

Twirlers, Get Excited!!!!

Who: California Twirlers, Coaches, Family, Friends & Fans

What: 2012 California State Championships

When: May 19-20, 2012

Where: Stockton Civic Memorial Auditorium, Main Hall

525 North Center St, Stockton, CA 95202

Why: To compete, commemorate, and celebrate California twirlers!

University Plaza Waterfront Hotel

110 West Fremont St, Stockton, CA 95202

(209) 944-1140

Discount code: 5CASC

\$99 (includes breakfast)

Hilton Stockton

2323 Grand Canal Blvd, Stockton, CA 95207

(209) 957-9090

Discount code: BATON

\$89 (includes breakfast)

Schedule of Events

SATURDAY, MAY 19, 2012

8:00 – Gym opens

– Judges' Focus Meeting (8:00-8:45)

9:00 – Contest starts

- Introduction of Judges
- Teams & Evaluative Events (Freestyle, Short Program, Freestyle Pairs)
- Foundation Events
- Essentials Events
- Judges' Lunch
- "Minute to Spin It"
 - After the completion of the Essentials Events, all athletes, coaches and spectators may participate in this non-competitive, fun activity. A song will play for about one minute and a baton twirling skill will be performed for the duration of the song. The skill will be announced at the start of the activity. The skill will be different at each contest. The goal is to repeatedly complete the skill without the baton dropping to the floor. No cost is associated with this activity. All you need is a baton, comfortable attire/costume, and a smile. See you at the center of the floor!
- Special Presentation
 - Introduction of CBC Board Members & Booster Club Members
 - Presentation of Lifetime Achievement Award
 - HS Scholarship Presentation
 - WOW Twirler & Sportsmanship Award Presentation
 - Command Performances by PHMC Champions
 - Solo
 - Strut
- Team Retreat & Awards
- Photos of State Champion Teams
- 2 Hour Paid Practice
 - All must exit and re-enter gym to confirm payment received

SUNDAY, MAY 20, 2012

8:00 – Gym opens

– Judges' Focus Meeting (8:00-8:45)

9:00 – Contest starts

SOLO

- WT Solo, Women's State Solo (Age Group), Visitor Solo, State Pairs & Visitor Pairs
- MM Flag Solo, MM Rifle Solo, MM Solo & MM Solo Pairs
- State Flag Solo & State Rifle Solo
- State Solo (Semi-Final for Juvenile, Jr, Sr & Adult and Men's Solo)

2-BATON

- WT 2-Baton, MM 2-Baton & Visitor 2-Baton
- State 2-Baton (Semi-Finals)

3-BATON

- WT 3-Baton, MM 3-Baton & Visitor 3-Baton
- State 3-Baton (Semi-Finals)

FINALS SHOW: For Men's Solo, Women's Solo, 2-Baton, and then 3-Baton, the top 2 athletes from Junior, Senior & Adult compete for the title of Grand Champion. There is not a Grand Championship Final for the Primary age division. Juvenile athletes advance no further than semi-finals, and the winner of the Juvenile Semi-Finals is considered the State Juvenile Champion.

AWARDS PRESENTATION & PHOTOS: For Solo, 2-Baton & 3-Baton

– Judges' Focus Meeting during Awards

STRUT

- MM Strut & Visitor Strut
- State Strut (Semi-Final)

DANCE TWIRL

- State DT (Age Group), Visitor DT, State DT Pairs & Visitor DT Pairs
- MM DT, MM DT Pairs, WT Artistic Twirl & WT Artistic Twirl Pairs
- State DT (Semi-Final)

FINALS SHOW: For Strut then Dance Twirl, the top 2 athletes from Junior, Senior & Adult compete for the title of Grand Champion. There is not a Grand Championship Final for the Primary age division. Juvenile athletes advance no further than semi-finals, and the winner of the Juvenile Semi-Finals is considered the State Juvenile Champion.

AWARDS PRESENTATION & PHOTOS: For Strut & Dance Twirl

GENERAL RULES & INFORMATION

1. All contestants must be USTA members. A USTA number must be included on the entry form. The membership must be current (the expiration date must be September 1, 2012). All memberships will be checked. If the USTA membership was processed after March 1, 2012, a printed copy of the current membership must be sent or the entry will be returned. Otherwise, the contestant must purchase Member for a Day for \$8. Member for a Day applies for both May Madness and State Championship events. For USTA membership information, visit www.ustwirling.com.
2. A USTA Competitive Achievement System (CAS) Record Book must be presented at the contest for official evaluation of Essentials Events.
3. The \$12 Family Surcharge is required and must be paid by each family competing at this competition. The surcharge covers both May Madness and State Championship events. \$1 per athlete goes to USTA. Surcharges also help pay for facilities, awards, and judges' expenses.
4. All teams must pay a \$3 surcharge per category (May Madness is category and State is another category). \$2.50 per team goes to USTA. Surcharges also help pay for facilities, awards, and judges' expenses.
5. Please list all instructors the athlete has had in the last 6 months on the entry form. If this information is listed incorrectly and an error in the set system results, the contestant must withdraw and no refund will be given.
6. **No entry refunds or category change refunds will be given for any reason.**
7. Confirmations will be emailed to all contestants. The program will be available on the CBC website (www.cabatoncouncil.com) the week prior to the contest. Contestants should print their own copy and bring it to the contest. A limited number of paper programs will be available for \$4 each.
8. Any returned checks will be assessed \$30.00 plus bank fees. This must be paid prior to the contest.
9. On Saturday, May 19, the CBC will present some new and exciting activities, "Minute to Spin It" and a Finals Show. The team retreat and awards ceremony will take place after these events. **Attention coaches:** Please have your athletes in costume or team sweats for the team retreat.

AWARDS

Foundation Events

Basic Strut & Military Strut

- 1st place receives a trophy
- 2nd place-5th place receive a ribbon
- Participation ribbon for Novice & Beginning

Presentation

- 1st place receives a banner & trophy
- 2nd place-5th place receive a ribbon

Essentials Events

- Athlete receives either an evaluation ribbon or a certificate for Compulsories, Movement Technique, Rhythm Twirl, Body Forms, Standard Solo, & Short Program

May Madness Events

- 1st place receives a trophy
- 2nd place -3rd place receive a medallion
- 4th place-5th place receive a ribbon

State Championship Events

Age group:

- 1st place in each age group receives a trophy
- 2nd place-7th place receive a medallion

Juvenile Semi-Final:

- 1st place receives plaque and is considered the State Juvenile Champion
- 2nd place-8th place receive a medallion

Junior Semi-Final

- 1st place receives plaque and is considered Junior State Champion
- 2nd place-8th place receive a medallion

Senior Semi-Final

- 1st place receives plaque and is considered Senior State Champion
- 2nd place-8th place receive a medallion

Adult Semi-Final

- 1st place receives plaque and is considered Adult State Champion
- 2nd place-3rd place receive a medallion

Finals

- 1st place receives State Grand Champion Cup (and replacement plaque at 2013 State Championships)
- 2nd place-6th place receive a medallion

Visitor Events

- 1st place receives a plaque
- 2nd place-7th place receive a medallion

Team Awards

- 1st place-3rd place receive awards in each category
 - May Madness – trophy
 - State – plaque plus small medal for each member
- All 1st place State Championship teams will be recognized on the CBC website
- Judges' critiques for teams will be provided by email or CD by contest director

AGE DIVISIONS*

Age Groups:

0-8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21+

Age Divisions:

Primary = 0-8

Juvenile = 9-12

Junior = 13-16

Senior = 17-20

Adult = 21+

*The Contest Director reserves the right to combine or divide divisions as entries warrant.

EXPLANATION OF ROUNDS AND GRAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

There are Grand Champion Finals for the Junior, Senior, and Adult divisions for Women's Solo, Men's Solo, 2-Baton, 3-Baton, Strut, and Dance Twirl. There is not a Grand Championship Final for the Primary age division, nor for the Pairs, Flag Solo, or Rifle Solo events. **Primary athletes only compete one time. Juvenile athletes advance no further than semi-finals, and the winner of the Juvenile Semi-Finals is considered the State Juvenile Champion.** See below for details.

Women's Solo & Dance Twirl: Athletes first compete in age groups. The top 2 of each age group advance to the following semi-final groups: Juvenile (age 9-12, 8 athletes), Junior (age 13-16, 8 athletes), Senior (age 17-20, 8 athletes) and the top 3 of Adult (age 21+, 3 athletes). The top 2 athletes of the Junior, Senior, and Adult semi-finals compete in finals (6 athletes) for the title of grand champion. Primary athletes only compete one time. Juvenile athletes advance no further than semi-finals, and the winner of the Juvenile Semi-Finals is considered the State Juvenile Champion.

Women's Solo & Dance Twirl

<u>Age</u>	Round 1 Age Group	Round 2 Semi-Finals	Round 3 Finals
Primary	X (0-8)		
Juvenile	X	X	

	(9, 10, 11, 12)	(the top 2 from each of the four age groups advance = 8 athletes)	
Junior	X (13, 14, 15, 16)	X (8 athletes)	X (the top 2 from the Junior Semi-Finals advance to Finals)
Senior	X (17, 18, 19, 20)	X (8 athletes)	X (the top 2 from the Senior Semi-Finals advance to Finals)
Adult	X (21+)	X (the top 3 Adult athletes compete in Semi-Finals)	X (the top 2 from the Adult Semi-Finals advance to Finals)

Men's Solo, 2-Baton, 3-Baton & Strut: Athletes first compete in semi-final groups: Primary (0-8), Juvenile (9-12), Junior (13-16), Senior (17-20), and Adult (21+). The top 2 athletes in the Junior, Senior, and Adult semi-finals compete in finals for the title of grand champion. Primary and Juvenile athletes only compete one time, and the winner of the Juvenile Semi-Finals is considered the State Juvenile Grand Champion.

Men's Solo, 2-Baton, 3-Baton & Strut

<u>Age</u>	Round 1 Semi-Finals	Round 2 Finals
Primary	X (0-8)	
Juvenile	X (9-12)	
Junior	X (13-16)	X (the top 2 from Semi-Finals advance to Finals)
Senior	X (17-20)	X (the top 2 from Semi-Finals advance to Finals)
Adult	X	X

(21+) (the top 2 from Semi-Finals advance to Finals)

Flag Solo & Rifle Solo: Athletes compete in the following age groups: 0-16, 17+. There are no finals for these events.

Solo Pairs & Dance Twirl Pairs: Athletes compete in the following combined age groups: 0-16, 17-24, 25-32, 33+. There are no finals for these events.

MAY MADNESS EVENT INFORMATION

COMPULSORIES:	Levels: C, B, BI, BII, A, AA, AAA, Elite
MOVEMENT TECHNIQUE:	Levels: C, B, BI, BII, A, AA, AAA, Elite
SHORT PROGRAM:	Level: Elite (Evaluation Only)
BODY FORMS:	Levels: C, B, BI, BII Enter at your lowest compulsory or movement technique level. The length of the music is 32 counts, the same as Presentation. The event consists of poses and simple body movements (no illusions or gymnastics allowed). Baton use is limited to loops and passes in either hand.
RHYTHM TWIRL:	Levels: C, B, BI, BII Enter at your lowest compulsory or movement technique level. The length of the music is 64 counts, a portion of the Dance Twirl music. The event consists of contact material only (including flips) and body movements; however, no illusions or gymnastics are allowed.
BASIC STRUT & MILITARY STRUT:	Levels: Novice, Beginning, Intermediate, and Advanced Basic strut is marching in a square for 32 counts. Military strut is marching in an "L" in 32 counts. Athletes may enter in more than one level.
PRESENTATION:	Levels: Novice, Beginning, Intermediate, and Advanced Presentation is a combination of body movements and baton twirling. It is 32 counts, performed to a portion of the USTA Strut music. Athletes may start facing the back or front. The first 12 counts are for the introduction, in which the athlete may present to the judge, but no complex or traveling complex movements are allowed. The athlete must be facing the front at the end of the introduction. Athletes may enter more than one level.
SOLO:	Levels: 1 st Contest, Novice, Beginning, Intermediate, and High Intermediate Solo is a 1 ½ minute stationary twirling routine performed to USTA solo music. Athletes may enter more than one level.
SOLO PAIRS:	Levels: Beginning and Intermediate Solo Pairs is a 1 ½ minute stationary pairs routine performed to USTA solo music.
STRUT:	Levels: Beginning and Intermediate Strut is a 1 ½ minute routine that combines presentation and forward motion. In forward motion, the feet must stay in step to the USTA Strut music by stepping with the left foot on odd counts and with the right foot on even counts. Athletes may enter more than one level.

2-BATON:	Levels: Beginning and Intermediate 2-Baton is a 1 ½ minute routine performed to USTA Solo music that utilizes two batons. Athletes may enter more than one level.
3-BATON:	Levels: Beginning and Intermediate 3-Baton is a 1 ½ minute routine performed to USTA Solo music that utilizes three batons. Athletes may enter more than one level.
DANCE TWIRL:	Levels: Novice, Beginning and Intermediate Dance Twirl is a 1 ½ minute routine performed to USTA Dance Twirl music. Athletes may enter more than one level.
DANCE TWIRL PAIRS:	Levels: Beginning and Intermediate Dance Twirl Pairs is a 1 ½ minute routine performed to USTA Dance Twirl music. Athletes may enter more than one level.

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