



Early Californios Skills of the Rancho

Event Descriptions

Open Reata Calf Branding (3 person teams, 10 minute time limit)

- Team will rope three specified head out of the rodear as smoothly and efficiently as possible.
- Rodear should be maintained at all times. There will be no foul line, so each team needs to use good judgment.
- Animal must be taken out of herd to a ground crew (ground crew not judged).
- Scattering of herd or blatant disregard for rodear will result in disqualification.
- This is a walk-trot class. Any loping (except to save your life) over 3 hops will result in major penalties or disqualification at judges' discretion.
- Points will only be given to teams that rope all three head within the 10 minute time limit.
- Team members entered in the stock horse will still be judged whether all three head are roped or not.

Open Reata Sort and Rope (3 person teams, 8 minute time limit)

- Team will sort two specified animals from one pen to another (one at a time), rope, lay down, and set all ropes.
- Team member that does not have a rope on the animal will do ground work.
- Ground workers horse must be under control at all times. If the horse takes off and leaves them, major penalties or disqualification may result.
- Points only given to teams that get both head roped within the 8 minute time limit. Time ends when ground person is back on their horse.

Open Alley Sorting (3 person teams, 3 minute time limit)

- 20 head of cattle will be at one end of an alley. Riders will sort cattle by odd and even numbers one or the other into a gate and the other going past the gate down the alley.
- Up to 2 head of cattle going the wrong way may be sorted back. Any more than 2 mistakes and run will be over.
- Roughing or jamming cattle will result in a disqualification.
- Only teams that get all cattle sorted in the right directions within the time limit will receive scores.

Open Stock Horse

- Horses entered in the stock horse class will be judged throughout the competition and must be entered in the roping and stockmanship classes above to participate.
- The entrant will have 2 minutes of soft work on a cow. The entrant will set up a shot on the cow, rope cow and handle the cow on the rope.

Pro/Amateur Division: For those who want to build their skills with the help of a more experienced person. This is a skill building division where only the amateur rider pays entry fees and is judged. Participants may pick a partner ahead of time or we will help you find a partner at the event.

Pro/Am Sort and Rope (2 person teams, 1 head, 6 minute time limit, any rope over 45 ft)

- Team will sort out 1 specified animal from one pen to another pen, rope the animal (either head or heel) and hold the animal while a provided ground crew will set ropes.
- Score will be given for whatever work is completed.

Pro/Am Alley Sorting (2 person teams, 4 minute time limit)

- 20 head of cattle will be at one end of an alley. Riders will sort cattle by odd and even numbers one or the other into a gate and the other going past the gate down the alley.
- Up to 2 head of cattle going the wrong way may be sorted back. Any more than 2 mistakes and run will be over.
- Roughing or jamming cattle will result in a disqualification.
- Only teams that get all cattle sorted in the right directions within the time limit will receive scores.

Junior/Adult Sort and Rope (2 person teams, one over 18 and one 7-18 years of age, 6 minute time limit, any rope over 45 ft)

- Team will sort out 1 specified animal from one pen to another pen, rope the animal (either head or heel) and hold the animal while a provided ground crew will set ropes.
- Score will be given for whatever work is completed.

Junior/Adult Alley Sort (2 person teams, one over 18 and one 7-18 years of age, 4 minute time limit)

- 20 head of cattle will be at one end of an alley. Riders will sort cattle by odd and even numbers one or the other into a gate and the other going past the gate down the alley.
- Up to 2 head of cattle going the wrong way may be sorted back. Any more than 2 mistakes and run will be over.
- Roughing or jamming cattle will result in a disqualification.
- Only teams that get all cattle sorted in the right directions within the time limit will receive scores.

Mixed/Ladies Sort and Rope (2 person teams, one woman/one man or 2 women, 5 minute time limit, any rope over 45 ft)

- Team will sort out 1 specified animal from one pen to another pen, rope the animal (either head or heel) and hold the animal while a provided ground crew will set ropes.
- Score will be given for whatever work is completed.

Mixed/Ladies Alley Sort (2 person teams, one woman/one man or 2 women, 4 minute time limit)

- 20 head of cattle will be at one end of an alley. Riders will sort cattle by odd and even numbers one or the other into a gate and the other going past the gate down the alley.
- Up to 2 head of cattle going the wrong way may be sorted back. Any more than 2 mistakes and run will be over.
- Roughing or jamming cattle will result in a disqualification.

Viejo Century Sort and Rope (2 person teams, both members ages must add up to 100+ years, 6 minute time limit, any rope over 45 ft)

- Team will sort out 1 specified animal from one pen to another pen, rope the animal (either head or heel) and hold the animal while a provided ground crew will set ropes.
- Score will be given for whatever work is completed.

Viejo Century Alley Sort (2 person teams, both members ages must add up to 100+ years, 4 minute time limit)

- 20 head of cattle will be at one end of an alley. Riders will sort cattle by odd and even numbers one or the other into a gate and the other going past the gate down the alley.
- Up to 2 head of cattle going the wrong way may be sorted back. Any more than 2 mistakes and run will be over.
- Roughing or jamming cattle will result in a disqualification.

Amateur/Ladies/Junior/Viejo Stock Horse

- Horses entered in the stock horse class will be judged throughout the competition and must be entered in the roping and stockmanship classes above to participate.
- The entrant will have 2 minutes of soft work on a cow. The entrant will set up a shot on the cow, rope cow and handle the cow on the rope.
- In these divisions of stock horse, participant will have the option of using a breakaway rope or solid honda rope. Extra points will be given for use of a solid honda rope.

Amateur and Junior Breakaway Roping (one roper and one helper to set up shots for roper, 3 minute time limit)

- Rider will enter the pen, set up and make as many shots as possible within the time limit. Shots scored the same as other roping.
- Roughing cattle or excessive stirring of the herd will result in penalties or even disqualification if extreme.