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11AM-SLACKRODEO 5 PM - CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT 7PM-RODEO 10PM-FIREWORKS&FROLIC DANCE

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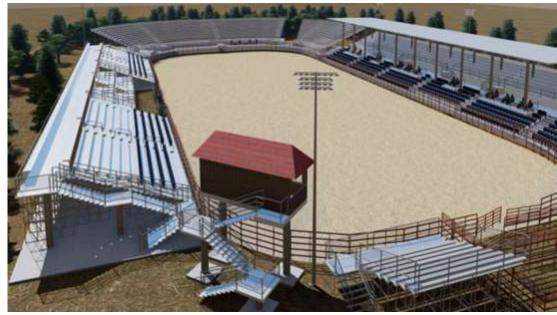
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Frolic 'til the Cows Come Home!

Dear Philomath Frolic & Rodeo Fans,

On behalf of the 2023 Board of Directors, I am thrilled to welcome you to the 70th anniversary of the Philomath Frolic & Rodeo! The planning committee has worked hard to make this year memorable and extra special. After going without it for a few years, the donkey races are back for intermission this year, and sponsors are already filling teams! All the other fan-favorites are back again this year, so be sure to look through this program and go online for the full weekend schedule. On this on 70th anniversary, we're going to Frolic 'til the Cows Come Home!

Following the fire that consumed 1/3 of the covered grandstands two weeks prior to last year's rodeo, the Frolic & Rodeo Board of Directors has successfully worked with a contractor to develop plans for new grandstands. The new stands will provide overall greater seating capacity, more comfortable stadium seating, box seating above the bucking chutes, a 12' wide party deck, increased ADA access and seating, a new announcer's stand and new lighting. The State Legislature awarded the City \$1.9 million toward construction of the new arena and lighting, and a capital campaign to raise the remaining funds is underway, including naming opportunities and trade partnerships. Contact a member of the Board if you are interested in making a donation of any size.



I am proud to announce our continued partnership with The Corvallis Clinic Foundation and Project H.E.R. in our effort to support community members fighting cancer. All proceeds from the annual "Nobody Fights Alone Raffle" go to provide financial support for care-related expenses not covered by insurance. You can help support this effort by purchasing raffle tickets this year, wearing lavender to Thursday's rodeo (lavender is the color associated for all forms of cancer), and making additional donations directly to the Corvallis Clinic Foundation Project H.E.R.

We're thrilled to welcome B bar D Livestock to challenge the area's best cowboys and cowgirls as they compete for champion buckles and the title of best all-around cowboy or cowgirl. We have three full nights of action-packed, heart-thumping rodeo action planned followed each night with live music and dancing at the Yew Wood Corral Beer Garden.

Registrations are now open for the Frolic Parade, 5K Family Fun Run, Cornhole Tournaments, Home Run Derby, Business Donkey Races, and the Lumberjack Competition (professional and novice). Don't miss any of the fun activities planned for the weekend like the Chalk-it-up Sidewalk coloring contest at the Library, Fish Rodeo, Lions Club Breakfast or the Marys Peak Search and Rescue Chicken BBQ.

A final tip-of-the-hat to our products team that has designed and rolled out new Frolic swag again this year. Be sure to stop by the souvenir window under the grandstands to check out the new hats, shirts, sweatshirts and more.

Finally, and as always, I want to give a big THANK YOU to all our sponsors and community partners again this year. Without your support, none of this happens. Meet me at the Frolic!

-Darrell Hinchberger, Philomath Frolic & Rodeo Board of Directors President

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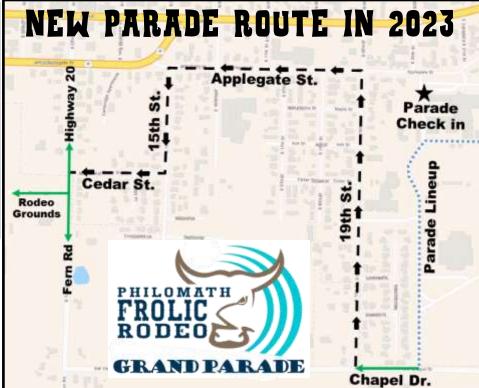




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New Parade Route: In an effort to increase safety and reduce the personnel needed to shut down the state highway during the parade, the Parade Chair and Police Department worked together to establish a new parade route for this year. Check the Frolic website for more information.

PURCHASE TICKETS TODAY

ONLINE AT THE GATE **Standard Junior: Standard Junior** Thur, Fri, Sat Rodeo **General Admission** \$20 \$10 \$23 \$12 \$22 \$13 \$25 \$15 Reserved Seating Slack Rodeo (Fri. 11 am) \$5 Free \$5 Free Roping and racing events only; No bulls or broncs during slack

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The Koeppe's have lived in and served the Philomath community for over 40 years. While raising their two daughters, Charla volunteered with the Frolic & Rodeo, serving as secretary for many years, served on the City Council, and served on the Pioneer Connect Board. Mark also served with the Frolic and Rodeo, the Fire District, and the Police Department where he was hired one full-time. Mark served as a police officer for over 28 years, leading Safety Town, the youth bike rodeo and hunter safety. We are proud to honor the Koeppes as this year's Parade Grand Marshals.



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2023 Frolic & Rodeo Queen Anya Hester

The Philomath Frolic & Rodeo Queen serves as an ambassador of the rodeo and the entire Philomath community as she travels throughout the state and participates in events around town. The queen term is from January 1 through December 31, and next year's queen will be selected later this summer.

"Hey y'all! My name is Anya Hester and I am your 2023 Philomath Frolic and Rodeo Queen. I am very excited to participate in this year's Northwest Professional Rodeo Association season! I have done a bit of everything with horses at to this point, from jumping and dressage to being on my local OHSET team. I am an early high school graduate, in my junior year, and have already started taking classes over the years at Oregon State. I am thrilled to represent the vibrant community of Philomath, and plan to travel nearly every weekend this summer to spread the word about our great rodeo! Having grown up in Philomath, I have developed a deep appreciation for the western way of life, which has ignited my passion for horsemanship and rodeo.

Please join me as I navigate this exciting chapter, filled with determination, resilience, and a fierce dedication to the rodeo queen tradition."

2024 Queen and Princess tryouts will take place later this summer. Follow us on Facebook for updates.

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Queen Anya Hester







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THURSDAY, JULY 6TH REVOLUTION GARAGE DOOR DAY

For the full, up-to-date schedule of events and additional details, or to register to participate in events, visit the events page at www.philomathfrolic.org

5:00 - 7:00pm Heather's Kids Korner

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5:00 - 7:00pm Youth Cornhole Tournament

Double elimination tournament for all skill levels; winner gets cornhole set **Sponsor: The Shop Diesel & Auto**

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Cancer Awareness Night

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7:00pm Philomath NPRA Rodeo

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Reserved seating pre-purchase tickets are available online: www.philomathfrolic.org.

Remaining tickets will be sold at the ticket office on a first come, first served basis starting Thursday at 5pm. Children 2 and under sitting on laps are always free.

9:30 - 12:00pm Frolic Dance at the Yew Wood Corral Featuring Anna-Lisa, Live on Stage Sponsored by Vinwood Taphouse and **Columbia Distributing Company**



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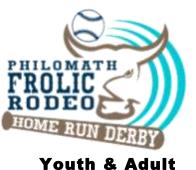




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Why LAVENDER?

Nobody Fights Alone has chosen lavender to boost visibility and increase cancer awareness. In the world of cancer awareness, the color lavender represents all types of cancer. Because our assistance is not limited to any specific type of cancer and will touch those undergoing all types of treatment, lavender is a perfect fit!

100% of all raffle proceeds are donated to Project H.E.R., an Oncology Support Program funded by The Corvallis Clinic Foundation. Project H.E.R. works with cancer patients in Benton, Linn and Lincoln counties. The Nobody Fights Along donation will be used to purchase gas cards, grocery gift cards, and provide other needed financial assistance for cancer patients in Benton County.



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11:00 SLACK RODEO -\$5 Adult Entry (18+), kids are free

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11:00 - 1:00pm Mary's Peak Search & Rescue Chicken BBQ

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5:00 - 7:00pm Adult Cornhole Tournament (18+)

Double elimination tournament for intermediate skill level

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5:00 - 7:00pm Heather's Kids Korner Inflatables, Crafts and more!

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5:00 - 9:00pm Food Booths and Craft Vendors

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7:00pm Philomath NPRA Rodeo

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Dark (9:30ish) Fireworks Show (weather permitting) Sponsored by Alyrica and The Frolic & Rodeo

9:30 - 12pm After Party at the Yew Wood Corral

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Shocked, but not willing to cancel the event, volunteers sprang into action to remove the debris and install portable bleachers. Donations began to roll in from the community, with business, non-profit organizations, and residents all wanting to support efforts to re-build. After completing a successful rodeo with record-setting attendance, the board of directors quickly began planning, designing, and preparing engineered plans for replacement of the bleachers. With no other funding in place to support such a large undertaking, the board turned to the City for assistance to make the needed improvements to the city-owned property.

Funding Request

The City of Philomath has partnered with the Philomath Frolic & Rodeo to secure funding to replace

the grandstands and install other needed amenities at Skirvin Park, the city-owned park that has been home to the Philomath Frolic & Rodeo the past 40 years. The original bleachers were built by volunteers

using repurposed bridge trusses in 1983. These bleachers were partially destroyed in a fire in 2022. With sellout crowds every year for the last 10+ years, discussions were already underway to replace the grandstands. Last year's fire placed the community is in immediate need to address the seating capacity issue and make improvements to support the continued use of this treasured facility. With increasing population forecasts, we must built for future capacity needs, not just replace what was lost. The larger capacity will attract new events and continue to increase use of the arena and the entire rodeo grounds. A capital campaign is underway to raise \$500,000 in matching funds from local businesses, supporters, and residents. In anticipated

success of this fundraising, the community is seeking \$2 million from the state

legislature to support these improvements. Use of the arena and the surrounding land has increased dramatically since the property was donated to the city in 2017 and named in honor of the previous owners, Paul and Lola Skirvin. In 2022, the grounds hosted 24 events, ranging from the Frolic & Rodeo, Northwest Youth Rodeo Association Finals, and horse training classes to dog shows, a wedding, the Lions Club Book Sale and the Benton County Sheriff and Philomath Police Department Chili Cookoff fundraiser. A large field area of the grounds previously used for parking was dedicated to create two new baseball diamonds, the first in Philomath in over 20 years. More info is available on the Frolic & Rodeo website.

PHILOMATH FROLIC & RODEO RIDING CLUB

Membership in the Frolic Rider's Club is open to everyone through an online registration and annual fee payment.

Riders are allowed to use the arena from the Monday after Frolic weekend through October 1, weather permitting.

Riders are required to agree to a code of conduct and sign a liability waiver.

We are excited to be able to share this facility with the community and look forward to seeing the Frolic & Rodeo Rider's Club grow in popularity in the years to come.

For more information or to register for the 2023 season, go to:

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Bareback Riding

As they burst from the chute, the cowboy must keep both spurs above the horse's shoulders until the horse's hooves hit the ground. Then, as the horse bucks, the rider drags his spurs up the bronc's shoulders, straightens his legs as he descends, and tries to stay on for eight seconds.

Tie Down Roping

As in team roping, the calf gets a running start, with the cowboy throwing his rope around the calf's head. His horse then stops and the cowboy jumps off, runs to the calf, picks it up and drops it to its side in a move called "flanking." He must tie any three legs together with a short rope, and the horse pulls back to eliminate slack in the rope. This is also a timed event.



Breakaway Roping

This event features a mounted rider and a calf. The calves are placed in a chute with spring-loaded doors and the horse and rider start in another box adjacent to the chute. As the calf is released the rope across the horse and rider is sprung. The aim of the roper is to throw the lasso around the calf's neck as it ride out into the arena. The fasted time wins.

Saddle Bronc Riding

The cowboy must keep his toes turned outward and continually spur the horse from its shoulders to the back of the saddle. Points are awarded based on the horse's bucking action, the rider's spurring action, his control of the horse, and if he stays on for a full eight seconds.





Steer Wrestling

Ever try wrestling a steer or jumping from a running horse? Cowboys must do both in steer wrestling. The cowboy slides off his galloping horse, hooks his right arm around the steer's right horn, grasps the left horn with his left hand, and tries to muscle the animal to the dirt. The fastest time wins.

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SATURDAY, JULY 8TH PIONEER CONNECT DAY

For a complete list of Frolic week events go to www.philomathfrolic.org/2021-frolic-weekend-schedule.html

7:00 - 10:00am Lions Club Annual Rodeo Breakfast All-you-can-eat pancakes, ham and eggs.

Held at the rodeo grounds

9:00 - 10:00am Frolic 5K Fun Run

10:00am Frolic 5K Fun Run
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9:00 - 2:00 Philomath Classic Car Show Held at City Park, 23rd Street

10:00 - 11:30am Grand Parade

Grand Marshal: Mark and Charla Koeppe

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11:00 - 1:00pm Mary's Peak Search & Rescue Chicken BBQ

Held at the Rodeo Grounds.

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2:00 - 5:00pm Frolic Cornhole Tournament

All ages and abilities; at the grounds

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2:00 - 5:00pm Professional Lumberjack Competition

Professionals will compete in various events. Free Event at the rodeo grounds

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3:00 - 7:00pm Heather's Kids Korner Inflatables, Crafts and more! Sponsor: Corvallis Tool Company, CTC

4:00 - 6:00pm Frolic Fish Rodeo

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Raffle Prize Drawing Saturday Night!

The Nobody Fights Alone Raffle drawing for the "BIG" prizes will take place after the bull riding event Saturday night.

All proceeds go to support cancer warriors in our community with non-medical expenses like food and gas.

Prizes not picked up by 10:00pm will be forfeited.



9:30 - 12:00pm Frolic Dance at the **Yew Wood Corral**

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Rodeo Events

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Spring Board. The springboard was the original lumberjack ladder. It was used to get above the twisted gnarly base of old growth timber. Once on top of their crude staircase they will chop 3 quarters of the way through on their strong side, but by rule, they must sever that block from the back.

This event combines the skills of the chopper and the high climber. Out in the forest this technique enables a working lumberjack to reach softer wood above the tough and knotty base of a tree marked for cutting. Contestants climb a height of nine feet using two springboard placements and chop through a 12-inch diameter aspen log mounted on the top of the spar pole.



Single Buck. The competitor makes one cut through 19 inches of white pine using a single man crosscut saw. The competitor may have a helper wedge his cut into the log to prevent the saw teeth from sticking. Time ends when the block is clearly severed. The primary challenges of this event are technique, brute strength and stamina. The single buck is referred to as the "misery whip" because of the physical toll a body endures while using it. A key strategy is to keep the saw as level as possible so that it creates an even cut and the teeth don't catch in the wood.



Hot Saw. A single sawyer using a single-cylinder, single-motor power saw makes three vertical cuts — down, up and down — through a 20-inch diameter white pine log. This one-man contest is strictly against time. Chainsaws may be warmed up prior to the contest, but must be turned off before the contest begins. Neither self starting nor impulse-type push button starters nor twin motors are allowed. A starter gives the countdown and on the signal 'GO,' competitors start their saws and make the three cuts. The contest ends when the third slice is severed. All cuts must be complete.



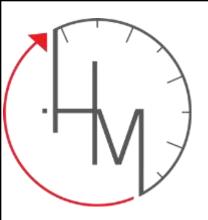
Underhand Chop. In this event the lumberjacks will be standing on a block and swinging a 7 pound razor on a stick just fractions of an inch away from their toes. The jacks will chop half way through a 14 inches in diameter and 26 inches long on the front side, and then helicopter over to the other side and sever the block in two. Timing begins on the 'GO' signal and ends when the log is severed. The World Record for the Underhand Block Chop is held by Jason Wynyard set in 2006 with a time of: 15.94.



Stock Saw. Two sawyers using identical, single-cylinder stock power saws make two vertical cuts – down and then up – through a 20-inch diameter log, competing against each other. Chainsaws are generally warmed up and tuned to be the same as one another so the only variable is the sawyers' technique. Neither self-starting nor impulse-type push button starters nor twin motors are allowed. A starter gives the countdown and on the signal 'GO,' competitors start their saws and make the two cuts. The contest ends when the second slice is severed.



Standing Block Chop. The standing block chop simulates chopping down a tree with an axe. With a strong stance the lumberjacks will be carefully placing each hit on the front side of the block. They will then run to the back side, sending the wood chips flying as they drive their axe in to the wood, severing the block in two. Using a five-pound single-bit axe, competitors chop through a vertical standing aspen log 14 inches in diameter and 26 inches long.



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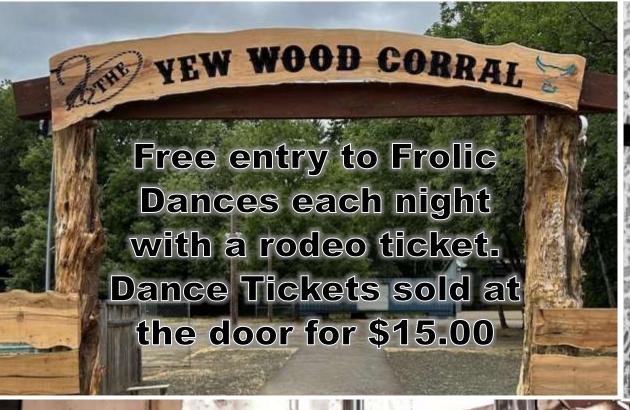
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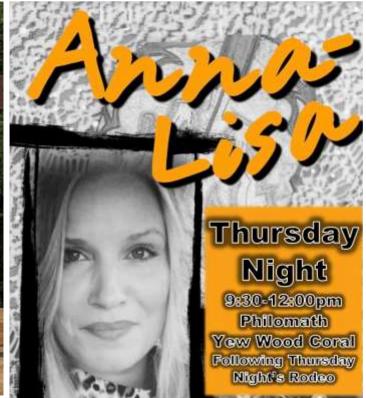
The Philomath Frolic & Rodeo is 100% volunteer run. With no paid staff, the Board of Directors oversees the budget and all the various committees that together plan and organize the Rodeo, the Frolic events, maintenance and upgrades to the grounds, charitable giving, and other Frolic-related activities and events throughout the year.

If you are ready to jump in with both feet (cowboy boots not required) or simply want to learn more, go to website below or talk to someone on the Board. There is something for everyone to do, and we love our volunteers!

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WELCOME TO SKIRVIN PARK HOME OF THE PHILOMATH FROLIC & RODEO

Thanks to a generous donation from Paul and Lola Skirvin, the rodeo grounds are now owned by the City of Philomath which has leased the grounds to the Philomath Frolic & Rodeo on a 99-year lease. The Frolic & Rodeo maintains and operates the grounds throughout the year, including rentals for community events, corporate events, private anniversary and birthday parties, weddings and more. Make your next event happen at Skirvin Park!



YEW WOOD CORRAL: STAGE, DANCE FLOOR AND BEER GARDEN

The Yew Wood Corral has hosted the beer garden after the rodeo since 1984 when the 50x100 foot dance floor, concrete stage and wood fence were constructed. Family and high school class reunions meet at the Yew Wood Corral to listen to live music, dance, enjoy a cold drink and talk about the old times. In 1992, the dance floor was enlarged to 100x100 feet, making it the largest outdoor dance floor in the Northwest. In 2021, the beer garden area was extended toward the arena so spectators can watch the rodeo from the Yew Wood Corral.

The Yew Wood Corral is a community asset. It is rented out for multiple events throughout the summer. Weddings, birthdays, corporate and non-profit events, fundraisers, and community celebrations fit perfectly in this generous space. To make a reservation for the Yew Wood Corral, rodeo arena, picnic area or fields, visit www.philomathfrolic.org/rent-the-grounds.html or email pfr.rentals@gmail.com.







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RODEO EVENTS 101 (PART 2)

Team Roping

After the steer bursts from the gate, the lead rider, or header, must get his lasso around both of the steer's horns, around one horn and the head, or around its neck. Then the second rider, or heeler, has to get his rope around both hind legs. If he only gets one leg, the team is penalized five seconds. The fastest time wins.



Barrel Racing

Coming from outside fencing, the cowgirl and her horse burst into the arena and follow a set path around three large barrels arranged in a triangular pattern. The cowgirl receives a penalty if she or the horse knocks over a barrel. After turning around the last barrel in the back of the arena, the horse sprints back to the entrance to record the fastest time possible. The horse and cowgirl with the fasted time becomes this year's champion!

Bull Riding

With nothing between him and the 2,000+ lb. goliath, the rider must hold on to a braided rope wrapped around the bull's chest using only one hand. If he touches the bull or himself with his free hand, he doesn't receive a score. The score is determined by how much the beast bucks and turns, and if the cowboy can stay on for eight seconds. The combination of points for the bull and for the rider are added together for a total score.





Donkey Racing

This event begins simple enough, but always ends with complete chaos in the arena. The rules are simple, teams of three must work together to get a donkey from one end of the arena to the other and back again—simple enough, right? Put yourself in the donkey's boots: you were born an ass and you don't like people, especially when there's 2000 screaming and laughing at you. Sound like a day at the office? One thing's for sure, not all of them will cooperate, but that's what makes it so much fun for the rest of us. Teams are made up of folks from many of our sponsors.









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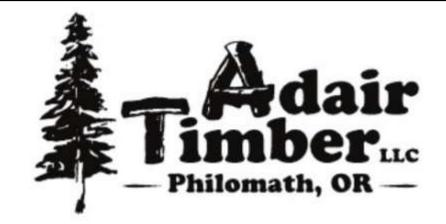




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Announcer, Scott Allen Scott Allen is the best Rodeo Announcer you've never heard of! The world of professional rodeo isn't an easy one. It's a full-time commitment requiring personal sacrifice and a dedication to preparation. I began to form my work ethic at a young age, working beside my father in the automobile business. The best advice he ever gave me was to "Never quit, always work until the work is done, no excuses, own your own successes and failures. Learn and share! If you do that you'll always come out on top".

Those ideals have allowed me many blessings. I've been honored to work with many of the most respected folks in the rodeo and entertainment field. I've traveled all over the country, worked shows both big and small. I love what I do and expect to go on doing it for a long time.

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Clint "Wolfey" Selvester

Clint "Wolfey" Selvester, one of the rodeo world's rising comedians will bring his unique style of humor from his home state of California to entertain the fans as the clown and barrelman. Selvester's love for rodeo began at age 12 when his uncle, a stock contractor who raised bulls for rodeos, hired Clint as a "feed boy" to help take care of his animals. His uncle decided that rodeo needed a mascot to entertain the fans and offered Clint the chance to perform at rodeos if he could come up with one. With the help of his art teacher, he designed and built a seven-foot high bull made from foam. The mascot was named Wolfey in honor of Wolfman, the only bull in rodeo history to score a perfect 100 in competition. Clint uses Wolfey as his nickname in honor of that mascot, which was adopted as the first official mascot of the PRCA.

Today he travels full time on the rodeo circuit, mostly in the Western United States. He has performed at the PBR Finals in the Georgia Dome, the California Rodeo Circuit Finals, the Rolex World Cup horse jumping competition, and has opened for the San Francisco Giants baseball team. He describes his humor as "impromptu" aided by what he terms "his A.D.D.," leaving the fans to wonder what comes next.

Bull Fighter: Jason McCall, multi-year NPRA Finals bullfighter, 8-time Oregon High School Finals bullfighter, 2008 Philomath Frolic & Rodeo freestyle bullfight champion & 2012 Professional Roughstock Series World Finals Bullfighter. Voted NPRA bullfighter of the year in 2008, 2009 & 2010. Jason is retiring from bull fighting after this year. We wish him all the best! Thanks for the memories and all your efforts to keep our contestants safe out in the arena.

Bull Fighter: Cody Marsh.

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