



## Jr. Barrelman 2026 Contestant Entry Packet

Elks Recreation, Inc. invites you to audition for the title of **Santa Maria Elks Rodeo Jr. Barrelman 2026**. We are seeking an enthusiastic young man to participate in and represent the 2026 Santa Maria Elks Rodeo, which will be held **Wednesday, May 27<sup>th</sup> – Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2026**.

**Pre-registration is required** in order to audition. The auditions will include, but may not be limited to, the following categories: interviews, speeches, telling jokes, and overall personality and appearance.

In order to participate, each applicant on the date of auditions and final selection must meet the eligibility requirements listed below. Any applicant who does not meet the qualifications set forth below shall be denied the right to audition for Santa Maria Elks Rodeo Jr. Barrelman.

- Must be between the ages of 8 and 12 years of age on December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2026. Copy of Birth Certificate is required for age verification.
- Must sign/provide all required documents as set forth in the application packet by application deadline.
- Must abide by all rules and regulations.
- Must portray excellent sportsmanship, high morals and superb ethical character.

Contestant Entry Packets must be turned in no later than **Monday, March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2026, at 5:00 p.m.** Please make sure that all pages of the packet are complete. Packets can be emailed to [elksrodeo@elksrec.com](mailto:elksrodeo@elksrec.com), or delivered/mailed to the Elks Recreation Office, located at 2325 Skyway Drive, Suite H, Santa Maria, CA 93455.

Being the Santa Maria Elks Rodeo Jr. Barrelman requires time commitment to represent the professional sport of rodeo, the Santa Maria Elks Rodeo, and Elks Recreation, Inc. In addition to the time commitment, there may be financial commitments, such as attire or transportation that is necessary to audition for the Santa Maria Elks Rodeo Jr. Barrelman title and to fulfill all his duties.

The Santa Maria Elks Rodeo Jr. Barrelman will be awarded the following prizes: a Resistol hat and a custom-made silver belt buckle.

Please do not hesitate to contact the Elks Recreation Office via email at [elksrodeo@elksrec.com](mailto:elksrodeo@elksrec.com) or via phone call at (805) 925-4125 if you have any questions concerning the audition or application process.

We look forward to an exciting 2026 Santa Maria Elks Rodeo Jr. Barrelman Audition!



# Jr. Barrelman 2026 Contestant Entry Packet Application

## Personal & Family Information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

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

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Father's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

## Education:

School: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

## School Activities (Extra-Curricular)

Special Interests/Hobbies/Awards: \_\_\_\_\_

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Why do you want to be the Santa Maria Elks Rodeo Jr. Barrelman? \_\_\_\_\_

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Along with the application, please submit a copy of the contestant's **birth certificate**, a **biography**, and a **photograph**. The photograph needs to be a color head and shoulder photo, and the contestant should be dressed in his best rodeo clown attire. If application is submitted via email, the photo needs to be at least 300 dpi. If application is delivered or mailed in, the photo needs to be a high quality 4' x 6'.

All submitted photos, and any subsequent photos taken in connection with the Santa Maria Elks Rodeo Jr. Barrelman Competition in any manner, are the property of Elks Recreation, Inc. and may be used for promotional purposes without written consent of the contestant and their legal parent/guardian.



# Jr. Barrelman 2026 Contestant Entry Packet Release of Liability

I hereby release Elks Recreation, Inc. and the Santa Maria Elks Lodge #1538 from all liability for any act of negligence or want of ordinary care on the part of the Santa Maria Elks Rodeo or any of its agents.

In consideration of my participation in events organized or sponsored by the Elks Recreation, Inc., its sponsors, the Santa Maria Elks Lodge #1538, their directors, officers, agents and members, their representatives, their sponsors, their heirs, executors and assigns, I waive, release and discharge all parties from any and all claims of liability for injury or damage to myself, my animals or my property arising out of my participation. This agreement is binding upon my executors, heirs and assignees.

I expressly waive any rights I may have under California Civil Code 1542, which states: "A general release does not extend to claims which the creditor does not know or suspect to exist in his or her favor at the time of executing the release, which if known by him or her might have materially affected his settlement with the debtor."

I agree that I will indemnify and hold harmless Elks Recreation, Inc., its sponsors, the Santa Maria Elks Lodge #1538, their officers, directors, members and agents against all claims, demands and causes of action, including court costs and actual attorney fees, arising from any proceeding or lawsuits brought by or prosecuted for my benefit, in which this releases is upheld.

Elks Recreation, Inc., its sponsors, and/or Santa Maria Elks Lodge #1538, its agents or employees shall not be liable for any damage which may accrue from any cause or as a result of fire, theft, state of health or injury to person, horse or property.

I acknowledge that I have read this Release of Liability and know and understand its contents.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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

I, the undersigned legal parent/guardian of the contestant, in consideration of the minor's participation in the event, agree that the terms and conditions of this Release of Liability and specifically including, but not limited to, the indemnity set forth above, shall be binding as to damage or injury to my minor, any animals or property involved belonging to the minor arising out of his participation.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Legal Guardian of Appicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relation: \_\_\_\_\_  
*(please print)*

Legal Guardian of Appicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_



# Jr. Barrelman 2026 Contestant Entry Packet Rules & Regulations

Thank you for your consideration in competing in the Santa Maria Elks Rodeo Jr. Barrelman Competition! The 2026 Santa Maria Elks Rodeo will be held **Wednesday, May 27<sup>th</sup> – Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup>**. The Jr. Barrelman application deadline is **Monday, March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2026, at 5:00 p.m.**

As a candidate, you must be available for activities throughout the months leading up to the Santa Maria Elks Rodeo, as well as possible additional events during your reign if you become Santa Maria Elks Rodeo Jr. Barrelman.

Mandatory dates (subject to change) include:

- Tuesday, May 26<sup>th</sup> Rodeo Meet-N-Greet, arrive at 3:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, May 27<sup>th</sup> Xtreme Bulls Event, arrive at 4:00 p.m.
- Thursday, May 28<sup>th</sup> Golden Circle of Champions Banquet, arrive at 3:00 p.m.  
1<sup>st</sup> PRCA Rodeo Performance, 7:00-9:30 p.m.
- Friday, May 29<sup>th</sup> Elks Rodeo VIP Reception, arrive at 3:00 p.m.  
2<sup>nd</sup> PRCA Rodeo Performance, 7:00-9:30 p.m.
- Saturday, May 30<sup>th</sup> Rodeo Parade, arrive at 8:00 a.m.  
Golden Circle Gala, arrive at 2:00 p.m.  
3<sup>rd</sup> PRCA Rodeo Performance, 6:00-8:30 p.m.
- Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup> Final Rodeo Performance, arrive at 12:00 p.m.  
4<sup>th</sup> PRCA Rodeo Performance, 2:00-5:00 p.m.

## Biography:

Each contestant is required to submit one (1) biography with his application. These biographies will be used for promotional purposes, public relations, and print media. Elks Recreation, Inc. retains editorial jurisdiction over all submitted content. Please write the biography in third person and submit it in word format. The word count should be between 75 and 100 words, and include the following:

- Information on contestant's place of birth, and what city he currently lives in
- School, church, or other activities
- Personal successes (awards, accomplishments, etc.)
- Why he has chosen to compete in the Santa Maria Elks Rodeo Jr. Barrelman Competition
- Any particular story of interest that may relate to rodeo, rodeo clowns, or western lifestyle

## As the Santa Maria Elks Rodeo Jr. Barrelman:

I understand that if I win the title of Santa Maria Elks Rodeo Jr. Barrelman, I will be a representative for the Santa Maria Elks Rodeo and responsible for presenting the sport of rodeo in its true light to the general public.

- I will wear my rodeo clown outfit and accessories (such as face paint, colorful clothes, overalls or jeans, sneakers, etc.) at any time I am acting in the capacity of Santa Maria Elks Rodeo Jr. Barrelman.



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- I will not wear the hat or buckle to represent Santa Maria Elks Rodeo Jr. Barrelman at any time or outside any event without written consent from the Santa Maria Elks Rodeo or Elks Recreation, Inc.
- I will avail myself of all opportunities as designated by Elks Recreation, Inc. only to appear as the Santa Maria Elks Rodeo Jr. Barrelman to the public and to be prepared for photographs and interview opportunities to promote the sport of the rodeo and the Santa Maria Elks Rodeo.
- I will agree that during official Santa Maria Elks Rodeo Jr. Barrelman activities and events, a legal parent/guardian must accompany me at all times. Alcohol consumption will be prohibited for said legal parent/guardian during the activities and events.
- I will be prepared to be physically active during the Santa Maria Elks Rodeo Jr. Barrelman events.
- I will agree that during the term of my entry as a contestant and throughout my reign as Santa Maria Elks Rodeo Jr. Barrelman, I shall observe a high standard of moral and ethical behavior, including on all internet sites and social media platforms, including Facebook, Instagram, etc., befitting my title and setting a good example to the public, future contestants, and the Santa Maria Elks Rodeo Jr. Barrelman.
- If selected as Santa Maria Elks Rodeo Jr. Barrelman, my reign will begin **Saturday, April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2026**. All dates for events are subject to change, but Elks Recreation Inc. will make every effort to provide ample notification of any date changes.
- If selected as Jr. Barrelman, there may be opportunities to volunteer at Golden Circle of Champions events associated with the Santa Maria Elks Rodeo. The Golden Circle of Champions is a separate non-profit organization; therefore, while attending any Golden Circle of Champions event, Jr. Barrelman shall not be considered a representative of the Golden Circle of Champions. Any such attendance shall be solely in representation of the Santa Maria Elks Rodeo and Elks Recreation, Inc. and must be approved by Elks Recreation, Inc. in advance.

I attest that I understand and agree, as a contestant of the Santa Maria Elks Rodeo Jr. Barrelman Competition, to comply with the expectations as described in the Santa Maria Elks Rodeo Jr. Barrelman Rules & Regulations. I understand that if I fail to meet the aforementioned eligibility requirements, I will not be eligible to compete in the Santa Maria Elks Rodeo Jr. Barrelman Competition.

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

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

Legal Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
(please print)