

Guymon Pioneer Days Rodeo

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Volunteers make it work at Pioneer Days Rodeo

GUYMON, Okla. – It takes literally thousands of man hours to prepare for a big event like the Guymon Pioneer Days Rodeo.

From working with sponsors to finding livestock to hiring the acts to planning everything in detail to preparing the Henry C. Hitch Pioneer Arena, the lion's share of the work is done by everyday folks who have a passion for producing the biggest event to hit Texas County, Okla., each year.

"There's no way this could all be done without the extensive work of our corps group of volunteers," said former chairman Ken Stonecipher, who is still heavily involved in planning the annual rodeo. "These people dedicate their talents, their expertise and their passion to our rodeo."

Performances for the Guymon Pioneer Days Rodeo will take place May 2-4, with shows beginning at 7:30 p.m. Friday, 2 and 7:30 p.m. Saturday; and 2 p.m. Sunday.

Led by chairman Jim Sarchet, the group of worker bees has been diligently planning and preparing for the annual festivities since the close of last year's rodeo, which featured nearly 1,000 contestants and 16,000 fans over the weekend.

"This has long been considered a cowboys' rodeo, because we do a lot of work to get the best stock and give these guys a chance to compete for really good money," said Bret Franks, a three-time National Finals Rodeo qualifier who is part of the rodeo's production team. "But a cowboys' rodeo is also going to be a great thing for fans, because they'll literally get to see the best competition. It's always a great show."

It's From One Extreme To Another, and it's why every year thousands of adoring fans find their way to Guymon for the best rodeo in the region. It's why the top cowboys and cowgirls make their way to Texas County to play the game.

It's the Guymon Pioneer Days Rodeo.

TICKETS: Call (580) 338-3376 or go by the Guymon Chamber of Commerce; First National Bank, Texhoma, Guymon and Goodwell; all Farm Credit of Western Oklahoma locations; all PTCI locations; Tri-County Electric; Standard Supply, Guymon; The Crazy House, Liberal; Hooker Equity; all Epic Touch locations; Acquisitions; United Supermarket, Guymon; Duke's BBQ, Texhoma; and PDQ Expressly for You.

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