SIJRA Newsletter

2025 Season | From Your Queen, Miss Nevin Ott

Rodeo #1 - May 3

Kick the season off by wearing your **Favorite Color**!

Rodeo #2 - June 7

Groove into the weekend with a throwback to **Retro** wear!

Rodeo #3 - July 26/27

Embrace your desert spirit by wearing **Aztec**!

Rodeo #4 - Aug. 23

Wear your **SIJRA Rodeo Shirts** for membership picture!

Rodeo #5 - Sept. 13

Celebrate Labor Day by wearing your **Red, White, and Blue**!

Rodeo #6 - Oct. 11

Spread awareness by wearing **Pink** for breast cancer!

Rodeo #7 - Oct. 12

End the season in your favorite **Fall-o-ween colors**!



It's Rodeo Time!

Hello to the SIJRA Rodeo Family!

I would like to welcome our new and returning families to an awesome 2025 rodeo season. If you see a new face, don't be shy, introduce yourself; we are all family! We have lots of new and some returning activities coming up this season that we can wait to share with you.

Please mark your calendars for our Membership meeting. The SIJRA Board and Royalty will be there to share all the exciting things going on for this coming season. We will go over rules, membership and even have mini clinics for some of our events. No horses will be at this meeting, but bring your family and your cowboys and cowgirls to have some fun! The meeting will be on Saturday, April 5th at 4pm. Watch our Facebook page for more information and any inclement weather date changes.

2025 Board Members

President - Jon Pankey

Vice President - Kyle Reiter

Treasurer - Emily Gibson

Assoc. Secretary - Liz Losson

Rodeo Secretary - Amanda Flock

Board of Directors -

Cody Manning Tonya McLoed Jay Rieckers Travis Wesner Megan Witten

2025 Royalty

678 Queen - Nevin Ott

345 Princess - Laken Hedden

K12 Princess - Sailor Montgomery As I mentioned at the awards banquet, I want to get all our cowboys and cowgirls some 'new to them' gear for the upcoming rodeo season. **Don't forget to save all your outgrown rodeo attire and equipment from your tackroom for the first rodeo!** Each family that wants to participate will have a table for \$10 and can sell ALL they want! This \$10 fee will help go towards the budget for some activities that the royalty has planned for this season.

We will continue collecting **Tribute Equine Nutrition Proofs** of **Purchases.** Each one that we turn into Kalmbach Feeds is worth \$0.25 to the association. Let's see how much money we can collect by the end of the year!

We will also be selling **Association Shirts**, hats and Window **Decals**. Stay tuned for details.

Something new this year: I want to make sure that we give back to our community and support those that might not be as blessed as us. Among the many options that we have around us, I have taken a special interest in Amari Acres. This is a ministry in Georgetown, Indiana that provides a therapeutic riding facility for children and adults with special needs. We are working to get a wish list to make sure we help where the help is needed. Stay tuned for more information.

Until we get the official wish list, they are ALWAYS looking for volunteers! They are hosting an "Crusade for Children Easter egg hunt" fundraiser on Sunday, April 13 from 2-4:30pm. Rain or Shine! Everyone is welcome to attend! Their address is 3895 Highway 64 NE in Georgetown, Indiana. Check out their Facebook page for more information!

Keep Selling Sponsorship Flags! Anyone who sells a flag sponsorship is welcome to carry his or her sponsor's flag in the Grand Entry. Details are in the Sponsor brochure and on your sponsor sheet. If you have any questions, please ask our sponsorship chair, Liz Losson. Don't forget to check out <u>www.sijra.org</u> and Southern Indiana Junior Rodeo Facebook for information and updates!

I can't wait to get this year kicked off with all the cowboys and cowgirls! See you soon!!

Your 2025 SIJRA Queen,

Nevin Ott