

WINLOCK EGG DAY FESTIVAL

Sponsored by Lions Club of Winlock

EGG DAY ROYALTY CONTEST INFORMATION & ENTRY FORMS

Coronation is held on the 3rd Friday of June



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A Greeting from the Egg Day Committee

Royalty selection is one of the first activities to take place as we begin to prepare for our annual festival. The Royal Court is one of the most visible parts of the Egg Day Festival. They make appearances around town, travel with the float to other community parades, and also perform community service in the area. In return, the members of the Royal Court each receive a percentage of their button sales, an opportunity to compete for a \$500 Personal Achievement award, both formal and informal wear, parade travel expenses, the opportunity to work with hair and make-up volunteers and receive speech and poise training - All of this, and an opportunity to make life-long friends and memories. Thank you for your consideration to become a part of our Winlock Egg Day history.

History of Egg Day, our Royalty, and the Buttons

The highway between Winlock and Cowlitz Corner was completed and dedicated on August 13, 1921. There was a big celebration commemorating the event and since Winlock was becoming quite a famous poultry center, they decided to call the celebration "Winlock Poultry and Egg Day." There were about 1,000 people present at the celebration. Otis Roundtree was the General Chairman for the event. After the celebration, it was decided to make this an annual event. It is not known exactly when the event was renamed just "Egg Day" or when it was moved to the month of June, but we do know it was postponed for WWII during the years 1943 through 1946.

Our first Egg Day Queen, Olive Washburn Saari, was crowned in 1937. It wasn't so much a contest as it was an appointment to the position, with the title holders being young ladies who worked in the Poultry and Egg Co-Op. Eventually, it became the pageant that it is today, with the contestants residing in the Winlock area and/or attending Winlock Middle/High School.

The first official Winlock Egg Day button is dated Saturday - June - 7 {1941}. The buttons remained relatively plain until 1949, when chicken, rooster, or egg artwork was added. In 2007, the planning committee invited the Winlock Middle/High School art class and home-schooled students in the same age range to submit artwork to be considered for our annual button. In 2021, the request for artwork was sent to all ages of our Egg Day Community. The winning artist receives a cash prize and acknowledgement through our advertising campaign and social media.

A Greeting from the Royal Committee Chairperson

The Winlock Egg Day Coronation is a competition for the title of Egg Day Queen or King and their attendants. The position is that of an *Ambassador of Winlock* who will be expected to attend parades and other community events throughout the year, establish rapport with community leaders, and positively influence the youth in and around our community.

We want this to be a positive experience for contestants and their families. Our goal is to increase your interest in your community and encourage an atmosphere where your personal goals can be met, and your full potential can be realized.

Royalty Guidelines

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

1. **Age:** Contestant must be at least 13 years old and no older than 20 years old by March 1st of the campaign year.
2. **Residence:** Contestant must live in Winlock, Evaline, or Vader and/or attend Winlock Schools.
3. **Academics:** Participants must currently have and maintain a minimum semester GPA of 2.3 (C+). Not meeting this requirement will disqualify you from the tryout process.
4. **Commitment:** Contestant must be available for all specified functions, parades, fundraisers, and meet the button sales deadlines, unless there is an emergency. **If you are unable to attend a function, parade, or fundraiser please submit your request for excusal or emergency explanation in writing in a timely matter.*
5. **Representation:** As an official representative of Winlock, it is imperative to adhere to the ethics and goals of the Coronation Committee.
6. **Flexibility:** Unscheduled events will occur during the season that you will be asked to attend.
7. **Season:** March of the current year through Egg Day Coronation (3rd Friday in June) of the following year.
8. **Regulations:** Contestants must abide by all regulations, including etiquette, dress code, respect and participation in all required events. Use of Drugs or alcohol will be cause for immediate disqualification. Any violation of Federal, State, or Local Laws by a contestant is grounds for disqualification.

REWARDS FOR COMPETING:

1. Opportunity to earn a Personal Achievement Award. The amount of this award to be determined.
2. Earn 15% of your button sales, payable at the end of each campaign year pursuant to the contestant complying with contract requirements. ** There will be a deduction for unexcused absences.*
3. Increase self-esteem and self-confidence, public speaking skills, networking skills, and work ethic.
4. Letter of recommendation from mentors and committee members for future opportunities.
5. Learn more about your community and what it means to volunteer.
6. Lifelong friends, memories, and a place in Winlock Egg Day history.

BUTTON SALES:

1. **Button sales** count for 40% of your overall score. Talk to your director about increasing button sales and goal setting. Remember, Egg Day has been celebrated since 1921 and if someone doesn't know about it then you are the one to tell them about our festival and sell them a button!
2. **Confidentiality:** Discussion of the number of buttons sold with anyone outside your immediate family, Egg Day representatives, or button/money processing volunteers will not be allowed. It is extremely important that this information remain confidential. Please stress to immediate family members the importance of not discussing your sales with others – your success may depend on this!
3. **Safety:** Please do not sell buttons without certain precautions. An escort or partner is not absolutely required, but greatly advised. An escort or partner will keep an eye on your sales and cash as well as keep an eye out for trouble. Always keep your cell phone on your person. Report any trouble to your escort, mentor, director, or call 911.

4. **DESIGNATED BUTTON CONTACT:** Your “Button Contact” for depositing money collected and signing for buttons will be _____. They cannot give advice about deadlines or sales. You must deposit money collected on a scheduled basis as determined by this “Button Contact”. Please have all bills sorted by denomination, and heads facing the same direction. Total button sales will be tallied and carried forward and must be acknowledged via signature by you, or a member of your immediate family. Please be aware the “Button Contact” is not paid for their services, be very respectful and thank them for volunteering to help us.
5. **FIRST DEADLINE:** Contestant must have a minimum of _____* buttons sold, and money turned into the “Button Contact” by April 30th to continue in the contest.
6. **SECOND DEADLINE:** Contestant must sell a minimum of _____* buttons (total sales**) with the money turned in by May 31st to qualify for the clothing allowance; to be able to participate in the Coronation ceremony and be eligible for 15% of their button sales. Contestants will continue to sell and turn in buttons until the Wednesday before Coronation to add points for the overall contest scoring and cash prizes.

**Minimum number of buttons will be determined at the time you receive buttons.*

***If money is donated and no button is sold, then every two dollars donated will be counted as a button sold for total sales purposes.*

PARADE ETIQUETTE:

- Contestants will be responsible for ensuring the appropriate décor and attire for the parade float.
- It is preferred that you NOT carry your phone while in a parade, but if you must, DO NOT be on your phone while on the float.
- Sell buttons to fellow parade attendees. Wear approved attire and be respectful to everyone.
- Float rules are that the current Queen/King ride on the upper level, additional court members ride below. Exceptions can be made if approved by the reigning Queen/King.
- Friends or family are not allowed on the float for any reason. Exceptions are made for small children.
- Must always be on the float in time for judging. Check with your Director or selected chaperone for times and other instructions.
- Royal Court shall not leave float until they have cleaned it and all items are stored properly and garbage is bagged.
- Remember, you are representing Winlock and Egg Day - Smile, wave, be polite, and thank the volunteers who are sponsoring the event, helping pull the float, chaperone, etc.

Ethics, Regulations, and Code of Conduct:

Contestants unwilling to adhere to ethics and code of conduct are subject to a disqualification review by the Royal Chairperson and Committee, who maintains the right to dismiss a candidate from the Program for good cause.

Failure to commit to events, fundraisers, and parades, creating excessive hardships for other contestants, drug or alcohol abuse, stealing, indecent appearance or behavior, and not turning in button money are causes for disqualification, pending a committee review.

Leaving events before being excused will count as a complete lack of attendance at that event.

PRIZE ALLOCATION AND DISTRIBUTION:

Each contestant must have a minimum of _____* buttons sold, and money turned in by May 31st of the current year to qualify for the clothing allowance, participate in the Coronation, and be eligible for the 15% cash prize for their button sales

The Queen/King will be eligible for the first prize of \$250.00 or 15% of his/her button sales, whichever is greater.

Penalty fees will be deducted for unexcused absences from a contestant's prize money at the rate of \$10.00 per parade or required event. Excused absences will be granted on a case by case basis. Penalty funds deducted from contestant's winnings will be applied to the winnings of reigning Egg Day Queen/King. All prize money owed to contestants will be paid in the form of cash or check after the entire Coronation Season commitment has been met. All awards and prizes will be distributed on Coronation night of each campaign year.

Community Service: Contestant will use the approved time and report cards to give to your volunteer supervisor at any given non-profit agency where the work is done. You are required to have at least 30 hours of community service provided to the Royalty Committee Chairperson or their designee by the Wednesday before Coronation ceremonies. Community Service hours account for 20% of your score and the more hours the higher your score can be. *Note: Egg Day parades and community events are considered community service – make sure you get your time documented.*

Judging of Contest:

Judges will be given a score sheet based on a point value system which will be broken down into the following categories. Points will be broken down into percentages based on a predetermined value system. Button sales and Community Service hours will be based on personal determination. Panel Judging will be based on personal presentation and public speaking ability.

40% Button Sales

20% Community Service hours and scores

40% Judging

10% Participation in individual/group talent

10% Poise and formal wear introductions

10% Private interview with judges

10% Public Interview (questions by judges during ceremony)

I have read and understand the above contestant qualifications and royalty guidelines.

Signature of Contestant

Date

Royalty Application

(Please print legibly)

Full Name: _____ Prefer to be called: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____ Grade: _____ School: _____

Mailing Address: _____

E-Mail: _____ Phone: _____

Parent/Legal Guardian: _____ Phone: _____

Alternate E-Mail: _____

Parent/Legal Guardian: _____ Phone: _____

Parent/Legal Guardian: _____ Phone: _____

Parent/Legal Guardian: _____ Phone: _____

Parent/Legal Guardian: _____ Phone: _____

Parent/Legal Guardian: _____ Phone: _____

INFORMATION MEETING

Date: _____

Location: _____

If you think you might be interested, but have questions, you are encouraged to attend with parents/guardians to find out what being a part of our royalty is all about. We discuss how much time it takes, what benefits you will receive, conflicts with sports, extracurricular activities, etc.

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS:

Date: _____

Location: _____

This will also be our first practice.

For additional information, please contact: the Royalty Coordinator by emailing eggday.royalty@gmail.com or officialeggday@gmail.com

If I should be chosen as one of the Egg Day Royalty, I understand and agree that I will be available throughout the festival year to participate in and to fulfill all obligations as designated by the Egg Day Committee. Should there be a conflict in my schedule and I am unable to meet my obligations I will notify the Egg Day Committee, in writing, in a timely manner.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____

Royalty Application Continued

Name:

Date of Birth:

Graduation Year:

Short Biographical Profile: This information will be used as a means to introduce you to the community through multimedia advertising. Please attach a **head shot photo** to this application. This photo becomes the property of the Winlock Egg Day Committee and cannot be returned.

Your bio should be at least 200 words, typed (16 font) and written in first person. Please use proper English and be sure it does not contain any grammatical errors or run-on sentences. It should include your hobbies, school activities, Honors or Awards you have received, favorite subjects, college plans, career plans and/or future plans. Please include what you plan to use as your platform should you be crowned Egg Day Queen or King. A platform is a local program you would be interested in assisting with during your reign. Examples include: Food Bank, Boys & Girls Club, Senior Center, etc. Please proofread your biography and bring it, and your photo, to the first practice meeting.

Note: the above is 166 words and is an Arial 16 font

Emergency Contact and Medical Release Form

For:	Phone:
Address:	
Parent or Guardian:	Phone:
EMERGENCY CONTACT <i>if parent or guardian is not available</i>	
Name:	Relationship:
Phone:	Alternate Phone:
Family Physician:	Phone:
Insurance Provider:	Group #:
SSI# of Insurance Carrier:	

Please list any allergies your child has or any medications they are taking that you feel the Royal Committee should be aware of: _____

Please list any medical or physical problems that you feel the Royal Committee should be aware of: _____

RELEASE FOR MEDICAL ATTENTION

- In the event of a medical emergency during any Egg Day related activities, I give the Royal Committee permission to seek medical attention for my child.**

Child's Name: _____

Parent or Guardian
Signature: _____ Date: _____

- I do not wish to release permission for medical attention to the Royal Committee. Please specify what procedures you would like the Royal Committee to follow to meet your child's medical needs.**

Child's Name: _____

Parent or Guardian
Signature: _____ Date: _____

Release of Liability Form

FOR AND IN CONSIDERATION of my being permitted to participate in the Lions Club of Winlock, Egg Day Festival, and all related activities, I hereby agree to the following:

I, the Undersigned do hereby agree to adhere at all times to all rules, regulations and policies of the Lions Club of Winlock, Egg Day Festival and to follow all directions and instructions of its officials, including its Security Personnel.

I, the Undersigned do hereby agree to release, relieve, discharge, indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Lions Club of Winlock, Egg Day Festival staff, all Winlock Egg Day Festival participants, and the City of Winlock, and their officers, agents, volunteers and employees, from all claims, losses, suits, damages, judgments, expenses, costs, and charges of every kind, including court costs and attorney’s fees, herein under contract by reason of personal injuries, death or property damages. The undersigned further agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Lions Club of Winlock, Egg Day Festival staff, all Winlock Egg Day Festival participants, and the City of Winlock, and their officers, agents, volunteers and employees, from any claims and for all damages, costs and expenses, including without limitation, court costs and attorney’s fees and amounts paid in settlement incurred in connection with such claims arising out of acts of negligence of undersigned, his agents or employees, by reason of my participation in events related to the Lions Club of Winlock, Egg Day Festival, or such events in which may represent the Lions Club of Winlock, Egg Day Festival. The paragraph shall survive termination of this Agreement.

I, the Undersigned fully understand that the terms of the Full Release shall serve as a Full Release and Full Assumption of risks for me, my heirs, executors and administrators and for all persons authorized by me accompanying me to the Event.

I, the undersigned have read the Full Release form, understand its terms and acknowledge that without my acceptance, I will not be permitted to participate in the Event.

I, the Undersigned hereby accept all of the terms of the Full Release of Liability as evidenced by my signature below.

Print your Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

I, the parent/Guardian, of the above named contestant, being under the age of 18, do hereby authorize and agree with the above Full Release of Liability as evidenced by my signature below.

Print your Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

State of Washington
County of _____

Signed or attested before me on _____ by _____
(Date) (Name of person signing document)

(Seal or stamp)

Signature

Title

My appointment expires: _____

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT AND HOURS FORM

Contestant information (Print or Type)

Name: _____ Grade _____

It is the responsibility of the contestant to complete and turn in community service to the Egg Day Community Service Coordinator by the deadline of the Wednesday before Coronation ceremonies.

Organization Information (Print or Type)

Name of Organization _____ Tax ID# _____
 Street Address _____ Phone # _____
 Supervisor's Name: _____ E-mail: _____

Brief Description of Activities & Tasks:

Note: If photos are taken during volunteer hours and you would care to share, please e-mail them to officialeggday@gmail.com

Date	Time In	Time Out	# of Hours	Brief Description of daily tasks (If different from above)

I certify that these hours have been completed according to the requirements for Winlock Egg Day Contestant Community Service Hours.

Name of Site Supervisor
Title
Signature (required)

Note to the Contestant: Think about your Community Service activity and be prepared to discuss it with the Judges. Possible questions: What did you do? • What community needs did this meet? • How did the experience develop your connection and sense of responsibility to the community? • How did the experience improve your knowledge and skills as a community advocate and/or leader?

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM RECORD OF VOLUNTEER SERVICE HOURS

Contestant information (Print or Type)

Name: _____ Grade _____

To be completed by the Winlock Egg Day Community Service Program Coordinator. Information will be transferred onto this form as the Contestants turn in their Community Service Project and Hours Forms. Attach those Forms to this Form and provide the completed information to the judges prior to the individual interviews.

Date	Organization Name	Activity Performed	Time In	Time Out	Total Hours

Total Hours Volunteered: _____

Community Service Program Coordinator Signature: _____

Royal Committee Chairperson Signature: _____