

Junior rodeo returns to Phillips County

Written by Holyoke Enterprise

Holyoke will once again welcome the Colorado Junior Rodeo Association back to Phillips County Fairgrounds Saturday and Sunday, June 1-2.

Action is slated to begin at 9 a.m. Saturday morning, lasting until approximately 5 p.m. and picking back up Sunday morning at 9 a.m.

PeeWee contestants, ages 5-8, will compete in barrel racing, pole bending, goat tying and a flag race.

Junior girls, ages 9-13, will compete in barrel racing, pole bending, breakaway roping, goat tying, ribbon roping and parent/child team roping.

Junior boys will take part in ribbon roping, breakaway roping, goat tying, chute dogging, team roping and parent/child team roping.

Events for senior girls, ages 14-18, include barrel racing, pole bending, goat tying, breakaway roping, ribbon roping and parent/child team roping.

Senior boy events include tie-down roping, steer dogging, ribbon roping, dally team roping, mixed team roping and parent/child team roping.

Saturday night will conclude with a series of cowhide races.

There will be a cowboy church service Sunday at the fairgrounds at 7 a.m., put on by Camp Machasay.

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According to rodeo organizer Gale Wiebers, the event is expected to be right on par with last year's numbers in which 188 kids participated. Between 165-190 kids from Colorado, Wyoming, Kansas and Nebraska are expected to compete this year.

Wiebers encourages county residents to enjoy the free excitement provided by the rodeo.

The rodeo is free to the public and food vendors will be on hand throughout the event. All event winners will receive prizes and the top finishers in each event will also receive prize money.

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