2012 WPRA Awards

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### 2011 WPRA Individual Award Winners

#### Announcer of the Year

**Hadley Barrett**

#### Previous Winners

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#### Pro Official of the Year

**Harry Rose**

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#### Outstanding Individual Award

**Mary Hage**

The Outstanding Individual award is given to a person for his or her contributions to the WPRA.

#### Previous Winners

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<td>Janet Cropper</td>
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<td>Jolee Lautaret/Dana Eismeier</td>
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<td>Gretchen Polhemus/Lawrence Moore</td>
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### 2011 WPRA Individual Award Winners

#### Stock Contractor of the Year

**Barnes PRCA Rodeo (Bob Barnes)**

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<td>Harry Vold Rodeo Co.</td>
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<td>Beutler and Son Rodeo Co.</td>
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<td>Cervi Championship Rodeo</td>
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<td>4L Rodeo</td>
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<td>Walls Rodeo</td>
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#### Media Award

**Kenneth Springer**

Each year, the WPRA Media Award is given to the media representative or group who best presents barrel racing and women’s rodeo.

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<td>Barrel Racing Report, Tracy &amp; Dusti Swan</td>
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<td>Barrel Horse News, Edited by Jennifer Dennison</td>
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<td>Mesquite Championship Rodeo Productions</td>
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<td>Alan Blakeney/Alanar Productions</td>
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<td>Bryan Painter, Daily Oklahoman</td>
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<td>Ed Knocke, Dallas Morning News</td>
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<td>George Michael, Sports Machine</td>
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<td>1987</td>
<td>Dick Spencer, Western Horseman</td>
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<td>Brett Hoffmann, Fort Worth Star-Telegram/Zoli Bajda, Zoltel Productions</td>
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#### Rodeo Secretary of the Year

**Barbara Duggan**

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<td>Liz Kesler</td>
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<td>Alice Alsbough</td>
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**2011 WPRA Individual Award Winners**

**Sponsor of the Year**

**Ram Rodeo**

**Previous Winners**

2010 The Fort Western Wear
2009 Montana Silversmith
2008 Wrangler & World Barrel Racing Productions (tie)
2006 Wrangler Jeans and Shirts
2005 Jims Sands, Indian Nation Saddlery
2004 Pace Foods
2003 Dale Chavez
2002 Coors Brewing
2001 Wrangler Jeans
2000 Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association
1999 Justin Boot Company

1998 Las Vegas Events, Inc.
1997 Award Design Medals
1996 Purina Mills, Inc.
1995 Wrangler Jeans
1994 Dodge
1993 Justin Boot Company
1992 Crown Royal
1991 Gist
1990 AQHA
1989 Copenhagen Skoal
1988 Polaroid/Circle K
1987 Coca-Cola
1986 Coors

**Lenora Reimers Heritage Award Winner**

**Kathi Myers**

**Previous Winners**

2010 Mary and Troy Gibbs
2009 Jimmym Kay Davis
2008 Jo Kirby and Lenora Reimers (tie)
2006 Kenneth Springer
2005 Imogene Fyffe

2004 John and Mildred Farris
2003 Florence Youree
2002 Carolyn Vietor
2001 June Ivory
2000 Pendleton Roundup

**Small Rodeo Committee of the Year**

**Merrill, Wis.**

**Previous Winners**

2010 Estes Park, Colo. and Hardtner, Kan. (tie)
2009 Fergus Falls, Minn.
2008 Iron River, Minn. & Lakeland, Fla. (tie)
2006 Hamel, Minn.
2005 Wolf Point, Mont.
2004 Fredonia, Kan./Arcadia, Fla. (tie)
2003 Mandan, N.D.
2002 Deadwood, S.D.
2001 Rapid City, S.D.
1998 Fort Madison, Iowa

1997 San Antonio, Texas
1996 Calgary, Alberta
1995 Tunica, Miss.
1994 Hermiston, Ore.
1993 Salinas, Calif.
1992 Caldwell, Idaho
1991 Cheyenne, Wyo./Cedarville, Calif.
1990 Waco, Texas/Loveland, Colo.
1989 McAlester, Okla.
1988 Fort Madison, Iowa
1987 Denver, Colo./Santa Maria, Calif.
1986 Pecos, Texas

**2011 WPRA Individual Award Winners**

**Medium Rodeo Committee of the Year**

**Minot, N.D. and Billings, Mont. (NILE ProRodeo) (tie)**

**Previous Winners**

2010 Joseph, Ore.
2009 Hamel, Minn.
2008 Arcadia, Fla. & Hamel, Minn. (tie)
2006 Hamel, Minn.
2005 Wolf Point, Mont.
2004 Fredonia, Kan./Arcadia, Fla. (tie)
2003 Mandan, N.D.
2002 Deadwood, S.D.
2001 Rapid City, S.D.

1999 Belle Fourche, S.D.
1998 Red Lodge, Mont.
1997 Glens Falls, N.Y.
1996 Grace, Idaho
1995 Klamath Falls, Ore.
1994 Dillon, Mont.
1993 Dickinson, N.D.
1992 Ocala, Fla.

**Large Rodeo Committee of the Year**

**St. Paul, Ore.**

**Previous Winners**

2010 Red Bluff, Calif. and Cheyenne, Wyo. (tie)
2009 San Antonio, Texas
2008 Pendleton, Ore.
2006 Colorado Springs, Colo.
2005 Reno, Nevada
2004 Puyallup, Wash.
2003 San Antonio, Texas
2002 Salinas, Calif.
2001 Salt Lake City, Utah
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1995 Tunica, Miss.
1994 Hermiston, Ore.
1993 Salinas, Calif.
1992 Caldwell, Idaho
1991 Cheyenne, Wyo./Cedarville, Calif.
1990 Waco, Texas/Loveland, Colo.
1989 McAlester, Okla.
1988 Fort Madison, Iowa
1987 Denver, Colo./Santa Maria, Calif.
1986 Pecos, Texas
Rising Star Award
RC Black in Black/Jane Melby

The Rising Star Award, given in memory of Scoti Flit Bar, was created by past NFR qualifier Lana Merrick as a way of recognizing the year-long achievements of a horse that is making its first appearance at the NFR. This award is voted on by the top 15 barrel racers prior to the NFR.

Previous Winners
2010 RF Firefly/Kelli Tolbert
2009 Frenchman’s Jester/Jordon Peterson
2008 Dillion/Annesa Self
2006 Cadillac N Karats/Terra Bynum
2005 Running Episode/Linda Vick

Sportsmanship Award

Previous Winners
2008 Traci Dawson
2006 Not Available
2005 Paula Seay
2004 Darlene Kasper
2003 Tammy Key
2002 Amy Dale
2001 Rayna Prewitt
2000 Gloria Freeman
1999 Katie McCain

Best Dressed

Previous Winners
2000 Rayna Prewitt
2000 Marlene McRae
1999 Kay Blandford
1998 Martha Josey
1997 Peyton Raney
1996 Fallon Taylor
1995 Fallon Taylor

Denver National Western Award
Award Retired 2008

In 1990, Chuck Sylvestor and Gay Elliot of the NWSS committee, created the Denver National Western Award to honor those people who have made a significant contribution to the sport of rodeo and to the WPRA barrel race.

Previous Winners
2006 Clem McSpadden
2005 Woody’s Performance Feed
2004 Justin Sports Medicine
2003 Tom Feller
2002 Steven J. Hatchell
2001 Cowboy Publishing
2000 Reno Rodeo
1999 Dick & Brenda White
1998 Wrangler Jeans Co.
1997 Cowboy Publishing
1996 PRCA
1995 Justin Boot Company
1994 Hazel Turner
1993 Herb McDonald
1992 Michael Gaughan
1991 Shawn Davis

Horse with the Most Heart Award
An Oakie with Cash (Louie)/Lisa Lockhart

This award is voted on by the Top 15 barrel racers. Originally given in memory of Poco Excuse, which Jeana Day won the 1974 WPRA World Championship aboard. In 2011, the award is now given in memory of Rockem Sockem Go “Rocky” which carried Kelly Kaminski to two world titles (2004-2005)

Previous Winners
2010 TR Dashing Badger (Dolly)/Jill Moody
2009 Sugar Moon Express (Martha), Lindsay Sears
2008 Sugar Moon Express (Martha), Lindsay Sears
2006 Rocky, Kelly Kaminski
2005 SX Docsilder, Shali Lord
2004 Rocky, Kelly Kaminski
2003 Rocky, Kelly Kaminski
2002 Cruiser, Charmayne James
2001 Hawk, Sherry Cervi
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Lifetime Family Heritage Award
Youree Family

Given in honor of a lifetime contribution to the sport of rodeo.

Previous Winners
2010 Honeycutt Rodeo
2009 Harry Vold Family
2008 Neal Gay Family
2006 Lafolla Korkow
2005 Una Butler

Lifetime Achievement Award
John Farris

Lifetime Family Heritage Award
Youree Family

Given in honor of a lifetime contribution to the sport of rodeo.

Previous Winners
2010 Honeycutt Rodeo
2009 Harry Vold Family
2008 Neal Gay Family
2006 Lafolla Korkow
2005 Una Butler

Journey Award

For constant faith, unwavering support, and unmatched dedication to the preservation of the heritage of the WPRA.

2010 Allan Jordan
2009 Chelle Wahlert
2008 Marlene McRae, Ardith Bruce, Darrell and Dolli Lautaret
Justin Boots has always put its best foot forward when it comes to supporting the entire rodeo industry.

In the early 1990s, Tom Feller, director of event marketing for Justin Brands, approached the WPRA about partnering on a program that would focus on the health and well being of the animal athlete. As a result, the Justin Best Footing Awards® program was born; and it continues to thrive. Not only does the program keep animal athletes performing at the top level, but also it recognizes the hard work and time rodeo committees put into making their ground as safe as possible for the barrel horse and all rodeo livestock.

“Justin Boots has made a tremendous impact on the sport of rodeo by developing and supporting these programs that tie all facets of the rodeo industry together,” WPRA President Jimmie Munroe said. “Many barrel horse injuries result from running and turning on ground that is less than desirable. With the help of Justin Boots through the Justin Best Footing Awards® program, we have been able to reduce the injuries and recognize and reward those committees who go above and beyond to make the ground safe not only for barrel racers but all events.”

Every year the WPRA membership recognizes the top three rodeo committees in all 12 circuits as well as the most improved ground committee in each circuit, which puts forth the extra effort to ensure their rodeo has the safest most consistent ground possible for barrel racing. Committee awards provided by Justin Boots include cash bonuses (ranging from $350-$1,000), plaques and, at certain award levels, a pair of Justin exotic boots. In addition, names of each winner for each of the 12 circuits are put into a drawing for an addition $1,500 bonus from Justin Boots. 2011 bonus winner was Wapello (Iowa) PRCA Rodeo out of the Great Lakes Circuit.

Each PRCA rodeo that has a WPRA sanctioned barrel race is eligible for a JBF award. The members of the WPRA vote on the rodeos in their respective circuits and the rodeos that receive the most votes, wins. There are no special forms to fill out.

### Badlands Circuit
**Rapid City, S.D. (South Dakota Range Days)**

- Previous Winners
  - 2010 Rapid City, S.D.
  - 2009 Rapid City, S.D.
  - 2008 Dickinson, N.D.
  - 2006 Deadwood, S.D.
  - 2005 Mitchell, S.D.
  - 2004 Rapid City, S.D. (Aug.)
  - 2003 Mandan, N.D.
  - 2002 Rapid City, S.D.

### California Circuit
**Red Bluff, Calif.**

- Previous Winners
  - 2010 Salinas, Calif.
  - 2009 Red Bluff, Calif.
  - 2008 Salinas, Calif.
  - 2006 Bakersfield, Calif.
  - 2005 Salinas, Calif.
  - 2004 Bakersfield, Calif.
  - 2003 Salinas, Calif.
  - 2002 Red Bluff, Calif.

### Columbia River Circuit
**Canby, Ore.**

- Previous Winners
  - 2010 Prineville, Ore.
  - 2009 Walla Walla, Wash.
  - 2008 Longview, Wash.
  - 2006 Prineville, Ore.
  - 2005 Moses Lake, Wash.
  - 2004 The Dalles, Ore.
  - 2003 Othello, Wash.
  - 2002 Toppenish, Wash.

### First Frontier Circuit
**Gerry, N.Y.**

- Previous Winners
  - 2010 Carlise, Pa.
  - 2009 Chatham, N.Y.
  - 2008 Marshfield, Mass.
  - 2006 Fairhill, M.D.
  - 2005 Glens Falls, N.Y.
  - 2004 Glens Falls, N.Y.
  - 2003 Glens Falls, N.Y.

### Great Lakes Circuit
**Wapello, Iowa**

- Previous Winners
  - 2010 Fort Madison, Iowa
  - 2009 Carson, Iowa
  - 2008 Spooner, Wis.
  - 2006 Hamel, Minn.
  - 2005 Hamel, Minn.
  - 2004 Manawa, Wis.
  - 2003 Marshall, Minn.
  - 2002 Manawa, Wis.
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### Montana Circuit
**Plains, Mont.**
- **Previous Winners**
  - 2010 Glendive, Mont.
  - 2009 Great Falls, Mont.
  - 2008 Great Falls, Mont.
  - 2006 Plains, Mont.
  - 2005 Chinook, Mont.
  - 2004 Glendive, Mont.
  - 2003 Wolf Point, Mont.
  - 2002 Wolf Point, Mont.
- **Most Improved Ground 2011:** Stanford, Mont.

### Mountain States Circuit
**Greeley, Colo.**
- **Previous Winners**
  - 2010 Colorado Springs, Colo.
  - 2008 Casper, Wyo.
  - 2006 Colorado Springs, Colo.
  - 2005 Casper, Wyo.
  - 2004 Casper, Wyo. (July)
  - 2003 Castle Rock, Colo.
- **Most Improved Ground 2011:** Loveland, Colo.

### Prairie Circuit
**Longford, Kan.**
- **Previous Winners**
  - 2010 Claremore, Okla.
  - 2008 Longford, Kan.
  - 2006 Elk City, Okla.
  - 2005 Woodward, Okla.
  - 2004 Woodward, Okla.
- **Most Improved Ground 2011:** Guymon, Okla.

### Southeaster Circuit
**Kissimmee, Fla.**
- **Previous Winners**
  - 2010 Arcadia, Fla.
  - 2009 Hattiesburg, Miss.
  - 2008 Ocala, Fla.
  - 2006 Ocala, Fla.
  - 2005 Ocala, Fla.
  - 2004 Kissimmee, Fla.
  - 2003 Lake City, Fla.
  - 2002 Okeechobee, Fla.
- **Most Improved Ground 2011:** Williston, Fla.

### Texas Circuit
**Rosenberg, Texas**
- **Previous Winners**
  - 2010 Stephenville, Texas
  - 2009 Fort Worth, Texas
  - 2008 San Angelo, Texas
  - 2006 Waco, Texas
  - 2005 Mesquite, Texas
  - 2004 Houston, Texas
  - 2003 San Angelo, Texas
  - 2002 Odessa, Texas
- **Most Improved Ground 2011:** Corpus Christi, Texas

### Turquoise Circuit
**Queen Creek, Ariz.**
- **Previous Winners**
  - 2010 Window Rock, Ariz.
  - 2009 Lovington, N.M.
  - 2008 Window Rock, Ariz.
  - 2006 Prescott, Ariz.
  - 2005 Williams, Ariz.
  - 2004 Prescott, Ariz.
  - 2003 Prescott, Ariz./Williams, Ariz.
- **Most Improved Ground 2011:** Cave Creek, Ariz.

### Wilderness Circuit
**Idaho Falls, Idaho**
- **Previous Winners**
  - 2010 Heber City, Utah
  - 2009 Gooding, Idaho
  - 2008 West Jordan, Utah
  - 2006 Salt Lake City, Utah
  - 2005 Idaho Falls, Idaho
  - 2004 Nampa, Idaho
  - 2003 Reno, Nev.
  - 2002 Salt Lake City, Utah
- **Most Improved Ground 2011:** Ogden, Utah

### All Women’s Rodeo
- **Previous Winners**
  - 2006 Benson, Ariz.
  - 2005 Sierra Vista, Ariz.
  - 2004 Sierra Vista, Ariz.
  - 2003 Penrose, Colo.
  - 2002 Sierra Vista, Ariz.
- **2001 Lusk, Wyo.**
  - 2000 Tucson, AZ
  - 1999 Durango, Colo.
  - 1998 Grove, Okla.
  - 1997 Alamosa, Colo.
The Wrangler NFR saddle rotation program is truly one of the most innovative awards programs in professional rodeo. Established in 1998, the NFR Saddle Program was created as a means to celebrate WPRA’s 50th anniversary. The program proved so popular and successful it has continued uninterrupted in each successive year.

The concept of the NFR Saddle Program is to award a trophy saddle to each of the top 15 NFR barrel racing contestants. The saddles are donated to the program by the nation’s top saddle makers and their endorsers. Each year the saddles are on display at the WPRA booth at Cowboy Christmas in the Las Vegas Convention Center, during the NFR. In addition to the top 15 saddles are also donated for Reserve World Champion, NFR Fastest Time and WPRA Rookie of the Year.

The WPRA and the top 15 barrel racers truly appreciate all the support that these great saddle manufacturers give to the NFR Saddle Rotation Program and the sport of rodeo.