup> place- Ribbon
340 Junior Drill Team	(in each class)

**MAJORETTES WITHOUT BAND**

<u>Class</u>	<u>Awards</u>
410 Senior Group	1 <sup>st</sup> place- Trophy
420 Junior Group	2 <sup>nd</sup> place- Trophy
430 Senior Solo	3 <sup>rd</sup> place- Ribbon
440 Junior Solo	(in each class)
Senior Entries: 9 <sup>th</sup> grade and above	
Junior Entries: 8 <sup>th</sup> grade and below	

**AUTOMOBILES**

<u>Class</u>	<u>Awards</u>
510 Restored Automobile (thru 1932)	1 <sup>st</sup> place- Trophy
520 Restored Automobile (1933-1948)	2 <sup>nd</sup> place- Ribbon
530 Restored Automobile (1949-1979)	3 <sup>rd</sup> place- Ribbon
540 Decorated Car (more than streamers)	(in each class)
550 Modified Car (open)	
560 Modified Pickup (open)	
570 Derby Car (novelty)	
580 Car Club or Vehicle Group	
590 Antique Tractor	

**MISCELLANEOUS CATEGORIES**

<u>Class</u>	<u>Awards</u>
700 Commercial (open)	1 <sup>st</sup> place- Trophy
710 Novelty (open)	2 <sup>nd</sup> place- Ribbon
720 Comic (open)	3 <sup>rd</sup> place- Ribbon
730 Dance Group (open)	(in each class)
740 Community Band	

We would like to give your entry proper recognition in the press and over the public address system when you pass. Please give us a brief history of your entry, i.e., prizes won, etc. FOR FLOAT ENTRIES: Please describe the theme of float and style of the float decorations.

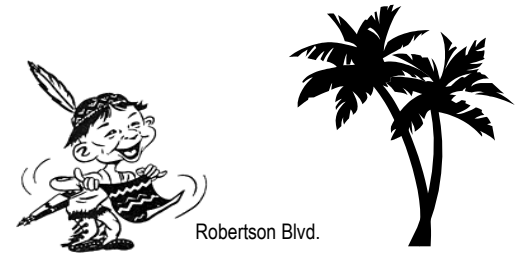
**DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES: MONDAY, APRIL 25, 2025  
LATE ENTRIES MAY NOT BE ACCEPTED**

### PARADE RULES

1. Parade starts at 10:00 a.m. SHARP. Units not in position will be placed in the last division.
2. FORWARD MOTION: A continuously forward moving parade from start to finish. NO stopping allowed in judges' area.
3. The American Legion Competitive Flag Code will apply to all mounted entries.
4. The California State Horsemen's Association rules apply to all mounted entries.
5. Horses will be prejudged at 8:00 a.m., 2 blocks south of Robertson Blvd at Orange Ave and Tenth Street.
6. **Floats:**  
*Professional* - Built by commercial companies.  
*Amateur* - Built by free labor with own design.  
*Commercial* - Advertising a product.  
*Minis* - Maximum size 10 ft. by 6 ft.
7. Float entries must remain in the same category as originally entered throughout the parade season.
8. NO entry may enter the parade route more than one time for competition, regardless of change in name or appearance.
9. Entries involving vehicles or animals must maintain control of them. **NO ONE** under six (6) years of age may appear as an entry unless accompanied by an adult.
10. The judging stand shall be located on the right side of the line of march between Third and Fourth Streets.
11. The competition area will consist of 100 feet, clearly marked with white lines and/or signs for a distance of 50 feet in each direction from the center of the judging area.
12. An information table will be provided at the corner of Eleventh Street and Robertson Boulevard.
13. Entrants must complete the entire parade route or be disqualified.
14. Units with sound or unusual noise must so indicate on the entry form. Failure to do so will result in being penalized/disqualified.
15. For safety reasons, there will be **NO** throwing of objects into the spectator area. Also, no climbing on other vehicles. Failure to comply may result in being disqualified.
16. Parade Awards will be presented in the Little Theater at the Chowchilla Fairgrounds at **3:30 p.m.** Those not present may contact Chairman to make arrangements for pickup of their award within the next 30 days. Cash awards will be mailed.
17. Only participants in the parade will be permitted free admission into the Fairgrounds. A parking area will be next to the Fairgrounds on Third Street for parade participants only.
18. Band, Marching & Float Entrants who would like a score sheet should contact the chairman after all awards are given out. PLEASE only one person representing each entry. Horse entries: Contact Horse Judge. By mail, send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to the Chowchilla Spring Festival, PO Box 457, Chowchilla, CA 93610. Please give class number and name of unit. Allow 30 days for return.

# Chowchilla Spring Festival Invites You to Our 80th Anniversary

**ARMED FORCES DAY PARADE  
WESTERN STYLE BARBECUE  
QUEEN CORONATION**



**PARADE DATE:  
Saturday, May 17, 2025 10:00 AM**

**PARADE ENTRY BLANK**  
Please fill out and return to:

**CHOWCHILLA SPRING FESTIVAL  
MADERA COUNTY FAIR PARADE  
P.O. Box 457, Chowchilla, CA 93610  
(559) 665-4501 (please leave a message)**

*Thank You,*  
Kevin Pettitt  
559-479-2753  
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Parade Chairperson

Sanctioned by:  
Parade Sponsors Association of  
Northern California

Judged by:  
Pacific Coast Judges Association  
*and*  
California State Horsemen's Association

**PARADE COURTESY DISCOUNT PASS**  
Prior to the parade, each participant will receive a "Courtesy Discount Pass." This pass will enable the holder to enter the Fairgrounds **free** and enjoy our famous barbecue for \$7.00.