



PONOKA'S GREG BUTTERFIELD NEW STEER WRESTLING CHAMP

## Hyland saddle bronc champ

# Bews earns fifth all around title

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EDMONTON — Tom Bews, the colorful Pekisko Kid, attained his goal at the sixth annual Canadian rodeo finals here Sunday.

Bews became the first man in Canadian rodeo history, breaking a tie with Kenny McLean, to win five Canadian all around championships.

Along with the all around title, Bews finished second in the saddle bronc riding, behind new champion Mel Hyland of Salmon Arm, B.C.

"McLean was my idol," Bews stated. "When I rodeed

against him, I beat him twice; my other three all around wins came after his retirement.

"It's always been my ambition to win more than he did. He set the pace and I wanted to beat it. It's a gloriously happy day for me.

"How can I quit now? I love the people of this business and I want to stay with them. I want to help make more guys champions and I want to win more championships myself.

"I'll be back here next year — with the help of the good Lord behind me."

Bews has won the all around

championship in 1966, 1971, 1973, 1976 and 1979.

Hyland won the saddle bronc championship with 110 points, 10 more than Bews.

Sunday, neither Hyland nor Bews placed in the top four, but Hyland's lead after the Saturday night performance stood up to give him the title.

Hyland, riding all week with his painful pelvic injury, has now won the Canadian bronc riding title three times and is a two-time world champion.

Jay Shockey of Medicine Hat came through at the right time and won the boys' steer riding crown.

Shockey placed second Sunday, with a ride worth 70 points, but he wound up with 120 points overall, 10 ahead of another Medicine Hat competitor, Randy Eisenbarth.

Points at the finals were compiled on a 40-30-20-10 basis for placings first through fourth each performance.

Elaine Watt of St. Pierre, Man., was second Sunday in the barrel racing, behind Sheila Haggart's winning time of 14.87 seconds, but earned enough points to take the overall barrel racing title.

Watt finished with 140 points for the week, 10 ahead of Haggart and 20 ahead of D.J. Higgins of Cardston.

Bareback bronc riding came down to the final two rides before Steve Dunham of Turner Valley wound up with his first Canadian championship.

Dunham split first spot Sunday with a score of 73. That gave him a total of 145 points, moving him past Saturday's leader, Gene Miller, who wound up with 125 points.

Greg Butterfield of Ponoka went into Sunday's performance of the steer wrestling with the championship locked up.

He wound up with 140 points. Former champion Ron Ostrum, who won Sunday's go round in 4.6 seconds, was second overall to Butterfield with 95 points.

Bob Phipps of Marshall, Sask., garnered 155 points during the week and earned the bull riding championship.

Clark Jackson of Minburn won the novice saddle bronc riding with 185 points overall.

## Theft ruins tribute to Claypool

EDMONTON (CP) — Competitors at the Canadian finals rodeo were looking forward this weekend to honoring the memory of fellow cowboy Brian Claypool, who died in a plane crash in northern California this spring.

But thieves spoiled their plans for the tribute Thursday night by stealing a \$1,000 diamond ring that was to be presented by the Claypool family to a winner in the finals at Northlands Coliseum.

Also stolen from a display case at the Holiday Inn were rodeo trophy belt buckles, custom-made spurs and five engraved watches, which along with the ring had a total value of \$5,000.

"They won't be easy to replace, we're just sick about it," said Barry Tibbit, a spokesman for the Canadian Rodeo Cowboys Association.

## Daines cowboy of year

EDMONTON — Ivan Daines of Innisfail was named the Canadian rodeo cowboy of the year Sunday night at the annual Canadian Rodeo Cowboys' Association awards banquet here.

Daines, a saddle bronc rider who has competed regularly at both the Canadian and world finals, received the C.N. Woodward Award, a bronze sculpture by Coal-dale's Corne Martens, and \$2,000 cash.

"I'll tell you what, it took

me completely by surprise," Daines stated. "There's a lot of other cowboys who deserve it more than I do — but I'm happy I was chosen.

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# Walter new calf roping king

EDMONTON — The beauty about betting on a longshot is the fact that every once in a while it pays off.

Few would argue that Oscar Walter of Lethbridge, a first-time entrant in the Canadian rodeo finals, coming in in ninth spot in the standings, was a longshot.

But Oscar Walter is the new Canadian calf roping champion.

Sunday afternoon in front of more than 12,000 people here, Walter won the title in championship fashion, catching and lying his calf in the fastest time of the rodeo, 8.9 seconds, to wind up with 155 points and the championship.

Walter went into Sunday's final performance five points behind Cardston's Bill Reeder. They were the only two with any possibility of winning the title.

Reeder tied his calf in 9.1 seconds, but broke the barrier and wound up 19.1 and out of the money.

"I'll tell you what, talk about pressure," a beaming Walter said after the rodeo.

"All I know is it's a feeling you've got to feel to know what it's like to be champion.

"All I planned today was to make a run to the best of my ability. That's all anyone can do. You can't make mistakes and be that fast. When a roper is under 10 seconds, he's got to do everything right.

"I gave it everything I had — and a little bit extra. I gave it that Bryan Trotter try.

"This is the biggest thing that has ever happened to me."

The biggest win of the four-year pro's rodeo career was aided by his horse Leo.

"Leo was absolutely perfect all week," the new champion said. "Also, Roy McPeak did a heluva job pushing out calves for me — I also had two (coaches) to help me, Mervin Hofer and Jake (Miller Stahl)."

"Bill is a tough roper and he

definitely could have done it. He is capable of being a lot quicker than I was today."

Though a longshot in most observers' minds, Walter and his wife Mary Lynn were confident coming into the finals.

"If you come in with an attitude of not being able to win, there's no sense coming," he pointed out.

"Lee Phillips had Oscar picked from the start," a happy Mary Lynn bubbled. "I was just sick today. I didn't

know what to do. I didn't even watch Oscar's run — I just watched the barrier and the time clock."

On the lighter side of things, there was a small wager between Reeder and Walter just prior to the sudden-death competition.

"I owe Bill a dollar," Walter laughed. "He told me I would only take a wrap and a half on my calf and I told him I'd be safe and take all three. He was right."

## Rodeo standings

	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat. early	Sat. night	Sun.	Total Points
<b>ALL AROUND</b>							
Tom Bews, Pekisko	30	30	5	30	55	30	180
Gerry Walker, Sask.	10	20	0	0	0	0	30
Tom Erickson, Innisfail	0	0	0	10	0	0	10
Lynn Jensen, Cardston	0	0	10	0	15	0	25
<b>SADDLE BRONC</b>							
Doug Vold, DeWinton	74	70	72	62	56	72	80
Mel Hyland, Sal Arm, B.C.	80	75	88	63	72	70	110
Mel Colman, Plerceland	70	60	60	78	80	75	70
Jim Legatte, Innisfail	75	67	68	65	58	77	70
Jim Kels, Consort	63	71	72	71	56	80	95
Tom Bews, Pekisko	60	72	Disq.	75	73	61	100
Ivan Daines, Innisfail	75	67	80	80	62	64	0
Larry Robinson, High River	85	82	70	67	66	68	25
Kirk Thompson, Elk Die	67	80	75	64	65	66	30
Rocky Kubley, H.S. John	74	67	64	60	66	60	40
<b>BARREL RACING</b>							
Steve Dunham, Tr. Valley	81	76	80	74	67	73	145
Jim Dunn, Beltz	67	67	80	63	76	73	75
Dale Trotter, Calgary	67	72	78	60	68	70	75
Gene Miller, Busby	80	83	75	67	79	69	125
Jim Solberg, Burnaby	60	MO	64	58	73	80	30
Frank Jafer, Ponoka	63	57	80	71	65	67	20
Brian Jackson, Sask.	69	61	80	69	66	59	40
Dave Shields, Hays	64	74	80	60	60	60	20
Lynn Jensen, Cardston	80	80	80	60	74	80	25
Darryl Collins, Calgary	80	67	90	73	74	80	45
<b>BULL RIDING</b>							
Doug Nichols, Edmonton	71	80	64	73	60	80	25
Jim Freeman, Olds	80	80	80	73	67	79	75
Bob Robertson, Duchess	80	64	60	80	80	60	50
Bob Phipps, Sask.	80	78	71	75	71	81	155
Gerry Walker, Sask.	71	73	74	64	60	60	35
Rocky Hubley, Ft. John	80	67	74	63	69	77	35
Steve Johnson, Strathmore	60	67	60	66	68	71	75
Jordie Thompson, B. O. Die	80	66	74	80	81	88	100
Brian Aebly, Jenner	80	75	80	67	69	78	50
Don Johnson, Strathmore	72	80	83	75	80	76	100
<b>STEER WRESTLING</b>							
Larry Robinson, Innisfail	NT	32.9	9.9	NT	11.8	NT	50
Jim Gadsdona, Cardston	9.2	NT	11.4	10.2	22.3	9.6	90
Gerald Reber, Stettler	20.0	NT	NT	12.4	NT	8.5	30
Bill Reeder, Cardston	9.4	11.4	15.0	9.3	10.2	19.1	120
Gary Edge, P. Hwy	10.5	10.5	NT	NT	NT	15.5	55
Elaine Watt, Manitoba	13.8	NT	12.7	12.6	NT	NT	10
Tom Erickson, Innisfail	10.9	NT	NT	11.4	NT	12.3	30
Doug Wilkinson, Sask.	12.4	10.6	16.7	21.3	19.5	NT	30
Oscar Walter, Lethbridge	NT	10.5	10.8	9.5	11.1	9.9	155
Edgar Robinson, Innisfail	14.6	12.6	NT	11.9	NT	10.9	10
<b>BARREL RACING</b>							
Lee Phillips, Carleton	14.8	5.2	5.9	5.1	13.1	12.3	30
Greg Butterfield, Ponoka	4.8	4.3	3.7	4.2	NT	15.0	140
Blake Butterfield, Ponoka	NT	6.4	4.4	4.8	4.6	14.2	30
Joe Thom sloe, Scandia	5.4	4.8	4.9	16.2	3.9	6.5	50
Clark Schlessor, Staveland	NT	NT	NT	NT	3.7	16.7	40
Phil Doan, Halkirk	NT	4.9	5.4	NT	5.5	17.5	30
Tom Inns, Lethbridge	4.1	NT	14.0	14.3	7.1	NT	40
Tom Bews, Blindass	4.4	6.9	4.4	7.2	4.8	5.2	80
Lloyd Fowle, Blindass	4.9	5.4	4.2	4.5	15.2	15.2	85
Ron Ostrum, Carleton	5.0	7.4	4.2	4.5	6.5	4.6	85
<b>BARREL RACING</b>							
Dee Robertson, Duchess	15.20	15.09	15.25	20.93	15.65	15.66	80
Gayle Howes, Capaden	20.55	NT	15.33	20.43	15.21	20.52	30
Pili Sappek, Ryley	15.42	15.62	15.59	15.40	16.88	15.02	10
D.J. Higgins, Cardston	15.18	15.54	15.40	15.16	15.19	15.13	120
Elaine Watt, Manitoba	20.08	15.07	15.08	15.09	25.54	15.94	140
Sheila Haggart, B.C.	15.27	15.22	15.18	15.29	15.33	14.87	130
Isabelle Miller, DeWinton	20.63	15.40	20.78	15.70	15.69	16.19	0
Karen Claypool, Saskatoon	20.35	15.58	15.50	15.36	15.87	15.78	0
Ann Lewis, St. Paul	20.07	20.10	15.23	14.93	20.30	15.25	70
Ruth McDougall, Nanton	15.49	15.20	15.58	15.73	25.87	15.60	20



Bonspiel winner

Heather Wells of Lethbridge lets a shot go during Sunday's final at the Lethbridge Women's Curling Club bonspiel held at the Lethbridge Curling Club. Wells defeated Shig Sakamoto to win the "A" event. Mean-

while, Barb Davis of the city captured the "B" event title by downing Corinne Kleibrink, and Marg Dekker, also of Lethbridge, upended Peg Ramage to win the "C" event.

## Behind the chutes

EDMONTON — A record crowd of 54,544 took in the six performances of rodeo. Doug Vold playing a little soccer with a few kids behind the horse pens under the main concourse of the Edmonton Coliseum. Tom Ivins sporting a classic black eye after his head collided with a steer's head. The cowboy chapter of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes held an emotional breakfast Sunday morning. Brian Aebly picked up 16 stitches in his chin when he butted heads with a bull. A dozen cowboys captured clown Jon Taylor during a performance and dumped him head-first into a barrel of water. Calgary Stampeder coach Jack Gotta was loudly booed when introduced Saturday night. Dwayne Kesler practising his bareback spurring style on the clown's barrel. Edgar Robinson broke his rope in the calf roping Saturday night. Saturday night's crowd was the largest ever, 12,482. Rodeo great Herman Linder of Cardston was on hand to see his son-in-law Tom Bews win his fifth all around title. Salty's Sam, ridden by Bill Collins, won the cutting horse competition with a total of 210 points. He won or split first place five of the six go rounds. The new Miss Rodeo Canada is Joanne Riou of Saskatoon. Rocky Hubley was carried out of the arena on a stretcher Sunday afternoon. But he came back a few minutes later and rode his re-ride hull for a mark of 77. Jim Gladstone left immediately after the rodeo for Salt Lake City and the world Indian rodeo finals. The awards banquet drew a capacity crowd Sunday night. Tom Bews proved he is still one of the most colorful speakers of the rodeo world.



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