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Dear Editor,

Thank you for the belt buckle. I am so happy you worked so hard and I love it.

Jira Kissel 6 years old

Thank you! Winning the buckle was so cool and I'm honored. Thank you for putting on the contest! It was fun seeing the pictures I colored in the advertisement.

Jada Kissel

14 years old

P.S. I'm writing with my left hand, I broke my right wrist.

I'd like to take time to tell you that you are doing a swell job by publishing the Rodeo News.

It's a really great magazine and full of great information about the rodeo.

I'm so grateful that I'm getting the magazine. Thank you for the hat, it's a great hat. Thank you again very much.

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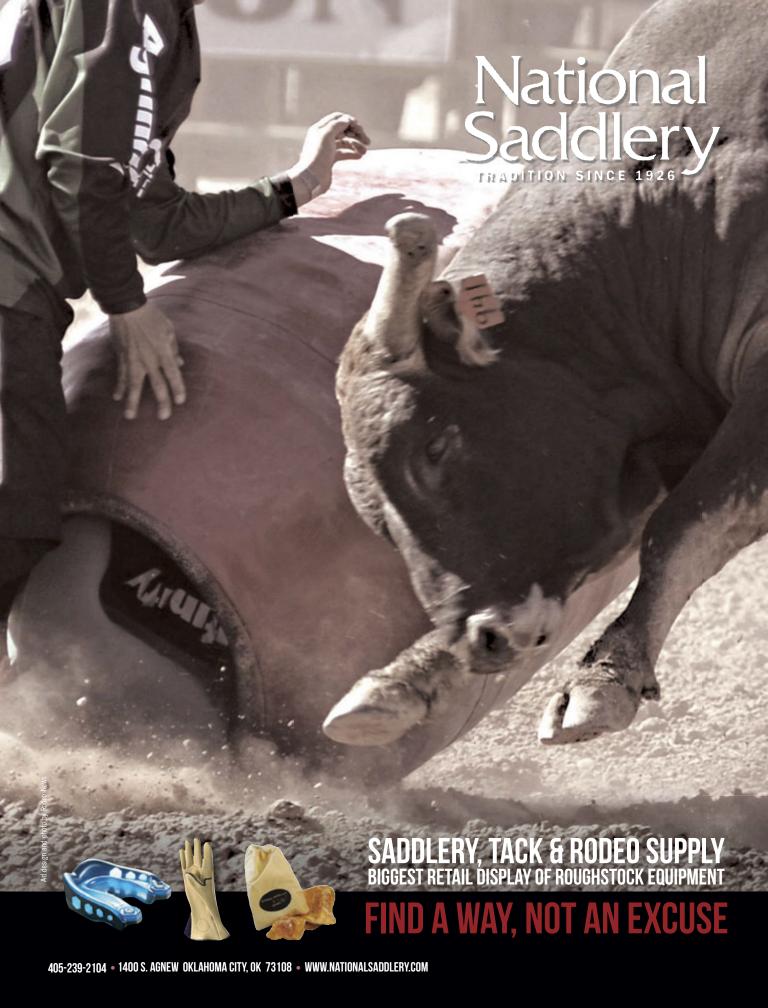


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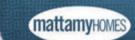
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KINGPIN

article by Mark Eaton

lex Thomas Eaton, was the classic hard-worker, and coming out of the war years had earned his promotions and advancements the hard way. He adapted with the times, learned new skills, took risks and tried new things. The farmer put on a suit and made life work in a rapidly progressing world. When he died at 69 years young, he left my Mother in good enough shape financially that she was without want for her remaining years. Dad loved to laugh, fish, camp, boat and hunt. He was a famous tinkerer, he modified a motorcycle so he could smoke his ever-present pipe while riding, he made a rack for our old pickup that held a boat that was way too big to be on top of a pickup. And he loved my brothers and me.

Here's an interesting word: Kingpin. A kingpin is used for connecting strategic, important pivot-points together. A kingpin is used in towing trailers and on the front ends of our automobiles.

["Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace." Ephesians 4:2 NIV]

Without a kingpin, or if the kingpin blows for some reason, these systems fail. Usually in a dramatic way.

In the complicated and dynamic world of relationships, one of the kingpins that connects people together is humility. Human hearts cannot be connected through isolation and pride. Humility in relationships is critical to lasting connections.

Sadly the kingpin blew and Dad and I lost connection when I was about 15 years old and he in his very early 50's. Not completely lost, but enough so that we did not talk much for a while. It was his fault I thought then. "His issues are to blame and he needs to change toward me," I reasoned. Now, about 35 years away from it and with a larger perspective, I view it differently. It is easy to see that it was a



above/left: Susie & Mark Eaton at the Black HIIIs Stock Show 2015 - Rodeo News

*See Mark and Susie's story on page 25

was coming into early adulthood and needed to establish independence. Further, I was pretty sure that he didn't have much he could teach me and I was conquering life pretty well without his input. Finally, as a young man, my hands were full with new vocations and family.

In retrospect it was minor issues. Nothing unusual really. Normal human failings. But sometimes it doesn't take

much to break the connection. It might be a young man's youthful arrogance as he views his father's failings and blows them out of proportion. It could be the father's

combination of

many elements

that created the

disconnect.

incongruent life that breaks the connection. Whatever the cause, right or wrong, a connection was broken for us, and the relationship drifted apart.

For several weeks I had decided that Dad and I needed to have a heart to heart. While driving to our favorite late fall deer hunting camp, I began a conversation. "Dad can we talk about something real?" He said, "Absolutely." Both older and longing for a better connection we were ripe for this talk. So we began to share hearts.

About 5 minutes into the talk, my 6'3" pipe-smoking, man's man father took my hand and said, "pull over." On a gravel shoulder of the North Cascade Highway, we talked. Like men. We spoke our hearts and some hurts. We apologized. He listened and responded honestly

and humbly. After about 30 minutes we were getting cold, but the meat of it was done and as the tears were still damp on our cheeks, we headed for Klipchuck campground just down the hill.

We had heard each other. Understood each other. Quietly and honestly forgiven each other. We both decided to manup and humble-up, and hear the other without judgment, shame or blame.

I am so thankful that Dad humbled himself that night. He was the one who lead the way. In some ways I was ready for a battle of words and blame. He didn't let that happen. Without his leadership we would have clashed again for certain - his pride with my testosterone. Our conversations after that would have been reduced to the weather, sports, the price of gas, idiot drivers, why we are such lousy hunters and of course, been the hero in all of our stories. Instead, that was one of the most profound weekends I had with Dad who died a trusted friend and mentor just a few short years later.

Not so oddly, something happened that weekend that had never happened before: we smoked pipes together. Not sure what that might mean to my good readers, but to Dad and me, it was indeed symbolic Peace-Pipes. A critical kingpin was back in place. Humility does what it does. It connects people.

Thanks Dad for having the courage to humble yourself and let this young man talk. I am sure you know this, but on occasion, I smoke your old pipe. Sometimes a quiet tear falls. Every time I thank God that you allowed the kingpin of humility to connect us.



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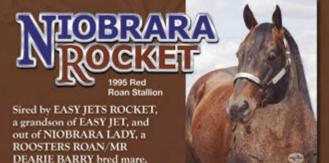
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["I work at all three events, but I have more success in the steer wrestling. At a younger age I focused on it more."]

story by Siri Stevens

he 2015 PRCA Resistol Rookie All Around, Jace Melvin, was born and raised in Fort Pierre, SD. He moved to Texas for college, and now claims the road as his home. "I rope calves, team rope, and steer wrestle, but not everywhere because of scheduling conflicts; getting up in three events is tough."

The 23-year-old has been involved in rodeo his entire life, with three generations on his mom's side, four on his dad's before him. "I have two older sisters, Jessica (12 years older) and Jenny (10 years older); they were rodeoing a lot in the youth rodeos, National Little Britches and high school, so I went everywhere with them. They taught me most of what I know."

His parents, Mark and Diana, rodeoed and now they run stocker yearlings and raise quarter horses. "Some of the horses that I compete on are some that we have raised and with my brother-in-law's (Brent Belkham) help,

I'm hauling them.' Another brother-in-Moore. law, Cody won Rookie of the Year Steer Wrestling, riding the family horse, Talk, in 2010. That horse, Talk, was critical to Jace's success as well. "I was blessed with a phenomenal horse in high school and college - horse power has such a huge part in rodeo." Cowboys Talk helped Jace make it to the National High School Finals all four (2008-2011)years in the steer wrestling and the college finals the past two years in the steer wrestling. Jace also qualifed for

the college finals in calf roping in 2015. "Talk is old now - 19, but I had him as I was growing up. He's got an awesome personality - he's a character ... he's always talking."

His dad, Mark, raised the horse on the race track, and Mark's sister, Lorita Crowford, picked him and futuritied him as a barrel horse. "He was a great barrel horse, and my sister took him and raced barrels at the college rodeos. You can

tie down, team rope, and it came time I started chute dogging and needed a bull dogging horse and he was as broke as it gets and was amazingly fast. Se we tried him as a steer wrestling horse. For as awesome as a barrel horse he was for my aunt and my sister, he was an extremely phenomenal bulldogging horse. He truly loved the steer wrestling." Jace enjoys calf roping the best, but admits his strength lies in steer wrestling. "I

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really dedicate at all three events, but I see my most success in the steer wrestling. At a younger age I focused on it more." His hard work and ingrained family competitive nature paid off when Jace won All Around at the National Junior High Finals in Gallup, NM, in 2007, as well as ended up third in the nation in steer wrestling his junior year and reserve his senior year of high school. "The nature of our family is extremely competitive," he explains. "We could turn fixing fence into a competition. That goes for all of my family. Through that nature. I won the National Junior High All Around as an eighth grader. I went there to win first in every single event. Everything we do, we go with the intention of winning first and being successful. Being competitors, we know that losing is part of winning. If you don't win something you learn something. I've learned that, and through God's hand in it, things have fallen into place."

After high school, Jace went to college at Vernon for two years and spent the last two years completing his Bachelors in Ag Business at Tarleton, rodeoing with the team that won the Men's National Championship last year. His degree is coming in handy as he builds his business supplying timed event cattle for several youth and amateur rodeos around his hometown in South Dakota. Melvin Timed Event Cattle happened quite by accident.

"I had bought 30 head of roping calves when I was a junior in high school. I had planned to train horses on those calves, but I blew my knee wrestling for the high school team, so I couldn't. A stock contracting company called me and had heard I had these calves and they needed timed event cattle for a Little Britches rodeo and I said yes and hauled those calves to that rodeo." Growing up in rodeo, Jace knew how important it was for kids starting out and making their goals of the finals to have the best quality stock possible. "My junior and senior year I supplied the timed event cattle at our high school finals," he said. "I haven't done a perfect job, but I have a vested interest and sincerely care about

the stock these kids get. I know that there is always going to be a bad draw, but to the best of my ability I'm trying to make sure the cattle are even." The addition of the business is good for the ranch too. "Turning roping calves into feeder calves has been a perfect addition to the ranch." He admits the business is expensive, hard work, but he plans to continue with it as well as his own career in rodeo. "This past summer I was gone rodeoing and my mom and dad helped me manage the contracts. I was setting up truck drivers and coordinating the events. I can sit and watch the entire slack and pay attention to the details because I've trained

myself to do that. We mostly put together cattle in the spring, keep over our light end, and keep over team roping and bulldogging steers to reuse at the early rodeos wherever they will fit."

Winning the All Around Resistol Rookie award was a goal Jace had set for himself. "It is an unbelievable accomplishment to get there - the trials and tribulations of trying to win this award and then when I won it, it really meant something. I had a really good year in the steer wrestling, but not so good in the team roping and calf roping. I won money, but scheduling and traveling and keeping horses in the trailer was difficult, but in the end it all worked out." Jace hauls four or five horses at all times. "I

travel with my two brother-in-laws and we have to have horses for team roping, hazing, steer wrestling, and calf roping. We'll share horses and the horses will do more than one thing."

Resistol has sponsored the Resistol Rookie awards since the late 70's and for the first time, they added an awards banquet, along with other prizes, to the event. "I am unbelievably grateful for everything they did for us and how we were treated. Resistol offered us all a sponsorship package that was awesome," said Jace. "For a lot of us going down the road, our biggest sponsors are our mom and dad and knowing that a company that sponsors the best in the world would sponsor us was amazing. Joining their team is an unbelievable opportunity - everything they did was great." The 2015 Resistol Rookie recipients received two all-expense paid trips to the WNFR, Cactus saddles, coats, shirts and hats for the year.

Now it's time to look ahead to 2016, and Jace's number one goal this year is to make it to the WNFR in the steer wrestling. "My next goal would be to qualify for the circuit Finals in the steer wrestling and calf roping. It's hard to get the rodeo count in that many events. If you were just circuit rodeoing, it would be a little less difficult,



above: Family gathering from left to right includes: Brent Belkham, Jenny Belkham, Payden Cash Belkham, Jace Melvin, Diana Melvin, Mark Melvin, Jessica Moore, Steeley Moore, Cody Moore - courtesy of the family

but when you're trying to get to the bigger and better rodeos, it's hard to schedule it." He is spending part of January practicing in Texas, then he's up in Odessa in the calf roping and steer wrestling, heads to Louisiana, back to Denver in the steer wrestling and team roping, then to Rapid City for all three events. "The month of February - I look at the Sports News every day

for a few hours to figure out my schedule that month is really busy." Coming off last year, Jace is confident about his skills. "I really feel good going into spring and every chance I get, I'm going to get in the practice pen and keep my confidence level up and go for first and see where it all shakes out. I'm looking forward and I'm ready to get started."



10 FITNESS DOS & DON'TS FOR 2016

article by Whitney Knowles

veryone makes New Year Resolutions and after a month or so many people tend to start losing their focus and going back to old habits. Honestly, it has been difficult for me to get back in the saddle after delivering my baby a few months ago and having restricted physical activity regimen from my doctor. The 10 Do's and Don'ts for 2016 are designed to help keep you (and me) on track with our fitness resolutions.

1) Don't just do cardio

Cardio is a a healthy part of a balanced exercise routine, but many people think cardio is all they need to do or all they should do. Common myths are that weight lifting will make you "bulky." The body builders out there will tell you they wish that myth was the truth. It takes a dedicated, strategic weight training routine and a special diet to add that much muscle mass. Lift worry free!!! You are doing your body a favor by adding in basic weight training into your routine.

2) Do squats. Squats work more than just your butt and is one of my favorite exercises. Squatting requires you to use some of the largest muscles in your body. When you engage large muscles like your quadriceps and glutes (thighs and butt) it takes more energy and thus, burn more calories and fat.

3) Do drink water... Lots of it

I know I stress this in every issue but it's so darn important! Proper hydration fuels the body. You should be drink half your body weight in ounces per day. For example: A person that weight 120 pounds should be drinking 60 ounces of water a day.

4) Do stretch daily

Stretching is unbelievably important for your body and mind. Better flexibility may reduce your risk or injury by allowing our joints to move through their full range. It can also allow your muscles to work more effectively and increase blood flow to the muscles.

5) Don't compromise form ... EVER!

Exercising with incorrect form can not only be unproductive but even worse, it



above: Forward lunge above right: Sumo Squat

can lead to aches, pains, and injury. It's basically like saddling your horse backwards and trying to have a good practice. It's not good for anyone!

6) Do have a work out partner. Having a work out partner will make you more accountable to your workout routine. Many people are more likely to work out harder and not quite before the work out is completed. When working out alone, there is more temptation to stop early and not push yourself.

7) Do not make unrealistic goals.

Those who set unrealistic goals tend to give up and fall of the bandwagon. Then set new goals once you reach each milestone. Set goals but make them realistic for you.

8) Do eat fat in your diet. Make sure you are eating "good" fats like unsalted nuts and avocados and avoid bad fats like saturated fats.

9) Don't limit fitness to the gym.

Find an outdoor activity you like doing. Have that as a part of your weekly workout routine

10) Do give yourself a cheat day.

Stick to a healthy diet throughout the week with well balanced meals and restricted sugar intake. I like having one cheat day a week so I don't feel ultra restricted. The cheat day allows me a little freedom and flexibility while not getting totally off track with my diet.

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legs. The repetitions are designed to be done with no weight to minimal weight. Repeat these exercises 3-5 times through depending on you time limit and desired intensity. For videos demonstrating each exercise follow @fitwhit5 on Instagram



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Side Lunges: 15 each side

Rest 🔽

With love and gratitude, Whitney

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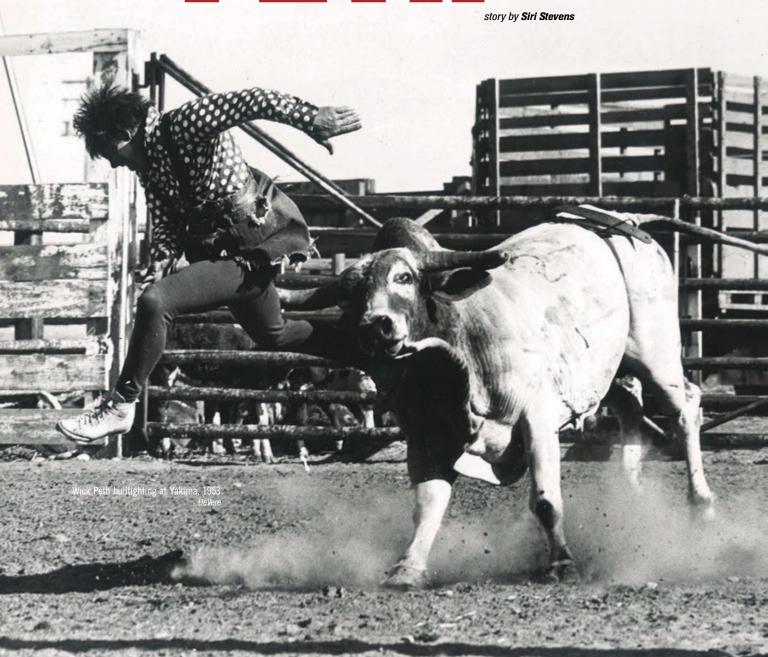
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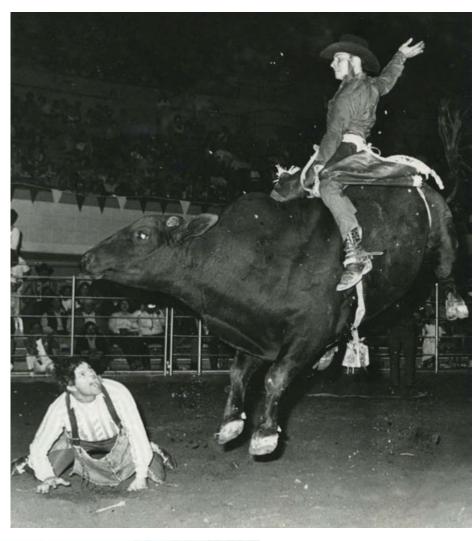


ick Peth was born in 1930 at Mt. Vernon, Washington. "My parents were farmers and ranchers. We run cattle and raised quite a few peas and potatoes." In his early years, his dad and uncles put on a rodeo at the ranch that turned into a stock contracting business in the 1950s. "My father wanted to keep us out of town, so he had roping steers and calves for us. He asked one year what we wanted for Christmas: I was 17 or 18; I asked for some bulls. He had 20 come to town for us in a box car in the middle of January ... we had as many as 60 living around here during the stock contracting years. The neighbors would come - my brothers (Jerry, Ted, and Buzz) were always roping, I steer wrestled a little but didn't rope. Everybody would get on a bull and somebody had to get the bulls off, so I was good at that.

"After we got bulls, at night I would crawl out in the pasture and lay down on the ground and watch them. I'd watch them fight in the daytime and watch where their feet were and where they are when they turn around. I did things with a bull that other

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right: Wick, Long Beach, 1973 - Hyder Photo below left: Wick, age 7, on family farm below right: Wick warming up for a performance - courtesy of the family







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bullfighters wondered how I figured it out." One of the moves he used to make with a bull is to run up and grab him by the tail. "I don't grab that until I get past his rear end. I swing around on his tail and on towards his head. He comes around in a circle. After he goes two or three times around, he figures he can't hook me, I pull my butt away from his head, when he turns back the other way, he's got all my momentum going and I can turn a summer sault in front of him and he can't touch me. I'd show people how to do that in bull fighting schools after I studied the bulls and found ones that would work. It wouldn't work on all of them, they think different. It's hard to explain. It was a certain minded bull."

Wick studied the bulls. When he was growing up, he watched them and how they behaved and moved and took his job of taking care of the cowboys very seriously. He could predict what was going to happen and how the bulls were moving. He had a system. "When I was protecting the bull riders, I always went to the side of the right handed or left handed. I had a plan of what I was going to do if this or that happened or he got thrown off a certain side." Wick never considered himself to be funny. "I always felt like the good bull fighters came off of cattle ranches that had some cow sense," said Wick, who got his name from a neighbor. "I used to

go with my father around the country to buy cattle," he explained. "We would stop at the hardware store, and this guy's name was Vick and they called me Little Vick. This guy had a stroke and he couldn't say V and it became W, and that's how it started." His given name is Melvin, but he has never gone by that name. Wick put on bull fighting schools with Jerry Beagley over a period of ten years. "I had several

students that picked up on them. The one main thing I told them is when vou get knocked down,

get up." The schools were held all over the county.

"Everybody is a genius at something and figuring out what that is is a blessing," said his daughter Liza. "He was a genius at fighting bulls." He changed the way rodeo clowns were in the rodeo. The art of the rodeo clown became the science of bull fighting. He took his job seriously. Not only did Wick study bulls, he rode them. Along with playing football, Wick competed in the bull riding, continuing that after high school. "I never went full time, because I had to work on the ranch."









1. Wick with daughter Liza & son Dan - Rodeo News 2. Wick at Cloverdale, BC, 1979 - Jack Dunn 3. Wick bullriding, Packwood, WA, 1949 - Tim Chamberlain 4. Wick bullriding at Woodinville, WA, 1949 - Tim Chamberlain 5. Wick with photos of clowns and bullfighters he has worked with over the years - courtesy of the family 6. Wick at Phoenix, AZ - Foxie 7. Wick at Salinas, 1958 - courtesy of the family

He met his wife, Dorothy, at a rodeo. "She was always helping me," said Wick, who considered her as his biggest support. "She never said "be careful" she was always trying to encourage me to go on."

Wick traveled thousands of miles to rodeo and fight bulls. As word got out about his abilities as a bull fighter, he gained the attention of the Beutler Brothers. "Lynn came over to me in Nampa, Idaho, and asked me to work all the rest of his shows and that kept me going." Wick would stay gone for two or three weeks at a time, and then come home and spend hours on the tractor catching up. He and Dorothy had three children, Liza, and Lana, and Dan. He continued to ride until the late 1950s. "The reason I quit riding bulls is they kept me so sore. I felt like I owed it to the bull riders to stay healthy." He quit fighting bulls in 1985 – after 35 years. "By that time, I was 55 years old and I couldn't move as fast or heal up as quick. Age takes care of things." He stressed the value of education and as a result all three of his children are college graduates.

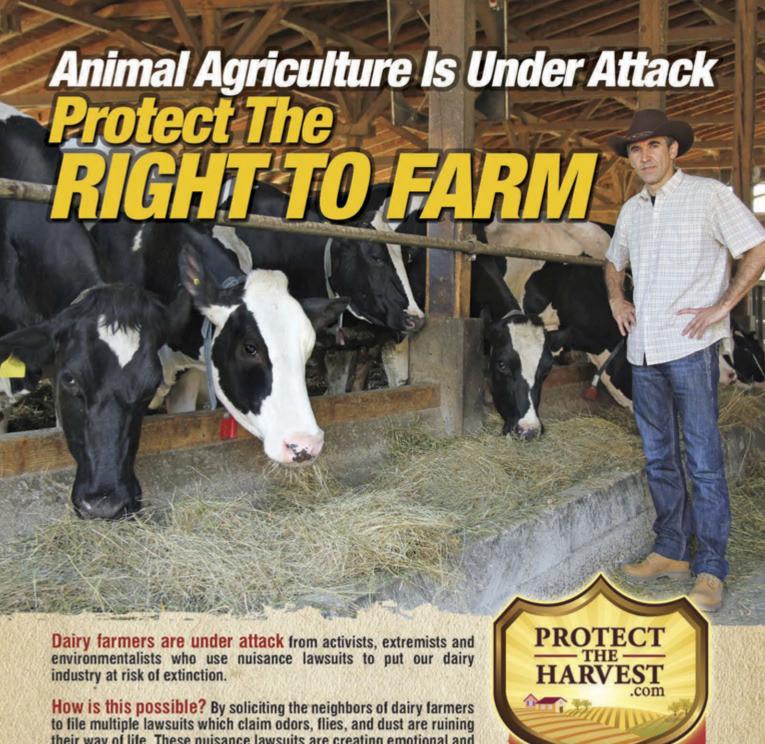
He still lives on the ranch and helps where he can. His son, Dan, and his grandson, Owen, run the day to day operation of the ranch, running 600 head of cows. Wick is there every morning to help and then he heads to the coffee shop. "Dad was so well received," recalls Dan of his travels with his dad. "The bull riders looked up to him and appreciated what he was doing. They were really glad to have him around."

The man in the red striped shirts, who helped change the way bull riders were protected, looks back on his life as a bull fighter and farmer. "I like fighting bulls and it was something that everybody couldn't do. It got me off the farm and I could relax and go fight bulls." Traveling down the road, he was always studying the soil, watching what other farmers did with the land. He has seen many changes in both bull fighting and farming. "We just started to irrigate the pasture ground 10 years ago, and we have a couple big reel sprinklers – we never used to have that here. What you don't see, you don't do." His plans for the future are simple. "I just want to farm myself away - plow myself into the dirt."

Wick was inducted in the Pro Rodeo Hall of Fame in 1979, Cheyenne Frontier Days, Ellensburg Rodeo, and St. Paul Rodeo Halls of Fame. His family has nominated him for induction into the National Cowboy Museum in Oklahoma City.







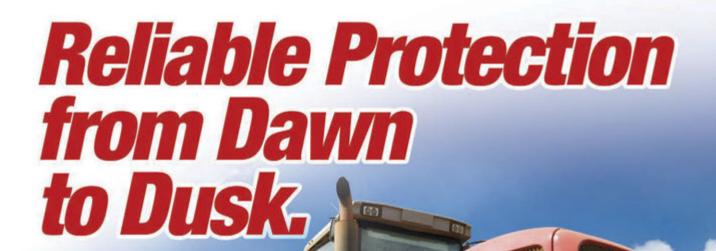
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PROFILE:

MARK & SUSIE EATON

[We are here for them. 1

story by Ruth Nicolaus

usie McEntire Eaton has been involved with the Cowboy Church at the Black Hills Stock Show for about 20 years. Simply singing at first which moving into taking the entire program about 10 years ago. This is the sixth year that she and her husband, Mark Eaton, have presented their song and message in Rapid City. She and Mark, from Seattle, Wash., were married in December of 2009 and the duo continue to bring joy, song, and hope to audiences across the nation.

"What we feel is that ministry is everyday life, not just when we're on stage," shared Susie, who was raised on an Oklahoma ranch, and began singing as a teenager with her siblings, Pake and Reba. "What Mark has opened my eyes to - and I've always known this – is that when we walk into an event or anywhere we're able to share our story – it's the sound booth people, the hosts, the local leaders that have prepared for us and worked to bring us in – those are the people we serve as well as the people in the audience. It is about who we are, everyday, on stage or off that is the ministry.'

Mark agrees. "I hope that by the time we leave, they get the idea we are not really there for us - we are there for them." With a Masters in Theology and Leadership, Mark is dedicated to staying healthy, making a living, and doing something good all at the same time. This year is one of shifting and refocusing as he heads into the big 60. "What we have to offer will be different going into this next decade. This year is going to be a little slower intentionally as we try to be responsible and plan for where we are in life. We all need to own our choices about time - I will never say I don't have time for something – I make time for what I want to do. Every bit of it is about choice."

As a Level 2 CrossFit trainer, he and Susie dedicate a portion of their days to staying in shape. "It is critical for the pace we keep that we can say healthy", Mark says. Susie has been an incredible spokesperson for this healthy regime and says, "I'm not packing the extra weight around and tired constantly anymore." Mark comments, "We try to fit workouts into the day. We carry a little bit of equipment in our rig when we drive. When we fly, we use bodyweight movements squats, pushups, sit ups, hard walking and



above: Mark and Susie Eaton at the Black Hills Stock Show - Rodeo News

stair climbing." He admits it becomes more challenging on the road and that sometimes the hotel staff look sideways at their laps in the stairwells. Their current schedule includes about 20 weeks on the road. "It's the food that I let trap me", he says with a grin.

Another project that they dedicate time to is Susie's co-hosting of the Cowboy Church TV program on RFDTV (Dish, Direct TV, and Comcast). "We film the preaching portion of the Cowboy Church TV show at Russ Weaver's church in Texas every Sunday and send that in. That's all done remotely. Susie's portion is done at various times during the year whenever we can coordinate all the moving pieces of it," explains Mark. "As much as we can – we plan our days carefully, strategically, and tight, but we also plan in intentional non schedule time – so we can spend time together and staying current with each others heart." Susie chuckles and adds, "That's why my hair always changes. It was filmed a few months earlier."

Their stage presence together is nonscripted, relaxed and conversational. The planning includes a setlist and message, but the rest is impromptu and is infused with humor. "A sense of humor is critical to any happy life- to laugh at ourselves and each other is important. We let that come out on stage as well," said Mark.

The future holds more singing and speaking, but also includes Mark's dream of writing a book. "I want to write three books – but the one I want to do first is to men that gives them the courage and tools to have deep and honest conversations with other men to move beyond the weather, sports and the price of cattle - good solid buddies who know us and have our backs. I think most men live their lives not being deeply known but deeply wanting to be known. They just need a little help and courage to get there. I believe that people would be interested, but my fear is that it won't come out as good as it could or that it might not be accepted. That stalls me. It stalls most of us. I need to face that and start writing," he says with a self-knowing smile.

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above: Work proceeding on "Commotion," (Butler bucking horse). facing page: Kelsey's final sculpture, "Touchin' the Sun," in all it's glory. - Courtesy of the family

ART OF RODEO

T.D. Kelsey [Capturing the moment in bronze]

story by Terry Rhodes

n spite of the action and emotion coming to life from the bronze sculptures of T.D. Kelsey, he insists that he does not possess any special innate artistic talent. "I struggle with the word 'talent'. Everybody has talent. I've always had an interest in art. I think if you have an interest in something, then you work harder at it. I work hard at developing my sculptures and do a lot of research and study into each subject. I have a lot of failures that are thrown away before getting it right."

The work of T.D. Kelsey is renowned worldwide for capturing the essence of his subjects. He has been recognized with numerous awards from organizations such as the prestigious Cowboy Artists of America where holds an emeritus membership, the Safari Club



above: Previously a commercial pilot, Kelsey still enjoys flying in his S1S Pitts airplane - courtesy of the family

International, African Professional Hunters Association, and many others. His works have been named Best of Show numerous times and he has been the

Artist in Residence and Honored Artist at several galleries and shows. You can see his works on his web site at www. tdkelsey.com.

T.D. has never taken art classes but now he is giving workshops to help other sculptors in their pursuits. He says, "Had I taken shop workshops, I would have been way further ahead in my sculpting. That would save a lot time. Everything in sculpture is expendable and can be replaced except time. One thing I tell the guys in the workshop is that the art is the easiest part; doing the marketing and business side is the hardest part. I really encourage them to take a business class." He counts himself as fortunate that his career is also his passion. "It's paying the bills and I'm really lucky that I'm making a living at something that I love to do."

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on top of his work - Courtesy of the family

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His drive to produce sculptures that capture an instant of action is fueled by his passion for animals. All animals. He's traveled extensively to every continent except Antarctica in his quest to study and find his next sculpture subject.

He always had and an interest in art and began drawing and sculpting at an early age. "I've always sculpted from the time I was a kid. I got serious about it with the encouragement of my wife. I had gotten to know the widow of George Phippen, and she and her son, Ernie Phippen, and they helped me a lot. I started to sell some work. It all took off from there. But I've had a lot of help from a lot of people." Besides his wife, T.D. says that his friend Mr. Herbert Allen has been a big influence and help to him in his career. "He has become dear friend and has opened many doors for me."

One of his sculptures that has a special meaning to T.D., was that of a bucking horse named Commotion. "He was a



special horse and I got to spend some time with him and have talked with guys that have ridden him. He was just what a bucking horse ought to be; he had an attitude about him. He was a wild kind of horse that had the right size and bone. He was just perfect."

His first love for animals has always been horses. He began competing in rodeo during high school riding saddle broncs and team roping competing in the MRA (Montana Rodeo Association). "Shawn Davis (PRCA Hall of Fame inductee) helped me with my first rides getting me setup; I had an old Association saddle that I had bought from a rancher."

From rodeo T.D. moved into the cutting horse world after meeting the great cutting horse trainer, Buster Welch. "He got me really excited about riding cutting horses. I competed in the nonpro division for many years and I trained futurity colts and my wife showed them."

Growing up in Idaho he followed his father into the aviation industry. Soloing at 16 and getting his first Piper Cub he amassed flight hours and gained in



skills until applying for a job with United Airlines. "I was in college taking premed courses and not really enjoying it. It was during Viet Nam and there was a scarcity of pilots available so my wife encouraged me to apply with United. I had a lot of flight hours but never got an official certification. So I went back to the airport that my father owned to get my certification. My father taught the man that owned it then how to fly and he was then an FAA examiner. I flew for United for 14 years. They were really good to me and it was a great place to work."

Leaving a stable career as an airline pilot took a giant leap of faith and a wife that backed him completely. His wife, Sidni of 38 years was the pillar of his life until her passing in 2000. "We got married right out of high school and she always encouraged me. Giving up a solid job and steady paycheck to be an artist left: TD ready to take off in his S1S Pitts from the runway of the 6666 Ranch runway - Courtesy of the family

was big deal for us."

T.D.'s father was a WWII fighter pilot flying both P-51 Mustangs and P-40 Warhawks. He owned an airport after the war and was a crop duster. T.D. easily picked the same passion for flight that his father had. Most recently T.D. completed his flight checkout and is qualified to fly the P-51 Mustang. "Horses or flying. Those are my two great loves besides artwork. I learned to fly helicopters a couple of years ago. I had always wanted to learn to fly one."

Future projects and challenges are always at hand. "I have a million ideas that I haven't been able to start. The one that I would like to do is a commission work of 17 wild horses going up a hill. It will be 1 1/4 times life size. They'll be in three separate groups but they all tie together. I get excited about doing these. At some point I'd like to back off sculpting and do some painting. I love to draw, but I'm a lousy painter. I'd like to learn to paint better."







NEW YEARS RESOLUTION? NOT ME!

article by Stran Smith

really don't like New Years Resolutions because to me it's just a fad and people nearly always break their resolutions. Every year my routine is to set aside a little bit of time to reflect on the past year and review and attention to time. This year I didn't just focus on goals. This year I broke it down into four things. Goals is still at the top of my list, but the second thing that was at the top was ideas. Small minded people talk about people. Average minded people talk about events. Great minded people talk about ideas. The third thing that I wanted to focus on was "things that are working". In order to look at the things that are working you have to acknowledge the

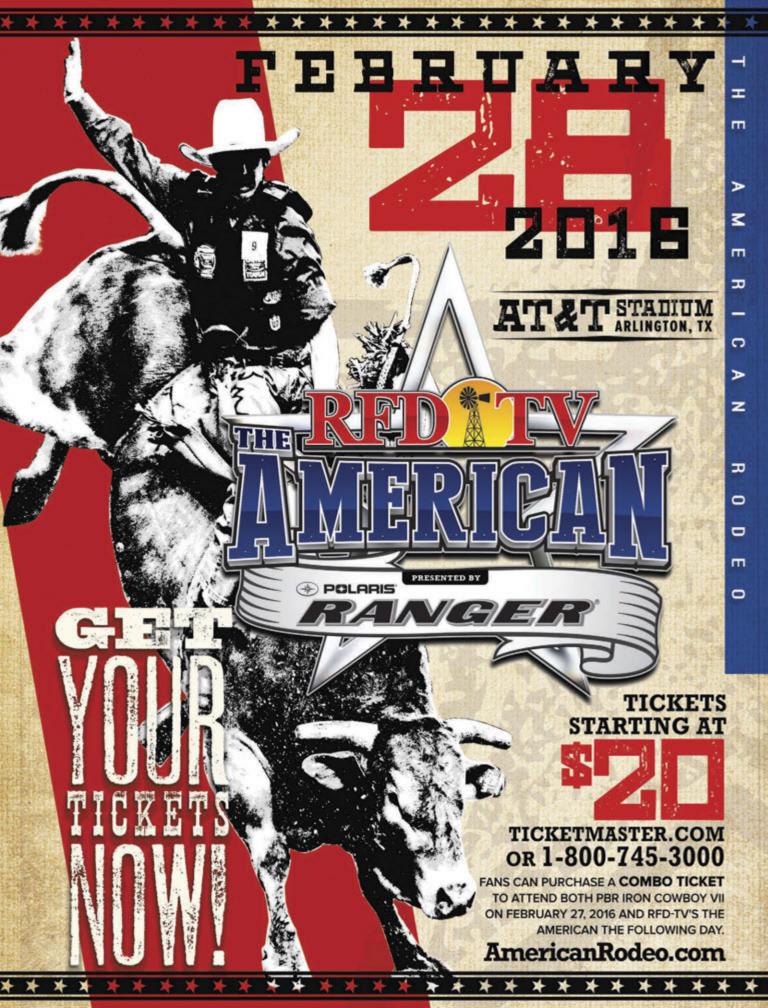


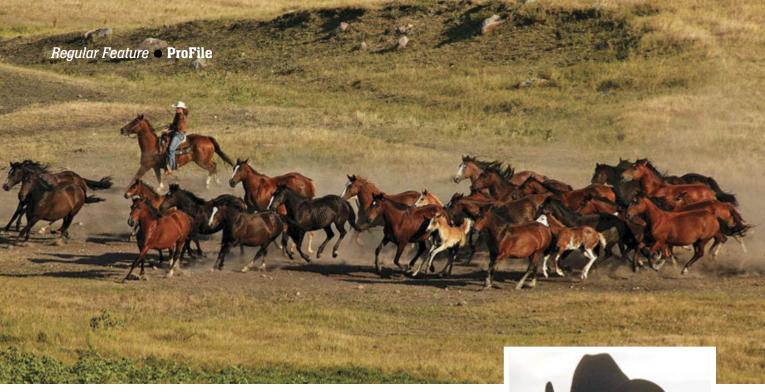
above: Stran and Jen Smith with Billy Etbauer at the MGM during the 2014 WNFR - Rodeo News

grade things that I've tried to accomplish in the previous year. For the past few years I start the new year off with a fast. I do this for three different reasons: mind, body, and spirit. Its good physically for you. You can use it as a body detox. Its good mentally for you. It shows you that you can do something that your body is telling you that you cant. Third and most important its good spiritually. It lets my heavenly Father know that he has control of every part of my life.

When I started doing this years ago it seemed like the main thing I was focused on was my personal career goals. As I've gotten older its seems like my goals of course have changed, but there are not as many short term goals as there is long. In fact they've gotten broader and with less things that are NOT working and be disciplined enough to eliminate those things. The fourth is "Things that must get done". Im a big "list" person. Everyday I have a list. Some days I get nothing checked off. Some days I check off everything, but I always have a list going. If I don't write it down it seems like I don't get it done. Im not saying that my system would work for everybody, but thats just it. I do think you have to have a system. I encourage you to figure out something that works for you. When you aim at nothing you hit nothing.

Until next time, God Bless and I'll see you down the line.





PROFILE: AMY (SUTTON) MULLER

[Six generations of Rodeo]

story by Lily Weinacht

he Black Hills Stock Show celebrates its 39th anniversary this February, and for Amy (Sutton) Muller of Agar. S.D., the show is not only the brainchild of her family, but a showcase of the rodeo talent which runs thick through all six generations of Suttons.

The history of the Suttons starts even before South Dakota became a state. Amy's great-great grandfather, Edwin Sutton, homesteaded the family's ranch in 1883, set in the hills near the Missouri River. He started putting on rodeos Sunday after church for the township using his ranch stock. By the late 1920s, he and his sons were producing threeday rodeos on their ranch, where a young Lawrence Welk from North Dakota occasionally stopped to contribute his sparkling music. Edwin's son, James, ushered the rodeo company into the next generation by becoming a member of the PRCA. He later became the first stock contractor to be inducted into the PRCA's Hall of Champions in 1982. James and his son, Jim, focused in on the breeding of the rodeo company's livestock, particularly the bucking horses, which earned them

several first runners up and three winners of the PRCA Horse of the Year. In the late '70s, Amy's dad, Steve, who has picked up the WNFR five times, took over the ranch management. Amy was born soon after, going to her first rodeo at ten days old.

Her own history in rodeo includes competing through college, carrying the American flag in the 1995 WNFR, and most recently, timing during the 2015 WNFR. But the Black Hills Stock Show Rodeo holds a special place in Amy's memories. "The show is second nature since it's been there every year of my life, but I first remember being four years old and carrying the American flag," she says. "Working alongside all those queens who were in their early 20,s and hanging out with the contestants' kids made the whole thing feel like one big fun family celebration!"

Amy carried flags and chased cattle out of the arena until she was 18 and off to college at South Dakota State University like her grandfather and father before her. She studied animal science and competed on the college team in breakaway roping and barrel racing. Her brothers, Brent and Brice, following suit a few years later. "When I was halfway through school, Dad and Grandpa told me and my brothers that they would like for us to come back and join the company as partners," Amy recalls. "Just like when



above/top: Amy Muller, from Agar, SD - Dave Sietsema, Firesteel Creek Photography

I was a kid, I stayed very active with the livestock. From the time we were old enough, we'd hop in the truck and do our part with feeding, having, fixing fence, and whatever else needed done."

Within the last several years, however, Amy's job description changed after the family's bookkeeper of 21 years retired. "I took over the bookkeeping about the time I had my son, Shaden," says Amy. "We work rodeos where we are the contractor for a committee, as well as producing rodeos as the committee and contractor ourselves. My day is filled with working on both of those types of rodeo events, as well as sponsorships, marketing, advertising, social media, and our Sutton Rodeo merchandising. I also keep the financial books and the livestock records. About three years ago, Dad started a

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cross breeding program and brought in outside stock contractors. Those colts are just getting to bucking age, so we're very excited to see how the offspring from this program turns out."

In addition to her office work, Amy continues to time about 12 of the 20 to 30 rodeos Sutton Rodeo produces each year. She obtained her PRCA card when she was 19 and took over timing when her grandmother, Julie, retired. Both Julie and Amy's mom, Kim, have timed the WNFR, and in 2015, Amy was given the opportunity to do the same. "There's no feeling I've ever experienced like working that rodeo," says Amy. "The tenth round in that room was electric - so much could happen, you could feel the excitement buzzing, from the contestants, to the personnel and all the fans! Working with Tammy Braden and Jessi Franzen was extremely rewarding. They made working the NFR such a positive experience – they are wonderful ladies, and they'll be lifelong friends!"

Alerted ahead of time by her mother and grandmother on how quickly the rodeo would move, Amy was prepared. "You don't ever want to take your eves off the arena for fear of missing anything, but you still have to record the times and penalties," she explains. "One timer wears a headset that goes to the office, which puts out the official time for the record as the rodeo is running." Along with timing, Amy and the other timers worked afternoons and evenings in the office putting together information such as the official stock draw and buck order, as well as updating the posted rodeo results, standings, and money. "Ultimately, it was one of the most interesting and rewarding experiences I've ever had!" says Amy.

Fortunately, timing and Sutton Rodeo also tie in to Amy's role as a wife and mother. She and her husband, Steven, have a two-year-old son, Shaden, as well as running their own cattle herd and operating a cattle carcass ultrasound business, Midwest Sonatech. A seasonal job that runs from December to May, Steven and hired friends and family travel around South Dakota, North Dakota, Minnesota, Iowa, and Nebraska, booking one or even two clients a day depending on the number of head to ultrasound. Amy does all the computer and bookwork while Steven does the imaging. "Steven and I travelled together exclusively for





above: Amy with her husband Steven and son, Shaden - Alicia Berry, Chutin Flicks Photography left: Jessi Franzen, Amy, and Tammy Braden 2015 WNFR timers - Rodeo News

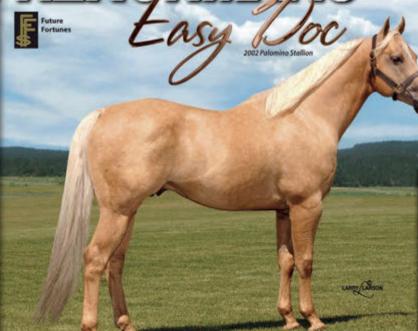
about five years until we had Shaden," says Amy. "We ultra sounded until just a few hours before the c-section we'd scheduled for Shaden, and then went from the hospital to Rapid City to work the Black Hills Stock Show Rodeo!"

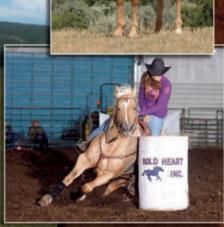
With just eight of them to produce all rodeo events held during the Stock Show. Amy and her family – who all live within a few miles of each other on the family ranch - know how to divide and conquer. "We start planning the next stock show in April," says Amy. "Most of the rodeos that land in the same category as us - large indoor rodeo of the year - have hundreds to thousands of volunteers. We joke that we're still looking for our first volunteer."

The Suttons' events include the PRCA Rodeo, Sutton Ranch Rodeo, Girls in Spurs, Wrangler Champions Challenge, Bucking Horse Sale, and the PRCA Xtreme Bulls Tour, while the SDHSRA 20X Extreme Showcase is especially important to Steve Sutton. "Dad is always looking to give back to youth rodeo," Amy explains. "We keep the numbers the same each year, but we're always looking to give those kids more things to compete for and a bigger platform to showcase them on.

"As I've gotten older, I've realized how truly rewarding and exciting it is to work in this company and watch our animals develop and succeed," says Amy. "You're not going to get rich in this industry, but it's really self-rewarding. Goal-wise, I'd love the opportunity to time the NFR again," she adds. "And on a more personal level, I hope to keep expanding and improving our family business alongside my two brothers. Doing something like this for six generations doesn't happen that often, and I want to keep this lifestyle going."







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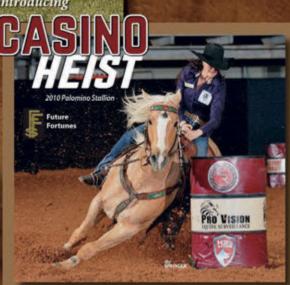
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EMILY JO SHULTZ

article by Siri Stevens

arrel racer, Emily Jo Schultz, from Horace, ND, is part of a few family businesses. "We have two pizza restaurants, and a horse boarding facility. My job is to run the boarding the facility and I do a lot with the stallion we have at Aimes, Iowa. I get to take care of horses so I love my job – it's a dream job."

Emily Jo has been a student and competitor at Martha Josey's Reunion and Junior World for six years now. "It's 26 hours from my house," said the 20-year-old who was excited to attend her first clinic when she was just 14. "My mom had a barrel horse for as long as I remember. I started 4H when I was 6, and I wanted to ride her horse. I went to the show and it was the ride of my life." Her parents, Steve and Jo Anne, thought that horse was a little too fast. "So they bought me my own horse and before you know it I was going. I did a few lessons here and there and then I saw a flier for the Team Josev clinic in Minnesota and thought it would be a good two day learning experience." Her first clinic clicked. "They were easy for me to comprehend and I won the clinic." She went on to place in the top ten at Congress. Her horse, Bugs Go For Gold, was the first barrel horse she had and when he fractured his hock in 2010, he had brought Emily Jo to the first Open Ouarter Horse World at the age of 15. "That horse did everything for me and I still have him. I let a 13-year-old girl run him in the youth events. She never barrel raced before she raced Bugs – she was one of our boarders and her horse died."

After Bugs, Emily Jo started riding young horses and continued to attend Martha's clinics to learn the different styles of these young horses and teach them how to rate. In between, she did some reining, western pleasure, and even dressage. "I didn't care for dressage, but I wanted to dip my feet into the other disciplines." Not only were the clinics helpful, but the people she met there helped along the way. "The week long clinics were intense, but worth it."

Through Martha's connections, Emily Jo met a lot of people. "But the most important thing that Martha taught us was to have faith in ourselves and God and the outlook in life that has been important - not only in riding, but in everyday life. They credit everything to God. When I started with them, I was 14 and to learn about God and having the right attitude, that was good. My parents were church based, but as a teenager, you look to other people, and they were my role models."

She settled on barrel racing and continued to improve, placing in the top



above: July 2015, Winona, MN. Blazin Jets Ta fame aka Bella, bought from RE and Martha Josey, took Emily Jo to a win at Congress in 2014 and placement in the top ten in the world in 2015. - HighPoint Photography

ten in the Open World and Amateur. "I was happy with what I accomplished and now I'm hoping to continue that. I want to keep my amateur card for quarter horse, and then I'd like to start doing some training futurity colts. I love colts. And maybe dabble in the rodeo world. It takes that special horse to do that and I have one, so we'll see what happens."









The Carr Family



I want to compete in the NFR and be like Kayse Mahoney and Kaytlyn Miller."

Lexi, six, competes in all four Little Wrangler events, though flag racing happens to be her favorite. "My horse, Susie Q, runs fast, and I helped train her," she says. Riding her horses fast always gives her a thrill, and since competing in the 2015 NLBFR, Lexi's next goal is to qualify for the finals in Oklahoma and win either a saddle or buckle.

Five-year-old Leah just joined Little Britches this fall, competing in barrel racing, pole bending, and goat untying. She shares her horse, B2 Bomber, with her sisters, and particularly enjoys jumping off him in the goat tying. Leah won her first buckle last summer after winning the barrels and poles in the Teton Barrel

left: Kasey Carr winning the short-go in poles at the 2015 NLBFR - JenningsRodeoPhotography.com below: Leah Carr - Courtesy of the family

story by Lily Weinacht

he Carr family – Katie and Rob and their daughters, Kasey, Lexi, and Leah – jumped boots first into rodeo six years ago. What was originally a trial run turned into a lifestyle, and now all three of the Carr sisters from Jackson, Wyo., are competing in the NLBRA.

Katie, who is now a member of the NLBRA Board of Directors, grew

up showing hunter jumper horses and competing on the equestrian team for the University of Wyoming. Rob was raised on a ranch, but neither of them had experience with rodeo. "Kayse (Winkle) Mahoney, a breakaway roper from Arizona, came and lived with us about five years ago and taught us about the rodeo circuit," says Katie. "She got us into NLBRA and showed us the ropes. Little Britches took us under their wing, and we were blessed with the right people like, Beckey Mahoney, who taught us what we needed to know."

Nine-year-old Kasey went from not

knowing what flag racing was to qualifying in the event for the NLBFR. She has competed in the finals four times, now competing in the junior girls in barrel racing, pole bending, goat tying, ribbon roping, breakaway roping, and trail course. She won the short-go of the 2015 NLBFR in pole bending, but trail course is her favorite. "I like it, because I trained my horse, Turbo, for trail, and we're doing so good together. It's so much fun!" Kasey explains. "Horses make me want to keep rodeoing. I feel like I'm free on a horse. I'd like to win the NLBFR and the NHSFR. And when I grow up,



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Racing Association. In addition to competing, Leah loves seeing her many friends from Little Britches. "It's important to have friends," she explains.

When it comes to sharing horses, the Carr sisters and their dad are swift in tacking up. Since both Lexi and Leah share B2 Bomber and they often compete one after the other, their dad is ready and waiting with the memories is helping Sydnee and Annie Christensen with cleaning out horse trailers each year at the NLBFR. The family's travels also took them to Las Vegas this year for the WNFR, where Kasey volunteered to work the Hope Counts booth. "I brought awareness to a lot of people, and most of them donated," she says.

When they're not travelling, Kasey and Lexi go to school at



above: Lexi Carr at the 2015 NLBFR - JenningsRodeoPhotography.com

next saddle. Kasey also hopes to compete with Lexi in the ribbon roping in a few years. "We'll have one year to be junior girls together, and I really hope that we can rope together," she says. "We have races down the driveway to see who's faster."

The Carr family travels extensively through Colorado, Utah, South Dakota, and Montana to compete in Little Britches, providing the Carr sisters with friends all over the west, "We do lots of hours in the car, so we sleep and watch movies - and play the alphabet game," says Kasey. She admits that she'll miss competing in Pueblo after being there for four years, but she and her sisters are equally excited to be going to the Lazy E in Guthrie, Okla., this summer. Another of Kasey's favorite Jackson Hole Classical Academy, and Leah is in preschool. Kasey is a fourth grader, and she's especially fond of science and history, while Lexi, a first grader, is partial to doing homework. Leah, on the other hand, prefers coloring. When they're home from school, the girls are off to play in the snow, but they also enjoy skiing with their family in Teton Village.

Rodeo, however, is one thing that each sister loves, and they are unanimous in their goal of rodeoing with Little Britches until they age out. "Little Britches wants to do well by the membership and the kids," says Katie. "The association was instrumental in getting us into rodeo, and I think that if we hadn't gone with the NLBRA, we wouldn't be where we are today!"

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Wynn Schaak

Jr. Boys Ribbon Roping



above: Wynn Schaak ribbon roping with his partner, Kaydin Davis at the 2015 NLBFR - JenningsRodeoPhotography.com

HOMETOWN:

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AGE: 14

YEARS IN NLBRA:

WORDS OF ADVICE FOR UP AND COMING CHAMPIONS?

Work hard

IF YOU COULDN'T RODEO WHAT WOULD REPLACE IT WITH?

Ranching

IN RODEO?

ONE PIECE OF ROAD SAV-VY YOU COULD SHARE? Keep your head up.

WHAT THINGS DO YOU NEED TO BE SUCCESSFUL

Horses, a ride and money

WHAT DOES FAMILY MEAN TO YOU AND WHY?

My family is always there for me

WHAT SECRET WOULD YOUR HORSE TELL ABOUT YOU?

That I am a good roper

WHAT WOULD YOU RATH-ER RIDE THE FERRIS WHEEL OR TOWER OF TERROR?

Tower of Terror

GEORGE STRAIT OR CHRIS LEDOUX?

George Strait

OTHER THAN YOUR PARENTS, CHOOSE TWO WELL KNOW RODEO CONTESTANTS TO BE YOUR PARENTS...

Shane Hanchey & Trevor Brazile, my heroes

WHAT SUPER HERO OR DISNEY CHARACTER BEST DESCRIBES YOU?

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Update from **Jodi**

t seems like this is the time of year that, at least in our area, the kids slow down on their practicing and riding with the cold weather. Rest assured that the preparation and planning for the 2016 NL-BRA Finals is continucamping and stalling will be released through Rodeo News, the website, Facebook and e-blasts from the National Office. The arena set up at the Lazy E arena will be great! The 3 arenas will be run a little differently this year as far as events designated for each arena. Having the option to run events indoors and under a cover will really make



above: Jodi and her daughter - Courtesy of Jodi

ing and the excitement is growing!! I am excited to say that NLBRA is close to 2100 members to date!! At this point there have been 180 franchise rodeos in the current rodeo year. The enthusiasm and support of the NLBRA is overwhelming.

Recently, Robert Howell (board member from Montana) and I traveled to the Lazy E Arena. We met with the Chambers of Commerce in the cities of Edmond and Guthrie as well as people in the Oklahoma City area. Sarah Swor, NLBRA Sponsorship Coordinator joined us for some of the meetings. We are getting the word out that the NLBRA Finals are coming to the area.

Planning is underway for camping and stalling. Information on the release of the events consistent and competitive!! The ground and arena conditions will be excellent.

The Youth Board and Royalty continue to do a great job of representing the NLBRA. The Royalty will met with sponsors at WESA and the Youth Board is assisting in the planning of the finals. The NLBRA Executive Board is striving to make every aspect of the 2016 Finals a great experience

Thank you for your support of the NLBRA. Take care and travel safe.

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Words With **Dusty**

owdy to one and all. What a busy time of year for us all. Seemed like the first of December hit and, from 10 days at the WNFR in vegas where we were very successful, with activities galore. Our amazing royalty



above: Dusty Sagers - Courtesy of Dusty

worked their tails off from all the events for Miss Rodeo America, to meeting all of our sponsors, the golf tournament, bowling and helping at the booth, and of course our special role in the Fox 5 Suprise Squad where the Stevens family was ambushed and suprised with great goodies from our own HOPE COUNTS, Mrs. Fallon Taylor, Mrs. Taylor Jacobs, Mrs Ann Tarter and our Little Britches Association helped also. It was so exciting to see the good come from so many folks. Our board of directors met for 2 days at the South Point for our quarterly meeting to discuss all of the fun and upcoming things we're putting together for our finals at the LAZY E ARENA in Guthrie Oklahoma. We were received quite well by the public at our booth at the convention center. Thanks to all who helped and donated, it was a sight to behold. All donations were

> tallied and we made, for the saddle tickets \$1080.00. The royalty fundraiser brought \$989 In and finally, Hone Counts received healthy sum of donations to the tune of \$2743.00. Such great causes and great help for our associa-

tion. Thanks to all who attended and helped out. Also those who helped Mrs. Debbie on the concourse selling saddle tickets. We have drawn winners for both the booth help and the sponsorship acknowledgement on Facebook. We are getting your prizes out. We are in full swing with the rodeo season and we're proud to see the growth. 5 months left until finals so until then stay safe in your travels, competitive in the arena, and be good to all you meet. Happy trails and God bless you all.

Respectfully yours,

Dusty Sagers

NLBRA Board Member

Everything is **New!**

story by Elise Wade, NLBRA Queen

appy New Year everyone! The word "new" is used a lot L this time of year with "New Years Resolutions," people saying "New Year, New me," and it's a "New rodeo season." This past December New World Champions were crowned with shiny new gold buckles, then cowboys, cowgirls and all rodeo fans went home to their families to open shiny new Christmas presents and celebrate the shiny new year. This new year of 2016 brings with is so many new opportunities, cowboys and cowgirls are gearing up to chase gold buckle dreams for December, NL-BRA competitors are in the middle of the season chasing world champion dreams at the Lazy E Arena in Guthrie, Oklahoma and so many more people are pushing to achieve whatever their goals are that they have set for the year. Amidst all of this, this is also a time to look back at all that 2015 has brought us, all of the memories, the new friends and goals were achieved that we had set for ourselves when 2015 was "shiny and new." Think you're seeing a pattern here? I know I'm seeing a pattern, we as a people like things shiny and new! But while we keep looking for the next best thing, we also need to appreciate all that we have been blessed with in this world and remember that it was once shiny and new. Every 365 days we are given a new year, but don't forget that every 24 hours you are given a new day. Every 24 hours the sun will come up and with it are just as many shiny and new things to be excited about. Every day we are given new opportunities to pursue our goals, to meet new people, to live and to learn. However with every new day, with every new year we are given one life to live and with that one life we are able to pack into it so many wonderful experiences with goals, resolutions, dreams and opportunities.

In my short 18 years I am slowly but surely learning the value of the opportunities this life has to offer, I







top: Elise Wade above left: Elise, Lakin Cunningham and Addie Mae Quarnberg above right: Elise with 2014 Miss Rodeo America, Lauren Heaton and 2015 Miss Rodeo America, Katherine Merick - Courtesy of NLBRA

believe the greatest lesson to learn is to live every day to the fullest. At the end of the day those awards and accolades, everything that was once "shiny and new" will rust and time will take over, but what we are left with are many years of countless opportunities, incredible friendships and the memories of the way we spent our days. Every year, every day, every minute, every second is new and shiny. So with each run, each loop, and every bang of the chute gate remember how blessed you are to have the opportunity to live YOUR life to the fullest. Happy New Year and let's make 2016 great!

Much love, xoxo,



Note from **Garrison Panzer**

his has been one heck of a year. To start it off I was able to attend the Pro Rodeo Hall of Fame Inductions in Colorado Springs with our Queen Elise Wade right after NLBRA Finals. While we were there we had the chance to meet some great people, including--**PRCA** Commissioner Karl Stressman, Hall of Fame Director Kent Sturman, other employees for the PRCA that believe strongly in the NLBRA, former Miss Rodeo America Lauren Heaton, Mike Orman of Ram Rodeo, Hall of Fame Inductees Mark Garrett and Lee Hendrix, and many more avid supporters for the sport of rodeo and the NLBRA.

I've truly enjoyed representing the association in my area over the past months because I believe it's important to make others aware of what is going on and that there are great kids competing in an amazing sport not far from them. I would encourage all of you out there to do the same, spread the word about rodeos and invite people to come watch. We compete in a sport that is unique and requires a lot of talent to be in it, even if you haven't won a world championship yet, you're still a very talented athlete by competing in the toughest sport out there.

My latest adventures included attending the WNFR for a few days in December. I had the chance to attend one of the Ram Rodeo Parties at the South Point, two WNFR Performances, Bob Tallman's Speedway Bowling event, and walk around the Las Vegas Convention Center at Cowboy Christmas. One of the best parts of my trip was meeting with several sponsors at Cowboy Christmas. I had the chance to talk with people such as Keith Mundee with American Hat Co, Barry Berg of Cactus Ropes, Judy Wagner and Callie Adams with Montana Silversmiths, Siri Stevens of Rodeo News, and other representatives for Circle Y, Ram Rodeo, and Wrangler. I had a lot of fun seeing Vegas overrun by Cowboys and cowgirls as well as getting to meet and talk to people from all over the US.

With Finals coming up on us quickly, I hope you're all prepared and getting things sorted out to make the trip to the famous Lazy E arena for a fun filled week of rodeoing. Dan and Jessica with the Lazy E have been working hard to make this finals one of the greatest we've had and I know they are excited for all of us to come to Oklahoma this year. I wish you all the best of luck in your upcoming rodeos and hope to see you at the Lazy E!

God bless and ride tough,

Garrison Panyer

2015 Purina **Super Horse**

ater Pistol, a former cutting horse in his younger years, is an amazing athlete with talent, skill and excellent manners as well. What more could you ask from a world class partner?! His Little Wran-

gler, Dillon Grote, is an NLBRA member who competes in barrels, poles, flags and goats and has done so since his rodeo career began in 2013. According to Dillon, "My horse is hardly ever to blame for mistakes and he knows how to take care of me." One time, after falling off and getting his foot hung in the stirrup, Water Pistol didn't even move until Dillon's dad came to the rescue. Dillon and his family are strong advocates of Strategy Purina horse feed. "He only gets the best when it comes to nutrition. My mom says I shouldn't eat horse feed but it tastes so good!" Pistol is a champion in and out of the arena and the Purina Super Horse program is proud to recognize the amazing partnership between these two NLBRA competitors. Watch for the 2016 Purina Super Horse Entry Forms coming soon!



above: Dillon Grote competing at the 2015 NLBFR - JenningsRodeoPhotography.com



above: NLBRA Princess Lakin Cunningham with her brother Lane (NLBRA member), and younger sister, Liberty, are here helping Nancy Hunter honor and bring awareness to childhood cancer. (goes with photo of Nancy Hunter and horse with gold handprints) - Courtesy

Next Stop

The Tin Haul saddle tour is rolling in to Oklahoma for several events including the IPRA's International Finals Rodeo and the Lazy E arena for the CINCH Timed Event Championship in



above: Tin Haul saddle - courtesy of NLBRA

March...follow us on Facebook and buy your tickets now for your chance at the most amazing custom David Haslerig saddle thus far. Tin Haul is committed to supporting our youth in more ways than one including scholarships and the members of the NLBRA Top Hand Team! Make sure you support those who support us and wear your metal out!



Heel-O-Matic Clinics

ou could almost call them NLBRA alumni - Lari Dee Guy and Hope Thompson once again hosted two mini-clinics in Las Vegas exclusively for NLBRA members at the Heel O Matic booth in Cowboy Christmas. Lari Dee says "I like helping the Little Britches youth – they are polite and are good about taking instruction and working to make themselves better ropers. They are committed to practicing and improving themselves." Some of the members who attended wanted to fine tune their tried and true techniques while others are just getting started in the roping pen. Practice makes perfect and that's exactly what these legends in rodeo impart on parents and above: Lari Dee Guy and Hope Thompson, 2015 WNFR Clinic - courtesy of NLBRA

kids breaking it down to very understandable terms and techniques for every level.

NLBRA is looking forward to hosting Lari Dee & Hope again this summer (tentative) at NLBFR in Guthrie.

Don't forget about the Heel O Matic ambassador program. Purchase any HOM Training System Product from their website and receive a special discount using code: NLBRA16. Not only do you get a discount, but NLBRA gets a portion back from each sale for our scholarship fund. This discount offer is available year around, but don't wait! Order yours today and share the good news!

Hope Counts

by Saige Sagers

■ he time I got to spend at the NL-BRA booth in Vegas this year was an incredible experience. We were spreading the word about the Hope Counts Crisis Fund and how the kids involved in this association are here to help each other in any way we can. I love being involved in this association because it is all about the kids and nothing else.



This year in Vegas we were able to help out little Bailey Stevens. She was born with a blood disorder. Hope Counts and the NLBRA were able to donate \$1,500 along with a 2016 membership for this little girl. I am excited to welcome her as left: back row: NLBRA Queen, Elise Wade and Mr. Stevens, front row: Fallon Taylor, Bailey Stevens, Mrs. Stevens, Taylor Jacobs and NLBRA Princess, Lakin Cunningham - courtesy of NLBRA

our newest Little Wrangler. Words cannot express how I felt when this little girl came up on stage smiling bigger than ever! I am thrilled to be involved in this association with such amazing people. We are all just one big rodeo family and are here for each other no matter what the world throws at us. The NLBRA truly is Where Legends Begin. God bless vou all and I hope to see you at the 2016 NLBRA finals in Oklahoma!!

Saige Sagers

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2/6/2016 - 2/6/2016 NATURAL DAM, AR ARKLAHOMA#9&10

02/29/16 FROM 5PM-9PM CST

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3/26/2016 - 3/26/2016 SEARCY, AR

CALBRA #11&12 FORMAT: CONTACT: JEANIE WHITEHURST, ,501-589-7255JEANIEWHITEHU-RST@YAHOO.COM. ENTRY FEE: STOCK CHARGE: OTHER FEES: . ENTRIES CLOSE: . PERF: . LOCA-TION: WHITE COUNTY FAIR-GROUNDS IN SEARCY, ARKANSAS ADDITIONAL INFO:

4/16/2016 - 4/17/2016 SEARCY, AR

CALBRA #13&14&15 FORMAT: CONTACT: JEANIE WHITEHURST, 501-589-7255, JEANIEWHITE-HURST@YAHOO.COM. ENTRY FEE: STOCK CHARGE: OTHER FEES: . ENTRIES CLOSE: . PERF: LOCATION: WHITE COUNTY FAIR-GROUNDS IN SEARCY, ARKANSAS ADDITIONAL INFO:

4/16/2016 - 4/16/2016 NATURAL DAM. AR ARKLAHOMA#13&14

FORMAT: CONTACT: DEBRA BOND, , 479-650-2023, HEROSARENA@ATT.NET. ENTRY FEE:HERO'S ARENA 16418 LIBERTY HILL ROAD, NATURAL DAM, AR 72948 STOCK CHARGE: OTHER FEES: . ENTRIES CLOSE: 4/9/2016. PERF: SAT 9AM SAT5PM. LOCATION: HERO'S ARENA 16418 LIBERTY HILL ROAD, NATURAL DAM, AR 72948 ADDITIONAL INFO:

4/16/2016 - 4/16/2016 SEARCY, AR

ARKANSASLBR #11 & #12 FORMAT: C CONTACT: LIBBY LOONEY, 218 N. SMYRNA RD SEARCY, AR 72143, 501-230-7107 ARKANSAS.LBRA@GMAIL. COM, ENTRY FEE:LW-\$12 JR & SR \$15 STOCK CHARGE: GOATS \$3 BR-\$10 TEAM=\$5 PER CONTESTANT ROUGH STOCK \$20 OTHER FEES: SECRETARY FEE 5\$. ENTRIES CLOSE: 4/6/2016. PERF: SAT 9AM SAT4PM. LOCATION: WHITE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS IN SEARCY, ARKANSAS ADDITIONAL

5/7/2016 - 5/7/2016 SEARCY, AR

CALBRA#16&17 FORMAT: CONTACT: JEANIE WHITEHURST, , 501-589-7255 JEANIEWHITEHU-RST@YAHOO.COM. ENTRY FEE: STOCK CHARGE: OTHER FEES: ENTRIES CLOSE: PERF: LOCA-TION: WHITE COUNTY FAIR-GROUNDS IN SEARCY, ARKANSAS ADDITIONAL INFO:

5/21/2016 - 5/21/2016 NATURAL DAM, AR ARKLAHOMA#15&16

FORMAT: CONTACT: DEBRA BOND, , 479-650-2023 HEROSARENA@ATT.NET. ENTRY FEE: HERO'S ARENA 16418 LIBERTY HILL ROAD, NATURAL DAM, AR 72948 STOCK CHARGE: OTHER FEES: . ENTRIES CLOSE: 5/14/2016. PERF: SAT 9AM SAT5PM. LOCATION: HERO'S ARENA 16418 LIBERTY HILL ROAD, NATURAL DAM, AR 72948 ADDITIONAL INFO:

5/21/2016 - 5/21/2016 SEARCY, AR

ARKANSASLBR #13 FORMAT: C CONTACT: LIBBY LOONEY, 218 N.

SMYRNA RD SEARCY, AR 72143, 501-230-7107 ARKANSAS.LBRA@ GMAIL.COM. ENTRY FEE: LW-\$12 JR & SR \$15 STOCK CHARGE: GOATS \$3 BR-\$10 TEAM=\$5 PER CONTES-TANT ROUGH STOCK \$20 OTHER FEES: SECRETARY FEE 5\$. ENTRIES CLOSE: 5/11/2016. PERF: SAT 9AM SAT4PM. LOCATION: WHITE COUN-TY FAIRGROUNDS IN SEARCY. ARKANSAS, ADDITIONAL INFO:

5/28/2016 - 5/29/2016 SEARCY, AR

CALBRA#18&19&20&21 FORMAT: CONTACT: JEANIE WHITEHURST, 501-589-7255 JEANIEWHITEHU-RST@YAHOO.COM. ENTRY FEE: STOCK CHARGE: OTHER FEES: . ENTRIES CLOSE: . PERF: . LOCA-TION: WHITE COUNTY FAIR-GROUNDS IN SEARCY, ARKANSAS ADDITIONAL INFO:

California

2/20/2016 - 2/21/2016 HILMAR, CA

CALIBRA #1 & 2, 3 &4 FORMAT: A CONTACT: MERIDITH HOLLOWAY, , 209-988-0742 ANTMERDO@AOL. COM. ENTRY FEE:UNTEAMED SR EVENTS \$20, SR AND JR TEAM, JR GIRLS & BOYS \$15 , LW-\$12 STOCK CHARGE: ROUGHSTOCK TBD ALL OTHERS \$5 OTHER FEES: . ENTRIES CLOSE: 2/10/2016. PERF: SAT 9AM AND 1PM SUN 9AM AND 1PM. LOCATION: LUCKY B ARENA 19605 TURNER AVE ADDITIONAL INFO: BULLS AND BRONC TO BE BUCKED AT A DIFFERENT ARENA FRIDAY EVENING 2/19/2016 20205 4TH AVE STEVINSON,CA 95374

Colorado

3/26/2016 - 3/27/2016

ELBERT. CO RMI BR #1&2 FORMAT: B CONTACT: JACKIE CHAMBERS, , 719-244-7252 JMCHAMBERS@CSU.ORG. ENTRY FEE: TBD STOCK CHARGE: TBD OTHER FEES: TBD. ENTRIES CLOSE: 3/16/2016, PERF: SAT 10AM SUN10 AM. LOCATION: LATIGO TRAILS EQUESTRIAN CENTER 13710 HALLELUIAH TRAIL ELBERT.CO 80106 ADDITIONAL INFO:

4/9/2016 - 12:00:00 AM ELBERT. CO

RMLBR #3&4 FORMAT: B CONTACT: JACKIE CHAMBERS., 719-244-7252 JMCHAMBERS@CSU.ORG. ENTRY FEE: TBD STOCK CHARGE: TBD OTHER FEES: TBD. ENTRIES CLOSE: 12:00:00 AM. PERF: SAT 9AM SUN10 AM. LOCATION: LATIGO TRAILS EQUESTRIAN CENTER 13710 HALLELUÌAH TRAIL ELBERT,CO 80106 ADDITIONAL INFO:

5/14/2016 - 5/15/2016

ELBERT, CO RMLBR #5&6 FORMAT: B CONTACT: JACKIE CHAMBERS, , 719-244-7252 JMCHAMBERS@CSU.ORG. ENTRY FEE: TBD STOCK CHARGE: TBD OTHER FEES: TBD. ENTRIES CLOSE: 5/4/2016. PERF: SAT 9AM SUN10 AM. LOCATION: LATIGO TRAILS EQUESTRIAN CENTER 13710 HALLELUÏAH TRAIL ELBERT,CO 80106, ADDITIONAL INFO:

5/28/2016 - 5/29/2016 BURLINGTON, CO

KIT CARSON COUNTY LBR #1, #2 FORMAT: A CONTACT: SHERI RIDER, 47910 CO RDY, BURLINGTON, CO 80807, 719-346-9552 RIDER_SHERI@YAHOO. COM. ENTRY FEE: STOCK CHARGE: OTHER FEES: . ENTRIES CLOSE: 5/20/2016. PERF: . LOCATION: KIT CARSON COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS ADDITIONAL INFO:

Florida

2/13/2016 - 2/14/2016 LAKE CITY, FL

SOUTH EAST LBR #3 FORMAT: C CONTACT: JESSICA LAVERDE, 366 WOOD OAK TRL, ELLIJAY, GA 30540, 770-364-6133, JESSICADBENNET@ BELLSOUTH.NET. ENTRY FEE: LW\$10 JR &SR\$12 EXCEPT ROUGH STOCK IS \$15 STOCK CHARGE:JR&SR GOATS \$3,TAEM EVENTS\$5,ROPING AND SW,\$ RS OTHER FEES: ENTRIES CLOSE: 12:00:00 AM. PERF: TBD. LOCATION: SMITTYS WESTERN ARENA 7015 W US HWY 90 LAKE CITY FL ADDITIONAL INFO: LIMITED HOOK UPS MUST RESERVE - 25\$/ NIGHT OR 40\$/WEEKEND LIMITED STALLS MUST RESERVE-20\$/NIGHT OR 50\$/WEEKEND

3/5/2016 - 3/6/2016 JASPER, FL

SOUTH EAST LBR #5 & #6 FORMAT: C CONTACT: JESSICA LAVERDE, 366 WOOD OAK TRL,ELLIJAY,GA 30540, 770-364-6133, JESSICADBENNET@ BELLSOUTH.NET. ENTRY FEE:LW\$10 JR &SR\$12 EXCEPT ROUGH STOCK IS \$15 STOCK CHARGE: JR&SR GOATS \$3,TAEM EVENTS\$5,ROPING AND SW.\$ RS OTHER FEES: . ENTRIES CLOSE: 12:00:00 AM. PERF: TBD. LOCATION: TBD ADDITIONAL INFO: LIMITED HOOK UPS MUST RESERVE - 25\$/NIGHT OR 40\$/WEEKEND LIM-ITED STALLS MUST RESERVE-20\$/ NIGHT OR 50\$/WEEKEND

4/9/2016 - 4/10/2016 LAKE CITY, FL

SOUTH EAST LBR #7 & #8 FORMAT: C CONTACT: JESSICA LAVERDE, 366 WOOD OAK TRL, ELLIJAY, GA 30540, 770-364-6133 JESSICADBENNET@ BELLSOUTH.NET. ENTRY FEE:LW\$10 JR &SR\$12 EXCEPT ROUGH STOCK IS

\$15 STOCK CHARGE: JR&SR GOATS \$3,TAEM EVENTS\$5,ROPING AND SW,\$ RS OTHER FEES: . ENTRIES CLOSE: 12:00:00 AM. PERF: TBD. LOCATION: SMITTYS WESTERN ARENA 7015 W US HWY 90 LAKE CITY FL ADDITIONAL INFO: LIM-ITED HOOK UPS MUST RESERVE -25\$/NIGHT OR 40\$/WEEKEND LIM-ITED STALLS MUST RESERVE-20\$/ NIGHT OR 50\$/WEEKEND

5/7/2016 - 5/8/2016 LAKE CITY. FL

SOUTH EAST LBR #9 & #10 FORMAT: C CONTACT: JESSICA LAVERDE, 366 WOOD OAK TRL, ELLIJAY, GA 30540, 770-364-6133 JESSICADBENNET@BELLSOUTH.NET. ENTRY FEE: LW\$10 JR &SR\$12 EXCEPT ROUGH STOCK IS \$15 STOCK CHARGE: JR&SR GOATS \$3,TAEM EVENTS\$5,ROPING AND SW,\$ RS OTHER FEES: . ENTRIES CLOSE: 12:00:00 AM. PERF: TBD. LOCA-TION: SMITTYS WESTERN ARENA 7015 W US HWY 90 LAKE CITY FLADDITIONAL INFO: LIMITED HOOK UPS MUST RESERVE - 25\$/ NIGHT OR 40\$/WEEKEND LIM-ITED STALLS MUST RESERVE-20\$/ NIGHT OR 50\$/WEEKEND

Indiana

2/20/2016 - 2/21/2016 CLOVERDALE, IN MIDWEST YOUTH LBR#7 & #8

FORMAT: C CONTACT: SHEILA LANDES, 5328 N BDALE RD BLOOMINGDALE,IN 47832, 812-878-7851, MYRAENTRIES@YAHOO.COM. ENTRY FEE:\$20 STOCK CHARGE: \$25 OTHER FEES: \$10 OFFICE FEE PER CONTESTANT. ENTRIES CLOSE: 12:00:00 AM, PERF: SAT 9AM, LOCA-TION: C BAR C EXPO CENTER CLO-VERDALE, IN ADDITIONAL INFO: STALLS 25\$ PER NIGHT, ELECTRIC 25\$ PER NIGHT BOTH AVAIABLE

Kansas

2/20/2016 - 2/21/2016 DERBY, KS

SEKLBR/COLBRA FORMAT: C CONTACT: MARCY PROUTY, 3842 GOERGIA TERR POMNA,KS 66076. 785-242-2808 SEKLBR@OUTLOOK. COM. ENTRY FEE: STOCK CHARGE: OTHER FEES: \$10 SEKLBR OFFICE FEE. ENTRIES CLOSE: 2/10/2016. PERF: . LOCATION: MATTOX ARENA,4418 83RD ST S,DRBYKS 67037 ADDITIONAL INFO:

3/12/2016 - 3/13/2016 FORT SCOTT, KS

SEKLBR#3&4 FORMAT: C CONTACT: MARCY PROUTY, 3842 GOERGIA TERR POMNA, KS 66076, 785-242-2808 SEKLBR@OUTLOOK. COM. ENTRY FEE: STOCK CHARGE: OTHER FEES: \$10 SEKLBR OFFICE

FEE. ENTRIES CLOSE: 3/4/2016. PERF: . LOCATION: BURBON COUN-TY FAIRGRONDS 2102 S HUNTING-TON BLVD, FORT SCOTT, KS 66701 ADDITIONAL INFO:

4/2/2016 - 4/3/2016 COLUMBUS, KS

SEKLBR #5&6 FORMAT: C CONTACT: MARCY PROUTY, 3842 GOERGIA TERR POMNA, KS 66076, 785-242-2808 SEKLBR@OUTLOOK. COM. ENTRY FEE: STOCK CHARGE: OTHER FEES: \$10 SEKLBR OFFICE FEE. ENTRIES CLOSE: 3/25/2016. PERF: . LOCATION: COLUMBUS SADDLE CLUB 909 SOUTH PARK DR,COLUMBUS,KS 66725 ADDI-TIONAL INFO:

5/7/2016 - 5/8/2016 COLUMBUS, KS

SEKLBR #7&8 FORMAT: C CONTACT: MARCY PROUTY, 3842 GOERGIA TERR POMNA, KS 66076, 785-242-2808 SEKLBR@OUTLOOK. COM. ENTRY FEE: STOCK CHARGE: OTHER FEES: \$10 SEKLBR OFFICE FEE. ENTRIES CLOSE: 4/29/2016. PERF: . LOCATION: COLUMBUS SADDLE CLUB 909 SOUTH PARK DR, COLUMBUS, KS 66725, ADDI-TIONAL INFO:

Louisiana

2/6/2016 - 2/6/2016 DERIDDER, LA

CAJUN LBR #7 & #8 FORMAT: C CONTACT: CASEY RICHARD,, 337-302-1365 CAJUNLBR@YAHOO. COM OR CASEYDRICHARD@BELL-SOUTH.NET. ENTRY FEE: \$15.00 STOCK CHARGE: BREAKAWAY, CALF ROPING, STEER WRESTLING \$15, JUNIOR/SENIOR GOATS \$12, LITTLE WRANGLER GOATS \$10, BULL RIDING, SADDLE BRONC, BAREBACK \$30, TEAM EVENTS \$15 (\$7.50 PER CONTESTANT) OTHER FEES: . ENTRIES CLOSE: 1/31/2016. PERF: 9AM & 6PM. LOCATION: BEAUREGARD PARISH COVERED ARENA 5515 HEY 90. DERIDDER LA 70634 ADDITIONAL INFO:

2/7/2016 - 2/7/2016 SULPHUR, LA

LALBR#10 FORMAT: C CONTACT: BOBBIE DARBONNE, 110 JOHN BENOIT RD, HACK-BERRY, LA 70645 337-762-3931BOBBIE@CAMTEL. NET. ENTRY FEE:\$13.00 STOCK CHARGE: BREAKAWAY, CALF ROPING, STEER WRESTLING \$12. GOATS \$6, BULL RIDING, SADDLE BRONC, BAREBACK \$18 TEAM EVENTS \$12 PER TEAM OTHER FEES: \$10 GATE FEE PER FAMILY. ENTRIES CLOSE: 1/31/2016. PERF: SAT 9AM SUN 9AM(SUN ROUGH

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STOCK AT 4PM SAT). LOCATION: WEST CAL ARENA, 2900 RUTH ST, SULPHUR, LA 70665 ADDITIONAL INFO: CALL FOR RV AND STALLS 337-528-9378/MON BEFORE RODEOS

2/13/2016 - 2/13/2016 RUSTON, LA

DEEP SOUTH #3 & 4 FORMAT: C CONTACT: AMY RAYMOND, 9663 HWY 585 OAK GROVE, LA 71263, 318-282-7294, ARAYMONDWCHS@ YAHOO.COM. ENTRY FEE: \$15 STOCK CHARGE:\$30 OTHER FEES: \$10 GATE FEE. ENTRIES CLOSE: 2/8/2016. PERF: SAT 9AM SAT 5PM. LOCATION: NORTH LA EXHIBITION CENTER, 165 FAIRGROUNDS RD, RUSTON LA 71270 ADDITIONAL INFO:

2/21/2016 - 2/21/2016 SULPHUR, LA LA LBR #11

FORMAT: C

CONTACT: BOBBIE DARBONNE, 110 JOHN BENOIT RD, HACKBERRY, LA 70645 , 337-762-3931, BOBBIE@CAMTEL.NET. ENTRY FEE:\$13.00 STOCK CHARGE: BREAKAWAY, CALF ROPING, STEER WRESTLING \$12, GOATS \$6, BULL RIDING, SADDLE BRONC, BAREBACK \$18 TEAM EVENTS \$12 PER TEAM OTHER FEES: \$10 GATE FEE PER FAM-ILY. ENTRIES CLOSE: 2/14/2016. PERF: 9AM. LOCATION: WEST CAL ARENA, 2900 RUTH ST, SULPHUR, LA 70665

3/12/2016 - 3/12/2016 DERIDDER, LA

ADDITIONAL INFO:

CAJUN LBR #9 & #10 FORMAT: C CONTACT: CASEY RICHARD, , 337-302-1365 CAJUNLBR@YAHOO.COM OR CASEYDRICHARD@BELL-SOUTH.NET. ENTRY FEE:\$15.00 STOCK CHARGE: BREAKAWAY, CALF ROPING, STEER WRESTLING \$15, JUNIOR/SENIOR GOATS \$12, LITTLE WRANGLER GOATS \$10, BULL RIDING, SADDLE BRONC, BAREBACK \$30, TEAM EVENTS \$15 (\$7.50 PER CONTESTANT) OTHER FEES: . ENTRIES CLOSE: 3/6/2016. PERF: 9AM & 6PM. LOCATION: BEAUREGARD PARISH COVERED ARENA 5515 HEY 90. DERIDDER LA 70634 ADDITIONAL INFO:

3/19/2016 - 3/19/2016 DERIDDER, LA

CAJUN LBR #11 & #12 FORMAT: C CONTACT: CASEY RICHARD, , 337-302-1365 CAJUNLBR@YAHOO.COM OR CASEYDRICHARD@BELL-SOUTH.NET. ENTRY FEE: \$15.00 STOCK CHARGE: BREAKAWAY, CALF ROPING, STEER WRESTLING \$15, JUNIOR/SENIOR GOATS \$12, LITTLE WRANGLER GOATS \$10, BULL RID-ING, SADDLE BRONC, BAREBACK \$30, TEAM EVENTS \$15 (\$7.50 PER CONTESTANT) OTHER FEES:.

ENTRIES CLOSE: 3/13/2016. PERF: 9AM & 6PM, LOCATION: BEAURE-GARD PARISH COVERED ARENA 5515 HEY 90. DERIDDER LA 70634

5/14/2016 - 5/15/2016 SULPHUR, LA

LA LBR #12 & #13 FORMAT: C CONTACT: BOBBIE DARBONNE, 110 JOHN BENOIT RD, HACKBERRY,

, 337-762-3931 BOBBIE@CAMTEL.NET. ENTRY FEE: \$13.00 STOCK CHARGE: BREAKAWAY, CALF ROPING, STEER WRESTLING \$12, GOATS \$6, BULL RIDING, SADDLÉ BRONC, BAREBACK \$18 TEAM EVENTS \$12 PER TEAM OTHER FEES: \$10 GATE FEE PER FAM-ILY. ENTRIES CLOSE: 5/8/2016. PERF: 9AM. LOCATION: WEST CAL ARENA, 2900 RUTH ST, SULPHUR, LA 70665 ADDITIONAL INFO:

5/21/2016 - 5/22/2016 SULPHUR, LA

LA LBR #14 & #15 FORMAT: C CONTACT: BOBBIE DARBONNE, 110 JOHN BENOIT RD, HACKBERRY, LA 70645

, 337-762-3931 BOBBIE@CAMTEL.NET. ENTRY FEE: \$13.00 STOCK CHARGE: BREAKAWAY, CALF ROPING, STEER WRESTLING \$12, GOATS \$6, BULL RIDING, SADDLE BRONC, BAREBACK \$18 TEAM EVENTS \$12 PER TEAM OTHER FEES: \$10 GATE FEE PER FAM-ILY. ENTRIES CLOSE: 5/15/2016. PERF: 9AM. LOCATION: WEST CAL ARENA, 2900 RUTH ST, SULPHUR, LA 70665, ADDITIONAL INFO:

Michigan

4/9/2016 - 4/10/2016 GRAND LEDGE, MI

MICHIGAN #10&11 FORMAT: C CONTACT: NANETTE GRIM, 2001 FALLASBURG PARK RD, LOWELL, MI, 616-560-1626 NEENGRIM@ LIVE.COM. ENTRY FEE: \$15 STOCK CHARGE: \$15 ROUGH STOCK,ADD STOCK \$5/ GOATS, CALF, STEER OTHER FEES: \$9 OFFICE FEE. ENTRIES CLOSE: 3/27/2016. PERF: SATURDAY 12PM SUNDAY 10AM. LOCATION: SUNDANCE RIDING STABLES 9250 NIXON RD. GRAND LEDGE,MI ADDITIONAL INFO: ENTRIES ACCEPTED MARCH 24-27 2016 BY E-MAIL NEENGRIM@LIVE. COM .CALL OR TEXT 616-560-1626

4/30/2016 - 5/1/2016 GRAND LEDGE, MI

MICHIGAN #12&13 FORMAT: C CONTACT: NANETTE GRIM, 2001 FALLASBURG PARK RD.LOWELL. MI, 616-560-1626 NEENGRIM@ LIVE.COM. ENTRY FEE: \$15 STOCK CHARGE: \$15 ROUGH STOCK.ADD STOCK \$5/ GOATS.CALESTEER OTHER FEES: \$9 OFFICE FEE. ENTRIES CLOSE: 4/17/2016. PERF: SATURDAY 12PM SUNDAY 10AM.

LOCATION: SUNDANCE RIDING STABLES 9250 NIXON RD, GRAND LEDGE,MI ADDITIONAL INFO: ENTRIÉS ACCEPTED APRIL 14-17 2016 BY E-MAIL NEENGRIM@LIVE. COM ,CALL OR TEXT 616-560-1626

5/21/2016 - 5/22/2016 REED CITY, MI

MICHIGAN #14-#15 FORMAT: C CONTACT: NANETTE GRIM, 2001 FALLASBURG PARK RD, LOWELL, MI, 616-560-1626NEENGRIM@ LIVE.COM. ENTRY FEE:15 STOCK CHARGE: \$15 ROUGH STOCK,ADD STOCK \$5/ GOATS, CALF, STEER OTH-ER FEES: \$9 OFFICE FEE. ENTRIES CLOSE: 5/8/2016. PERF: SATURDAY 12PM SUNDAY 10AM. LOCATION: LONNIE CLEMENTSHAW ARENA, 4406 230TH AVENUE, REED CITY, MI 49677 ADDITIONAL INFO:

Mississippi

3/19/2016 - 3/20/2016 BRANDON, MS

MID SOUTH 15 & 16 FORMAT: C CONTACT: TONYA BIERMAN, 601-966-3061, MSLBRA@HOTMAIL. COM. ENTRY FEE: STOCK CHARGE: OTHER FEES: . ENTRIES CLOSE: 3/7/2016. PERF: . LOCATION: ADDI-TIONAL INFO:

4/16/2016 - 4/17/2016 MERIDIAN, MS

MID SOUTH 17 &18 FORMAT: C CONTACT: TONYA BIERMAN, 662-803-0475 MSLBRA@HOTMAIL. COM. ENTRY FEE: STOCK CHARGE: OTHER FEES: . ENTRIES CLOSE: 4/4/2016. PERF: . LOCATION: ADDI-TIONAL INFO: THIS SCHEDULE IS PENDING DUE TO CANCELATIONS/ RELOCATIONS CAUSED BY WEATH-ER OR ANY OTHER UNCONTROL-ABLE FACTORS

5/7/2016 - 5/8/2016 BRANDON, MS

MID SOUTH 19&20 FORMAT: C CONTACT: TONYA BIERMAN, 662-803-0475 MSLBRA@HOTMAIL. COM. ENTRY FEE: STOCK CHARGE: OTHER FEES: . ENTRIES CLOSE: 4/25/2016. PERF: . LOCATION: ADDITIONAL INFO: CAMPING AND STALLS CALL JOHN MCBRIDE 605-484-1971. HEALTH PAPER AT LEAST 72 HRS IN ADVANCE.

5/28/2016 - 5/29/2016 BRANDON, MS

MID SOUTH 21&22 FORMAT: C CONTACT: TONYA BIERMAN,, 601-966-3061 MSLBRA@HOTMAIL. COM. ENTRY FEE: STOCK CHARGE: OTHER FEES: . ENTRIES CLOSE: 5/16/2016. PERF: . LOCATION: ADDITIONAL INFO:

Montana

2/27/2016 - 2/28/2016

LAUREL, MT BIG SKY #9&10 FORMAT: C CONTACT: JAIMIE HOWELL, , 406-672-5213. ENTRY FEE:\$12 STOCK CHARGE: \$3 FOR GOATS,\$6 FOR CATTLE,\$25 ROUGH STOCK OTHER FEES: \$10 OFFICE FEE, ENTRIES CLOSE: 2/22/2016. PERF: SAT 12PM SUN10AM. LOCATION: MILLERS HORSE PALACE ADDITIONAL INFO: ENTRIES CAN BE CALLED IN 406-690-5380 OR ENTERED ONLINE NLBRA. COM, STALLS AVAILABLE AND LIM-ITED HOOKUPS SO CALL EARLY

3/12/2016 - 3/13/2016 LAUREL, MT

BIG SKY #11&12 FORMAT: C CONTACT: JAIMIE HOWELL, , 406-672-5213, . ENTRY FEE: \$12 STOCK CHARGE:\$3 FOR GOATS,\$6 FOR CATTLE,\$25 ROUGH STOCK OTHER FEES: \$10 OFFICE FEE. ENTRIES CLOSE: 3/7/2016. PERF: SAT 12PM SUN10AM. LOCATION: MILLERS HORSE PALACE ADDITIONAL INFO: ENTRIES CAN BE CALLED IN 406-690-5380 OR ENTERED ONLINE NLBRA. COM, STALLS AVAILABLE AND LIM-ITED HOOKUPS SO CALL EARLY

4/9/2016 - 4/10/2016

LAUREL, MT BIG SKY #13 & #14 FORMAT: C CONTACT: JAIMIE HOWELL, , 406-672-5213, . ENTRY FEE:\$12 STOCK CHARGE: \$3 FOR GOATS,\$6 FOR CATTLE,\$25 ROUGH STOCK OTHER FEES: \$10 OFFICE FEE. ENTRIES CLOSE: 4/4/2016. PERF: SAT 12PM SUN10AM. LOCATION: MILLERS HORSE PALACE ADDITIONAL INFO: ENTRIES CAN BE CALLED IN 406-690-5380 OR ENTERED ONLINE NLBRA. COM.STALLS AVAILABLE AND LIM-ITED HOOKUPS SO CALL EARLY

Oklahoma

3/5/2016 - 3/6/2015 EL RENO. OK

EL RENO #1 & #2 FORMAT: C CONTACT: CARRIE MASSEY,
CMASSEY@PRATTINDUSTRIES.COM, 405-574-4660 TETEMASSEY@GMAIL COM. ENTRY FEE:\$20 STOCK CHARGE: OTHER FEES: . ENTRIES CLOSE: 2/16/2016. PERF: SAT 12PM SUN 10AM. LOCATION: DENNY CRUMP ARENA 220 N COUNTRY CLUB RD EL RENO. OK 73036 ADDITIONAL INFO:

3/26/2016 - 3/26/2016 DURANT. OK

OKLAHOMA-NORTH TEXAS #19 & #20 FORMAT: C CONTACT: JANIE ANNE FINNEY. 6912 BIG WITCHITA DR FORT WORTH,TX 76179, 817-235-9006 JANIEFINNEY@SBCGLOBAL.NET.

ENTRY FEE: \$15 STOCK CHARGE: \$25 ROUGH STOCK, \$15 CATTLE STOCK, \$10 GOATS,\$7.50 TEAM OTHER FEES: \$3 TIMER CHARGE/\$90FFICE FEE/\$9NLBRA FEE. ENTRIES CLOSE: 3/16/2016. PERF: SAT 10AM, HOUR AFTER 1ST PERFOMANCE ENDS. LOCATION: DURANT ROUND -UP CLUB ARENA 1901 S 9TH AVE DURANT, OK 74702 ADDITIONAL INFO: CALL INNS FOR NON -MEM-BERS 682-710-2160 6-9PM MARCH 15&16, FEES MUST BE PAID BY 8AM DAY OF RODEO NO STALLS&NO HOOKUPS .WE OFFER CALF RIDING FOR LITTLE WRANGLERS

4/9/2016 - 4/10/2016 PAULS VALLEY, OK

OKLAHOMA-NORTH TEXAS #21

FORMAT: C CONTACT: JANIE ANNE FINNEY, 6912 BIG WITCHITA DR FORT WORTH,TX 76179, 817-235-9006 JANIEFINNEY@ SBCGLOBAL.NET. ENTRY FEE: \$15 STOCK CHARGE: \$25 ROUGH STOCK, \$15 CATTLE STOCK, \$10 GOATS, \$7.50 TEAM OTHER FEES: \$3 TIMER CHARGE/\$90FFICE FEE/\$9NLBRA FEE. ENTRIES CLOSE: 3/30/2016. PERF: SAT 10AM SUN10AM. LOCA-TION: ROUND UP CLUB ARENA 2007 N WILLOW ST.PAULS VALLEY, OK 73075 ADDITIONAL INFO: CALL INS FOR NON MEMBERS 682-710-2160 6-9 PM MARCH 29&30 2016 FEES MUST BE PAID BY 8AM DAY OF RODEO STALLS&HOOKUPS AVAILABLE THRU ROUND-UP-CLUB WE OFFER CALF RIDING FOR LITTLE WRANGLERS

4/23/2016 - 4/24/2016 BEGGS, OK

TULSA RV RANCH FORMAT: C CONTACT: CARRIE MASSEY, CMASSEY@PRATTINDUSTRIES. COM, 405-574-4660 TETEMASSEY@ GMAIL.COM. ENTRY FEE: \$20 STOCK CHARGE: OTHER FEES: . ENTRIES CLOSE: 4/5/2016. PERF: SAT 12PM SUN 10AM. LOCATION: TULSA RV RANCH 2538 US-75 BEGGS, OK 74421, ADDITIONAL INFO:

4/23/2016 - 4/24/2016 WYNNEWOOD, OK

OKLAHOMA-NORTH TEXAS #23 & #24 FORMAT: C CONTACT: JANIE ANNE FINNEY, 6912 BIG WITCHITA DR FORT WORTH, TX 76179, 817-235-9006 JANIEFINNEY@ SBCGLOBAL.NET. ENTRY FEE: \$15 STOCK CHARGE: \$25 ROUGH STOCK, \$15 CATTLE STOCK, \$10 GOATS,\$7.50 TEAM OTHER FEES: \$3 TIMER CHARGE/\$90FFICE FEE/\$9NLBRA FEE. ENTRIES CLOSE: 4/13/2016. PERF: SAT 10AM SUN10AM. LOCA-TION: WYNNEWOOD ROUND-UP CLUB ARENA 1374 E ALLEN ST WYNNEWOOD,OK 73098 ADDI-TIONAL INFO: CALL INNS FOR NON -MEMBERS 682-710-2160 6-9PM APRIL 12&13, FEES MUST BE PAID BY 8AM DAY OF RODEO NO STALLS&NO HOOKUPS .WE OFFER CALF RIDING FOR LITTLE WRANGLERS

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story by Siri Stevens

lending work with passion, Kacey Kobza has been competing in rodeo since she was five. "We started with the CJRA and as we got older, we went to the NLBRA, and then high school." She has 32 saddles between the breakaway, goat tying, barrel racing, and all around. She won the CSHSRA all four years in the breakaway, the goat tying in 2005, and in 2006 was in the top ten in the nation. She went on to college for two years at Vernon, and finished at Eastern New Mexico University for the rest of her Bachelors and Masters.

She graduated in 2012 with a Masters in Business Administration and currently works as Assistant Finance Officer at Vallev Bank. "We're locally owned, right there in Brighton, with seven other branches scattered around the region." Her job description includes under shadowing the CFO and managing all the retirement and investment accounts. "I worked there as a teller when I was in high school and when I came back from school they offered me that job. It's been a good growing experience and I've learned a lot." The hardest decision Kacev made when she got her BA and was to continue on for her Masters. "I rodeoed my fifth year on my MBA. They encourage you to go work and come back for it, but I felt I couldn't pass up the opportunity."

Kacey is the breakaway director for the CPRA. "We co-sanction the majority of the rodeos with the WPRA, and that helps the talent from our association go further into the national level with the WPRA." Thanks to this co-sanction agreement, Kacey was able to win the Rookie of the Year for the WPRA in 2012. Kacey believes

that rodeo teaches life skills. "Rodeo has taught me how to take care of things and prioritize my time. I still love taking care of my horses and competing every single day so I work to play. Rodeo teaches great comradarie and support for all people – from your toughest competitor who is also your best friend. You want them to win and they want you to win. There's not another sport like that."

Kacey works eight miles from home and in the summertime when the clock

strikes five she's ready to be out the door, home, and on her horses. "In the wintertime, it's not so easy, but I still have the chores to do. I spend the winter roping the dummy. We put a TV in the barn and I go hang out with my dad (Kevin). If I'd won the Power Ball I would have built an indoor barn."

Last year was her first year to make the Finals. "I really enjoyed Grand Junction, but I think as a whole for the association it will be better to move them to Denver. It's a great facility and I can't wait to see what the committee will come up with."

Kacey is excited for the future. "I have dated my boyfriend (Justin Trupp) now for the past three years and I've enjoyed the show cattle world he's in and I look forward to that. I also enjoy the rodeo part. My dad is still riding young horses and I love taking his horses and winning on them. I can't quit my banker job, but I think that would be an amazing end goal to have. They are two different worlds and I've enjoyed both sides of them." Her brother (Clay and his wife, Hayley) live in Texas and she still thinks about that warmer temperature in



above: CPRA member Kacey Kobza - Rodeo News

the winter. At the end of the day, it would be to continue to ride horses with my dad and take the best of both my worlds and make it work."

News Items: There will be a Rodeo Secretary Seminar March 2016 (date TBD). If you would like to attend and want more information, contact the State Office. cpraoffice@coloradoprorodeo.com or 719.647.2828. Watch our website for date, to be posted. Rodeo committees: Your sanction forms and agreements are due Feb 28th. Please submit those to the CPRA State office. If you would like a packet mailed to you, let the State office know.

Now accepting membership applications and dues. See "forms" section on website for printable forms. Minors and rookies, don't forget those forms as well. You may mail a check with your application or call us with a credit card payment over the phone.

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Cash Evans

story by Laurie Dineen

ash Evans is on a mission - a mission that he hopes will lead him on the road to the NFR in tie down roping. This 9 years old lives outside of Yuma, CO with his mom and dad (Megan and Chris), older brother Coy (11), twin sister Cassidy and younger brother Cross (3). Cash has been riding since he was 4, however, his mother exclaimed that "he has had a rope in his hands since he was 2 and has the passion and desire to be competitive at rodeo." His dad, a PRCA tie down roper, just may be one of the reasons Cash is looking toward a career in rodeo, the other is the fire that burns deep within him - the fire that fueled his success this past year in the CJRA.

Cash entered his first CJRA rodeo last spring in the PeeWee division and with his passion and dedication to practice he ended the year as the Champion All-around contestant in his division. Adding to his awards he was named CJRA year-end champion in goat tying, pole bending and dummy roping and placed 3rd in flags and barrels. With these accomplishments and being his first year as a member of CJRA, Cash was also named the CJRA Pee Wee Rookie of the Year.

When not working on his school work, this homeschooled 3rd grader can be found outside alongside his dad helping on the ranch. "I enjoy ranch work - checking cows, branding, preg checking, feeding, many of which I can do horseback. It helps keep our horses on their top game and the younger horses learn so much," exclaimed Cash. "I really like to work with our horses, keeping the good ones good and to help train the colts." Rodeo is not new to Cash. Prior to joining the CJRA, he competed in the Little Britches rodeos and before that he watched and learned as his dad worked on the ranch and competed in calf roping in CPRA and PRCA rodeos. His favorite horse is Ice Man-who Cash rides for heading and breakaway. "Hotshot is another favorite for all of us," said Cash. "My sister and brother and I all rode him in poles and flags and he was named the World Champion Pole Horse at the Little Britches last year. He was ranch raised and we rode him doing ranch work a lot. He is a really neat horse and really deserved that award."

Cash will move up to the CJRA Jr. division this rodeo season and will try his hand competing in breakaway, team roping, ribbon roping and goat tying. "I'm pretty excited for this year and know it will be a bit different than last year but I am up for the challenge," Cash said. "I try to practice as much as I can on my rodeo events along with Coy and Cassidy. We help each other working

on events and my mom and dad are also very helpful. When my mom and dad can't help, my grandparents step in to help us as well." Also instrumental in Cash's practice is Chadron Coeffield, a neighbor and friend and also a CJRA member. "Chadron helps me with my goat tying a lot and that has been very helpful."

"I like the CJRA a lot. I have met a lot of good friends from all over the state and try to keep in touch with them even after the summer rodeos are done by writing letters and texting," said Cash. "I am very excited to start back with CJRA rodeo's this spring. Goat tying is my favorite event and I think being good at this will help me be a good calf roper. I also like team roping and will rope with my older brother this year as well as my dad, in the parent/child



above: CJRA member, Cash Evans - Lazy HH Photography

team roping."

"I would like to thank my parents and grandparents for their support and encouragement as well as my sponsors -Chute Help, Cattle Active/Equi-sure and Hickert Land and Cattle. All have help me to become the rodeo athlete I am and the chance to compete at the CJRA rodeos."

Cash hopes to continue his momentum from last summer and compete in the CJRA finals for the saddle in breakaway, team roping and goats. His long term goals are to make it to the NFR in the tie down roping. With his desire, passion and work ethic, I am sure we will see Cash Evans on the leader board in years to come!

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CJRA WINTER CHALLENGE SERIES

he Colorado Junior Rodeo Association is excited to announce the addition of a winter challenge series for 2016. This jackpot and buckle series is open to all contestants ages 5-18 and non-members are also welcome to enter. The dates and locations for the winter challenge series are February 27-28, 2015 and March 12-13, 2015 at the Latigo Equestrian Center in Black Forest, Colorado.

Entries for each rodeo close 14 days prior to the rodeo and can be found online at http:// www.coloradojrrodeo.com/ entry-form. For more details please make sure to visit our website at http://www.coloradojrrodeo.com/. If you have questions or would like to request additional information, you may contact us via email at cjra@coloradojrrodeo.com or via phone at 970-842-4048 or 719-940-0870.

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PEE-WEE (Ages 5-8) Flag Race Barrel Race Pole Bending Goat Tying Dummy Roping Parent/Child Team Roping

JUNIOR GIRLS (Ages 9-13) Barrel Race

Pole Bending Goat Tying Breakaway Roping Ribbon Roping Team Roping Parent/Child Team Roping

JUNIOR BOYS (Ages 9-13)

Flag Race Breakaway Roping Ribbon Roping Team Roping

Chute Dogging Goat Tying Parent/Child Team Roping

SENIOR GIRLS

(Ages 14-18) Barrel Race Pole Bending Goat Tying Breakaway Roping Ribbon Roping Team Roping Mixed Team

Roping Parent/Child Team Roping

SENIOR BOYS

(Ages 14-18) Tie Down Roping Steer Wrestling Ribbon Roping Team Roping Mixed Team Roping Parent/Child Team Roping

The Colorado Junior Rodeo Association has been the premier, family friendly, junior rodeo association for contestants from Colorado and surrounding states for more than 20 years and always welcomes new members. All contestants who enter the series rodeos are eligible for jackpot prizes but those desiring to compete for the series championship need to purchase their 2016 CJRA memberships. Memberships can be purchased on site at the rodeos and are \$75 for contestants in the junior and senior age divisions with a \$125 maximum membership fee per family. The membership fee is waived for contestants in the Pee-Wee age division.

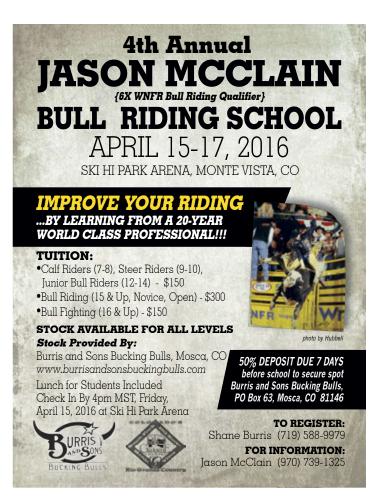
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Karley Pollock

story by Lily Weinacht

arley Pollock of Bayfield, Colo., has spent much of her 12 years thus far rodeoing, and she fully intends to keep living the lifestyle as she grows up. She is the third generation of her family to rodeo, the sport introduced into her family by her dad, Mark Pollock. "He grew up in Canada riding saddle broncs and he made it to the NHSFR three times," says Karley. "He started college rodeoing in Dodge City, Kansas, where he met my mom."

After making their home in Bayfield, Mark and Cindy Pollock started a small cattle operation, and Karley and her older sister, Sheigh (16), have grown up working alongside their parents. "When my sister started rodeoing, I was eight, and I wanted to do it too," Karley recalls. "I really look up to her, because she's rodeoed a lot and helped me out. She's a good role model for me."

Karley competes in the CJHSRA in barrel racing and pole bending, while Sheigh does breakaway roping, team roping, and barrel racing in the CSHSRA. "Barrels are my favorite because they're the first event I started doing and I caught on to them really easily," says Karley. "I watch the NFR every year, and seeing those girls competing makes me want to make it to the NFR someday – plus I want to know what it feels like to run down a tunnel!" Karley's dad often joins her when she practices, giving her advice, plus he is teaching her to team rope. As she grows more comfortable with it, Karley hopes to start competing as a header next rodeo season.

Karley won her first saddle in 2011 in the Four State Junior Rodeo Association, while she held her first rodeo royalty title in 2013. "I was the Durango Fiesta Days Junior Princess, and I'd like to run for princess soon," says Karley. "I loved riding in the parades and being in grand entries. Running for Miss Rodeo America has always been a goal of mine, and I've always

wanted to be Miss Rodeo America and run barrels at the NFR at the same time." One of Karley's close friends, Cassidy (Cabot) Bach, was Miss Rodeo Colorado in 2012. and she is one of Karley's greatest inspirations when it comes to being a rodeo queen.

Making their home about 15 minutes outside of town, the Pollock family raises cattle and keeps the usual cats and dogs, according to Karley. Her rodeo horse, KB, used to be Sheigh's. "KB is a little ditzy and in her own little land most of the time. but she's friendly and she likes to be with people," says Karley. "She can

never be by herself just before a run, so my sister will come over on her rope horse and keep her company." Karley and Sheigh ride on the roads around their house and practice together, pulling the roping dummy into the shop when it's cold.

Beyond rodeo, Karley is a seventh grader at Ignacio Middle School. She loves solving problems, making math her favorite subject, though she also enjoys playing volleyball and basketball. As soon as school is out, Karley heads home for riding, roping, or spending time with her family. "My dad is a project manager for a construction company, and he's out of town a lot, so we like to go out for dinner or watch a movie when he's home," Karley explains. "During Christmas break, I also went skiing for the first time in Durango."

While her long term goals include competing in the WNFR, Karley's goal for the near future is qualifying for the NHSFR and working her way up in the standings of the CJHSRA. "I'm very blessed to do



above: CJHSRA member Karley Pollock - Jordan Morgan

what I do," she finishes, "and I work hard every day!"

SCHEDULE 2016

APR 1-3, 2016 Lamar JH & HS Rodeo APR 9-10. 2016 Golden JH & HS Rodeo APR 16-17, 2016 Pueblo JH & HS Rodeo APR 23-24, 2016 Henderson JH & HS Rodeo APR 30 - MAY 1, 2016 Location TBA JH & HS Rodeo

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MAY 14-15, 2016 Montrose JH & HS Rodeo State Finals JH & HS Rodeo Location: TBA

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Faith Hoffman

story by Lily Weinacht

aith Hoffman of Kiowa, Colo., is currently tied for second in the CSHSRA all-around, but her joy in rodeo is not based on the standings alone. "I love the family aspect of the sport. It's individual but you have a family in rodeo and everyone is there to support you," explains the 17 year old. "This is an awesome opportunity that God has given me to be around these people and have these relationships!

While Faith competes in barrel racing, pole bending, breakaway roping, goat tying, and team roping as a header, goat tying is by far her favorite event. "I love the aggressive nature of the sport," says Faith. "Kaylee Moyer taught me how to tie goats while my dad was coaching college rodeos, and I fell in love with it. I also love that if anything goes wrong, it's on me and not my horse or a partner." Goat tying also took Faith to the NHSFR for the first time last summer. "It was like nothing I'd ever experienced before! Being parked next to the rest of Colorado was really fun - we had potlucks and barbeques, and being around my friends for an entire week was special since we live so far away from each other."

Both Kaylee Mover and Faith's dad, Dave Hoffman, are responsible for Faith's love of the sport. Dave rode bucking horses until Faith was 12, and she knew from the time she was knee high that competing was in her future as well. "I also look up to Kaylee Moyer," Faith adds. "She's an awesome model of what a godly woman looks like in rodeo and how to be successful with grace and class. She's the rodeo coach at Frank Phillips college in Borger, Texas."

Faith and her parents, Dave and Chelsea Hoffman, and her brother, Cade (ten), make their home near Kiowa. While Cade prefers dogs and cats over horses, he travels to many of Faith's rodeos, and Chelsea can be found behind her camera lens. "My parents are so supportive of me and have definitely helped me get to where I am," says Faith. "They come with me every weekend. Dad does most of the cowboy church at our rodeos."

Between rodeos, Faith practices as often as the weather permits, riding every day in the summer and practicing her roping and goat tying every other day. "I run barrels and poles on a little dun named Johnny. He's that rock solid, old faithful I can always go back to. He has me sitting second in

the barrels right now," Faith describes. "I tie goats and rope off a little black mare named Flash. I just got her this past summer and she's taken me to that next level in my competition.'

A junior at Kiowa High School, Faith is particularly enjoying calculus this year. "I love my teacher!" she says. She also plays basketball on her school's team, the Kiowa Indians. In her very spare time, Faith goes to youth group on Wednesday and Sunday nights, and grabs any bit of time she can with her friends.

Faith's main goal, however, is the upcoming season in the CSHSRA, "I want to be able to reach people and be that encourager that people feel they can come and talk to whether it's a good day or a bad day," Faith explains. "I want to be that role model, especially for the younger age group. As far as rodeo, I want to do well in state championships and make it to Nationals again. Everything comes in God's timing!"



above: CSHSRA member Faith Hoffman - Chelsea Hoffman

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APR 1-3. 2016 Lamar JH & HS Rodeo

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APR 30 - MAY 1, 2016 Location TBA

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Linzie Van Horn



above: NHSRA member, Lindsay Van Horn - JJJ Photo

story by Ruth Nicolaus

inzie Van Horn loves to have a little fun. The Nebraska High School Rodeo Association member is known among her classmates as being the one who keeps things lighthearted.

And when she's not "going with the flow," as she says, she's tying goats and breakaway roping.

She lives ten miles south of Page, Neb., and rides a nine year old sorrel for the breakaway. Papa John, as he is called, is "pretty sweet. He's been great for our situation." For the goat tying, she rides a seven year old black mare named Molly, who is a "go-getter. She loves goat tying, for sure." Linzie can't choose a favorite between the horses;

"they both do their jobs really well. Mostly it comes down to if I do my job correctly.

Linzie is a senior at Ewing Public School. She enjoys school, but she's been ready for graduation since her freshman year. "I'm really, really excited for college," she said, "and the fact that I get to meet new people and have different experiences. It'll definitely be more choices. which can be harder, but at the same time, I'm excited to learn new things."

She has trouble picking a favorite subject. "Honestly, I'd rather not be in a classroom," but if she had to choose one, it'd be English. She likes to write, especially on topics of her choice. She was homeschooled through the eighth grade, and she really enjoyed it.

Linzie plays basketball, and is a member of FCA, FBLA, E-Club, the National Honor Society, One Acts, and Speech. She is also on her school's honor roll.

For fun, she likes to hang out with family and friends and practice together. She often practices with her younger brother, and her older sister, when she is home from college.

She has qualified for state finals the past three years of her high school career in both events, and made it to Nationals her eighth grade year in both goat tying and breakaway.

She often goes by the nickname of "Zee." She has an older brother, Lane, who is married to Emily, an older sister, Erin, and a younger brother, Merit.

She is the daughter of Alan and Trudie Van Horn. 🜇

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April 16Crawford cutting & 1 RCH event	10AM Broken Bow NE
April 17RCH State Finals	10AM Broken Bow NE
April 23-24 Southwest	May 27 Logan/McPherson
April 30Hyannis	May 28Thedford
May 1Arthur	May 29Valentine
May 7-8Burwell HS Rodeos	June 3Panhandle
May 13Northeast & Atkinson cuttings	June 4Harrison
May 14Northeast	June 5Crawford
May 15Atkinson	June 15-18 State Finals
May 21-22 Gordon	Hastings NE

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Andy Koenig

story by Ruth Nicolaus

ndy Koenig is a tiedown roper, team roper and ribbon roper in the Nebraska Junior High School Rodeo Associa-

The 14-year-old cowboy, who lives in Ewing, Neb., rides an eight-year-old bay named Joe for all of his events. Joe is "one of the best horses we have on the place," Andy said. "He's always ready to go. He's been a good horse to me." The family has owned Joe since he was a weanling. Of all his events, Joe is best at the tie-down roping. "He stops nice and easy, and he works the rope pretty good, keeping it tight for me."

Andy is an eighth grade student at Chambers High School, where he enjoys

math class but isn't crazy about English. In English class, students have to write essays, each with five paragraphs and five sentences in each paragraph. He loves to read, however, and always has a book or two with him when he's on the rodeo road. Westerns are his favorite. He's read Lonesome Dove five times and seen the movie and the sequel. His favorite actors in the movie are Gus (played by Robert Duvall) and Woodrow Call (played by Tommy Lee Jones.)

Andy plays basketball and is a member of the FFA and FCCLA, and is on his school's honor roll. His favorite teacher was Mrs. Walter in fourth grade. She was fun, and



above: NJHSRA member, Andy Koenig JJJ Photo

easy to get along with. His sister Kirsten has Mrs. Walter for a teacher this year.

For fun, Andy loves to ride his horse, the four-wheeler, and help his dad around the ranch. He puts out salt and mineral for cattle, helps hitch and unhitch the feed wagon, and helps his Uncle Jim as well. He puts out new posts on the fence line, helps hay, and unhook the grinder from the tractor.

The family has an Australian shepherd dog named Sadie.

Andy competed at state finals the last

two years. When he grows up, he'd like to live near Ewing, raise a family, and ranch.

He has two older brothers, Levi, age 19, and Ryan, age 17, and a younger sister, Kirsten, who is ten.

He is the son of John and Brenda Koenig. 📅

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Rowdy Moon

story by Lily Weinacht

wift of foot and bold in the arena, 18-year-old Rowdy Moon has been fighting bulls for the last four years. Though his bareback rigging rides alongside his cleats, the twotime NSRA Bullfighter of the Year dreams of working the WNFR from outside the chutes.

"My dad rode bulls in high school, and that's what got us started," says Rowdy, who currently makes his home in Taylor, Neb. "He put my brothers and I on calves when we were kids and we grew to love it!" As much as he loved riding bulls, the idea of fighting them was even more fascinating to Rowdy, and he attended his first bullfighting school as an eighth grader. "It

was up in Johnstown, and Steve Wrangler and Jay Brewer put it on, plus Wacey Munsell and Aaron Ferguson were there helping," Rowdy recalls. "I've been to three more schools since then, and I've had some good mentors and teachers. Boots and Phillips Rodeo Company took me under their wing when I was a freshman in high school.

Rowdy primarily works Boots and Phillips' rodeos while entering the bareback riding. During his high school vears, he qualified for the NHSFR four times in the bareback riding, finishing third in the nation his senior year. As a freshman at Mid-Plains Community College, Rowdy also competes in the bareback riding on the rodeo team, trailing first place by one point. "The school is sponsoring me and I wear their jerseys for fighting the Nebraska high school rodeos, plus some other events.



above: NSRA member, Rowdy Moon - JJJ Photo

I'm really thankful for the support I get from them, my parents, and Boots and Phillips!"

Rowdy appreciates any opportunity to step into the arena, but a particular favorite of his is the Custer County Classic put on by Bud Everly in Broken Bow, Neb. "I've had the opportunity to fight with some of the greatest bullfighters in the world because of Broken Bow. I've fought with Frank Newsom and Cody Webster, as well as Cory Wall and Cory Greibel," says Rowdy, who has also been named the Nebraska High School Bullfighter of the Year three times. Fighting bulls came to him naturally, growing up fighting calves freestyle. He had plenty of practice on his older brother's bucking stock. "The biggest thing is thinking on your toes. If you can get a corner on a bull, the likelihood of him getting you is less," Rowdy explains. "The most challenging for me right now is getting my name out there and stock contractors being able to see me work and hire me."

Anxious for rodeo season to pick up again, Rowdy keeps himself occupied with school at Mid-Plains, where he is working towards a bachelor's degree in business. He spends the rest of his time in the weight room, or playing basketball or paintball on campus. He occasionally heads home to see his parents, Casey and Sandra Moon, and two-yearold sister, Sadie. He also has two older brothers, Buck and Cody. Buck rode bulls through high school and college, while Cody raised bucking stock for several years.

"As long as I'm getting better at fighting, and staying healthy, I'm happy," says Rowdy. "Now that I'm older, I'm ready to travel further. There are tons of rodeos in Nebraska, but not much in the way of freestyle bullfighting. Chad Smith puts on several freestyles in Iowa, and I really believe freestyles are coming back. I want to get more comfortable competing in them, plus they'll help me get my name out there for my ultimate goal, which is fighting the NFR!"

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John Kamphaus



story by Terry Rhodes

ohn Kamphaus will be coming on board as the team roping event director for 2016. "I'll be representing the team ropers in the association. They're doing the Finals payout a little different now. The more money that each event raises will increase the amount there is for payouts to contestants. So I'll be working on getting more sponsorship for our event." John first joined the Mid-States association after he finished college four years ago. He is also a member of the World Series of Team Roping and USTRC but he likes the Mid-States group because of the good payouts and "...there are a lot of the Mid-States rodeos that are close to the house so that makes it real convenient to rodeo in the summer. It's a family type association where the wife and kids and dog can go and you don't have to be gone for weeks at a time. It's fun for everybody."

John's parents roped together so it was pretty easy for him to pick up a rope and get started. "My dad calf roped and team roped and he taught me and my brother to rope. We've always roped our cattle in the pasture to doctor them. I never went



to any roping schools but I've had people along the way that have showed me things and taught me things about roping that have helped a lot. I'm always up for learning something new. I did rodeo in high school and in college at Eastern Wyoming College in Torrington on a rodeo scholarship." He credits his father as being his biggest influence. "He always made sure we had horses, hauled us to rodeos, and helped us. He's always been there for us."

John says that his preparation for competition is easier these days. "I used to get nervous when I was younger, but anymore, I enjoy it and go do the best I can and hope it works out. Nerves get to everybody sometimes. At team ropings, I try to just go make smart runs and at rodeos I'll push the barrier some to get that good start." Just to make sure there is good mojo in the arena, he won't carry 50 dollar bills and won't put his hat on the bed.



top left: M-SRA member, John Kamphaus left and above: John's own blacksmith work - courtesy of Jess Holen

John, 27, now makes his home in Elm Creek, Neb. During the week John is working on a ranch. "We're feeding, checking cattle and calving out cows; everyday ranch work. I have a side business where I make custom bits, spurs, headstalls; about everything. I sell a lot through Facebook and I'm working on getting a website set up. But a lot is just word-of-mouth from people that know me and have seen my work so it's starting to take off now."

Leisure time, when it can be found, is spent doing some hunting or maybe a night out with friends. Down the road, John plans on building his business and getting to rope and rodeo more than he works. "My boss treats me great and I can't complain a bit. But a guy always has a dream of being on your own."

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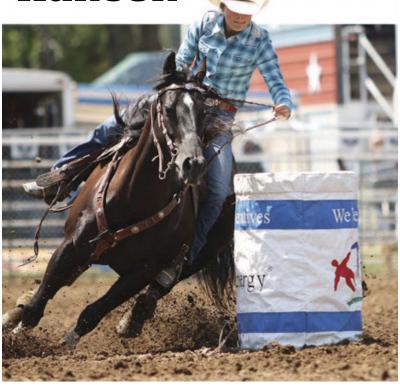
story by Lily Weinacht

aylor Hanson of Belle Fourche, S.D., won the pole bending for the second consecutive year during the 2015 Fall High School Showcase Extravaganza. And though she also won the pole bending in 2014 in the junior high division, the 15-year-old's favorite event is barrel racing. "I want to rodeo professionally someday, and I know it's the only women's event in the NFR, and I've had some really nice horses for barrels," Taylor explains. "There's a lot of speed and action going on in that event, so you've got to be quick!" Taylor also competes in breakaway roping, goat tying, team roping as a header, and

ribbon roping in the NLBRA, and she recently started rodeoing in the SDRA.

Growing up on her family's ranch, many of Taylor's memories have horses in them, from helping work cows to when she started rodeoing at four or five. She made it to the short-go in poles during the SDHSRA finals last spring, as well as the short-go of the NLBFR, also in poles. "High school rodeo is a lot more competitive than junior high was for me - you have to be more prepared," says Taylor. "I like to see my friends and hang out with my family at our rodeos, and I've always had a love for horses."

Taylor's mom competed in high school rodeo growing up, and she frequently



above: SDHSRA member, Taylor Hanson at the 2015 SDHSRA Finals - Cowboy Images

meets Taylor in the practice pen after school to saddle horses and coach. "Mom will ride with me and help me keep the horses exercised – she helps me a lot," says Taylor. "I also look up to Cami Bauer. I bought a horse from her when I was younger, and ever since, she's helped me out and taught me drills to help my horse make better barrel turns."

The Hanson family makes their home just outside of Belle Fourche. Taylor's 18-year-old sister, Jordan, is a high school senior, and she also competes in the SDHSRA in pole bending, with plans to pursue medical school. Their parents are Jason and Annie Hanson. The rest of the family comes in the form of three dogs, a cat, and seven horses. "My pole horse is

Fergie," Taylor describes. "She's 12 and she's really cool. I used to do barrels on her as well, but now my younger horse, Buddha, is running really good. I think she's going to be a cool horse. I team rope on a palomino, Sassy, and since I lost my breakaway and goat tying horse last year, the Engesser and Grubb families have been letting me use their horses." Additionally, Taylor is training a young bay roan, Ms. Daisy, whom she plans to futurity on in barrels.

During the week, Taylor can be found at Belle Fourche High School. A sophomore, her favorite subject this year is Algebra II. "It's a lot easier for me than science or English, plus my mom is my math teacher and my dad is an engineer, so I have good genes for it!" This time of year, Taylor plays

basketball on her school's team, the Belle Fourche Broncs, and she is considering running track this spring.

"If I have some free time, I'll go to the movies or go bowling with my friends, and my family and I enjoy soaking in our hot tub, but mostly I'm with my horses," says Taylor. "I'd like to qualify for state in all of my events and make Nationals in at least one of them, and I'd like to college rodeo," she says of her goals. "I want to thank Cami Bauer, Rebecca Gilley, and Terri Kissack for their help, and Jay Mattson for helping me in team roping. And thanks, too, to the Grubbs, Engessers, and my family for giving me the great horses I have!"

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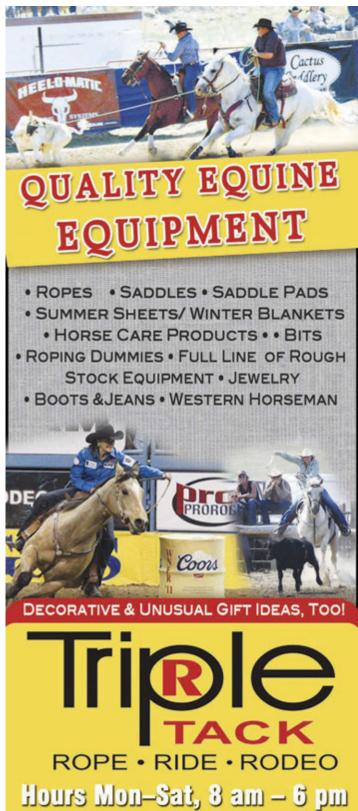












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Madison Rau



above: NRCA member. Madison Rau - Key Images

story by Lindsay Whelchel

or Madison Rau, rodeo has become a much bigger picture than just a sport in which she competes. It has taught her about developing horses and strengthening her bond with her traveling partner-mother.

"I spend my entire summer with my mom. Every rodeo I go to she goes with me, so we've gotten a lot closer as mom and daughter, and I think it's really something that we can share together," Madison says and adds, "if I need something fixed she's going to show me how to do

it, and I help her." Madison and her mother Lana both train the horses that Madison has ridden to success in the Northwest Ranch Cowbovs Association, High School National Finals Rodeo and more.

Lana rodeoed while she was in high school but not while she was in college, so when Madison was 3, she started her young daughter in the lifestyle she knew. At the age of 9 Madison began in rodeo.

Her parents ranch and do custom work in their home of South Dakota, and it was Madison's dad Ken

who aided in getting his daughter her first horse, a rescue mare that got Madison her start. Soon she graduated up to her current rodeo mount.

"Then we bought the horse I'm running now, the palomino we call Piper, that's gotten me everywhere. We bought her at a Breeder's Classic sale, and we trained her ourselves. She's just done everything for me, from barrels, poles and goats, and she's qualified me for just about anything."

Madison has two older brothers, Lane and Taten, and she is currently a senior in high school where she also plays basketball and runs track. Once school lets out however, Madison is right back to the arena training young horses and rodeoing through the summers with her mom. This year was her rookie year with the NRCA, and she loves being able to meet new people in the rodeo world.

"I meet new people every time I go to the rodeo, and you just get a second family which is really great. You're there to cheer on everybody else. You want to do your best, but it's great because you have other people rooting for you all the time."

Madison plans to compete in college rodeo and study radiation science.

Rodeo has helped teach her about positivity and optimism, even when things go wrong.

"If something doesn't go your way or the ground isn't the way it should be or your horse is having a day, you're not always going to have the perfect run every time, so you mentally better yourself and have things to change. There's always going to be another rodeo."

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Chute Doggers

Dayden Johnson

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ber of the Utah Junior High School Rodeo Association.
The Oak City, Utah cowboy, who is twelve, competes in the chute dogging, breakaway, team roping, and goat tying. Of all his events, chute dogging is his favorite, because "I get to throw a cow on the ground," he says.

For the roping events, he rides a fifteen year old sorrel named Bugs. For the goat tying, he rides an eighteen year old sorrel and white paint named Spanky. Of his two horses, Bugs is his favorite because the family has owned him longer, and "I have a better bond with him."

Dayden is a seventh grade student at Delta Middle School, where he enjoys science class but dislikes health class, because "we do a lot of weird things." His favorite school lunch is pizza sticks dipped in ranch dressing, and the best thing his mom makes is pepperoni pizza. He plays basketball, is on the swim team, and plays football. Dayden is on the honor roll and has a 4.0 grade point average, which will help him in his future career, which he hopes will be as a neurosurgeon.

He'd like to be a neurosurgeon, partly because he'd make a lot of money, and partly because "I think it would be cool," he says. As for all the money he would make, he'd like to "get a good house, buy my mom a house, and get me a good truck



above: UJHSRA member, Dayden Johnson
- Diane Garcia Photography

to haul horses around."

He competed at last year's state finals in the team roping, and has already qualified for this year's finals in the chute dogging and breakaway.

He has two brothers (Calder, age nine, and Kanyon, seven), and a sister, Raylee, who is five, who picks on her brothers.

He is the son of Travis and Denise Johnson.

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Cash Robb

ash Robb is proud to follow in his dad's footsteps.

12-year-old cowboy chute dogs, just like his dad did, and also tie-down ropes, ties goats, and ribbon ropes.

The Utah Junior High School Rodeo Association member who lives in Altamont rides a nine year old buckskin named Max for the tie-down, a twelve year old brown horse named Pig for the ribbon roping, and a 22-year-old sorrel named Joker for the goat tying. Of the three, his favorite is Max, because as his skills develop and grow, Max will get better as well.

Cash is a seventh grade student at Altamont High School, where he enjoys math but isn't crazy about art. But the best part of the school day is when it's over and he can be outside.

He plays baseball, football and wrestles, and finished the 2015 junior high wrestling season as a state champ. He's also on the honor roll.

For fun, he loves to work around the ranch, checking cows, fixing fence, feed-



above: UJHRSA member, Cash Robb - courtesy of Leesa Stansfield

ing, putting out mineral, and riding and roping.

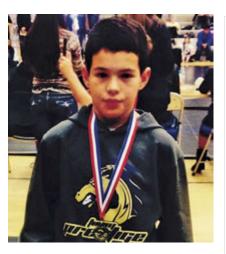
The Robb household has two dogs: a blue heeler named Dutch, who is his sister's dog, and a Corgi name Wilson who claims Cash as his "person." They also have a pet cat.

He competed at last year's state finals in the chute dogging, tie-down roping and goat tying, and as of press time, is currently leading the state standings in the chute dogging.

When he grows up, he'd like to be a vet-

He has a younger sister, Karysn, who is eight, and a younger brother, Cruz, who is four.

He is the son of Justin and Whitney Robb. 🔽



Joey Dansie

oey Dansie loves to chute dog.

The twelve year old member of the Utah Junior High School Rodeo Association also team ropes, ribbon ropes, ties goats and tie-down

below: UJHRSA member, Joey Dansie - courtesy of the Zane Dansie

ropes, but chute dogging is his favorite. He lives in Herriman, Utah, along with his all-around horse, Pepper, a ten year



old gray, and a 20-year-old dun, Twister, who used to be his main mount but now is his heading horse.

Joey is a seventh grade student at Provi-

dence Hall Junior High, where he loves math, socializing, and school lunches. He might get in trouble - but only once in a while - for talking in class, and he likes the school's orange chicken.

Joey admires his older brother, Leroy, who is in his freshman year at Utah Valley University. He looks up to Leroy, who is also a steer wrestler, because he "went to Nationals (high school), and he knows what he's doing." When Leroy gives advice to Joey, Joey listens.

Joey competes in wrestling and was on the honor roll in sixth grade. For fun, he loves to rope and chute dog at the family's outdoor arena.

He competed at the team roping at state finals last year, and when he grows up, he wants to be a pro rodeo steer wrestler and maybe team roper, and then a timed event stock contractor.

Joey has four brothers: Zach, 20, Leroy, 18 Mikey, 17, and Eli, who is 15, and two sisters, Whittney, 22, and Louey, who is eleven.

He is the son of Zane and Lorena Dansie.

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Steer Wrestlers





above: UHSRA member, Wayson Foy - courtesy of Cassi Dick

Wayson Foy

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on the mat, Wayson Foy loves to wrestle. The eighteen year old cowboy, a resident of Heber City, Utah, and a member of the Utah High School Rodeo Association, has wrestled competitively for the past six

hether it's in an arena or

years, and has high school rodeoed as a bulldogger for the past two years.

But he has a lot more interests than just wrestling steers and people.

He serves as the president of the Wasatch High School's FFA Chapter, which is an enjoyable role for him. The well-spoken cowboy has taken part in extemporaneous public speaking, after being shy when he started high school. "My freshman year, I had no self-confidence," he said. "I could hardly talk. Being in FFA, the kids I met really brought me out of my shell and made me realize I have a natural talent for shooting my mouth off," he joked.

He also enjoys working with kids. One night a week, he and his wrestling teammates coach up to 300 kids, ages two to eight, in wrestling. Heber City has a strong wrestling tradition and is the home of a Olympic gold medal wrestler, Cael Sanderson.

He also plays football, and is taking several AP, college and honors classes in school.

After graduation, Wayson would like to rodeo for Utah State and be a state FFA officer. The competition is this month, and if he isn't chosen, he'll apply again next year.

He qualified for state finals as a junior, and wishes he had started high school rodeo as a freshman. Both his mom and dad rodeoed in college and believed that Wayson shouldn't rodeo unless he was one hundred percent into it. "It took me till my junior year to realize that's what I really liked doing," he said. "I'm sad that I didn't do it when I was a freshman and sophomore, because I know how many things I've missed out on. But I'm also glad that that I waited till I was a junior. I don't think I'd have had the confidence to jump off a horse when I was younger."

Wayson has a younger brother, Zayne, who is sixteen and also a steer wrestler. He is the son of Wayne and Kim Foy.

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High School Rodeo.

Colton Smith

olton Smith is a timed event

cowboy in the Utah High School Rodeo Association. The seventeen year old cowboy, a resident of Highland, Utah, steer wrestles, tie-down ropes and team ropes.

His head horse is a fifteen year old sorrel named Rio who is "really good and solid," and his calf horse is a nine year old sorrel named Pepper, a mare who "is a little crazy every once in a while," Colton said. "She's a hot head like mares are. If you don't use her very often, she gets more hot. She likes to get her own way."

For the bulldogging, Colton borrows Clayton Grow's horse, a sorrel named Cherokee.

He is a senior at Lehi High School, where lunchtime is his favorite part of the school day. He doesn't eat lunch at school but chooses to visit one of the little



above: UHRSA member. Colton Smith Scoot 'Em and Shoot 'Em Photography

restaurants close to school. His favorites are Hart's or McDonald's, and if he goes to McDonald's, he loves to stack a spicy chicken on a double cheeseburger and wash them down with a Coke or Monster drink.

His favorite class is ag mechanics. The class made a goat chute and now he is making a roping dummy, with back legs that move. It's been a difficult project but it's been worth it, he says. He may make a flatbed yet.

After graduation, he will attend college, major in ag business, and rodeo collegiately.

He has competed at state finals the past two vears; he didn't rodeo his freshman year.

For fun, Colton likes to hunt and go mudding in his truck.

He has three sisters (Maddison, Savanah and Morgan), and a brother, Austin.

He is the son of Matthew and Krista Smith.

Makay Smith

akay Smith is in his final year of high school rodeo competition. eighteen-vear-old The cowboy, a member of the Utah High School Rodeo Association, is a steer wrestler, team roper, and will begin tie-down roping this spring.

He is a senior at Corner Canyon High School in Draper, but rodeos for the Lehi High School team. School is good, he says. "It's my last year of (high) school, so I might as well enjoy it." Diesel mechanics class is his favorite class, and it's earning college credits for the honor roll student.

Makay got his start in rodeo when he was a youngster. He and his cousin Colton Smith got interested in the sport, and began spending time with the Caldwell family in Lehi. The Caldwells started the boys with horses and riding, and since then, Makay and Colton have grown to love and excel at the sport. He and Colton are good friends.

Every day after school, Makay can be found at the Caldwells, cleaning out stalls, riding horses, training colts, and feeding.

In his spare time, he likes to work with



above: UHRSA member. Makay Smith - Scoot 'Em and Shoot 'Em Photography

his dad at their feedlot and slaughter house. "Work is fun for my family," he says.

Makay qualified for state finals last year in the steer wrestling.

After high school graduation, he will serve a two year mission for his church and then attend college. He'd like to rodeo collegiately as well.

He has two brothers (Jacob, 22 and Joshua, nine), and four sisters (Jessica, 21, Abigail, sixteen, Aliza, thirteen, and Elsie, eleven.)

He is the son of Jeff and Amy Smith.

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Meet the Member

Dallin Kemp

story by Terry Rhodes

allin Kemp started his RM-PRA competition while only in his junior year in high school, almost six years ago. The membership has been a boon to him in his rodeo and horse training career, and the source of a lot of good times for him. "It's a great association and has been awesome for me in my career. I wouldn't have been able to do the things that I have in my career without the Rocky Mountain association. In all honesty, the level of competition in the RMPRA is as good as you can find. You can expect some of the best in the world at RMPRA rodeos. Everyone there is great to work with; it feels like a family. Whenever I have (schedule) conflicts, I can call Tammy McKee and she'll work to get me in where I need to be. She's treated me like gold." His events are team roping and calf roping. "At the Rocky Mountain rodeos I team rope with Otis Grant quite a bit. Calf roping is my favorite; I have always been drawn to it."

Little did his family know what they started when they gave him a pony for Christmas at the age of 2. "None of my family rodeoed but I never wanted to do anything else. So twenty years later I'm still at it." He had a lot of success as he grew up in the world of rodeo going to the Junior High National Finals three consecutive years, the High School National Finals and the College National Finals. "I've been to the RMPRA Finals and you know you're on the right path when you make those Finals because there are so many good ropers there. You're roping against your heroes but they're still willing to help you."

Dallin attended Utah Valley University on full ride rodeo scholarship where he majored in emergency medical services and aviation science. "I wouldn't have been able to get that scholarship if I hadn't been able to polish my craft at RMPRA rodeos. I was fortunate to win the Rocky Mountain College Regional



above: RMPRA member Dallin Kemp - John Golom

Finals and went to the CNFR. I compete in the PRCA and it was the RMPRA that got me ready to compete in those events."

Dallin, 23, lives in Salem, Utah with his family. "I have a super family. My little brother, Conner, high school rodeos and my dad, Kevin have both been my biggest supporters; I wouldn't have a rodeo career without them." He says that his father and brother have been his biggest influences in his personal life. When it comes to rodeo, Dallin names Steve Young and Jesse Loveless as being two individuals that have made significant contributions to his success. "Steve is a header and

horse trainer and has taught me about horse training. He has always believed in me, and that means a lot."

During the week Dallin is busy working horses. "I love training calf roping horses. Even if I didn't rodeo, I'd be training calf horses. If I'm not on a horse, I'm in the gym or working on my craft. I'm fortunate that I have sponsors like Tagxnyth, Willard Ropes, and Steve Young Ranches."

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Eo – March 28th 2016 – 12:00 pm – 6:00 pm cb – March 29th 2016 – 2:00 pm – 6:00 pm central entry # 719-486-0599 Bb limit - 20 Sb limit - 20 Bulls limit - 40 Enter twice team roping Added money: \$200.00 Per event, team roping \$400.00 Fees:

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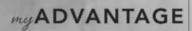




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uke Jeffries of Maricopa, Ariz., is the GCPRA's 2015 Year-End Tie-Down Roping Champion. He went into his third GCPRA finals leading the tie-down roping and clinched the title, while his arena record of an 8.0 from the 2014 finals still holds.

The 29-year-old is a third generation tie-down roper, originally from Idaho before he moved south to Arizona in 2013. "My grandpa did roughstock, though I think they rode mules back then instead of horses, but both my dad and my older brother are timed event guys. We've done some steer wrestling and team roping, but for the most part, we're tie-down ropers," says Luke. He started competing in junior rodeos at four years old, and he was breakaway roping in amateur associations by the time he was ten, also playing football and basketball until roping took top priority. Luke holds four titles with the ICA - three tie-down roping titles and an allaround – as well as a state tie-down roping title with the IHSRA. He spent a year at Southwestern Oklahoma State University before returning to Idaho, and later, transplanting to Arizona. "The weather and my work brought me here – I'm the first of my family to come to Arizona," says Luke. "It's dang sure hot, but we get seven or eight months of temperatures in the high 70s, so that's why I'm here!"

Luke's parents, Dallas and Mechelle, make their home in Oklahoma, but they came out in November to watch Luke compete in the finals. "I really look up to my dad. He's the one who's backed me through this whole thing," explains Luke. "We've always had good horses around thanks to him, and he doesn't compete anymore, but he still studies tie-down roping. That's his thing."

While Luke used to travel with his older brother, Joel, he mainly hauls with his fiancée, Kelsey, who is a breakaway roper in the GCPRA. "Since she's always with me at the rodeos, I use Kelsey's breakaway horse as a backup horse," says Luke. "My main horse is an 11-year-old bay I call Hot



above: Luke Jeffires, 2015 GCPRA Year-End Champion - Double K Diamond Photography

Sauce. When me and my brother bought him, he was two and hauling wagons around. I made him myself, and he took to tie-down roping pretty naturally. He's kind of like a big old pet to me now, I've had him so long," Luke adds with a laugh.

Equipped with a roping arena and calves on his place outside of Maricopa, Luke practices at least several times a week. "The competition out here is pretty tough," he says. "There's not a whole lot of tie-down ropers around here, but they can sure rope!" When he's not roping, Luke stays busy throughout the week installing septic tanks and building house pads. "We do a lot of construction jobs, plus I have a bunch of young horses that I ride. Right now I have nine head - some of them are outside horses. I used to hunt, but in the last three or four years, work and horses mainly keep me busy!"

Luke plans to increase his schedule even further by entering more rodeos on the Turquoise Circuit this year. He won the tie-down roping during the GCPRA's rodeo in Durango, Colo., in 2015. "That was a pretty big win during Fourth of July and that's probably been my favorite rodeo. It's nice up there in Colorado," says Luke. "I really enjoy competing and staying on top of wherever I'm at. I'd also like to repeat and win the Grand Canyon again this year. I like to win!"

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1 Rio Lee	414.00
2 John Killian	
3 Shane Morin	
4 Tyrick Wilson	195.00
TIE DOWN ROPIN	G
1 Luke Jeffries	713.00
2 Cole Robinson	
3 Cutter Parsons	
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5 Dustin Bird	364.00
6 Lane Siggins	
7 Seth Hall	
8 Nolan Mobley	
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4 Justin Stegall	
5 Robert Wooten	
6 Dale Davies	

7 Alvin Warren	. 170.00
8 Jeff Frizzell	
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1 Justin Miller	
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3 Austin Woods	
4 Casey Lillyman	
5 Trey Nahrgang	244 00
6 Dean Mcintyre	221.00
7 Jeff Frizzell	221.00
8 Tim Robertson	
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1 Kayse Mahoney	603.00
2 Mckenzie Frizzell	645.00
3 Nicole Sweazea	
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7 Georgia Diez	225.00
8 Kelsey Early	215.00
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11 Zoe Billings	
12 Kristen Summerfield	. 120.00
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1 Ashley Haller	. 724.00
2 Brianne Hansen	
3 Lori Todd	
4 Halle Dewitt	. 452.00

5 Brooke Thomas 402.00
6 Kassie Willis
7 Terri Foley 331.00
8 Leanne Wilkerson 317.00
9 Geneva Kelly 260.00
10 Kathee Martin 249.00
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12 Kaylee Billingsley 118.00
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1 Leanne Wilkerson 376.00
2 Jackie Crane 364.00
3 Brianne Hansen 312.00
4 Terri Foley 301.00
5 Madilyn Todd 247.00
6 Leigh Ann Billingsley 238.00
7 Stacey Padilla 182.00
8 Kristin Brashears 176.00
9 Melody Skiver 117.00
10 Shyanne Summerfield 113.00
11 Lakota Bird 65.00
12 Dawn Barrett 63.00
OPEN TEAM ROPING
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1 Michael Calmelat 1297.00
2 Ryan Reed 875.00
3 Max Kuttler
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6 Nate Singletary	422.00
7 Lane Siggins	418.00
8 Carlos Bustamonte	272.00
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10 Steven Gaona	151.00
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3 Tom Bill Johnson	
4 Tj Brown	573.00
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2 Cooper Dewitt	326.00
3 Shaun Ebert	245.00
4 Jake Burwash	82.00
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2 Clint Holcomb	453.00
3 Willie Dynes	400.00
4 Nate Zamora	330.00
5 Argenis Castellanos	260.00
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Phone #	S.S.#
EmailAddress:	
Birthdate acket Size: (Finals) Men Women	
Event(s)	
Profession/Hobby Outside of Rodeo:	
Membership-\$90 until 1/10/16	
Membership \$110 after 1/10/16	
Family Membership-(3 or More Cards then \$60 ea	ch)
Youth (under 18) & College Rodeo Student-\$60. V	Working card \$70 (All Arena Personnel)
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A Word From the

TBRA President

by Daryl McElroy

would like to take this opportunity and wish each and every one of the TBRA followers a Happy New Year! As the 2016 rodeo season officially kicks off this week, I would like to give a little insight into the Texas Bronc Riders Association and what we have planned for our inaugural year. Over the last seven months, I have been asked a wide variety of questions: everything from "How will you help the sport?" to "Is this just a wannabe ERA?'

First, let me say that we are not trying to reinvent the wheel. We are working with multiple associations to help promote the sport of bronc riding. Over the next nine

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months we will be hosting or co-sanctioning 36+ events with a season finals that should be over the top! The TBRA is working hard to preserve the classic event of rodeo, while helping today's youth gain the knowledge and skills from some of the top cowboys in the world for free.

We have teamed up with Cervi Rodeo Company and Ace High Roughstock Academy to offer free bronc riding schools during the summer of 2016 throughout the great state of Texas. We feel that if you want to encourage today's youth to follow in the footsteps of some of the greatest rodeo cowboys, you need to provide them with the training and knowledge to do so.

The TBRA is a registered 501(c) 3 nonprofit organization and operates with a zero payroll – all the work is done by vol-



above: TBRA President, Daryl McElroy - Courtesy of Daryl

unteers! All monies that are generated from the sale of merchandise, memberships and events go toward the multiple scholarships that will be awarded to youth bronc riders across the state of Texas. We will also be holding a scholarship shootout that will take place during the TBRA finals. The top high school bronc riders from across the state of Texas, Oklahoma and Louisiana will compete for a "winner take all" match up in Bareback, Saddle Bronc and Ranch Bronc riding.

We have one additional hurdle to pass and then we can start posting the 2016 dates and sponsors. I can tell you this much: the first two stops of the 2016 year will be January 22 and 23 at the Stockyards Rodeo in the historic Fort Worth, Texas Stockyards and February 6th and 7th for the CPRA/TBRA in Bulverde, Texas.

So in short, "What is the TBRA?" Well we're just a group of cowboys and cowgirls that want to make sure that the next generation of cowboys have a better shot than we did and we are going to do whatever it takes to make that happen.

I'm looking forward to meeting everybody out on the trail this year, be safe and best of luck in 2016.

- Daryl McElroy

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COWTOWN CHALLENGE

(In conjunction with the Stockyards Rodeo) January 22-23 February 12-13 March 18-19 April 1-2 May 20-21 June 10-11 July 1-2 August 12-13 September 2-3

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September 16-17

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Bryce Derrer



story by Ruth Nicolaus

ryce Derrer is a tie-down roper, ribbon roper and team roper in the New **Mexico Junior High School Rodeo Association.** The fourteen year old cowboy lives in Portales, N.M. and for the tie-down, rides a fifteen year old sorrel mare named Remmy. Remmy replaced his old tie-down horse who he rode at the National Junior High Finals last year, and who coliced last fall.

For the team roping, he rides Chevelle, a twelve year old sorrel. Bryce is a header for Will Haley. In the ribbon roping, he ropes for Shacie Marr.

He is in the eighth grade and is homeschooled. His favorite subject to study is math; his least favorite is science. Bryce enjoys homeschooling, because when he has his work completed, he can rope. The family has a calf alley, and when it's time to rope, Bryce, his dad, and his younger brother all head to the arena.

Bryce loves to eat his mom's tacos and enchiladas, and loves green chili and jalapenos, as long as they're not too hot. His grandma makes good taco soup, too.

He has a picture of himself with World Champion Tuf Cooper; Tuf was Bryce's brother's mugger at a tie-down roping in Clovis, N.M. in 2011. Tuf is Bryce's favorite, because he works hard and doesn't give up easily. Bryce would love to follow in Tuf's footsteps and be a world champion.

Bryce is also a member of the Roosevelt Co. Little Wranglers Junior Rodeo Association and has roped in the Ultimate Calf Roping and the Rising Stars Roping. He made the short round at the state junior high finals both his sixth and seventh grade years, and last year competed at the above: NMJHSRA member, Bryce Derrer - Pounding Hooves Photography

National Junior High Finals Rodeo in the ribbon roping and tie-down roping.

He has a younger brother, Jacob, who is twelve. He is the son of Richard and Victoria Derrer.

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Meet the Member

Zane Munoz



story by Ruth Nicolaus

he New Mexico High School Rodeo Association cowboy has had parts in two westerns: the Lone Ranger (2013) and Gunslingers (2015). In Gunslingers, a TV mini-series that aired on the American Heroes Channel, Zane played the part of the young Jim Miller, a killer who is played by Zane in the flashbacks to his youth.

The best part of being in the movies is that he rides for his part. "I get to have a gun, ride a horse, and shoot," Zane said. "It's kind of fun."

When he's not playing in the movies, Zane is a tie-down roper, team roper and saddle bronc rider. For the tie-down, he above: Zan Munoz at the 2015 IFYR - JenningsRodeo-Photography.com inset: Zan and his father, George Munoz - courtesy of the family

rides a twelve year old light sorrel named Razor who is "the bomb," Zane said. "He's got a real good punch to him. He breaks hard, is real smooth, is easy to get along with, and real loving. When he sees you, he walks up to you, wants to be petted, and puts his head on your shoulder. He's a real big baby."

He has a second tie-down horse, Minibike, who is the opposite of Razor. Minibike is stubborn, hard-headed, small, and looks like a tank. He used to be his brother Landon's horse but Zane claims him now.

Zane's head horse is Spirit, a nine year old who is a lot like Razor. "He's a real

baby, too. He walks up to you and always wants to be fed." Spirit works both ends in the team roping. "I love him to death," Zane said.

He is a junior at Middle College High School, where most of his classes are for college credit. His favorite class is welding. Zane rodeos for Gallup High School and plays baseball. He has been on his school's honor roll.

Zane won rookie of the year in 2014, his freshman year of high school and the same year his brother Landon won it for the junior high association. Zane has qualified for Nationals in sixth through eighth grade and again as a sophomore.

Of all his events, saddle bronc riding is his favorite.

After high school, he plans on attending a college with a good saddle bronc riding coach and getting his welding degree and a business degree. He'd like to rodeo professionally, as a saddle bronc rider and tie-down roper. Eventually, he'd like to make the Wrangler

National Finals Rodeo and follow in the footsteps of his granddad, Ralph Maynard, who was an NFR qualifier.

Zane loves to hunt, snowboard, and wakeboard.

He is the son of George and Sharmyn Munoz.

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HIS TO WIN... MINE TO WEAR!

article by Crystal Lyons

have won a few buckles, but none that I like to wear as much as the ones my son has won. They are newer, prettier and well....simply COOLER! As I was

putting on a belt with Colt Wrangler's buckle attached to it, I got to thinking about this whole scenario.

Colt had discipline himself to practice and put out the effort to drive the long distances rodeos. He had to face the challenges of getting on both bulls and broncs. He had to deal with facing his fears and overcoming mental blockages. He had to carry the injuries that riding rough stock always incurs and that kid worked a job from 14 years old and up to pay his own entry fees as much

as was possible for him to do. And I am wearing the trophies of his hard work and efforts!

My favorite saddle is the one Colt Wrangler won his senior year in saddle broncs. That's the saddle I ride in all the events I do. I didn't get on one bronc but I sure am enjoying the saddle that he won in that event! We gathered up horses that were renegades....anything that we could find...for him to practice on. We bucked out in arenas that hadn't had the ground worked in MONTHS...hard as concrete....and that kid hit the dirt over and over again, never giving up. I now sit my butt in a saddle that didn't cost me one bruise! He paid the price for what I enjoy!

I didn't have to crawl down on one bull....not one....and yet I wear the buckles from that event that he won! Colt Wrangler spent \$1,200 of his own hard earned money to buy one terrific little practice bull that would go both ways.

"Mighty Moe" was an AWESOME practice bull, easy to handle and very rideable as long as you didn't make any mistakes. If you rode correctly, you could get by him easily enough....but get sloppy and you were out of there. Also, Moe worked really hard to not step on a kid even when they were right under him. Moe was perfect for the job! Because of that, Colt's investment was a blessing to several other boys who kept trying

their luck on good ole Moe. I never once had to get on that bull, though I did flank him a bunch. I never spent the time in the hospital that Colt had to recuperating from broken bones dealt him by a bull. But I wear the buckles.....

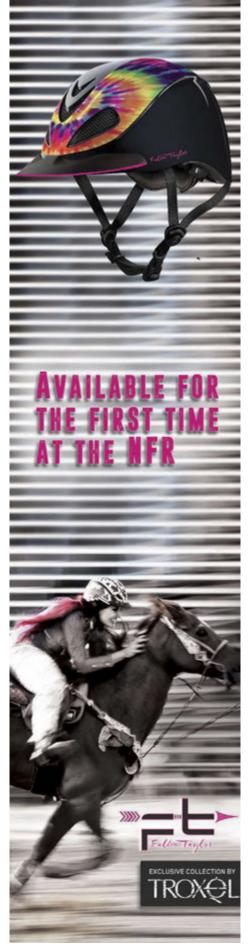
This is exactly like what is offered to every person by Jesus! HE was tortured and spit on and rejected by those He loved.....He went to hell and defeated Satan on his own turf. HE walked in a

world FULL of hate and injustices and temptations and never faltered.....NOT ONCE! HE won the prize that I am now invited to WEAR! I have access as a child of God to ALL that Jesus WON! It's not mine to win....it's mine to wear! Jesus WON it so I could WEAR it!! It was HIS to win....it's mine to WEAR!

above: Crystal Lyons - JenningsRodeoPhotography

I LOVE wearing the anointing and power that He paid the price for!! I lavish in the supreme HONOR of wearing His nature....possessing His heart.... hearing His voice....and experiencing His PEACE! It was HIS to win.....but it's MINE TO WEAR!!! Sooooo...... dress yourself in what Jesus has won for vou! You can't EARN it....but you were

meant to WEAR it! For more information on Crystal - or to be put









Rodeo Spotlight

McCook, Nebraska

story by Ruth Nicolaus

he McCook, Neb. rodeo is a win-win-win for everyone involved.

For the cowboys and cowgirls, it's another chance to compete and win a check.

For the two associations involved, the Kansas Pro Rodeo Association and the Nebraska State Rodeo Association, it's another chance for contestants to earn a spot towards the finals.

And for college rodeo kids, it's a chance to make a run or ride and earn money for the Mid-Plains Community College Rodeo Team Booster Club.

The McCook rodeo takes place twice a year: once in March as a full rodeo, and once in November as a timed event rodeo. It was started six years ago by Garrett Nokes, an all-around hand, and it was the first rodeo north of the Kansas border to be first-approved by the KPRA. Nokes switches first approval for each rodeo: one will be first-approved KPRA and second-approved NSRA, and the second rodeo is first-approved NSRA and secondapproved KPRA.

Two rodeos are held each weekend, with slack at noon and the performance in the evening. Nokes estimates that last year there were about thirty contestants in each event.

As the timed event coach for the Mid-Plains Community College, Nokes' rodeo athlete students use the March rodeo as a fundraiser. They do all the volunteer work: concessions, ticket taking, sponsorships, behind the chutes, whatever needs to be done. Nokes likes the experience it gives them. "Very few contestants respect the amount of work and the hours volunteers put in to put on a rodeo. It's part of the learning experience of rodeo and I think







it's very, very good for these kids. When they hit the professional level, they'll understand what the volunteers are doing. They'll be more apt to walk up to a committeeman and say thank you. Without that, we don't have rodeos. If we raise a generation of kids who don't respect that, and don't show their gratitude, you get less and less volunteers each year and we don't

Nokes also believes in helping out the city of McCook, and his back to back rodeos help with that. "It's good for the town. (The city) is all about keeping people in town for two days."

have a way to make a living."

This year's spring rodeo is March 19-20.

top left: KPRA member Rowdy Moon top right: SWNE Rodeo Queen above: KPRA members Lucas Phillips & Connor Stephens - Lone S Photography

The rodeo benefits greatly because of the good relationship between the KPRA and the NSRA. "There's a really good cooperation between the Nebraska and Kansas associations," he said. "With our location (McCook is fifteen miles north of the Kansas border), my rodeos wouldn't survive without both associations. I can't do it with just one. The fact that both associations work together and help keep everybody involved makes it good for everybody."

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for average money payout

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SUNDAY, JUNE 19 LAKIN MEMBERSHIP RODEO,

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story by Lily Weinacht

ret Pope, father of three rodeo competitors and the first generation of his family to be hooked by the sport, has been serving on the KJHSRA board of directors for the last five years. The dad from Garnett, Kan., is also the adult roughstock director for both the KJHSRA and KHSRA, and though he has never nodded his head in the chutes himself, going to rodeo schools and learning alongside his sons has equipped him with all he needs to help the contestants."Growing up, a lot of my friends rodeoed and I travelled with them, but I never competed," says Bret. "My wife, Jennifer, has been around it too, and we got our boys into it after the oldest two rode sheep at the fair. They got hooked and we went with it!"

Jess, a junior in high school, competes in the KHSRA in team roping, saddle bronc riding, and bareback riding, winning his first world title this summer in the senior boys bareback riding during the 2015 NLB-FR in Pueblo, Colo. He was also the Bull Riding Reserve National Champion in the NJHFR during his sixth grade year and has qualified twice for the NHSFR. An eighth grader, Ty is on the Junior High Cinch Team in bareback steers, and additionally competes in saddle bronc steers and junior bulls in the KJHSRA. Their brother, Judd, is a fourth grader, competing in steer riding in the KJRA. "Jennifer is the video person, and she keeps everything going. It seems like we're always going two directions!" says Bret. "Roughstock is what the boys love doing. They've been to enough schools that they know how to handle it."

Bret has taken the boys Homestead Rodeo School in Richmond, Kan., as well as Monster Bull riding clinics in Oklahoma, while Jess recently went to Camp of Champions in Spanish Fork, Utah. "I think the most challenging part

of getting started was learning the equipment and what kind the boys would need to be successful - and figuring out how to get down the road with them," says Bret. "That's something I try to help all the rodeo kids with. If they need help or need to borrow equipment from us, we help them out. I know what it's like to not have those things."

The Pope family makes their home several miles outside of Garnett, with plenty of room to run Jess's roping horses, while the family also raises beef cattle and keeps mules for coon hunting. "Jess ropes on his horses at home, but he borrows Trov Brunson's horse during the rodeos," Bret explains. "That way, we can pull a camper to the rodeos. The beauty of roughstock is that you throw the gear bags in and go!" Jess practices with the team at Fort Scott Community College, and all of the boys have spur boards and other equipment to practice on in their basement. "We also have bucking chutes at the house that we'll buck our steers in," says Bret. When he's not traversing Kansas for the next rodeo, Bret



from left: Bret, Jess, Judd, Ty, and Jennifer Pope - courtesy the Pope family

teaches automotive at Flint Hills Technical College. "We teach everything mechanicalthis will be my sixteenth year teaching."

Rodeoing year round, the Pope family spends the winter months practicing at indoor arenas in Oklahoma. "We go wherever there's rodeos," says Bret. "What we love about rodeo is the family time and all the friends we've made. We've got a long road to go yet, but my biggest goal for the boys is for them to enjoy rodeo and do the best they can do!"

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Meet the Members

Clawson Family

story by Lindsay Whelchel

raig and Sloan Clawson fell in love and started a family with no rodeo background and no plans to be involved in horses.

Now, they and daughter Roxanna "Anna," are fixtures in the Kansas High School Rodeo Association.

Though Sloan grew up showing horses, she didn't have any by the time she married Kraig, who was not familiar with the animals. Sloan works as a first grade teacher at a Christian academy, and Kraig works the family business. "When my husband and I got together we had no intentions of having a horse life. How it all started was my parents gave our daughter a horse for her birthday," Sloan laughs recalling the gift of a welsh pony when Anna turned 6. Unbeknownst to the Clawsons, the mare had a surprise colt not long after.

"Her dream was to ride that pony in the after harvest parade, and so my stepdad and my husband had to get the colt leading, and my husband walked [Anna] up and down the dirt roads riding so many times, it was just amazing," Sloan recalls fondly, saying of Kraig's beginnings as a horseman.

"Kraig knew nothing. He learned everything just from talking to people and reading and watching, and that is how he has grown. He has just been so wonderful."

The horses were no doubt a blessing at a time when the family would need a happy endeavor. That same year in June after the colt was born, Sloan was diagnosed with breast cancer. She credits Kraig with taking charge in helping mold Anna's riding experience since she couldn't because of her health. Thankfully, Sloan has long been

Now their two older sons, Kody and Kane each have children of their own, and the family has continued to pour their hearts into the Western way of life.

Initially, Anna did performance horses but focused her attention to

rodeo around 11 or 12 vears old. She's a senior now in high school and has been competing in the KHSRA with plans to college rodeo next.

"It has been a wonderful thing in that we've met so many friends. It's a great family atmo-

sphere. We've got friendships all over the state, and I think that rodeo teaches kids responsibility, winning, losing. It teaches them to work hard," Sloan says adding, "faith plays into that, utilizing the gift that God has given you and the resources that He gives you to be able to manage all of it."

Faith is a strong part of the Clawson family's work with the KHSRA. They facilitate the crisis fund alongside the Sunday church services held in conjunction with the rodeos. They have help from preacher, Cory Young and worship leader, Brant McGee.

"We take a freewill donation at the service, and we use the money for a crisis fund [to assist a KHSRA member] that has a need. That is the highlight for me being able to help in that way," Sloan says.
Sloan has loved being able to support

the kids in the KHSRA and work on some boards and as a secretary in other rodeorelated groups.

Anna is enjoying her last season in the



left: Kraig and Sloan Clawson - courtesy the family above: KHSRA member Roxanna Clawson - Jeff Frizell

KHSRA, and as for Kraig, he is helping wherever he can. "He's an event director. He just works wherever he's needed. He just loves to help the kids and interact with the kids. He definitely has a heart for service," Sloan says proudly.

It would seem that first pony was the perfect gift for the whole family.

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Meet the Member

Kyla Burdick

story by Lily Weinacht

yla Burdick from Rosehill, Kan., is entering her second season in the KJRA, competing in goat tying and barrel racing. The 12 year old watched her dad compete in team roping and steer wrestling and wanted to try the sport of rodeo for herself. "My dad wanted me to rodeo, too, so I started off goat tying. I tried pole bending later, but now I just do goats and barrels," says Kyla. "I like the adrenaline you get from goat tying, and the teamwork you have to have with your horse. I also enjoy meeting new people!"

Kyla competed in her first rodeo of the year in January with the OKYRA. Last year, during the OKYRA's finals, she won prize money and a hay bag. "I've really missed rodeo this winter, so I'm very ready to get back into it!" Kyla says. She practices several times a week with her dad's help, loading her horse and practice goats into the trailer in order to ride at a neighbor's arena several miles away. "Dad helps me out with what I need to improve on, and I also look up to my friend, Avary Brown. She's in junior high rodeo and she's helped coach me when we practice."

The Burdick family lives several miles outside of Rosehill. Kyla's parents, Casey and Meridy, and her 15-year-old brother, Jace, travel with Kyla to her rodeos. "Jace is interested in sports mainly, like wrestling and baseball and soccer, but he comes to my rodeos and I go watch his games," Kyla explains. "We do a lot of driving!" When she's off to a rodeo, Kyla loads her ten-year-old buckskin, Gus, who is also her dad's team roping horse. "Gus is very talented. I use him for both my events," she



above: KJRA member Kyla Burdick in Salina, KS - SportsPix

says. "When I'm getting ready for a rodeo, I tell him to be good. Most of the time, he listens."

In addition to Gus and a retired rodeo horse, the Burdicks have a donkey, pigs, goats, and chickens. "My least favorite chore is probably hauling water to our chickens," Kyla admits. "The bucket is really heavy!" However, she is looking forward to 4-H and showing rabbits this summer. She has shown pigs in the past, but decided to switch to rabbits. "It'll be different this year because I won't have to get up at 3 am every day to go down and feed the pigs and show them during fair," says Kyla. "Showing rabbits happens later in the day. We haven't picked out a breed yet, but I'd like to get one of the lop breeds."

A seventh grader at Mulvane Middle

School, Kyla's favorite class is science. She enjoys learning about animals and ecosystems, and she also likes sew, which she is learning in her home economics class. "I just got a sewing machine, and right now I'm making pillows," she describes. The rest of Kyla's time is spent riding horses with her friends, or the occasional ice skating trip to the Wichita Ice Center.

Anxious to be back in the rodeo arena, Kyla is interested in learning to breakaway rope, while she'd like to meet Tuf Cooper one day. Her dad competes in the USTRC, and Kyla wants to back into the roping box herself. "I want to keep rodeoing as I grow up, and I'd like to get better at goat tying and learn to breakaway," Kyla finishes. "Then, hopefully, I'll get to the college finals!"

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Meet the Member

Brandi Callaway





left: CePRA member Brandi Callaway - Jeff Frazell above: Brandi's daughter Blakely - Courtesy the family

story by Ruth Nicolaus

randi Callaway is in her second year of membership in the Central Plains Rodeo Association.

The Missouri native-Kansas transplant grew up in the sport, tving goats and breakaway roping, but it wasn't till after college that she began running

Now she competes solely in that event, when she's not working or taking care of her daughter.

Callaway, who lives with her fiancé Brent Jones in Eldorado, Kan., works as a physical therapist in a retirement community in Wichita during the days and then is "mom" to two and a half year old Blakely.

She has been a licensed physical therapist for the last eleven years, and considers her job very rewarding: "to be able to help people, especially in the senior community," is fulfilling.

She rides a nine year old horse named

Gunner, whose registered name is Night Gunman. Gunner started his career as a reining and heel horse, but Brandi turned him into a barrel horse. He's "superbroke," she says, but doesn't like to be fawned over. "He doesn't love to be loved on," she says. "He wants to do his thing and doesn't need any excessive attention." Gunner has his quirks and he's not for the faint of heart, Brandi says, but he's an all-around type of horse. "He's a really nice rope horse. We ranch on him, rope off him, head, heel, breakaway, whatever. He's handy to have around."

Brandi loves to rope as well as run barrels, and team ropes with Brent at their arena. She also ropes at local jackpots.

Since Blakely came into her life, she's rodeoed less. "My priorities have changed a little bit," she laughed. Blakeley "of course is the whole world now." Blakely loves horses and has a pony of her own named Cinch. Blakely loves to be at the arena and go to rodeos, especially if they have carnivals. "The fair runs are great," Brandi said. She's been traveling with her

parents since she was little, and is good about being in a vehicle. "Thankfully, our truck has a DVD player," Brandi said.

Brandi's parents live three hours away, in Lathrop, Mo., so if she has a free weekend, she goes to visit them. She considers her rodeo friends to be family, too. "That's the best part about rodeo. They become your family."

While she was a student at Northeastern Oklahoma State in Miami, she qualified for the College National Finals once in the breakaway and once in the goat tying. 📅

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Meet the Member

Cinch Moody



story by Lily Weinacht

inch Moody of Stephenville, Texas, started his career with the AJRA two years ago, and won the average in the breakaway roping, ribbon roping, and double mugging during the 2015 AJRA finals. But his rodeo career began much earlier. "My dad started roping when I was born, and he had roping videos all over the house," Cinch explains, "I didn't watch cartoons - I watched those roping videos, and ever since I was little, I've had a rope in my hands."

The hundreds of runs he has made from the roping box paid off in December of 2015. Cinch was invited to compete in the 12 and Under tie-down roping during the Roy Cooper Shoot Out in Las Vegas - and he won. "The first day, I didn't rope very sharp, so my dad and I had a talk and figured out what to do better, and the second day in the short round, I tied my fastest calf ever in nine seconds," Cinch recalls. "I didn't know if I'd make it to the Shoot Out, but I did, and I told myself I was going to be aggressive at the barrier and go at every calf I nodded my head for."

Cinch met Roy Cooper prior to the Invitational, spending his seventh birth-

day not only with the Super Looper himself, but also Tuf Cooper and Trevor Brazile. "The man who sponsors me and makes my saddles, Fred Werneck, had a horse that Tuf was trying out, so I was able to meet them then," says Cinch. "I really look up to Trevor Brazile. No matter if he's had a good day or a terrible day, he's going to have a smile on his face."

Like Trevor Brazile, Cinch plans to make a career out of tie-down roping. "You have so many things to do in a short amount of time with that event, and you have to have big trust that your horse will work the whole time

you're flanking and tying," says Cinch. He also competes in the AJRA in team roping as both a header and heeler, while entering jackpots and other rodeo associations around the state.

"I enjoy the AJRA because almost every big rodeo person from Texas got their start with them, and they have really good cattle. It's a great association to go to, describes Cinch. "I love the competition of rodeo. It's between you and the calf or steer you've drawn, not anyone else. You just have to make the best run you can and move on to the next one!"

Cinch and his parents, Shanna and Jeremiah, make their home about ten miles outside of Stephenville. They built a roping lane during the summer, though Cinch prefers to keep himself and his horses sharp with just a few runs a week. He won the AJRA finals riding a horse belonging to Fred Werneck, while Cinch's head horse, Black, belongs to John Dutton. His calf horses are Fancy and Rio. "I have a young horse, Man Cat, who I think will be really nice," Cinch adds. "People

left: Cinch Moody's winning run during the 2015 Roy Cooper Shootout in Las Vegas, NV - dudleydoright.com

also send me horses to train, which helps me pay my entry fees."

When he's not in the arena or helping a neighbor with day work on his ranch, Cinch can be found at Henderson Junior High. A seventh grader, he runs cross country and plays basketball, while his favorite class is history. "I really enjoy Texas history," he says. "An interesting thing about my state is that there were originally more Indians here than any other state, but now we have the fewest reservations."

Anticipating the start of the next AJRA season, Cinch's goal is to win the tiedown roping. "I mainly want to pursue tie-down roping, with a little team roping," Cinch finishes, "and I for sure want to make rodeo my career."

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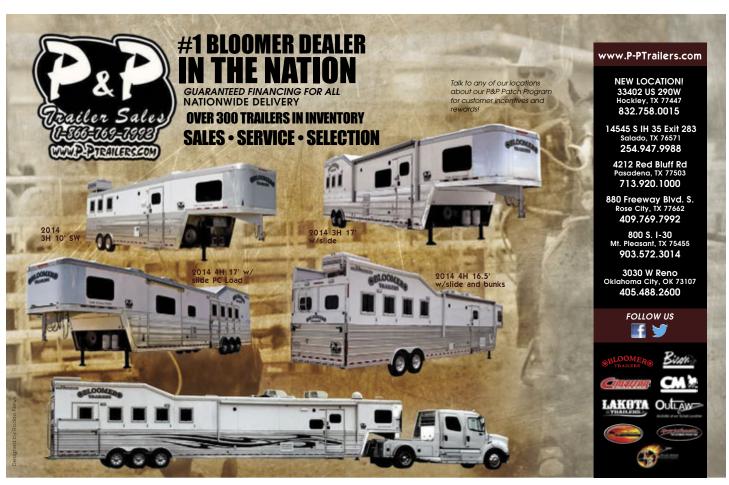
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Charles Rankin

story by Sylvia Mahoney

harles Davis (Charlie) Rankin died Friday, January 8, 2016, at his home in Boerne, Texas, from the effects of emphysema. He was 90 years old.

Back in 1948, Charlie was a veteran of World War II, a student at Texas A&M, a natural organizer and he enjoyed the sport of rodeo, especially saddle bronc riding. He sent out letters to rodeo clubs and ag departments around the western states and rounded up a group of like minded cowboys and they met and started a college rodeo organization, the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association. This was a student led organization, begun on a shoe string, led by young men who were full time students, wedging rodeo competition and the management of a rodeo organization into their school schedules. The odds were all against the NIRA surviving even a couple of seasons much less sixty-eight years! That it did survive and thrive is due to the forethought, wisdom, planning, and determination of those determined young men, not the least of them being Charlie Rankin. He remembered staying up all night with a committee writing the by-laws for this new organization using the FFA by-laws as template!

Charlie said the need for a national organization to govern college rodeo was apparent to him and to fellow cowboys. So, on January 30, 1949, the NIRA-- the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association was established, with Rankin elected the first student president. The NIRA was student-created and led, and it is still the college rodeo governing body today.

After graduating at Texas A & M, Charlie became the first NIRA Executive Manager, keeping the records in his dorm room,a job he held only months before he was called back into service during the Korean War

Born June 2, 1925, to Winnie Lee (Davis) and Charles Duncan Rankin in Dallas, Texas, he was graduated from high school there in 1943. He enlisted in the

navy and served as a boiler tender on the USS Takanis Bay (CVE-89). His ship was one of the first to dock at postwar Japan, and they brought back hundreds of American soldiers who had fought the Japanese. The Takanis Bay was one of those smaller carriers which the United States made by the dozens during the war.

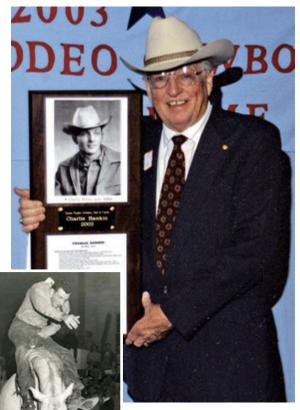
After mustering out of the Navy in late 1945, he headed to College Station and Texas A & M College, where he was graduated with an animal husbandry degree in January 1950, complements of the

G.I. Bill. His real love, though, was rodeo, and he was a member of the Aggie rodeo team. He said he paid for his 'extras' at college by winning a 'purse' at the rodeos. While at A & M Charlie met Sue Evelvn Moore at the Bandera Stompede, courted her. and married her on September 21, 1950.

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govern college rodeo was apparent to him and to fellow cowboys. So, on January 30, 1949, the NIRA-- the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association was established, with Rankin elected the first student president. The NIRA was student-created and led, and it is still the college rodeo governing body today. -

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above: Charlie Rankin in 2003 **left:** Bronc riding in younger days - courtesy the family

Korean War.

After Korea, he worked in Eden, in West Texas, as an agent for the U.S. Soil Conservation Service. After awhile, he tried

his hand at selling insurance in Dallas, but realized that was not for him. He started doing a program of agricultural news and markets on WACO Radio, in Waco. The owners of KRGV Radio in Weslaco offered him a job as farm broadcaster not long after, and he moved his family to the Rio Grande Valley.

Charlie started doing an early morning radio program on KRGV. KRGV then added a noontime radio and television program, and the Charlie Rankin farm

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He continued at KRGV until leaving in 1967 to form his own company. Voice of Valley Agriculture, and his early and noonday farm reports continued on KURV Radio in Edinburg, KBOR Radio in Brownsville and eventually KELT-FM in Harlingen. In 1984, Charlie and other investors bought KURV Radio from Lloyd Hawkins and he operated the station and did his farm program until retiring in 1990. He also partnered with June Brann to start South Texas AgriNEWS and wrote a column entitled 'Behind the Chutes.'

Charlie never lost his interest in rodeo, helping organize the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Alumni Association and was elected 2007 NIRA Alumnus of the Year, something of which he was very proud. He garnered many awards in the agriculture community, both in the Valley and statewide, over the years...

Not only was Charlie a broadcaster and a citrus farmer, he was something of an amateur historian, at least as South Texas history was concerned. From 1978 to 1984 he served on the Hidalgo County Historical Commission and was on the board of the Hidalgo County Historical Museum (now the Museum of South Texas History) 1982 to 1989. He also served on the Board of Directors of the Texas Ranger Association Foundation in Waco.

"Charlie Rankin was the biggest supporter the Texas Aggie Rodeo Team has ever had. He never forgot about us and was always willing to help." That praise from Dr. Al Wagner, the Aggie Rodeo Team sponsor sums up Charlie;s love of the sport. He was All-Around Cowboy at the 1947 Aggie rodeo, champion bareback bronc rider at the 1st NIRA Texas A&I rodeo in Kingsville in 1949 and was a Texas A&M team member at the 1st College National Finals rodeo at the San Francisco Cow Palace in 1949.

In 1985, wife Sue died of pancreatic cancer, and in 1988 Charlie married a high school friend.

Billie Marie Tolbirt. Billie made Charlie very happy and she continues to live at Morningside Ministries

He is survived by a daughter, Susan, of Dallas, and granddaughter, Alexandra Amanda; a son, Davis Rankin and wife Shan, grandsons Marshall and Duncan; step daughter Gayle Tolbirt Eason and husband Bill; stepson Randall Tolbirt and wife Tannah. He is also survived by grandchildren Tod Eason, Christine Eason Raymond and husband Chris Raymond, Tammy Tolbirt and Shana Tolbirt. His great grandchildren are Jordan Gonzales, Logan Gonzales, Avery Falcon, Trenton Falcon, Jackson Ames, Jack Raymond and Lily Eason.

Those wishing to honor his memory may make a donation to The Museum of South Texas History (MOSTH), 200 N. Closner Blvd., Edinburg, Texas, 78541; Texas Aggie Rodeo, P.O. Box 12074, College Station, Texas, 77842, Morningside Ministries Covenant Fund, 700 Babcock, San Antonio, Texas, 78201, or NIRA Alumni 😽

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Meet the Member

Gary Lee Alger, Jr.



above: NSPRA member Gary Lee Alger, Jr. - courtesy of the family

story by Terry Rhodes

ary Lee Alger, Jr. is just finishing his 'rookie year with the Senior Pro Rodeo Association, and what a year it was for the Pendleton, Ore. cowboy. He went into the Finals with a sizeable lead and he did not slacken. He claimed both the Average and Year End title in the 40's saddle bronc riding.

Gary says that the Senior Pro Association has a lot to offer for those who are over 40 and still wanting to compete. "The camaraderie and friendships that you make are some of the best things about going to these rodeos. You meet people from all over the country and you see them again at the different rodeos.

I would say; If you like rodeoing, come on and join us."

In 2016 he will be starting as the saddle bronc event director and he brings a fresh perspective and a lot of enthusiasm to the position. "I wasn't looking for the job, but some of the bronc riders I met this year thought that I'd be a good director and they just kind of put me in there. I've been an event director for the Columbia River Circuit in the past so I have some background on what it entails. I'll be the representative for the bronc riders in matters related to the association. I'll be finding spon-

sors and getting awards for the Finals."As a first year member to the NSPRA, Gary asked questions about the operation and soon found himself filling the director's spot. "One of the things I would like to do is improve communication between the association and member-contestants and make things more user-friendly."

Right now Gary's only event is saddle broncs but don't be too surprised to see Gary on bulls in the near future. "I've kind of thought about bulls. I rode bulls in high school and college and it does get my blood pumping when I see them." Gary, a former PRCA competitor, is involved in hosting a rodeo Bible Camp for youths. "Putting on that rodeo camp gets me excited to rodeo again. A lot of the kids

haven't been around rodeo."

Gary got started in rodeo as a young boy with the help of some neighbor boys. "Lance and Chance Dison were in Pee-Wee Rodeo and their dad came down and asked if my brothers and I would like to go. I was all for it, but my dad said I wasn't big enough to do it. Well, all it took for me was for someone to tell me I couldn't do something. I rodeoed in high school and college and I had a rodeo scholarship at Blue Mountain Community College in Pendleton, and then on into the pros. I didn't study much, but I did rodeo.'

Gary and his wife, Debbie have four children. The two oldest daughters, Jessica and Leini, are married and both expecting soon. Debbie is a big supporter of Gary. "One of the reasons that I can still get away to rodeo is that she really likes going and encourages me, so that makes it real easy with her backing. Our youngest boy, Garison is a senior this year and bull rider in high school rodeo. My oldest son, Lathan is attending college on a baseball scholarship." Gary says that God is his guiding influence and he counts on that to get through everyday life. "Obviously my wife is my second big influence. She helps me with life, my job, rodeo, and everything else."

During the week, Gary is an assistant superintendant for Lydig Construction doing commercial and industrial buildings. Leisure time is spent working on the home place. "We just bought a 10-acre ranch and I'm sure that will keep me busy the rest of my life. My wife and I do like to travel some."

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Buckeye, AZ(1)	January 30-31,2016	1/19/2016	
Gilbert, AZ (3 timed event jackpots)	February 8-10, 2016	TBA	TBA, Steve Sherwood, 208-530-0018
Wickenburg, AZ(1)	February 13-14, 2016	2/2/2016	2/5/20163

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Entries: 9:00 am to 4:00 pm Arizona Time Call backs: 10:00 pm to 3:00 pm Arizona Time Releases from U.S. Rodeos: 928-684-9566 Late Entries: 4:00pm Tuesdays to 12pm Wednesdays, 928-684-9566. All prepaid entry fees must be paid by credit card the day enties are $taken.\ Email\ your\ entry\ to\ info@seniorrodeo.com\ opening\ 1\ week\ prior\ to\ entry\ date.\ To\ enter\ Canadian\ Rodeos\ see\ Approved\ Rodeos\ Sched-leading\ Proved\ Rodeos\ Rodeos\$ ules for Central Entry number and hours.



From the Board

courtesy of Cindy Gruwell

ell 2016 here we go!! As this issue goes to press I hope that a whole bunch of you were able to enter the Arizona rodeos. I know that the committees have worked hard to bring us great rodeos and jackpots. Thank you to the Committees at Buckeye, Gilbert and Wickenburg!!

Moving forward in 2016 we are looking forward to many co-approved Rodeos with other Associations. If you know of a community that would like to have a NSPRA rodeo contact the office or one of the Board members and let's visit!!!

The Board is currently working hard to secure the details for our 2016 National Finals Rodeo. We are looking at all options for the 2016 Finals. Las Vegas, Albuquerque, Panguitch have all been talking to us. Finalization of the location and dates will be available hopefully by early March.

If you are in Wickenburg for a short vacation or a long stay, stop by the NSPRA office. Please visit the National office located at 2015 W Wickenburg Way. We think you will be very impressed with the Hall of Fame housed at the National Office. There is a lot of history and many trophies, plaques and pictures on display!

We the Board would like to thank Kellie

Rhodes for her time in the office. We wish her well in her future endeavors. We are happy to announce that we have hired Suzi Kaufman to be the new NSPRA Secretary! Suzi brings a lot of rodeo experience to the NSPRA office. Office hours will be 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM Mon through Fri.

Here's to 2016 and all that it brings. Let's work together to make it the best yet. As always, if you have ideas, thoughts or would like to become a part of the NSPRA, contact a director or the NSPRA office. We'd look forward to the chat.

Till next time..... Cindy

ENCOURAGEMENT FROM THE BOX!

article by Jerry Martin

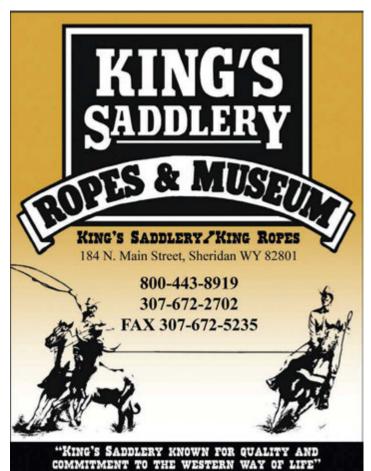
■he other day I decided to ride my five year old mare, which I have not ridden in four months. The day that decision was made it was fifteen degrees, even though she has never bucked, I thought it wise to take a few precautions. I was pleasantly surprised how well she did. That got me to thinking about how we treat people. Do we give those around us a opportunity to succeed like I did that mare. In other words I set that horse up to do the best she could with the circumstances she had to face. We need to do the same with the people in our lives. Maybe that means have patience, understanding and not allowing our feelings to be so easily hurt. The first thing we need to realize is you may not know what that person is going through. Jesus put it this way in John 15:12 This is my new commandment that you love one another as I have loved you. The first thing you can know about Jesus is, because of His love for you and what He did on the cross is He took what we all deserved { punishment & death } so we could have what we didn't deserve { life, peace and joy}. Allow Gods love to flow through you. You will be amazed at the results you will see. Lord Bless You Today!



above: Jerry Martin - Rodeo News

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#15 World Series Qualifier	
1/2. Eli Lord/Coley Nicolls	\$4130
1/2. Elliot Gourneau/ JD Gerard	
3. Chris Cover/Lance Allen	\$2060
#13 World Series Qualifier:	
1. Treg Schaack/David Hinman	\$7680
2. Toby Vineyard/Brad Harris	\$5760
3. Miles Kobald/Ryan Harris	\$3840
4. Kyon Kreutzer/Davin Hinman	\$1920
#12 World Series Qualifier:	
1. Justin Dean Smith/Chris Downey	\$8980
2. Spencer Jobman/Tee Cee Wills	\$6410
3. Jade Schmidt/Cash Hetzel	
4. Sigifredo Morales/Luis Beltran	\$3590
5. Casey Griffith/Jason Devore	

















1: #15 Eli Lord & Coley Nicholls 2: #15 Elliot Gourneau & JD Gerard 3: #8 Allen Cuny & Seth May 4: #13 Treg Schaack & David Hinman 5: #12 Justin Dean Smith & Chris Downey 6: #11 Justin Collins & Prestyn Novak 7: #10 Tyler Thornton & Barney Jorensen 8: #9 Saddle winners, Terrel Vineyard & Joe Hatch 9: #9 Spencer Johman & Whit Peterson - Courtesy of Mountain States Cattle Co.

Short-Go F.T. Spencer Jobman/Arron Mordahl\$1000
#11 World Series Qualifier:
1. Justin Collins/Prestyn Novak\$10150
2. Jon Pudwill/Kevin Kirkland
3. Ron Baucke/Ty Baucke\$5510
4. DJ Tidyman/Tee Cross\$4060
5. Luke Wiedman/Jay Teichert\$2030
Short-Go F.T. Ty Farella/Tyler Thorton
#10 World Series Qualifier:
1. Tyler Thorton/Barney Jorensen \$9310
2. Will Arington/Jon Pudwill\$6650
3. Justin Cunningham/Scott Dechant\$5060
4. Scott Musgrave/Jess Harris\$3720
5. Claude Taylor/Garrett Nokes\$1860
Short-Go F.T. Claude Taylor/Dennis Drews\$1000
January 3, 2016
#9 World Series Qualifier:
1. Spencer Jobman/Whit Peterson
2. Wes Mauer/Clinton Sterkel \$5620
3. Bryce Stoltenberg/Whit Peterson\$3740
4. Willy Hicks/Jeff Blass
#8 World Series Qualifier
1. Allen Cuny/Seth May
2. Todd Schaefer/Doug Miller
3. Jana Jasper/Scott Mathis
4. Lacey Stevens/Jeff Blass\$890
#9 Pick & Draw
Fast Time:
Rotation 1. Jimmy Gallegos/Chris Beyer
Rotation 2. Denum Santero/Will Frerichs
Rotation 3. Georgie Lage/Cody Larsen\$510
Average:
1. Terrel Vineyard/Joe Hatch\$3170 + Circle Y Saddles
2. TC Hadley/Jhett Hadley \$2620 + Best Ever Pads
3. Todd Stevens/Lance Stevens\$2340 + Bob Berg Buckles
4. Tyler Thorton/JR Grieves
5. Willy Hicks/Andy Martin
6. Georgie Lage/Cody Larsen
7. Terrel Vineyard/Will Frerichs \$690
8. Colten Storer/Casey Lee \$550



Ranch-Way Feeds Indoor Arena at **The Ranch**

Loveland, CO **5280 Arena Circle**

February 13-14. 2016

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SATURDAY **February 13**

•#15 WORLD SERIES QUALIFIER

\$150/roper enter 2x. NO AGE LIMIT 80% Payback

#13 WORLD SERIES OUALIFIER

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• #12 WORLD SERIES OUALIFIER

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•#11 WORLD SERIES QUALIFIER

\$150/roper enter 2x Capped at #6E Heeler 80% Payback

#10 WORLD SERIES OUALIFIER

\$150/roper enter 2x Capped at #6 Heeler 80% Payback

February 14

#9 WORLD SERIES OUALIFIER

\$150/roper enter 2x Capped at #5E Heeler 80% Payback

•#9

\$100/roper enter 4x for a total of 8 partners Pick 1 Draw 1 or Draw All 3 head, Capped at #5E

#8 WORLD SERIES OUALIFIER

\$100/roper enter 3x Pick or Draw 3 head Capped at 4E Both Ends Must be 21 1st & 2nd Qualify for Finale 70% Payback

Sat. & Sun. 1:00 pm

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January 2-3 - WSTR Torrington, WY; January 9 - Eaton, CO; January 23-24 - Loveland, CO; February 6 - Eaton, CO; February 13-14 - Loveland, CO; March 5 - Eaton, CO; March 12-13 - WSTR Eaton, CO; April 2 - Eaton, CO; April 16-17 - WSTR Torrington, WY; May 7; May 14-15 - WSTR; May 28-30 - Eaton, CO.









below: Mike Beers, World Champion Heeler & Professional Team Roping Instructor - Courtesy of Heel-O-Matic



THE PERFECT HORSE

article by Mike Beers

he first thing you need to do is go find someone that you can trust that is respected and has credentials in the Team Roping industry and then hire them to help you. I have had an abundance of clients over the past 40 years that have bought a horse through a friend or neighbor that said "this horse is perfect for a beginner team roper". The beginner usually buys that horse and ends up being scared to death because the horse is either green and way too much horse for the rider to handle.

The horse should be older and between the ages of 15 to 20+, hauled all over the country side to plenty of rodeos, team ropings and jackpots, walks quietly into the box without any refusal, stands quietly, scores like a rock. Then when the steer is released from the chute the horse actually waits for you, the rider, to give the motion to follow the steer and not rear up or run out of the box by themselves.

Many beginners may shy away from the older horse because they want the horse to be around for many years. This is a mistake, as the beginner Team Roper usually out grows the horse before the horse reaches that age of retirement. The average horse at the WNFR is 19+ and still has many years of competing left.

I would recommend trying the horse someplace other than it's home to see the response when they are in a new environment and if possible do some practice runs on a simulated steer like the Heel-O-Matic. The horse should follow the Heel-O-Matic in a very calm and relaxed gate without being out of position and especially should not ever shy or scare from the simulated steer.

As a Professional Team Roping Instructor I can honestly say that if you have the right horse for the level of rider you can become an amazing Team Roper.

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- Mike Beers

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March 12-13, 2016

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MIND OVER MATTER

article by Lacey Stevens

was at a roping not too long ago and came back second high call. Our steer set up on us after I'd roped it and the flagger gave us another one. I rode back up the arena, heart racing, hands sweating, and I missed my steer. I left the arena mad at myself because I'd let the circumstances get the best of me. Last weekend I was at another roping where I had a similar situation happen. The steer ducked his head and stopped and the flagger gave us another steer. I rode back up the arena, collected my emotions, took a deep breath, backed in the box and went and roped the next one. What changed? Let me explain.

A few weeks ago someone put me on the spot. He point blank told me that I can't let that stuff affect me. No matter

what happens prior to backing into the box, shouldn't matter because the only thing vou have control over is vour mind. Do you crave to get to the short round or does is scare you? Do you want to win

more than anyone else? How badly you want it can determine your outcome. I'll be honest I used to be scared of making the short go, I didn't think I could handle the pressure, the emotion of catching or missing. My mind wasn't right; it was already setting me up for failure before I ever nodded my head. My biggest opponent has been right in between my ears, and breaking through that reality has been the toughest for me.

A while ago I wrote about Wanda, my alter ego. She worked until the weaker part of me took back over and kicked her to the back burner. It's retraining my



above: Lacey roping with Rob Mason in Loveland, Colo. - photo courtesy of Lone Wolf Photography

brain to think positive, to crave to win, to believe in my ability and that of my horse. I can catch, I can ride, I can win, but really believing these things is tougher than I realized. There was darker demon in me telling me I wasn't good enough, I wasn't talented enough, and I'd always be a 3. Where was that coming from? My very own mind!

Our thoughts create our reality, I truly believe that and am working on this in 2016...





Spicer Arena Eaton, Colorado 37440 wcr 43

February 6, March 5, April 2

Enter at 9am, Rope at 10am Entries for Open Handicap close at 9.45 am, All other entries close during second round of roping before.

Open Handicap

Pick 1/Draw 1 or Draw Both \$80 man, 4 head progressive #15 and up straight - 2 seconds per # down \$500 Bonus if a #4 or under heeler wins the average \$1,000 Guaranteed to Average Winners

#13

Pick 1/Draw 1 or Draw Both \$80 man, 4 head progressive #13 straight - 2 seconds per # down

\$1,000 Guaranteed to Average Winners

#10 with #9 Incentive

Pick or Draw \$40 man, 4 head progressive **\$1,000 Guaranteed to Average Winners**

#8

\$30 man, Pick or Draw, 3 head progressive Capped at a #4+ Buckles to 1st in the average

#6 Buckle Roping

\$30 man, Pick or Draw, 3 head progressive Capped at a #4 Buckles to 1st - 3rd in the average



2/3 cash and prize payback in all ropings, enter 6 times (unless otherwise advertised). 12 years and under 1/2 price fees. Enter at 9 am, rope at 10 am, Cash or debit cards accepted. (3% fee for debit/credit cards). NO CHECKS. Management reserves the right to any and all necessary changes, World Series & USTRC Numbers will be used. World Series Cards may purchased at roping.

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 - #15 and up straight 2 seconds per # down
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to #10 team and under that wins Wednesday night.
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20 THINGS

article by C.J. Aragon, 2010 NIRA Coach-of-the-Year, Odessa College Rodeo Coach

s a coach I always get asked what I think students need to be ready to be on a college team. After many years of coaching and keeping notes from

meetings here is a list of things I think students need to be aware of to step up to college level competition. They are in no particular order...

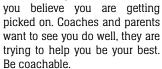
- 1. Set goals and work towards them. This will be your roadmap to success. If you don't have goals you are just dreaming of being good. You hear it all the time for good reason, setting goals works.
- 2. Stay focused at practice. Just showing up to practice is not enough. Have a plan and use practice to improve every day.

Your goals should be directly tied to your focus at practice.

- 3. Challenge yourself at practice. You will see bigger improvements when you challenge yourself daily. Don't just run the good cattle or get on rough stock you know you can ride. Challenge yourself in practice.
- **4.** Don't be the one whining about practice or coaches. If you have the opportunity to practice make the most of it, there are others who would love to be in your place. Utilize your coaches and practice opportunities.
- **5.** Go to bed before midnight. Get your rest. Go to class and practice charged up and ready to go to work. If you want to be a professional cowboy this is your job, treat it as one.
- **6.** Don't be the students who only practice hard the day or a few days before a rodeo. You will not make improvements practicing the just a day or two before a competition. You will see better results if the work is done months and weeks in advance.
- 7. Give 100% in practice. If you are not giving 100% in practice you are wasting your practice and taking practice time away from others. Practice as intense as you compete.
- 8. Drinking and partying. A lot of talented athletes are beat before they ever step inside the arena because of their drinking and partying habits. You may think it doesn't affect you, someday you will realize you are wrong.
- **9.** Quit worrying about your competitors. Go to the rodeo and take care of your business, don't worry about everyone else's.
- **10.** Students who only work on their strengths in practices. Work on every aspect of your

event or events not just your strengths. Be aware of your weaknesses and improve them.

- II. Don't make excuses. If you didn't do well figure it out, make adjustments and improve. Excuses do not help you improve.
- 12. Not going to class. For high school and college students this is a must. Take care of your business in the classroom so that you can compete at the rodeos.
- 13. Students need to take constructive criticism from the coach/parent well. Instead



- 14. Skipping practices and taking days off. Make sure your work ethic is on the same level as your goals. At some point your actions speak louder than words or goals you have. Your actions should be on par with your goals.
- 15. Don't be the one going to rodeos for the social aspect. If you are going to the rodeo to

hang out with friends and make a social event of your trip, YOU are the added money.

above: C.J. Aragon,

- Courtesy of C.J.

Oddessa College Rodeo Coach

- 16. Believe what other contestants tell you about your draw. Keep your own list, watch the start for yourself, and watch the stock for yourself. Keep your own list, do your own homework.
- 17. You should not expect to do something at a rodeo that you haven't already done in practice. Don't expect to do things at a rodeo that you can't do, or are not willing to do in practice. Do great things in the practice pen and you will start to see great things happen at rodeos. Dream big and practice hard to get there.
- **18.** You need to spend time in the weight room. You are an athlete and if you want to be at the top of your game you need to treat yourself as one. There are benefits for you no matter what event you compete in.
- 19. Don't have a boyfriend/girlfriend that distracts you from your goals. Just don't let this
- 20. Learn time management skills. Learn to manage your time and run a schedule. Classes. Practice, Work, Gym, Sleep and anything else on your schedule need to managed and prioritized. Set your priorities and manage your time well.

To be a valuable asset to a rodeo program vou will need to contribute to the team. Hopefully this list will help.

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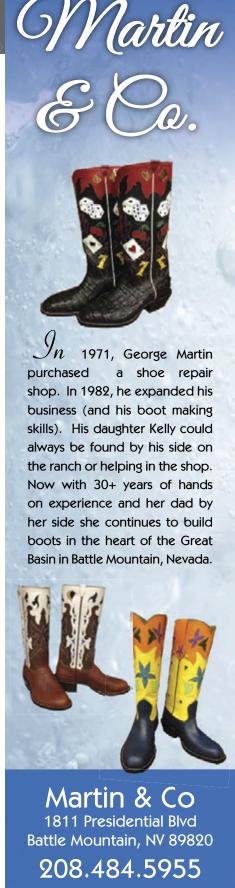
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ACT OF KINDNESS

article by Dale Woodard

ecently I drove out to Reno, NV. to rope in the A.C.T.R.A. National Finals. It was a week long event. I won a little and I had a lot of fun. Because I grew up in California and moved to Colorado in 1992, I still have lots of old friends on the west coast. Many of those friends were there in Reno competing.

One fellow reminded me of a compliment that I had given him on a beautiful head loop that he had thrown on a big horned steer at a rodeo. That compliment took place in 1979. That was 36 years ago. Another guy who used to ride broncs asked me for a business card. He said that I had given him a compliment just after he had completed a successful bronc ride. He told me how he treasured the comment and when he got the photo of his ride I was in the background. He told me he has two of those pictures and he'll send me one. That ride took place in 1995, 20 years ago.

And then there was a man that I had never met, who thanked me for helping his girlfriend with her horse. He went on to explain that his girlfriend was now barrel racing and he inherited the horse. He told how the horse had made a good rope horse and that he loved him. I helped his girlfriend with her hose in 2005. That was ten years ago.

The one common denominator in these stories is a small act of kindness. I can barely remember any of these instances that these people told me about. They were just an honest observation or a small suggestion to help someone with their horse.

At another season in my life I was asked to be one of the judges for the Miss Rodeo America pageant in Las Vegas. At first I turned the offer down but then my family convinced me to do it and I'm glad I did. There are several things that the girls are judged on and one is an interview where the judges ask each of them questions. Because Miss Rodeo America is basically an ambassador for the rodeo business, we wanted to make sure they had a basic knowledge of rodeo. One of the questions that I asked was, "What is a jerk line?" One of the girls answered, "That's the line the boys have to stand in who have stood up their prom dates." That was not the answer I was looking for but I had to give her credit for her creativeness.

But I'm getting ahead of myself. In this interview each girl would come into a room facing the five judges and sit in a chair. Each judge got to ask three questions. Before we started interviewing the girls the coordinator asked for a volunteer. They wanted one of the judges to give the girl a compliment to get them to relax a bit before the interview began. I raised my hand. I said, "I can do that." I thought, how hard can it be to give a pretty girl a compliment who is all dressed up and trying hard to put on her best smiley face? I was right, it was an easy job. And I got compliments from the other judges on the job I had done. I heard a motivational speaker say that giving a compliment is a simple act of kindness that makes a deposit in our own lives. What a deal, giving a compliment on someone's



above: Dale Woodard competing at the 2015 Commissioner's Classic - Nic Ford

appearance or accomplishment and making a deposit in our own account at the same time. I like that.

One more example of this principle happened back in my clowning days. One of my acts was a trained pig name Gorgeous George. George weighed about 300 lbs and was 10 years old. It's rare for us to see a pig over five years old. Pigs are like humans or horses in that age changes their conformation. At 10 years old George had a razor back, a long dished nose with long tusks sticking out of his lips. One day as I was giving George a bath for the upcoming performance a man walked up and was watching me. This guy looked like a farmer and his cap sealed the deal. His cap had a red pig on the front and it said, "More red meat with Durocs." A Duroc is a breed of pig.

This guy circled us and looked at George from every angle. Finally I looked up and asked, "What do you think?" the guy looked at me and said, "His ears are well shaped." I laughed; here was a guy who was into pig judging. He had to try hard to come up with a compliment, but he did it.

Here's hoping that all of us, including me, can find something positive to give a compliment about people, horses, cattle or an ugly old pig.

Thanks for the visit, Dale

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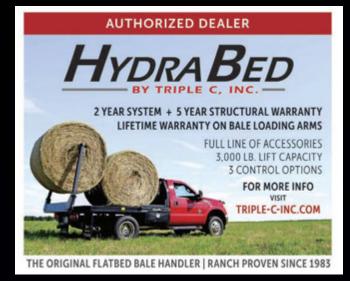
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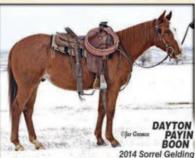
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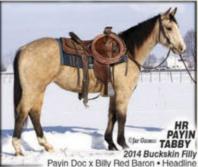




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TANNER WARD

Never held back, despite any obstacle.

story by Teri Edwards

aving just celebrated his 21st birthday, Tanner Ward has overcome some large obstacles in his young life. At just three years old, Tanner was diagnosed with Type 1 Diabetes. Fortunately, his babysitter, also a diabetic, recognized his unusual thirst as a symptom. To this day it's necessary to test his blood often and he can sometimes receive up to seven shots each day.

However, the disease has done little to slow him down. He entered his first Mutton Busting at just three years old and won. From there he progressed to riding calves, steers, and junior bulls. However, he soon found his true passion in roping.

Tanner's family has always been involved in livestock and rodeo. His grandfather, Wayne Meeks, owned several livestock auctions in southeast Oklahoma and Arkansas. His dad, Wayne Ward, competed as a calf roper up until

Tanner started Junior Rodeo.

Tanner began riding outside horses when he was just nine. His mother, Cissy, said he was always big for his age and people just didn't realize how young he was. At fifteen he was training a mule that bucked him off. For several days he complained about his neck being sore and finally went to the doctor. The diagnosis was a broken neck that required surgery. Tanner had to wear a neck brace for six months and was not supposed to ride. That year he entered the IFYR in Shawnee, OK, wearing his neck brace.

After completing the 8th grade, Tanner asked his parents if he could home school during high school to have more time to work at his roping. Though reluctant, his parents agreed and that year Tanner won over \$50,000 roping in addition to income from training horses. He went on to complete his high school education at home.

Cissy Ward describes Tanner's passion

for roping, "I've never had to make him practice, only to stop practicing. He's going to rope regardless. It doesn't matter if it's storming, 110 degrees, or roping by the headlights of a truck."

Now, a #9 heeler, Tanner trains a lot of horses and competes at jackpots and rodeos. He also enjoys helping younger kids with their roping.

"I have a good partner for next year and plan to go to some of the winter pro rodeos," says Tanner. "Hopefully we'll have some luck."

COWBOY **Q&A**

How much do you practice? Every day.

Do you make your own horses?

Who were your roping heroes? Allen Bach.

Who do you respect most in the world?

My dad.

Who has been the biggest influence in your life?

My family.

If you had a day off what would you like to do?

Rope.

Favorite movie?

Lonesome Dove.

How would you describe yourself in three words?

Rough, tough, easy-going.

What makes you happy? Winning.

What makes you anary?

If you were given I million dollars, how would you spend it?

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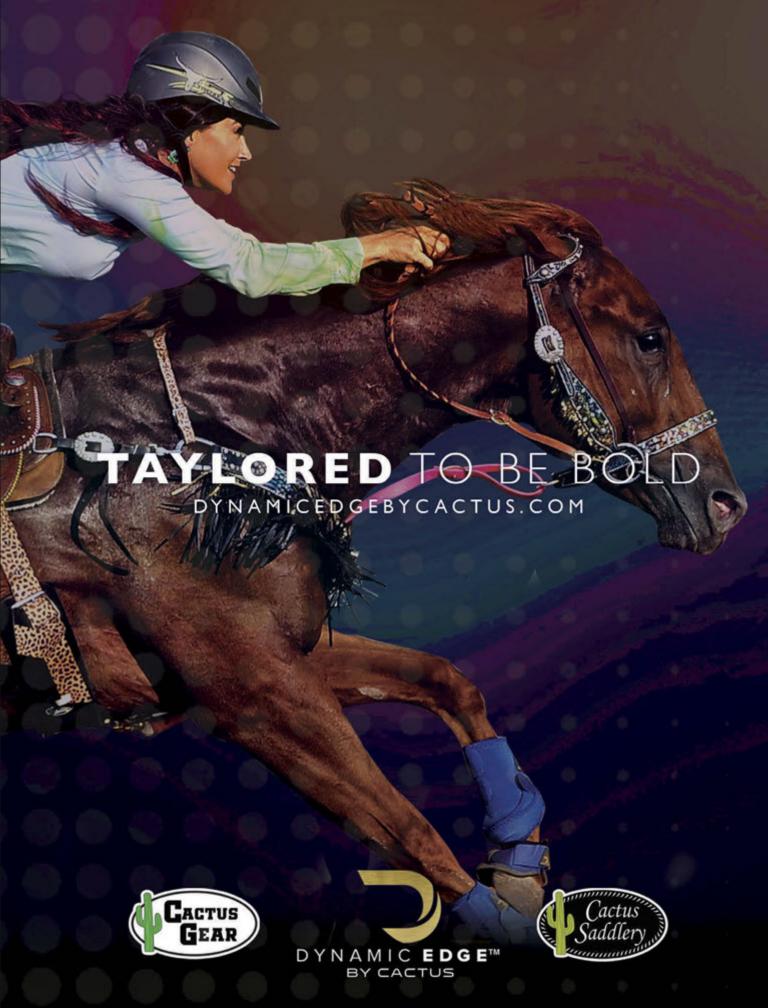
What is your worst quality - your best?

My worst is I'm too hard on myself. My best quality is perseverance.

Where do you see yourself in ten

Having been to the NFR and being a World Champion.





THE DEEP FREEZE

article by Laura Lambert

don't know about where you live but here in Colorado it has been a little bit ridiculous. We have had snow and ice on the ground in large amounts since the first week of December. That isn't really normal for us. We usually have some

snow in December but within a few days it is melted and we carry on as usual. Not so much this year!

This weather has made keeping a horse in shape challenging to say the least. During these times of extreme weather changes I always make sure to have nearly perfect feeding schedules and we watch the horses carefully. Make no mistake about it, this is hard on them.

Horses are battling extremes. We have had multiple nights and even into days that

have been below zero. With wind chills many of our days have only reached a high of single digits. Mind you, I don't live in the mountains either. So, where those people and horses are more adjusted to the extremes, we really are not. I believe in keeping a strict schedule for the horses and we feed on a 12 hour schedule. I think it is also very important that you do not change anything in your feed during the winter. Horses have enough to deal with the changing elements they don't need to adjust to feed changes as well.

Good quality feed, higher fat contents, and lots of fresh water need to be available. Water is key because horses tend to drink less water when it is cold outside and the water is too cold. I like tank heaters and/or electric waterers to make sure the water isn't too cold and that it is always available. Sometimes this isn't possible and you have to do what you have to do but when we break ice just a couple times

a day, it concerns me that horses are not allowed to drink when they are thirsty and they are forced to wait which could cause them to be dehydrated. This of course can lead to colic and that's a dreaded word for those of us in the equine industry.

There are also many great quality supplements on the market to aid the digestive system. I am a firm believer in keeping horses on a great digestive supplement. Keeping your horses on a probiotic that will help the bacteria flourish in your horses intestines can only help your horse maintain a healthy functioning gut. This is important to keep feed moving through the gut and prevent impaction.

The question of blankets is an I also think that if



you blanket, you have to be prudent about knowing when to put them on and when to take them off. You are doing more damage than good when you leave a blanket on that is soaked with cold water. I try to put myself in their shoes and I sure don't want to wear wet clothes and I bet they don't enjoy wet blankets.

This is such a hard time when we go from indoor buildings to cold trailers. A sure way to get your horse sick is to ride and/or work them into a sweat in a building and then take them outside in the cold when they are still too hot. We have to prepare and give the horses time to cool off and dry before you head outside. Coolers work wonders and I'm a huge believer in having them for times when you need to speed the process along a little bit.

Take a little extra time to make sure your equine partner is well taken care of this winter and not only will you be extremely appreciated by your horse but, you will end the winter with a healthy steed.



above: Laura Lambert - Rodeo News



COWBOY DOWNHILL

courtesy of Amberley Snyder

eave through gates, go off a jump, rope a girl and saddle a horse. These are the obstacles in for the Cowboy Downhill in Steamboat Springs, Colorado. Not to mention the Cowboy Stampede where every contestant races down the hill at the same time. It really is such a fun event.

The first time I heard about the Cowboy Downhill was at a college rodeo from Northwestern Community Colorado College's coach Jed Moore. He asked if I had skied since my wreck and if I would want to. He told me that he was trying to line up a way for past-injured rodeo athletes to be apart of the downhill like other rodeo contestants. I am not one to turn down a new opportunity so I told him I would love to attend.

In 2014 I was able to try a whole new experience; skiing. Before my accident I had been a snowboarder, not a good one, but none the less that was my snow ride of choice. To now learn how to ski was a challenge especially when you only get one! When I first pictured skiing I thought, "Lazy boy, riding down the hill." As it turns out I was incredibly wrong.

The organization STARS, who helps with adaptive sports in Steamboat Springs, introduced me to both the biski and the monoski. Biski is a sit ski with two skis underneath while the mono only has one. It was suggested I started with the biski and have someone steer to start. Not long after I wanted to be more independent so we began learning how to monoski.

That first year I was taught the ropes but in the end made the decision to biski with someone else driving for the actual Cowboy Downhill event. This year it was a little different. I jumped right to monoskiing and had made the goal to do that for the main event.

For the two days prior, my little sister, Autumn and I were retaught the ways of our snow rides. She was snowboarding for the first time and I was skiing again which I had not done since my past experience in Steamboat. We both had our fair share of run-ins, close calls, and crashes, as stopping is neither of our strengths.



above: Amberley Snyder at the Cowboy Downhill in Steamboat Springs, Colo. - Fred McClanahan, Jr.

The hour prior to the event we decided to make two more practice runs just to make sure I was ready. My outriggers, the ski pieces I hold in my arms just didn't feel right and I crashed multiple times in those last two practice runs. But the event was going to start so we needed to make our way to the gate. I made the decision that I wanted a STARS instructor to hold a rope behind me just in case something got a little a squirrely they could help my balance.

I will admit, you can ask me to speak in front of thousands of people, or run in a rodeo for a million dollars and I will be so excited, but have no problem. Ask me to ski down a hill through obstacles and I am terrified, yet too competitive to not give it my all.

As we were getting close to my turn, I was just thinking about how to best ski the course and how to avoid falling. My heart was pounding just getting ready. A cowboy is put as the one against me for the race so I definitely have to at least keep up with him.

The first obstacles are the gates, which I weaved through smoothly. Even out pacing the cowboy on my left. The next obstacle was the jump, which we were instructed to go around. Yet, no one told me how sharp I needed to make my last turn in order to completely avoid it. Last thing before being off the ground is my instructor yelling, "Around the jump, go around the jump!" We didn't go around it quite enough and when I landed the crash came next.

Face plant in the snow and my ski came up behind me. What I could relate it to was my history in goat tying when you land face first and then your legs come back over the top of you, also known as the 'scorpion'. That was the move I made on my first Cowboy Downhill experience.

We got back up though, weaved the final gate, roped the girl and last was the saddle on the horse. Being in a sit ski, the horse was not so sure about standing still. He jumped away on my first attempt to throw the saddle on. The announcer says that I touched the horse and that was good enough. My thought, "I saddle my horses at home, I will saddle this one here." I told my instructor to not move me and I would get it on.

It was a good feeling to know I completed the whole course even if I was a little behind the rest of the pack. The whole experience was definitely one to remember. Steamboat, STARS and the downhill committee do an amazing job accommodating us and providing us with a great experience. I am excited to go next year and years to come. I do hope it continues to grow and more past injured rodeo athletes join the fun of the Cowboy Downhill.



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Hazen & Gatlin Martin

story by Ruth Nicolaus

azen and Gatlin Martin are brothers and members of the Louisiana Junior High School Rodeo Association.

The two team rope together, Hazen as header and Gatlin as heeler. Both boys ribbon rope; Hazen tie-down ropes and chute dogs, and Gatlin breakaway ropes.

loves his heel horse, Spin, a bay mare who is eleven years old. For the breakaway, he rides his Aunt Lydia Martin's horse, Copper, who has been to the National High School Finals four times, three of them with Aunt Lydia.

He is a seventh grader at Our Lady's Catholic, where he loves being with his friends and learning new things every day. He enjoys math class, but isn't a big fan of reading. His favorite teacher is his Aunt Ashley, also



above left: Hazen Martin heading at the 2015 LJHSFR above: Gatlin breakaway roping at the 2015 LJHSFR - Rodeo Bum

Hazen, who is fourteen, rides his Uncle Jarius Martin's head horse, a sorrel named Guapo. For the tie-down, he rides his older brother Stranton's horse, a mare name Chick.

He is an eighth grade student at Our Lady's Catholic School in Sulphur, where the best part of the school day, in his opinion, is when students can go outside, during P.E. and lunchtime. He loves playing football and basketball during P.E., and when the weather is nice, eats lunch outside at the picnic table under the big tree.

His favorite teacher is his science and history teacher, Mr. Newman, because he's funny, tells good jokes, and is nice.

Hazen competed at state finals both his sixth and seventh grade years and was Rookie of the Year in sixth grade. He represented Louisiana at Nationals in the breakaway in sixth grade.

Gatlin is a year younger than Hazen, and

known in the classroom as Mrs. Martin. Sometimes Gatlin forgets and calls her by "Aunt Ashley" in school. She makes math easier to learn, he says.

Hazen and Gatlin both play football and basketball. Gatlin finished last year as the 2015 state champion breakaway roper and went to Nationals in that event.

The boys have two brothers: Stranton (16) and Ryden (9), and six sisters: Josie (11), Saige (7), Kinsley (6), Brenlee (4), Copelyn (2) and Stormie (15 weeks). They are the sons of Josh and Robin Martin.

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Meet the Member

Trey Sutherland

story by Lindsay Whelchel

or Trey Sutherland, rodeo is about paying it forward. "I've always been fortunate. I've been around guys in the past, Frank Graves mainly, that brought me along and showed me the ropes, and I've always tried to give back. I've brought a lot of young guys around, and that's what keeps it going, your attitude and keeping the next generation coming," Trey says.

> "Just to keep a good attitude, ride the best horses that you can for the timed-events, get around people that can help you instead of break you down."

He's also giving back through his role as the team roping director for the Tri-State Rodeo Association.

"My deal for being on the board; I have kids, I have a lot of friends of mine that have kids, and the way things are vou never know how long rodeo will be here. We're just trying to keep it going for future generations."

Trey's drive to give back to rodeo is no doubt directly related to how much rodeo has given him. "It's been great. In college it paid for my education, and then I went on to do it for a living for a long time," he explains of attending Hill College in Texas to rodeo.

Trey started out in the sport through his dad who rodeoed. Trey went through the ranks of high school rodeo, where he made it to nationals, and college rodeo, before going on to professional rodeo in the PRCA and IPRA and qualifying for the International Finals Rodeo twice.

The TSRA has been a constant in his life and career as well. He is a gold card member of 25 years, buying his first card



above: Trey Sutherland with his family - courtesy of the family

while he was in high school. He speaks highly of the association as a building block within the sport, providing rodeos and drawing good contestants.

Now days, Trey doesn't rodeo quite as hard as he did before he had a family. "I still go to probably 60 a year, but that's a lot of difference than 100 a year. People don't think 40 rodeos is a lot until you go to them," he laughs.

Trey works at a mechanical engineering company in central Mississippi and is married to wife Shannon. They have two children, Danielle, 11, and Blaze, 3, who are now getting their start in the rodeo world.

It's a sport that teaches you a lot, and Trey has learned important lessons.

"Just to keep a good attitude, ride the best horses that you can for the timedevents, get around people that can help you instead of break you down," he says.

And it's clear that when it comes to people who will help you, you can find them, like Trey, in the TSRA.

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Stranton Martin

story by Ruth Nicolaus

tranton Martin doesn't mind changing a dirty diaper now and then, or holding a crying baby. Actually, he's pretty good at calming babies, and he's had some experience at it.

Stranton, a member of the Louisiana High School Rodeo Association, is the oldest of ten children, the voungest of whom is fifteen weeks old. Stormie, the baby, was born in October 2015, and she loves it when her biggest brother holds her.

Stranton is a header, tie-down roper and reining cowhorse contestant, and of his three events, he loves team roping the most. He has two head horses, Wrangler and Tiny. He rides Tiny at rodeos where he needs a bit more horsepower, and rides Wrangler as his primary mount. Tiny is a thirteen year old bay and Wrangler is a sixteen year old sorrel. Wrangler is special to him, because he was born on the same day as Stranton: September 19, 1999. Stranton's papa bought Wrangler for him, and on their birthday, Stranton spoils him with extra feed, a bath and a brushing. Wrangler is an all-around horse. He's done everything, from breakaway to heading and heeling, barrels,



goats, steer tripping, and has even been hazed off of in the steer wrestling.

For the tie-down, he rides a thirteen year old bay mare named Chick, who is his favorite horse, and for the reining cowhorse, he rides a nineteen year old gelding named Major.

Stranton is a junior in high school and has been homeschooled since his freshabove: Stranton Martin (header) competing at the 2015 LHSFR - Rodeo Bum

man year. English and grammar are his strong points, but not math. "Definitely not math," he says. He also likes science, and likes being able to get his school work done quickly so he can head outside to do chores, ride and rope.

For fun, he likes to hang out with his friends, go to the movies, and have bonfires.

He plans on attending college and competing in rodeo there, but he isn't sure where or what his major will be.

Stranton has competed at state finals every year since he started rodeo in seventh grade. He is the 2015 state reining cowhorse champion and went on to Nationals in that event.

He has three brothers: Hazen, fourteen, Gatlin, thirteen, and Ryden, nine, and six sisters: Josie, eleven, Saige, seven, Kinsley, six, Brenlee, four, Copelyn, two, and Stormie. He is the son of Josh and Robin Martin.

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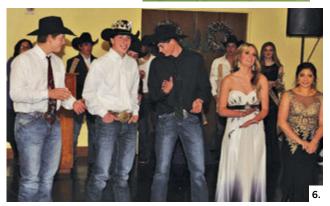


















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January 8-9, 2016 Philadelphia, MS

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1 Ben Maytom	81.5	\$648.00
2 Luke Morgan	81	\$486.00
3 Joe Farren	77.5	\$324.00
4 Jon Tyson		
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1 Alex Caudle	9.1	\$744.00
2 Zac Wilson	9.3	\$558.00
3 Justin Thigpen	9.6	\$372.00
4 Ben Walker	9.7	\$186.00
BREAKAWAY		
1 Aleah Higgins	2.9	\$744.00
2 Dusty Mullen		
3 Kyla Matthews	3.1	\$372.00
4 Julia Johnson	3.5	\$186.00
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above: Steve Carter, Bull Riding Champion - Jeff L Homan Photography

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2 Jennifer Arnold	.27.950	\$720.00
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4 Kortnee Laird	.28.834	\$240.00
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9 Ben White	\$579.60
8 Bailey Kinard	\$993.60
10 Luke Herbert	\$365.70
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1 Justin Thigpen	\$4,457.40
2 Lance Ethridge	\$3,591.63
3 Jordan Thrasher	\$1,950.20
4 John Alley	\$1,841.60
5 Scott Owens	\$1,699.40
6 Jon Taylor Ethridge	\$1,398.80
7 Lex Owens	\$1,393.62
8 Clint Thomas	
9 Alex Caudle	\$1,180.30
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1 Clark Adcock	\$4,904.90
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Levi & Reagan Fogleman





above left: Levi Fogleman above right: Reagan Foglelman - JenningsRodeoPhotography.com

story by Ruth Nicolaus

wins Levi and Reagan Fogleman keep things lively in the Fogleman household.

The Snow Camp, N.C. youth love to compete in the Junior Southern Rodeo Association, Levi as a chute dogger and goat tyer, and Reagan as a pole bender, barrel racer, and goat tyer.

Reagan is younger than her brother by five minutes, and of all her events, loves the poles the most, partly because of her horse, Cash. Cash, a twelve year old chestnut, started his rodeo career as a roping horse, and then went to barrels, but when Reagan tried him on poles, he did very well.

For the goat tying, both kids ride El Taco, a tall paint pony. El Taco "is a really awesome little pony," Levi said. "He'll do everything, and he'll try his best." Reagan likes him, too. "He won't spook at anything, and you can take him anywhere."

The family just got a new horse, a thoroughbred named Ace, who will someday be Reagan's barrel horse. For now, she rides Cash for the barrels.

Both youth are seventh grade students at Southern Alamance High School in Graham. Reagan loves ELA (English-

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Language Arts) class, and her favorite teacher was her kindergarten teacher, Miss Prichard. Levi enjoys math and band, where he plays the tuba, and his favorite teacher is Coach Height, who teaches science. Coach Height uses different methods to instruct his students, and Levi appreciates that.

Levi and Reagan qualified for the Finals last year. Reagan almost won the poles, but knocked one over. "It was my first finals, and I buckled under pressure. Next year, I'll be better," she said. Levi finished third in the goat tying.

They have big plans for their careers. Levi might want to be a diesel mechanic, but thinks his goals may change over the next few years. Reagan wants to be a veterinarian and have a lot of animals. The Fogleman farm has seven dogs, 150 cows, eight horses, a few goats, and a cat, and a few years ago, had a baby deer. "We really love animals," Reagan said, "and I'm planning on having the same amount of animals throughout my life."

The twins have a step-brother, Graham Lindley, and a step-sister, Emma Lindley.

They are the children of Chad Fogleman and Julie Lindley.

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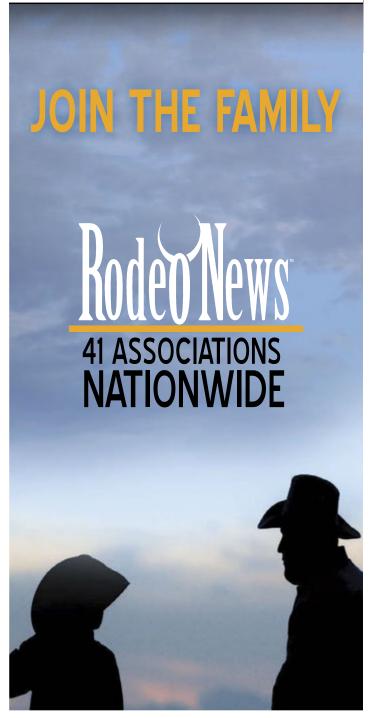
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Meet the Member

Drew Griffith

story by Lindsay Whelchel

ike many traditions, the Western way of life has been passed down through generations for Drew Griffith and his family. "We've always been in rodeo. My dad was a bullfighter and a pickup man and rode bulls in the ACA, and then my brother fought bulls in the ACA and the IPRA," Drew says, describing his father Larry and brother Tee's involvement in the Arkansas Cowboys Association and pro rodeo.

Drew carried on the tradition. "I got involved because of them," he says, and though he has competed in the ranch bronc riding, he's put most of his focus on the timed-events.

"I've made the finals in the calf roping, the team roping, the bull dogging and the ranch bronc riding, and I've also picked up the finals two years."

It seems the role of helping, whether as a pickup man like Drew, or bullfighter like his dad and brother, runs strong in the Griffith clan. Drew is especially partial to picking up, as well as roping.

Helping out in rodeo is just returning the favor for Drew. "I've been under everybody's wing," he says of the people too numerous to name who have helped him along the way.

But there is one person that helped set

the foundation for Drew's rodeo career, and that's his grandfather Buddy. "All the horses that I ride, he's raised," Drew explains.

Outside of rodeo, Drew is still involved in the Western way of life as a rancher. He works a cow/calf operation numbering between 400-600 head of cattle, as well as running his own herd.

He works the cattle most every day and makes his home with his wife Courtney in Harrison, Ark. They were married a year ago this past September.

Drew is 24 now, but in the past he junior high school rodeoed and college rodeoed. A highlight for him was winning Rookie of the Year in the calf roping in 2008 for the ACA.

The challenges and rewards of rodeo are all rolled into one for Drew, who explains you have to have some luck and practice a lot to do well in the sport. A big reward is gaining a

lot of good friendships. He especially likes the ACA rodeos because of their proximity to home. "It's pretty handy to go to rodeos that are no more than about two hours from the house. I enjoy them, because they're close, and everybody I grew up with goes to them."



above: Drew and Courtney Griffith - Hedges Photos

Keeping that tradition alive, 2016 is bound to be a good year for this young cowboy.

SCHEDULE 2016

APRIL 29 & 30 THAYER, MO ACA

8:00 p.m. BB SB RBR BR CR SW CBR & BWY: EF- \$45/SC\$10/FF\$5. (\$60 total) TR – EF\$31/SC\$5/FF\$5 – per man per run (\$41 total) - may enter two times(\$82 total)

50+TR - ÉF\$45/SC\$10/FF\$10 - per man for two runs (\$65.00 total)
JBR & GTS: EF- \$25/SC\$10/FF\$5 (\$40 total) Added Money: \$1,000 total

(\$500 each night divided equally in the events.) Night Latch: No Rough Stock & SW Contestants Must Call In or Text: Monday (April 25, 2016) prior to rodeo 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. 225-573-3100

Contestants pay \$5.00 at gate. Location: 63 Highway turn on Holmes Road at stop light across from DO Restaurant. Producer: Broke N Unknown Rodeo Productions

APRIL 27 ASH FLAT, AR

(First Rodeo of Summer Series) Mike Watson State Farm Summer Series 8:00 p.m. (Wednesday Night) BB SB RBR BR CR SW CBR BWY: EF-\$45/SC\$10/FF\$4. (\$60 total) TR - EF\$31/SC\$5/FF\$5 - per man perrun (\$41 total) - may enter two times (\$82 total)

50+TR - EF\$45/SC\$10/FF\$10 - per man for two runs (\$65.00 total)

JBR & GTS: EF- \$25/SC\$10/FF\$5 (\$40 total) Ranch Bronc: Night Latch Added Money: none ALL Rough Stock Contestants Must Call In or Text: Monday prior to rodeo 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. 501-412-3644 or 870-371-2022 Contestants pay \$5.00 at gate Progressive Bounty Bull Location: Hall Rodeo Arena, Ash Flat, AR (new arena 3 miles west of Ash Flat stoplight on Hwy 62/412) Producer: Hall Rodeo, LLC

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SEPTEMBER 23 & 24 PIGGOTT, AR (IPRA/ACA) Clay County Rodeo

DATE TO BE DETERMINED JONESBORO, AR

Arkansas Cowboys' Association Finals Location: ASU Equine Center

RESULTS ACA

January 1, 2016 Birdell, AR (ACA) BAREBACK no offered SADDLE BRONC not offered RANCH BRONC

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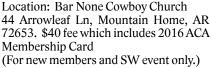
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Meet the Member

Gabrielle Oder



story by Rayne Sherman

he 2015 rodeo season was rough for barrel racer Gabrielle Oder because her main horse, Oskar, fell ill early in the summer. With Oskar unable to compete, Gabrielle relied on her back-up horse, Joe, who was able to help her qualify for her second Mid States Finals Rodeo (MSFR). Mounted on a fully recovered Oskar, Gabrielle won the MSFR average and finished the season in second place.

Gabrielle, 24, of Hamilton, Ohio, grew

left: Gabby Oder - Emily Gethke Photography

up going to rodeos every weekend. Her father, Chip, competed in bull riding and saddle bronc riding and later worked as a pickup man. Gabrielle didn't compete in junior or high school rodeo, but instead opted to join the National Barrel Horse Association (NBHA). "My first barrel horse, Freckles, was a pickup horse I stole from my dad. We sent him to our trainer, Greg Hoover, who helped me get started in the NBHA," said Gabrielle. Freckles and Gabrielle made a formidable team winning the Ohio State NBHA in the youth and open divisions numerous times, qualifying for the world show on multiple occasions, and finishing in the top 5 once at the youth world

show. Gabrielle first became acquainted with Dude Winder, "Oskar", when his owner brought him to Chip for training. She fell in love with everything about the gelding, but when Chip inquired about buying him, he felt the price was too high. To Gabrielle's surprise she received Oskar for Christmas that year. "Oskar took to the barrel shows really well, but now that I had a new horse I wanted to dabble in rodeo. The first year I rodeod I quit two months into it. Oskar was so used to the barrel shows it was hard for him to go to rodeos. The next year I came back and it was a different story, he really took to rode-

os," said Gabrielle. At the urging of Chip and her traveling partner Tom Bowling, Gabrielle bought her Mid States Rodeo Association (MSRA) card in 2011, her first year to rodeo, and has maintained her membership for the last four years. She also competes in the International Professional Rodeo Association (IPRA) and the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association (PRCA). She has qualified for the IPRA's International Finals Rodeo three times and had hoped to qualify for the PRCA's Great Lakes Circuit Finals in 2015, but with Oskar falling ill those plans were put on hold. One of Gabrielle's proudest moments in her barrel racing career came this past October. "I was pre-entered for the barrel racing sweepstakes at the All American Quarter Horse Congress. We placed fourth in the first round, tenth in the second round and eighth in the short go. It might not seem like a lot, but the Congress is very prestigious in the northeast and I did this on a horse who had been sick all summer," stated Gabrielle.

In 2013, Gabrielle had the opportunity to move to Mississippi to work and ride for barrel horse futurity trainer and competitor, Talmadge Green. She wanted to learn more about the world of futurity barrel racing and through her boyfriend's mother, Beth Kidd, was able to secure the position with Talmadge. Gabrielle also rode horses for Talmadge's brother, Michael.

Gabrielle met team roper Cory Kidd three years ago at a rodeo and the two have been dating ever since. She has been spending more time in North Carolina with him and has been trying to learn to rope. "I'm not very good at roping so I probably won't do anything with it, but it would be fun to breakaway rope," said Gabrielle. In 2016, she plans to compete in the PRCA's Southeastern Circuit and hopes to be able to qualify for the circuit finals. In the future, Gabrielle would like to become more involved in futurity barrel racing and, if she finds the right horse, try to qualify for the National Finals Rodeo.

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FEB 19-20-21 EAST LANSING, MI IPRA/MSRA

FRI-SAT-SUN Michigan State University Spartan Stampede Championship Rodeo PERFS: Four: Feb. 19-20 8 p.m. Feb. 20-21 2 p.m. BB, SB, BR, SW, TD, CBR, TR \$70 ef. - \$1,000 adm. - Total \$7,000.00 - SCF \$10.00 HQ INFO: Books open Wed., Feb. 10 8 a.m. CST Books close Wed., Feb. 10 5 p.m. CST Phone: 1-800-639-9002 CALL BACKS: Thurs., Feb. 11 & Fri., Feb. 12 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Permits, locals & youth cards accepted – CES \$8 + \$2 FF Tradeouts – All events draw for perf.
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APRIL 9 LEXINGTON, KY

MSRA SATURDAY 3RD ANNUAL COWBOY UP FOR A CURE CHAMPIONSHIP RODEO "2015 MSRA Rodeo of the Year" PERFS: Saturday, April 9, 2016 @ 7:00 pm Slack: Immediately following performance BB, SB, BR, SW, TD, CBR, TR - \$1,000 adm. - Total \$7,000.00 - EF \$65, FF \$5 SCF \$10.00, GBR \$3.00 Entries: Wednesday, March 30, 2016 2pm-8pm EST 765-964-3410 CALL BACKS: Posted on Three Bar J Ranch and Rodeo Facebook Page Permits, locals & youth cards accepted-Tradeouts - Stalls: \$25/night - reserve at time of entries. Location: 4089 IronWorks Parkway,

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JULY 15-16 GAINES, MI

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City:

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JULY 29 GOSHEN, IN

MSRA/IPRA *Pending ELKHART COUNTY FAIR RODEO Performance: Friday, July 29, 2016 @ 1:00 p.m. Performance: Friday, July 29, 2016 @ 8:00 p.m. Slack: Immediately following 7/29 8:00 pm performance. Books Open: July 25, 2015 from 6-9 p.m. EST Entry Phone: 231-832-8923 Call Backs: Posted on Flying Star Rodeo Facebook within 48 hours Events: BB, BR, SB, TDR, SW, TR, GBR Added \$: SW, TDR, TR, GBR \$501.00 Added \$: BR, BB, SB \$650.00, Total Added: \$3954.00 Entry Fees: \$55.00 SCF: \$10.00, FF \$5.00 ČBR Timer: \$3.00 Permits, locals and youth cards, tradeouts accepted, Jerkdown rule Location: Elkart County Fairgrounds 17746 CO Rd 34, Goshen, IN 46528 Stock Contractor: Flying Star Rodeo Company

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Meet the Member

Paige Reynolds

story by Lily Weinacht

odeo found Paige Reynolds when she was a teenager, and the hunter jumper, steeplechasing equestrian added barrel racing to her résumé, joining the APRA in 2013. Today, the 23 year old from Reisterstown, Md., competes in the APRA, IPRA, and SEBRA, which she led going into the SEBRA finals at the end of January. Though she comes from a horse family, she is the first of them to rodeo. Several family friends who rodeoed encouraged her to give it a try, and Paige's first introduction to the sport was at J Bar W Ranch in Maryland. She took to chasing cans immediately, filling her permit with the PRCA in 2012.

Paige quit riding English after high school, but she continues to condition foxhunters for a few clients, reaching back to her roots of showing horses on the Baltimore County Circuit. "I live ten minutes away from where the Maryland Cup takes place – one of the biggest steeplechases in the country," Paige explains. "Foxhunting is also big here." On the other hand, the gritty, thrill filled atmosphere of rodeo particularly appeals to Paige. "My first barrel horse was Snapper, and he was my main teacher and gave me the love for the sport. I ride horses for a living and deal with them every day, and rodeo is where I separate my enjoyment from my work. I also like to let people see my horses for who they are," she adds. "Rodeo isn't just about me – if you don't have your horses, you won't get very far!

"I jockey horses for other people, but my own horse is Pronto. I've had him for seven years, however the first two were far from great. It took us some time to get things together, but now we are quite the team!' She also hauls Mandy Rhinecker's stallion, Firewater Jet Moon. "He just turned seven, and he is really getting the feel for the rodeo world," says Paige. Additionally, she spends a great deal of time teach-



above: Paige Reynolds at the 2015 Bull Ride Mania Finals in Harrisburg, PA - Casey Martin Photography

ing riding lessons to kids in the area, from English to barrel racing. Her passion for rodeo has led to a passion for spreading the sport, and she is helping a number of the kids in the recently established Maryland High School Rodeo Association.

Paige has also put on barrel racing demonstrations on her family's farm, where she makes her home. Both her parents, Joan and Tom Reynolds, have owned and trained racehorses, and Paige helps her mom at the barn each morning before going to the other barns she rides for. Paige also has a 19-year-old brother, Jacob. "My parents have set me up for so many opportunities, and I'm blessed to have the things I do," Paige says. "My mom gave me a very good foundation with horses, and before I could drive, my dad hauled me to every rodeo and barrel race I could think of." Today, any rodeo Paige enters is at least an hour drive, if not further. She travels to Pennsylvania, New York, West Virginia, and Ohio, always accompanied by her Rottweiler, Lily, who sleeps in the backseat.

When she's not in the truck, Paige enjoys playing soccer on an indoor league, although she was sidelined this summer after breaking her leg at a rodeo when her horse fell at the second barrel. Pronto fared better than Paige, who had a broken leg and ankle, but she was back in the saddle as soon as the doctors gave the okay to get off crutches. "I want to continue to do well and keep my horse and myself healthy!" says Paige. "I qualified for the AFR in 2014, but because of my leg, I missed a lot of rodeos, so qualifying for the 2015 AFR was out of the question. I would love to qualify for that again and make a run at the IFR. I just want to keep getting better!"

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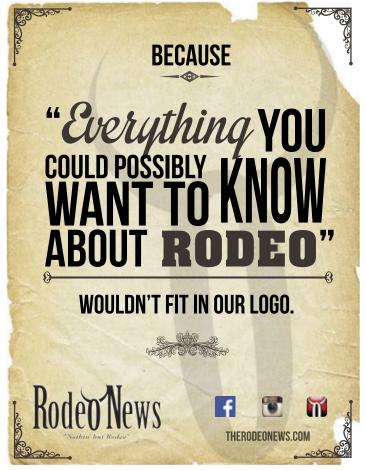
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Joe Ticconi	
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Walter Allen \$424.64	
Donald Wilson\$414.23	
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TEAM ROPING - HEELERS

Mike Soule	\$565.31
Aaron Smidt	\$491.45
Terry Fikes	\$408.89
Rich Stone	\$256.50
Bump Postlethwait	\$248.54
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Richard Wisniewski	\$163.35
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Shiloh Marchand	\$667.80
Julia Prebula	\$574.65
Janet Kerr	\$387.81
Shana Graham	\$318.15
Kendra Feaser	\$288.00
Kerri Frazier	\$216.00
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Like Father, Like Son

story by Siri Stevens

onnie Williams made the first IFR Finals 46 years ago. The Texas cowboy has been around horses all his life and added riding bareback horses

to his boxing career in high school. "We used to go to a weekly rodeo in Mansfield, Texas, every Saturday night." He qualified for the IFR his Rookie year, when he was 20. His son, Riley, followed in his dad's footsteps, qualifying for his first IFR his rookie year, and at the same age of 20.

Riley won two rounds at IFR 46. Ronnie won the world championship in the bareback riding eight times, qualifying for the finals 14 times.

He is currently the field director for the association, with a job description that in all-encompassing. "I communicate with the stock contractors as well as the committees and contestants. I seek out and secure new and old rodeos, and spend most of the summer in the field." Ronnie was selected as the most deserving Old Timer at the annual Red Doffin's Old Timers Reunion this year. "That was quite an honor," he said. But more rewarding for him was watching his son win the two rounds. "I was really proud," he said.

"He's worked hard to be where he's at."

Riley started roping off a horse at five years old. "I team roped and wouldn't dally," he said. "I added tie down roping when I was 14 so I could compete for All Around."



above: IPRA member, Riley Williams left: left to right, Red Doffin, Ronnie Williams & Riley Williams, below: , Riley Williams in tie-down roping - Rodeo News



He won the All Around in Region 3 his eighth grade year, and went on to Nationals. Riley went to college at Ranger, riding bareback horses, team roping and tie down roping.

In January, he became friends with Chance Hays and he asked Riley if he wanted to take a run at the IPRA. "He said he'd mount me and said come on and I roped calves all year." He credits Chance and Justin Thigpen for his success. "They know how to win and they taught me how to rodeo and how to get by certain calves that I didn't know how to get by. And they kept me mounted good."

Riley ended his first year in the IPRA winning two rounds at IFR 46, the average, and ended up third in the world standings.

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2015 WORLD CHAMPIONS























2015 IPRA WORLD CHAMPIONS

1. ALL AROUND Justin Thigpen, Waycross, GA 2. BAREBACK RIDING

Philippe Harvey, Terre Bonne, QU

3. STEER WRESTLING Justin Thigpen, Waycross, GA

4. TEAM ROPING — HEADING Dustin Egusquiza, Marianna, FL

5. TEAM ROPING — HEELING

Caleb Anderson, Charlotte, NC **6.** SADDLE BRONC RIDING

Luke Morgan, Tamworth, NSW, AU 7. COWGIRLS BARREL RACING

Carrie Putnam, Charlotte, NC

8. TIE-DOWN ROPING

Hadley Deshazo, Horseshoe Bend, AR 9. COWGIRLS BREAKAWAY ROPING

Lindsey Hughes, Colcord, OK

10. BULL RIDING Garrett Tribble, Slick, OK

- Way Out West **11.** Lindsay Hughes

12. Carrie Putnam

- Rodeo News

Loves

IFR46 WRAP UP

story by Lindsay Whelchel

he flags of three countries, America, Canada and Australia, were all flying high in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma for the 46th Annual International Finals Rodeo, Jan. 15-17, 2016.

Contestants had all competed hard during the International Professional Rodeo Association's 2015 competitive season. They had to earn their spots in the top-15 of each respective rodeo event; from bareback, bull and saddle bronc riding, to barrel racing and tie-down, calf, team and breakaway roping.

The action started off with a bang in the first round on Friday night and didn't slow down until after the fourth round on Championship Sunday.

Several names would become repetitive in the best possible way over the course of the finals. Trey Moore from Alabama won three out of four rounds in the bareback riding, with Philippe Harvey of Quebec, winning the remaining Round 3, as well as Harvey securing his world championship title.

"I just showed up to have fun and take it one horse at a time, and everything just happened to work out," Moore said, crediting his win at the National All-Region Finals in Lexington, Kentucky with helping him secure his spot in Oklahoma City. "I had nothing to lose but everything to gain. This is a huge finals. Everybody is here. The contestants are the best of the best," he said adding of the crowd of fans that packed the Oklahoma State Fair Jim



experience something like this is going to get a huge outlook on rodeo."

Moore would go on to take the Average title and the High Money Winner title of the entire rodeo.

Another name we'd see more than once is Josh Goodson, who won Round 1 and Round 3 of the bull riding. Reigning 2014 World Champion, 18-year-old Garrett Tribble of Slick, Oklahoma would wow the home-state crowd with consistent eightsecond rides to take both the Average title and his second, back-to-back world championship.

"My year was real good. I was a little worried coming into the finals. I knew I had a guy on my heels, and he rides just as well. I knew I had to ride all my bulls to win it again, and that was my plan," Tribble said. "It's all mental really, that's 90 percent of bull riding right there and your try."

Multiple round wins also came from 2014 world champion saddle bronc rider Sean Prater, but it was the story of the two best friends from Australia, Ben Maytom and Luke Morgan, that would dominate the finals. Morgan, an IPRA

rookie, came into IFR46 the no. 1 man, with his friend and traveling partner, Ben Maytom in the no. 2 position.

When it was all said and done, Morgan was announced the world champion as Maytom took home the average title. Only \$154 separated the pair for the world title.

We'd also get used to seeing Tracy Nowlin in the winner's circle. The Oklahoma cowgirl rode an incredible mare she bought relatively cheaply off of Facebook for her son. Surprisingly, the horse took Nowlin all the way to the finals and two round wins, instead.

Carrie Putnam might not have had the finals she had hoped for, but she still maintained her lead in the standings and brought back a barrel racing world championship alongside her boyfriend, team roper Caleb Anderson, who took the title in the heeling.

Dustin Egusquiza, who triumphed









over the recent passing of his father to win the world championship in the heading, did so with multiple round wins alongside his roping partner, Stephen Britnell.

The 2014 world champion breakaway roper, Amanda Stewart, won two rounds, splitting Round 2 with the new 2015 world champion, Lindsey Hughes.

'Coming into the finals, I knew that I had a pretty good lead, and I was just fortunate enough to have a fantastic year. I was a little nervous, I'm not going to lie, coming in. I knew they did have the opportunity to catch me. I was able to split the second round so that helped me clinch the world title," Hughes explained.

The opportunity to compete in the sport of breakaway roping in professional rodeo is special to Hughes. "I think it's been a fantastic opportunity the IPRA added breakaway roping. This is probably the biggest stage as women [breakaway] competitors in rodeo that we have to compete, and it's just a blessing to be here," she said.

Rookie of the Year in the tiedown roping was Riley Williams, who won two rounds, but it was Hadley Deshazo who became the 2015 World Champion Tie-Down Roper.

And lastly, the new 2015 World Champion Steer Wrestler is Justin Thigpen, of Waycross, Georgia. Thigpen is a multiple-time world champion, but the coveted title of All-Around World champion had eluded him, until this year.

Thigpen represented America in a tight three-country race for the All-Around title against two of his closest friends, Cody Mousseau of Canada and Ty Par-

kinson, the Rookie of the Year in Bull Riding and Team Roping, of Australia.

"The finals were a roller coaster this year. We didn't know until today how it was going to end up," Thigpen described on Sunday, but he quickly assured, "a lot that people didn't understand, is how close me and the other two were this year. We traveled together. We roped together, and we're good friends, so anyway it turned out, we were still going to be buddies at the end of the day, and it made for a good competition."

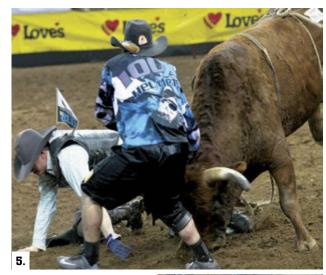
What also makes for good competition according to Thigpen, is the international aspect of the IPRA.

"For rodeo fans, I would say they like to know that cowboys come from all over the world, and there's top competition everywhere."

And that was certainly the case at IFR46.



1: Dustin Egusquiza heading for Stephen Britnell 2: IFYR Youth Directors 3: Justin Thigpen 4: Old Timers Reunion 5: Ross Burney getting some help from Laine Lamb 6: Sherry Smith 7: Harmony Lathum 8: Jerry Thorton 9: Garrett Yerigan & Matt McGee 10: Amanda Rutherford 11: Rick Chaffin, Ronnie Barnett, Alan Coleman, Steve Ratchford 12: Sherry Sumner, Danna Gann, Carissa Stewart, Shelby Lattin, Kathy Yerigan, Lyndia Chaffin, Blair Testerman- Rodeo News













BY THE **ROUND**

FIRST GO-ROUND

Bareback Bronc: Trey Moore 82.00 \$1,791.66; Mark Justin Kreder 80.00 \$1,343.75; Philippe Harvey 78.50 \$895.83; Carl Bernier 78.00 \$447.92 **Bull Riding:** Josh Goodson 82.50 \$1,791.66; Ty Parkinson (R) 81.75 \$1,343.75; Garrett Tribble 81.25 \$895.83; Ross Burney 79.75 \$447.92

Saddle Bronc: Ben Maytom. Timmy Matthews split 76.50 \$1,791.66 ea; Darin Lively 63.75 \$895.83

Tie-Down Roping: Riley Williams (R) 8.5 \$1,791.66; Budge Herbert 9.4 \$1,343.75; Clark Adcock, Benjamin Walker split 9.6 \$671.87 ea Steer Wrestling: Brian Barefoot 3.7 \$1,791.66; Cody Brecheisen 4.8 \$1,343.75; Tyler Foster, Walt Sherry split 4.9

\$671.87 ea

Cowgirl Barrel Racing: Tracy Nowlin 15.886 \$1,791.66; Natalie Overholt 15.958 \$1,343.75; Megan Lyerly 15.982 \$895.83; Peyton Morrow (R) 16.004 \$447.92 **Team Roping:** Dustin Egusquiza (R) Stephen Britnell 5.2 \$1,791.66 ea: John Allev Clark Adcock 5.4 \$1,343.75 ea; Jacob Dagenhart Zack Mabry 5.5 \$895.83 ea; Corv Kidd Caleb Anderson 6.0 \$447.92 ea **Cowgirl Breakaway Roping:** Brittany Adams, Jimme Beth

Hefner split 2.7 \$875.00 ea;

Hayley Jo Knox 4.1 \$250.00

Amanda Stewart 3.4 \$500.00:

SECOND GO-ROUND

Bareback Bronc: Trey Moore 83.00 \$1,791.66; Mark Justin Kreder 81.50 \$1,343.75; Pascal Isabelle 79.75 \$895.83: Joshua Michael Cragar 79.50 \$447.92

Bull Riding: Jon Mastrangelo 85.75 \$1,791.66; Josh Goodson 84.50 \$1.343.75: Steve Carter 81.25 \$895.83; Garrett Tribble 77.25 \$447.92 Saddle Bronc: Sean Prater 81.25 \$1,791.66; Rodney Weese, Cody Goertzen (R) split 70.75 \$1,119.79 ea; Kip Overman (R) 70.00 \$447.92 **Tie-Down Roping:** Trent

Creager 8.2 \$1,791.66; Bradley Chance Hays 8.4 \$1,343.75; Cody Mousseau 9.4 \$895.83; Caddo Lewallen 9.6 \$447.92

Steer Wrestling: Jason Stewart 3.8 \$1,791.66; Stewart Gulager 3.9

\$1.343.75: Justin Thigpen 4.0 \$895.83; Brian Barefoot 4.9 \$447.92

Cowgirl Barrel Racing: Tracy Nowlin 15.687 \$1,791.66; Carrie Putnam (R) 15.706 \$1,343.75; Natalie Overholt 15.868 \$895.83; Peyton Morrow (R) 16.025 \$447.92 **Team Roping:** Kelsey Parchman Lane Mitchell 5.0 \$1,791.66 ea; Cory Kidd Caleb Anderson 5.2 \$1,343.75 ea; Eric Flurry Wendall Stanley 5.3 \$895.83 ea; Cody Mousseau Ty Parkinson (R) 5.6 \$447.92

Cowgirl Breakaway Roping: Lindsey Hughes, Amanda Stewart split 2.5 \$875.00 ea; Jenna Lee Hays 3.0 \$500.00; Brianna Dunbar 3.1 \$250.00

THIRD GO-ROUND

Bareback Bronc: Philippe Harvey 82.75 \$1,791.66; Trey Moore 81.25 \$1,343.75; Joshua Michael Cragar 79.25 \$895.83; Pascal Isabelle 78.75 \$447.92 Bull Riding: Josh Goodson 86.00 \$1,791.66; Nicolas Brien 82.00 \$1.343.75: Garrett Tribble 81.25 \$895.83; Michael Crenshaw (R) 76.75 \$447.92 Saddle Bronc: Sean Prater 78.75 \$1,791.66; Timmy Matthews 74.75 \$1,343.75; Ben Maytom 72.75 \$895.83: Rodney Weese 72.50 \$447.92 Tie-Down Roping: Riley Williams (R) 8.6 \$1,791.66; Justin Thigpen 9.7 \$1,343.75; Bradlev Chance Havs 9.8 \$895.83; Hadley Deshazo 10.1 \$447.92

Steer Wrestling: Danell Tipton 3.5 \$1,791.66; Tyler Foster 4.1 \$1,343.75; Cord Spradley 4.6 \$895.83; Rodney Weese 4.7 \$447.92

Cowgirl Barrel Racing: Natalie Overholt 15.698 \$1,791.66; Gabrielle Oder 15.861 \$1,343.75; Kindyl Scruggs 15.960 \$895.83; Casey Allen 16.031 \$447.92

Team Roping: Dustin Egusquiza (R) Stephen Britnell 4.2 \$1,791.66 ea; Jacob Dagenhart Zack Mabry 4.4 \$1,343.75 ea; Cody Mousseau Ty Parkinson (R), Terry Crow Chad Evans split 4.7 \$671.87 ea **Cowgirl Breakaway Roping:** Mindy Elrod, Jacie Hudspeth split 2.5 \$875.00 ea; Amanda Stewart 2.6 \$500.00; Robi Jo Treat 2.7 \$250.00



above: Philippe Harvey right: Garrett Tribble Rodeo News



FOURTH GO-ROUND

Bareback Bronc: Trey Moore 83.00 \$1,791.66; Joshua Michael Cragar 82.75 \$1.343.75: Joseph Courville 79.25 \$895.83; Pascal Isabelle 78.75 \$447.92

Bull Riding: Ross Burney 82.50 \$1,791.66; Adam Hinkley (R) 80.50 \$1,343.75; Luke McCoag 77.75 \$895.83: Garrett Tribble 69.00 \$447.92

Saddle Bronc: Trace Hughston 77.00 \$1,791.66; Tyler Foster 72.75 \$1,343.75; Rodney Weese 72.50 \$895.83; Ben Maytom, Eddie Parlier split 72.00 \$223.96 ea

Tie-Down Roping: D.J. Smith 7.8 \$1,791.66; Trent Creager 8.1 \$1,343.75; Zach Kilgus 8.4 \$895.83; Hadley Deshazo, Justin Thigpen split 8.5 \$223.96 ea

Steer Wrestling: Tanner McElhaney 3.7 \$1,791.66; Stewart Gulager 3.8 \$1,343.75; David Jr. Reagor 3.9 \$895.83; Danell Tipton 4.1 \$447.92

Cowgirl Barrel Racing: Peyton Morrow (R) 15.697 \$1,791.66; Casey Allen 15.798 \$1,343.75; Gabrielle Oder 15.808 \$895.83; Sabrina Plante (R) 15.856 \$447.92

Team Roping: Eric Flurry Wendall Stanley 3.9 \$1,791.66 ea; John Alley Clark Adcock, Corv Kidd Caleb Anderson split 4.0 \$1,119.79 ea; Kelsey Parchman Lane Mitchell 4.5 \$447.92 ea Cowgirl Breakaway Roping: Amanda Stewart 2.5 \$1,000.00; Johnna Setzer 2.6 \$750.00; Brittany Adams 2.8 \$500.00; Jimme Beth Hefner 3.0 \$250.00

AVERAGE WINNERS

Bareback Bronc: Trey Moore 329.25 \$3,583.33; Philippe Harvey 312.50 \$2,687.50; Mark Justin Kreder 311.00 \$1,791.66; Joshua Michael Cragar 309.00 \$895.83

Bull Riding: Garrett Tribble 308.75 \$3,583.33; Josh Goodson 253.00 \$2,687.50; Ross Burney 162.25 \$1,791.66; Jon Mastrangelo 159.50 \$895.83

Saddle Bronc: Ben Maytom 221.25 \$3,583.33; Rodney Weese 215.75 \$2,687.50; Luke Morgan (R) 200.25 \$1,791.66; Tyler Foster 200.00 \$895.83

Tie-Down Roping: Riley Williams (R) 37.6 \$3,583.33; Cody Mousseau 41.3 \$2,687.50; Bradley Chance Hays 43.3 \$1,791.66; Budge Herbert 43.4 \$895.83

Steer Wrestling: Rodney Weese 23.6 \$3,583.33; Danell Tipton 29.8 \$2,687.50; Justin Thigpen 32.2 \$1,791.66; Cord Spradley 35.4 \$895.83

Cowgirl Barrel Racing: Gabrielle Oder 64.000 \$3,583.33; Sabrina Plante (R) 64.582 \$2,687.50; Jade Dickinson 66.500 \$1,791.66; Natalie Overholt 68.674 \$895.83

Team Roping: Dustin Egusquiza (R) Stephen Britnell 20.7 \$3,583.33 ea; Cory Kidd Caleb Anderson 20.9 \$2,687.50 ea; Jake Weddle Josh Canant 29.0 \$1,791.66 ea; Terry Crow Chad Evans 31.1 \$895.83 ea **Cowgirl Breakaway Roping:** Amanda Stewart 11.0 \$2,000.00; Brittany Adams 9.0 \$1,500.00; Brianna Dunbar 11.2 \$1,000.00; Johnna Setzer 18.3 \$500.00



IFR **MONEY WINNERS**

1. Trev Moore Anniston, AL \$10,302.06 2. Rodney Weese, Alvington Canada, ON......\$9,182.29 3. Josh Goodson, Ludowici, GA\$7,614.57 4. Stephen Britnell Knoxville, TN \$7,166.65 5. Riley Williams (R) Fort Worth, TX \$7,166.65 6. Dustin Egusquiza (R) Marianna, FL...... \$7,166.65 7. Ben Maytom, Stroud, N S W, AU\$6,494.78 8. Garrett Tribble Bristow, OK \$6,270.83 9. Gabrielle Oder, Hamilton, OK.....\$5,822.91 10. Corv Kidd Statesville, NC \$5,598.96

11. Caleb Anderson Charlotte, NC \$5,598.96 12. Philippe Harvey Terre Bonne, QU.... \$5,374.99 13. Danell Tipton Spencer, OK...... \$4,927.08 14. Natalie Overholt Burr Oak, MI \$4,927.07 15. Amanda Stewart Mt. Ulla, NC \$4,875.00 16. Cody Mousseau Avlmer, Canada, ON .. \$4,703.12 17. Mark Justin Kreder Collinsville, OK..... \$4,479.16 18. Justin Thigpen Waycross, GA \$4,255.20 19. Tyler Foster Watford, ON...... \$4,255.20 20. Bradley Chance Havs Bristow, OK \$4,031.24



top: Caleb Anderson, Heeling right: Philippe Harvey, - Rodeo News

IFR **ALL-AROUND CHAMPION** STANDINGS

1. Rodney Weese, Alvington, Canada, ON\$9,182.29	3 Tyler Foster, Watford, ON\$4,255.20
2. Cody Mousseau, Aylmer, Canada, ON\$4,703.12	5 Clark Adcock, Smithville, TN\$3,135.41
3 Justin Thigpen, Waycross, GA\$4,255.20	6 Ty Parkinson (R), Tamworth, NSW, AU\$2,463.54

7 D.J. Smith, Hillsboro, TX,	\$1,791.66
7 Cord Spradley, Hoboken, GA	\$1,791.66
9 Zach Kilgus, Belpre, OH	
10 Shawn Minor, Camden, OH	

2015 IPRA AWARD WINNERS



2015 IPRA BEST NEW RODEO OF THE YEAR



2015 IPRA INDOOR RODEO OF THE YEAR

North Franklin County Fair Rodeo - Ozark, Great Southland Stampede - Athens, GA



2015 TOP5 INDOOR RODEOS

Michigan State University Spartan Stampede Championship Rodeo -East Lansing, MI Federation Productions - Sedalia, MO White County Fair & Rodeo - Searcy, AR Western Fair Rodeo - London, ON



2015 IPRA OUTDOOR RODEO OF THE YEAR

Festival Western de St. Tite - St. Tite, QU

NOT PICTURED

2015 TOP5 OUTDOOR RODEOS

13th Annual IPRA VFD Word Championship Rodeo - North Washington, PA Sky High Arena 18th Annual - Huntsville, AR

30th Annual Pawnee Bill Memorial Rodeo - Pawnee, OK

32nd Annual Shady Dale Rodeo -Shady Dale, GA



2015 IPRA STOCK CONTRACTOR OF THE YEAR

Hampton Rodeo Company - Kevin Hampton



2015 IPRA CLOWN OF THE YEAR

Dusty Myers



2015 IPRA SECRETARY OF THE YEAR

Gina Hampton



2015 IPRA ANNOUNCER OF THE YEAR 2015 MOST DESERVING OLD TIMER

Matt McGee



Ronnie Williams



25 YEAR APPRECIATION AWARD

World's Largest Fish Fry Pro Rodeo - Paris, TN DD Arena IPRA Rodeo - Walterboro, SC Kankakee County Fair IPRA Rodeo - Kankakee, IL



2015 IPRA MOST ACTIVE STOCK CONTRACTOR

Broken Horn Rodeo Company - Jim McElrov

2015 IPRA TIMED EVENT HORSES OF THE YEAR



COWGIRLS BREAKAWAY ROPING HORSE OF THE YEAR

"Topper," Little Bo Beavis. Owned by Lindsey & Nathan Hughes, Ridden by Lindsey Hughes



TIE-DOWN ROPING HORSE OF THE YEAR HAZING HORSE OF THE YEAR

"Whiskers," Hankers Red Tybolt. Owned & Ridden by Hadley Deshazo



"Ava," Moon the Bully. Owned by KC Jones, Ridden by Stewart Gulager



STEER WRESTLING HORSE OF THE YEAR

"Bumble Bee," TCFTCS Yellow Run Bud. Owned & Ridden by Stewart Gulager

TIMED EVENT HORSES OF THE YEAR CON'T



HEELING HORSE OF THE YEAR "Uno," Little Minnie Me. Owned & Ridden by D.J. Smith



COWGIRLS BARREL RACING HORSE OF THE YEAR "Ace," Peppy's Cahula. Owned & Ridden by Carrie Putnam



HEADING HORSE OF THE YEAR "Frog," Win D Squeaky Fritz Owned & Ridden by Jacob Dagenhart

IFR46 PERSONNEL AWARDS



ANNOUNCERS Garrett Yerigan, Matt McGee



JUDGES Alan Coleman, Ronnie Barnett, Rick Chaffin, Steve Ratchford



BARRELMAN **Dusty Myers**



PICKUPMEN Tommy Pettit, Brandon Harris



BULLFIGHTERS Dominic Roy, Cody Laine Lamb, Mark Weber, ALT



SECRETARY Danna Gann



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2015 IPRA BUCKING STOCK OF THE YEAR



BAREBACK HORSE OF THE YEAR 198 Ironhorse, Wild Time Rodeo Productions, Sylvain Bourgeois



SADDLE BRONC HORSE OF THE YEAR 134 Drama Queen, Hampton Rodeo Company, Kevin Hampton



BULL OF THE YEAR 019 Trick or Treat, Wild Time Rodeo Productions, Sylvain Bourgeois



BULL OF THE YEAR 09 Detonator, Hampton Rodeo Company, Kevin Hampton

2015 IPRA ROOKIES OF THE YEAR

All Around: Ty Parkinson, Moonbi, NSW, AU Bareback Riding: Houston Herbert, College Grove, TN Steer Wrestling: Jock Bone Langdon, Aylmer, ON **Team Roping – Heading:** Dustin Egusquiza, Marianna, FL Team Roping - Heeling: Ty Parkinson, Moonbi, NSW, AU Saddle Bronc Riding: Luke Morgan, Tamworth, NSW, AU Cowgirls Barrel Racing: Carrie Putnam – Charlotte, NC Tie-Down Roping: Riley

BAREBACK BRONC

Williams – Ft. Worth, TX **Cowgirls Breakaway Roping:** Savannah Prater, Seneca, SC 2016 Miss Rodeo USA: Harmony Latham, Wrightwood, CA IFR46 AVERAGE WINNERS All Around: Rodney Weese, Alvington, ON **Bareback Riding:** Trey Moore, Anniston, AL **Steer Wrestling:** Rodney Weese, Alvington, ON Team Roping - Heading: Dustin Egusquiza, Marianna, FL Team Roping - Heeling: Stephen Britnell, Knoxville, TN

Saddle Bronc Riding: Ben Maytom, Stroud, NSW, AU Cowgirls Barrel Racing: Gabrielle Oder, Hamilton, OH **Tie-Down Roping:** Riley Williams, Ft. Worth, TX **Cowgirls Breakaway Roping:** Amanda Stewart, Mt. Ulla, NC **Bull Riding:** Garrett Tribble, Slick, OK IFR46 High Money Winner: Trey Moore, Anniston, AL 2015 IPRÁ WORLD CHAMPIONS All Around: Justin Thigpen, Waycross, GA

Bareback Riding: Philippe Harvey, Terre Bonne, QU Steer Wrestling: Justin Thigpen, Waycross, GA Team Roping – Heading: Dustin Egusquiza, Marianna, FL **Team Roping – Heeling:** Caleb Anderson, Charlotte, NC Saddle Bronc Riding: Luke Morgan, Tamworth, NSW, AU **Cowgirls Barrel Racing:** Carrie Putnam, Charlotte, NC Tie-Down Roping: Hadley Deshazo, Horseshoe Bend, AR Cowgirls Breakaway Roping: Lindsey Hughes, Colcord, OK

WORLD STANDINGS

1 Philippe Harvey Terre Bonne QU...... 35,337.29 2 Joseph Courville Bourbonnias IL........ 23,066.53 3 Shawn Minor Camden OH 20,096.83 4 Trey Moore Anniston AL.. 16,258.42 5 Danian Nutt St. Tite CANADAQU..... 15,855.93 6 Pascal Isabelle Ste. JulienneQU 14,108.4411,020.09 8 Brian Leddy Leedy OK 9 Mark Justin Kreder Collinsville OK.....10.040.00 10 Michael Sumner Farmington IL... .8,142.40 11 Spur Lacasse Mirabel QU6,420.95 12 Carl Bernier Weedon QU6,049.44 13 Cody Mounts Pine Bluff AR5,871.17 14 Jeremy Shed Holdenville OK......5,474.13 15 Billy Griffin Lees Summit MO......5,124.11 BULL RIDING 1 Garrett Tribble Bristow OK... . 35.781.02 2 (R) Ty Parkinson Tamworth NSW AU29,402.14 3 Dustin McMullen Alymer ON...... 24,391.39 4 Ross Burney Coffeeville MS 19,765.20 5 AJ Vaal Arthur Canada ON...... 14,678.81 6 Josh Goodson Ludowici GA...... 14,196.42 7 Jon Mastrangelo Plainville GA......9,259.679,131.37 8 (R) David King Hartville MO 9 Nicolas Brien Sainte-Madeleine QU8,941.19 10 (R) Adam Hinkley Holstein Canada ON., 8,860.64 11 Luke McCoag Queensville Canad ON 7,408.45 12 (R) Michael Crenshaw Hernando MS.6,973.26 SADDLE BRONC

3 Rodney Weese Alvington Canada ON 20,038.49

4 Eddie Parlier Loxley AL
14 P.J. Spencer Collinsville OK
1 Justin Thigpen Waycross GA 21,207.32
2 Tyler Foster Watford ON
3 Cody Mousseau Aylmer Canada ON 17,706.06
4 Rodney Weese Alvington Canada ON 14,731.40
5 Danell Tipton Spencer OK 12,779.46
6 Chet Kidd Statesville NC
7 Stewart Gulager Ft. Scott KS10,714.78

Official Saddle of the IPRA

8 Tanner McElhaney Henryetta OK 10,550.46
9 (R) Jock Bone Langdon Aylmer ON 9,959.77
10 Cody Brecheisen Wyandotte OK9,332.87
11 Brian Barefoot Dunn NC
12 Cord Spradley Hoboken GA8,771.51
13 Walt Sherry Atwood OK8,632.96
12 Cord Spradley Hoboken GA
15 David Jr. Reagor Okmulgee OK6,517.86
COWGIRL BARREL RACING
1 (R) Carrie Putnam Charlotte NC 24,986.61
2 Kindyl Scruggs Southaven MS 23,695.77
3 Gabrielle Oder Hamilton OH
4 (R) Sabrina Plante St-Ephrem QU 15,431.31
5 Cindy Cloutier Mont Laurier QU 15,367.50
6 Natalie Overholt Burr Oak MI 14,824.77
7 The see Name of the Name of CV 12 757 05
7 Tracy Nowlin Nowata OK
8 Pamela Doucet Rimouski QU
9 Alicia Pottmeyer Belpre OH
10 Dawn Powell Dansville NY
11 Jade Dickinson Ste-Julienne QU 11,958.56
12(R) Peyton Morrow Watkinsville GA11,836.75
13 Casey Allen Vandergrift PA11,036.64
14 Megan Lyerly Stony Point NC 10,835.81
15 Jessica Gauthier Mirabel Canada QU 10,470.52
HEADER TEAM ROPING
1 (R) Dustin Egusquiza Marianna FL 23,239.79
2 Zach Kilgus Belpre OH 19,884.97
3 John Alley Adams TN 18,256.01
4 Jake Weddle St. Joe AR 17,621.79
5 Cory Kidd Statesville NC
6 Cody Mousseau Aylmer Canada ON 15,454.83
7 Jacob Dagenhart Statesville NC 14,946.16
8 Terry Crow Miami OK 12 703 78
8 Terry Crow Miami OK
10 Jason Tucker Mt. Ulla NC
11 Justin Thigpen Waycross GA 12,000.82
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12 Cory Clark Stephenville TX	11,600.79
13 Kelsey Parchman Liipan TX	11,425.65
14 J.D. Young Stony Point NC	10,530.35
15 Chris Chandler Mt. Juliet TN	7,851.31
HEELER TEAM ROPING	
1 Caleb Anderson Charlotte NC	25,699.78
2 Stephen Britnell Knoxville TN	21,198.07
3 Clark Adcock Smithville TN	19,454.22
4 D.J. Smith Hillsboro TX	19,228.63
5 Wendall Stanley Wagoner OK	16.659.07
6 Josh Canant Perryville AR	13,959.36
7 (R) Ty Parkinson Tamworth NSWAU.	13,188.16
8 Lane Mitchell Boliver TN	12,171.39
9 Zack Mabry Piedmont AL	10,932.73
10 Chad Evans Fairland OK	10,703.57
11 Ethan Cory Hico TX	10,289.86
12 Morgan Jones Leighton AL	8,535.42
13 Josh Clayton Buchanan TN	8.452.01
14 Tyler Kidd Statesville NC	8,441.75
14 Tyler Kidd Statesville NC 15 Drew Carnes Springtown TX	8,384.74
COWGIRL BREAKAWAY	
1 Lindsey Hughes Colcord OK	
2 Amanda Stewart Mt. Ulla NC	9,048.75
3 Robi Jo Treat Ketchum OK	8,401.91
4 Bailey Livengood Cleveland NC	8,080.91
5 Brittany Adams Stephenville TX	7,403.27
6 Brianna Dunbar Hudson Falls NY	
7 Jenna Lee Hays Weatherford OK	6,331.16
8 Johnna Setzer Quitman AR	5,818.72
9 Mindy Elrod Sanger TX	5,595.84
10 Hayley Jo Knox Olin NC	5,463.70
9 Mindy Elrod Sanger TX	5,137.84
12 Emily Arnold Gansevoort NY	4,975.29
13 Jacie Hudspeth Afton OK	4,742.10

14 Cassidy Chamberlain Hudson Falls NY4,188.95

15 Tina Hamilton McAlester OK4,003.67

LATHAM TAKES THE CROWN IN 2016



story by Rayne Sherman

he 50th Annual Miss Rodeo USA pageant took place January 11-17, 2016, in conjunction with International Finals Rodeo 46 (IFR) in Oklahoma City, Okla. After a week of rigorous competition, Harmony Latham was crowned Miss Rodeo USA 2016 during the fourth performance of the IFR.

Harmony, 21, from Wrightwood, Calif., came representing the Hesperia Wranglers. For many years, the Hesperia Wranglers worked with the city of Hesperia, Calif., to hold an annual rodeo, but now organizes events including gymkhanas, barrel races, fund-raising activities, and trail rides.

Harmony mainly rode English, along with trail riding, until she was 13, when she switched to western and began barrel racing and competing in gymkhana events. Harmony has been participating in community service based pageants representing cities in her area since she was five. When Harmony was a junior in high school her aunt, Tonii Ventimiglia, challenged her to combine her two passions in life, pageants and horses. At first Harmony didn't believe there was a way to do so, but Tonii encouraged her to run for Miss Hesperia Wranglers and she won the title. "I knew what the Hesperia Wranglers stood for, but when I went through and read everything about them. I knew that was an organization I wanted to represent.

Harmony's family has always been very

and Kerri, have done everything from pushing her to do her best to sewing rhinestones on shirts late into the night. Harmony considers her younger brother, Garrett, her best friend and they've done everything together including playing sports and riding horses. They are currently learning how to rope. She attends Azusa Pacific University and is majoring in business marketing with an emphasis in biology. "I wanted to be a Physician's Assistant since my sophomore year of high school so I worked really hard to get into Azusa. After my second year I realized that wasn't my path. I switched to business marketing and I love it, but I missed science. I plan to go into the medical field and use both my specializations. Of course, I'd love to be able to do something with rodeo my whole life, but I have to have a backup plan," said Harmony.

"I am looking forward to representing the sport of rodeo. The International

Professional Rodeo Association has welcomed me and this is one big happy family. It's going to be awesome to travel alongside some of the world's best rodeo athletes," stated Harmony. Her platform is called "Royalty Reading," an organization thatworks to furnish books to children who don't have easy access to them. organization The does fundraisers and works with sponsors



to purchase books that are then given to children during school visits.

"It was a long week and we're tired, but the camaraderie I felt with this group of girls is unlike any I've experienced in 15 years of pageants and competitive sports. The judges made the experience 100% better. They went everywhere with us so the girls and I really got to know them as people. No matter what kind of time you were going through every single person was there helping you." 🚡

top left: 2016 Miss Rodeo USA, Harmony Latham, top right: MRUSA 50th Anniversary Celebration middle right: MRUSA past Queen buttons bottom right: MRUSA contestants with 2015 Miss Rodeo USA Kirbi Allen - Roden News



MRUSA CATEGORY WINNERS 2016 MRUSA - Harmony Latham **1st Runner Up -** Paige Jerrett 2nd Runner Up - Sydney Butler 3rd Runner Up - Savanna Karcher 4th Runner Up - Nicole Boomsma

Jim Grillot Memorial Photogenic Award - Paige Jerrett

Program Sales - Harmony Latham Horsemanship - Paige Jerrett Speech - Harmony Latham

Written Exam - Macy Dickens Scrapbook - Heather Bundy Miss Congeniality - Paige Jerrett People's Choice - Harmony Latham Director's Award - Shayla Lowry

BOOK OPENINGS

To enter the following rodeos please contact:

CES: 1-800-639-9002

2015/2016 BOOK OPENINGS

(In order for money won at December, 2015 rodeos to count you MUST purchase your 2016 IPRA card.)

WED., FEB. 10 8 A.M.

East Lansing, MI Feb. 19-21 \$7,000 total adm.

WED., FEB. 17 8 A.M.

Sedalia, MO Feb. 26-27 \$9,100 total adm.

MON., FEB. 22 8 A.M.

Batesville, MS Feb. 27 \$2,900 total adm. Columbiana, AL Feb. 26-27 \$4,000 total adm.

WED., FEB. 24 8 A.M. Jacksonville, FL March 4-5 \$8,000 total adm.

MON., FEB. 29 8 A.M.

Pendleton, SC March 4-5 \$4,000 total adm. Springfield, IL March 4-5 \$3,000 total adm.

MON., MARCH 21 8 A.M. Corbin, KY March 25-26

\$3,200 total adm. WED., MARCH 23 8 A.M. Athens, GA March 31-April 1-2 \$8,000 total adm.

MON., MARCH 28 8 A.M.

Brunswick, GA April 1-2 \$5,000 total adm. Oneonta, AL April 1-2 \$4,000 total adm.

MON., APRIL 48 A.M.

Nicholls, GA April 8-9 \$6,000 total adm. Rockmart, GA April 8-9 \$3,200 total adm.

WED., APRIL 6 8 A.M.

Statesboro, GA April 15-16 \$7,000 total adm.

MON., APRIL 18 8 A.M.

In order to draw out of a rodeo the day the books are open you must do so two (2) hours prior to the books closing (CST).

Please check Rodeo Listings for all other Book Openings.

Greensboro, GA April 22-23 \$4,000 total adm.

MON., APRIL 25 8 A.M.

Paris, TN April 28-30 \$3,500 total adm. Donaldsonville, GA April 29-30 \$4,600 total adm.

WED., APRIL 27 8 A.M.

Marion, AR May 6-7 \$7,000 total adm.

SCHEDULE 2016

FORT WORTH, TX SCRA/IPRA

Stockyard's Championship Rodeo PERFS: One: Feb. 68 p.m. BB, BR, SB, TD, TR, CBR, CGBKR \$0 - \$80 ef. Total \$0. HQ INFO: Books open Thurs., Feb. 46 p.m. CST Books close Thurs., Feb. 410 p.m. CST Phone: 254-371-7343 Permits, Locals, & Youth cards accepted. Indoor arena - LOCATION: Cowtown Coliseum 121 E. Exchange Ave. Ranch Bronc Riding \$80 ef. - All contestants must pay Ef by 8 p.m. STK CONT: Double R Rodeo Co.

FEB. 12-13-14 **BOWLING GREEN, KY LSR/IPRA**

34th Annual Lone Star Championship Rodeo PERFS: Four: Feb. 12-13 8 p.m. Feb. 13-14 2 p.m. BB, SB, BR, SW, TD, CBR, CGBKR \$60 ef. - \$1,000 adm. - TR \$60 ef. \$2,000 adm. - Total \$9,000.00 SCF \$10.00 HQ INFO: Books open Mon., Feb. 8 9 a.m. CST Books close Mon., Feb. 83 p.m. CST Phone: 270-269-6000 - \$5 FF - TR ENTER ONCE. Locals accepted, Permits & Youth Cards Indoor arena - LOCATION: WKU Ag Expo Center 406 Elrod Rd. Rodeo Tickets: 270-269-6000 FMI: www.lonstarrodeocompany.com DES SLACK: Thurs., Feb. 117 p.m. STK CONT: Lone Star Rodeo Co.

FORT WORTH, TX SCRA/IPRA

Stockyard's Championship Rodeo PERFS: One: Feb. 13 8 p.m. BB, BR, SB, TD, TR, CBR, CGBKR \$0 - \$80 ef. Total \$0. HQ INFO: Books open Thurs., Feb. 116 p.m. CST Books close Thurs., Feb. 11 10 p.m. CST Phone: 254-371-7343 Permits, Locals, & Youth cards accepted. Indoor arena - LOCATION: Cowtown Coliseum 121 E. Exhange Ave. Ranch Bronc Riding \$80 ef. - All contestants must

pay Ef by 8 p.m. STK CONT: Double R Rodeo Co.

FEB. 19-20-21 EAST LANSING, MI (A) IPRA/ MSRA

Michigan State University Spartan Stampede Championship Rodeo PERFS: Four: Feb. 19-20 8 p.m. Feb. 20-21 2 p.m. BB, SB, BR, SW, TD, CBR, TR \$70 ef . - \$1,000 adm. - Total \$7,000.00 - SCF \$10.00 HQ INFO: Books open Wed., Feb. 108 a.m. CST Books close Wed., Feb. 10 5 p.m. CST Phone: 1-800-639-9002 CALL BACKS: Thurs., Feb. 11 & Fri., Feb. 12 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Permits, locals & youth cards accepted - CES \$8 - Tradeouts - All events draw for perf. - Indoor -LOCATION: MSU Livestock Pavilion 4301 Farm Lane. Fri., Feb. 19th Patriot Night - Sat., Feb. 20th Pink Night (Both Perfs) – Sun., Feb. 21st Spartan Day Green & White. Awards/Prizes to be given to event winners. NO SLACK TO BE RUN AFTER SAT., FEB. 20 2 P.M. PERF. STK CONT: Twister P Rodeo Co.

NO RODEO IN FORT WORTH, TX FEB. 20, 2016

SHELBYVILLE, TN LSR/IPRA

26th Annual Lone Star Championship Rodeo PERFS: One: Feb. 207:30 p.m. BB, SB, BR, SW, TD, CBR, CGBKR \$50 ef. - \$500 adm. - TR \$50 ef. -\$1,000 adm. - Total \$4,500.00 - SCF \$10.00 HQ INFO: Books open Mon., Feb. 159 a.m. CST Books close Mon., Feb. 15 3 p.m. CST Phone: 270-269-6000 – \$5 FF – TR ENTER ONCE. Locals accepted, Permits & Youth cards Indoor arena - LOCATION: Calsonic Arena Rodeo Tickets: 270-269-6000 FMI: www.lonestarrodeocompany.com DES. SLACK: Fri., Feb. 19th 7 p.m. STK CONT: Lone Star

Rodeo Co.

FEB 26-27 COLUMBIANA, AL [B] IPRA/ SPRA

Shelby County Cattlemens Assoc Annual Pro Rodeo PERFS: Two: Feb 26-27 7:30pm BB, BR, SB, TD, SW, CBR, TR, CGBKR \$500 adm - \$50 EF - Total \$4,000. - 10.00 SCF HQ INFO: Books Open Mon Feb 22 8am CST Books Close Mon Feb 22 5pm CST Phone: 800-639-9002 Permits, locals, and youth cards accepted-CES \$8.00 Indoor arena LOCATION: Shelby County Expo Center STK CONT: Ken Treadway Rodeo Company,LLC

FEB. 26-27 SEDALIA, MO (A) IPRA

Federation Productions PERFS: Two: Feb. 26-27 8 p.m. BB, SB, BR, TD, SW, CBR, TR \$1,200 adm - \$70 ef. CGBKR \$700 adm. - \$50 ef. - Total \$9,100.00 - SCF \$10.00 HQ INFO: Books open Wed., Feb. 178 a.m. CST Books close Wed., Feb. 17 5 p.m. CST CALL BACKS: Thurs., Feb. 18 & Fri., Feb. 199 a.m. to 4 p.m. Phone: 1-800-639-9002 Permits, locals & youth cards accepted - Tradeouts - All events Draw for perf. - CES \$8.00 - Indoor arena. Rodeo Tickets 1-800-422-3247 Stalls & RV Hook-ups available through the Fairgrounds office 660-827-815. LOCATION: Matthewson Expo Center - Missouri State Fairgrounds. STK CONT: Six Crowns Rodeo Co.

FEB. 27 BATESVILLE, MS (B) IPRA/ SPRA

Bill Lipscomb Memorial Rodeo PERFS: One: Feb. 27 7:30 p.m. BB, SB, BR \$500 adm. – \$50 ef. – SW, TD, CBR, TR \$300 adm. - \$50 ef. -CGBKR \$200 Adm. - \$50 ef. - Total \$2,900.00 - SCF \$10.00 HQ INFO:

Books open Mon., Feb. 22 8 a.m. CST Books close Mon., Feb. 22 5 p.m. CST Phone: 1-800-639-9002 Permits, locals & youth cards accepted - CES \$8.00 -Indoor arena – LOCATION: Batesville Civic Center 290 Civic Ctr Dr. 1. DES SLACK: Sat., Feb. 27th at 9 a.m. STK CONT: 5M Rodeo Co.

FORT WORTH, TX SCRA/IPRA

Stockyard's Championship Rodeo PERFS: One: Feb. 27 8 p.m. BB, BR, SB, TD, TR, CBR, CGBKR \$0 - \$80 ef. Total \$0. HQ INFO: Books open Thurs., Feb. 25 6 p.m. CST Books close Thurs., Feb. 25 10 p.m. CST Phone: 254-371-7343 Permits, Locals, & Youth cards accepted. Indoor arena - LOCATION: Cowtown Coliseum 121 E. Exhange Ave. Ranch Bronc Riding \$80 ef. – All contestants must pay Ef by 8 p.m. STK CONT: Double R Rodeo Co.

JACKSONVILLE, FL [A] IPRA/SPRA*

Atlantic Coast Stampede PERFS: Two: Mar 4-5 8pm BB, BR, SB, TD, SW, CBR, TR, CGBKR \$1,000 adm - \$70 EF – Total \$8,000. – 10.00 SCF HQ INFO: Books Open Wed Feb 24 8am CST Books Close Wed Feb 24 5pm CST Phone: 800-639-9002 CALL BACKS: Thurs., Feb. 25 & Fri., Feb. 26 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Permits, locals, and youth cards accepted-CES \$8.00-All events draw for perf. Indoor arena LOCATION: Jacksonville Equestrian Center Coggins Required - Stalls and Hook-ups available. FMI: 817/202-5251 Award to Highest score & Fastest time in each perf. STK CONT: Southern Rodeo Co.

MARCH 4-5 MURFREESBORO, TN LSR/IPRA

11th Annual Rutherford Co. S.R.O. Rodeo PERFS: Two: March 4-5 7:30

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p.m. BB, SB, BR, SW, TD, CBR, CGBKR \$50 ef. – \$750 adm. – TR \$50 ef. – \$1,500 adm. – Total \$6,750.00 – SCF \$10.00 HQ INFO: Books open Mon., Feb. 29 9 a.m. CST Books close Mon., Feb. 29 3 p.m. CST Phone: 270-269-6000 – \$5 FF – TR ENTER ONCE. Locals accepted, Permits & Youth cards Indoor arena – LOCATION: Tennessee Miller Coliseum. Rodeo Tickets: 270-269-6000 FMI: www.lonestarrodeocompany.com DES. SLACK: Fri., March 4th after perf. STK CONT: Lone Star Rodeo Co.

MARCH 4-5 PENDLETON, SC (B) IPRA/SRA

Easy Bend World Championship Rodeo PERFS: Two: March 4-5 8 p.m. BB, SB, BR, SW, TD, CBR, TR, CGBKR \$50 ef. – \$500 adm. – Total \$4,000.00 SCF \$10.00 HQ INFO: Books open Mon., Feb. 29 8 a.m. CST Books close Mon., Feb. 29 5 p.m. CST Phone: 1-800-639-9002 Permits, locals & youth cards accepted – CES \$8.00 - Participant insurance required – Indoor arena – LOCATION: T. Ed Garrison Arena 1101 W. Queen St. Coggins required for all horses and out of state horses Must have current health certificate. FMI: 864-918-7633 STK CONT: Ken Treadway Rodeo Co.

MAR 4-5 SPRINGFIELD, IL [C] IPRA/MRCA

Illinois Horse Fair Rodeo PERFS: Two: Mar 4-5 7:30pm BB, BR, SB, TD, SW, CBR, TR \$400 adm - \$50 EF - CGBKR \$200 adm - \$50 EF - Total \$3,000. - 10.00 SCF HQ INFO: Books Open Mon Feb 29 8am CST Books Close Mon Feb 29 5pm CST Phone: 800-639-9002 Permits, locals, and youth cards accepted-CES \$8.00 Indoor arena LOCATION: Illinois State Fairgrounds 801 Sangamon

MARCH 4-5 MURFREESBORO, TN LSR/IPRA

11th Annual Rutherford Co. S.R.O. Rodeo PERFS: Two: March 4-5 7:30 p.m. BB, SB, BR, SW, TD, CBR, CGBKR \$50 ef. – \$750 adm. – TR \$50 ef. – \$1,500 adm. – Total \$6,750.00 – SCF \$10.00 HQ INFO: Books open Mon., Feb. 29 9 a.m. CST Books close Mon., Feb. 29 3 p.m. CST Phone: 270-269-6000 – \$5 FF – TR ENTER ONCE. Locals accepted, Permits & Youth cards Indoor arena – LOCA-TION: Tennessee Miller Coliseum. Rodeo Tickets: 270-269-6000 FMI: www.lonestarrodeocompany.com DES. SLACK: Fri., March 4th after perf. STK CONT: Lone Star Rodeo Co.

MARCH 4-5 PENDLETON, SC (B) IPRA/SRA

Easy Bend World Championship Rodeo PERFS: Two: March 4-5 8 p.m. BB, SB, BR, SW, TD, CBR, TR, CGBKR \$50 ef. 0-5500 adm. – Total \$4,000.00 SCF \$10.00 HQ INFO: Books open Mon., Feb. 29 8 a.m. CST Books close Mon., Feb. 29 5 p.m. CST Phone: 1-800-639-9002 Permits, locals & youth cards accepted – CES \$8.00- Participant insurance required – Indoor arena – LOCATION:

T. Ed Garrison Arena 1101 W. Queen St. Coggins required for all horses and out of state horses Must have current health certificate. FMI: 864-918-7633 STK CONT: Ken Treadway Rodeo Co.

MAR 4-5 Springfield. Il [C] ipra/mrca

Illinois Horse Fair Rodeo PERFS: Two:
Mar 4-5 7:30pm BB, BR, SB, TD, SW,
CBR, TR \$400 adm - \$50 EF - CGBKR
\$200 adm - \$50 EF - Total \$3,000. 10.00 SCF HQ INFO: Books Open Mon
Feb 29 8am CST Books Close Mon Feb 29
5pm CST Phone: 800-639-9002 Permits,
locals, and youth cards accepted-CES
\$8.00 Indoor arena LOCATION: Illinois
State Fairgrounds 801 Sangamon Ave.
Over 40 CR \$50 ef. \$200 adm. STK
CONT: Wooten Rodeo Company

MARCH 5 FORT WORTH, TX SCRA/IPRA

Stockyard's Championship Rodeo PERFS: One: March 5 8 p.m. BB, BR, SB, TD, TR, CBR, CGBKR \$0 – \$80 ef. Total \$0. HQ INFO: Books open Thurs., March 3 6 p.m. CST Books close Thurs., March 3 10 p.m. CST Phone: 254-371-7343 Permits, Locals, & Youth cards accepted. Indoor arena – LOCATION: Cowtown Coliseum 121 E. Exhange Ave. Ranch Bronc Riding \$80 ef. – All contestants must pay Ef by 8 p.m. STK CONT: Double R Rodeo Co.

MARCH 11-12 GREENVILLE, KY LSR/IPRA

Lone Star Championship Rodeo PERFS: Two: March 11-12 8 p.m. BB, SB, BR, SW, TD, CBR, TR, CGBKR \$50 ef. \$300 adm. – Total \$2,400.00 – SCF \$10.00 HQ INFO: Books open Mon., March 7 9 a.m. CST Books close Mon., March 7 3 p.m. CST Phone: 270-269-6000 – \$5 FF Locals accepted, Permits & Youth cards Indoor arena – LOCATION: Muhlenberg Ag Convention Center, Powderly, KY, Rodeo Tickets: 270-269-6000 FMI: www.lonestarrodeocompany.com STK CONT: Lone Star Rodeo Company

MARCH 12 FORT WORTH, TX SCRA/IPRA

Stockyard's Championship Rodeo PERFS: One: March 12 8 p.m. BB, BR, SB, TD, TR, CBR, CGBKR \$0 – \$80 ef. Total \$0. HQ INFO: Books open Thurs., March 10 6 p.m. CST Books close Thurs., March 10 10 p.m. CST Phone: 254-371-7343 Permits, Locals, & Youth cards accepted. Indoor arena – LOCATION: Cowtown Coliseum 121 E. Exhange Ave. Ranch Bronc Riding \$80 ef. – All contestants must pay Ef by 8 p.m. STK CONT: Double R Rodeo Co.

MAR 18-19 WINONA, MS SPRA/IPRA

6th Annual Montgomery County Championship Rodeo PERFS: Two: Mar 18-19 7:30pm BB, BR, SB, TD, SW, CBR, TR, CGBKR \$500 adm - \$50 EF - Total \$4,000. HQ INFO: Books Open Mon Mar 14 10am CST Books Close Mon Mar 14

2pm CST Phone: 205-372-3182 Permits, locals, and youth cards accepted Outdoor arena LOCATION: Montgomery Co. Coliseum Stalls/RV available for a fee. STK CONT: Double Creek Rodeo Co.

MARCH 19 FORT WORTH. TX SCRA/IPRA

Stockyard's Championship Rodeo PERFS: One: March 19 8 p.m. BB, BR, SB, TD, TR, CBR, CGBKR \$0 – \$80 ef. Total \$0. HQ INFO: Books open Thurs., March 17 6 p.m. CST Books close Thurs., March 17 10 p.m. CST Phone: 254-371-7343 Permits, Locals, & Youth cards accepted. Indoor arena – LOCATION: Cowtown Coliseum 121 E. Exhange Ave. Ranch Bronc Riding \$80 ef. – All contestants must pay Ef by 8 p.m. STK CONT: Double R Rodeo Co.

MAR 25-26 CORBIN, KY [C] IPRA/MSRA

Corbin Arena Rodeo PERFS: Two: Mar 25-26 7:30pm BB, BR, SB, TD, SW, CBR, TR, CGBKR \$400 adm – \$50 EF – Total \$3,200. – 10.00 SCF HQ INFO: Books Open Mon Mar 21 8am CST Books Close Mon Mar 21 5pm CST Phone: 800-639-9002 Permits, locals, and youth cards accepted-CES \$8.00 Indoor arena LOCATION: Corbin Arena 500 Arena Dr. STK CONT: Hedrick Rodeo Co.

MARCH 26 FORT WORTH, TX SCRA/IPRA

Stockyard's Championship Rodeo PERFS: One: March 26 8 p.m. BB, BR, SB, TD, TR, CBR, CGBKR \$0 – \$80 ef. Total \$0. HQ INFO: Books open Thurs., March 24 10 p.m. CST Books close Thurs., March 24 10 p.m. CST Phone: 254-371-7343 Permits, Locals, & Youth cards accepted. Indoor arena – LOCATION: Cowtown Coliseum 121 E. Exhange Ave. Ranch Bronc Riding \$80 ef. – All contestants must pay Ef by 8 p.m. STK CONT: Double R Rodeo Co.

MAR 31, APR 1-2 ATHENS, GA [A] IPRA/SPRA

Great Southland Stampede PERFS: Three: Mar 31 Apr 1 Apr 2 8pm BB, BR, SB, TD, SW, CBR, TR, CGBKR \$1,000 adm - \$70 EF - Total \$8,000. - 10.00 SCF HQ INFO: Books Open Wed Mar 23 8am CST Books Close Wed Mar 23 5pm CST Phone: 800-639-9002 CALL BACKS: Thurs., March 24 & Fri., March 25 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Permits, locals, and youth cards accepted-CES \$8.00-All events draw for perf.-Tradeouts Indoor arena LOCATION: UGA Livestock Inspection Facility South Miledge Ave. Ground Rules: Timed Events 9 in perf. BB & SB 9 in perf., CBR 10 in perf., BR 12 in perf. Contestant Hospitality Room, Must ride in the Grand Entry, Closed gate in the Barrel Racing, Coggins required. Designated Slack Time: Sat, Apr 2 8:30am STK CONT: Southern Rodeo Co.

APR 1-2 Brunswick, ga [a] ipra/spra

5th Annual Rodeo at the Beach PERFS: Two: Apr 1-2 7:30pm BB, BR, SB \$1,000 adm – \$70 EF – TD, SW, CBR, TR \$500 adm – \$50 EF – Total \$5,000. – 10.00 SCF HQ INFO: Books Open Mon Mar 28 8am CST Books Close Mon Mar 28 5pm CST Phone: 800-639-9002 Permits, locals, and youth cards accepted-CES \$8.00 Outdoor arena LOCATION: Brunswick Fairgrounds 101 Emory Dawson Rd. STK CONT: Hedrick Rodeo Co.

APR 1-2 ONEONTA, AL [B] IPRA/LSR*

Sth Annual Blount Co. Agri Business
Center Rodeo PERFS: Two: Apr 1-2
7:30pm BB, BR, SB, TD, SW, CBR,
TR, CGBKR \$500 adm - \$50 EF - Total
\$4,000. - 10.00 SCF HQ INFO: Phone:
800-639-9002 Permits, locals, and youth
cards accepted-CES \$8.00 Indoor arena
LOCATION: Blount Co. Oneonta Agri
Business Center 500 New Street Rodeo
Tickets: 205-274-8839 FMI: www.
bcoabc.com or www.lonestarrodeocompany.com Des. Slack: After perf. Fri.,
April 1st. STK CONT: Lone Star Rodeo
Books open Mon., March 28 8 a.m. CST
Books close Mon., March 28 5 p.m. CST

APR 2 FT. WORTH, TX SCRA/IPRA

Stockyards Championship Rodeo PERFS: One: Apr 2 8pm BB, BR, SB, TD, CBR, TR, CGBKR \$0 adm - \$80 EF - Total \$0. HQ INFO: Books Open Thu Mar 31 6pm CST Books Close Thu Mar 31 10pm CST Phone: 254-371-7343 Permits, locals, and youth cards accepted Indoor arena LOCATION: Cowtown Coliseum 121 E. Exchange Ave. Ranch Bronc Riding \$80. ef. All contestants must pay ef. by 8 p.m. STK CONT: Double R Rodeo Co.

APR 8-9 HAMPTON, AR ARA/IPRA

Calhoun County Rodeo PERFS: Two: Apr 8-9 8pm BB, BR, SB \$800 adm - \$74 EF - TD, SW, CGBKR \$800 adm - \$84 EF - CBR \$800 adm - \$89 EF - TR \$1,600 adm - \$89 EF - Total \$7,200. - 10.00/ CBR \$5.00 SCF HQ INFO: Books Open Mon Apr 4 6pm CST Books Close Mon Apr 4 10pm CST Phone: 501-796-4377 Permits, locals, and youth cards accepted Outdoor arena Jr. barrels, must call in and can only enter one night or slack. Designated Slack Time: Sat, Apr 9 10am STK CONT: H & H Rodeo Co.

APR 8-9 NICHOLLS. GA [B] IPRA/SRA

2nd Annual ATCO FFA Alumni Rodeo-Pearson, GA PERFS: Two: Apr 8-9 7:30pm BB, BR, SB, TD, SW, CBR, TR, CGBKR \$750 adm - \$60 EF - Total \$6,000. - 10.00 SCF HQ INFO: Books Open Mon Apr 4 8am CST Books Close Mon Apr 4 5pm CST Phone: 800-639-9002 Permits, locals, and youth cards accepted-CES \$8.00 Indoor arena LOCA-TION: Wiregrass 416 Flying Hawk Rd. STK CONT: T-T Rodeo Co.

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APR 8-9 ROCKMART, GA [C] IPRA/SPRA

Carl Black Classic PERFS: Two: Apr 8-9 8pm BB, BR, SB, TD, SW, CBR, TR, CGBKR \$400 adm - \$50 EF - Total \$3,200. – 10.00 SCF HQ INFO: Books Open Mon Apr 48am CST Books Close Mon Apr 45pm CST Phone: 800-639-9002 Permits, locals, and youth cards accepted-CES \$8.00 Outdoor arena LOCATION: Haney Arena Morgan Vallev Rd. TR - Header & Heeler start from the same box, 24 score & 20 box. TD & CGBKR - 20 score & 20 box. STK CONT: Oubre Rodeo Co.

APR 15-16 STATESBORO, GA [A] IPRA/SPRA

6th Annual Kiwanis Rodeo PERFS: Two: Apr 15-16 7:30pm BB, BR, SB, TD, SW, CBR, TR \$1,000 adm - \$70 EF - Total \$7,000. - 10.00 SCF HQ INFO: Books Open Wed Apr 6 8am CST Books Close Wed Apr 6 5pm CST Phone: 800-639-9002 CALL BACKS: Thurs., April 7 & Fri., April 8 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Permits, locals, and youth cards accepted-CES \$8.00-All events draw for perf.-Tradeouts Outdoor arena LOCA-TION: Kiwanis Fairgrounds 16942 Hwy 67 STK CONT: Hedrick Rodeo Co.

APR 16 FT. WORTH, TX SCRA/IPRA

Stockyard's Championship Rodeo PERFS: One: Apr 16 8pm BB, BR, SB, TD, CBR, TR, CGBKR \$0 adm - \$80 EF - Total \$0. HQ INFO: Books Open Thu Apr 14 6pm CST Books Close Thu Apr 14 10pm CST Phone: 254-371-7343 Permits, locals, and youth cards accepted Indoor arena LOCATION: Cowtown Coliseum 121 Exchange Ave. Ranch Bronc Riding \$80. ef. All contestants must pay ef. by 8 p.m. STK CONT: Double R Rodeo Co.

APR 22-23 GREENSBORO, GA [B] IPRA/SPRA

Green Co. Livestock IPRA Rodeo PERFS: Two: Apr 22-23 8pm BB, BR, SB, TD, SW, CBR, TR, CGBKR \$500 adm - \$50 EF - Total \$4,000. - 10.00 SCF HQ INFO: Books Open Mon Apr 18 8am CST Books Close Mon Apr 18 5pm CST Phone: 800-639-9002 Permits, locals, and youth cards accepted-CES \$8.00 Indoor arena LOCATION: I-20 E - Exit 130 FMI: 706/338-9000 STK CONT: Oubre Rodeo Co.

APR 22-23 LEBANON, TN LSR/IPRA

7th Annual Whip Crackin' Rodeo PERFS: Two: Apr 22-23 7:30pm BB, BR, SB, TD, SW, CBR, TR, CGBKR \$750 adm - \$50 EF - Total \$6,000. -

10.00 SCF HQ INFO: Books Open Mon Apr 18 9am CST Books Close Mon Apr 18 3pm CST Phone: 270-269-6000 Permits, locals, and youth cards accepted Indoor arena LOCATION: James E. Ward Ag Center 945 East Baddour Pkwy \$5 Finals Fee Rodeo Tickets: Online only FMI: 270-269-6000 or www.whipcrackinrodeo.com After Fri., April 22nd perf. STK CONT: Lone Star Rodeo

APR 23 FT. WORTH, TX SCRA/IPRA

Stockyard's Championship Rodeo PERFS: One: Apr 23 8pm BB, BR, SB, TD, CBR, TR, CGBKR \$0 adm - \$80 EF - Total \$0. HQ INFO: Books Open Thu Apr 21 6pm CST Books Close Thu Apr 21 10pm CST Phone: 254-371-7343 Permits, locals, and youth cards accepted Indoor arena LOCATION: Cowtown Coliseum 121 Exchange Ave. Ranch Bronc Riding \$80. ef. All contestants must pay ef. by 8 p.m. STK CONT: Double R Rodeo Co.

APR 28-29-30 PARIS, TN [B] IPRA/SPRA

Worlds Biggest Fish Fry Pro Rodeo PERFS: Three: Apr 28-29-30 7pm BB, BR, SB, TD, SW, CBR, TR \$500 adm - \$50 EF - Total \$3,500. - 10.00 SCF HQ INFO: Books Open Mon Apr 25 8am CST Books Close Mon Apr 25 5pm CST Phone: 800-639-9002 Permits,

locals, and youth cards accepted-CES \$8.00 Outdoor arena STK CONT: Ken Treadway Rodeo Company, LLC

APR 29-30 DONALDSONVILLE, GA [B] IPRA/

Donaldsonville Seminole Co. Chamber of Commerce PERFS: Two: Apr 29-30 7:30pm BB, BR, SB, TD, SW, CBR, TR \$600 adm - \$60 EF - CGBKR \$400 adm - \$50 EF – Total \$4,600. – 10.00 SCF HQ INFO: Books Open Mon Apr 25 8am CST Books Close Mon Apr 25 5pm CST Phone: 800-639-9002 Permits, locals, and youth cards accepted-CES \$8.00 Indoor arena STK CONT: T-T Rodeo Co.

APR 30 FT. WORTH, TX SCRA/IPRA

Stockyard's Championship Rodeo PERFS: One: Apr 30 8pm BB, BR, SB, TD, CBR, TR, CGBKR \$0 adm - \$80 EF - Total \$0. HQ INFO: Books Open Thu Apr 28 6pm CST Books Close Thu Apr 28 10pm CST Phone: 254-371-7343 Permits, locals, and youth cards accepted Indoor arena LOCATION: Cowtown Coliseum 121 E. Exchange Ave. Ranch Bronc Riding \$80. ef. All contestants must pay ef. by 8 p.m. STK CONT: Double R Rodeo Co.

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6-7 IPRA/ACA Marion, AR \$7,000 total adm MFJ Productions
6-7 IPRA/SRA Walterboro, SC \$TBA Ken Treadway Rodeo Co.
7 SCRA/IPRAFt. Worth, TX \$0 Double R Rodeo Co.
13-14 LSR/IPRA Attalla, AL \$4,000 total adm Lone Star Rodeo Co.
20-21 IPRA/LSRAthens, AL \$16,800 total adm Lone Star Rodeo Co.
14 SCRA/IPRAFt. Worth, TX \$0 Double R Rodeo Co.
20-21 IPRA/SRA Ware Shoals, SC \$2,800 total adm Ken Treadway Rodeo Co.
20-21 IPRA/SPRA Newnan, GA \$6,400 total adm Oubre Rodeo Co.
21 SCRA/IPRAFt. Worth, TX \$0 Double R Rodeo Co.
28 SCRA/IPRAFt. Worth, TX \$0 Double R Rodeo Co.
JUNE
4 SCRA/IPRAFt. Worth, TX \$0 Double R Rodeo Co.
10-11 IPRA/ACRA Owasso, OK \$4,000 total adm
11 SCRA/IPRAFt. Worth, TX \$0 Double R Rodeo Co.
17-18 LSR/IPRA Lawrenceburg, TN \$4,000 total adm Lone Star Rodeo Co.
17-18 IPRA/SPRA Marietta, GA \$4,000 total adm Oubre Rodeo Co.
18 SCRA/IPRAFt. Worth, TX \$0 Double R Rodeo Co.
23-25 IPRA
25 SCRA/IPRAFt. Worth, TX\$0
JULY
2 SCRA/IPRAFt. Worth, TX \$0 Double R Rodeo Co.
8-9 IPRA
9 SCRA/IPRAFt. Worth, TX \$0 Double R Rodeo Co.
14 IPRABaraboo, WI \$3,500 total admBig Hat Rodeo Co.
15-16 IPRA/SPRA Columbia, TN \$8,000 total adm Oubre Rodeo Co.
16 SCRA/IPRAFt. Worth, TX \$0 Double R Rodeo Co.
23 SCRA/IPRAFt. Worth, TX \$0 Double R Rodeo Co.
30 IPRA Grayslake, IL \$7,000 total adm Big Hat Rodeo Co.

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AUGUST
5IPRAOregon, IL\$2,100 total admBig Hat Rodeo Co.
6 SCRA/IPRAFt. Worth, TX \$0 Double R Rodeo Co.
12-13 IPRABig Hat Rodeo Co.
13 SCRA/IPRAFt. Worth, TX \$0 Double R Rodeo Co.
19-20 LSR/IPRAHopkinsville, KY \$6,750 total adm Lone Star Rodeo Co.
20 SCRA/IPRAFt. Worth, TX \$0 Double R Rodeo Co.
26-27 IPRA/SPRA Marietta, GA \$4,000 total adm Oubre Rodeo Co.
27 SCRA/IPRAFt. Worth, TX \$0
SEPTEMBER
2-3 IPRA/ACAPocahontas, AR \$2,400 total adm MFJ Productions
3 SCRA/IPRAFt. Worth, TX \$0 Double R Rodeo Co.
10 SCRA/IPRAFt. Worth, TX \$0 Double R Rodeo Co.
17 SCRA/IPRAFt. Worth, TX \$0 Double R Rodeo Co.
23-24 IPRA Eureka, IL \$3,500 total adm Big Hat Rodeo Co.
23-24 IPRA/ACAPiggott, AR \$8,000 total adm MFJ Productions
24 SCRA/IPRAFt. Worth, TX \$0
OCTOBER
1 SCRA/IPRAFt. Worth, TX \$0 Double R Rodeo Co.
8 SCRA/IPRAFt. Worth, TX \$0 Double R Rodeo Co.
14-15 IPRA/SPRA Marietta, GA \$4,000 total admOubre Rodeo Co.
15 SCRA/IPRAFt. Worth, TX \$0
22 SCRA/IPRAFt. Worth, TX \$0
29 SCRA/IPRAFt. Worth, TX \$0
NOVEMBER
5 SCRA/IPRAFt. Worth, TX \$0 Double R Rodeo Co.
12 SCRA/IPRAFt. Worth, TX \$0
19 SCRA/IPRAFt. Worth, TX \$0
26 SCRA/IPRAFt. Worth, TX \$0

PLEASE READ AND COMPLETE THIS ENTIRE APPLICATION COMPLETELY AND CAREFULLY!



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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Full cardholders must designate region for that year when purchasing membership. You can not change region during fiscal year. All members MUST chose a Beneficiary for Accidental Death Benefits. To minimize problems, please purchase membership through the IPRA office before the books open for the rodeo in which you desire to participate. If you choose to buy your card at the rodeo, there will be an additional \$10.00 service charge.

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				BERSHIP: \$165 INSURANCE: \$85
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SECRETARY	TIE-DOWN ROPING	SOUTHERN	NEW GOLD CARD: \$137	
BARRELMAN	STEER WRESTLING	WESTERN	GOLD CARD RENEWAL: \$	
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(RELEASE WAIVER ON BACK)

Association ■ International Professional Rodeo Association

RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

IN CONSIDERATION of being permitted to enter for any purpose any RESTRICTED AREA (herein defined as including but not limited to the rodeo arena, competition area, chutes, pens areas reserved and intended for participate or restricted to the general public, and all walkways, concessions and other areas appurtenant to any area where any activity related to the event shall take place), or being permitted to compete, officiate, observe, work for, or for any purpose participate in any way in the event, THE UNDERSIGNED, for himself, his personal representatives, heirs, and next of kin, acknowledges, agrees, and represents that he has, or will immediately upon entering any of such restricted areas, and will continuously thereafter, inspect such restricted areas and all portions thereof which he enters and with which he comes in contact, and he does further warrant that his entry upon such restricted area or areas and his participation, if any, in the even constitutes an acknowledgment that he has inspected such restricted area and that he finds and accepts the same as being safe and reasonably suited for the purposes of his use, and he further agrees and warrants that if, at any time, he is in or about restricted areas and he feels anything to be unsafe, he will immediately advise the officials of such and will leave the restricted areas:

1. HEREBY RELEASES, WAIVES, DISCHARGES, AND COVENANTS NOT TO SUE the participants, sanctioning organization or any subdivision thereof, rodeo committee, stock contractor, rodeo association, arena operators or owners, officials, any persons in any restricted area, promoters, sponsors, advertisers, owners and lessees of premises used to conduct the event and each of them, their officers and employees, all for the purposes herein referred to as "releases", from all liability to the undersigned, his personal representatives, assigns, heirs, and next of kin for any and all loss or damage, and any claim or demands therefore on account of injury to the person or property or resulting in death of the undersigned, whether caused by the negligence of the releases or otherwise while the undersigned is in or upon the restricted area, and/or, competing, officiating in, observing, working for, or for any purpose participating in the event;

2, HEREBY AGREES TO INDEMNIFY AND SAVE AND HOLD HARMLESS the releases and each of them from any loss, liability, damage, or cost they may incur due to the presence of the undersigned in or upon the restricted area or in any way competing, officiating, observing, or working for, or for any purpose participating in the event and whether caused by the negligence of the releases or otherwise.

3. HEREBY ASSUMES FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR AND RISK OF BODILY INJURY, DEATH OR PROPERTY DAMAGE due to the negligence of releases or otherwise while in or upon the restricted area and/or while competing, officiating, observing, or working for, or for any purpose participating in the event.

THE UNDERSIGNED expressly acknowledges and agrees that the activities of the event are very dangerous and involve the risk of serious injury and/or death and for property damage. THE UNDERSIGNED further expressly agrees that the foregoing release, waiver, and indemnily agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted b the law of the Province or State in which the event is conducted and that if any portion thereof is held invalid, it is agreed that the balance shall, notwithstanding, continue in full legal force and effect.

THE UNDERSIGNED consents to being photographed and/or videotaped during participation in any International Professional Rodeo Association rodeo and consents to the use of those photographs or videotapes in the promotion of IPRA rodeo, including but not limited to their use in promotional literature and their release to print media, television, or other electronic media.

THE UNDERSIGNED HAS READ AND VOLUNTARILY SIGNS THE RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT and further agrees that no oral representations or inducements apart from the foregoing written agreement have been made.

I HAVE READ THIS DOCUMENT, I UNDERSTAND IT IS A RELEASE OF ALL CLAIMS, I UNDERSTAND I ASSUME ALL RISK INHERENT TO RODEO, I VOLUNTARILY SIGN. MY NAME EVIDENCING MY ACCEPTANCE OF THE ABOVE PROVISIONS: SIGNATURE: DATE: MINOR'S RELEASE. ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT (REQUIRED FOR ALL APPLICANTS UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE - MUST BE SIGNED AND NOTARIZED) We, the undersigned, hereby request that the below named minor (minor) be granted permission (1) to enter the restricted area, (2) to participate as a contestant, assistant, master policy (all collectively hereinafter called "permissive entry"). In consideration of "permissive entry" to minor into the restricted area, which is the area from which admission to the general public is restricted, which includes, but is not limit-

official, or otherwise in rodeo events, (3) to compete for money, prizes, recognition or reward, (4) to be coveted by participants' hospitalization insurance, if applicable, as limited by the

ed to the rodeo area, competition area, chutes, pens, adjacent walkways, concessions, and other appurtenances, we, the undersigned, on behalf of the minor and for ourselves, our personal representatives, heirs, next of kin, spouses and assigns, do hereby-

1. RELEASE, DISCHARGE AND COVENANT NOT TO SUE the rodeo committee, stock contractor, rodeo association, sponsors, arena operators or owners, and each of them. their officers, agents and employees (all hereinafter collectively referred to as "releases") from any and all claims and liability arising out of strict liability or ordinary negligence of releases or any other participant which causes the undersigned injury, death, damages or property damage. We, the undersigned, jointly, severally, and in common, covenant to hold releases harmless and to indemnify release from any claim, judgment, or expenses releases may incur arising out of any of the minor's activities or presence in the restricted area.

2. UNDERSTAND that minor's entry into the restricted area and/or participation in rodeo events contains DANGER AND RISK OF INJURY OR DEATH TO MINOR, that conditions of the rodeo arena change from time to time and may become more hazardous, that rodeo animals are dangerous and unpredictable, and there is INHERENT DANGER in rodeo which we each appreciate and voluntarily assume because the minor and we choose to do so. Each of the undersigned has observed events of the type that the minor seeks to participate in. We further understand that the arena surface, access ways or lack thereof, lighting or lack thereof, and weather conditions all change and pose a danger to the minor. We further understand that other contestants and participants pose a danger to the minor, but nevertheless, WE EACH VOLUNTARILY ELECT TO ACCEPT ALL RISKS connected with the minor's entry into the restricted area and/or participation in any rodeo events.

3. WE FURTHER UNDERSTAND that the below named minor consents to being photographed and/or videotaped during participation at International Professional Rodeo Association rodeos and consents to the use of those photographs or videotapes in the promotion of IPRA rodeo, including, but not limited to their use in promotional literature and their release to print media, television, or other electronic media.

4. AGREE that this agreement shall apply to any incident, injury, accident or death occurring at any IPRA-sanctioned rodeo and FOR A PERIOD OF ONE (I) YEAR THERE-AFTER. All subsequent agreements and release documents signed by any of the undersigned shall amplify, but shall in no way limit the provisions of this document. The provisions of this document may be cancelled by any one of the undersigned by delivering to the IPRA written cancellation of this agreement which shall be effective 24 hours after the date said cancellation is actually received by the IPRA.

WE HAVE READ THIS DOCUMENT. WE UNDERSTAND IT IS A RELEASE OF ALL CLAIMS. WE APPRECIATE AND ASSUME ALL RISKS INHERENT IN RODEO:

SIGNATURE OF PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN:	
SIGNATURE OF MINOR APPLICANT:	DATE: / /
NOTARY PUBLIC:	NOTARY PUBLIC'S
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES: / /	SEAL HERE

COOK SHACK

below top: Homemade fresh pizza dough - Courtesy of Andrea Stevens below bottom: Turkey Burger Pizza - Courtesy of Andrea Stevens



TURKEY BURGER PIZZA

recipe by Andrea Stevens

INGREDIENTS:1 lb ground turkey Pizza Sauce Mozzarella Cheese Cheddar Cheese

3-4 Mushrooms 1.5 lb pepperoni

INGREDIENTS FOR PIZZA CRUST

1 package active dry yeast 1t white sugar 1c warm water 2 1/2 c bread flour 2T oil 1t salt

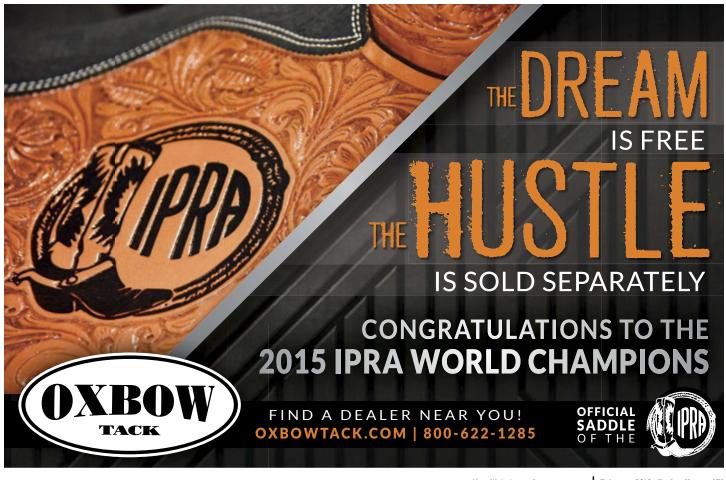
Preparation for crust:

1. In a medium bowl dissolve yeast and sugar in warm water – let stand until creamy (10 min) 2. Stir in flour, salt and oil 3. Beat until smooth – let rest until smooth (5 min) 4. Turn dough out onto floured surface, pat into round and transfer to lightly greased pizza pan

Preparation for pizza:

1. Preheat oven to 375 degrees 2. Cook ground turkey – season to your liking 3. Dice up mushrooms Sauce crust to liking 4. Add cooked ground turkey 5. Layer: Mozzarella, Pepperoni, Cheddar Cheese, Mushrooms, Mozzarella, Brush melted butter along crust, Bake 35-40 min (depending on the amount of crunch you desire), Enjoy!







Meet the Member Warren Johnson

story by Kenny Andrews

utfitter, mule skinner and bucking horse breeder, Warren Johnson started Hell's A Roaring Outfitters in 1982. He has been taking hunters, fishermen and horseback riders into Absarka Wilderness and Yellowstone park ever since.

Horses and mules are the passion of his life. His dad was an outfitter since 1932: therefore they have been a huge part of Warren's life. The Johnson ranch is situated in God's country, located less than a half

mile from the northern boundary of Yellowstone and about a mile from Absarka Wilderness. The old-fashioned horse-andmule outfit has a Clyde stud that sires about 20 head of colts each year. They are up and coming to maintain a ramuda of 300 head.

They keep the colts close to home for the first year then they get turned out on 40 thousand acres until they become horses. When they bring them home as three year olds, a few miles are put on them then turned back out.

"In the late 90s there was a shortage of big hunting horses and bucking horses," Warren states. "We went to Canada and bought 1000 draft cross horses that were from PMU station. We raised them for a couple of years, we broke some, bucked some and kept some for our dude ranch business. It was intense for a few years but we really enjoyed every minute of it. I've always had a fascination with bucking horses and this really got me interested. So I bought 5 Kessler mares at Binny Binion sale in Las Vegas. Then I bought a War Paint stud from Bradley Brettin. He was a bucking machine! Later, I bought 9 more from the Kessler family. This was a great purchase and I still have their bloodlines in my horses! They were buckers! I've sold plenty over the years, and a few have ended up at the NFR. One day I saw UBHA adver-





top: Some of the thousands of horses purchased from Canada above: Jeremiah and Warren with Jeremiah's bull elk right: Some of Warrior's offspring - photos courtesy Warren Johnson

tised and my imagination was piqued. I started due diligence and ended up talking to Guy French. I bought two colts outright, and then partners on a few. One of them won the Yearling class for Bucking horse of the year, one also won the yearling class of the finals. I think it is a great organization and I'm excited to host one of the events in Gardiner this may. It will be on Memorial Day weekend, in conjunction with our "Annual Hell's A' Roarin" Horse Drive. We've driven our horses through Gardiner to our ranch every year since 1982. In the last few years, we've gotten together with chamber and turned it into a fundraiser.



We have a band, (this year is Wylie and the Wild West), A BBQ, cowboy poetry and some great dancing! This year the proceeds are earmarked for the Sheriffs Canine Unit in our county. We usually have 300 to 400 folks come to celebrate and have a good time. It is a kickoff to our summer season, for tourists heading into Yellowstone Park. This Bucking Colt futurity will be a great way to kick off (no pun intended) the centennial celebration of National Parks, as well!"

For more information about the UBHA, please visit ubhabucks.com

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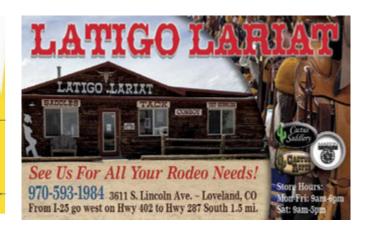
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COVERAGE FOR YOUR HORSE

article by Jason Strickland

t's been a busy month here in the southeast with rodeos around every corner it seems. I have spoken to lots of folks over the last month and I have found two common questions that keep coming up. I will try and cover both of these in this article.

First question is about "Loss of Use" insurance, or the coverage on my horse if he or she happens to become lame and cannot perform. This is a type of coverage that covers the horse for just such issues. The problem with it is that, as an agent I can't write it on a performance horse. I know crazy as it seems we cannot cover loss of use on performance horses. Some agencies can however be concerned about these issues. Most will require full x-rays, blood test, and drug screens twice a year. All of which the owner is responsible for providing. Most policies will only pay up to 60% maximum of the insured amount. So vou will not collect of the full amount should your horse be covered. From my stand point this insurance is a rip-off if you can qualify to get it. It should be called "Loss of Your Money" because you will have to provide a great amount (documentation, proof, etc.) to collect very little.

Second question I get asked most about and it is somewhat related to the question above. Most want some coverage for a horse coming up lame, or getting injured but not to the point of having to be humanely put down. This type of coverage would be major medical insurance. It also works very similar to medical insurance on yourself. Major medical policies normally have a coverage cap (most it will pay) as well as a deductible (amount paid out of pocket by policy owner). These coverages often include extended vet stays, soft tissue

injuries, surgical procedures, IRAP therapy, etc. Items NOT included in major medical coverages are routine worming's, chiropractic care, acupuncture, maintenance injections, and other basic maintenance care and treatments. Pre-existing injuries usually are not covered so be sure and check with your agent and disclose all information about your horse when you apply for coverage. Here are a couple of major medical coverages and how they work with your horse covered under a major medical policy.

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Keep in mind always ask your agent about the coverage you desire. Always Read Your Policy after receiving it. Send me some questions about horse insurance to my email address or text me your questions to the number listed below. We will try and get those answered in an upcoming article!

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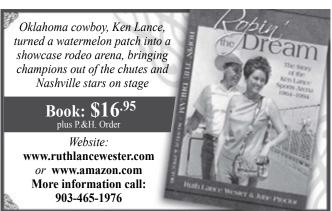




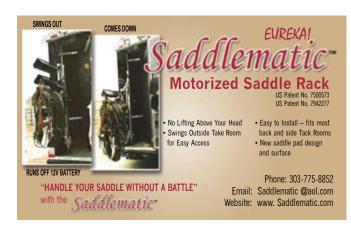














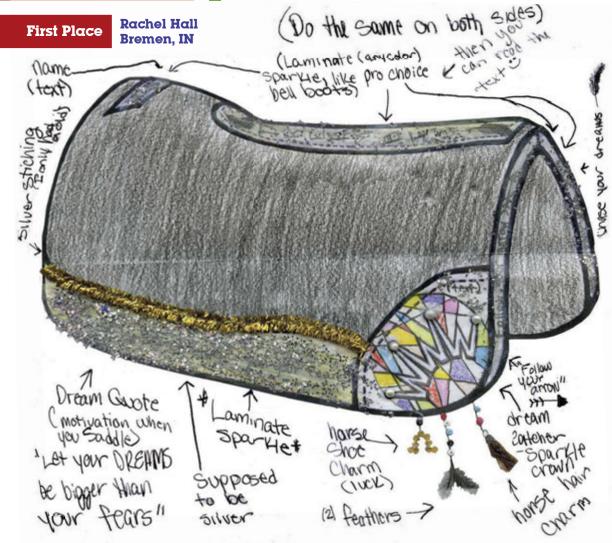






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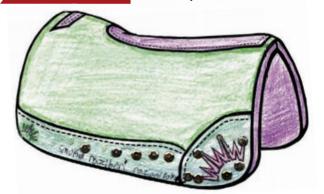
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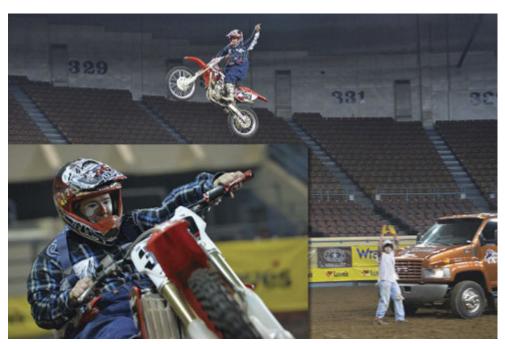
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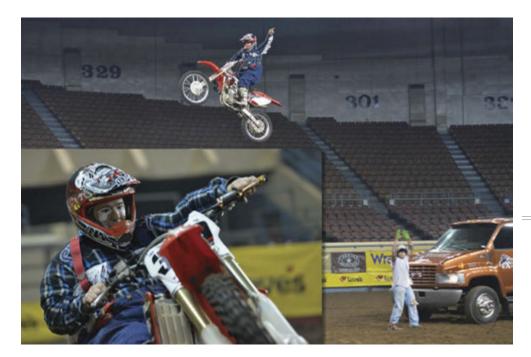
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TREY YOUNG

story by Ruth Nicolaus

rey Young is one of two South Dakotans who won PRCA Resistol Rookie of the Year titles in 2015. The 24 year old Dupree cowboy won the tie-down roping title, and Jace Melvin, Ft. Pierre, S.D., won the allaround title.

Trey is the third generation of his family to rope. His granddad, Jack Young, moved from Texas to South Dakota in the 1950s, and his son, Trey's dad, Doug, also roped, qualifying for the Ram Badlands Circuit Finals and Ram National Circuit Finals several times. "I've tried to follow in their footsteps," Trey said.

He graduated from Northwestern Oklahoma State University in Alva in 2014 with a degree in business administration and a minor in marketing, and went straight to pro rodeo. "That was always the plan," he said. He competed in high school, 4-H, and Little Britches rodeo as a youngster, qualifying for the National High School Finals and the Little Britches Finals, and for the College National Finals in 2014.



above: Trey recieving his buckle for 2015 PRCA Resistol Rookie of the Year, Pierre, SD. - Courtesy of PRCA

Trey held off from buying his pro rodeo permit card till he was out of college, then hit the road with another South Dakota tie-down roper, Clint Kindred. They competed at circuit rodeos as well as some of the bigger shows. Competing full time against some of the "big dogs' in pro rodeo was eye opening. "(Last) year, I learned a lot of things," he said. "It's tough out there." The quality of horsepower was one factor. "They ride some of the best horses in the world," he said of the top ropers. "Horsepower separates a lot of those guys." The quality of competition also was something new. "Those guys at the top are making good runs day in and day out. To beat those guys, you can't make very many mistakes. You have to be as flawless as possible to beat them. The level of consistency is impressive.

His primary mount in 2015 was a ten year old gelding whose barn name is Titan. Titan was purchased from Jay Mattson when Trey was a sophomore in college, and finished by Trey and his dad. Titan is exceptionally big and doesn't look like a calf roping horse, Trey said. "He looks like he should be hooked to a plow," he joked. But he works for Trey. "He fits my style. He's real athletic for a big horse, and he's a little freer horse that runs a little closer. He's big and strong and I get along with him good."

Fans who look closely will notice that Trey's piggin' string is pink, in honor of his mom, Vicki Young, who passed away from breast cancer in 2011, when he was a freshman in college. She fought cancer for ten years, continuing to teach fifth grade till a month before she died. A barrel racer, she contributed to Trey's love for horses. "She was definitely the toughest person I know." Her initials, VSY, are on his rope can.

South Dakota isn't conducive to yearround tie-down roping; most ropers hail from Texas, and Trey realizes that. "Nobody really expects somebody from South Dakota to rope calves. We're more known for our bronc riders." And to have another timed event cowboy as rookie of the year from South Dakota, Jace Melvin, is unusual. He and Melvin youth rodeoed together. "The competition was pretty tough back in the day," he recalled of his Little Britches and 4-H rodeo career. "There was a rodeo when I was two-flat, the fastest I'd been in the junior boys breakaway, and I won third that day, because Jace and another kid were 1.9. Growing up, that group of boys was tough competition, and Jace was one of those boys." Trey finished the 2015 rodeo season in 38th place in the world, and his goal is to be in the top thirty this year. He's learned better how to enter rodeos, which ones he wants to compete at again, and how to keep his horses fresh on the road. After he and his dad calve out 250 mama cows this spring, he will hit the rodeo trail hard. "I just want to keep working and building to the Wrangler NFR."

Trey, along with the other rookie of the year winners, was honored at the 2015 Wrangler National Finals Rodeo during the seventh performance. The other winners included Wyatt Denny, Minden, Nev. (bareback riding), CoBurn Bradshaw, Beaver, Utah (saddle bronc riding), J.D. Struxness, Appleton, Minn., (steer wrestling), Cody Snow, Los Olivos, Calif. (team roping header), Quinn Kesler, Holden, Utah, (team roping heeler), Jackie Ganter, Abilene, Texas (barrel racing), Thomas Smith, Barnsdall, Okla., (steer roping), and Bryce Barrios, Bluff Dale, Texas (bull riding).



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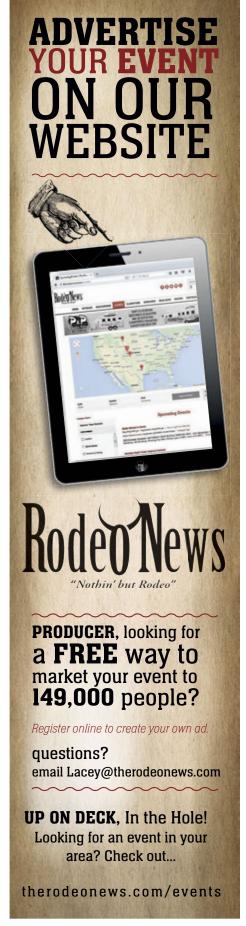
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The Patriot Tie Down Roping	2/25-27	Fort Worth, TX	479-462-7275111
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CINCH Timed Event Championship	3/ 4-6	Guthrie, OK	800-595-7433
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1 George Gillespie IV, Hamilton, Mont	\$7,659
2 J.R. Vezain, Cowley, Wyo	
3 Tanner Aus, Granite Falls, Minn	
4 Evan Jayne, Marseille, France	5,222
5 Jake Brown, Hillsboro, Texas	
6 Teddy Athan, Livermore, Calif	4,106
7 Ty Breuer, Mandan, N.D	3,567
8 Buck Lunak, Cut Bank, Mont	3,518
9 Blade Elliott, Centreville, Ala	
10 Bill Tutor, Huntsville, Texas	
11 Grant Denny, Minden, Nev	
12 Jessy Davis, Power, Mont	
13 R.C. Landingham, Paso Robles, Calif	
14 Heath Ford, Slocum, Texas	
15 Chad Rutherford, Lake Charles, La	
16 Chris Smith, Lafayette, Ga	1,932
17 Clint Cannon, Waller, Texas	1,785
18 Zack Brown, Red Bluff, Calif	1,782
19 Troy Vaira, Richey, Mont	1,717
20 Winn Ratliff, Leesville, La	1,690
Steer Wrestling	
1 Brad Johnson, Reva, S.D.	\$10,353
2 Tyler Waguespack, Gonzales, La	7,467
3 Wade Sumpter, Fowler, Colo	6,370
4 Jacob Edler, Alva, Okla	
5 Ty Erickson, Helena, Mont	
6 Clayton Hass, Terrell, Texas	4,857
7 Billy Bugenig, Ferndale, Calif	4,375
8 Rhett Kennedy, Chowchilla, Calif	3,899
9 Charles Harris, Salinas, Calif	
10 Clint Shofner, Pleasanton, Texas	
11 Blaine Jones, Templeton, Calif	3,049
12 Daryl Joe Elliott, Beaumont, Texas	
13 Jacob Shofner, Huntsville, Texas	
14 Rowdy Parrott, Mamou, La	
15 Cody Doescher, Oklahoma City, Okla	
16 Justin Thigpen, Waycross, Ga	
17 Jarret New, Wimberley, Texas	
18 Kamry Dymmek, Kissimmee, Fla	
19 Tanner Brunner, Ramona, Kan	
20 Sterling Lambert, Fallon, Nev	2,203
Team Roping (header)	00.01
1 Tyler Wade, Terrell, Texas	\$9,916
2 Erich Rogers, Round Rock, Ariz	
3 Matt Sherwood, Pima, Ariz.	6,466
4 Shane Philipp, Washington, Texas	b,338
5 Luke Brown, Stephenville, Texas	4,488
6 Jake Orman, Prairie, Miss	4,390

7 Colby Lovell, Madisonville, Texas	1 350
8 Joel Bach, San Augustine, Texas	
9 Tyrell Moody, Edgemont, S.D	
10 Bobby Joe Hill, Mexia, Texas	
11 Caleb Smidt, Bellville, Texas	
12 Spencer Mitchell, Williams, Calif	
13 Cody Tew, Belgrade, Mont	
14 Ryan Reed, Wittmann, Ariz	
15 Dustin Bird, Cut Bank, Mont	
16 Tee Luttrell, Woodlawn, Texas	
17 Cody Snow, Los Olivos, Calif	
18 Rowdy Rieken, Arp, Texas	
19 Joshua Torres, Ocala, Fla	
20 Wes Kent, Grand Cane, La	3,204
Team Roping (heeler)	
1 Kinney Harrell, Marshall, Texas	. \$9,916
2 Dugan Kelly, Paso Robles, Calif	6,661
3 Cory Petska, Marana, Ariz	6,544
4 John Philipp, Washington, Texas	6,338
5 Justin Hendrick, Huntsville, Texas	5,462
6 B.J. Dugger, Three Rivers, Texas	
7 Rory Brown, Edgemont, S.D	
8 Boogie Ray, Mabank, Texas	
9 Russell Cardoza, Terrebonne, Ore	
10 Allen Bach, Weatherford, Texas	
11 Justin Price, La Veta, Colo	
12 Jonathan Torres, Ocala, Fla	
13 Quinn Kesler, Holden, Utah	
14 Scott Webster, Converse, La	
15 Matt Robertson, Augusta, Mont	
16 Trace Porter, Leesville, La	
17 Camish Jennings, Houston, Texas	
18 Corey Hendrick, Huntsville, Texas	
19 Zane Bruce, Eldorado, Texas	
20 Daniel Braman IV, Victoria, Texas	
Justin Davis, Cottonwood, Calif	2,440
Saddle Bronc Riding	¢10 c02
1 Jacobs Crawley, Boerne, Texas	
2 CoBurn Bradshaw, Beaver, Utah	
4 Joey Sonnier, New Iberia, La	
5 Tyrel Larsen, Inglis, Manitoba	
6 Nick Laduke, Livermore, Calif.	
7 Cody Wright, Milford, Utah	
8 Josh Reynolds, Ekalaka, Mont	
9 Ben Londo, San Luis Obispo, Calif	
10 Allen Boore, Axtell, Utah	
11 Cole Neely, Duchess, Alberta	
12 Dalton Davis, Holcomb, Kan	
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14 Gus Thoreson, Dell, Mont	
15 Jeremy Melancon, Huntsville, Texas	2,130
16 Joe Harper, Paradise Valley, Nev	2,125
17 Alex Wright, Milford, Utah	1,851
18 Matthew Bartsch, Warwick, Md	1,816
19 Justin Caylor, Sulphur Springs, Texas	
20 Curtis Garton, Kaitaia, New Zealand	1,807
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1 Houston Hutto, New Waverly, Texas	8,662
2 Ryan Jarrett, Comanche, Okla	
3 Riley Pruitt, Gering, Neb	5,671
4 Tyler Prcin, Alvord, Texas	4,772
5 Tim Pharr, Resaca, Ga	4,604
6 Hunter Herrin, Apache, Okla	4,420
7 Marcus Theriot, Poplarville, Miss	3,890
8 Braxton Laughlin, Westlake, La	3,802
9 Ryle Smith, Oakdale, Calif	3,431
10 Bryson Sechrist, Apache, Okla	3,412
11 Adam Gray, Seymour, Texas	3,230
12 Cade Swor, Winnie, Texas	3,084
13 Caleb Smidt, Bellville, Texas	2,948
14 Clint Kindred, Oral, S.D	2,840
15 Chad Johnson, Cut Bank, Mont	2,616
16 Cody Collins, Galt, Calif	2,526
17 Dennis Luetge, Hempstead, Texas	2,511
18 Bart Brunson, Terry, Miss	2,452
19 Taylor Santos, Creston, Calif	2,262
20 Mike Johnson, Henryetta, Okla	2,086
Steer Roping	
1 J. Tom Fisher, Andrews, Texas\$	9,760
2 Scott Snedecor, Fredericksburg, Texas	8,602
3 Shane Suggs, Granbury, Texas	7,639
4 Chet Herren, Pawhuska, Okla	7,552
5 Marty Jones, Hobbs, N.M	4,172
6 Jarrett Blessing, Paradise, Texas	
7 Trey Sheets, Cheyenne, Wyo	3,486
8 Stephen Stransky, Boerne, Texas	3,409
9 Cody Lee, Gatesville, Texas	3,361
10 Guy Allen, Santa Anna, Texas	3,233
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13 Shay Good, Midland, Texas	2,169
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17 Jason Evans, Glen Rose, Texas	1,886
18 J.B. Whatley, Gardendale, Texas	1,850
19 Mike Chase, McAlester, Okla	

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20 Shorty Garten, Pawhuska, Okla	1,603
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1 Clayton Foltyn, Winnie, Texas	\$9,113
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3 Trevor Kastner, Ardmore, Okla	8,390
4 Corey Maier, Timber Lake, S.D	7,681
5 Garrett Tribble, Bristow, Okla	6,676
6 Cody Johansen, Kersey, Colo	6,132
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8 Lane Selz, Bakersfield, Calif	5,383
9 Denton Fugate, Dixon, Mo	5,140
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11 Cole Melancon, Liberty, Texas	4,244
12 Adam Jamison, Okotoks, Alberta	4,220
13 Bayle Worden, Charleston, Texas	4,179
14 Dustin Bowen, Waller, Texas	3,915
15 Jeffrey Ramagos, Zachary, La	3,880
16 Luke Haught, Weatherford, Texas	3,751
17 Michael Riggs Jr., Claxton, Ga	3,437
18 Eli Vastbinder, Statesville, N.C	3,426
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20 Tyler Smith, Fruita, Colo	
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2 Megan Swint, Lithia, Fla	12,514
3 Jackie Ganter, Abilene, Texas	10,932
4 Benette Little, Ardmore, Okla	7,233
5 Carley Richardson, Pampa, Texas	6,648
6 Ivy Conrado, Hudson, Colo	6,342
7 Jana Bean, Ft. Hancock, Ariz	5,537
8 Nicole Riggle, Scottsdale, Ariz	4,954
9 Layna Kight, Ocala, Fla	4,603
10 Ari-Anna Flynn, Charleston, Ark	4,550
11 Sherrylynn Johnson, Henryetta, Okla	4,407
12 Jackie Jatzlau, Giddings, Texas	4,293
13 Taylor Jacob, Carmine, Texas	4,206
14 Chloe Hoovestal, Dublin, Texas	4,050
15 Callie Duperier, Boerne, Texas	4,023
16 Lara Dewees, Dade City, Fla	3,722
17 Kelly Tovar, Rockdale, Texas	
18 Ashley Day, Volborg, Mont	3,253
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