

Consistency is Key for Denver Rodeo Contestants

DENVER --- As the National Western Stock Show Rodeo is winding down, rodeo contestants are seeing that consistency is the key to qualifying for Sunday's finals.

A perfect example of that is Jed Moore, from Cheyenne, Wyo., who has ridden two bulls for 86 and 84 points. He had his second ride here on Thursday morning and is now in second place in the over-all standings with 170 points, just five points behind fellow Wyoming rider Kanin Asay, from Powell.

The Thursday evening performance saw several more contestants that are hoping to have similar success. This was their first round competition and they will return to the Denver Coliseum for their second round on Friday afternoon.

Leading off the night was Tyrel Nelson from Cheyenne who had an 84-point score in bareback riding. In team roping, a 4.8-second run for Rodney Glenn Wilson, from Canyon, Texas, and Jody Pinkert, from Lubbock, Texas, put them in the running.

Tie-down roping saw three runs under nine seconds to give all of those cowboys hopes of qualifying for the finals. Justin Macha from Needville, Texas, had the fast time of the night at 8.2. Chris Neal from Muldrow, Okla., was next at 8.6 and Shane Slack from Idabel, Okla., had an 8.8.

Savannah Reeves, from Dublin, Texas, made her debut run in barrel racing Thursday. She had a blazing fast time of 15.24 seconds, the second fastest run of the rodeo here so far.

Former Wrangler National Finals Rodeo qualifier Corey Navarre is making a bid to return to rodeo's championship event. He plans on hitting the circuit at least one more time and showed rodeo fans here that he has returned to form. Navarre, from Weatherford, Okla., had an 88-point ride on Border Denial.

There are two performances of the rodeo here on Friday, at 2 and 7:30 p.m.

DENVER --- The following are results from the National Western Stock Show Rodeo, Thursday, Jan., 22, 2009.

16th Performance --

Bareback Riding: 1, Randy VandenBos, Valier, Mont., 81 points on Country Wages. 2, Scott Owens, Toston, Mont., 80. 3, Ben Wrzesinski, Boulder, Mont., 76. 4, Josh Adams, Grace, Idaho, 71.

Steer Wrestling: 1, Dennis Hepp, Kaycee, Wyo., 4.1 seconds. 2, Jule hazen, protection, Kan., 4.4. 3, Travis muir, Pierce, Colo., 5.4. 4, Wes Marrell, Warner, Okla., 5.9.

Team Roping: 1, Ty Larson, Hysham, Mont., and Casey Cummins, Lodge Grass, Mont., 4.1 seconds. 2, Matt Robertson, Augusta, Mont., and Sid Spore, Cody, Wyo.,

4.6. 3, Luke Brown, Santo, Texas, and Ryan Motes, Weatherford, Texas, 4.8. 4, Jake Stanley, Hermiston, Ore., and Caleb Twisselman, Santa Margarita, Calif., 19.4.

Saddle Bronc Riding: 1, Ty Manke, Hermosa, S.D., 79 points on Rez Rocket. 2, Colin Stalley, Riverton, Wyo., 78. 3 (tie), Cort Scheer, Elsmere, Neb., and Ben Londo, Pendleton, Ore., 77.

\ Tie-Down Roping: 1, Jerrad Hofstetter, Portales, N.M., 8.0 seconds. 2, J.D. Miller, Creston, Calif., 8.5. 3, Cade Swor, Chico, Texas, 10.0. 4, J. Cody Jones, Kelseyville, Calif., 11.9.

Women's Barrel Race: 1, Norma Wood, West Jordan, Utah, 15.41 seconds. 2 (tie), Lita Scott, Reno, Nev., and Jeanne Anderson, White City, Kan., 15.44. 4, Tana Poppino, Big Cabin, Okla., 15.59.

Bull Riding: (two qualified rides) 1, Jed Moore, Cheyenne, Wyo., 84 points. 2, Tanner Girtetz, Cekeaa, Alberta, 77.

17th Performance --

Bareback Riding: 1, Tyrel Nelson, Cheyenne, Wyo., 84 points on Sports Select. 2, Casey Cason, Clarendon, Texas, 81. 3, Jason Havens, Prineville, Ore., 79. 4, Brian Bain, Culver, Ore., 78.

Steer Wrestling: 1, Ty Tillard, Douglas, Wyo., 5.4 seconds. 2, Blake Knowles, Heppner, Ore., 5.5. 3, Curt La Duke, Bozeman, Mont., 5.6. 4, Clay Cowan, Highmore, S.D., 5.7.

Team Roping: 1, Rodney Glenn Wilson, Canyon, Texas, and Jody Pinkert, Lubbock, Texas, 6.8. 2 (tie), Bubba Bohac, Victoria, Texas, and Twister Cain, Gonzales, Texas; and Colby Schneeman, Big Lake, Texas, and Tommy Zuniga, Centerville, Texas; 5.5. 4, Casey Gattis, Junction, Texas, and Matt Kasner, Bridgeport, Texas, 5.8.

Saddle Bronc Riding: 1, Jace Garrett, Alliance, Nber., 79 points on Knott So. W, Blaze Hamaker, Centennial, Wyo., 75. 3, Shane Moran, Great Falls, Mont., 74. 4, Josh Cooper, Douglas, Wyo., 71.

\ Tie-Down Roping: 1, Justin Macha, Needville, Texas, 8.2 seconds. 2, Chris Neal, Muldrow, Okla., 8.6. 3, Shane Slack, Idabel, Okla., 8.8. 4, Charley Russell, Shamrock, Texas, 9.2.

Women's Barrel Race: 1, Savanah Reeves, Dublin, Texas, 15.24. 2, Jordan Peterson, Chilton, Texas, 15.43. 3, Kim Schulze, Elbert, Colo., 15.45. 4, Jessica Watkins, Dublin, Texas, 15.52.

Bull Riding: 1, Corey Navarre, Weatherford, Okla., 88 points on Border Denial. 2, Tate Stratton, Stanley, N.M., 84. 3, Marcus Michaelis, Caldwell, Idaho, 82. 4, Clay Hindman, Belvidere, S.D., 78.

The following are current leaders --

Bareback Riding: (first round) 1, Tilden Hooper, Carthage, Texas, 89 points on Loadstone Jade. 2, Dustin Murray, Wellston, Okla., 87. 3 (tie), Zack Curran, Arvada, Colo., and Wes Stevenson, Lubbock, Texas, 86. (second round) 1, Tim Shirley, Conifer, Colo., 90 points on Multichem Grakel Gap. 2, Jared Keylon, Fort Scott, Kan., 85. 3, Kaycee Feild, Elk Ridge, Utah, 84. 4, Matt Bright, Stephenville, Texas, 83. (total on two) 1, Shirley, 172. 2, Hooper, 169. 3, Wes Stevenson, Lubbock, Texas, 168. 4, Curran, 167. 5 (tie), Keylon and Feild, 164. 7, Compton, 163. 8, Silas Richards, North Zulch, Texas, 162.

Steer Wrestling: (first round) 1, Luke Branquinho, Los Alamos, Calif., 3.8 seconds. 2, Curtis Cassidy, Donaldda, Alberta, 3.9. 3 (tie), Matt Reeves, Pampa, Texas, and Shawn Greenfield, Lakeview, Ore., 4.0. (second round) 1, Lee Graves, Calgary, Alberta, 3.4. 2, Kyle Broce, La Junta, Colo., 3.7. 3, Beau Franzen, Sidney, Mont., 3.9. 4, Les Shepperson, Midwest, Wyo., 4.0. (total on two) 1, Cassidy, 8.3. 2 (tie), Dane Hanna, Starkville, Miss., and Franzen, 8.8. 4, Branquinho, 9.1. 5, K.C. Jones, Decatur, Texas, 9.3. 6, Jule Hazen, Protection, Kan., 9.8. 7, Billy Bugenig, Ferndale, Calif., 10.0. 8, Sean Mulligan, Coleman, Okla., 10.3.

Team Roping: (first round) 1, Spencer Mitchell, Colusa, Calif., and Justin Davis, Cottonwood, Calif., 4.3. 2 (tie), Matt Sherwood, Pima, Ariz., and Rhen Richard, Roosevelt, Utah; and JoJo Lemond and Randon Adams, Logandale, Nev.; 4.5. 4, Coleman Proctor, Miami, Okla., and Jake Long, Coffeyville, Kan., 4.6. (second round) 1, Ty Larsen, Hysham, Mont., and Casey Cummins, Lodge Grass, Mont., 4.1. 2, (tie), Ty Blasingame, Ramah, Colo., and Bobby Baize, Anthony, N.M.; and Chad Masters, Santo, Texas, and Michael Jones, Stephenville, Texas; 4.3. 4, Matt Robertson, Augusta, Mont., and Sid Sporer, Cody, Wyo., 4.6. (total on two) 1, Mitchell and Davis, 9.1. 2, Tommy Edens, Gatesville, Texas, and Wade Clayton, Needville, Texas, 9.9. 3, Quincy Kueckelhan, Bonham, Texas, and Dustin Davis, Texarkana, Ark.; and Miles Kobold, Big Horn, Wyo., and Bret Trenary, Salida, Colo.; 10.3. 5, Clay Tryan, Billings, Mont., and Kory Koontz, Sudan, Texas, 10.8. 6, Chad Masters, Lipan, Texas, and Michael Jones, Stephenville, Texas, 11.1. 7, Jake Kropik, Midway, Texas, and Justin Hendrick, Midland, Texas, 11.7. 8, Cooper Wimberly, Belen, N.M., and James Gilliland, Albuquerque, N.M., 11.6.

Saddle Bronc Riding: (first round) 1, Dusty Hausauer, Dickinson, N.D., 88 points on Party Shop. 2, Cody DeMoss, Heflin, La., 83. 3, Seth Glause, Rock Springs, Wyo., 82. 4 (tie), Chet Johnston, Gillette, Wyo.; and Cody Taton, Newell, S.D.; 80. (second round) 1, Bradley Harter, Weatherford, Texas, 85 points on Get Back. 2 (tie), Bryan Hammons, Victoria, Texas, and Louie Brunson, Interior, S.D., 84. 4, J.J. Elshere, Quinn, S.D., 83. (total on two) 1, Glause, 162. 2 (tie), Harter and Elshere, 159. 4, Hammons, 158. 5, Louie

Brunson, Interior, S.D., 157. 6, Cody Taton, Newell, S.D., 155. 7, Justin Arnold, Santa Margarita, Calif., 154. 8 (tie), Dean Wadsworth, Ozona, Texas, and Todd Herzog, Penhold, Alberta, 153.

Tie-Down Roping: (first round) 1, Josh Peek, Pueblo, Colo., 7.6 seconds. 2, Clint Robinson, Spanish Fork, Utah, 7.9. 3 (tie), J. Cody Jones, Kelseyville, Calif., and Justin Macha, Needville, Texas, 8.2. (second round) 1, Barrett Threadgill, Hallettsville, Texas, 7.5. 2, Jeff Chapman, Athens, Texas, 7.7. 3 (tie), Trevor Thiel, Greeley, Colo., and Jared Hofstetter, Portales, N.M., 8.0. (total on two) 1, Peek, 16.3. 2, Barrett Threadgill, Hallettsville, Texas, 17.6. 3, Houston Hutto, Del Rio, Texas, 17.7. 4, J.D. Kibbe, Portales, N.M., 18.1. 5 (tie), Cole Wilson, Kincaid, Kan., and Robinson, 18.4. 7, Hofstetter, 18.8. 8, Cade Swor, Chico, Texas, 19.1.

Women's Barrel Race: (first round) 1, Savannah Reeves, Dublin, Texas, 15.24 seconds. 2, Nancy Hunter, Neola, Utah, 15.33. 3, Lisa Lockhart, Oelrichs, S.D., 15.39. 4, Tara Lee Woodall, Merkel, Texas, 15.42. (second round) 1, Hunter, 15.20. 2, Cassie Moseley, Farwell, Texas, 15.27. 3, Brittany Pozzi-Pharr, Victoria, Texas, 15.30. 4 (tie), Britany Fleck, Mandan, N.D., and Brenda Seely, Lander, Wyo., 15.35. (total on two) 1, Hunter, 30.53. 2 Seely, 30.82. 3, Mary Burger, Pauls Valley, Okla., 30.95. 4, Brittany Pozzi-Pharr, Victoria, Texas, 30.96. 5, P.J. Burger, Pauls Valley, Okla., 31.03. 6 (tie), Shelley Morgan, Eustace, Texas, and Moseley, 31.11. 8, Amy Schimke, Wessington Springs, S.D., 31.14.

Bull Riding: (first round) 1, Cameron Castleberry, Gillette, Wyo., 90 points on Huskama's. 2 (tie), Clayton Savage, Casper, Wyo., and Corey Navarre, Weatherford, Okla., 88. 4 (tie), Corey McFadden, Coleman, Texas, on Flying Five Rodeo's Fire Water and Tater Hins, Huron, S.D., on Flying Five Rodeo's Little Joe Hopper, 87 points. (second round) 1, Kanin Asay, Powell, Wyo., 93 points on Bailey Rodeo's Lucky Strike. 2, Stetson Lewis, Tularosa, N.M., 88. 3, Austin Ambrose, Fletcher, Okla., 85. 4, Jed Moore, Cheyenne, Wyo., 84. (total on two) 1, Asay, 175. 2, Moore, 170. 3, Hins, 168. 4, Tyler Willis, Wheatland, Wyo., 167. 5, Ambrose, 165. 6 (tie), Savage and Corey Maier, Timber Lake, S.D., 162. 8, Nat Fly, Lava Hot Springs, Idaho, 159.