

Kiwanis Special Games

Corral Wranglers

Presented by the Kiwanis Clubs of CalNevHa Divisions 34 &12, managed by:
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It's all about **GROUPS!**

THE CORE PRINCIPLE. We are told repeatedly that the SG is the most important day in the lives of these determined athletes. The reason is that this is the one day when they are validated, rather than excused, for their physical capabilities. It is essential that the conduct of the Games be formal and official, and above all competitive. The value is not just going through the motions of the Event, the value is in trying your hardest, and **WINNING** that ribbon as a recognition of your determination and success in a demanding physical endeavor.

DON'T MIX GROUPS. The athletes in a Group are at the same level of capability, and may compete with each other in any order, but they may not compete with athletes of other Groups.

TWO TEAMS. The **EVENT TEAM** will handle running the Event, and awarding ribbons. You and your helpers are the **CORRAL WRANGLERS**, and YOUR JOB is to manage the traffic flow. Welcome arriving Groups, and instruct them where to wait. Break larger Groups into individual Contests as necessary to fit your Event. Always have athletes for the next Contest staged and ready to go when the **EVENT TEAM** is ready, and supervise athletes who have completed their Contest, locating them where they will not be in the way, but can cheer on other athletes.

PERIMITER. Establishing the physical area for your Corral is at your discretion, taking into account neighboring Events, thru traffic, and above all, keeping your Event clear of everybody except current competitors. The Corral is not marked on the field -- it will exist only through your force of will. On the track map, the multi-pointed star enclosing your Event number is a suggested location. Use common sense. Make it work.

EXCEPTIONS. Slalom, Obstacle Course, and Figure 8 are "single file" timed Events. Award ribbons to the athletes in Contests of 3. Contests of just 2 athletes are OK to avoid isolating a single athlete at the end of the Group.