

2016



Top Contestants



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COLLIN ADAMS

Deloraine, MB



Events: Bareback riding
Born: August 8, 1989
Year turned pro: 2011
CFR qualifications: NBB (2) 2009-10, BB (5) 2011, 2013-2016 (did not compete due to injury)
2016 standings: 10th
2016 Earnings: \$14,406.39
Career highlights: 2009 CCA BB Champion; 2009-10 Novice BB Champion
Other occupation: Rancher
Special interests: hockey

Height and weight: 5'5", 145 lbs

Family: Single

Family in rodeo: Lacey, sister (LBR)

CALEB BENNETT

Tremonton, UT



Events: Bareback riding
Born: November 10, 1988
Year turned pro: 2008
CFR qualifications: (3) 2013, 2015-16
WNFR qualifications: (5) 2012-16
2016 standings: 2nd
2016 earnings: \$73,366.60
Career highlights: Won Salinas, Strathmore (91.25 on Vold's True Grit) and Tucson in 2015; 2013 Calgary Stampede Champion
Special interests: Leather work

Height and weight: 5'8", 170 lbs

Family: Single

JIM BERRY

Rocky Mountain House, AB



Events: Saddle bronc riding, team roping
Born: April 8, 1982
Year turned pro: 2005
CFR qualifications: NSB (2) 2003-04, SB (9) 2006, 2009-16
2016 standings: 2nd
2016 earnings: \$51,171.35
2016 highlights: Wins at Medicine Hat, Brooks, High River, Bonnyville and Armstrong
Career highlights: 4X Duane Daines SB Series Champion; 2003 Canadian NSB Champion; 2003 Calgary Stampede NSB Champion

Other occupation: Welder

Special interest: Picking up

Height and weight: 6', 210 lbs.

Family: Amber (wife), Coy (son) and Quin (daughter)

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DANTAN BERTSCH

Eastend, SK



Event: Bareback riding
Born: December 24, 1993
Year turned pro: 2015
CFR qualifications: NBB (1) 2014, BB (1) 2016
2016 standings: 13th
2016 earnings: 12,121.27
2016 highlights: Taber champion
Career highlights: 2007 CPRA steer riding champion, 2014 CPRA novice bareback riding champion
Other occupation: Rancher

Special interests: Hunting, fishing

Height and weight: 6', 170 lbs.

Family: Single

DUSTIN BIRD - 2016 Canadian Heading Champion

Cut Bank, MT



Events: Tie down roping, team roping (header)
Born: August 7, 1980
Year turned pro: 2003
CFR qualifications: Team roping (3) 2012, 2014, 2016
WNFR qualifications: Team roping (4) 2012-14, 2016
2016 standings: 1st
2016 earnings: \$46,881.37
2016 highlights: San Antonio TR champion, Wainwright TDR champion
Career highlights: 2012 and 2016 Canadian champion header
Horses: Dolly, 17 year-old bay mare; Yatzee, 11 year-old grey gelding

Other occupation: Rancher

Height and weight: 6', 200 lbs.

Family: Single

LOGAN BIRD

Nanton, AB



Event: Tie down roping
Born: May 15, 1994
Year turned pro: 2013
CFR qualifications: (2) 2013, 2016
2016 standings: 3rd
2016 earnings: \$42,398.77
2016 highlights: Won Dawson Creek, Okotoks and Cranbrook
Career highlights: 2013 Ponoka final four, Won Teepee Creek 2013 and Benalto 2015

Horse: TJ, 13 year old grey gelding

Other occupation: Stock contractor

Special interest: Denver Broncos

Height and weight: 6', 150 lbs.

Family: Single

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ALWIN BOUCHARD

Scandia, AB



Events: Tie down roping, team roping

Born: December 28, 1973

CFR qualifications: (16) 1999, 2001, 2003-16

2015 standings: 2ndth

2015 earnings: \$59,963.63

Career highlights: 2009 Canadian Tie-Down Roping Champion; 2007 Pendleton Round-Up Co-champion; 2005 Calgary Stampede \$50,000 Champion; 2001 SK Circuit Champion

Horses: Wart, Bow, 14 year-old bay gelding; Chubby, 18 year-old chestnut gelding

Other occupation: Oilfield service company owner, rancher

Height and weight: 6'4" 185 lbs.

Family: Myra (wife), Clara (7) and Cole (5)

KYLE BOWERS

Drayton Valley, AB



Events: Bareback riding

Born: February 4, 1977

Year turned pro: 1999

CFR qualifications: NBB (2) 1997-98, BB (15) 2000-01, 2003-11, 2013-16

WNFR qualifications: (2) 2004-05

2016 standings: 11th

2016 earnings: \$12,346.04

2016 highlights: Airdrie Pro Rodeo champion

Career Highlights: 3 Time Canadian BB Champion 2003, 2008-09; 2 Time Novice BB Champion 1997-98

Other occupation: Owner—Let It Ride Oilfield (Light hotshotting)

Special interests: Golf, back country sledding

Height and weight: 6', 190 lbs.

Family in rodeo: Robert (brother), 1997 Canadian bull riding champion

LYNETTE BRODOWAY

Brooks, AB



Event: Barrel racing

Born: June 18, 2015

CFR qualifications: (1) 2016

2016 standings: 6th,

2016 earnings: \$37,433.75,

2016 highlights: Won Leduc, Sundre and Bonnyville

Career highlights: 2013 CBHI Hi-Point Derby Champion

Horse: Root Sixty Six (Freeway), 10 year-old bay gelding; Rocket, 7 year-old chestnut gelding,

Other occupation: Barrel horse trainer

Special interests: Golf, Height: 5' 7",

Family: Ken (husband), Josey (son)

Family in rodeo: Devin Wigemyr (nephew) team roper

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CLINT BUHLER

Okotoks, AB



Events: Team roping (Header)

Born: May 20, 1982

Year turned pro: 2010

CFR qualifications: (6) 2010-13, 2015-6

2016 standings: 12th

2016 earnings: \$15,423.07

Career highlights: 2010 Wrangler Tour Finale Champion, 2013 season leader

Horse: Festus, 10 year-old buckskin gelding, Chex, 9 year-old buckskin gelding

Height and weight: 6'2" 185 lbs.

Special interest: Training team roping horses

Family: Brook (wife), Blaze (son), Presley (daughter)

Family in rodeo: Jeremy and Kelly (brothers, TR)

JEREMY BUHLER - 2016 World Heeling Champion

Arrowwood, AB



Event: Team roping (Heeler)

Born: Dec. 8, 1987

Year turned pro: 2009

CFR qualifications: (5) 2011-12, 2014-16

WNFR qualifications: (1) 2016

2016 standings: 7th

2016 earnings: \$22,931.70

2016 highlights: World championship win

Horses: Rick James, 14 year-old dun gelding, Fabio, 7 year-old bay gelding

Other occupation: Farrier

Height and weight: 6'2" 200 lbs.

Special interest: Snowboarding

Family: Katie (partner)

Family in rodeo: Clint and Kelly (brothers, TR)

BRETT BUSS



Ponoka, AB

Events: Team roping (Header)

Born: July 10, 1989

Year turned pro: 2008

CFR qualifications: (6) 2008-09, 2011, 2013, 2015-16

2016 standings: 3rd

2016 earnings: \$32,593.83

2016 highlights: Medicine Hat (spring), Daewson Creek and Wrangler Tour champion

Career highlights: 2008, 2011, 2015 season leader

Horse: Little D, 9 year-old sorrel gelding

Other occupation: Farrier

Height and weight: 5'8" 170 lbs.

Family: Single

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DAKOTA BUTTAR

Kindersley, SK



Events: Bull riding
Year turned pro: 2011
Born: November 6, 1992
CFR qualifications: (5) 2012-16
2016 standings: 2nd
2016 earnings: \$70, 926.54
Career highlights: 2014-15 Canadian Champion, 2015 Wrangler Tour champion, 2010-11 AB High School Rodeo Bull Riding Champion and Season Leader; 2010 LRA & FCA Bull Riding Champion; 2010 LRA Rookie of the Year

Other occupation: student

Special interests: Hockey

Height and weight: 5'7" 135 lbs

Family: Single

Family in rodeo: Jim (father, rodeo judge), Cheyenne, (sister, LBR)

BROCK BUTTERFIELD

Ponoka, AB



Event: Steer wrestling
Born: October 8, 1986
Year turned pro: 2006
CFR qualifications: (2) 2007, 2016
2016 standings: 5th
2016 earnings: \$41,224.66
2016 highlights: Taber champion
Horse: Hat Brim, 7 year-old palomino gelding
Other occupation: Rancher
Height and weight: 5' 11", 200 lbs.

Family in rodeo: Luke (brother, SB, SW), Chance (cousin, SW)

LUKE BUTTERFIELD - 2016 All Around Champion

Ponoka, AB



Events: Saddle bronc riding, steer wrestling
Born: August 15, 1984
Year turned pro: 2005
CFR qualifications: NSB (1) 2004 SB (8) 2008-2014, 2016
2016 standings: (SB) 6h
2016 earnings: (SB) \$46,320.26, (SW) \$2394.92
Career highlights: 2016 Canadian All-around champion, 2012 Canadian SB champion; 2011 CFR aggregate champion; 2010 Alberta Circuit SB champion; 2005 Canadian Intercollegiate SB champion; 2004 Canadian NSB champion
Other occupation: Petroleum engineer

Height and weight: 5'8" 160 lbs.

Family: Single

Family in rodeo: Brock (brother, SW), Maria (mother, LBR), Greg (father, former Canadian BB and SW champion)

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RUSSELL CARDOZA - 2016 Canadian Heeling Champion

Terrebonne, OR



Events: Team roping (heeler), tie down roping, steer wrestling
Born: October 23, 1986
Year turned pro: 2006
CFR qualifications: TR (1) 2016
WNFR qualifications: TR (5)
2016 standings: 1st
2016 earnings: 45,056.35
2016 highlights: San Antonio champion, qualified for both CFR and WNFR, Canadian champion
Horse: Tara, 11 year-old bay gelding

Height and weight: 5'11", 190 lbs.

Family: Sammy Jo (wife)

SHAY CARROLL

Hico, TX



Events: Team roping (heeler), tie down roping
Born: February 1, 1991
Year turned pro: 2010
CFR qualifications: TR (1) 2016
WNFR qualifications: (2)
2016 standings: 3rd
2016 earnings: \$31,878.19
2016 highlights: Sandhills Stock Show open team roping, Ponoka, Wainwright, Sundre, Kennewick, WA champion
Hoses: Salt (TR) 15 year-old roan gelding, Sport Center, (TR) 12 year-old bay

gelding, QB, (TDR) 13 year-old sorrel gelding

Special interest: Riding colts

Height and weight: 5'8", 160 lbs.

Family Tybetha (wife)

CODY CASSIDY - 2016 Canadian Steer Wrestling Champion

Donalda, AB



Events: Steer wrestling
Born: June 26, 1981
Year turned pro: 2002
CFR qualifications: (13) 2003-09, 2011-16
WNFR qualifications: (1) 2010
2016 standings: 1st
2016 earnings: \$79,180.11
2016 highlights: Grande Prairie Stompede champion
Career highlights: 2008, 2009, 2011, 2015-16 Canadian Steer Wrestling Champion; 2009, 2011 Wrangler Canadian Tour Rodeo Champion; 2008, 2011 CFR Average Champion;

2004, 2008, 2009 Season Leader; 2009 AB Circuit Champion; 2008 SK Circuit Champion, 2010 Houston champion

Horse: Tank, 14 year-old bay gelding

Other occupation: Outfitter and guide

Height and weight: 6'2" 205 lbs

Family: Tanya (wife), Clyde (son), Quinn (daughter)

Family in rodeo: Curtis (brother, steer wrestler, tie down roper); Greg (father, 4 time steer wrestling champion)

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CURTIS CASSIDY

Donalda, AB



Events: Tie down roping, Steer wrestling

Born: October 24, 1978

CFR qualifications: TDR (15) 1997, 1999-2004, 2006-08, 2010-14 SW (15) 1998-2003, 2005-2012, 2015

WNFR qualifications: (5) 2002, 2008-2010, 2014

2016 standings: (TDR) 30th (SW) 2nd

2016 earnings: (TDR) \$7,259.86 (SW) \$56,800.51

Career highlights: 2000, 2001, 2003, 2006, 2008, 2010, 2011, 2014-15 High Point Champion; 2006, 2010 Canadian SW Champion; 2010 World SW Season Leader; 1998, 2006, 2010 CFR SW Aggregate Champ; 2006 Calgary Stampede \$100,000 SW

Champion; 2001 Canadian Tie-Down Roping Champion; 1997 Canadian Rookie of the Year

Horses: (TDR) Stick, 18 year-old sorrel gelding; (SW) Casper, 18 year-old grey gelding

Height and weight: 6'0" 225 lbs

Other occupation: Guiding/outfitting/ranching; Special interests: Hunting, training horses

Family in rodeo: Shannon (LBR) & Shaylee (daughter); Cody (brother, SW); Greg (father, 4 x Cdn SW champ)

CALLAHAN CROSSLEY

Hermiston, OR



Event: Barrel racing

Born: April 16, 1994

Year turned pro: 2016

CFR qualifications: (1) 2016

2016 standings: 2nd

2016 earnings: \$70,669.35

Career highlights: 2015 College Finals champion

Horse: Brownie, 18 year-old brown gelding

Height: 5'8"

Family: Single

NANCY CSABAY - 2016 Canadian Barrel Racing Champion

Taber, AB



Event: Ladies barrel racing

Born: July 19, 1968

CFR qualifications: (7) 2001, 2003, 2012-16

2016 standings: 1st

2016 earnings: \$71,775.29

2016 highlights: Cinch Pro series Finals champion

Career highlights: 2015-16 Canadian Champion, 2015 year-end leader, 2015 CFR

Top Gun award

Horse: Wicked, 12 year-old sorrel mare

Occupation: Barrel horse trainer

Special interests: Helping other in barrel racing, hosting retreats, watching Kate in her sports

Height: 5'4"

Family: Tony (husband), Kate (daughter)

Family in rodeo: Arnold Haraga (father-deceased, Canadian Rodeo Hall of Fame inductee)

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STEPHEN CULLING

Fort St. John, BC



Event: Steer Wrestling
Born: November 26, 1993
Year turned pro: 2013
CFR qualifications: (1) 2016
2016 standings: 12th
2016 earnings: \$18,142.26
2016 highlights: PRCA SW Rookie of the Year, Ponoka Stampede champion
Horses: Roscoe, (SW) 8 year-old sorrel gelding, Wingman (hazing) 9 year-old sorrel gelding
Other occupation: Horse trainer

Special interests: Hunting, fishing

Height and weight: 6'1", 225 lbs.

Family: Single

LANE CUST

Ardmore, AB



Event: Saddle Bronc Riding
Born, November 30, 1994
2016 standings: 7th
2016 earnings: \$38,656.44,
2016 highlights: Teepee Creek, Strathmore, La Crete, and Maple Creek champion,
Career highlights: 2015 Calgary Stampede Novice Saddle Bronc Champion 2014-15 Novice Saddle Bronc Champion
Other occupation; welder (panels)
Height and weight: 5'9", 160 lbs.

Special interests: Outdoors, extreme sports, hockey

SYDNEY DAINES

Innisfail, AB



Event: Barrel racing
Born: Jan 20, 1996
Year turned pro: 2014
CFR qualifications: (2) 2014, 2016
2016 standings: 5th
2016 earnings: \$41,866.80
2016 highlights: Lea Park, Armstrong champion
Career highlights: Won three rounds at 2014 CFR as a rookie, 2105 Wild Card winner, Calgary Stampede, 2014 Canadian pole bending champion,
Horse: Honour Before Fame (Flame), 12 year-old sorrel gelding

Other occupation: Student, (U of A, Education, Kinesiology)

Special interests: Soccer (Sydney was named 2014 Red Deer Advocate Female Athlete of the Year,

Height: 5'6", Family, Cheryl (mom, CFR barrel racer and former Miss Rodeo Canada), Duane (dad, Canadian All-Around and Saddle Bronc Champion), Jack (grandfather, Hall of Fame)

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ROCKY DALLYN

Nanton, AB



Event: Team roping (Heeler)
Born: June 28, 1967
Year turned pro: 2000
CFR qualifications: (16) 2000-2012, 2014-16
2016 standings: 9th
2016 earnings: \$17,070.24
Career highlights: 2001, 2003, 2005, 2010 Canadian champion, 2 time season leader, 3 time CFR Average winner, 2002 Olympic Gold Medal, Canadian career earnings leader (heeler) \$154,283
Horses: Dick, 21 year-old palomino gelding; Jack, 13 year-old sorrel gelding

Other occupation: Carpenter

Height and weight: 5'10", 190 lbs

Family: Janice (wife, LBR), Jenna (daughter, college rodeo), Britt (son)

STEELE DEPAOLI

Longview, AB



Events: Team roping (Header), tie down roping
Born: November 21, 1986
Year turned pro: 2003
CFR qualifications: (8) 2005, 2009-13, 2015-16
2016 standings: (TDR) 33th, (TR) 8th
2016 earnings: (TDR) \$5010.02 (TR) \$18,366.83
Career highlights: Qualified with Dad, (Don), in 2005, 2009 and 2010 in TR, owns Zippy - only horse to qualify for CFR in TDR and LBR
Horse: Badger, 12 year-old grey gelding
Other occupation: Tronic Data (Co-owner)

Height and weight: 5'11" 155 lbs.

Family: Becky (wife)

Family in rodeo: Suzanne (mother, LBR), Don (father, TR), Colter (brother, TR)

TONI DIXON

Calgary, AB



Events: Barrel racing
Born: July 2, 1959
Year turned pro: 2013
CFR qualifications: (2) 2015-16
2016 standings: 12th
2016 earnings: \$16,721.42
2016 highlights: Ponoka Stampede—Falkland champion, 2nd at Dawson Creek and Hand Hills, 3rd at Wrangler Tour Finals
Horses: Jig French Truckle (Muffin), 12 year-old sorrel mare; Guys R a Mystery (Sherlock), 7 year-old palomino gelding

Other occupation: President/CEO The Calgary Barrel Classic; Director, Calgary Stampede

Special interests: Skiing, golf, coaching youth

Height: 5' 6"

Family: Howie (husband, team roper), Michael and Bob (sons)

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FABIAN DUECK

Acme, AB (Born Lama Plata, Paraguay)



Event: Bull riding
Born: September 7, 1992
Year turned pro: 2014
CFR qualifications: (1) 2016
2016 standings: 11th
2016 earnings: \$15,155.06
2016 highlights: Winning long round at Wainwright
Special interests: Hunting, fishing
Family: Single

DEAN EDGE

Rimbey, AB



Events: Tie down roping, team roping (header)
Born: October 28, 1979
Year turned pro: 2004
CFR qualifications: (10) 2004, 2006-10, 2013-16
2016 standings: 11th
2016 earnings: \$23,733.91
Career highlights: Owner of seven time TDR Horse of the Year, Sid, 2005-2008 and 2013-15
Horse: Sid, 21 year-old bay gelding, Taco, 14 year-old bay gelding
Other occupations: Rancher, auctioneer

Height and weight: 6'1" 185 lbs

Family: Jeanine (wife) Erin (daughter) and twins, Lexie (daughter) and Lane (son)

Family in rodeo: Jeanine (wife, barrel racer) and (late) father Barry, five time CFR qualifier in TDR

CLAY ELLIOTT - 2016 Canadian Saddle Bronc Champion

Nanton, AB



Event: Saddle bronc riding
Born: March 9, 1994,
Year turned pro: 2014
CFR qualifications: NSB (1) 2012, SB (1) 2016
WNFR qualifications: (1) 2016
2016 standings: 1st
2016 earnings: \$70,500.68
2016 highlights: Rodeo Houston SB champion (\$55,000)
Career highlights: 2015 National Intercollegiate Rodeo Finals Champion
Other occupation: Riding colts

Height and weight: 6', 175 lbs.

Family: single

Family in rodeo: Vern (dad) Ty (brother), both former bull riders

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WACEY FINKBEINER

Ponoka, AB



Event: Bull riding
Born: July 27, 1992
Year turned pro: 2011
CFR qualifications: (1) 2016
2016 standings: 10th
2016 earnings: \$20,216.15
2016 highlights: Camrose champion
Other occupation: Welder
Family: Single

DUSTIN FLUNDRA

Pincher Creek, AB



Event: Saddle bronc riding
Born: September 29, 1980
Year turned pro: 2001
CFR qualifications: NSB (1) 2001 SB (15) 2001-14, 2016
WNFR qualifications: 2009-10, 2014
2016 standings: 4th
2016 earnings: \$48,737.60
2016 highlights: 2016 highlights: Stavely, Williams Lake, High Prairie and Cranbrook champion
Career highlights: 2003, 2007, 2010 Canadian champion

Other occupation: Rancher

Special interest: Hunting

Height and weight: 5' 7", 170 lbs.

Family: Niki (wife), Ridge and Shade (sons)

Family in rodeo: Niki (barrel racer, specialty act), Nina Smith (sister, LBR), Randy Smith (brother-in-law, TDR, TR)

DEREK FRANK



Stony Plain, AB
Event: Steer wrestling
Born: June 27, 1989
Year turned pro: 2011
CFR qualifications: (1) 2016
2016 standings: 4th
2016 earnings: 43,033.54
2016 highlights: Coleman and Okotoks champion
Career highlights: 2009 FCA champion, 2010 LRA champion, 2014 Todd Boggust Memorial SW champion

Horse: Tadpole, 12 year-old sorrel gelding

Other occupation: Insulator helper

Height and weight: 6'1", 225 lbs.

Family: Single

Family in rodeo: Dallas (brother, SW)

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TRAVIS GALLAIS

Red Deer, AB



Event: Team roping (header)

Born: December 7, 1971

CFR qualifications: (15) 2000-2011, 2013-14, 2016

2016 standings: 9th

2016 earnings: \$15,899.80

2016 highlights: Jasper champion

Career highlights: 2003, 2005, 2009 Canadian champion, 2002 PRCA TR Rookie of the Year, 2005 CFR average champion, 2006 season leader

Other occupation: farrier

Special interests: Golf, hockey

Family: Lisa (wife), Trey (son), Jordan (daughter)

Family in rodeo: Lisa (wife, LBR), Trey (son), Art (dad, TR) Todd (brother, TR)

JACKIE GANTER

Abilene, TX



Event: Barrel racing

Born: October 9, 1996

Year turned pro: 2014

CFR qualifications: (1) 2016

WNFR qualifications: (2) 2015-16

2016 standings: 7th

2016 earnings: \$35,674.18

2016 highlights: Medicine Hat, Teepee Creek, Airdrie, High Prairie, Wainwright, Cody Champions Challenge champion

Horses: Recent Release ("R"), 18 year-old sorrel gelding, Cartel's Fame, 8 year-

old sorrel gelding

Other occupation: student (business)

Height: 5'7"

Family: single

KATIE GARTHWAITE



Merritt, BC

Event: Ladies barrel racing

Born: March 21, 1979

Year turned pro: 1996

CFR qualifications: (3) 2013, 2015-16

WNFR qualifications: (1) 1999

2016 standings: 4th

2016 earnings: \$41,938

2016 highlights: 2nd at Armstrong

Career highlights: Owner of (FC Guys Prime Time) - 2013 Horse With the Most

Heart

Horse: Frenchie, (FC Guys Prime Time), palomino gelding, Shufire, 13 year-old palomino mare

Other occupation: Stunt double, training barrel horses

Height: 5'6"

Family: Mike (husband), Gracie (daughter)

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COLBY GILBERT

Maple Creek, SK.



Event: Barrel racing
Born: February 24, 1995
Year turned pro: 2015
CFR qualifications: (1) 2016
2016 standings: 12th
2016 earnings: \$15,486.17
2016 highlights: Drayton Valley, Hand Hills champion
Horse: Streakin Ta Corona, 6 year-old sorrel mare
Other occupation: student (Nursing, University of Lethbridge)
Family" Single

Family in rodeo: Andrea Udal (mom, barrel racer), Steven Gilbert (dad, steer wrestler)

TANNER GIRLETZ

Bowden, AB



Events: Bull riding
Born: May 12, 1986
Year turned pro: 2004
CFR qualifications: (8) 2004-06, 2010-11, 2013, 2015-16
2016 standings: 12th
2016 earnings: \$14,451.92
2016 highlights: All Around champion (Wilf Girletz Memorial buckle) Hanna
Career highlights: 2006 Canadian BR Champion; 2005, 2015 Alberta Circuit BR Champion; 2004 Permit Award Winner
Other occupation: Construction, stock contracting

Special interests: Raising bucking bulls, ranching

Height and weight: 5'6" 165 lbs

Family: Brittany (wife), Rowyn (daughter)

Family in rodeo: Girletz Rodeo Stock

COLE GOODINE

Carbon, AB



Events: Bareback Riding
Born: May 1, 1990
Year turned pro: 2014
CFR qualifications: (3) 2014-16
2016 standings: 5th
2016 earnings: \$38,488.24
2016 highlights: Strathmore, Benalto, Bowden champion
Career highlights: 2013 FCA LRA and WRA champion, 2011 Calgary Stampede Novice Champion
Other occupation: welder

Height and weight: 5'11", 165 lbs.

Family: Single

Family in rodeo: Judy (mom—barrel racer), Kayley (sister—barrel; racer), Doug (dad—former bull rider, now judge)

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MORGAN GRANT - 2016 Canadian High Point Champion

Granton, ON



Events: Tie-Down Roping, Steer Wrestling

Born: July 4, 1989

CFR qualifications: SW (2) 2013, 2016 TDR (5) 2010, 2013-16

2016 standings: (SW) 6th (TDR) 6th

2016 earnings: (SW) \$40,872.65 (TDR) \$31,695.55

2015 highlights: Strathmore champion (SW)

Career highlights: 2014 Calgary Stampede \$100,000 Tie Down Roping Champion,

2013, 2016 Canadian High Point Champion, 2013 Alberta Circuit TD Champion;

2013 Canadian Wrangler Tour SW Champion

Horses: (SW) Bumps, 15 year-old bay gelding; (TDR) Dutch, 18 year-old dun

gelding

Other occupation: Petroleum engineer

Height and weight: 6'0" 210 lbs

Family: Gillian (wife)

Family in rodeo: Cathy (Mom, LBR), Brittany Clark (sister, LBR)

LAYTON GREEN

Meeting Creek, AB



Events: Saddle bronc riding

Born: January 17, 1994

Year turned pro: 2013

CFR qualifications: NSB (2) 2011-12 SB (2) 2015-16

2016 standings: 5th

2016 earnings: \$48,157.41

2016 highlights: Airdrie and Dawson Creek (88 points) champion

Career highlights: 2012 Novice SB Champion

Other occupation: Rancher

Special interest: Hunting

Height and weight: 5' 9", 150 lbs

Family in rodeo: Garrett (brother, bull rider)

SCOTT GUENTHNER

Consort, AB



Events: Steer wrestling

Born: Aug 17, 1990

Year turned pro: 2013

CFR qualifications: (3) 2014 (did not compete due to injury), 2015-16

2016 standings: 8th

2016 earnings: \$36,162.74

2016 highlights: Grande Prairie, Luxton, Medicine Hat (spring) Champion

Career highlights: 2015 Wrangler Tour champion, 2015 CPRA season leader, 2012

WRA champion

Other occupation: Rancher

Family: Becky (wife)

Family in rodeo: Justin Guenther, Darren and BJ Zeiffle, Derek Laye (cousins SW), Clint Laye (cousin, BB)

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JORDAN HANSEN - 2016 Canadian Bull Riding Champion

Okotoks, AB



Events: Bull riding
Born: August 27, 1993
Year turned pro: 2012
CFR qualifications: (4) 2013-16
2016 standings: 1st
2016 earnings: \$77,962.71
2016 highlights: Canadian bull riding champion, Hand Hills and Grande Prairie champion
Other occupation: Welder
Height and weight: 5'9" 175 lbs

Family: Single

Family in rodeo: Adel (mother, CFR LBR)

JOSH HARDEN

Big Valley, AB



Events: Saddle bronc riding, steer wrestling
Born: October 8, 1982
Year turned pro: 2004
CFR qualifications: (1) NSB (1) SB 2015
2016 standings: (SB) 12th (SW) 22nd
2016 earnings: (SB) \$12,505.72 (SW) \$9105.92
Career highlights: 2015 Canadian All-Around champion, 2015 Alberta Circuit All-Around champion
Horses: Shaggy (SW), 10 year-old bay gelding; Cowboy (SW), 9 year-old chestnut gelding

Other occupation: Horse trainer

Special interests: Hunting, guiding

Height and weight: 5' 10", 180 lbs.

Family: Jamie (wife), Tyke and Hunter (twin boys), Sadie (daughter)

Family in rodeo: Jeremy (brother, SW, SB, 2005 Canadian All-Around champion)

DUSTY HAUSAUER

Dickinson, ND



Event: Saddle bronc riding
Born: April 10, 1982
CFR qualifications: (4) 2008, 2012, 2014, 2016
WNFR qualifications: (1) 2008
2016 standings: 11th
2016 earnings: \$14,820.86
2016 highlights: Innisfail, Wainwright champion
Career highlights: Canadian champion 2008, SB season leader 2008
Other occupation: Self-employed
Height and weight: 5'4", 145 lbs.

Family: Tatty (wife), Dexter (son), Harper (daughter)

Family in rodeo: Heidi, Sarah (sisters, LBR), Stan (dad, TR)

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ROWDY HAYES

Rocky Mountain House, AB



Events: Steer wrestling
Born: January 20, 1987
Year turned pro: 2008
CFR qualifications: (3) 2011, 2015-16
2016 standings: 9th
2016 earnings: \$21,217.48
Horse: Chico, 16 year-old sorrel gelding
Other occupation: Rancher
Special interest: Hockey
Height and weight: 5' 11", 200 lbs.

Family: Angie (wife)

Family in rodeo: JD (brother, SW), Gerald (late Father, SW, Cowboy of the Year)

LOGAN HOFER

Magrath, AB



Event: Tie down roping
Born: July 12, 1986
Year turned pro: 2005
CFR qualifications: (7) 2008-12, 2015-16
2016 standings: 12th
2016 earnings: \$23,500.50
2016 highlights: Won Strathmore, La Crete and Grimshaw
Career highlights: 3rd CFR aggregate in 2010, qualified for Houston's \$2 million rodeo in 2012, won CFR aggregate title in 2012
Horses: TJ (Logan Bird), white gelding, Easy, 16 year-old sorrel gelding

Other occupation: Concrete Coring and Cutting

Special interests: Golf, hunting, fishing

Height and weight: 6' 185 lbs

Family: Single

PASCAL ISABELLE

Okotoks, AB (Born in Montreal)



Event: Bareback riding
Born: July 23, 1992
Year turned pro: 2016
CFR qualifications: (1) 2016
2016 standings: 9th
2016 earnings: \$15,569.55
Other occupation: carpenter
Family: Single

Top Contestants of 2016

SAM KELTS

Millarville, AB



Events: Saddle bronc riding

Born: September 4, 1983

Year turned pro: 2002

CFR qualifications: NSB (1) 2001 SB (10) 2002, 2005, 2007, 2009, 2011 (injured, did not compete) 2012-16

2016 standings: 10th

2016 earnings: \$18,040.70

Career highlights: 2009 Season Leader; 2009 BC Circuit Champion; 2008 National Western (Denver, Colorado) Champion; 2002 PRCA Rookie of the Year; 2001 Canadian NSB Champion

Special interests: hunting and fishing

Height and weight: 5'8" 160 lbs

Family: single

Family in rodeo: Jim (father, 1984 Canadian SB Champion), Byron (uncle, SB), both pickup men

KODY LAMB

Sherwood Park, AB



Event: Bareback riding

Born: June 29, 1994

Year turned pro: 2014

CFR qualifications: NBB (2) 2013-14 BB (1) 2016

2016 standings: 11th

2016 earnings: \$12,174.63

2016 highlights: Split 1st at Caspar, WY, Split 1st at Dawson Creek, won Gooding, ID

Career highlights: 2014 Canadian NBB champion, 2014 PRCA Resistol BB Rookie of the Year

Other occupations; Student, pursuing Masters degree (Psychology) Tarleton State University, Stephenville, TX

Special interests: Playing guitar, singing, song writing

Height and weight: 6' 1", 185 lbs.

Family: Single

ZANE LAMBERT

Ponoka, AB (Manitoba born and raised)



Events: Bull riding

Born: July 2, 1986

CFR qualifications: (3) 2013, 2015, 2016

2016 standings: 7th

2016 earnings: \$33,045.03

Career highlights: Scoring 92 in Medicine Hat on Whiskey Jack in 2013; 2013 PBR Canada Champion

Special interest: Spending time with good people; hunting, fishing, renovating house with Stacey and sidekick Ace (English bulldog)

Height and weight: 5'11" 170 lbs

Family: Stacey (wife)

Top Contestants of 2016

ORIN LARSEN

Inglis, MB



Event: Bareback riding

Born: April 15, 1991

Year turned pro: 2010

CFR qualifications: (1) 2016

WNFR qualifications: (2) 2015-16

2016 standings: 3rd

2016 earnings: \$60,894.51

2016 highlights: Representing Canada at the NFR

Career highlights: Wins at San Antonio, Cheyenne, Armstrong, BC., and Tucson

Special interests: Fly fishing, golfing, hunting

Height and weight: 5' 10", 160 lbs.

Family in rodeo: Tyrell (brother, saddle bronc rider), Kane (brother, bull rider)

BRENDAN LAYE

Consort, AB



Event: Steer wrestling

Born: August 9, 1990

Year turned pro: 2016

CFR qualifications: (1) 2016

2016 standings: 11th

2016 earnings: \$18,796.93

2016 highlights: Stavely, Moose Mountain (Kennedy, SK—3.3 seconds) Bonnyville champion, High Prairie co-champion

Other occupation: Rancher

Height and weight: 6', 190 lbs

Family: Single

Family in rodeo: Mark (father, SW), Alex (grandfather, SW, TDR, BR)

RENE LECLERCQ

Holden, AB



Event: Ladies barrel racing

Born: July 31, 1994

Year turned pro: 2013

CFR qualifications: (1) 2016

2016 standings: 9th

2015 earnings: \$22,375.76

2016 highlights: Ponoka and La Crete champion

Career highlights: WRA, LRA, ABRA champion, first pro win - Jasper in 2013

Horses: Flit and Flirt, sorrel mares

Other occupation: Horse trainer

Special interests: Playing sports, especially basketball

Family: Single

Family in rodeo: Coraleen (mother, LBR)

Top Contestants of 2016

TIM LIPSETT

Lumsden, SK



Event: Bull riding
Born: November 1, 1993,
Year turned pro: 2015
CFR qualifications: (1) 2016
2016 standings: 5th,
2016 earnings; \$39,943.98,
2016 highlights: Armstrong IPE champion
Other occupation: Equipment operator
Height and weight: 6' 2", 150 lbs.
Special interest: Fishing, roping, quading

Family: Single

Family in rodeo: Glenn (father, competitor, judge, volunteer, sponsor), Dean (brother, bullfighter), Keith (bronc rider)

KYLE LUCAS

Carstairs, AB



Events: Tie-down roping, team roping (heeler)
Born: May 26, 1994
Year turned pro: 2013
CFR qualifications: (3) 2013, 2015-16
2016 standings: 10th (TDR), (TR) 21st
2016 earnings: (TDR) \$24,358.29 (TR) \$7,133.85
2016 highlights: Pincher Creek champion, Fort Mojave, AZ champion, Tucson all-around champion
Horse: Fletch (TDR) 10 year-old sorrel gelding
Other occupation: Fencing

Height and weight: 6' 2", 170 lbs.

Family: Single

Family in rodeo: Joe (father, 4 time Canadian TDR champion, 6-time NFR qualifier), Katy (sister, Miss Rodeo Canada, 2015)

KY MARSHALL

Bowden, AB



Events: Bareback riding, tie down roping
Born: March 26, 1992
CFR qualifications: NBB (1) 2011, BB (4) 2013-16
Year turned pro: 2012
2016 standings: (BB) 6th
2016 earnings: (BB) \$37,665.19(TDR) \$1091.83
2016 highlights: Winning Wainwright
Career highlights: 2014 Canadian All-Around Champion, 2011 Canadian Novice BB Champion
Other occupation: Farmer/rancher

Height and weight: 5'10" 175 lbs

Family: Dani (wife), Emerson and Delia (daughters)

Top Contestants of 2016

BRETT MCCARROLL

Camrose, AB



Events: Team roping (Heeler)
Born: November 23, 1985
CFR qualifications: (13) 2003, 2005-2016
2016 standings: 36th
2016 earnings: \$24,000.64
2016 highlights: Bruce and Grimshaw champions
Career highlights: 2006, 2007 Canadian Team Roping (Heeler) Champion, 2009, 2014 CFR Average Champion; 2013 season leader
Horse: Hank, 10 year-old bay gelding
Other occupation: Teacher

Special interests: Golf, hockey, baseball

Height and weight: 5'10" 170 lbs

Family: Renee (wife) Coy (son), Emmie (daughter)

Family in rodeo: Cody, Justin (brothers, TR), Clark (cousin, TR)

JUSTIN MCCARROLL

Camrose, AB



Events: Team roping (Header)
Born: Jan 7, 1983
Year turned pro: 2003
CFR qualifications: (9) 2003, 2006-10, 2014-16
2016 standings: 5th
2016 earnings: \$24,000.64
2016 highlights: Bruce and Grimshaw champion
Career highlights: Canadian Champion 2006 and 2007, CFR Aggregate Champion 2009 and 2014; Ponoka Stampede Champion 2014
Horse: Archie, 14 year-old red roan gelding, Dash, 21 year-old bay gelding

Other occupation: Teacher

Special interests: Golf, hockey and basketball

Height and weight: 6', 170 lbs

Family: Kendra (wife), Halle and London (daughters)

Family in rodeo: Cody and Brett (brothers, TR), Clark (cousin, TR)

ROLAND MCFADDEN

Vulcan, AB



Events: Team roping (Header)
Born: January 17, 1986
Year turned pro: 2009
CFR qualifications: (6) 2009, 2011-15
2016 standings: 12th
2016 earnings: \$12,856.08
2016 highlights: Top ten at Rodeo Houston, Maple Creek and Cinch Pro Series champion
Career highlights: 2015 Canadian champion header, 2013 Reserve Canadian Champion, 2012 Reserve Season Leader; 2012 CFR Reserve Average; 2008 West

of the Rockies Champion

Horses: Charlie, 18 year-old red roan gelding, Champ, 20 year-old bay roan gelding

Other occupations: Rancher, stuntman, Cactus Ropes/Gear

Special interests: Hockey, football, baseball, golf

Height and weight: 5'9" 170 lbs

Family: Single

Top Contestants of 2016

STRAWS MILAN

Cochrane, AB



Events: Steer wrestling

Born: July 25, 1986

CFR qualifications: (4) 2010, 2011-13, 2015

WNFR qualifications: (1) 2013

2016 standings: 10th

2016 earnings: \$20,633.79

Career highlights: 2011 Calgary Stampede SW Champion, 2013 WNFR qualifier

Horses: Smoke (SW), 16 year-old sorrel gelding; Tee Pee (Hazing), 16 year-old paint gelding

Other occupation: Rancher

Special interests: Hunting, hockey and golf

Height and weight: 5'10" 280 lbs

Family: Single

Family in rodeo: Tanner (brother SW), Baillie (brother SW-TR-TDR)

TANNER MILAN

Cochrane, AB



Events: Steer wrestling

Born: September 8, 1985

Year turned pro: 2002

CFR qualifications: (12) 2002, 2005-2009, 2011-16

WNFR qualifications: (1) 2015

2016 standings: 3rd

2016 earnings: \$47,782.14

Career highlights: 2012, 2014 Canadian SW Champion

Horses: Smoke (SW), 16 year-old sorrel gelding; Tee Pee (Hazing), 16 year-old paint gelding

Other occupation: Farmer/rancher

Special interests: Hunting, farming/ranching

Height and weight: 6'0" 230 lbs.

Family: Single

Family in rodeo: Straws (brother, SW), Baillie (brother, SW, TDR, TR)

JACOB MINOR

Ellensburg, WA



Events: Team roping (heeler)

Born: November 23, 1991

CFR qualifications: (3) 2014-16

WNFR qualifications: (1) 2016

2016 standings: 2nd

2016 earnings: \$36,794.13

2015 highlights: Grande Prairie champion

Horse: Cat, 7 year-old gelding

Other achievements: Studied at Walla Walla Community College

Height and weight: 5' 11" 160 lbs.

Family: Single

Top Contestants of 2016

TYLER PANKEWITZ

Ponoka, AB



Event: Bull riding
Born: Feb 3, 1985
Year turned pro: 2003 CFR qualifications: (6) 2006, 2009, 2011-12, 2014, 2016
2016 standings: 4th
2016 earnings: \$42,693.03
Career highlights: 2007 PBR Canada champion
Height and weight: 5' 10", 160 lbs
Family: Megan (wife), Tayze (son), (Breely, daughter)

JARED PARSONAGE

Maple Creek, SK



Events: Bull riding
Born: March 28, 1993
Year turned pro: 2013
CFR qualifications: (2) 2015-16
2015 standings: 6th
2015 earnings: \$37,072.64
2015 highlights: Won Olds and High Prairie
Other occupation: Rancher
Height and weight: 6' 1", 170 lbs
Family in rodeo: Don (father), Jill (mother), Taryn (sister)

CARMAN POZZOBON

Aldergrove, BC



Event: Ladies barrel racing
Born: January 17, 1986
Year turned pro; 2015
CFR qualifications: (1) 2016
2016 standings: 8th
2016 earnings: \$29,789.01
2016 highlights: 2nd in long go at Ponoka
Horse: Ripp, 6 year-old buckskin mare
Other occupation: Training barrel horses
Height: 5'9"

Family: Single

Family in rodeo: Mark (dad, TR, BR), Cole (brother, TR)

Top Contestants of 2016

BROCK RADFORD

Dewinton, AB



Events: Bull riding, steer wrestling

Born: May 27, 1995

Year turned pro: 2014;

CFR qualifications: (1) 2016

2016 standings: 3rd,

2016 earnings: \$44,796.89

2016 highlights: Chad Besplug Invitational (Claresholm), Kennedy, Medicine Hat, High Prairie champion.

Other occupations: Transport driver (movie sets)

Special interests: Fishing, quading

Height and weight: 5'10", 160 lbs.

Family: Single

Family in rodeo: Max (father, SB and SW, Bobbi June, (mother, barrel racer), Isabelle Miller (grandmother, two time Canadian champion)

AUDY REED

Sparman, TX



Event: Saddle bronc riding

Born: April 15, 1995

Year turned pro: 2016

CFR qualifications: (1) 2016

2016 standings: 3rd

2016 earnings: \$50,106.22

2016 highlights: Armstrong co-champion

Other occupation: Rancher

Special interests: Roping, fishing

Height and weight: 5'10", 155 lbs.

Family: Single

RHEN RICHARD

Roosevelt, UT



Events: Team roping (Header), Tie down roping

Born: May 22, 1989

Year turned pro: 2008

CFR qualifications: TR (4) 2011-14 TDR (1) 2015

2016 standings: (TDR) 8th (TR) 24th

2016 earnings: (TDR) \$26,326.22, (TR) \$4553.42

2016 highlights: Grande Prairie and Leduc champion

Career highlights: 2008 PRCA Heeling Rookie of the Year; 2007 National High School Finals Rodeo All-Around and TDR Champion, Reno and Ponoka champion

Horse: Stick, 18 year old sorrel gelding

Other occupation: Rancher/horse trainer

Special interests: Family, hunting and ranching

Height and weight: 6'1" 200 lbs

Family: Chalis (wife), Rudy (baby daughter)

Family in rodeo: Kaden (brother)

Top Contestants of 2016

GARRETT ROGERS

Baker City, OR



Event: Team roping (Header)
Born: November 27, 1992
Year turned pro: 2013
CFR qualifications: (2) 2015-16
WNFR qualifications: (1) 2016
2016 standings: 2nd
2016 earnings: \$36,794.13
Horse: Friday, 13 year-old dun gelding
Other occupation: Rancher
Height and weight: 5' 10", 158 lbs

Family: (Chancey (wife), Remmy (daughter))

LEE ROMBOUGH

Sexsmith, AB



Events: Tie down roping, team roping
Born: June 15, 1985
Year turned pro: 2010
CFR qualifications: TDR (3) 2014-16
2016 standings: TDR 5th
2016 earnings: TDR \$34,865.98
2016 highlights: Armstrong IPE, Camrose Spring Classic, Williams Lake Stampede, Benalto Pro Rodeo champion
Horse: Stone, 13 year-old sorrel mare
Other occupation: Farrier

Height and weight: 5' 11", 185 lbs

Family: Jamie (wife), Lyle, Jordan (sons) and Kaina (daughter)

KASPER ROY

Mossleigh, AB



Events: Team roping (Heeler)
Born: June 19, 1993
Year turned pro: 2010
CFR qualifications: (3) 2013, 2015-16
2016 standings: 8th
2016 earnings: \$18,366.79
Horse: Bam Bam, 11 year-old dun gelding
Other occupation: Farrier
Special interests: cowboy poetry
Height and weight: 6'2" 200 lbs

Family: Single

Family in rodeo: David (father, SW, TR), Layton Green (cousin, SB), Garrett Green (cousin BR)

Top Contestants of 2016

SPENCER RUTHERFORD

Merritt, BC



Event: Team roping (heeler)
Born: October 24, 1985
Year turned pro: 2008
CFR qualifications: (4) 2010-2012, 2016
2016 standings: 11th
2016 earnings: \$13,444.78
2016 highlights: High Prairie, Kennedy champion
Career highlights: 2010 Armstrong champion, 2012 Williams Lake champion
Horse: Gilbert: 10 year-old sorrel gelding
Other occupation: Oilfield

Special interest: Golf, football

Family: Single

SCOTT SCHIFFNER

Strathmore, AB



Events: Bull riding
Born: April 1, 1980
Year turned pro: 1998
CFR qualifications: (16) 1998-2001, 2003-2006, 2008-2010, 2012-16
2016: standings: 9th
2016 earnings: \$20,994.51
Career highlights: 2001, 2012 Canadian BR Champion; 2000 and 2014 Calgary Stampede Champion, 2012 CPRA Cowboy of the Year; 2011 Calgary Stampede's Guy Weadick Award Winner; 2001, 2009 CFR Aggregate Champ; 2006, 2008 AB Circuit Champion; 2006 PBR Canada Champ; 2006 CPRA Season Leader; 2006

Wrangler Canadian Tour Champion

Other occupation: Rancher

Height and weight: 5'8" 160 lbs

Family: Brandy (wife), Mesa, Hadley and Oaklyn (daughters)

CHUCK SCHMIDT

Keldron, SD



Event: Saddle bronc riding
Born: March 28, 1988
CFR qualifications: (3) 2013 (injured, did not compete), 2015-16
WNFR qualifications: (3) 2013 (injured, did not compete), 2015-16
2016 standings: 8th
2016 earnings: \$37,957.21
2016 highlights: Strathmore champion (second time)
Career highlights: 2008 College champion
Other occupation: Ranching
Height and weight: 5' 10", 155 lbs.

Top Contestants of 2016

KOLTON SCHMIDT

Barrhead, AB



Events: Team roping (Header)
Born: June 27, 1994
Year turned pro: 2010
CFR qualifications: (5) 2011, 2013-14, 2016
WNFR qualifications: (1) 2016
2016 standings: 4th
2016 earnings: \$32,340.73
2016 highlights: Won Ponoka and Wainwright
Career highlights: 2013 Canadian Champion, 2011 CFR Average Champion
Horses: Badger, 12 year-old black gelding;

Height and weight: 5'9" 170 lbs

Family: Single

Family in rodeo: Ronald (father, TR), Levi (brother, TR), Taylor (sister, LBR, TR)

MATT SHIOZAWA - 2016 Canadian Tie-Down Champion

Chubbock, ID



Events: Tie down roping
Born: May 3, 1980
Year turned pro: 1999
CFR qualifications: (7) 2007-2010, 2014-16
WNFR qualifications: (9) 2005-07, 2009, 2011-12, 2014-16
2016 standings: 1st
2016 earnings: \$64,283.08
Career highlights: 2014, 2016 Canadian Tie-down Roping Champion, wins at Calgary Stampede, Pendleton, San Antonio, Fort Worth, (3 time) Circuit National Champion

Horses: Chuck, 13 year-old sorrel gelding; Alotta, 17 year-old bay mare, Grey, 11 year-old grey mare

Height and weight: 5' 10", 200 lbs.

Family: Ali, (wife), Stella, Lorelei and Ivory (daughters)

CHASE SIMPSON



Claresholm, AB
Event: Team roping (Heeler)
Born: May 23, 1986
Year turned pro: 2004
CFR qualifications: (7) 2004, 2010-2014, 2016
2016 standings: 12th
2016 earnings: \$12,880.22
Career highlights: 2010 Canadian champion (Header); 2010 Average (Heading) Champion
Other occupations: Farrier and outfitter

Special interests: hunting, roping, family

Height and weight: 5'10" 220 lbs.

Family: Britt (wife), Jewel and Ivey

Family in rodeo: Levi, (brother)

Top Contestants of 2016

LEVI SIMPSON - 2016 World Heading Champion

Ponoka, AB

Events: Team roping (Header), Tie down roping



Born: March 27, 1988

Year turned pro: 2008

CFR qualifications: (8) 2009-16

2016 standings: 7th

2016 earnings: \$22,665.13

Career highlights: 2016 World champion, 2011 and 2014 Canadian Team Roping (Header) Champion; 2010, 2011 Ponoka Stampede Champion; 2010 AB Circuit Champion; 2009 and 2012 and 2015 Reserve Canadian Champion

Horse: Stetson, 9 year-old sorrel gelding, Fraser, 19 year-old sorrel gelding

Other occupation: Electrician

Special interests: Golf

Height and weight: 5'11" 210 lbs

Family: Rebecca (wife), Annie (daughter)

Family in rodeo: Chase (brother, TR)

CAYLA MELBY SMALL

Burneyville, OK



Born: December 15, 1997

Year turned pro: 2015

CFR qualifications: (2) 2015-16

WNFR qualifications: (1) 2016

2016 standings: 11th

2016 earnings: \$16,817.35

2016 highlights: Wins at Wainwright, Benalto, Spanish Fork, Lafayette, Innisfail, Lewistown; won a round at Calgary Stampede

Horses: Brookstone Jo, 6 year-old brown gelding; Docs Frosty Blue bar, 7 year-old cremello gelding

Height: 5' 7"

Family: Zac (husband, WNFR team roper)

Family in rodeo: Jane (Mom, barrel racer), Ryan (father) and Colton (brother), both team ropers

CLAYTON SMITH

Eckville, AB



Event: Tie down roping

Born: November 27, 1996

Year turned pro: 2016

CFR qualifications: (1) 2016

2016 standings: 9th

2016 earnings: \$25,642.11

2016 highlights: Falkland champion, qualifying for first CFR

Career highlights: 2014 high school rodeo All Around Champion

Other occupation: Student (Business)

Height and weight: 6'3", 210 lbs.

Family: Single

Top Contestants of 2016

KYLE SMITH

Brant, AB



Event: Team roping (header)
Born: October 14, 1985
Year turned pro: 2015
CFR qualifications: (1) 2016
2016 standings: 11th
2016 earnings: \$14,270.16
2016 highlights: Bonnyville and Cranbrook champion
Horse: Casey, 13 year-old chestnut gelding
Other occupation: Ranch hand

MICHAEL SOLBERG

Sunnynook, AB



Event: Bareback riding
Born: October 16, 1984
CFR qualifications: NBB (2) 2003-04 BB (6) 2009-13, 2016
2016 standings: 8th
2016 earnings: \$18,665.17
2016 highlights: Falkland and Medicine Lodge champion
Career highlights: Qualifying for Show Down Sunday in Calgary, Set CFR record in NBB (85 pts) in 2003
Other occupation: Rancher
Special interests: Traveling and cowboying

Height and weight: 5'9" 175 lbs.

Family: Single

Family in rodeo: Jim (Father, BB)

TY TAYPOTAT

Regina, SK



Events: Bareback riding
CFR qualifications: (5) 2011-12, 2014-16
2016 standings: 7th
2016 earnings: \$19,437.17
2016 highlights: Qualified for Ponoka, second at San Antonio
Career highlights: 2011 Permit Award Winner and Rookie of the Year, wins at Wainwright, Grande Prairie, Fort Worth, TX
Special interests: Working on diesel pickups, snowmobiling
Height and weight: 5'8", 160 lbs
Family: Adalie (daughter), Hazer (son)

Family in rodeo: Curtis, (father), Darrel (uncle, TDR)

Top Contestants of 2015

CLAY ULLERY

Two Hills, AB



Events: Team roping (header)
Born: February 1, 1993
Year turned pro: 2011
CFR qualifications: (4) 2011-13, 2015-16
2016 standings: 6th
2016 earnings: \$23,315.22
2016 highlights: Falkland and Strathmore champion
Career highlights: 2013 CFR average champion, 2014 CFR Aggregate Champion,
Horses: Peggy Sue, 7 year-old grey mare; Height and weight: 5'10" 150 lbs.,
Family: single, Family in rodeo: Clay is a 4th generation rodeo cowboy

STETSON VEST

Childress, TX



Event: Tie down roping
Born: July 3, 1986
Year turned pro: 2009
CFR qualifications: (1) 2016
WNFR qualifications: (1) 2013
2016 standings: 4th
2016 earnings: \$38,883.73
2016 highlights: Hand Hills, AB and Clovis, CA champion
Horse: Nitro, 12 year-old gelding
Other occupation: Rancher

Other interests: Sports, hunting, fishing, family

Height and weight: 6'4", 195 lbs.

Family: Cheneae (wife)

Family in rodeo: Stran Smith (uncle, TDR), Clif Cooper, Tuf Cooper, Clint Cooper, Trevor Brazile and Shada Brazile

JR VEZAIN

Cowley, WY



Event: Bareback riding
Born: February 22, 1992
Year turned pro: 2011
CFR qualifications: (3) 2012, 2014, 2016
WNFR qualifications: (5) 2012-2016 (did not compete in 2015 due to injury)
2016 standings: 4th
2016 earnings:
Career highlights: 2012 Canadian champion, former high school bareback, bull riding and all-around champion, former college bareback riding champion
Height and weight: 5'8", 140 lbs.

Top Contestants of 2015

JAKE VOLD - 2016 Canadian Bareback Riding Champion

Ponoka, AB



Events: Bareback riding

Born: March 12, 1987

Year turned pro: 2010

CFR qualifications: Nov BB (1) 2007, BB (7) 2010-16

WNFR qualifications: BB (2) 2014, 2016 (ended season second in the world)

2016 standings: 1st

2016 earnings: \$91,197.02

2016 highlights: Season Leader, Alberta Circuit Champion and Wrangler Tour

Champion (all for second year in a row)

Career highlights: 3 time Canadian champion (2014-16), 2015 earnings:

\$98,567.98 (single season record), 2014-15 Season Leader, 2012 Canadian Tour Finals BB Champion; 2010

Prairie Circuit BB Champion; 2007 Canadian NBB Champion; 2007 Canadian College Finals Champion

Height and weight: 5' 10", 160 lbs

Family: Sara (wife)

Family in rodeo: Rode (brother), Wayne (uncle)

DUSTIN WALKER

Vanscoy, SK



Events: Steer wrestling, team roping

Born: April 26, 1983

Year turned pro: 2003

CFR qualifications: (4) 2013-16

2016 standings: 7th

2016 earnings: \$37,098.11

2016 highlights: Pincher Creek, Camrose and Teepee Creek champion

Career highlights: 2011 CCA SW Champion

Horse: Tank, 13 year-old bay gelding

Other occupation: Custom fencing, rancher

Special interests: Hunting, fishing, snowmobiling

Height and weight: 5'10" 220 lbs

Family: Single

Family in rodeo: (Dallas (brother, SW))

RILEY WARREN

Stettler, AB



Events: Tie down roping, team roping (Heeler)

Born: Sept 23, 1989

Year turned pro: 2012

CFR qualifications: TDR (3) 2012, 2014, 2016 TR-Heeler (1) 2014

2016 standings: (TDR) 7th, (TR) 13th

2016 earnings: (TDR) \$27,994.29 (TR) \$10,664.52

2016: Won Merritt and LaCrete (TR) and Morris (TDR)

Career highlights: Lakeland Rodeo Association and Foothills Cowboys Association

Team Roping Champion; Wildrose Rodeo Association and Canadian Cowboys

Association Tie Down Roping Champion

Horses: Spur, 8 year-old bay gelding (Heeling); Mona, 10 year-old sorrel mare (TDR)

Height and weight: 5' 9", 200 lbs.

Family: Morgan Ellis (partner)

Family in rodeo: Rod Warren (uncle, retired SB and AA Champion of Canada, NFR aggregate winner)

Top Contestants of 2016

JAKE WATSON

Hudson's Hope, B.C.



Event: Saddle bronc riding
Born: April 9, 1993
CFR qualifications: NSB (1) 2013, SB (1) 2016
WNFR qualifications: (10) 2016
2016 standings: 9th
2016 earnings: \$30,199.09
Career highlights: 2016 San Antonio Champion, Third in average - 2013 National College Finals, Casper, Wyoming
Special interests: Hunting, fishing, riding colts
Height and weights: 5'6" 145 lbs

Family: Single

LONNIE WEST

Cadogan, AB



Events: Bull riding
Born: December 15, 1995
Year turned pro: 2014
CFR qualifications: (2) 2015-16
2016 standings: 8th
2016 earnings: \$32,884.49
2016 highlights: Camrose, Morris, Bruce, Benalto champion
Career highlights: 2015 Rookie of the Year
Other occupation: Heavy equipment technician
Height and weight: 5' 10", 140 lbs.

Family: single
Special interest: Hunting
Family in rodeo: Billy and Bryce (brothers-bull riders)

KIRSTY WHITE

Big Valley, AB



Events: Ladies barrel racing
Born: September 21, 1965
Year turned pro: 1992
CFR qualifications: (3) 2013, 2015-16
2016 standings: 3rd
2016 earnings: \$58,513.93
2016 highlights: Kennedy, Bruce, Armstrong and Merritt champion. Tour finals champion.
Career highlights: 2012 Canadian Cowgirl of the Year, won a round at 2013 CFR
Horse: Racey, 10 year-old sorrel mare

Other occupation: Horse trainer/farrier
Special interests: Leather work
Height: 5'4"
Family: Dane Laroque (son)
Family in rodeo: Allison (sister), Everett (brother-in-law) and Brock (nephew)

Top Contestants of 2016

KLAY WHYTE

Airdrie, AB



Event: Team roping (Heeler)
Born: February 2, 1988
CFR qualifications: (4) 2010, 2012, 2015-16
2016 standings: 4th
2016 earnings: \$31,089.46
2016 highlights: Won Medicine Hat and Dawson Creek. Tour champion.
Horse: Lobo, 9 year-old roan gelding
Other occupation: Land agent
Special interests: Golf, hockey
Height and weight: 5' 7", 160 lbs.

Family: Chelsey (wife)

Family in rodeo: Hugh (father, TR), Bailey (sister LBR)

DEVIN WIGEMYR

Brooks, AB



Event: Team roping (heeler)
Born; March 28, 1995
Year turned pro: 2015
CFR qualifications: (1) 2016
2016 standings: 10th
2016 earnings: \$16,445.38
2016 highlights: Jasper champion, qualifying for first CFR
Horses: Ardox, 9 year-old yellow gelding, CD, 15 year-old bay mare
Other occupation: Construction
Height and weight: 5'11", 150 lbs.

Family in rodeo: Lynette Brodoway (aunt, LBR)

RILEY WILSON

Cardston, AB



Event: Team roping,
Born: February 26, 1975
Year turned pro: 2000
CFR qualifications: (12) 2000-2005, 2009-2013, 2016
2016 standings: 5th
2016 earnings: \$24,762.45
Career highlights: 1999, 2002-03 Season Leader; 2002 CFR Average Winner
Other occupation: Farrier, horse trainer/roping instructor
Height and weight: 6'1" 180 lbs.
Family: Single, Family in rodeo: Bob (father), Monica (mother), Randa (sister)

and Mark (brother in law)

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MIKE BEERS, Kamloops, BC

Event: Team roping (heeler), Born: May 4, 1958, Year turned pro: 1980, CFR qualifications: (2) 2006, 2008, WNFR qualifications: (24), 2016 standings: 18th 2016 earnings: \$9025.00, Career highlights: 1984 World champion, Height and weight: 6'2", 235 lbs., Family: Barbara (wife), Brandon and Joe (sons), Brooke and Hanna (stepdaughters), Dylan (stepson)

JUSTIN BERG, Wainwright, AB

Event: Saddle bronc riding, Born: December 23, 1986, Year turned pro: 2007, CFR qualifications: NSB (1) 2005 SB (5) 2009-11, 2013-14; 2016 standings: 14th, 2016 earnings: \$9201.88, Career highlights: Calgary Stampede novice champion 2005-06, Wrangler Canadian Tour champion 2009, Prairie Circuit (SK and MB) champion 2011, Other occupation: Pipeline construction, Special interests: Golf and hunting, Height and weight: 5'11" 160 lbs., Family: Brandi (wife)

DYLAN BILTON, Red Deer County, AB

Event: Bareback riding, Born: August 21, 1992, Year turned pro: 2014, CFR qualifications: NBB (1) 2012; 2016 standings: 14th, 2016 earnings: \$8324.89, Other occupation: Service truck operator, Height and weight: 5'9", 155 lbs., Family: Catherine (wife)

KEELY BONNETT, Ponoka, AB

Events: Tie down roping, Team roping (Heeler), Born: April 7, 1996, Year turned pro: 2014; 2016 standings: 16th, 2016 earnings: \$9927.95, 2016 highlights: Won Teepee Creek and Okotoks (second time in a row), Career highlights: 2016 Portales College Rodeo Steer Wrestling Champion, 2016 Brownwood, TX College Rodeo Team Roping Champion, 2015 Odessa Texas College Tie Down Roping Champion, 2015 Stephenville College Rodeo Team Roping Champion, 2012 FCA Team Roping Champion, Horses: Red (TR) 10 year-old sorrel, Elwood (TDR) 12 year-old bay gelding, Blue (TR) 4 year-old blue roan gelding; Other occupation: Feedlot cowboy, farrier, Special interests: Hockey, snowboarding, Height and weight: 5'9", 165 lbs. Family in rodeo, Logan, (header), Grandpa Dave Bunney (Senior Pro Rodeo Tie Down Roper)

LOGAN BONNETT, Ponoka, AB

Events: Tie down roping, Team roping (Header), Born: November 18, 1994, Year turned pro: 2014, CFR qualifications: (1) TR 2014; 2016 standings: 14th, 2016 earnings: \$10,382.90, 2016 highlights; Won Teepee Creek and Okotoks Horses: Rook, 13 year-old sorrel gelding and Pac Man, 7 year-old palomino gelding, Other occupation: Rancher, cattle buyer Special interests: hockey and skiing, Height and weight: 6', 170 lbs, Family in rodeo: two younger brothers Keeley and Kash, Paul (team roping dad)

WYATT BRANDEN, Barrhead, Ab

Event: Team roping (header), tie down roper, Born: January 31, 1993, Year turned pro: 2015, 2016 standings: (TR) 26th (TDR) 16th 2016 earnings: (TR) \$3541.79 (TDR) \$11,084, Career highlights: 2013 Team Roping Heading Champion, Horses: Little Hawk, 12 year-old grey mare, Betty, 9 year-old sorrel mare, Occupation other than rodeo: Rancher, Western Oklahoma State College grad, Height and weight: 5'9", 170 lbs., Family: Single, Family in rodeo: Grady and Quentin Branden (team ropers)

TAYLOR BROUWER, Stettler, AB

Event: team roping (heeler), Born: October 28, 1987, Year turned pro: 2010, CFR qualifications: (1) 2013, 2016 standings; 21st, 2016 earnings: \$6768.42, Horses: Kale, 11 year-old sorrel gelding; Rio, 15 year-old palomino mare, Other occupation: welder, Special interest: golf, Height and weight: 6'1", 210 lbs., Family: Kolby Olinek (wife), Crewe (son), Family in rodeo: Clay (father, SW), Ken (grandfather SB/BB), Bart (uncle SB/TR), Clint (brother, TR)

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GAYLENE BUFF, Westwold, BC

Event: Ladies barrel racing, Born: May 16, 1978 Year turned pro: 2008, CFR qualifications: (5) 2008-09, 2011-12, 2015; 2016 standings: 15th, 2015 earnings: \$11,928.05, 2015 highlights: won Jasper, Career highlights: 2011 Cowgirl of the Year, 2009 Canadian Barrel Racing champion, 2008 Rookie of the Year, 2008 Wrangler Tour champion, 2008 Prairie Circuit champion
Horses: Vador, 18 year-old bay gelding; Duke, 13 year-old bay gelding
Other occupation: Office Manager for family logging business, farming/ranching
Height: 5'9", Family: Erik (husband), Peter (son), Gloria (daughter)

CHANCE BUTTERFIELD, Ponoka, AB

Event: Steer wrestling Born: Dec 27, 1985 Year turned pro: 2007; 2016 standings: 15th 2016 earnings: \$12,106.51 Education: Texas Tech graduate with Bachelor of Science degree in Agriculture and Applied Science Height and weight: 5'9", 180 lbs., Family: (Wife) Kenda Family in rodeo: Dee (mother, 1992 Canadian LBR champion); Brooke (sister, LBR); Craig (father, CFR SW)

BRADY CHAPPELL, Moose Jaw, SK

Event: Team roping (heeler), Born: January 30, 1980, Year turned pro: 2012, 2016 standings: 14th, 2016 earnings: \$10,847.34, Horse: Betty, 9 year-old black mare, Other occupation: Rancher, horse trainer, Special interests: Hunting, snowmobiling, Height and weight: 6'3", 185 lbs. Family: Brenna (wife), Vanden and Kixton (sons)
Family in rodeo: Kyle (cousin, TR)

TODD CHOTOWETZ, Major, SK.

Event: Bull riding, Born: September 23, 1993 Year turned pro: 2013, 2016 standings: 19th, 2016 earnings: \$2606.04, 2016 highlights: Bonnyville champion, Career highlights: LRA, WRA, FCA champion, 2011, Other occupation: Farmer/rancher, Special interests: Hockey, hunting, Height and weight: 5'9", 155 lbs., Family: Single

HARLEY COLE, Cochrane, AB

Event: Steer wrestling, Born: December 23, 1986, CFR qualifications: (1) 2013; 2016 standings: 16th, 2016 earnings: \$11,587.12, 2016 highlights: Winning average at Ponoka Stampede, Armstrong IPE champion, Career highlights: Winning 2nd at Armstrong to clinch a spot at my first CFR (2013) 2012-2013 Morris Stampede Champion, Other occupation: Movie work, shoeing horses, Height and weight: 5'11" 220 lbs., Family in rodeo: Jonathon (brother, team roper)

STACY CORNET, Brant, AB

Events: Team roping (Heeler), tie down roping, Born: September 14, 1971, Year turned pro: 2004, CFR qualifications: TR (5) 2006-2008, 2013-14, 2016 standings: (TDR) 19th, (TR) 32nd, 2016 earnings: (TDR) \$10,677.66 (TR) \$2637.52, Career highlights: 4 time TDR and High Point, once Team Roping champion-CCA, Other occupation: Farrier, Special interests: Training horses, riding colts, Height and weight: 5'8" 220 lbs, Family: Lisa (wife), Jordyn (daughter), Colt (son)

LUKE CREAMY, Brownfield, AB

Event: Bareback riding, Born: December 19, 1988, Year turned pro: 2008, CFR qualifications: Novice BB (2) 2006-07 BB (5) 2009-11, 2013-14, 2016 standings: 20th, 2016 earnings: \$3048.12, Career highlights: 2011 Wrangler Canadian Tour BB Champion; 2011 Turquoise Circuit PRCA BB Champion; 2011, 2010 SW Region NRA BB Champion; 2006 Canadian Novice BB Champion, Other occupation: Journalist, Special interests: Painting, drawing and writing, Height and weight: 5'11" 180 lbs., Family: Cash (son), Family in rodeo: Clay (brother, SB), Shelly (Mom, LBR) Colin (Father, TR)

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BRAIDY DAVIES, Medicine Hat, AB

Event: Team roping (Header), Born: April 23, 1986, Year turned pro: 2004, CFR qualifications: (4) 2004, 2008, 2013-14, 2016 standings: 15th, 2016 earnings: \$10,263.48, 2016 highlights" Drayton Valley champion, Career highlights: Qualifying for the CFR with Chase Simpson both as header and a heeler, Height and weight: 6' 1" 195 lbs., Family: Catherine (wife), Sage (daughter), Wynn (son)

LAYNE DELEMONT, Chauvin, AB

Event: Steer wrestling, Born: November 12, 1992, Year turned pro: 2013; 2016 standings: 17th, 2016 earnings: \$11,275.68, Career highlights: 2012 Wild Rose Rodeo association Season Leader, Height and weight: 6' 215 lbs. Special interests: Building wood furniture

CODY DEMOSS, Heflin, LA

Born: January 14, 1981, Year turned pro: 2000, CFR qualifications: (1) 2015, WNFR qualifications: (12) 2003-2007, 2009-2012, 2014-16, Career highlights; 2015 Canadian SB champion, 2017 The American champion, Special interests: fishing with kids, camping, Height and weight: 5'8", 160 lbs., Family: Margie (wife), Darbi (daughter), Wyatt (son)

ERIK DUBLANKO, Thorsby, AB

Event: Tie down roping, Born: September 27, 1987, Year turned pro: 2008, CFR qualifications: (3) 2011-13, 2016 standings: 14th, 2016 earnings: \$12,408.25, 2016 highlights: Stavely, Kennedy and High River champion, Horse: Clyde, 12 year-old bay gelding, Other occupation: Farmer/rancher, Height and weight: 6'3", 250 lbs., Family: Single, Family in rodeo: Darren (brother, TDR)

KENDRA EDEY, Longview, AB

Events: Barrel racing, Born: November 19, 1981, Year turned pro: 2005, CFR qualifications: (3) 2008-09, 2015; 2016 standings: 14th, 2015 earnings: \$12,18.25
Horses: Captain, 16 year-old sorrel gelding; Cat, 14 year-old sorrel gelding, Other occupation: Barrel horse trainer, Height: 5' 4", Family: Joel (husband)

JOSH EIRIKSON, Bandera, TX (Longview, AB)

Events: Tie down roping, Born: September 26, 1983, Year turned pro: 2008, 2016 standings: 14th, 2016 earnings: \$12,656.84, 2016 highlights: Lea Park champion, Teepee Creek co-champion, Other occupation: Fencer, Height and weight: 6'1", 185 lbs., Family: Single, Family in rodeo: Wyatt (TR), Sawyer (TDR, TR)

KENTON FAWCETT, Ponoka, AB

Events: Team roping (heeler), Born: April 5, 1981, Year turned pro: 2010, CFR qualifications: (1) 2010, 2016 standings: 19th, 2016 earnings: \$7813.35, Other occupation: Farrier, Height and weight: 5'10", 175 lbs., Family in rodeo: Matt (brother TR)

MATT FAWCETT, Stettler, AB

Event: Team roping (heeler), Born: September 27, 1978, Year turned pro: 2005, CFR qualifications: (5) 2006-08, 2011, 2013, 2016 standings: 19th, 2016 earnings: \$7813.37, Career highlights: 2011 season leader, Other occupation: farrier, Height and weight: 6', 200 lbs., Family: Karla (wife), Caleb (son), Family in rodeo: Kenton (brother, TR)

TROY FISCHER, Barrhead, AB

Event: Team roping (header), Born: October 29, 1972, Year turned pro: 2000, CFR qualifications: (8) 2000-2001, 2003, 2005-09, 2016 standings: 21st, 2016 earnings: \$6788.46, Career highlights: 2000 Canadian champion, 2000 CFR aggregate champion, Other occupation: Silversmith-Troy Fischer Silverworks, Height and weight: 5'10", 170 lbs., Family: Tara (wife) Bryce and Branna (children)

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TYREL FLEWELLING, Lacombe, AB

Events: Team roping (Heeler), Born: September 16, 1986, Year turned professional: 2010, CFR qualifications: (5) 2010-11, 2013-15, 2016 standings: 13th; 2016 earnings: \$11,139.31, Career highlights: 2011, 2013, 2015 Canadian Team Roping Champion; 2011 CFR Average Winner, 2010 Season Leader (Heeler), Horse: Tick, 13 year-old sorrel gelding, Other occupation: Exporter, Special interests: Training rope horses, watching the Patriots play on Sunday, Height and weight: 6'0" 185 lbs., Family: Carli (wife), Gus (son)

DALLAS FRANK, Stony Plain, AB

Event: Steer Wrestling, Born: March 18, 1979, Year turned pro: 2001 CFR qualifications: (4) 2004, 2006, 2008, 2014, 2016 standings: 13th, 2016 earnings: \$13,292.67, 2016 highlights: Innisfail, High River champion, Other occupation: Farmer, horse trainer, Height and weight: 6' 1", 250 lbs., Family: Bonnie (wife), Paisley and Brakelyn (daughters) Weston (son), Family in rodeo: Tyson, Travis and Derek (brothers, all SW)

DAWSON GRAHAM, Wainwright, AB

Event: Team roping (header), Born: May 10, 1999, Year turned pro: 2016; 2016 standings: 15th, 2016 earnings: \$10,004.48, Horse: Outlaw, five year-old palomino gelding, Other occupation: farrier, Family: Single

DILLON GRAHAM, Wainwright, AB

Event: Team roping: (heeler), Born: January 4, 2001, Year turned pro: 2016; 2016 standings: 15th, 2016 earnings: \$10,004.48, Horse: Batman, 12 year-old sorrel gelding, Other occupation: Student, Family: Single

GARRETT GREEN, Meeting Creek, AB

Event: Bull riding, Born: February 7, 1992, Year turned pro: 2010, CFR qualifications: (2) 2012-13; 2016 standings: 13th, 2016 earnings: \$11,846.37, Special interests: Hunting and the outdoors, Height and weight: 5'10" 145 lbs., Family in rodeo: Layton; (brother, SB), Kasper Roy (cousin, TR)

DEB GUELLY, Okotoks, AB

Event: Ladies barrel racing, Born: October 13, 1968, Year turned pro: 1992, CFR qualifications: (22) 1992-2011, 2013, 2015, 2016 standings: 3rd, 2016 earnings: \$3890.83, WNFR qualifications: (6) 1995, 1999, 2004, 2007-08, 2015, Career highlights: 1995-96, 1998, 2000, 2007 Canadian Barrel Racing Champion, first barrel racer to qualify for CFR 20 consecutive years, 3 time Canadian season leader, Two time owner of Horse with the Most Heart (Buck, 2000; Reiner, 2009)
Horses: Scooter, 11 year-old sorrel gelding; Commander, 9 year-old sorrel gelding
Height: 5'6"

SHANE HANCHEY, Sulphur, LA

Events: Tie down roping, Born: September 30, 1989, Year turned pro: 2009, CFR qualifications: (3) 2011-12, 2015, WNFR qualifications: (6) 2010-15
Career highlights: 2013 World champion, 2012, 2015 Canadian champion
Horse: T.J., 13 year-old grey gelding (owned by Logan Bird)
Height and weight: 5'11", 150 lbs.
Family: Single

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JD HAYS, Rocky Mountain House

Event: Steer Wrestling, Born: January 18, 1985, Year turned pro: 2006, CFR qualifications: (4) 2008, 2010, 2012, 2014; 2016 standings: 18th, 2016 earnings: \$10,684.36, Career highlights: 2011 Pendleton Roundup champion (Earned career single rodeo high \$14,996), Height and weight: 5'10", 180 lbs., Family in rodeo: Rowdy (brother, SW), Gerald (father, 2013 Cowboy of the Year)

LOGAN HODSON, Telkwa, BC

Events: Bareback riding, Saddle bronc riding, Born: November 22, 1984, Year turned pro: 2004, CFR qualifications: 6 (BB) 2009-2011, 2013-15, 201 standings: (BB) 126h (SB) 17th, 2016 Earnings: (BB) \$8153.75, (SB) \$3457.05, Career highlights: 2010 CFR BB Aggregate Champion, Other occupations: Riding colts, guiding, real estate, Special interests: Bow-hunting, flying, Height and weight: 6'2" 200 lbs, Family: Single, Family in rodeo: Anthony (brother, BB)

BRAIDY HOWES, Metiskow, AB

Events: Ladies barrel racing, Born: June 30, 1985, Year turned pro: 2004, CFR qualifications: (4) 2004, 2007, 2014-15, 2016 standings: 16th, 2016 earnings: \$11,258.74, Horses: Gringo, 10 year-old bay gelding; Lincoln, 9 year-old bay gelding
Other occupation: Occupational Health and Safety, Height: 5', Family: Single
Family in rodeo: (mother) Gayle, barrel racer

TAYLOR JACOB, Carmine, TX.

Events: Barrel racing, Born: August 24, 1990, Year turned pro: 2013, CFR qualifications: (1) 2015, WNFR qualifications: (1) 2015, 2016 earnings: \$18,058.85
2016 highlights: Won Ponoka, second at Strathmore, Horse: Honour (Honour Thy Frenchman, 11 year-old buckskin gelding
Height: 5' 9"

ADAM JAMISON, Okotoks, AB

Events: Bull riding, Born: May 21, 1992, CFR qualifications: (2) 2014-15
*Missed 2016 season due to injury, Career highlights: 2010 New Zealand champion, 2012 FCA champion; Height and weight: 6'2", 175 lbs.; Family: Rowan (wife) Special interests: Riding horses, sports

RYAN JARRETT, Comanche, OK

Events; Tie down roping, Born: December 28, 1983, Year turned pro: 2004, CFR qualifications: (1) 2015, WNFR qualifications: SW (1) 2005; TDR (8) 2005-06, 2009-13, 2015, Career highlights: 2005 World All-Around Champion, 2005 TDR Average winner at WNFR, Horse: Barney, 14 year-old sorrel gelding, Other occupation: Ranching, Family Shy'ane (wife)

CHAD JOHNSON, Del Bonita, AB

Event: Tie down roping, team roping, Born: January 22, 1972, Year turned pro: 1995, CFR qualifications: TDR (9) 2004-2010, 2013-14, TR (6) 2000-01, 2004, 2008, 2012, 2013, 2016 standings: (TDR) 18th, 2016 earnings: TDR \$11,064.60, Height and weight: 5'7" 175 lbs., Family: Leanne (wife), Family in rodeo: Arnie (father, TDR)

CHET JOHNSON, Douglas, WY

Events: Saddle bronc riding, Born: October 18, 1980, CFR qualifications: (8) 2005, 2007-08, 2011-15, WNFR qualifications: (4) 2005, 2007-08, 2013, 2016 standings: 17th, 2016 earnings: \$9,082.66, Career highlights: 2009 Canadian SB Champion; 2004 Dodge National Circuit Finals Rodeo Champion, Height and weight: 5'10" 165 lbs., Family: Single

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PRESTON KAFKA, Goodwell, OK

Event: Saddle bronc riding, Born: February 26, 1992, Year turned pro: 2013, 2016 standings: 16th, 2016 earnings: \$4,708.29, 2016 highlights: Won Coronation, 2nd at Williams Lake, Other occupation: Graduate of Panhandle State University, Height and weight: 5' 10", 185 lbs., Family: Single

COLEMAN KOHORST, Okotoks, AB

Event: Steer wrestling, Born: Nov 25, 1983, Year turned pro: 2008, CFR qualifications: (2) 2012, 2015, 2016 standings: 34th, 2016 earnings: \$5,083.50

Career highlights: Placed at 10 rodeos in US Northwest in late summer and early fall of 2011, Other occupation: Heavy duty mechanic, Height and weight: 6'0", 190 lbs
Family: single

SPUR LACASSE, Mirabel, QC

Event: Bareback riding, Born: May 11, 1993, CFR qualifications: NBB (1) 2014; 2016 standings: 18th, 2016 earnings: \$4894.18, Career highlights: 2014 Calgary Stampede and Ponoka Novice champion, Height and weight: 5'9", 145 lbs., Family in rodeo: (father) Roger, BB, Canadian champion and Hall of Fame inductee

DUSTY LAVALLEY, Bezanon, AB

Events: Bareback riding

Born: May 30, 1981, CFR qualifications: (13) 2003-2015, WNFR qualifications: (2) 2008, 2010; 2016 Standings: 19th, 2016 Earnings: \$4,074.62, Career highlights: 2006-07, 2010-11 Canadian Champion; 2005, 2011 CFR Average Champion; 2006, 2009, 2011 AB Circuit Champion; 2006, 2009, 2010, 2011 Season Leader; 2008 Wrangler Tour Champion; 2006 Kenton Randle Series Champion; 2004 World Bareback Riding Rookie of the Year; 2001 Canadian NBB Champion

Other occupation: Business owner—Total Dispatch, Special interests: Hunting, fishing and spending time with family, Height and weight: 5'9" 185 lbs

Family: Stephanie (wife), Austin (son) and Vienna (daughter)

JESSE LAWES, Provost, AB

Event: Steer Wrestling, Born: April 20, 1002, CFR qualifications: (1) 2014; 2016 standings: 27th, 2016 earnings: \$7288,84, Other occupation: Auctioneer, Height and weight: 5'8", 182 lbs. Family in rodeo: Casey (brother, SW)

CLINT LAYE, Cadogan, AB

Events: Bareback riding, Born: November 22, 1993, Year turned pro: 1997

CFR qualifications: Nov BB (2) 2010-11 BB (3) 2012-13, 2015, WNFR qualifications: (1) *Injured for 2016 season, Career highlights: Calgary Stampede \$100,000 Champion; Career highlights: 2011 Ponoka Stampede NBB Champion; Alberta High School Rodeo Champion, Height and weight: 5'9", 165 lbs., Family: single; Family in rodeo: Darcy (father, SW), Jerry (mother LBR), Billy (cousin, former BB)

JULIE LEGGETT, Kamloops, BC

Event: Ladies barrel racing, Born: August 27, 1969, Year Turned Pro: 2010 CFR qualifications: (2) 2014-15, 2016 standings: 24th, 2016 earnings: \$6713.77, Career highlights:

Competing at Calgary Stampede in 2015, 2011 Wrangler Tour Champion, Horses: Ice (FDI Cash to Burn), 14 year-old grey gelding; Flurry (French Guy's Effort), 7 year-old palomino gelding, Other achievements: BA Degree from UBC

Other occupation: Barrel horse trainer, Special Interests: Horse racing, fitness and sports, Height: 5'4", Family: Jim (husband); Ryan (Michelle), Vanessa, and Robert (children), Family in Rodeo: Vanessa (daughter, LBR) Tracey Schmidt (sister, LBR)

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WYATT MAINES, Maple Creek, SK

Event: Novice Bareback riding, Born: April 22, 1995, CFR qualifications: NBB (1) 2015; 2016 standings: 2nd, 2016 earnings: \$4963.10, Height and weight: 5'8", 170 lbs., Family in rodeo: Tyrone (brother) bullfighter, Bobby (father, former bull rider/bareback rider)

STEFFANIE MATHER-MOORE, Pouce Coupe, BC

Event: Ladies barrel racing, Born: April 4, 1989, Year turned pro: 2011, CFR qualifications: (2) 2012, 2014; 2016 standings: 19th 2016 earnings: \$10,341.12 Career highlights: 2014 Canadian Barrel Racing Champion, Horse: Bucky, 16 year-old buckskin gelding, Jinny, 9 year-old sorrel mare, Special interests: sports, time with family, Family: Clayton Moore (husband), Pecos (son)

JUSTIN MILLER, Neepawa, MB

Events: Steer wrestling, Born: September 18, 1988, CFR qualifications: (3) 2013-15 2016 standings: 19th, 2016 earnings: \$10,257.11, Career highlights: 2013 CPRA Rookie of the Year, 2014 CFR Average Champion, 2012 CCA Season Leader; 2009, 2010 NIRA Great Plains Region SW Champion, Horses: Tom, 15 year-old black gelding (hazer); Jerry, 12 year-old black gelding, Other occupation: Quality control at the Flying W Ranch, Special interests: Hockey, Height and weight: 5'11" 210 lbs
Family: Single

CHELSEA MOORE, Pouce Coupe, B.C.

Events: Barrel racing, Born: January 31, 1989, 2016 standings: 20th, 2016 earnings: \$9447.83, Career highlights: Morris champion 2015-16, Okotoks champion 2016, Regina (Agribition) Rodeo 2017, Horses: Badger, 11 year-old sorrel gelding; Ivy, 8 year-old black mare, Other occupation: Horse trainer, Height: 5'7", Family in rodeo: Clayton (brother, SW, TDR), Stephanie Mather Moore (Sister-in-law, LBR)

DUSTIN NICHOLSON, Stettler, AB

Event: Steer wrestling, Born: January 3, 1990, Year turned pro: 2017. Dustin is in his rookie season and got off to a great start with wins at Kananaskis and Camrose in April. Career highlights: 2015-16 Canadian College Champion Other occupation: Welder, Height and weight: 5'11", 210 lbs.

KERILEE NOVAL, Turner Valley, AB

Event: Barrel racing, Born: April 18, 1993, Year turned pro: 2013, CFR qualifications: (1) 2014, 2016 standings: 13th, 2016 earnings: \$14,877.46, 2016 highlights: Ponoka Stampede Average winner, Career highlights: 2013 Permit Award winner, Horse: Bully, 12 year-old palomino gelding, Other achievements: 2016 U of C graduate, Bachelor of Science degree, Other interest: Snowboarding, Family: Single, Family in rodeo: Shelby and Sasha (sisters, barrel racing)

NICOLE PANA, Wood Mountain, SK.

Event: Barrel Racing, Born: April 22, 1997, 2016 standings: 17th 2016 earnings: \$10,838.49 2015 highlights: Won Benalto, Taber and Dawson Creek, Other occupation: Training Futurity and Derby horses, Height: 5' 5", Special interests: Volleyball, ranching

BOBBY PETERS, Pincher Creek, AB

Event: Bareback riding Born: July 25, 1988 Year turned pro: 2011 2016 standings: Sat out 2016 season, Career highlights: 2015, Pro Rodeo Canada Series finalist, 3 time College National Finals qualifier, 2002 Calgary Stampede steer riding champion Other occupation: Matrix Solutions: environmental consultant Special interests: leather work Height and Weight: 5'9", 155 lbs. Family: Kaycee (wife)

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VIRGIL POFFENROTH, Red Deer County, AB

Event: Tie down roping, Born: December 28, 1988, 2016 standings: 13th; 2016 earnings: \$13,035.02, 2016 highlights: Made short go at Ponoka and Strathmore; Wrangler Tour Finals; Co-champion at Dawson Creek, Horse: Roany, 7 year-old roan gelding, Other occupation: Feedlot, Special interest: Hanging out with family, bringing them to rodeos and helping Rino learn to ride his pony and rope/tie, Height and weight: 5' 7", 150 lbs. Family: Caterina Wood (partner), Rino (son), Gracelynn (daughter), Family in rodeo: Bryan (dad, TDR), mom (Raylene, LBR), Bailey Fuller (sister, LBR)

JESSE POPESCUL, Glentworth, SK

Event: Team roping (header), tie-down roping, Born: October 30, 1990, Year turned pro: 2013; 2016 standings: 20th, 2016 earnings: \$7541.36, Career highlights: 2015 Medicine Hat Spring Rodeo and Taber champion; 2016 Kananaskis Pro Rodeo champion, three-time Saskatchewan High School Champion Team Roper, Other occupation: Horse trainer, Special interest: Ranching, Height and weight: 5'11", 180 lbs., Family in rodeo: Murray Linthicum (uncle, TR), Wade Popescul (father, TDR), Tyler (brother, TR, TDR)

TRAVIS REAY, Mayerthorpe, AB

Events: Steer wrestling, Born: May 10, 1979, Year turned pro: 2009, CFR qualifications: SW (4) 2012-15, 2016 standings: 14th, 2016 earnings: \$12,699.81
2016 highlights: Competing at Calgary Stampede, Career highlights: 2013 All-Around Champion; 2009 Canadian Rookie of the Year, Horses: Colonel, 15 year-old brown gelding (SW); Rany 9 year-old gelding (Hazing), Other occupation: Rancher, hunting guide, Special interests: Raising bucking horses, hunting guide, Height and weight: 6'0" 220 lbs., Family: Jacqueline (wife)

CRANNA ROBERTS, Lacombe, AB

Event: Ladies barrel racing, Born: April 13, 1973, Year turned pro: 2006, CFR qualifications: (2) 2012-13, 2016 standings: 18th, \$10,578.06 2016 highlights: Grande Prairie Stompede champion; Horses: Leaguer Moon (Moonie), 14 year-old chestnut mare, Raisin Honor (Miss West) 11 year-old sorrel mare; Other occupations; Ranch owner/horse trainer, Special interests: Fishing, camping, Family: Dave (husband), Coby (daughter)

BEN ROBINSON, Innisfail, AB

Event: Tie down roping, Born: January 13, 1995, 2016 standings: 22nd, 2016 earnings: \$10,032.49, Horses: Jerry, 12 year-old sorrel gelding, Caesar, 11 year-old sorrel gelding, Height and weight: 5' 10", 180 lbs., Family in rodeo: Larry, (father, Hall of Fame roper), Kirk (brother TDR)

KEVIN SCHREINER, Medicine Hat, AB

Event: Team roping (Heeler), Born: Dec 10, 1979, Year turned pro: 2000
CFR qualifications: (9) 2002-05, 2009, 2011-12, 2014-15, 2016 standings: 20th
2016 earnings: \$7531.45, Career highlights: 2009 Canadian champion (heeler), 1999 Canadian champion (header) 2002-03 season leader, Horse: Marty, 11 year-old bay gelding, Other occupation: Cactus Well Service-swabbing gas wells, Height and weight: 6', 250 lbs., Family: Kara (wife), Kody (daughter), Blade (son), Family in rodeo: Kara (wife), Clint (brother) George (father) all team ropers

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COLE SCOTT, Okotoks, AB

Events: Saddle bronc riding, steer wrestling, Born: May 13, 1993, 2016 standings: 14th; 2016 earnings: \$8794.98 Career highlights: 2014 BCRA All-around champion, Other occupation: Midwest Pipeline, Family: single, Family in rodeo: Jackson (brother)

SHANE SMITH, Wimborne, AB

Event: Tie down roping, Year turned pro: 2016; 2016 standings: 20th, 2016 earnings: \$10,488.21, Other occupation: Student-Western Oklahoma State College; Height and weight: 6' 195 lbs. Family in rodeo: Garnet (father, timed event competitor), Blair and Jason (brothers, TDR)

WILL STOVALL, Roberts, MT

Event: Steer wrestling, Born: July 26, 1979, Year turned pro: 2000, 2016 standings: 20th, 2016 earnings: \$9728.88; 2016 highlights: Lea Park and Medicine Hat champion, Height and weight: 6'2", 220 lbs., Family: Single

ZEKE THURSTON, Big Valley, AB

Events: Saddle bronc, Born: July 15, 1994, CFR qualifications: BSR (1) 2008, NSB (1) 2013 SB (1) 2015, WNFR qualifications: (1) 2016; 2016 earnings: \$15,939.16
2016 highlights: World champion saddle bronc rider, Calgary Stampede champion (second time), Career highlights: \$50,000 Champion Houston; \$100,000 Champion Calgary Stampede; Arena record, 91 points Tucson, 2011 LRA Novice Saddle Bronc Champion; 2008 Canadian steer riding champion; two time Contract Act of the Year, Height and weight: 5'9" 145 lbs., Family in rodeo: Skeeter (father, former CFR/NFR bronc rider); Wyatt and Sam (brothers, SB)

TRENT TUNKE, Medicine Hat, AB

Events: Team roping (Heeler), Born: October 24, 1990, Year turned pro: 2012
CFR qualifications: (2) 2013, 2015; 2016 standings: 22nd, 2016 earnings: \$6585.14
Career highlights: 2010 Canadian Cowboys Association Finals Champion Team Roping Heeler, Horses: Leroy, 13 year-old dun gelding; Dirty Mike, 7 year-old bay gelding, Other occupation: Oilfield-Cactus Well Service, Height and weight: 6'0" 185 lbs., Family: Tory Correale (partner)

LINDEN WOODS, Swift Current

Event: Bareback riding, Born: September 3, 1995, Year turned pro: 2015, 2016 standings: 13th, 2016 earnings: \$9093.60, 2016 highlights: Lea Park champion, Other occupation: PFRA community pasture, height and weight: 6', 185 lbs. Family: single

Top Novice Saddle Bronc Riders of 2016

KOLBY WANCHUK - 2016 Novice Saddle Bronc Champion

Sherwood Park, AB



Event: Novice saddle bronc riding

Born: July 16, 1996

2016 standings: 1st

2016 earnings: \$11,365.71

2016 highlights: Qualified for six amateur and semi-pro finals; Canadian college All-Around and Saddle Bronc champion; Calgary Stampede novice tour champion

Other occupation: student (power engineering)

Other interests: Hunting, fishing, skiing

Height and weight: 5'10", 160 lbs.

Family in rodeo: Rick (dad, rodeo clown), Joan (mom (LBR), Kyle (brother, TR,

TDR)

DAWSON HAY

Wildwood, AB



Event: Novice saddle bronc riding

Born: July 13, 1998

CFR qualifications: BSR (1) 2013, NSB (1) 2016)

2016 standings: 2nd

2016 earnings: \$8147.00

2016 highlights: Wildwood, Hand Hills, Benalto, Coronation, Hanna novice champion, won long go at Calgary Stampede

Other occupation: Student-heavy-duty mechanic

Special interest: Snow boarding

Height and weight: 5'7" 145 lbs.

Family in rodeo: Rod (dad, SB), Denny (uncle, SB) Fred (grandfather, SB)

CHANCE BARRASS

Yellowhead County, AB



Event: Novice saddle bronc riding

Born: Sept 29, 1998

CFR qualifications: BSR (1) 2013, NSB (1) 2016)

2016 standings: 3rd

2016 earnings: \$6705.50

2016 highlights: LRA saddle bronc champion

Other occupation: Ranching

Height and weight: 5'11", 170 lbs.

Top Novice Bareback Riders of 2016

TANNER YOUNG - 2016 Novice Bareback Champion

Ponoka, AB



Event: Novice bareback riding
Born: May 10, 1995
CFR qualifications: NBB (2) 2015-16
2016 standings: 1st
2016 earnings: \$11,608.42
2016 highlights: Calgary Stampede Novice Tour champion
Career highlights: Alberta High School Rodeo Bareback and All-Around champion, Canadian High School Rodeo Bareback champion
Special interest: Snowboarding
Height and weight: 5'10", 180 lbs.

LANE LINK

Maple Creek, SK



Event: Novice bareback riding
Born: March 2, 1997
2016 standings: 2nd
2016 earnings: \$10,074.89
2016 highlights: Calgary Stampede Novice BB champion
Career highlights: 2015 MRCA champion, 2015-15 CCA finals qualifier
Other occupation: Rancher
Height and weight: 5'10", 145 lbs.
Family in rodeo: Blake (brother, BSR), Courtney (sister, LBR)

DANNY VANDENAMEELE

Langenburg, SK



Event: Novice bareback riding
Born: Sept. 15, 1996
2016 standings: 3rd
2016 earnings: \$8107.33
2016 highlights: Short go winner at Calgary Stampede, Falkland, Grande Prairie, Bonnyville, and Kennedy NBB champion
Other occupation: Student – Business
Other interests: Golf, surfing
Height and weight: 5'11", 165 lbs.

Top Steer Riders of 2016

DIXON TATTRIE - 2016 Steer Riding Champion

Youngstown, AB



Born: April 19, 2002
CFR qualifications: (2) 2015-16
2016 standings: 1st
2016 earnings: \$6974.94
2016 highlights: Calgary Stampede BSR short go finalist, FCA finals qualifier, CRA finals qualifier
Career highlights: 2015 FCA season leader
Special interests: Snowboarding, dinosaurs, Taekwondo
Family in rodeo: Troy (Dad, former CPRA bareback rider), Brody (brother, BR), Rhett (brother, BSR)

QUINTEN TAYLOR

Parkland, AB



Born: February 2, 2002
2016 standings: 2nd
2016 earnings: \$6889.88
Career highlights: Canadian Junior High School Rodeo Tie Down Roping Champion 2014-16, Provincial JHSR High Point Champion 2015-16, Canadian JHSR Bull Riding, Bronc and Steer Riding and High Point Boy Champion 2016, FCA season leader 2016, 7th overall-five event qualifier) at Nationals (Tennessee) of JRHS Rodeo
Height and weight: 5'8", 150 lbs.
Family in rodeo: Lindsay (father, TDR, SW)

LUKE FERBER

Irricana, AB



Born: June 12, 2002
CFR qualifications: (2) 2015-16
2016 standings: 3rd
2016 earnings: \$5978.18
2016 highlights: Alberta Circuit champion, CPRA season leader, Camrose, Stavely, Falkland, Airdrie, Kennedy and Dawson Creek champion
Career highlights: 2015 Canadian BSR Champion
Other interest: AAA Bantam hockey
Height and weight: 5'9", 130 lbs.
Family in rodeo: Luke Sr. (father, BR)

Top Steer Riders of 2016

WESTON DAVIDSON

Strongfield, SK



Born: September 18, 2001
2016 standings: 4th
2016 earnings: \$5771.60
2016 highlights: Strathmore Bounty Bull rider, second at Ponoka
Special interests: Team roping, hockey, motorbiking
Family in rodeo: Chad (father, BR) Jason (uncle, bullfighter)

CARTER SAHLI

Red Deer, AB



Born: May 26, 2003
CFR qualifications: (2) 2015-16
2016 standings: 5th
2016 earnings: \$4501.71
2016 highlights: Calgary Stampede Novice Tour Champion, Calgary Stampede short go qualifier, Strathmore, Hand Hills, Wildwood champion
Special interests: Hunting, dirt biking
Family in rodeo: Ashton (brother, BR)

JW HART

Hanna, AB



Born: July 16, 2001
2016 standings: 6th
2016 earnings: \$3974.32
2016 highlights: LRA and WRA Steer Riding Champion, Wainwright, Pincher Creek and Irricana champion
Special interest: Basketball
Family in rodeo: Jared (father, saddle bronc rider)