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Milligan, Hay and Guy Highlight Bracket 2 at Fort Worth's PRORODEO Tournament

FORT WORTH, Texas (Jan. 22, 2024) Tyler Milligan won the tie-down roping at the inaugural Fort Worth Stock Show & Rodeo's (FWSSR) PRORODEO Tournament in 2020 and the Pawhuska, Oklahoma, cowboy took the first step to repeating that feat in 2024 two on Monday.

Milligan, who has roped at the National Finals Rodeo (NFR) three times, won round 2 of his bracket with a time of 8.1. That \$2,000 paycheck along with the \$500 he won for fourth place Sunday afternoon was enough to punch his ticket to the semi-finals. Milligan qualified to compete in Fort Worth by winning the Ellis County Stock Show & Rodeo in Waxahachie last March.

In a round of saddle bronc riding featuring only horses that had been to the NFR, Pete Carr Pro Rodeo's horse Larry Cullpepper and Logan Hay of Wildwood, Alberta, combined for the winning score of 89 points. Hay advanced to the semi-finals along with his younger brother Dawson, who won round 1 of bracket 2. Dawson has won the bronc riding title here twice so Logan is looking to catch up with a title of his own.

Legendary cowgirl Lari Dee Guy of Abilene roped the first-place paycheck and a semi-finals berth with a time of 2.0 in breakaway roping. Guy, a National Cowgirl Hall of Fame and Texas Cowboy Hall of Fame inductee, has won nine Women's Professional Rodeo Association (WPRA) world championships. In her long rodeo career, she has trained roping horses for some of the top tie-down ropers in the country and has mentored many fellow breakaway ropers.

The FWSSR PRORODEO Tournament pays out more than \$1.2 million in a format that features all eight professional rodeo contests. In each event 56 competitors (56 teams in team roping) are divided into seven brackets of eight.

Contestants in each bracket compete in two rounds of back-to-back action with the top two money earners in each event advancing to the semi-finals. The third highest money winner in each bracket advances to the wild card round.

Those finishing lower than third still have a chance to advance. They go to the non-qualifier pool. The highest remaining money earner in each event in the non-qualifier pool after all brackets are completed advances to the wild card round.

The top two in the wild card round advance to the semifinals and the top four from each semifinal advance to the finals on February 3.

Bracket 3 features a whole new slate of competitors. They will compete in their first round on Monday at 7:30 in Dickies Arena. Monday the Stock Show Goes Pink and half of all ticket sales benefit the Careity Foundation which supports cancer prevention and patients in the local community.

FORT WORTH, Texas --- The following are unofficial results from the Fort Worth Stock Show & Rodeo's Pro Rodeo Tournament, Bracket 2, Round 2, January 22, 2024.

Bareback riding: 1, Cole Reiner, Buffalo, Wyo., 86 points on Rafter G Rodeo's Secret Agent Man, \$2,000. 2, (tie) Jayco Roper, Oktaha, Okla., and Kody Lamb, Sherwood Park, Alberta, Canada, 82.5, \$1,250. 4, Ty Fast Taypotat, Nanton, Alberta, Canada, 81.5, \$500.

Semi-finals qualifiers: Roper, \$3,250 and Reiner, \$2,000. Wild Card qualifier: Lamb, \$1,250.

Steer wrestling: 1, Boyd Sawyer, Thedford, Neb., 4.1 seconds, \$2,000. 2, (tie) Walt Arnold, Coleman, Texas, and Ty Bauerle, Jourdanton, Texas, 4.3, \$1,250. 4, (tie) Jacob Talley, Keatchie, La., and J.D. Struxness, Milan, Minn., 4.4, \$250 each.

Semi-finals qualifiers: Sawyer and Stan Branco, Chowchilla, Calif., \$2,000. Wild Card qualifier: Jacob Talley, Keatchie, La.

Breakaway roping: 1, Lari Dee Guy, Abilene, Texas, 2.0 seconds, \$2,000. 2, Joey Williams, Volberg, Mont., 2.1, \$1,500. 3, Hope Thompson, Abilene, Texas, 2.5, \$1,000. 4, Madison Outhier, Utopia, Texas, 2.7, \$500.

Semi-finals qualifiers: Guy, \$3,000, and Outhier, \$2,500. Wild Card qualifier: Williams, \$2,000.

Saddle bronc riding: 1, Logan Hay, Wildwood, Alberta, Canada, 89 points on Pete Carr Pro Rodeo's Larry Cullpepper, \$2,000. 2, Ben Andersen, Eckville, Alberta, Canada, 84, \$1,500. 3, Tegan Smith, Winterset, Iowa, 83, \$1000. 4, Dawson Hay, Wildwood, Alberta, Canada, 82.5, \$500.

Semi-finals qualifiers: Logan Hay, \$3,500 and Dawson Hay, \$2,500. Wild Card qualifier: Anderson, Nanton, Alberta, \$1,500.

Tie-down roping: 1, Tyler Milligan, Pawhuska, Okla., 8.1 seconds, \$2,000. 2, Hunter Herrin, Apache, Okla., 8.8, \$1,500. 3, Beau Cooper, Stettler, Alberta, Canada, 9.8, \$1,000. 4, Haven Meged, Miles City, Mont., 10.6, \$500 each.

Semi-finals qualifiers: Milligan and Meged \$2,500 each. Wild Card qualifier: Cooper, \$2,500.

Team Roping: 1, Pedro Egurrola, Douglas, Wyo., and JC Flake, Milsap, Texas., 5.0 seconds, \$2,000 each. 2, Brenten Hall, Jay, Okla., and Kaden Profili, Jacksonville, Texas, 5.3, \$1,500 each. 3, Cash Duty, Weimar, Texas, and Ross Ashford, Lott, Texas, 5.8, \$1,000 each. 4, Rhen Richard and Jeremy Buhler, Roosevelt, Utah, 9.4, \$500 each.

Semi-finals qualifiers: Hall and Profili, \$2,250 each, and Duty and Ashford, \$2,000 each. Wild Card qualifier: Egurrola and Flake, \$2,000 each.

Barrel Racing: 1, Sara Winkelman, Big Lake, Minn, 16.48 seconds, \$2,000. 2, Sissy Winn, Chapman Ranch, Texas, 16.67, \$1,500. 3, Rachelle Riggers, Lewiston, Idaho, 16.77 \$1,000. 4, Abby Phillips, Marshall, Texas 16.86. \$500.

Semi-finals qualifiers: Winkelman and Winn, \$3,000 each. Wild Card qualifier: Sarah Rose Waguespack, Gonzales, La, \$2,000.

Bull Riding: (one ride) 1, Taylor Toves, 83 points on Rafter G Rodeo's Thor, \$5,000.

Semi-finals qualifiers: Toves, \$5,000 and Maverick Smith, Mountain Grove, Mo., \$2,167. Wild Card qualifier: Coy Robbins, Camrose, Alberta, Canada, \$1,667.