

## JUNIOR RODEO CLUB

*Hosted by Lost Miner Ranch and Equestrian Center*

Our Junior Rodeo Club was developed to embrace and grow participation in rodeo events for the youth of the Gunnison Valley. Both local and statewide junior rodeo opportunities are available.

Horse ownership is not required to participate in the Junior Rodeo Club. Some junior rodeo events (rough stock riding) do not require horse ownership. For most events that do require horses, Lost Miner Ranch and Equestrian Center has horses available.

Competition in rodeos is NOT required to participate in the Junior Rodeo Club. Our primary focus is skill development and education; competition opportunities are available to those who want to pursue that track.

### Cost for meetings:

\$20 per meeting

\$15 horse charge if you need to use a Lost Miner horse for the meeting

This charge is not applicable if you are bringing your own horse to the meeting, or are only participating in events that do not require the use of horses

There is NO membership fee, monthly fee, annual fee, etc – you pay for the meetings you attend

Junior Rodeo Club meetings are generally 2 - 2.5 hours long

### General information about meetings:

How to attend meetings: Sign up at [www.lostminerranch.com](http://www.lostminerranch.com) and let us know you are coming and what events you want to practice that night. We will plan staff and horses accordingly, so we need to know well in advance if your plans change. Some meetings may have limited availability depending on staff.

Participants will choose to practice up to three events per meeting. Some events will be practiced as a group and some will be practiced individually.

If you are using a Lost Miner horse you should plan on coming early to help groom and tack the horses. You should also plan on staying after the meeting to help cool out, untack, and put away. This is not optional – horse care always comes first in rodeo.

Junior Rodeo Club meetings are not a substitute for lessons. Riding skills will not improve without regular lessons or practice. We will be working on riding skills and horsemanship during meetings, but will be focused on skills required for specific events. All riders should be comfortable on a horse or be taking regular lessons to improve their horsemanship.

Meetings will be held 1-3 times a month, usually on Friday, Saturday, or Sunday evenings. We will schedule around rodeos that month and other practice opportunities – such as rodeo clinics - so the amount of meetings will vary.

The Junior Rodeo Club is a team activity. All participants should plan to help set up for practice, put everything away, and support and encourage other team members while they practice. Parents may also volunteer to help – volunteers help us keep costs down and are always appreciated. All participants should expect to assist other members during meetings. All participants should also expect to assist with livestock during meetings.

### Travel Costs:

#### To Gunnison County Fairgrounds:

\$35 coaching fee per rodeo per contestant – covers the cost of coaches time to help with from start to finish with the rodeo day, from help getting contestants warmed up, schooling, and coaching during the event. This fee is REQUIRED to anyone using a Lost Miner horse, as our horses do not travel unsupervised by our coaches. We try to keep a ratio of one coach for up to three contestants.

\$40 per day horse charge if you need to use a Lost Miner horse & tack for the rodeo  
*If two members are using the same horse, this cost is split between both members; horses may be limited in the amount of events they can do per day and sharing horses must be discussed beforehand*

Trailer fee: charged per horse per mile when horses are hauled by Lost Miner Ranch. This fee covers truck and trailer equipment, insurance, wear and tear, repairs, fuel, and time of hauler. All LMRC horses may ONLY be hauled by LMRC personnel. Personal horses should arrange own transport.

\$0.40 per mile if 1-2 horses on load, \$30 minimum  
\$0.30 per mile if 3-4 horses on load, \$30 minimum

#### Outside Gunnison:

\$0.60 per mile coach travel fee for all rodeos outside of Gunnison, CO. Split between all contestants using the coach; fee is total mileage to destination and back and covers coaches travel time, fuel, and wear and tear on their personal equipment while traveling.

If rodeos require overnight stays additional costs may be required, such as coach hotel costs (split between all contestants), overnight stabling costs for horses, shavings for horses, hotel costs for rodeo contestants and their family. These costs will be discussed in advance of any out of town opportunities so there are no surprises.

LOCAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR JUNIOR RODEO

Organization: **Ride Tuff Youth Timed Event Challenge Series 2021**

Location: Gunnison County Fairgrounds

Dates: May 8<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>  
June 12<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup>  
August 28<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup>  
September 24<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> (Finals)

Membership Cost: \$150 (or \$35 non-member fee per rodeo but not eligible for awards if not member)  
*To qualify for awards, each contestant must be a paid member in Good Standing and compete at three of the four scheduled rodeos. To be eligible for all around awards contestant must compete in a minimum of three events.*

Event Cost: \$12-\$35 per event, see below

Dress code: long sleeved shirt, jeans, boots  
Hats are not required; if you wear a hat it must stay on

Age Groups:  
*Age determined as of January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021*

GIRLS 7 & Under

Barrels (\$12)  
Poles (\$12)  
Flags (\$12)  
Goat Untie (\$15)  
Mutton Bustin (\$20)  
Dummy Roping (\$12)

GIRLS 8-12

Barrels (\$16)  
Poles (\$16)  
Flags (\$16)  
Goat Tying (\$20)  
Steer Breakaway / Dobbing (\$30)

GIRLS 13-15

Barrels (\$16)  
Poles (\$16)  
Flags (\$16)  
Goat Tying (\$20)  
Steer Breakaway / Dobbing (\$30)

GIRLS 16-18

Barrels (\$20)  
Poles (\$20)  
Flags (\$20)  
Goat Tying (\$25)  
Steer Breakaway / Dobbing (\$30)  
Ribbon Roping (\$35)

BOYS 7 & Under

Barrels (\$12)  
Poles (\$12)  
Flags (\$12)  
Goat Untie (\$15)  
Mutton Bustin (\$20)  
Dummy Roping (\$12)

BOYS 8-12

Barrels (\$16)  
Poles (\$16)  
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Goat Tying (\$20)  
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Flags (\$20)  
Goat Tying (\$25)  
Steer Breakaway / Dobbing (\$30)  
Ribbon Roping (\$35)

## LOCAL OPPORTUNITES FOR JUNIOR RODEO CLINICS

### Ride Tuff Rodeo Skills Day Clinics

Dates: May 2<sup>nd</sup>  
June 3<sup>rd</sup>  
August 12<sup>th</sup>  
September 19<sup>th</sup>

Cost: TBD by Ride Tuff

## RIDE TUFF JUNIOR RODEO EVENTS

Barrel Racing: Running a cloverleaf pattern around three barrels in the fastest time

Pole Bending: Weaving a set of poles, within pattern, in the fastest time

Flag Racing: Race against the clock to place a flag in one barrel and pick up a flag in another barrel

Goat Tying: Dismount from horse, flip goat on back, tie three out of four legs together which must remain tied for 6 seconds

Equipment provided by contestant: boys – piggin' string; girls – rope, piggin' string, or leather thong

Goat Tail Untying: Introduction to goat tying modified by pulling a ribbon off a goat's tail

Mutton Bustin': Stay on a sheep for as long as possible or 6 seconds; may hang on to wool or use rope

Equipment provided by contestant: protective gear (helmet, vest); rope if preferred

Dummy Roping: Introduction to roping from the ground without horses

Equipment provided by contestant: rope

\*Ribbon Roping: team event with one boy roper and one girl runner in the same age group; roper must rope the calf, dismount, and touch the calf; then the runner must remove the ribbon and run back across the barrier line for time

\*Steer Breakaway Roping: Roping a steer out of a chute with a breakaway rope (no dally required)

\*Steer Dobbing: Following a steer out of a chute and attempting to dob (paint) it

*\*To participate in events indicated by an asterisk contestants must be training on their own horse with additional equipment usually required*

STATEWIDE OPPORTUNITIES FOR JUNIOR RODEO

Organization: **Western Slope Junior Rodeo Association\***

*\*All this information is TBD – this is all that is published as of this time but nothing is finalized*

Location TBD: some potential venues are Grand Junction, Rifle, Meeker, Montrose, Fruita & more

Dates TBD: June 5<sup>th</sup>  
July 24<sup>th</sup>  
August 21<sup>st</sup>

Membership Cost TBD: \$80

Event Cost TBD: \$20-\$30 per event depending on age

Age Groups TBD:

Age determination will be the participant's age as of the first rodeo of the season

- 0-8
- 9-13
- 14-18

Tentative events:

- Barrel Racing
- Pole Bending
- Goat tying/ribbon pull
- Breakaway roping
- Calf riding
- Steer riding

- Team roping with an adult
- Sheep riding
- Dummy roping
- Chute dogging
- Tie down roping
- Bull riding

Organization: **Rising All Stars Junior Rodeo**

Location: Circle 3 Cowboy Church, Montrose

Date: July 10<sup>th</sup> (one day rodeo)

Age Groups TBD:

Age determination will be the participant's age as of January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021

- 5 & under leadline
- 6 & under
- 7-10
- 11-14
- 15-18

Events:

- Barrels
- Poles
- Goats
- Flags

- Breakaway
- Team roping
- Steer dobbing
- Ribbon roping