



Women's Professional Rodeo Association

69 years of Women in Rodeo

The Women's Professional Rodeo Association (WPRA) is the oldest women's sports organization in the country. The Association started in 1948 with a group of Texas ranch women who wanted to add a little color and femininity to the rough-and-tumble sport of rodeo. A major move at the time, 38 women met in a hotel in San Angelo, Texas, on February 28, 1948, to change the way they were being treated in the male-dominated world of rodeo. These women banded together to create the very first professional sports association created solely for women by women – the Girls Rodeo Association (GRA).

The women knew they had an uphill climb to make a go of the association but it was one they all wanted to try. The group's primary purpose was to give women legitimate, honest opportunities to compete in all-girl rodeos as well as to establish an alliance with the Rodeo Cowboys Association (RCA- later became the PRCA) to host women's events in conjunction with RCA-sanctioned rodeos. They drafted and approved rules and regulations, and they enacted a point system to crown world champions. Their rules took effect in May 1948, and GRA board members went to work, persuading rodeo committees and producers to hold women's contests according to GRA rules.

Committees were given the option of choosing which event they would hold (bronc riding, cutting or barrel racing), and most picked barrel racing. In its inaugural year, the GRA had 74 members and they held 60 events with a total payout of \$29,000. Two years later they had more than 100 members. Today, it is a computerized association with more than 2,600 members and over 1,300 events with a total payout of over \$5.2 million.

In 1982, the GRA changed its name to the Women's Professional Rodeo Association (WPRA) which continues to stand for the same ideals it stood for back in 1948 when it was first conceived as a tool to help like-minded women achieve their common goals.

Back in the early days of the National Finals Rodeo, where world titles are determined, the barrel racing was not held in conjunction with rest of the events but had its own championships at a different location. In 1959, the first year that the NFR existed, the barrel racing championships were held in Clayton, N.M., with the team roping and steer roping, while the other events were in Dallas. In 1960, the barrel racing and team roping events were held in Scottsdale, Ariz., and then in Santa Maria, Calif., in 1961. In 1962, the GRA decided to stand their ground and hold their finals in Ft. Worth without any RCA events at all. It would remain there until 1967 when Florence Youree met with Stanley Draper of Oklahoma City and asked him to include barrel racing with the NFR. During that meeting Stanley called Clem McSpadden and they decided to include the women and Draper agreed to put up \$1,000 prize money the first year. In 1968, Stanley Draper proposed that the barrel racing be held at the NFR as long as the NFR was in Oklahoma City with a minimum purse of \$2,500.

Although barrel racing was now included as an event at the NFR, they were still not paid the same as all the men's events. That all finally changed in 1998, when for the first time ever the barrel racing event paid out the same amount as all the men's events at the National Finals Rodeo in Las Vegas. In fact, in 1999 two-time world champion Sherry Cervi took home more money in a single event than any other contestant competing at the finals-male or female. With \$245,369 in earnings for the year, Cervi topped the second place high money winner, Fred Whitfield who was crowned the 1999 All-Around and Calf Roping World Champion, by more than \$27,000. In 2013, Sherry Cervi

placed in all 10 go-rounds, including three victories, and left Las Vegas with \$155,899 earned inside the Thomas & Mack Center, setting a WPRAs record for most money won at the NFR at the time and collected her fourth WPRAs world title with \$303,317 in 2013 season earnings. In fact, the Arizona cowgirl became just the fifth cowgirl in WPRAs Wrangler NFR history to have placed in each go-round. In 2016, Amberleigh Moore moved from 15th to No. 2 after collecting \$187,692 in 10 days in Las Vegas, setting a new Wrangler NFR earnings record. In the end, Mary Burger would take home the world title becoming the oldest male or female at the age of 68 years and 4 months to compete at the Wrangler NFR and win a world title. In 2017, Tiany Schuster set a new regular season WPRAs earnings record with \$250,378, the most that any individual has entered the Wrangler NFR in a single event.

From the very beginning, women have stuck their necks out for equality with varying degrees of success. In the early days of rodeo, some cowtowns recognized the ability women possessed and ditched the beauty pageants typically held for cowgirls. Instead, they held contests such as bronc riding, cutting or barrel racing. But, those events were few and far between. From the early days of competing for a cigarette case to competing for thousands of dollars of added money and incentive programs provided by the sponsorships secured by the WPRAs over the last several decades the face of women in rodeo has certainly changed. Today’s contestants are breaking records, influencing history and paving a bright future for the future cowgirls.

The Association has come a long way in 69 years. The benefits the contestants receive today would not have been imaginable had it not been for a courageous band of women who roughed it out in the early days of rodeo. In addition, that courage would have been fruitless if it weren’t for the leaders who have stepped forward to accept the WPRAs baton year after year. Their refusal to take “no” for an answer serves to inspire future generations to recognize and then work to harness the potential of women in rodeo, today, tomorrow and in the future. *WPRAs – Crowning World Champions since 1948.*



2017 Wrangler National Finals Rodeo

BARREL RACING

PREVIOUS LOCATIONS

- 1959 National Finals Rodeo, Clayton, N.M.
- 1960 National Finals Rodeo, Scottsdale, Ariz.
- 1961 National Finals Rodeo, Santa Maria, Calif.
- 1962-66 National Finals Rodeo, Fort Worth, Texas.
- 1967-78 National Finals Rodeo at Jim Norick Arena in Oklahoma City, Okla.
- 1979-84 National Finals Rodeo at Myriad Arena in Oklahoma City, Okla.
- 1985-2000 National Finals Rodeo at Thomas and Mack Center in Las Vegas, Nev.
- 2001-2017 Wrangler National Finals Rodeo at Thomas and Mack Center in Las Vegas, Nev.



2017 WPRA Wrangler NFR Standings

<u>Rank, Name, Hometown</u>	<u>Money</u>	<u># of Rodeos</u>
1. Tiany Schuster, Krum, Texas.....	\$250,378	95
2. Stevi Hillman, Weatherford, Texas	\$185,952	96
3. Nellie Miller, Cottonwood, Calif.....	\$130,537	47
4. Amberleigh Moore, Salem, Ore.....	\$120,806	52
5. Kassie Mowry, Dublin, Texas	\$115,163	25
6. Kathy Grimes, Medical Lake, Wash.....	\$111,785	45
7. Hailey Kinsel, Cotulla, Texas	\$98,707	71
8. Taci Bettis (R), Round Top, Texas	\$97,023	71
9. Lisa Lockhart, Oelrichs, S.D.....	\$96,454	59
10. Brittany Pozzi-Tonozzi, Victoria, Texas.	\$92,930	95
11. Sydni Blanchard, Albuquerque, N.M.	\$91,362	74
12. Tillar Murray, Fort Worth, Texas.	\$86,020	91
13. Kellie Collier, Hereford, Texas.....	\$83,338	99
14. Ivy Conrado, Hudson, Colo.	\$78,181	88
15. Kimmie Wall, Roosevelt, Utah.....	\$76,294	64



2017 Wrangler National Finals Rodeo

Wrangler NFR Payoff total: \$10 million

Guaranteed prize money: \$1,200,000

Competition prize money: \$8,800,000

Each of the 10 Full Go-Rounds: \$84,615.38

1ST	\$26,230.77 (per man in team roping)
2ND	\$20,730.77 (per man in team roping)
3RD	\$15,653.85 (per man in team roping)
4TH	\$11,000.00 (per man in team roping)
5TH	\$6,769.23 (per man in team roping)
6TH	\$4,230.77 (per man in team roping)

Average Payout: \$253,846.15

1ST	\$67,269.23 (per man in team roping)
2ND	\$54,576.92 (per man in team roping)
3RD	\$43,153.85 (per man in team roping)
4TH	\$31,730.77 (per man in team roping)
5TH	\$22,846.15 (per man in team roping)
6TH	\$16,500.00 (per man in team roping)
7TH	\$11,423.08 (per man in team roping)
8TH	\$6,346.15 (per man in team roping)



2017 Wrangler National Finals Rodeo

Barrel Racing World Champions 1948 – 2016

Margaret Owens.....	1948	Charmayne James	1985
Amy McGilvray	1949	Charmayne James	1986
LaTonne Sewalt	1950	Charmayne James	1987
Margaret Owens.....	1951	Charmayne James	1988
Wanda Harper Bush.....	1952	Charmayne James	1989
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LaTonne Sewalt	1954	Charmayne James	1991
Billie McBride	1955	Charmayne James	1992
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Billie McBride	1957	Kristie Peterson.....	1994
Billie McBride	1958	Sherry Cervi.....	1995
Jane Mayo	1959	Kristie Peterson.....	1996
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Sherry Combs Johnson	1962	Sherry Cervi.....	1999
Loretta Manuel.....	1963	Kappy Allen.....	2000
Ardith Bruce.....	1964	Janet Stover.....	2001
Sammie Thurman Brackenbury ...	1965	Charmayne James	2002
Norita Krause Henderson.....	1966	Janae Ward.....	2003
Loretta Manuel.....	1967	Kelly Kaminski	2004
Ann Lewis.....	1968	Kelly Kaminski	2005
Missy Long	1969	Mary Burger.....	2006
Joyce Burk Loomis	1970	Kay Blandford.....	2007 (WPRA)
Donna Patterson	1971	Brittany Pozzi-Pharr.....	2007 (PWBR)
Gail Petska	1972	Lindsay Sears	2008
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Jeana Day	1974	Sherry Cervi.....	2010
Jimmie Gibbs Munroe.....	1975	Lindsay Sears	2011
Connie Combs Kirby	1976	Mary Walker	2012
Jackie Jo Perrin	1977	Sherry Cervi.....	2013
Lynn McKenzie	1978	Fallon Taylor.....	2014
Carol Goostree	1979	Callie duPerier	2015
Martha Josey	1980	Mary Burger.....	2016
Lynn McKenzie	1981		
Jan Hansen Smith.....	1982		
Marlene Eddleman	1983		
Charmayne James	1984		



2017 Wrangler National Finals Rodeo

Barrel Racing Average Champions 1959 – 2016

Yr.	Name	Time/Runs		
2016	Lisa Lockhart	137.98/10*	new record	
2015	Callie duPerier	140.41/10		
2014	Lisa Lockhart	144.93/10		
2013	Sherry Cervi	138.15/10		
2012	Brenda Mays	141.79/10		
2011	Lindsay Sears	139.50/10		
2010	Jill Moody	138.26/10		
2009	Sherry Cervi	139.01/10		
2008	Jill Moody	140.11/10		
2007	– Brittany Pozzi-Pharr	140.18/10		
2006	– Brittany Pozzi	141.12/10		
2005	Liz Pinkston	142.65/10		
2004	Molly Powell	140.93/10		
2003	Janae Ward	140.50/10		
2002	Charmayne James	141.75/10		
2001	Kappy Allen	142.20/10		
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1999	Sherry Cervi	141.56/10		
1998	Kristie Peterson	141.58/10		
1997	Kristie Peterson	143.28/10		
1996	Kristie Peterson	141.89/10	1977	Jackie Jo Perrin
1995	Kristie Peterson	142.22/10	1976	Connie Combs Kirby
1994	Kristie Peterson	143.83/10	1975	Connie Combs Kirby
1993	Charmayne James	145.14/10	1974	Colette Graves Baier
1992	Vana Beissingier	143.33/10	1973	Becky Carson
1991	Kim West	144.01/10	1972	Gail Petska
1990	Charmayne James	145.39/10	1971	Donna Patterson
1989	Charmayne James	146.33/10	1970	Joyce Burk Loomis
1988	Marlene McRae	142.85/10	1969	Missy Long
1987	Charmayne James	143.51/10	1968	Kathie O'Brien
1986	Charmayne James	138.93/10	1967	Frances Smith
1985	Janet Powell	145.38/10	1966	Allene Gaylor Mourne
1984	Charmayne James		1965	Pat Marr
1983	Marlene Eddleman		1964	Allene Gaylor Mourne
1982	Paula Fortner Barthie		1963	Sis Armstrong
1981	Donna Krening		1962	Sissy Thurman
1980	Donna Krening		1961	Boots Tucker
1979	Lynn McKenzie		1960	Jane Mayo
1978	Lynn McKenzie		1959	Jane Mayo



2017 Wrangler National Finals Rodeo Barrel Racing Records

Wrangler NFR Records

Earnings: \$187,692, Amberleigh Moore, 2016

Fastest times: 13.37 seconds, Taylor Jacob, 2013 and Amberleigh Moore, 2016
137.98 seconds on 10 runs, Lisa Lockhart, 2016

Regular season earnings (prior to the Wrangler NFR)

\$250,378, Tiany Schuster, 2017

Qualifications

19- Charmayne James, 1984-2002

Sherry Cervi, 1994-2001, 2003, 2005-06, 2009-16

12 – Mildred Farris, 1959-70

Sherry Johnson – 1959-68, 1970, 1991

Kay Blandford, 1975, 1977, 1979, 1981, 1993, 1995-97, 1999-2002

Placed in 10 Consecutive Rounds at NFR

Colette Graves Baier, 1974

Lynn McKenzie, 1978

Charmayne James, 1986

Kristie Peterson, 1996-97

Sherry Cervi, 2013

WPRA Career Earnings Leaders (Through 2017 regular season)

1. Sherry Cervi, \$3,310,945

2. Lisa Lockhart, \$2,147,871

3. Brittany Pozzi, \$1,984,812

Highest Single-Year Earnings

\$323,570 by Lindsay Sears, 2008

\$303,846 by Callie duPerier, 2015

\$303,317 by Sherry Cervi, 2013

\$299,894 by Sherry Cervi, 2010

\$279,435 by Brittany Pozzi, 2009

Most Money Won, Rookie Year

\$164,780 by Jackie Ganter, 2015

\$164,484 by Taylor Jacob, 2013

\$133,699 by Cayla (Melby) Small, 2016

\$97,023 by Taci Bettis, 2017 - will compete at 2017 NFR



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2017 Awards

AQHA Horses of the Year

1. Rafter W Minnie Reba (Sister), rider Nellie Miller, owner Sam Williams
2. MCM Imasharpguy (Sharpie), rider Stevi Hillman, owners Matt and Bendi Dunn
3. Show Mance, owner/rider Tiany Schuster

2017 WPR Rookie of the Year

Taci Bettis - qualified for the NFR

Announcer of the Year

Scott Grover

NFR Achievement Award

John Jamison

Stock Contractor of the Year

Cervi Championship Rodeo - Binion Cervi

Outstanding Rodeo Committee Partner

Calgary Stampede

Pro Official of the Year

Lynn Smith

Mildred Farris Secretary of the Year

Mikey Duggan

Small Committee of the Year (added money of \$5,000 or less)

Wisconsin River Pro Rodeo (Merrill)

Medium Committee of the Year (added money of \$5,001 - \$9,999)

Rooftop Rodeo (Estes Park, Colo.)

Large Committee of the Year (added money over \$10,000)

Fallon County Fair & Rodeo (Baker, Mont.)

Media Award

(tie) Barrel Horse News (Bonnie Wheatley) and Spin to Win (Chelsea Shaffer)

Sponsor of the Year

Exiss Trailer

Innovative Rodeo of the Year

Days of '47 Cowboy Games and Rodeo (Salt Lake City)

Outstanding Individual Award

Troy Weekley

Distinguished Partnership Award

ProRodeo Hall of Fame

Lenora Reimers Heritage Award

Pam Minick

Lifetime Family Heritage Award

Martha and R.E. Josey

2017 WPRA Barrel Racing

Top 15 At A Glance

<u>Name, Hometown</u>	<u>Horse (s)</u>	<u>2017 Earnings</u>	<u>NFR Rank</u>	<u>Back No.</u>	<u>NFR Qual.</u>	<u>World Titles</u>
*Taci Bettis (R), Round Top, Texas	Smash, Ziva	\$97,023	8th	54	1	0
Sydni Blanchard, Albuquerque, N.M.	Heart, Jesse	\$91,362	11th	95	3	0
Kellie Collier, Hereford, Texas	Lolo, Muffin	\$83,338	13th	105	1	0
Ivy Conrado, Hudson, Colo.	Tibbie, Famey	\$78,181	14th	117	2	0
Kathy Grimes, Medical Lake, Wash.	Issy, Ruby	\$111,785	6th	93	1	0
Stevi Hillman, Weatherford, Texas	Sharpie, Truck	\$185,952	2nd	11	2	0
Hailey Kinsel, Cotulla, Texas	Sister, TJ	\$98,707	7th	62	1	0
Lisa Lockhart, Oelrichs, S.D.	Louie, Rosa	\$96,454	9th	109	11	0
Nellie Miller, Cottonwood, Calif.	Sister	\$130,537	3rd	86	2	0
Amberleigh Moore, Salem, Ore.	Paige	\$120,806	4th	41	2	0
Kassie Mowry, Dublin, Texas	Junior	\$115,163	5th	121	2	0
Tillar Murray, Fort Worth, Texas	Dirty Dan, Commander	\$86,020	12th	82	1	0
Brittany Pozzi-Tonozzi, Victoria, Texas	Steeley, Super Fly	\$92,930	10th	73	11	2
Tiany Schuster, Krum, Texas	Show Mance, JSYK	\$250,378	1st	5	1	0
Kimmie Wall, Roosevelt, Utah	Foxy	\$76,294	15th	120	2	0

*WPRA Rookie

Taci Bettis

Event: Barrel racing
2017 World standings place: 8th
2017 Earnings: \$97,023
Career earnings: \$97,023 (through 2017 regular season)
Born: June 18, 1991
Residence: Round Top, Texas
Joined the WPRA: 2017
Horses: **Bogie Is A Smash** "Smash" (9-year old gelding) - Sire: Bogie Biankus/Dam: Bogies Devine Smash; **LK Sheza Hayday** "Ziva" (7-year old - owned by Tammy Fischer) - Sire: PC Frenchmans Hayday/Dam: Sheza Peasa Pie; **Bogies French Bug** "Bugs" (6-year old gelding) - Sire: Frenchmans Bogie/Dam: Really A Wrangler
World titles: 0
Wrangler NFR qualifications: 1 (2017)



Professional

2017 Highlights

- Won a WPRA Rookie of the Year
- Finished second at the second night of Champions Challenge in Sioux Falls, S.D.
- Won the Lea County Fair and Rodeo (Lovington, N.M.)
- Won the Gooding (Idaho) Pro Rodeo
- Finished second at the Caldwell (Idaho) Night Rodeo
- Won the Central Wyoming Fair and Rodeo (Casper)
- Won the Rooftop Rodeo (Estes Park, Colo.)
- Finished second at Home of Champions (Red Lodge, Mont.)
- Won the Deadwood (S.D.) Days of 76 Rodeo
- Won the Ogden (Utah) Pioneer Days
- Finished second at the Sheridan (Wyo.) Rodeo
- Won the Lehi (Utah) Roundup
- Finished second at the Reno (Nev.) Rodeo after winning the final round
- Finished second at the Coleman (Texas) PRCA Rodeo
- Finished second at Rodeo Killeen (Texas)
- Finished second at Crockett (Texas) Pro Rodeo
- Won the Buc Days ProRodeo (Corpus Christi, Texas)

Awards

2017 WPRA Rookie of the Year; Taci claimed a pair of American Quarter Horse Association (AQHA) World titles in 2015 at the World Show in Oklahoma City, taking home the title for Senior Barrel Racing and taking first in the Amateur Division as well

Personal

Husband, Jeremy (engineer for a fiber optics company)...Travels with 6-time Wrangler NFR qualifier Tammy Fischer and Tammy has been her barrel racing coach since she was 15...Bred by former WPRA Columbia River Circuit Director Randy Rae Britt and her husband Sid, Smash is by their stallion Bogie Biankus who carried Britt to the circuit championship in 1997 and leant a hand to Katie (McCoin) Garthwaite during her Wrangler National Finals Rodeo (WNFR) appearance when Garthwaite's own horse suffered an injury...Taci has been riding since before she was walking, Bettis started with a pony at youth rodeos and has worked her way up the ranks, competing in high school rodeo and then on the regional rodeo tour since adding Smash to

her barn. She decided to get her WPRA card once she and Smash were doing so well.

Sydni Blanchard

Event: Barrel racing
2017 World standings place: 11th
2017 Earnings: \$91,362
Career earnings: \$489,825 (through 2017 regular season)
Born: Feb. 13, 1989, in Albuquerque, N.M.
Residence: Albuquerque, N.M.
Joined WPRA: 2008
Horses: **Famous Heartbreaker** "Heart or Nosey" (7-year old mare) - Sire: Dash Ta Fame/Dam: Lady Oh Raylene; **Mr. Famous Jess** "Jesse"(8-year old gelding) - Sire: Jess Louisiana Blue/Dam: Fames Rockette; **First Flash Fire** "Selena" (5-year old mare) - Sire: First Moonflash/Dam: KPS Fire Lily
World titles: 0
Wrangler NFR qualifications: 3 (2010, 2013, 2017)
DNCFR qualifications: 1 (2010)
Education: Eastern New Mexico University (Portales), advertisement/marketing degree



Professional

2017 Highlights

- Won the Fallon County Fair and Rodeo (Baker, Mont.)
- Finished second at the New Mexico State Fair and Rodeo (Albuquerque)
- Won the Oregon Trail Rodeo (Hastings, Neb.)
- Won the Horse Heaven Round-Up (Kennewick, Wash.)
- Won the Canby (Ore.) Rodeo
- Won the Wyoming State Fair & Rodeo (Douglas)
- Won the Larimer County Fair and Rodeo (Loveland, Colo.)
- Won Greeley (Colo.) Independence Day Stampede
- Won Strawberry Days Rodeo (Pleasant Grove, Utah)
- Finished second at the Royal Gorge Rodeo (Canon City, Colo.)
- Co-champion at the Raton (N.M.) PRCA Rodeo
- Finished second at the Beef Empire Days PRCA Rodeo (Garden City, Kan.)
- Had the fastest time at the 2017 RodeoHouston on Famous Heartbreaker with a 13.95

Career Highlights

- 2016 - Finished the year ranked 24th with \$45,532; Won Rodeo de Santa Fe (N.M.), and the Pikes Peak or Bust Rodeo (Colorado Springs, Colo.); won the first round at Cheyenne (Wyo.) Frontier Days Rodeo; finished second at Montana's Biggest Weekend (Dillon), second in the average at the Dodge City (Kan.) Roundup Silver Tour stop, second in the average at the Snake River Stampede (Nampa, Idaho) and second at the Rowell Ranch Rodeo (Hayward, Calif.)
- 2015 - Finished the year with \$6,171.
- 2014 - Finished the year with \$11,754.
- 2013 - Finished the year ranked 14th in the world with \$82,867 after winning \$14,724 at the NFR; won the Dinosaur Days (Vernal, Utah), the Stavelly (Alberta) Indoor Pro Rodeo and the Kern County Sheriff Reserve Stampede Days Rodeo

(Bakersfield, Calif.); Finished second at the San Antonio (Texas) Stock Show and Rodeo

- 2012 – Swept the barrel racing at the Justin Boots Playoffs in Puyallup, Wash, won the Ogden (Utah) Pioneer Days Rodeo, and the Guy Weadick Days Rodeo (High River, Alberta). Finished the year ranked 19th with \$50,612.
- 2011 – Missed part of the season after damaging all the nerves around her tailbone at RodeoHouston and she had to learn how to walk again. Finished the year 16th with \$58,004; won the Ellensburg (Wash.) Rodeo setting a new arena record in a time of 16.91 seconds; won Lea County Fair and Rodeo (Lovington, N.M.) setting a new arena record in a time of 16.99 seconds, the Cassia County Fair & Rodeo (Burley, Idaho) and the Livingston (Mont.) Round-Up; tied for the win at the Kitsap County Fair & Stampede (Bremerton, Wash.); in her first trip to the Calgary Stampede, she won all four rounds in her preliminary pool, a first in the history of the Stampede and went on to win the long round and finals to capture the 2011 title.
- 2010 – Finished the year ranked 9th (jumped from 15th to 9th in the world after the NFR) with \$90,012. Placed in six out of 10 rounds at the Wrangler NFR and won \$40,108; won the year-end and average title at the Dodge Turquoise Circuit Finals Rodeo (Las Cruces, N.M.), the 2010 College National Finals Rodeo Barrel Racing title (Casper, Wyo.), the Gary Hardt Memorial Rodeo (Payson, Ariz.) and the Mother Lode Round-Up (Sonora, Calif.).
- 2009 – Finished the year ranked 47th with \$21,849.
- 2008 – Won the WPROA Rookie of the Year Award. Qualified for the WPROA World Finals in Tulsa, Okla. Finished second in the average at the Snake River Stampede (Nampa, Idaho). Won the first round at the San Angelo (Texas) Stock Show and Rodeo and finished third in the average. Finished the year 27th in the world with \$31,662.

Amateur

National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association barrel racing champion, 2010; Reserve barrel racing champion in the New Mexico High School Rodeo Association (NMHSRA) from 2005-2007; National High School Rodeo Finals qualifier (barrel racing 2004-2007) finishing 12th in 2006; In 2007 also qualified for the National High School Finals in the cutting competition; won the all-around title at the Billy the Kid Rodeo.

Personal

Single...Other occupation is putting on barrel racing clinics...Parents are Paul (a contractor) and Kandace (a therapist) Blanchard and she has five brothers – Levi, Bret, Travis, Pace and Robbie and one sister – Kim...Got interested in rodeo through her family and her first competition was in 1991...Graduated from La Cueva High School in Albuquerque, N.M.... Superstitions are putting her hat on the bed, parking in a handicap spot and black cats...Favorite food is pizza and popcorn, favorite movie is *Gone with the Wind*, favorite book is the *Bible* and enjoys watching movies and taking pictures while on the road ...Her rodeo idols are her uncle Bob and her mom...At the 2011 RodeoHouston, her saddle broke and she hit the back of it damaging all the nerves around the tailbone, causing her to not be able to walk. For three months she rehabilitated the injury, thanks to the athletic trainers at the University of New Mexico,

where her father, Paul, once played football...Believes she would last the longest on Dancing With the Stars as she was in cheer and dance for 12 years.

Kellie Collier

Event: Barrel racing

2017 World Standings place: 13th

2017 World Standings earnings: \$83,338

Career earnings: \$134,687 (through 2017 regular season)

Born: March 13, 1996

Residence: Hereford, Texas

Horses **Streakin Easy April** "Lolo" (9-

year old mare) - Sire: A Streak of

Fling/Dam: Easy April Lena; **Jig French**

Truckle "Muffin" (13-year old mare) - Sire: RNJ

Heckofafrenchman/Dam: Dat Fur Bunny

Joined the WPROA: 2015

World titles: 0

Wrangler NFR qualifications: 1 (2017)

DNCFR/RNCFR qualifications (actual rodeo seasons): 1 (2017)

Education: Texas Tech University, degree in Agricultural Communications

Professional

2017 Highlights

- Qualified for Canadian Finals Rodeo
- Won the year-end title in the Wilderness Circuit
- Won the Cowboy Capital of the World Rodeo (Stephenville, Texas) to punch ticket to first NFR
- Won the Medicine Hat (Alberta) Stampede
- Won the Airdire (Alberta) Pro Rodeo
- Won the Sundre (Alberta) Pro Rodeo
- Finished fourth at the Days of '47 Cowboy Games and Rodeo (Salt Lake City)
- Won the National Western Stock Show and Rodeo (Denver, Colo.)

Career Highlights

- 2016 - Finished the year ranked 23rd in the world with \$48,144; won the WPROA Slot Race at the WPROA World Finals (Waco, Texas); Won the Redding (Calif.) Rodeo, the Angelina County Benefit Rodeo (Lufkin, Texas) and the final round at the Fort Worth (Texas) Stock Show and Rodeo and finished third in the average; finished second at the Colorado State Fair and Rodeo (Pueblo), the Lea County Fair and Rodeo (Lovington, N.M.), the Wild, Wild West ProRodeo (Silver City, N.M.) and at the Ramona (Calif.) Rodeo.
- 2015 - Finished with \$3,205.

Amateur

All-Around Champion in the Southwest Region at Texas Tech University and qualified for the College National Finals Rodeo in 2015 (barrel racing) and 2016 (barrels and breakaway).

Personal

Single...Parents Matt and Kathleen Collier...Lolo carried three-time NFR qualifier Carlee Pierce to the 2014 Wrangler NFR...Competed in youth rodeo including junior high and high school rodeo following in her mother's footsteps who competed in high school and intercollegiate rodeo. Kellie qualified for the National High School Finals rodeo in breakaway, pole bending and barrel racing.



Ivy Conrado

Event: Barrel racing
2017 World standings place: 14th
2017 Earnings: \$78,181
Career earnings: \$274,728
(through 2017 regular season)
Born: September 28, 1994
Residence: Hudson, Colo.
Joined the WPRA: 2015
Horses: **CFour Tibbie Stinson**



"Tibbie" (8-year old mare) - Sire:
Eddie Stinson/Dam: Little Fancy Granny; **Fames To Blame** "Famey" (6-year old sorrel mare) - Sire: Lions Share of Fame/Dam: Six Frenchmans Peach; **KN Fabs Gift of Fame** "J Lo" (8-year old palomino mare) - Sire: Frenchmans Fabulous/Dam: Mistys Dash of Fame
World titles: 0
Wrangler NFR qualifications: 2 (2016-17)

Professional

2017 Highlights

- Won the Magic Valley Stampede (Filer, Idaho)
- Won the Dick Stull Memorial Rodeo (Sterling Colo.)
- Won the Ute Mountain Roundup (Cortez, Colo.)
- Won the Days of '47 Cowboy Games and Rodeo Qualifier (Salt Lake City)
- Won Parada Del Sol (Scottsdale, Ariz.)
- Finished second at the Yuma (Colo.) County Fair & Rodeo
- Finished second at Douglas County Fair and Rodeo (Castle Rock, Colo.)
- Finished second at the Gooding (Idaho) Pro Rodeo
- Finished second at the Kitsap Stampede (Bremerton, Wash.)
- Finished second at the Central Wyoming Fair and Rodeo (Casper)
- Finished second at the Wrangler Champions Challenge (Redding, Calif.)
- Finished second at the Redding (Calif.) Rodeo
- Finished second at the Rowell Ranch Rodeo (Hayward, Calif.)

Career Highlights

- 2016 - Entered her first Wrangler NFR ranked 4th. Finished the year ranked 8th with \$161,775 and placed in four rounds at the Wrangler NFR; on Washington State Fair Pro Rodeo (Puyallup), the Champions Challenge in Pasadena, Texas, the Horse Heaven Round-Up (Kennewick, Wash.), the Sheridan WYO Rodeo, the Champions Challenge in Spanish Fork, Utah, setting a new arena record in a time of 16.65 seconds, the Helldorado Days Rodeo (Las Vegas, Nev.), the Ram National Circuit Finals Rodeo (Kissimmee, Fla.) and the Fort Worth (Texas) Stock Show and Rodeo; finished second at the San Antonio (Texas) Stock Show and Rodeo and second at the National Western Stock Show and Rodeo in Denver
- 2015 - Finished fifth in the WPRA Rookie of the Year race and was 36th in the WPRA World standing with \$34,772. Won the final round at the Reno (Nev.) Rodeo and was second in the average; won the Douglas County Fair and Rodeo (Castle Rock, Colo.); finished second at the Washington State Fair Pro Rodeo in Puyallup.

Awards

CFour Tibbie Stinson was named 2016 AQHA/WPRA Barrel Racing Horse of the Year.

Personal

Single...Father, Kelly; mother, Cody; sister, Paige...When Ivy was still a young girl, she was at the futurity in Fort Smith, Ark., with her family and got into a wreck while riding one of the young horses there. The accident kept her from the saddle for awhile. Enter Little Fancy Granny, also known as Racie. Just about four when the Conrados got her, Racie became Conrado's therapy with the then nine year old girl spending hours in the saddle on the mare. Racie loved running barrels and soon took nearly every member of the family to the winner's circle. Ivy won the Wrangler Junior High School State Finals twice on Racie. In her last win at the Junior High Finals, Racie was actually bred to the Dash Ta Fame son Eddie Stinson. The embryo that was flushed out following the win was Tibbie. Because Ivy was also busy competing in volleyball including Junior Olympics, she never went to the High School Finals with Racie and took a break from riding through her high school years. Meanwhile, Conrado's dad, Kelly, put Racie's filly into training, winning big during her four year old futurity season...According to Ivy, Tibbie is a prima donna but then also dirty tough. She loves treats and kisses. Life is pretty serious when you put a saddle on her...Favorite color is dark purple despite her lucky blue shirt she wore to win Ft. Worth and the RNCFR that was given to her by Jimmie Munroe, who wore the same shirt when she competed in the NFR. Favorite road snack is kettle chips and would like Jennifer Lawrence or Emma Watson to play her in a movie about her life as they are two of her favorites. Sponsored by Wrangler, Horsecare Ireland, Renew Gold, Zesterra, Vista Equine Colorado, Techmix, MVP, CSI Saddle Pads, Cowboy Classic, Horse Hydrator, Elgin Vet

Kathy Grimes

Event: Barrel racing
2017 World standings place: 6th
2017 Earnings: \$111,785
Career earnings: \$206,444 (through 2017 regular season)
Born: July 24, 1965
Residence: Medical Lake, Wash.
Joined the WPRA: 2003
Horses: **KG Justiceweexpected** "Issy" (10-year old black mare) - Sire: Judge Cash/Dam: Do It For Beau; **KG Blazin Nine Oh** "Ruby" (7-year old mare) - Sire: Blazin Jetolena/Dam: Do It For Beau
World titles: 0
Wrangler NFR qualifications: 1 (2017)
RNCFR qualifications (actual rodeo season): 2 (2014, 2016)



Professional

2017 Highlights

- Qualified for 8th Columbia River Circuit Finals
- Won the Omak (Wash.) Stampede
- Finished second at the Gem State Stampede (Coeur d'Alene, Idaho)
- Won the SW District Fat Stock Show & Rodeo (Lake Charles, La.)
- Finished second at RodeoHouston
- Finished second at the Wrangler Champions Challenge (Grand Island, Neb.)

- Finished second at the San Antonio (Texas) Stock Show and Rodeo
- Finished second at the Fort Worth (Texas) Stock Show and Rodeo

Career Highlights

- 2016 - Won the average at the Columbia River Circuit Finals for the second time. First was in 2014. Was her seventh qualification to the circuit finals

Awards

2017 Jerry Ann Taylor Best Dressed Award winner in Fort Worth, Texas

Personal

Married...Is a veterinarian and her horse KG Justice we expected "Issy" was her first attempt at embryo transfer and says, "I saw her in a Petri dish when she was an embryo-logically 8 days old. To come to this point is so cool."..Favorite color is purple...Went home after the RNCFR in 2017 for 2 months to breed about 85 mares.

Stevi Hillman

Event: Barrel racing

2017 World standings place: 2nd

2017 Earnings: \$185,952

Career Earnings: \$379,719 (through 2017 regular season)

Born: Oct. 29, 1986

Residence: Weatherford, Texas

Joined the WPRA: 2012

Horses: **Cuatro Fame** "Cuatro or Truck" (10-year old gelding) - Sire:

Dash Ta Fame/Dam: Princess Streaks; **MCM**

ImASharpGuy "Sharpie" (5-year old grey gelding) - Sire:

A Sharp Frenchman/Dam: Mulberry Canyon Moon;

Morning Traffic "Martini" (6-year old palomino mare) -

Sire: Frenchmans Guy/Dam: Evening Traffic

World titles: 0

Wrangler NFR qualifications: 2 (2016-17)

RNCFR qualifications: 0

Education: Will Rogers State University (now Rogers State University) in Claremore, Okla., and Weatherford (Texas) College, degree in Radiology

Professional

2017 Highlights

- Won the Wrangler Champions Challenge (Sioux Falls, S.D.) and finished second at the second Champions Challenge in Sioux Falls, S.D.
- Won the Caldwell (Idaho) Night Rodeo and set an arena record en route to that title.
- Won the Cheyenne (Wyo.) Frontier Days Rodeo
- Won the Spanish Fork (Utah) Fiesta Days Rodeo
- Won the Livingston (Mont.) Roundup
- Won the Black Hills Roundup (Belle Fourche, S.D.)
- Won the Rodeo de Santa Fe (N.M.)
- Won the Rodeo of the Ozarks (Springdale, Ark.)
- Won the Buffalo Bill Rodeo (North Platte, Neb.)
- Won the Wrangler Champions Challenge (Spanish Fork, Utah)
- Won the Red Bluff (Calif.) Round-Up
- Won La Fiesta de los Vaqueros (Tucson, Ariz.)
- Won the Walker County Fair & Rodeo (Huntsville, Texas)
- Won the San Patricio County PRCA Rodeo (Sinton, Texas)



Career Highlights

- 2016 - Entered her first Wrangler NFR ranked 6th; placed in 5 rounds at the Wrangler NFR. Finished the year ranked 11th with \$156,528. Was 10th in the average and won \$51,885 in Las Vegas. Won the All-American Finals (Waco, Texas), the Cowboy Capital of the World Rodeo (Stephenville, Texas), the Pendleton (Ore.) Round-Up, her first Wrangler Champions Challenge in Pueblo, Colo., the Jayhawker Roundup Rodeo (Hill City, Kan.), the Central Wyoming Rodeo (Casper), the Home of Champions Rodeo (Red Lodge, Mont.), the Black Hills Roundup (Belle Fourche, S.D.), the Reno (Nev.) Rodeo, the Bennington (Kan.) PRCA Rodeo, the Crockett (Texas) Lions Club PRCA Rodeo and the Jasper (Texas) Lions Benefit Rodeo; Finished second in the average at the California Rodeo Salinas and second in the WPRA Slot Race at the 2016 WPRA World Finals in Waco aboard Martini
- 2015 - Finished the year ranked 175th with \$6,522.
- 2013 - Finished the year ranked 301st with \$2,536.
- 2012 - Finished second in the WPRA Rookie of the Year standings with \$28,181. Emily Efurud won the Rookie title with \$42,837. Won the Young County Rodeo (Graham, Texas), the Butterfield Stage Days PRCA Rodeo (Bridgeport, Texas), the Crockett (Texas) Lions Club PRCA Rodeo, the Parker County Sheriff's Posse Frontier Days Rodeo (Weatherford, Texas), and the Deadwood (S.D.) Days of '76 Rodeo.

Awards

Sharpie finished second in the AQHA/WPRA Barrel Racing Horse of the Year voting, 2017.

Personal

Husband, Ty...Stepfather, Dave Salzbrenner...Was named after Stevie Nicks. Grew up in Ordway, Colo., and looked up to barrel racers like Rachael Myllymaki...Family was not involved in rodeo but learned valuable lessons from her step-father about training horses including the importance of good foundation. Didn't have the money to buy the good ones with good breeding so trained young horses...Serves as a radiologic technician, taking -x-rays, CT scans and working in surgery. ..Cuatro Fame is owned by Jason and Melissa Mouton of Scott, La., has had since end of 2014 when the Moutons sent him to her to sell. Mouton initially bought Cuatro as a 4-year old after she was diagnosed with Lupus. She wanted a project horse to occupy her time. Hillman asked if she could rodeo season him before selling and they all agreed. Then they decided to let Stevi try to make the NFR on him...Morning Traffic is owned by Cody and Michelle Darling...Sharpie is owned by Matt and Bendi Dunn and out of Mulberry Canyon Moon, a mare that carried Angie Meadors to the Wrangler NFR in 2011...Favorite rodeo is Salinas because you can get fresh fruit and the ocean all in one; if she wasn't a barrel racer she would probably be a pediatrician; actress that would play her in a movie is Reese Witherspoon because people say she looks like her...Sponsored by Nutrena, 5-Star Pads, MVP, Shiloh Saddlery, Rock N Roll Cowgirl, Team PHT, Flair Strips, EquiPulmin, Outlaw Equine, Mouton Sand and Gravel, Dunn Ranch, Merhow Trailers, FlexiNeb, HayRite Alfalfa Cubes, PrepareToWin.tv.

Hailey Kinsel

Event: Barrel racing

2017 World standings place: 7th

2017 Earnings: \$98,707

Career earnings: \$115,297 (through 2017 regular season)

Born: Oct. 3, 1994

Residence: Cotulla, Texas

Joined the WPRA: 2015

Horses: **DM Sissy Hayday** "Sister"

(6-year old palomino mare) - Sire:

PC Frenchmans Hayday/Dam: Royal Sissy Irish;

Thunder Stones "TJ" (13-year old gelding) - Sire: Sticks and Stones/Dam: See F Jets Candy

World titles: 0

Wrangler NFR qualifications: 1 (2017)

Education: Texas A&M University (College Station), graduated May 2017 with a degree in agriculture economics

Professional

2017 Highlights

- Won a gold medal at the Days of '47 Cowboy Games and Rodeo (Salt Lake City, Utah)
- Finished second at the Tri-State Fair and Rodeo (Amarillo, Texas)
- Finished second at the Dinosaur Days Rodeo (Vernal, Utah)
- Won West of the Pecos (Texas) Rodeo
- Finished second at the Guymon (Okla.) Pioneer Days Rodeo
- Finished second at the San Patricio County PRCA Rodeo (Sinton, Texas)
- Tied for second at the National Western Stock Show and Rodeo (Denver, Colo.)

Career Highlights

- 2016 - Won the Elizabeth (Colo.) Stampede, the Longview (Texas) PRCA Rodeo, the Crockett (Texas) Lions Club PRCA Rodeo and the Hugo (Okla.) PRCA Rodeo.
- 2015 - Finished ranked 19th in the WPRA Rookie of the Year standings with \$4,880.

Awards

2017 National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association Barrel Racing Champion; won the Texas High School Finals Rodeo and qualified for the National High School Finals Rodeo two-times in barrel racing and breakaway roping.

Personal

Single...Parents Dan and Leslie, brother Matt. Grew up on her family's commercial beef cattle ranch in South Texas. Was a gymnast until age 11 and she decided to follow the rodeo world instead of the Olympic route...Her mother Leslie is a former Miss Rodeo Texas and enjoys starting colts, a passion that stemmed from working for horse trainers and something she now shares with Hailey...Is also a roper and competed at the 2017 WPRA World Finals...Competed on the Texas A&M University rodeo team...Purchased Sister from a sale in her 2-year old year and Hailey and her mom trained her...Kinsel's WPRA season changed in July when she won \$50,000 at the Days of '47 Cowboy Games and Rodeo and set her on the path to the Wrangler NFR. She also won a share of \$1 million when she won the barrel racing title at RFD-TVs the American in Dallas in February.



Lisa Lockhart

Event: Barrel racing

2017 World standings place: 9th

2017 Earnings: \$96,454

Career earnings: \$2,147,871 (through 2017 regular season)

Born: Nov. 11, 1965, in Wolf Point, Mont.

Residence: Oelrichs, S.D.

Joined WPRA: 1993

Horses: **An Oakie With Cash** "Louie" (14-year old buckskin gelding) – Sire: Biebers Oakie/Dam:

Lady Kaweah Cash; **Rosas Cantina CC** "Rosa" (7-year old buckskin mare) - Sire: Corona Cartel/Dam: Dash Ta

Vanilla; **Fast An Gold** "Chisum" (19-year-old chestnut gelding) - Sire: El Roco/Dam: Romanna Glass;

World titles: 0

Wrangler NFR average titles: 2 (2014, 2016)

Wrangler NFR qualifications: 11 (2007-17)

Tour Finale title: 1

Caldwell Round: 2007

Tour Finale qualifications: 4

Caldwell Round: 2007-08

Puyallup Round: 2007-08

RNCFR qualifications (seasons qualified; years competed would be following year): 13 (1996, 1998-2000, 2005, 2007, 2009-14, 2016)

Professional

2017 Highlights

- Won a bronze medal at the Days of '47 Cowboy Games and Rodeo (Salt Lake City, Utah)
- Won the McCone County PRCA Rodeo (Circle, Mont.)
- Finished second at the Wyoming State Fair & Rodeo (Douglas)
- Won the Kimball-Banner Rodeo (Kimball, Neb.)
- Won the Lawton (Okla.) Rangers Rodeo aboard Rosa and set arena record 16.93 seconds
- Finished second at the Larimer County Fair & Rodeo (Loveland, Colo.)
- Finished second at the Strathmore (Alberta) Stampede
- Won the Richland County Fair & Rodeo (Sidney, Mont.)
- Won the Big Sky ProRodeo Roundup (Great Falls, Mont.)
- Won the Northeast Montana Fair & Rodeo (Glasgow, Mont.)
- Won the Wolf Point (Mont.) Wild Horse Stampede
- Won the Sitting Bull Stampede (Mobridge, S.D.)
- Won the Wrangler Champions Challenge (Santa Maria, Calif.)
- Finished second at the Wrangler Champions Challenge (Rapid City, S.D.)

Career Highlights

- 2016 - Entered the Wrangler NFR ranked 7th. Won the average title setting a new record with 137.98 seconds on 10 runs. Previous record was held by Sherry Cervi in 2013 at 138.15. Also crossed the \$2 million mark at the Wrangler NFR after winning \$151,731 by placing in 5 rounds, winning the third round. Finished the year ranked 3rd with \$2,519,975; competed at just 38 rodeos and still qualified for the NFR; won the second most money over the Fourth of July run with \$23,729 amongst barrel racers; won the year-end title in the Montana Circuit (first in that circuit but 10th overall year-end title; other 9 was



from the Badlands Circuit), won the Range Days Rodeo (Rapid City, S.D.), the Wyoming State Fair & Rodeo (Douglas), Kimball (Neb.)-Bonner Co. Rodeo, the Final round at the Cheyenne (Wyo.) Frontier Days Rodeo, the Wolf Point (Mont.) Wild Horse Stampede, the Oakley (Utah) Independence Day Rodeo and the Greeley (Colo.) Independence Day Stampede

- 2015 - Finished as reserve world champion with \$285,059 in earnings; placed in eight out of 10 rounds and was seventh in the average with a total time of 148.54 seconds on 10 runs. Won \$123,538 at the NFR; Won Cheyenne (Wyo.) Frontier Days Rodeo, the Home of Champions Rodeo (Red Lodge, Mont.), the Calgary Stampede, the Champions Challenge in Spanish Fork, Utah, the Champions Challenge in Logandale, Nev. and the Champions Challenge in Scottsdale, Ariz.
- 2014 - Entered the Wrangler NFR ranked third. Won the average title in a time of 144.93 seconds on 10 runs. Finished second in the year-end standings just \$10,927 from the world title. Won Rds 2 and 7 and placed in six other rounds. Finished the year with \$265,514 after winning \$143,897 at the Wrangler NFR; won the year-end title in the Badlands for the fourth straight time and won her ninth overall circuit title; won the Days of 76 Rodeo (Deadwood, S.D.), the Maah Daah Hey Stampede (Grassy Butte, N.D.), the Champions Challenge (Scottsdale, Ariz.) and the Parada Del Sol (Scottsdale, Ariz.).
- 2013 – Won three of 10 rounds at the Wrangler NFR and placed in four other rounds. Finished third in the average with a total time of 143.71 seconds on 10 runs and was third in the final world standings with \$184,201. Was one of only three ladies to win rounds – others were 2013 World Champion Sherry Cervi and Taylor Jacob. Won \$102,163 at the Wrangler NFR; won the year-end title in the Badlands Circuit Finals, the McCone County Fair PRCA Rodeo (Circle, Mont.), the North Peace Stampede (Grimshaw, Alberta), the Richland County Fair (Sidney, Mont.), the 53rd Annual Daines Ranch Rodeo (Innisfail, Alberta), the Luxton Pro Rodeo (Victoria, B.C.) and the Falkland (B.C.) Stampede
- 2012 – Finished third in the average at the 2012 Wrangler NFR and crossed the \$1 million dollar mark in career earnings; placed in 8 out of 10 rounds and won the ninth round in a time of 13.66 seconds. Finished the year ranked fifth with \$180,336; won the Canadian Finals Rodeo, the Ram Badlands Circuit Finals year-end title and average title, her 7th year-end title, the Bowman (N.D.) County Pro Rodeo, the Sitting Bull Stampede (Moberly, S.D.), the Fallon County Fair & Rodeo (Baker, Mont.), the Red Horse Ranch PRCA Rodeo (Fergus Falls, Minn.), the Dick Stull Memorial Rodeo (Sterling, Colo.), the Richland County Fair & Rodeo (Sidney, Mont.), the Falkland (British Columbia) Stampede and Rodeo Austin
- 2011 – Placed in six out of 10 rounds at the Wrangler NFR, winning Rds. 2 & 9. Entering the NFR had won \$80,671 and almost equaled that in 10 days in Las Vegas winning \$79,038. Finished the year ranked fourth with \$159,710; won the Ram Badlands Circuit Finals year-end title and average title. This is her 6th year-end title, won the Bowman (N.D.) County Pro Rodeo, the Range Days Rodeo (Rapid City, S.D.), the McCone County Fair PRCA Rodeo (Circle, Mont.), the Catfish Stampede (Onida, S.D.), the Sundre (Alberta) Pro Rodeo, the Bonnyville (Alberta) Pro Rodeo and finished second at RodeoHouston.
- 2010 – Finished the year ranked fourth in the world with \$188,027. Placed in seven out of 10 rounds, winning Rds. 1 and 5 with times of 13.84 seconds and 13.62 seconds, respectively. Finished third in the average and won \$107,426 at the NFR, on the average title at the Dodge Badlands Circuit Finals Rodeo (Minot, N.D.). Qualified for the 2011 DNCFR with her husband, Grady, who qualified in tie-down roping, won the Catfish Stampede (Onida, S.D.), the Richland County Fair & Rodeo (Sidney, Mont.), the Dawson County Fair & Rodeo (Glendive, Mont.), the Strathmore (Alberta) Stampede, won a career best \$17,957 during the Fourth of July, the Ponoka (Alberta) Stampede and RodeoAustin; co-champion at A Tribute to Chris LeDoux (Casper, Wyo.).
- 2009 – Entered the Wrangler NFR ranked eighth and finished the year ranked eighth with \$120,246 after picking up \$47,548 at the NFR. Placed in five out of 10 rounds, winning the final round in a time of 13.77 seconds. Was 5th in the average. Won the average title at the Dodge Badlands Circuit Finals Rodeo (Minot, N.D.). Won the Northeast Montana Fair and Rodeo (Glasgow), the Deadwood (S.D.) Days of 76 Rodeo, the Sundre (Alberta) Rodeo and the rodeo at Marwayne (Alberta).
- 2008 – Placed in five out of 10 rounds at the Wrangler NFR. Finished the year ranked 12th in the world with \$95,751. Was ninth in the average at the NFR and won \$24,069; won the Red Horse Ranch PRCA Rodeo (Fergus Falls, Minn.), the Deadwood (S.D.) Days Rodeo, the Ogden (Utah) Pioneer Days Rodeo, the Corn Palace Stampede Rodeo (Mitchell, S.D.) and the Sundre (Alberta) Pro Rodeo.
- 2007 – Finished the year ranked fifth in the world with \$125,492 and was ninth in the average at the Wrangler NFR and won \$58,173. Won the Luxton Pro Rodeo (Victoria, B.C.), the North Peace Stampede (Grimshaw, Alberta), the Caldwell Night Rodeo (Ariat Playoffs of the Wrangler ProRodeo Tour) and the Badlands Circuit Finals Rodeo (Minot, N.D.); was co-champion at the Wolf Point (Mont.) Wild Horse Stampede.
- 2006 – Won the Strathmore (Alberta) Stampede and the Canadian National Finals (Edmonton, Alberta), capturing two rounds on her 41st birthday.
- 2005 – Finished 43rd in the world standings with earnings of \$24,778.

Awards

An Oakie with Cash “Louie” was voted the Horse with the Most Heart (presented in memory of Rockem Sockem Go “Rocky” owned by Kelly Kaminski) in 2011; Won the Guy Weadick Award at the Calgary Stampede in 2016.

Personal

Husband Grady (married 1994), a PRCA tie-down roper who won the Badlands Circuit Finals in 1996; kids, Alyssa, Thane and Cade...Ranches and trains horses when she is not on the road competing...Served on the

Oelrichs (S.D.) School Board...Nephew Jess Lockwood became the youngest world champion in the PBR when he won the world title in 2017...Sponsored by: Platinum Performance, B Bar Heart Performance Horses, Cowgirl Tuff, DeTye Vet Supply, Woody's Performance Horse Feeds, Priefert Ranch Equipment, Polaris RANGER, Rodeo Rigs, Classic Equine and Outback Customs

Nellie (Williams) Miller

Event: Barrel racing

2017 World standings place: 3rd

2017 Earnings: \$130,537

Career Earnings: \$355,314 (through end of 2017 regular season)

Born: February 14, 1988

Residence: Cottonwood, Calif.

Joined the WPRA: 2008

Horse: **Rafter W Minnie Reba** "Sister"

(9-year old blue roan mare) – Sire: KS

Cash N Fame/Dam: Espuela Roan

World titles: 0

Wrangler NFR qualifications: 2 (2010, 2017)

DNCFR qualifications (actual rodeo seasons): 3 (2010, 2016-17)

Education: University of Nevada – Las Vegas and Chico (Calif.) State

Professional

2017 Highlights

- Won year-end title in the California Circuit.
- Won Ellensburg (Wash.) Rodeo for second straight year
- Finished second at Industry Hills (Calif.) Charity Pro Rodeo
- Finished second at Sheriff's PRCA Rodeo (San Bernardino, Calif.)
- Finished second at the Calgary Stampede after being a last minute replacement - solidified her spot at the NFR and was the biggest check she had ever won.
- Won St. Paul (Ore.) Rodeo
- Won Reno (Nev.) Rodeo

Career Highlights

- 2016 - Finished the year ranked 19th with \$54,113; Won the California Circuit Finals (Lancaster); won the average at Ellensburg (Wash.) Rodeo, the Caribou County Fair and Rodeo (Grace, Idaho) and California Rodeo Salinas; finished 2nd at the Omak (Wash.) Stampede and 2nd at the Sisters (Ore.) Rodeo
- 2015 - Not ranked in top 500
- 2014 - Not ranked in top 500
- 2013 - Ranked 138th with \$6,987
- 2012 - Not ranked in top 500
- 2011 - Ranked 66th in the world with \$15,920.
- 2010 - Competed in first Wrangler NFR and finished the year ranked 11th with \$86,473 aboard Rebas Smokey Joe "Blue Duck: a 16-year old gelding. Placed second in the first round with a time of 13.92 seconds; won the year-end title in the California Circuit and qualified for the DNCFR, the Klamath Falls (Ore.) Great NW PRCA Rodeo, the Truckee (Calif.) Championship ProRodeo, the Santa Maria (Calif.) Elks Rodeo, the Stonyford (Calif.) Rodeo, the Kern County Sheriff Reserve Stampede Days Rodeo (Bakersfield, Calif.) and the Auburn (Calif.) Wild West Stampede.



- 2009 – Finished the year ranked 26th with \$36,113. Won the Stonyford (Calif.) Rodeo.
- 2008 – Finished the year ranked 33rd with \$25,171. Won the Pikes Peak or Bust Rodeo (Colorado Springs, Colo.).

Awards

Rafter W Minnie Reba "Sister" was named the AQHA/WPRA Barrel Racing Horse of the Year, 2017

Personal

Husband, James Miller (general manager of Red Bluff Roundup), two daughters (4 years and 16 months as of Aug. 2016)...Parents are Sam and Roxy Williams and brothers are Clint and Wyatt...Father Sam trained her horse Blue Duck which was a homegrown horse and started out as Sam's roping horse. The family also raised and trained Minnie Reba "Sister" and named her that as she is a half sister to Blue Duck...After getting married moved to Tennessee for a couple of years before coming back to California...Favorite rodeo is Salinas...Grew up in a rodeo family and started running barrels when she was 12...Biggest influence on her career has been her dad because he trains all her horses and taught her everything she knows about riding...Enjoys watching movies, reading books and going shopping. Also likes playing craps as the card games bore her...Favorite TV show is Castle, favorite food is Italian and favorite rodeo is Salinas...Is a San Francisco Giants baseball fan...Competed on the UNLV Rodeo team. Meet her husband in Las Vegas and got married there...Would seek rodeo advice from World Champion Charmayne James.

Amberleigh Moore

Event: Barrel racing

2017 World standings place: 4th

2017 Earnings: \$120,806

Career earnings: \$461,397 (through 2017 regular season)

Born: Sept. 4, 1968

Residence: Salem, Ore.

Joined the WPRA: 2015

Horses: **CP Dark Moon** "Paige" (8-year

old mare) - Sire: Darkelly/Dam: SRQH

New Highs; **Junos Royal Flush** "Jen" (10-year old mare) - Sire: Dash Of Royal Gold/Dam: Royal Wrangler Sarah

World titles: 0

Wrangler NFR qualifications: 2 (2016-17)

Professional

2017 Highlights

- Won Washington State Fair & Rodeo (Puyallup)
- Won the Lynden (Wash.) PRCA Rodeo
- Finished second at the Farm-City Pro Rodeo (Hermiston, Ore.)
- Won the PRCA Last Stand Rodeo (Coulee City, Wash.)
- Finished second at the Crooked River Roundup (Prineville, Ore.)
- Finished second at the Santa Maria (Calif.) Elks Rodeo
- Won Clark County Fair and Rodeo (Logandale, Nev.)
- Won San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo
- Finished second at the San Angelo (Texas) Stock Show and Rodeo



- Won the Dixie National Rodeo (Jackson, Miss.)
- Won the Bell County PRCA Rodeo (Belton, Texas)

Career Highlights

- 2016 - Entered first Wrangler NFR ranked 15th and after a dominating NFR finished as reserve world champion; tied the arena record in the 8th round in a time of 13.37 seconds; placed in all but two rounds winning three rounds and finishing second in the average. Set a new NFR earnings record with \$187,692 breaking Sherry Cervi's record of \$155,899 in 2013. More than doubled her career earnings at the Wrangler NFR. Moved into the Top 15 with just two weeks left in the season; won the American Royal (Kansas City, Mo.), the Sanders County Fair & PRCA Rodeo (Plains, Mont.), the Omak (Wash.) Stampede, the Missoula (Mont.) Stampede, the Elgin (Ore.) Stampede, the Sisters (Ore.) Rodeo and the Union (Ore.) Rodeo; finished second at the New Mexico State Fair and Rodeo (Albuquerque), the Tri-State Rodeo (Amarillo, Texas) and the Washington State Fair Pro Rodeo (Puyallup, Wash.)
- 2015 - Finished 10th in the WPRA Rookie standings with \$13,383; won the Columbia River Circuit Rookie of the Year and was second at the Columbia River Circuit Finals Rodeo.

Personal

Husband, Paul; daughter Keirstin...Operates her own bling tack business - AKM Originals. Also handles all the bookkeeping for the family business Emerald Outdoor Living - business that includes pools, hot tubs, grills, patio furniture and fireplaces...Grew up on a horse competing alongside her parents in o-mok-see (gaming-involves racing in four lanes at once) and gymkhana events. Her father, Bill (74) and mother Sandy Neely (69) still compete as of 2016...Started training and competing in barrel racing futurities around 2000. Purchased her horse Paige from Cody Hyde when the mare was 3-years old...Sponsored by Purina, Tight Joints Plus, OE Nutraceuticals, Professional's Choice, CR Ranchweat, Champion Feed, Earls Garage, G&J Logging, Katie's Coast to Coast, Silver Lining Herbs, Murray Hay Sales, BRN4D, Belle Star Boutique, Double J Saddlery, 5 Star Pads, Back on Track, House Top H Ranch, Cowgirl Tuff, MR4Activet

Kassie Mowry

Event: Barrel racing
 2017 Wrangler Standings place: 5th
 2017 Earnings: \$115,163
 Career earnings: \$199,487 (through 2017 regular season)
 Born: March 11, 1982, in Corona, Calif.
 Residence: Springer, Okla.
 Joined WPRA: 2003
 Horse: **FirewaterMakeMeHappy**
 "Junior" (7-year old gelding) - Sire: Firewaterontherocks/Dam: Junior Country Girl
 World titles: 0
 Wrangler NFR qualifications: 2 (2005, 2017)
 Pace Picante Series qualifications: 1
 Pace Chute-out: 2005
 Education: Western Texas College



Professional

2017 Highlights

- Won Snake River Stampede (Nampa, Idaho)

- Won RodeoHouston
- Won the Parker County Sheriffs Posse Frontier Days and PRCA Rodeo (Weatherford, Texas)
- Finished second at Rodeo of the Ozarks (Springdale, Ark.)
- Won San Angelo (Texas) Stock Show and Rodeo

Career Highlights

- 2005 - Finished the year ranked 14th with \$62,309; was eight in the average at the NFR and won \$10,349; Won the North Idaho Fair & Rodeo (Coeur D'Alene, Idaho), the Molalla (Ore.) Buckaroo, the Santa Maria (Calif.) Elks Rodeo, the Wrangler ProRodeo Tour round at La Fiesta de los Vaqueros (Tucson, Ariz.), the Wrangler ProRodeo Tour round at the Laughlin (Nev.) River Stampede, the Marshall (Texas) Pro Rodeo.
- 2004 - Won Cody (Wyo.) Rodeo and Heart of the North Rodeo (Spooner, Wis.).

Amateur

High School National Champion, 2000; College Champion, 2001.

Personal

Single...Hobbies include boating as she is a self-described "water baby."...Got involved in rodeo because of her love for horses and the fact that she has been riding since she can remember. First competition was in 1999. Is now known as a top futurity horse trainer...Parents are Bill, who works as a manager, and Kim, who is a massage therapist...Nickname is Sleepy because she once slept through the barrel racing at a rodeo and missed her run...Also works as a horse trainer...While on the road she enjoys watching movies, especially scary ones...Horse breeder Jud Little raised the horses that Kassie rode early on but following 2005 Wrangler NFR Kassie started focusing on training futurity horses and competing on them. Wasn't until 2017 when a futurity horse won San Angelo Stock Show and Rodeo and got her qualified for RodeoHouston that she even put the NFR back on her radar screen. Loves the process of taking a three-year-old horse, teaching it the barrel pattern and competing on it...Favorite rodeo is the Cody (Wyo.) Rodeo because she won there in 2004; favorite food is spaghetti; favorite book is *Where the Red Fern Grows*; favorite movie is *Primal Fear*; and enjoys all types of music.

Tillar Murray

Event: Barrel racing
 2017 World Standings place: 12th
 2017 World Standings earnings: \$86,020
 Career earnings: \$165,935 (through 2017 regular season)
 Born: Nov. 18, 1996
 Residence: Fort Worth, Texas
 Horses: **Dirty Dan Stinson** "Dirty Dan" (6-year old gelding) - Sire: Eddie Stinson/Dam: Miss Lano Jewell; **Royal Star Commander** "Commander" (10-year old gelding) - Sire: AR Star/Dam: Go Royal Scarlett; **Lil Gracie Dude** "Tic Tac" (15-year old sorrel gelding) - Sire: Smart Lil Crimson/Dam: Gracies Doll
 Joined the WPRA: 2015
 World titles: 0
 Wrangler NFR qualifications: 1 (2017)
 DNCFR/RNCFR qualifications (actual rodeo seasons): 0
 Education: University of Texas, business management major



Professional

2017 Highlights

- Won the New Mexico State Fair and Rodeo (Albuquerque)
- Won the Helldorado Days Rodeo (Las Vegas) - first win on Dirty Dan after only having him for a month
- Finished second at Rooftop Rodeo (Estes Park, Colo.)
- Finished second at Sisters (Ore.) Rodeo
- Won the Wainwright (Alberta) Stampede
- Won the Mineral Wells (Texas) Rodeo
- Finished second at the Helotes (Texas) Festival Association Rodeo
- Finished second at the Snake River Stampede (Nampa, Idaho).
- Finished second at RodeoAustin

Career Highlights

- 2016 - Finished the year ranked 22nd with \$48,479; Won the Cheyenne (Wyo.) Frontier Days Rodeo and Livingston (Mont.) Roundup; finished second in Mandan (N.D.) Rodeo Days
- 2015 - Finished the year with \$31,436; Won the Dodge City (Kan.) Roundup Rodeo and the All-American Rodeo (Waco, Texas); finished sixth in the Rookie of the Year standings; finished second at Tops In Texas Rodeo (Jacksonville) and Ogden (Utah) Pioneer Days.

Amateur

Won the Texas High School barrel racing title when she was a sophomore

Personal

Single...Father is her traveling partner and is sometimes joined by mother, Trina. She has an older and younger sister...First name is Elizabeth but goes by her middle name Tillar, which is her great-grandmother's name...Only rider in her family and was a passion that began with riding on her grandparents ranch...Got her horse Tic Tac from Bailey Bankston of Paris, Texas and learned the finer traits of barrel racing from the late Ed Wright and his wife, Martha...Rode Commander to the title in Cheyenne in 2016. Commander was owned by the late Ruth Haislip, a three-time NFR qualifier and Commander is out of Haislip's Wrangler NFR mare Go Royal Scarlett. Commander set an arena record at the 2013 Barrel Futurities of America in Oklahoma City, winning the Derby that year with jockey Erin Ricotti. Deb Guelly used the gelding to help her qualify for the NFR in 2015.

Brittany Pozzi-Tonozzi

Event: Barrel racing

2017 World Standings place: 10th

2017 Earnings: \$92,930

Career earnings: \$1,984,812 (through 2017 regular season)

Born: Feb. 9, 1984 in Victoria, Texas

Residence: Victoria, Texas

Joined WPRA: 2003

Horses: **Steele Magnolias "Steeley"** (10-year-old mare) Sire: Magnolia Bar Jet/Dam:

Kings Frosted Lady; **Ima Super Fly Guy "Super Fly"** (9-year old palomino gelding) - Sire: Frenchmans Guy/Streakin Six Babe; **Babe On The Chase "Birdie"** (6-year old mare) - Sire: Chasin Firewater/Dam: Streakin



Six Babe; **KissKiss BangBang "Mona"** (7-year old mare) Sire: Dash Ta Fame/Dam: CD Nick Bar

World titles: 2 (2007, 2009)

Wrangler NFR average titles: 2 (2006-07)

Wrangler NFR qualifications: 11 (2003, 2005-13, 2017)

RNCFR titles: 2 (2012-13)

Tour Finale titles: 4

Pace Chute-out: 2005

Justin Boots Playoffs (Puyallup, Wash.): 2009

Championship: 2003, 2007

Tour Finale qualifications: 20

Pace Chute-out: 2005-06

Caldwell Round: 2007-08

Puyallup Round: 2007-09, 2011

Omaha Round: 2003-04, 2006-09

Championship: 2003-08

Education: Texas A&M University (College Station)

Professional

2017 Highlights

- Won the year-end title Mountain States Circuit
- Won the Wrangler Champions Challenge (Sioux Falls, S.D.) on final day of the regular season; finished second at the event the night before.
- Won the most money over the Fourth of July with \$20,654
- Won the Cache County Fair & Rodeo (Logan, Utah)
- Won the World's Oldest Rodeo (Prescott, Ariz.)
- Won The Famous Preston (Idaho) Night Rodeo
- Won Nebraska's Big Rodeo (Burwell, Neb.)
- Finished second at the Greeley (Colo.) Independence Day Stampede
- Won the San Juan Stampede (Monticello, Utah)

Career Highlights

- 2016 - Won the average title at the Mountain States Circuit Finals Rodeo and qualified for the Ram National Circuit Finals Rodeo in 2017; Won the Yuma (Colo.) County Fair & Rodeo, the Kit Carson County Fair & Rodeo (Burlington, Colo.) and the San Luis Valley Ski-Hi Stampede (Monte Vista, Colo.); finished second at Garfield County Fair & PRCA Rodeo (Rifle, Colo.)
- 2014 - Won the Eastern Colorado Roundup (Akron, Colo.), the Sturgis (S.D.) Wild West Days, the Ute Mountain Roundup (Cortez, Colo.) and the Northwest Florida Championship Rodeo (Bonifay, Fla.); finished second at Garfield County Fair and PRCA Rodeo (Rifle, Colo.), second at the Evergreen (Colo.) Rodeo and second in Oakdale (Calif.) Saddle Club Rodeo
- 2013 - Had to compete at the Wrangler NFR without her main horse Duke, as he suffered an injury a few weeks prior to the start of the Wrangler NFR. Finished the year ranked 12th with \$113,156 in earnings and finished 12th in the average at the Wrangler NFR; won the Gooding (Idaho) Pro Rodeo, California Rodeo Salinas, Drummond (Mont.) PRCA Rodeo, St. Paul (Ore.) Rodeo, the Buffalo Bill Rodeo (North Platte, Neb.), the Elizabeth (Colo.) Stampede, Old Fort Day s (Fort Smith, Ark.), the Ram National Circuit Finals Rodeo for second straight year and the Clark County Fair and Rodeo (Logandale, Nev.)
- 2012 - Placed in four out of 10 rounds at the Wrangler NFR winning \$23,263. Finished the year ranked third with \$194,224 and was 12th in the average at the NFR, winning \$23,263; qualified for

- the RNCFR after finishing second in the year-end circuit standings; won the Sheridan (Wyo.) Rodeo, the Central Wyoming Fair & PRCA Rodeo (Casper, Wyo.), California Rodeo Salinas, the Days of 47 Rodeo (Salt Lake City, Utah), more money than anyone in ProRodeo over the Fourth of July with \$27,789, Molalla (Ore.) Buckaroo Rodeo, St. Paul (Ore.) Rodeo, the Black Hills Round-Up (Belle Fourche, S.D.), Santa Maria (Calif.) Elks Rodeo, the Livermore (Calif.) Rodeo, the Riverdale (Calif.) Rodeo, the Red Bluff (Calif.) Rodeo, the Western Frontier ProRodeo (Pocatello, Idaho), the Clark County Fair & Rodeo (Logandale, Nev.), the Ram National Circuit Finals Rodeo (Oklahoma City, Okla.), the San Angelo (Texas) Stock Show and Rodeo and the National Western Stock Show and Rodeo (Denver); co-champion at the Spanish Fork (Utah) Fiesta Days Rodeo
- 2011 – Finished the year second in the world with \$192,725; placed in seven out of 10 rounds at the Wrangler NFR, sharing the win in the first round. Finished ninth in the average and won \$77,452 at the NFR; co-champion at 126th Silver Spurs Rodeo (Kissimmee, Fla.); won the Southwestern International PRCA Rodeo (El Paso, Texas), the Day's of '76 Rodeo (Salt Lake City), the Medicine Hat (Alberta) Stampede, the Davie (Fla.) ProRodeo, the Wainwright (Alberta) Stampede, the Guy Weadick Memorial Rodeo (High River, Alberta), the Wide Open Rodeo (Ft. Pierce, Fla.), the Brighton Field Day & PRCA Rodeo (Okeechobee, Fla.), La Fiesta de los Vaqueros (Tucson, Ariz.), the San Angelo (Texas) Stock Show and Rodeo and the Mid Winter Fair and Rodeo (Lafayette, La.).
 - 2010 – Finished the year ranked 5th in the world with \$165,999. Placed in five of the 10 rounds at the NFR and shared the round win in the 10th round with a time of 13.67 seconds. Was fourth in the average and won \$51,547 at the Wrangler NFR; won the Iowa's Championship Rodeo (Sidney, Iowa), the Deadwood (S.D.) Days of '76 Rodeo, the Medicine Hat (Alberta) Stampede, the Molalla (Ore.) Buckaroo Rodeo, the 125th Silver Spurs Rodeo (Kissimmee, Fla.), the San Angelo (Texas) Stock Show and Rodeo, the Dixie National (Jackson, Miss.), the Brighton Field Day and PRCA Rodeo (Okeechobee, Fla.) and the National Western Stock Show and Rodeo (Denver); was co-champion at the 50th Annual Daines Ranch Rodeo (Innisfail, Alberta) and at the Mid Winter Fair and Rodeo (Lafayette, La.).
 - 2009 – Won her second world title with a total of \$279,435 after winning \$123,570 at the Wrangler NFR. Won the first round in a time of 13.94 seconds, and the eighth round with a 13.77 and placed in five other rounds. Finished third in the average and won \$123,570 at the NFR. Won the most of any barrel racer over the Fourth of July with \$29,372 and was second overall of any Pro Rodeo contestant. Won the Justin Boots Playoffs (Puyallup, Wash.). Won the Strathmore (Alberta) Rodeo, Iowa's Championship Rodeo (Sidney), the Snake River Stampede (Nampa, Idaho), the Lea County Fair & Rodeo (Lovington, N.M.), the California Rodeo Salinas, the St. Paul (Ore.) Rodeo, the World's Oldest Rodeo (Prescott, Ariz.), the Wainwright (Alberta) Rodeo, the Hand Hills (Alberta) Rodeo, the Daines Ranch Rodeo (Innisfail, Alberta), the Old Fort Days Rodeo (Ft. Smith, Ark.) and La Fiesta de los Vaqueros (Tucson, Ariz.).
 - 2008 – Placed in five out of 10 rounds, winning the fourth and fifth rounds with times of 13.84 and 13.80 respectively. Winning the fourth round marked the first time she had ever won a round at the Wrangler NFR. Finished third in the world with \$196,346 and was 13th in the average at the NFR.; won the Laughlin (Nev.) River Stampede, the Oakdale (Calif.) Saddle Club Rodeo and the National Western Stock Show and Rodeo (Denver).
 - 2007 – Won the average title at the NFR with a time of 140.18 seconds on 10 runs to earn her first world championship and break the single-season record with earnings of \$259,713. She won \$95,192 at the NFR. Broke the barrel racing regular season earnings record after winning \$164,521 on the year, surpassing the previous record of \$130,996 set by Sherry Cervi in 1999. Third highest money winner over Cowboy Christmas with \$26,933. Won the Wrangler ProRodeo Tour Championship (Dallas). Won the Cheyenne (Wyo.) Frontier Days Rodeo, the Spanish Fork (Utah) Fiesta Days Rodeo, the St. Paul (Ore.) Rodeo, the Molalla (Ore.) Buckaroo, the Livingston (Mont.) Roundup Pro Rodeo, the Oakdale (Calif.) Rodeo, the Clovis (Calif.) Rodeo, the Wrangler ProRodeo Tour round and average title at the Red Bluff (Calif.) Round-Up, the Southeastern Livestock Exposition & Rodeo (Montgomery, Ala.), La Fiesta de los Vaqueros (Tucson, Ariz.), the Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show (Fort Worth, Texas) and the National Western Stock Show and Rodeo (Denver); was co-champion at the Cody (Wyo.) Stampede.
 - 2006 – Finished the year as the regular-season leader with \$129,392. Won the average title at the Wrangler NFR with a total time of 141.12 seconds on 10 runs. Placed in three out of 10 rounds and missed winning the world title by \$2,567 to Mary Burger. Finished the year with a total of \$186,618; won the Silver Spurs 118th semi-annual Rodeo (Kissimmee, Fla.), the Northwest Florida Championship Rodeo (Bonifay, Fla.), the Spokane (Wash.) County Interstate Fair & Rodeo, the Wrangler ProRodeo Tour Round and average titles at the Caldwell (Idaho) Night Rodeo, the Sikeston (Mo.) Jaycee Boothill Rodeo, the Snake River Stampede (Nampa, Idaho), the Red Desert Roundup (Rock Springs, Wyo.), the Home of Champions (Red Lodge, Mont.), the St. Paul (Ore.) Rodeo, the Oakley (Utah) Independence Day Rodeo, the Wrangler ProRodeo Tour Round and average title at the Guymon (Okla.) Pioneer Days Rodeo, the Wrangler ProRodeo Tour Round and average title at the Clovis (Calif.) Rodeo, the Oakdale (Calif.) Rodeo and the average title at the Clark County Fair and Rodeo (Logandale, Nev.).
 - 2005 – Won the Thomas County Fair & Rodeo (Colby, Kan.), the Pace Picante ProRodeo Chute-out and qualified for the Pace Classic in Dallas, the North Georgia Stampede Rodeo (Calhoun), the Wrangler ProRodeo Tour and average titles at Rodeo Austin, the Wrangler ProRodeo Tour round title at Clark County Fair & Rodeo (Logandale, Nev.)

and the Waco (Ga.) PRCA Rodeo. Finished the year ranked 10th in the world with \$106,568.

- 2004 – Finished 20th in the world with \$43,067; won Santa Maria (Calif.) Elks Rodeo and finished third at the Pace Challenge (Omaha, Neb.).
- 2003 – The first rookie to qualify first in the WPRA standings for the Wrangler NFR; won Pace Picante ProRodeo Classic (Dallas); set an arena record at the Iowa Championship Rodeo (Sidney); won the ProRodeo Tour round at the Lawton (Okla.) Rangers Rodeo; ran a 16.09 second run at Kansas' Biggest Rodeo (Phillipsburg); won Matagorda Co. Fair, Livestock Show & Rodeo (Bay City, Okla.), YMBL Championship Rodeo (Beaumont, Texas) and Buffalo Bill Rodeo (North Platte, Neb.); won rookie of year race in the WPRA barrel racing; finished seventh in the world with \$89,003.

Amateur

Texas High School Finals barrel racing champion, 2002; National High School Rodeo Association barrel racing champion, 2002; College Southern Region champion, 2003.

Awards

Horse Sixth Vision (nickname Stitch) finished second in the AQHA Barrel Racing Horse of the Year race in 2006 but won the award in 2007. Yeah Hes Firen (Duke) tied with MP Meter My Hay (Stingray) for the 2011 AQHA/WPRA Horse of the Year honors, finished second in 2012. Yeah Hes Firen (Duke) named Horse with the Most Heart presented in memory of Rockem Sockem Go "Rocky" by Kelly Kaminski, 2012.

Personal

Husband, Garrett Tonozzi (PRCA team roper), daughter Tinlee Pozzi Tonozzi (born March 2017)...Parents Randy and Denise and has a younger sister, Brooke...Her family bought her horse, Leroy, for her younger sister, Brooke, to compete on at junior rodeos but he never really worked out for her so Brittany took him and has had great success. Her father taught her how to run barrels...Her grandmother, Delores, passed away on Nov. 2, 2008, after battling pancreatic cancer...Graduated from Memorial High School in Victoria, Texas...Enjoys watching movies and playing golf. She was on the golf team in high school...Started rodeo in 1995...Favorite rodeo is the Wrangler NFR and favorite food is Italian...In July of 2010, she sold her main mount Sixth Vision "Stitch" and promoted Duke to the #1 spot. Said it was a spur of the moment decision to sell Stitch and although it was tough it was strictly a business decision...Won the 1st annual Diamonds and Dirt Futurity (Bryan, Texas) in March 2012...Jana Bean ran Steeley in five rounds in 2016 and Brittany is excited to run her in 2017...Says he would last the longest on *Dancing With the Stars*, as she likes to dance.

Tiany Schuster

(Tee-ah-nee)

Event: Barrel racing

2017 World standings place: 1st

2017 Earnings: \$250,378

Career earnings: \$292,603 (through 2017 regular season)

Born: June 12, 1977, in New Orleans, La.

Residence: Krum, Texas.

Joined WPRA: 2008



Horses: **JSYK Im Famous** "JR" (9-year old) - Sire: Famous JR/Dam: Firewater Fueled; **Show Mance** (7-year old sorrel gelding) - Sire: First Smart Money/Dam: Blue Baby Cash; **Firen for Jack "Facebook Jack"** (6-year old gelding) - Sire: Zanton Firewater/Dam: Dolly Two Eyed; **Hoosier Fame** "Hoosier" (12-year old chestnut gelding) Sire: Dash Ta Fame/Dam: Time to Perk

World titles: 0

Wrangler NFR qualifications: 1 (2017)

RNCFR qualification (actual rodeo season): 1 (2016)

Professional

2017 Highlights

- Set a new WPRA regular season earnings record with \$250,378. Was ranked No. 1 following the WPRA World Finals in 2016 and has never relinquished that spot. Enters the Wrangler NFR with more money than any contestant in the history of the Wrangler NFR in a single event. Competed at 95 rodeos and won money at 62 of them.
- Won Strathmore (Alberta) Stampede
- Won the Mountain Valley Stampede (Heber City, Utah)
- Won the Cascade (Mont.) Pro Rodeo
- Won the Santa Maria (Calif.) Elks Rodeo
- Won the Ramona (Calif.) Rodeo
- Won the Rowell Ranch Rodeo (Hayward, Calif.)
- Won the Wrangler Champions Challenge (Redding, Calif.)
- Won the Wrangler Champions Challenge (Grand Island, Neb.)
- Won the Calgary Stampede and set a new arena record en route to that title.
- Won the Goliad (Texas) County Fair PRCA Rodeo
- Won the Wrangler Champions Challenge (Rapid City, S.D.)
- Won the Rusk County PRCA Rodeo (Henderson, Texas)
- Won the Guadalupe County Fair & PRCA Rodeo (Seguin, Texas)
- Finished second at the WPRA World Finals card holder race (Waco, Texas)
- Finished second at Tulsa (Okla.) State Fair PRCA Rodeo
- Finished second at the Fort Bend County Fair & Rodeo (Rosenberg, Texas)
- Finished second at Waller County Fair & Rodeo (Hempstead, Texas)

Career Highlights

- 2016 - Finished the season ranked 27th with \$40,725. Won the year-end title at the Texas Circuit Finals and earned a trip to first Ram National Circuit Finals Rodeo; won the Laramie (Wyo.) Jubilee Days, the Butterfield Stage Days PRCA Rodeo (Bridgeport, Texas), the Bandera (Texas) Pro Rodeo, the Panola County Cattleman's Rodeo (Carthage, Texas), the Johnson County Sheriff's Posse Rodeo (Cleburne, Texas), the Southeastern Livestock Expo (Montgomery, Ala.), the Goliad (Texas) County Fair & Rodeo and the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show & Rodeo (Mercedes, Texas); Finished second in the Santa Rosa Round-Up (Vernon, Texas) and at the Gladewater (Texas) Round-Up Rodeo; finished tied for second at the Sitting Bull Stampede (Mobridge, S.D.)
- 2013 - Won the Southwest District Livestock Show and Rodeo (Lake Charles, La.)

Awards

Show Mance finished third in the AQHA/WPRA Barrel Racing Horse of the Year honors.

Personal

Dating Edwin Cameron...Says the JSYK in horse's name stands for 'just sayin', ya know?' JR and Courtney Roberts set an arena record at the AQHA Congress in 2014. When Roberts texted Schuster she was ready to sell the horse, Tiany's career changed...Edwin is a barrel horse trainer and the couple has 28 horses in training. Had been in the breeding and training business but now just focuses on training after she lost her great stallion Perksmaster...In June, Show Mance sustained a minor cut around his hock that got infected that led to some other complications. He was immediately shipped to the University of California-Davis from Reno, Nev. He recovered in time for the Fourth of July run and carried Schuster to the Calgary Stampede title...Travels in a rig that is 75 feet long and can haul 8 horses at a time...She considers herself a "placer"...Facebook Jack is a horse she bought off Facebook in 2017...Rodeo idol is Tammy Fischer.

Kimie Wall

Event: Barrel racing

2017 World standings place: 15th

2017 Earnings: \$76,294

Career earnings: \$433,869 (through 2017 regular season)

Born: December 10, 1979

Residence: Roosevelt, Utah

Joined WPRA: 2014

Horses: **TKW Bullys Famous Fox**
"Foxy" (9-year old mare) - Sire: Bully

Bullion/Dam: Gateway Ta Love

World titles: 0

Wrangler NFR qualifications: 2 (2016-17)

RNCFR qualifications (actual year competed): 1 (2015)

Professional

2017 Highlights

- Won the Pendleton (Ore.) Round-up for second time in three years
- Won the Farm City Pro Rodeo (Hermiston, Ore.)
- Won the Clovis (Calif.) Rodeo
- Tied for second at the World's Oldest Rodeo (Prescott, Ariz.)
- Finished second at Strawberry Days Rodeo (Pleasant Grove, Utah)
- Finished second at Dixie National (Jackson, Miss.)

Career Highlights

- 2016 - Entered her first Wrangler NFR ranked 5th in the world with \$242,603. Placed in five rounds winning Rd. 2 and 6 in times of 13.79 and 13.46, respectively. Was fourth in the average and won \$134,808; Won the Gooding (Idaho) Pro Rodeo, the Cassia County Fair & Rodeo (Burley, Idaho), the



Mountain Valley Stampede (Heber City, Utah), won her first Wrangler Champions Challenge in Redding, Calif. and the Clark County Fair and Rodeo (Logandale, Nev.); finished second in the average at the Pendleton (Ore.) Round-Up, second at the Champions Challenge in Kennewick, Wash., second at the Champions Challenge in Cody, Wyo., second at the Dinosaur Days Rodeo (Vernal, Utah), second in the average at the Reno (Nev.) Rodeo and tied for second at the Champions Challenge in Spanish Fork, Utah

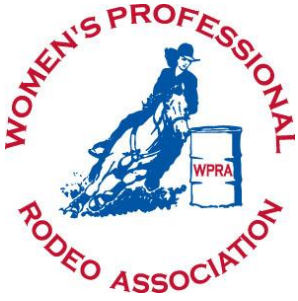
- 2015 - Finished the year ranked 19th with \$54,393; Won the Pendleton (Ore.) Round-Up, the American Royal (Kansas City, Mo.), the Caldwell (Idaho) Night Rodeo, and the Sonora (Calif.) Outlaw Pro Rodeo; co-champion at the Kern County Sheriff Reserve Stampede Days Rodeo (Bakersfield, Calif.)
- 2014 - Finished the year ranked 20th in the world standings with \$60,579; finished second in the WPRA Rookie of the Year Race; qualified for the Ram National Circuit Finals Rodeo after McKale Hadley chose not to compete for the Wilderness Circuit; won the IPE & Stampede (Armstrong, British Columbia), the Snake River Stampede (Nampa, Idaho), the War Bonnet Roundup Rodeo (Idaho Falls, Idaho), the Marysville (Calif.) Stampede and the Pasco County Fair Championship Rodeo (Dade City, Fla.).

Awards

Foxy (TKW Bullys Famous Fox) finished third in the AQHA/WPRA Barrel Racing Horse of the Year in 2016. Finished second in the voting for Jerry Ann Taylor Best Dressed Award at the Wrangler NFR, 2016.

Personal

Husband, Travis; daughter, Brylee and son, Stran...In 2014, traveled with Kelley Carrington-French...Raises and trains barrel horses with her husband and raised Foxy. Foxy was the first one they got to ship semen for . . . they spent a lot of time picking out the right mare and stallion to cross. It was the first one they raised with the plan to go to the futurity world. Foxy carried her owner to a 2D win in her first competition at the ultra-tough Buckeye, Ariz., events in January 2013...Kimie grew up on a cattle ranch with three older brothers and parents who all competed in roping events while cowboying on the ranch...Foxy was sidelined most of the summer but Kimie knew how much she liked Pendleton and knew if they could win it again they would have a shot at the Wrangler NFR and the gamble paid off in a big way qualifying for their second Wrangler NFR...Sponsored by Cactus Saddlery, Ranchdress'n, Platinum Performance, Purina, Cactus Gear, Dynamic Edge, Three Wise Chicks, Sore No More, Benefab, Arenus, Dr. Ben Espy.



2017 WPRA Justin Best Footing Awards



Badlands Circuit

First place: Sitting Bull Stampede (Mobridge, S.D.)

Second place: Roughrider Days Fair and Expo (Dickinson, N.D.)

Third place: Sioux Empire Fair Rodeo (Sioux Falls, S.D.)

Most improved: Range Days Rodeo (Rapid City, S.D.)

California Circuit

First place: California Rodeo Salinas

Second place: Norco Mounted Posse PRCA Rodeo

Third place: Red Bluff Round-Up

Most improved: Folsom Pro Rodeo

Columbia River Circuit

First place: Farm-City Pro Rodeo (Hermiston, Ore.)

Second place: Elgin (Ore.) Stampede

Third place: Lynden (Wash.) PRCA Rodeo

Most improved: Molalla (Ore.) Buckeroo Rodeo

First Frontier Circuit

First place: Painted Pony Championship Rodeo (Lake Luzerne, N.Y.)

Second place: Allegheny Mt. Championship Rodeo (Kelleysville/Tionesta, Pa.)

Third place: Coy Lutz Memorial Scholarship Fund (Centre Hall, Pa.)

Most improved: North Star Pro Rodeo (Marshfield, Mass.)

Great Lakes Circuit

First place: Pioneer City Rodeo (Palestine, Ill.)

Second place: American Royal Pro Rodeo (Kansas City, Mo.)

Third place: Heart of the North Rodeo (Spooner, Wis.)

Most improved: Lexington (Ky.) Rodeo

Montana Circuit

First place: NILE ProRodeo (Billings)

Second place: Montana's Biggest Weekend (Dillon)

Third place: Eastern Montana Fair PRCA Rodeo (Miles City)

Most improved: Big Sky Pro Rodeo (Great Falls)

Mountain States Circuit

First place: Cody (Wyo.) Stampede Rodeo

Second place: Larimer County Fair & Rodeo (Loveland, Colo.)

Third place: A Tribute to the Great American Cowboy (Casper, Wyo.)

Most improved: Rooftop Rodeo (Estes Park, Colo.)

Prairie Circuit

First place: Kansas Biggest Rodeo (Phillipsburg)

Second place: Will Rogers Memorial Rodeo (Vinita, Okla.)

Third place: Longford (Kan.) PRCA Rodeo

Most improved: Elk City (Okla.) Rodeo of Champions

Southeastern Circuit

First place: Peace River Pro Rodeo Classic (Wauchula, Fla.)

Second place: Lowry's 4L Ranch Rodeo (Summerville, Ga.)

Third place: Arcadia All-Florida Championship Rodeo

Most improved: Southeastern Livestock Exposition (Montgomery, Ala.)

Texas Circuit

First place: Cowboy Capital of the World PRCA Rodeo (Stephenville)

Second place: Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show (Fort Worth)

Third place: Austin Co. Fair and Rodeo (Bellville)

Most improved: Walker County Fair & Rodeo (Huntsville)

Turquoise Circuit

First place: Cave Creek (Ariz.) Rodeo Days

Second place: Annual Fourth of July Celebration & PRCA Rodeo (Window Rock, Ariz.)

Third place: Roots N' Boots Queen Creek (Ariz.) Pro Rodeo

Most improved: Flagstaff (Ariz.) Pro Rodeo

Wilderness Circuit

First place: Golden Spike Rodeo (Tremonton, Utah)

Second place: Cache County Fair & Rodeo (Logan, Utah)

Third place: Mountain Valley Stampede (Heber City, Utah)

Most improved: Ogden (Utah) Pioneer Days