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## Creasy moves into top bareback spot at 95<sup>th</sup> Cody Stampede



**CODY, Wyo.; July 2, 2014** --- Getting a check out of the Cody Stampede would be good for bareback rider Luke Creasy. Winning first place would be icing on the cake for the Canadian who now lives in Lubbock, Texas.

Creasy is currently ranked 17<sup>th</sup> in the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association world standings. He qualified for the College National Finals Rodeo four consecutive years and is working hard to make it to the next step on rodeo's stage.

At the end of the September, the top 15 in the world standings will qualify for the Wrangler National Finals Rodeo (NFR). Creasy has been on his way before, but injuries have kept him from making the trip to Las Vegas in December to be among the elite contestants vying for world titles.

At the second performance of the Cody Stampede on Wednesday night, Creasy had an 84-point score on Mo Betta Rodeo's horse named Darth. This is currently in first place in the standings here. All of the contestants here compete one time. Their scores and times all accumulate through the competition and at the end of the rodeo on July 4<sup>th</sup>, the best in each event will get a share of the \$340,000 purse.

With two more performances left, Creasy's score may not hold the top spot, but he does have a good opportunity to get a check here.

"At this point in the season, any money helps," Creasy said. "It's critical for me, not just in the standings, but also to keep competing."

Two Carolina ropers moved into a tie for the top spot in team roping Thursday night as well. Cory Kidd V, from Statesville, N.C., and Adam Plyler, from Pageland, S.D., did the heading and heeling in 5.0 seconds. They are now tied with Brandon Beers from Powell Butte, Ore., and Jim Ross Cooper from Monument, N.M.

Cody Taton took the lead in saddle bronc riding after scoring 83 points on Frontier Rodeo's Lonesome Night. It was the second ride of the night for the Corona, N.M., resident. He was awarded a re-ride when the first horse he got on didn't perform as expected. Taton who grew up in bronc riding country of South Dakota is a former NFR champion for having the highest total score through ten rounds of competition.

Action at the 95<sup>th</sup> edition of the Cody Stampede continues at Stampede Park on Thursday with barrel racing slack at 8 a.m. The third performance will be Wednesday night at 8 p.m. Live results will be available @codystampede on twitter. More information is also available at [www.codystampederodeo.com](http://www.codystampederodeo.com) or codystampederodeo on Facebook.

**CODY, Wyo., July 2, 2014** --- Following are results from the Buffalo Bill Cody Stampede

**Second Performance --**

**Bareback Riding:** 1, Luke Creasy, 84 points on Mo Betta Rodeo's DARTH. 2, (tie) Tyler Scales, Severance, Colo., and Jerad Schlegel, Burns, Colo., 74. 4, Will Lowe, Canyon, Texas, 72.

**Steer Wrestling :** 1, Josh Peek, Pueblo, Colo., 4.6 seconds. 2, (tie) Barry Kreikemeier, Jackson, Wyo., and Beau Clark, Belgrade, Mont., 5.2. 4, Brandon Chase Harport, Arthur, Texas, 8.4.

**Team Roping:** 1, Cory Kidd V, Statesville, N.C., and Adam Plyler, Pageland, S.D., 5.0 seconds. 2, Nathan McWhorter, Telephone, Texas, and Cole Davison, Stephenville, Texas, 5.3. 3, ARky Rogers, Lipan, Texas, and Travis Woodard, Stockton, Calif., 5.5. 4, Jade Stoddard, Rexberg, Idaho, and Ike Folsom, Dillon, Mont., 7.5.

**Saddle Bronc Riding:** 1, Cody Taton, Corona, N.M., 83 points on Frontier Rodeo's Lonesome Night. 2, (tie) Jeff Willert, Belvidere, S.D., and Troy Crowser, Whitewood, S.D., 79. 4, Kaleb Asay, Roan Walsh, Wyo., and Cole Elshere, Faith, S.D., 78.

**Tie-Down Roping:** 1, Catfish Brown, Collinsville, Texas, 8.1 seconds. 2, Ryan Lickley, Jerome, Idaho, 8.4. 3, John Wall, Brenham, Texas, 9.2. 4, Fred Whitfield, Hockley, Texas, 9.6.

**Barrel Racing:** 1, Kassidy Dennison, Tohatchi, N.M., 17.38 seconds. 2, Jody Sheffield, Ogden, Utah, 17.40. 3, Jana Beam, Fort Hancock, Texas, 17.41. 4, Andrea Cline, Springtown, Texas, 17.44.

**Bull Riding:** (three rides) 1, Jeff Askey, Martin, Tenn., 81 points on Mo Betta Rodeo's Yakity Yak. 2, (tie) Dalan Duncan, Ballard, Utah, and Rorey Maier, Timber Lake, S.D., 77.

#### **The following are current leaders –**

**Bareback Riding:** 1, Luke Creasy, Lubbock, Texas, 84 points on Mo Betta Rodeo's DARTH. 2, (tie) Jared Smith, Eastland, Texas, and Jessy Davis, Power, Mont., 82 points each. 4, Cain Riddle, Vernon, Texas, 78. 5, Casey Breuer, Mandan, N.D., 77. 6, Kenny Haworth, Redmond, Ore., 76.

**Steer Wrestling:** 1, Tooter Silver, Quitman, Ark., 3.9 seconds. 2 Dirk Tavenner, Rigby, Idaho, 4.4. 3, (tie) Jace Melvin, Fort Pierre, S.D.; Chance Howard, Cedarville, Ark.; Nick Guy, Sparta, Wisc.; and Josh Peek, Pueblo, Colo.; 4.6.

**Team Roping:** 1, (tie) Brandon Beers, Powell Butte, Ore., and Jim Ross Cooper, Monument, N.M.; and Cory Kidd V, Statesville, N.C., and Adam Plyler, Pageland, S.C., 5.0 seconds each. 3, Paul David Tierney, Oral, S.D., and Matt Kasner, Cody, Neb., 5.1. 4, Brady Tryan, Huntley, Mont., and Tommy Zuniga, Centerville, Texas, 5.2. 5, (tie) Brooks Dahozy, Window Rock, Ariz. and Daxton Jim, Owyhee, Nev.; and Nathan McWhorter, Telephone, Texas, and Cole Davison, Stephenville, Texas; 5.3.

**Saddle Bronc Riding:** 1, Cody Taton, Corona, N.M., 83 points on Frontier Rodeo's Lonesome Night. 2, Jesse Wright, Milford, Utah, 82. 3, Samuel Kelts, Millarville, Alberta, 80. 4, (tie) Heith DeMoss, Heflin, La.; Ty Kirkland, Lufkin, Texas; Bryan Martinat, Marsing, Idaho; Jeff Willert, Belvidere, S.D.; and Troy Crowser, Whitewood, S.D.; 79 points each.

**Tie-Down Roping:** 1, Randall Carlisle, Baton Rouge, La., 7.7 seconds. 2, (tie) Jake Pratt, Ellensburg, Wash., and Nate Baldwin, Blackfoot, Idaho, 7.8. 4, Reese Reimer, Stinett, Texas, 8.0. 5, Catfish Brown, Collinsville, Texas, 8.1. 6, (tie) Ace Slone, Cuero, Texas; Ben Robinson, Innisfail, Alberta; and Chase Williams, Stephenville, Texas; 8.3 each.

**Barrel Racing:** 1, Kassidy Dennison, Tohatchi, N.M., 17.38. 2, Sharon Harrell, Wickenburg, Ariz., 17.39. 3, Jody Sheffeld, Ogden, Utah, 17.40. 4, Jana Bean, Fort Hancock, Texas, 17.41. 5, Andrea Cline, Springtown, Texas, 17.44. 6, Heather Knerr, Grass Range, Mont., 17.55.

**Bull Riding:** 1, J.W. Harris, Mullin, Texas, 90 points on Summit Pro Rodeo's Pretty Boy. 2, Dustin Bowen, Fredericksburg, Penn., 86. 3, Taygen Schuelke, Newell, S.D., 83. 4, Jeff Askey, Martin, Tenn., 81. 5, (tie) Rorey Maier, Timber Lake, S.D., and Dalan Duncan, Ballard, Utah, 77 each.