



The 'Bull Sheet' - with Kansas Biggest Rodeo

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A periodic newsletter with information about Kansas' Biggest Rodeo in Phillipsburg, Kan., to keep you informed about rodeo happenings.

- The contract acts for the 2019 rodeo have been hired. You'll see the familiar faces of **Dusty Tuckness**, who has worked our rodeo ten years. He's a nine-time Wrangler National Finals Rodeo bullfighter. **Weston Rutkowski** is our other bullfighter; this will be Weston's fifth year to come to Phillipsburg. Announcer **Randy Corley** will be back to the microphone.
- Our barrelman and rodeo clown is **Mark Swinger**. This is his second trip to Phillipsburg. Our specialty act is **Broken Spoke Clydesdales**, from Winfield, Kansas. Mark DeCoudres owns the six-horse hitch, and they will make fancy maneuvers and thrill the crowd with their speed and size. Tentative plans are to have the Clydesdales at the rodeo grounds during the day, on exhibit, so fans can pet them. More info on the Broken Spoke Clydesdales can be found [here](#).
- For sale: bleacher chairs with the rodeo logo on them. \$28 for one, \$25/ each for two or more. Email info@kansasbiggestrodeo.com to order.
- This spring, we gave two \$500 scholarships to students at Ft. Hays (Kan.) University. Bailey McCaughy, a breakaway roper and barrel racer from Eads, Colo., and Nathan Poss, a team roper from Scotia, Neb. both received scholarships. We're proud to support higher education for rodeo athletes.



Broken Spoke Clydesdales



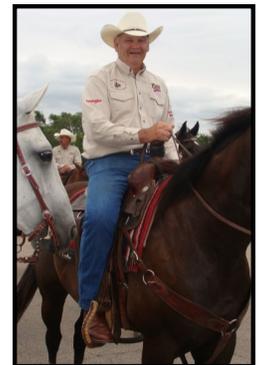
- Elections were held last October, with three new or returning people coming onto the rodeo board: Travis Stites, Craig Johnson (vice-president) and Gerald Minkler. Board members are: JD Shelton (president); Steve Christy (secretary); LeRoy Hayes; Tommy Hadley; Clark Hopson; Jayson Hueneke; Craig Johnson; Gerald Minkler; Jared Shelton; Ricky Solida; and

Travis Stites.

- We thank Rod Innes for forty-plus years of being on the rodeo committee. The time, resources, and talents he shared with the rodeo do not go unnoticed.
- Phillipsburg is part of the PRCA Tour! Our rodeo will be on www.prrodeo.tv (for a subscription fee) – all 3 performances!
- NEW prizes this year for associate memberships! Cash prizes: first place is \$10,000; second place wins \$2,500, and third place is a trip for two to the Wrangler NFR! Get your associate membership for \$125, and only 300 are sold! Get 'em at First National Bank, Heritage Insurance, and Matteson Motor. More info [here](#).



- Flashback: Fifty years ago, at Kansas' Biggest Rodeo, Fess Parker, star from the TV show *Daniel Boone*, was the entertainer following the rodeo on Saturday, August 3, 1969. Barrel racing legend Martha Josey won the barrels.
- **Tickets go on sale July 1** at Heritage Insurance in Phillipsburg. Call Jane and Pam at 785.543.2448 to get yours!
- If you're looking to make a donation to keep the rodeo vital and healthy, or for estate planning, consider the **Western Heritage Foundation**. Funds given stay in the community. The Western Heritage Foundation was established to maintain, preserve and inspire the western lifestyle of Phillips County, Kansas. The Foundation is a 501-c-3 not-for-profit, with donations fully tax deductible. For more info, call 785.543.7400.



Rod Innes

Thanks for being a loyal Phillipsburg rodeo fan!

Pull on your hat, dust off your boots, and rodeo with us in Phillipsburg August 1-2-3!