



Clovis Rodeo Association

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Sold Out Crowds and 90 Point Rides Continue at the Clovis Rodeo

Final Performance of the 98th Clovis Rodeo Sunday at 2:00 p.m.

(Clovis, California): Opening with a parade through the streets of Old Town Clovis led by Grand Marshals Denny Denton, Buster Ford and Corky Dunbar the 98th Annual Clovis Rodeo saw a sold out crowd for the Saturday performance that ended with a 90 point ride by bull rider Travis Atkinson from Lehi, UT. The rodeo will come to an end on Sunday at 2:00 p.m. with the Rodeo Finals.

On a day where the rodeo took the time to Salute the Armed Forces and honor the brave men and women from the community who have served our nation, we also saw one young lady from Latvia have her dream to ride in the Clovis Rodeo Parade come true. Megan McKean from the Heart of the Horse Therapy Ranch in Clovis was born in Latvia and lost her leg at the age of six months. Upon hearing about her dream, Rodeo President Ron Dunbar asked her to ride with him in the parade and to be a part of the Rodeo's opening ceremonies. Because as Dunbar stated, "It's what the Clovis Rodeo is all about, our families and our community and honoring those who are the definition of what makes our country great."

Rodeo fans saw some wild rides and plenty of action during the Saturday performance beginning with an 87 point ride in the Bareback event for Orin Larsen on Burch Brothers Rodeo's Hell's Canyon. 2009 Clovis Rodeo winner Dean Gorsuch took the Steer Wrestling event with a time of 4.1. In Saddle Bronc Cody Angland placed on Big Bend Rodeo's No Dice with 82 points. Aaron Tsingigine and Caleb Twisselman took a 5.3 in the Team Roping; Joseph Parsons took an 8.8 in Tie Down Roping; and Kelli Tolbert took the Girls Barrel Racing with a time of 16.88.

Seats are still available for the final performance of the 98th Clovis Rodeo beginning on Sunday at 2:00 p.m. All seats are reserved and ticket prices range from \$17.00 to \$27.00 and are available by calling 559-299-5203, visiting www.clovisrodeo.com, or at the rodeo ticket office located on the rodeo grounds. Parking at the rodeo grounds is free of charge.

Media Note: *The complete results for the 2nd Clovis Rodeo performance are attached to this email.*

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The all-volunteer, non-for-profit Clovis Rodeo Association (CRA) has 700 members. Approximately \$150,000 in proceeds from the Clovis Rodeo and related events coordinated by CRA members benefit local charities annually, including 4-H, FFA, Clovis Schools, Clovis Police Activities League, California High School Rodeo Foundation, Make-A-Wish Foundation, Break the Barriers, Boy Scouts of America, Clovis Community Hospital and the Central California Blood Center.