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CHAMPS IN ST. PAUL

Nevada, Oklahoma, Nebraska cowboys among big winners at Nation's Greatest Fourth of July rodeo

St. Paul, Ore. (July 6, 2019) – Some of the biggest names in the world of rodeo come to St. Paul to compete for over \$375,000 in prize money.

But it was a circuit cowboy who took the bareback riding title.

Trenten Montero, Winnemucca, Nev., scored 87 points on the Korkow Rodeo horse Onion Ring to win.

It was the second time for him to ride Onion Ring, and he had an idea how the ride might go. "I knew that horse was going to feel really good at the start, then get heavy as he went," Montero said. "The last time I got on him in Ft. Worth (Texas), he got a little bit ahead of me and cost me a few points. So I knew at this kind of rodeo, I couldn't make that mistake if I wanted to be in the money."

Montero talked himself through the ride. "I had to keep thinking in my head, you'd better gas it right now because he's about to give it to you if you don't."

The 27-year-old cowboy has been competing for the past eight years, but this is the biggest win of his career. "It feels awesome," he said. "It's been a long time coming. I sometimes feel like I've run into a brick wall, but today I've busted that wall down."

Two Okies tied for the steer wrestling win. Riley Duvall of Checotah and Blake Mindemann of Blanchard both had times of 8.8 seconds on two head to be steer wrestling champs for St. Paul.

For Duvall, the win came at an opportune time. "It's been a long week," Duvall said. In the last seven days, he's competed in Greeley, Colo., Red Lodge and Livingston, Mont., Cody, Wyo., and Prescott and Window Rock, Ariz., and only won a little money out of Red Lodge.

Duvall, who is 27 years old, loves coming to the 'Nation's Greatest Fourth of July Rodeo.' "I never miss this rodeo," he said. "I love this rodeo. It's old school. I really like the performances here, and I like how packed it is. It's one of my favorites, honestly.

"I'm pumped," he said. "I'm so excited about this and I love St. Paul."

Duvall has competed at the Wrangler National Finals Rodeo (WNFR) twice (2016, 2018). He is currently ranked eleventh in the PRCA world standings.

A Texas bull rider took a gamble and won.

Boudreaux Campbell, Crockett, Texas, scored 90.5 points on the Corey and Lange Rodeo bull Tequila for the title.

It was the second bull he got on in St. Paul.

He scored 77 points on his first ride but after the judges awarded him a reride, Campbell decided to take it, even though 77 points would have won him a check.

“I asked the judges what 77 was placing, and they said fifth or sixth (place), and I said, that’s not first, so go ahead and give me another one.”

Campbell, who is twenty years old, has competed at the Wrangler National Finals Rodeo the last two years and is ranked tenth in the world standings.

An arena record was broken at the St. Paul Rodeo this year.

Saddle bronc rider Cort Scheer made an 89 point ride on Big Stone Rodeo’s Kool Toddy to break the record by one point.

It was the fourth time for the two to meet up. In past years, he’s ridden the bronc at the Calgary Stampede, the WNFR, and Cloverdale, B.C. winning money on the horse each time. “She’s treated me pretty good,” he said.

St. Paul was Scheer’s fourth rodeo back after sitting out for a month to heal four broken ribs he suffered after being smashed in the chute at a rodeo in LeDuc, Alberta.

“I tried to ride for a week (after the injury) and figured out I wasn’t riding as well as I should, so I might as well take the time off and heal up. With rodeos like St. Paul coming up, I took a month off and waited.”

Scheer, who has made six trips to the WNFR, loves coming to St. Paul. “This is the best rodeo over the Fourth and we love it. (The committee) works really hard. It’s unbelievable. The atmosphere blows your mind.”

The broken ribs hurt, but Scheer blocks out the pain. “On horses like that, your adrenaline just takes over. We’ll worry about (the pain) tonight when the adrenaline kicks off.

“I’m a little bit sore but I’ve been able to sleep in a bed the past three nights, so I’m happy. I’m not sleeping in a chair anymore.” Scheer is from Elsmere, Neb.

Other 2019 St. Paul Rodeo champions are tie-down roper Jake Pratt, Ellensburg, Wash. (18.5 seconds on two head); team ropers Erich Rogers, Round Rock, Ariz. and Paden

Bray, Granbury, Texas; (10.3 seconds on two head) and barrel racer Amberleigh Moore, Salem (17.29 seconds).

The 85th annual St. Paul Rodeo will take place June 30-July 4, 2020. For more information, visit www.StPaulRodeo.com.

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Results from the 84th annual St. Paul Rodeo, July 2-6, 2019.

All-around champion: Stetson Wright, Milford, Utah

Bareback riding champion: Trenten Montero, Winnemucca, Nev.

1. Trenten Montero, Winnemucca, Nev. 87 points on Korkow Rodeo's Onion Ring; 2. Clayton Biglow, Clements, Calif. 85.5; 3. Orin Larsen, Inglis, Manitoba 84.5; 4. Clint Laye Cadogan, Alb. 84; 5. Jake Brown, Cleveland, Texas 82.5; 6. (tie) Jesse Pope, Marshall, Mo., Jamie Howlett, Rapid City, S.D. and Chance Ames, Big Piney, Wyo. 82 each.

Steer wrestling co-champions: Riley Duvall, Checotah, Okla. and Blake Mindemann, Blanchard, Okla.

1st round

1. Riley Duvall, Checotah, Okla. 3.6 seconds; 2. (tie) Tyler Waguespack, Gonzales, La. and Tanner Milan, Cochrane, Alb. 3.8 each; 4. Stephen Culling, Ft. St. John, B.C. 4.0; 5. Will Lummus, West Point, Miss. 4.1; 6. (tie) Ty Erickson, Helena, Mont. and Don Payne, Stephenville, Texas 4.4 each; 8. (tie) Nick Guy, Sparta, Wisc., Bridger Chambers, Stevensville, Mont., Dirk Tavenner, Rigby, Idaho and Stan Branco, Chowchilla, Calif. 4.5 each.

2nd round

1. Jace Melvin, Ft. Pierre, S.D. 3.9 seconds; 2. Cimarron Thompson, Hobbs, N.M. 4.0; 3. (tie) Blake Mindemann, Blanchard, Okla., Tyler Pearson, Atoka, Okla. and Tanner Brunner, Ramona, Kan. 4.1 each; 6. John Green, La Grande, Ore. 4.2; 7. (tie) Curtis Cassidy, Donald, Alb. and Hunter Cure, Holliday, Texas 4.3 each.

Average leaders (on two head)

1. (tie) Blake Mindemann, Blanchard, Okla. and Riley Duvall, Checotah, Okla. 8.8 seconds on two head for each; 3. Dirk Tavenner, Rigby, Idaho 8.9; 4. Tyler Waguespack, Gonzales, La. 9.2; 5. Don Payne, Stephenville, Texas 9.7; 6. Andy Weldon, Greenleaf, Idaho 10.1; 7. (tie) Bridger Chambers, Stevensville, Mont. and Ty Erickson, Helena, Mont. 10.3 each.

Bull riding champion: Boudreaux Campbell, Crockett, Texas

1. Boudreaux Campbell, Crockett, Texas 90.5 points on Corey and Lange Rodeo's Tequila; 2. Stetson Wright, Milford, Utah 87; 3. Cole Melancon, Liberty, Texas 86.5; 4. Josh Frost, Randlett, Utah 86; 5. Trey Kimzey, Strong City, Okla. 84.5; 6. Chase

Dougherty, Prineville, Ore. 83.5; 7. Austin Allred, Cleveland, Utah 81; 8. Jesse Petri, Palestine, Texas 80.5.

Tie-down roping champion: Jake Pratt, Ellensburg, Wash.

1st round

1. Tyler Milligan, Pawhuska, Okla. 8.7 seconds; 2. Cody Craig, Wendell, Idaho 9.1; 3. (tie) Treg Schaack, Stinnett, Texas and Cooper Mathews, Cleburne, Texas 9.2 each; 5. (tie) Jake Pratt, Ellensburg, Wash. and Hudson Wallace, George West, Texas 9.5 each; 7. (tie) Justin Smith, Leesville, La. and Cade Swor, Winnie, Texas 9.6 each.

2nd round

1. Taylor Santos, Creston, Calif. 8.2 seconds; 2. Stetson Vest, Childress, Texas 8.6; 3. Cooper Martin, Alma, Kan. 8.8; 4. Reese Riemer, Stinnett, Texas 8.9; 5. (tie) Jake Pratt, Ellensburg, Wash. and King Pickett, Stinnett, Texas 9.0 each; 7. Justin Brinkerhoff, Corinne, Utah 9.1; 8. (tie) Ryan Thibodeaux, Stephenville, Texas and Justin Smith, Leesville, La. 9.5 each.

Average leaders on two head

1. Jake Pratt, Ellensburg, Wash. 18.5 seconds on two head; 2. Tyler Milligan, Pawhuska, Okla. 18.8; 3. (tie) Cody Craig, Wendell, Idaho and Cooper Martin, Alma, Kan. 18.9 each; 5. Justin Smith, Leesville, La. 19.1; 6. Ryan Thibodeaux, Stephenville, Texas 19.6; 7. (tie) Tuf Cooper, Decatur, Texas and Taylor Santos, Creston, Calif. 20.0 each.

Saddle bronc riding champion: Cort Scheer, Elsmere, Neb.

1. Cort Scheer, Elsmere, Neb. 89 points on Big Bend Rodeo's Kool Toddy; 2. Stetson Wright, Milford, Utah 86.5; 3. Colt Gordon, Comanche, Okla. 85.5; 4. Logan James Hay, Wildwood, Alb. 84; 5. Roper Kiesner, Ripley, Okla. 84; 6. Lefty Holman, Visalia, Calif. 83.5; 7. Mitch Pollock, Winnemucca, Nev. 83; 8. Taos Muncy, Corona, N.M. 82.

Team roping Champions: Erich Rogers, Round Rock, Ariz. and Paden Bray, Granbury, Texas

1st round

1. (tie) Dustin Dqusquiza, Mariana, Fla./Jake Long, Coffeyville, Kan. and Clay Tryan, Billings, Mont./Travis Lee Graves, Jay, Okla. 4.4 seconds each; 3. Coleman Proctor, Pryor, Okla./Ryan Motes, Weatherford, Texas 4.8; 4. Spencer Mitchell, Orange Cove, Calif./Cody Doescher, Webbers Falls, Okla. 5.0; 5. Erich Rogers, Round Rock, Ariz./Paden Bray, Granbury, Texas 5.1; 6. Clay Smith, Broken Bow, Okla./Jade Corkill, Fallon, Nev. 5.2; 7. Levi Simpson, Ponoka, Alb./Cole Davison, Stephenville, Texas 5.4; 8. (tie) Luke Brown, Rock Hill, S.C./Paul Eaves, Lonedell, Mo. and Cody Snow, Los Olivos, Calif./Wesley Thorp, Throckmorton, Texas 5.8 each.

2nd round

1. Tyler Wade, Terrell, Texas/Billie Jack Saebens, Nowata, Okla. 4.6 seconds; 2. (tie) Jr. Dees, Aurora, S.D./Lane Siggins, Coolidge, Ariz. and Kolton Schmidt, Barrhead, Alb./Jeremy Buhler, Arrowwood, Alb. 4.7 each; 4. Cody Snow, Los Olivos, Calif./Wesley Thorp, Throckmorton, Texas 5.0; 5. (tie) Erich Rogers, Round Rock,

Ariz./Paden Bray, Granbury, Texas and Levi Simpson, Ponoka, Alb./Cole Davison, Roosevelt, Utah 5.2 each; 7. (tie) Clay Smith, Broken Bow, Okla./Jade Corkill, Fallon, Nev. and Lane Santos Karney, Creston, Calif./Bucky Campbell, Morrystown, Ariz. 5.3 each.

Average leaders on two head

1. Erich Rogers, Round Rock, Ariz./Paden Bray, Granbury, Texas 10.3 seconds on two head; 2. Clay Smith, Broken Bow, Okla./Jade Corkill, Fallon, Nev. 10.5; 3. Levi Simpson, Ponoka, Alb./Cole Davison, Stephenville, Texas 10.6; 4. Cody Snow, Stephenville, Texas/Wesley Thorp, Stephenville, Texas 10.8; 5. Luke Brown, Rock Hill, S.C./Paul Eaves, Lonedell, Mo. 15.8; 6. Lane Santos Karney, Creston, Calif./Bucky Campbell, Morrystown, Ariz. 16.5; 7. Joshua Torres, Ocala, Fla./Jonathan Torres, Ocala, Fl. 19.2; 8. Jr. Dees, Aurora, S.D./Lane Siggins, Coolidge, Ariz. 19.9.

Barrel racing champion: Amberleigh Moore, Salem, Ore.

1. Amberleigh Moore, Salem, Ore. 17.29 seconds; 2. Jana Bean, Ft. Hancock, Texas 17.51; 3. Lacinda Rose, Willard, Mo. 17.61; 4. Colleen Kingsbury, Powell Butte, Ore. 17.62; 5. Jennifer Barrett, Buhl, Idaho 17.63; 6. Jessi Fish, Franklin, Tenn. 17.66; 7. Jackie Ganter, Abilene, Texas 17.71; 8. Tracy Nowlin, Nowata, Okla. 17.72; 9. Danyelle Williams, Vale, Ore. 17.73; 10. Angie Hardin, Cottonwood, Calif. 17.74; 11. Rainy Robinson, Caldwell, Idaho 17.76; 12. Jill Welsh, Parker, Ariz. 17.77; 13. Megan McLeod-Sprague, Marsing, Idaho 17.78; 14. (tie) Bobbi Correa, Echo, Ore. and Shane Falon, Yakima, Wash. 17.79 each.

** All results are unofficial. For more information, visit www.StPaulRodeo.com.

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Nebraska's Cort Scheer is the 2019 St. Paul Rodeo saddle bronc riding champion. He scored 89 points, setting a new arena record for the rodeo. Photo by Hoot Creek.

Riley Duvall, Checotah, Okla., split the steer wrestling win at the 2019 St. Paul Rodeo with fellow Oklahoman Blake Mindemann. Both cowboys had times of 8.8 seconds on two head. Photo by Hoot Creek.

Boudreaux Campbell is the 2019 St. Paul Rodeo bull riding champion. The Crockett, Texas cowboy bested the field with a score of 90.5 points. Photo by Hoot Creek.

Trenten Moreno scored 87 points to win the bareback riding title at the St. Paul (Ore.) Rodeo. Photo by Hoot Creek.

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