

STEER WRESTLING

Steer Wrestling (aka bulldogging) is the quickest of the rodeo events. It requires strength, speed and timing. It is a timed event and cowboys compete against each other and the clock. Bulldoggers start out in the box (3-sided at the end of the arena). The steer wrestler catches up to the steer as quickly as possible with help from his hazer, another cowboy riding on the other side of the steer to keep him running straight. The wrestler jumps off his horse and grabs the steer, turning it flat onto the dirt and thus ending the run. The amount of time it takes him to complete this could be as fast as 4 seconds.



BARREL RACING

This is a timed rodeo event where the fastest time wins. Cowgirls race their top barrel horses around a cloverleaf pattern of 3 barrels. The riders enter the arena at full speed, quickly rounding each barrel and exiting where they entered. A laser timer is used, registering to a 100th of a second. Speed is what this event is all about. But if a rider knocks over a barrel, it is a 5 second penalty. It may look easy but remember these horses are flying along at 35+ mph!



SADDLE BRONC RIDING

Saddle Bronc saddles are lightweight and have no saddle horn. Cowboys use a long hack rein, attached to a halter on the horse's head. Saddle Bronc riding relies less on strength and more on timing, finesse and skill of the rider. It is a very hard event to master. Riders must hold their boots over the horses shoulders at the first jump from the chute (called the mark out rule) and they must stay on for 8 seconds. The cowboy spurs from the front shoulder of the horse back to the skirt of the saddle in an arcing motion. He must constantly lift on the hack rein to keep his seat in the saddle. With all bronc events, a fleece flank strap is buckled around the flank of the animal, just snug enough to tickle.



TEAM ROPING

Team Roping is the only team event in rodeo. Like other rodeo events, team roping grew out of the ranch chores of the past. Larger cattle would have to be constrained, due to their strength and size, for branding and doctoring by two ropers. Today, two cowboys (known as the header and the heeler) work together to rope the horns and the back feet of the steer. The team that finishes the fastest wins. If they only catch one back leg, they receive a 5 second penalty to their time. If they break the barrier strip, the head start line for the steer, they are penalized 10 seconds.



BAREBACK BRONC RIDING

The cowboy rides with no rein or saddle, but instead a leather rigging, which looks like a heavy piece of leather with a suitcase-style handle. Riding one handed, the cowboy cannot touch the horse with his free hand, and in this event, he will lean way back onto the haunches of the horse for position. As with saddle bronc riding, the



mark out rule is in effect. They must have their spurs set above the shoulders when the horse jumps out of the chute or they will be disqualified. The cowboy spurs the horse from shoulder to rigging to make a qualified ride of 8 seconds. Both the animal and the rider are scored, 50 points each of a total of 100 points.

BULL RIDING

Bull Riding is the most dangerous of all the rodeo events. Bull riders say "It's not if you get hurt, it's when." As with bareback riding and saddle bronc, bull riders ride with one hand and cannot touch the bull with the free hand. Scoring distributes 100 points maximum, with 1/2 the score dependent on the rider's performance and the other 1/2 on the animal. Bull riders hang on to a thickly braided rope with a cowbell attached. The cowbell acts as a weight, allowing the rope to safely fall off the bull when the ride is over. Cowboys can spur for extra points but just staying on the bull for 8 seconds is the main priority.



BREAKAWAY CALF ROPING

Cowgirls (and cowboys 14 years and under) compete in this event. They tie one end of their rope to their saddle horn with a piece of string or rubber band. Contestant rides the horse out of the roping box, and must throw their loop over the calf's head and catch any part of the body, slack is pulled from the rope, breaking the string or band releasing the rope. When the flagged end of the rope breaks away from the saddle, time is stopped.



TIE-DOWN ROPING (CALF ROPING)

Tie-down ropers start in the box ready to compete. The calf is released and the cowboy must ride his horse out of the box quickly, rope it and then dismount. He then sprints to the calf and lays it on its side, called flanking. With a pigging string, usually held in the cowboy's teeth, he'll tie up any 3 of the calf's legs. The clock stops when the cowboy throws up his hands. Immediately the roper remounts his horse, puts slack in his rope by walking his horse forward and waits 6 seconds for the calf to struggle free. If the calf gets free of the pigging string, the cowboy gets a "no time" much to his disappointment. Tie-Down roping is very competitive and takes an extremely trained horse, usually a Quarter Horse, that knows how to slide to a stop and hold just the right tension on the rope to allow the roper to tie the calf's legs.



OVER 40 TIE-DOWN ROPING

Contestants competing must be over 40 years of age and not compete in the open tie-down roping. Rules are the same as for the tie-down roping.



39th

Fort Bloomfield

IRCA/URA

Rodeo

July 2, 3, 4

7:30 PM



Appearing Each Night of the Rodeo:



Rawhide & Dust

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Diamonds 'n' Dust Equestrian Drill Team



Appearing July 4th only:
Trick Riders Jamie Kittle, Briley Lough & Dally Orman

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DIAMONDS 'N' DUST

The Diamonds "n" Dust Equestrian Drill Team is made up of 14 young ladies from 4 central Iowa counties. They perform lighted and unlighted performances delighting audiences locally and nationally. They perform year round at county fairs, rodeos and other venues, including annual performances for the under privileged children at Camp Sunnyside. They have also performed at National Rodeo championships and events. Don't miss the excitement of this performance. Their daring equestrian moves and fast paced original drill patterns keep audiences on the edge of their seat. They are: Emily Lanphier, Abbie Pardekooper, Alissa Pardekooper, Emily Hunt, Chelsea Hunt, Nikki Morrill, Megan Smolik, Alyssa Allen, Amanda Allen, Jenna Fynharrdt, Heaven Ingram, Lindsay Manser, Saylor Abbas and Madison Spencer.

Rodeo Schedule

\$12 for adults and \$4 for kids 5 thru 12.

Available at the gate only. Gate opens at 6 PM

Sunday, July 2

- 11 AM** Cowboy Church in Blue Ribbon Barn with **Jason Rouse** of Unionville, Mo.
- 6-8 PM** Face Painting sponsored by **Davis County Hospital**
- 7:30 PM** "Pink Night" Rodeo Performance, Slack Dance afterwards in Jr. Livestock Pavilion with **Popstar Entertainment** - Bob & Kari Jolley

Monday, July 3

- 6-8 PM** Tammy's Glitter Tattoos sponsored by **Davis County Hospital**
- 7:30 PM** Rodeo Performance, Slack Dance afterward in Jr. Livestock Pavilion with **Popstar Entertainment** - Bob & Kari Jolley.

Tuesday, July 4

- 7-11 AM** Rotary Pancake Breakfast in Courtyard
- 1 PM Ft.** Bloomfield Rodeo Parade sponsored by **Rotary**
- 7:30 PM** Rodeo Performance Followed by Fireworks Spectacular presented by **Bloomfield Volunteer Fire Dept.**

Kids Games each night during performance sponsored by **Rex Ornduff**

BEST SEAT IN THE HOUSE

Sponsored by Overstreet, Inc.

Two lucky people at each performance will get to watch the rodeo from the "Best Seats in the House." Just prior to the beginning of each performance two people will be chosen at random by our committee. Committee members will cater to them during the performance by delivering food and beverages at no charge to the lucky winners!

Raffle for Henry Big Boy Silver 44 Magnum/44 Special

Ft. Bloomfield Rodeo Committee is holding a raffle for a Henry Big Boy Silver 44 Magnum/44 Special MSRP \$990. Gun sponsored by the rodeo committee and Garmon Firearms. Tickets are \$5 each or 6/\$25 available from any committee member and at the rodeo. ONLY 750 tickets will be sold. Winner will be drawn during the last rodeo performance on July 4th. Need not be present to win!!

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Pink Night for Cancer Awareness

In memory of former rodeo committee members, rodeo volunteers, contestants and their families affected by cancer we will donate \$3 to **Look to the Stars** for every Ft. Bloomfield Rodeo T-shirt sold at all 3 performances.

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ATTENTION CONTESTANTS! IF YOU AND/OR YOUR "BUDDY" WANT TO ENTER THE PAVILION, YOU MUST ENTER THROUGH THE GATE AT THE SOUTH END OF THE ARENA. IN ORDER FOR YOUR BUDDY'S PASS TO BE HONORED, YOU MUST BE WITH YOUR BUDDY WHEN ENTERING THE PAVILION...NO EXCEPTIONS.

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Yoder Lumber

Wade Grinager

Wade Grinager grew up with the rodeo way of life, roping and steer wrestling through high school, college and in the PRCA.

Wade attended school at the University of Wyoming in Laramie for Mass Communications, as well as at Missouri Valley College in Marshall, Missouri. He went on to pursue a career in professional announcing and started Mirror W Productions.



Wade has won MRA Announcer of the Year five times, IRCA Announcer of the Year three times, and URA Finals Announcer two times as well as the WTRA finals in Wyoming.

He enjoys announcing because it allows him the ability to pump up and inform with his voice in a professional atmosphere. He currently resides in Maple Grove, MN.

Tyler Walsh, Rodeo Clown

Hailing from Mapleton, Iowa, Tyler Walsh will be entertaining folks at the rodeo this year. He first got started in rodeo fighting practice bulls and helping out with the Chadron State University Rodeo Team in Nebraska. He pursued fighting bulls for 4 years but his interests drew him to entertaining.

Currently, besides entertaining rodeo audiences, he is a stand-up comedian performing in venues through the state with his unique brand of rural humor. He qualified for the finals of the Laugh Hard Challenge Comedy Contest at Circa 21 Speakeasy in Rock Island, Illinois and finished in the top 5 out of 30 comics.

Come and let him entertain YOU at the Fort Bloomfield Rodeo!!

Wright Rodeo Company

The Wright Rodeo Family from Lucas, Iowa does it all!! From the Entry Office, Grand Entry, Rough Stock Events and Timed Events, their experienced personnel strive to maintain smooth, fast paced, performances for the family. They provide the livestock necessary to produce the event. The Wright Rodeo Company hires all Rodeo Personnel such as Announcers, Judges, Bullfighters, Pick-up Men, Timers, and Secretaries. They also process all contestant entries and payoffs.



The rodeo will include Bare Back Riding, Saddle Bronc Riding, Bull Riding, Steer Wrestling, Girls Barrel Racing, Team Roping & Open, Over Forty and Breakaway Calf Roping.

Wright Rodeo Company is a member of the Iowa Rodeo Cowboys Association, United Rodeo Association and Missouri Rodeo Cowboys Association.

Fort Bloomfield Rodeo Committee

Adam Bridgman, Barb Cole, Jen Erdmann,
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