

Corral Excitement With Ranch Rodeo

Among the many fan favorites at the Clay County Fair is the Ranch Rodeo.

The rodeo gallops in Sunday, July 12, at 2:00 p.m. at the Horse Arena on the Clay County Fairgrounds. The event is free to the public.

Teams will compete against one another in events that farmers and ranchers encounter in everyday life when working with cattle. Pride is on the line as teams demonstrate skills used in everyday cattle ranching operations.



individual competitions in ranch rodeos. Like rodeos, the events are timed upon successful completion.

No animals are hurt during the competition. The same cannot be guaranteed about those participating.

Adult events include branding, sled race, trailer loading and trailer relay.

Even though each team is a contender, anything may happen during competition. A horse may decide it has other plans, or a contestant may have the perfect throw lined up only to have the arena deliver an unexpected twist. No matter what happens, the audience is well entertained.

Come and enjoy the action, excitement, thrills and laughs in a wholesome environment while cheering for your favorite team.

For more information about the event, contact Lynn Alm of the Clay County Fair Board at 701-866-8990.

The Ranch Rodeo is produced by Daryl and Michelle Brown of Circle B Ranch. Teams interested in entering the competition may contact the Browns at circlebbrown@hotmail.com or 701-261-3104.



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Adult teams will consist of three riders, with a 10-team limit for the event. The adult team entry fee is \$150. From first through third place finishes, there will be a 70 percent payback, along with \$800 in added cash.

Although there are some similarities to rodeos people are normally accustomed to seeing, ranch rodeo events typically use combinations of roping, horsemanship and ground-working skills to create a more genuine presentation of real-life ranch work.

The equipment and tack used in ranch rodeos is the same as that used by farmhands back on the ranch. In contrast, traditional rodeo events use specialized tack and riggings that are not used on the ranch. Bucking stock are not used in ranch rodeos.

Another difference between ranch and traditional rodeos is that most events in traditional rodeos are for individual competitors. There are no

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