



Clovis Rodeo Association

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Clovis Ranch Rodeo Today

25 Teams Scheduled to Compete in California's Top Ranch Rodeo April 6

(Clovis, California): Considered one of the top Ranch Rodeos in California, 25 teams are scheduled to compete in the Clovis Ranch Rodeo on Saturday, April 6. Local cowboys and cowgirls will start kicking up their boots and spurs with the 13 Annual Clovis Ranch Rodeo to be held at the rodeo grounds. The event begins at 8:00 a.m. and entrance is free for spectators. The Ranch Rodeo opens a month long celebration of activities leading up to the 99th Annual Clovis Rodeo April 25-28.

A sanctioned Western States Ranch Rodeo Association (WSRRA) event, the Clovis Ranch Rodeo is considered the top ranch rodeo of the six held in California attracting some of the best of the best who cowboy for a living. WSRRA gives the teams the opportunity to compete at a higher level of ranch-hand rodeo events. Clovis will see teams on Saturday who have the intention of garnering points that will allow them to move on to the next level of competition where they will try for top honors amongst full time and part time working cowboys from major ranches throughout the Western United States.

The Ranch Rodeo is a competition between four-person teams of local cowboys and cowgirls. The best riders and their horses, compete against each other in the kind of ranching activities they must do every day on working cattle ranch operations. Ranch Rodeo teams are required to compete in five judged and six timed events. The events include team branding, team doctoring, individual ranch horse, individual trail horse, ranch cutting, team roping and team sorting. Each team consists of four (4) riders who must use the same horse for the entire event.

Cowboys and cowgirls from 12 to 77 years young will be competing for more than \$16,000 in prizes including custom made saddles and silver bits. Major sponsors of the Clovis Ranch Rodeo include: McCaffrey Homes, Jon & Susan Edwards, Vince Genco, Sam Habib, Cargill, Evans Feed, Greg Harlan, Robinson Family, Ricotti Saddles, Classic Equine, Ron Silva Reality, Bob Avila /Professional Choice, PLMA Madera, Troy Ford, DVM, Kevin Cantrelle - "Topsails Rien Maker," Hall Ag, Fairlea Ranch, Gene Roberts, Booth Ranches, Monte Person and George Porter.

The 99th Clovis Rodeo opens on Thursday, April 25 with the return of the best show on dirt, the PBR Bull Riding Touring Pro-Division, and some of the rankest bulls and toughest cowboys in bull riding followed by a concert with Country Duo Love and Theft. Friday Night its PRCA Rodeo action followed by a concert with rising country star Dustin Lynch. Two more days of wild rodeo action will follow along with the popular Clovis Rodeo parade on Saturday, April 27. The Clovis Rodeo runs April 25-28.

Reserved ticket prices range from \$20 - \$30 and are available by calling 559-299-5203, visiting clovisrodeo.com, or at the rodeo ticket office located on the rodeo grounds between Bullard and Shaw in the heart of downtown Clovis 9-5:30 p.m. daily (M-F). A two concert event ticket package is available for \$50.00. Parking at the rodeo grounds is free of charge.

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The all-volunteer, non-profit Clovis Rodeo Association (CRA) has 700 members. More than \$170,000 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.

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