

RIDING INTO THE FUTURE

The Cariboo Cowgirls
Drill Team Society



acknowledges that our future as a Drill Team would not be possible without the generosity and support of community businesses, individual support, private donations and sponsorship. Your support is recognised and greatly appreciated

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are **Razzle, Dazzle** and all that **Glitters**. These cowgirls and their horses safely perform high-speed patterns and maneuvers to the rhythm of the music with expertise and skill, keeping the audience thrilled and excited for the upcoming events that will follow. **They ride hard and they ride fast**, bearing flags of the *Sponsors, Province and Country*. They are colorful, exciting and give a performance that makes you want to see them do it **over and over again!**



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CARIBOO COWGIRLS



British Columbia's
Cariboo Region
&
Central Interior

DRILL TEAM



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Equestrian Drill Teams are described as a group of riders working in unison to create an "equine dance" on horseback which is often seen in rodeos, exhibitions or at horse related events.

Unlike the slower line maneuver drills done in parades, the musical equine dance or drill routines, are done at a canter or gallop and performed to a musical selection where an entire arena becomes the "dance floor" for several paired horse and rider couples. Drill routines can be done at a faster pace, short program of 4 to 5 minutes or longer, intricate programs that can last up to 10 minutes in length.

The Cariboo Cowgirls Drill Team performances are a series of patterns and maneuvers that are choreographed into a full routine of horses and riders moving in precision motion, uniting as one with grace, movement and flow. The result is spectacular, filling the arena with a collage of color, motion, tempo and excitement, creating a captivating visual landscape for audiences and spectators of all ages. Each performance promises an impressive and thrilling demonstration of skill and horsemanship

The Cariboo Cowgirls offer various venues of professional performances: Rodeo Grand Entries, sponsor and association flag presentations, parades, intermission performances and event exhibitions.

The Cariboo Cowgirls now provides an 'electrifying' night drill, called **'SHOT IN THE DARK'**. This routine is carried out in a darkened arena where only the horses and riders are illuminated in neon lights. The effect is not only thrilling but **SPECTACULAR!**

The Cariboo Cowgirls Drill Team was developed among some ambitious riders at the Williams Lake Stampede Grounds & Williams Lake Trail Riders Facility in Williams Lake BC. This group of Cowgirl's were looking for personal satisfaction, entertainment and a way to create an organization that would draw together other individuals in the horse industry of similar nature and interests!

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The original team was 'rounded up' in 2000, and later with the merger of another existing drill team, reemerged as the Cariboo Cowgirls. The team presently has twelve dedicated cowgirls, with several years of horse, riding and drill experience. All team members must have their own horses and transportation. Running precision drill, designing new maneuvers and choreographing new routines is a never-ending learning process. Due to these conditions a rigorous, demanding drill season and schedule is mandatory. Practices are twice weekly, lasting two hours per practice and continues for eight months of the year. This schedule keeps horses and riders 'show ready'. Additionally, there are the numerous dedicated volunteer 'aide-de-camps', consisting primarily of family and friends who the team cannot possibly thank enough for their continued support and efforts. Without the devotion of these 'behind the scenes support crew', the success of the drill team would be considerably lessened.

The Cariboo Cowgirls take pride in the history of the team and its members and the many contributions and individual accomplishments they have made over the years.



The Cariboo Cowgirls Drill Team owes much to those teams that went before us, the ones that 'rode the drill', blazing the way for drill teams like ourselves and to all the people who led and organized them. The Williams Lake Stampede Grounds & the Williams Lake Trail Riders Facility in Williams Lake BC is the Cariboo Cowgirls home arenas. These Associations unofficially sponsor the team by allowing us use of the arenas and access to arena grooming equipment for all our practices. The historical Williams Lake Stampede Arena is an established and renowned arena and fairgrounds. The arena facility was rebuilt in the early 1970's to facilitate expansion and future growth of one of Canada's largest professional rodeos. Immediately adjacent to the Williams Lake Stampede Grounds is the Williams Lake Trail Riders Facility, which provides an indoor and out door arena and a stabling facility for a variety of venues. These arena's and grounds are a vital part of our success.

The Cariboo Cowgirls are 'Proud To Be A Home Town, Home Grown Drill Team'

The Cariboo Cowgirls believe that partnering with the communities of the Cariboo Region, Central Interior and Province helps build a stronger more connected team that everyone can enjoy and be proud of.

As our team develops and advances, The Cariboo Cowgirls Drill Team is working with individuals and businesses throughout the Cariboo Region and the Central Interior to secure additional sponsorships. Sponsorship is integral to the drill teams continuation and future longevity and in recompense, the Cariboo Cowgirls will provide businesses with substantial advertising at all public events and exhibitions we perform at. For details on how to become a sponsor or make a booking, contact Cariboo Cowgirls Drill Team Society
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