

1989 Queen and Court have busy summer

Queen Nancy Bailey was crowned by Fair Board Chairman Charles Daly on January 13 at the Town and Country Banquet in Heppner. The 1989 princesses are Shawna Cash, Boardman; Amy Greenup, and Jodee Ashbeck, both of Heppner.

The Court appeared at the KUMA Coffee Hour and rode in the parade at the St. Patrick's Day Celebration March 18. The light morning drizzle left everything refreshed for the parade, and all cleared for a great afternoon of fun for the Court. The first official pictures were taken in the afternoon at the fairgrounds in their official outfits. Early pictures were necessary for the application form required for the Portland Rose Festival Parade. This was the first time in 15 years the Morrow County Court has ridden in the parade.

The Court was greeted at the Rose Parade by officials from the Portland Meadows Race Track on April 8 and were ushered around to a backside

tour of the track in the morning and joined the crowd for an afternoon of horse racing. The Fair sponsors a race each year and the Court presented a horse blanket to the winner of the tenth race, "Persian Wine."

The Court met at the Currin Ranch on Little Butter Creek on April 29 for picture taking. A ham and potluck dinner was enjoyed by the Court and their families.

On April 30, the Court worked by trailing cattle out of the arena in Heppner at the Currin Invitational Roping. This is the first riding of their official mounts. It is important to see how each rider and mount will look during their appearances. The Currin Invitational helped support the Court financially to attend the Rose Festival Parade for their assistance during the roping.

The Court was officially presented their trophy buckles at a noon lun-

cheon of the Heppner Chamber of Commerce on May 16 by sponsors Benj. Franklin, First Interstate Bank and Bank of Eastern Oregon.

On May 17 the Court traveled to Boardman where Princess Shawna was presented her buckle by Inland Empire Bank. All Court members gave a talk on what will be happening at the Fair.

Queen Nancy Bailey and her princesses, Jodee Ashbeck, Shawna Cash and Amy Greenup traveled to Arlington's rodeo and parade on May 6 and won first place in the parade. Accompanying the Court this year in the parades are pennant bearers; Jenni Ashbeck, Shelly Ashbeck, Andy Ashbeck, Jason Cash and Sarah Greenup.

Queen Nancy has chosen magenta and silver for her princesses colors, while she wears the traditional white riding outfit with a bold splash of magenta in a beautiful handmade, fringed scarf. The pennant bearers are outfitted in magenta and black plaid shirts with black vests. They carry new handmade white satin flags with gold fringe and bold black lettering.

On May 27, the Court traveled to Spray for the rodeo and parade. The Court won a lovely trophy for first place.

The summer highlight was attending the Portland Rose Festival Parade on June 10. Many long hours of fund raising and polishing was put in prior to the Court's appearance in Portland. Beautiful flower arrangements were placed behind the saddle of each horse, plus a silver ribbon with streamers was added to the top of each horse's tail. A small corsage arrangement was placed in the center of each breast collar.

"It is very important that advertising and promotion of our area be given and these young people are taking the message around to the various communities and doing a terrific job," states Marlene Currin, Court Chaperone. "Our county can be very proud of these young people," Currin continues.

The third of July, the Court joined with the Wagon Train that was arriving in Heppner and enjoyed the new acquaintances that were made on their trek into town and down Main Street.

The Morrow County Court attended Ft. Dalles Rodeo and parade on July 15 and the Heppner Horse Show on August 6. They will be making appearances on KNDU and KEPR TV stations and talk shows in the Tri-Cities, as well as KUMA Coffee Hour and KOHU radio in Hermiston.

The Court will hand out ribbons and trophies at the Morrow County Horse Show on August 13.

The Walla Walla Frontier Days Parade will be September 2 and Pendleton's Dress-Up Parade and Westward Ho Parade, September 9 and 15 respectively, will complete the year's appearances.



Queen Nancy and her court

Pet show has something for everyone

The children's Pet Show will be held Wednesday, August 16 at 1:30 p.m. at the park at the fairgrounds by the Snack Shack.

Children may show one pet. Dogs must be on a leash and easily frightened animals should be brought

in cages.

All participants should be at the fairgrounds picnic area next to the dorm building promptly at 1:30 p.m. No pre-registration is required.

Pam Piper and Cindy Kennedy are the chairmen of this event.

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