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### **O'Connell keeps winning at Fort Worth rodeo**

FORT WORTH, Texas (January 31, 2018) — Tim O'Connell has won the bareback riding championship at the Fort Worth Stock Show & Rodeo for the past two years. He also won world titles in 2016 and 2017.

It's a trend the Zwingle, Iowa, native hopes will continue. He made it one step closer to seeing that happen on Wednesday. He got on the first two of three horses and scored 79.5 and 86 respectively. His second ride on Pickett Pro Rodeo's Night Crawler put him on top for the round. He will have his third ride on Thursday and just needs another solid ride to stay here and ride in Saturday's Championship Finals.

Loni Lester has been coming to the Fort Worth Stock Show for years. She showed cattle here as a youngster before moving over to barrel racing. The Gonzales, Texas, resident is finishing her senior year at Sam Houston State University in Huntsville. Lester took the lead in the second round with a 16.27-second run riding her nine-year-old mare that she calls Champagne.

Lester is tied for first in the overall standings with Kellie Collier from Hereford, Texas. They both have made two runs that totaled 33.09 seconds. Collier is coming off her first Wrangler National Finals Rodeo qualification and a win here would certainly help her get back to Las Vegas in 2018.

Two former Fort Worth champions had enough success on Wednesday to possibly earn their second Fort Worth Stock Show & Rodeo buckle. Joel Bach won the team roping here in 2010 roping with Paul Eaves.

This year, he is roping with Shane Philipp. The Texans have a total time of 10.1 on two steers and are tied for first place.

In the bull riding Trevor Kastner, from Roff, Oklahoma made an impression on the fans. Kastner was the champion here in 2012. He moved into third overall after scoring 164.5 points on two bulls. Dustin Bouquet from Bourg, Louisiana, moved into second with 166 points.

The World's Original Indoor Rodeo® continues its 100<sup>th</sup>-anniversary edition Thursday with performances at 2 and 7:30 p.m., in the historic Will Rogers Coliseum.

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**FORT WORTH.** --- The following are unofficial results from Wednesday at the World's Oldest Indoor Rodeo® at the Fort Worth Stock Show & Rodeo, January 31, 2018.

### **Twenty-Second Performance**

**Bareback Riding:** 1, (tie) Tim O'Connell, Zwingle, Iowa, on Western Rodeos' Ace Ventura and Steven Peebles, Redmond, Ore., on Western Rodeos' Candlemaker, 79.5 points. 3, Gavin DeRose, Kamloops, British Columbia, 74. 4, Dylan Wahlert, Casper, Wyo., 68.

**Steer Wrestling:** 1, Cody Devers, Alva, Okla., 3.8 seconds. 2, Jule Hazen, Ashland, Kan., 4.7. 3, Johnny Asher, Lenior City, Tenn., 5.2. 4, Ryan Swayze, Freedom, Okla., 5.6.

**Team Roping:** 1, Clay Smith, Broken Bow, Okla., and Paul Eaves, Lonedell, Mo., 4.1 seconds. 2, Erich Rogers, Round Rock, Ariz., and Cory Petska, Marana, Ariz., 5.0. 3, Kolton Schmidt, Barrhead, Alberta, and Cole Davison, Stephenville, Texas, 5.1. 4, Shane Philipp, Washington, Texas, and Joel Bach, Mount Vernon, Texas, 5.3.

**Saddle Bronc Riding:** (three rides) 1, Dawson Hay, Wildwood, Alberta, 74.5 points on Western Rodeos' Poker Face. 2, Jade Blackwell, Rapid City, S.D., 68.5. 3, Preston Ogle, Goodwell, Okla., 55.

**Tie-Down Roping:** (two times) 1, Landyn Duncan, Weatherford, Texas, 12.5 seconds. 2, Shay Carroll, Hico, Texas, 14.0.

**Barrel Racing:** 1, Katie Pascoe, Morro Bay, Calif., 16.52 seconds. 2, Nikki Hansen, Dickinson, N.D., 16.61. 3, Teri Bangart, Olympia, Wash., 16.74. 4, Brianna Trepanier, Stephenville, Texas, 17.05.

**Bull Riding:** 1, Trevor Kastner, Roff, Okla., 85.5 points on Western Rodeos' Power Punch. 2, Dustin Boquet, Bourg, La., 83. 3, Brody Yearly, Brock, Texas, 82. 4, Pistol Preece, Troy, Texas, 77.

### Twenty-Third Performance

**Bareback Riding:** (one ride) 1, Tim O'Connell, Zwingle, Iowa, 86 points on Pickett Pro Rodeo's Night Crawler.

**Steer Wrestling:** 1, Justin Shaffer, Hallsville, Texas, 4.1 seconds. 2, Hunter Cure, Holiday, Texas, 4.6. 3, Richard Coats, Hastings, Neb., 4.7. 4, Tristan Martin, Sulphur, La., 4.9.

**Team Roping:** (one time) 1, Levi Simpson, Ponoka, Alberta, and Jeremy Buhler, Arrowwood, Alberta, 5.9 seconds.

**Saddle Bronc Riding:** 1, Chance Masters, Leon, Iowa, 77.5 points on Pickett Pro Rodeo's Blonde Lizard. 2, Kyler Oliver, Roy, Utah, 74. 3, Dustin Wade Moody, Visalia, Calif., 71.5. 4, Colton Carter, St. George, Utah, 67.

**Tie-Down Roping:** (three times) 1, Morgan Grant, Didsbury, Alberta, 10.6 seconds. 2, Colton Farquer, Oakdale, Calif., 14.8. 4, D.J. Parker, Hollister, Calif., 18.5.

**Barrel Racing:** 1, Loni Lester, Gonzales, Texas, 16.27 seconds. 2, Kellie Collier, Hereford, Texas, 16.46. 3, Jill Wilson, Snyder, Texas, 16.51. 4, Ryann Pedone, Sunset, Texas, 16.75.

**Bull Riding:** 1, Steve Woolsey, Payson, Utah, 81.5 points on Rafter G Rodeo's Edmund Fitzgerald.

### Current Leaders

**Bareback Riding:** (first round) 1, JR Vezain, Cowley, Wyo., 88.5 points on J Bar J Rodeo's Painted Brush. 2, Tyler Scales, Buffalo, Wyo., 88. 3, Kaycee Feild, Spanish Fork, Utah, 86.5. 4, Ty Breuer, Mandan, N.D., 85.5. 5, Justin Miller, Billings, Mont., 85. 6, Jake Brown, Cleveland, Texas, 84.5. 7, Orin Larsen, Inglis, Manitoba, 84. 7, Zach Hibler, Wheeler, Texas, 83.5. (second round) 1, Tim O'Connell, Zwingle, Iowa, 86 points on Pickett Pro Rodeo's Night Crawler. 2, (tie) Breuer on Andrews Rodeo's Rags to Riches and Clements on J Bar J Rodeo's Live Bunny, 85. 4, (tie) Tilden Hooper, Carthage, Texas, and Miller, 82.5. 6, Vezain, 82. 7, Paden Hurst, Cypress, Texas, 80.5. 8, (tie) Kaycee Feild, Spanish Fork, Utah, and Hibler, 80. (third round) 1, Clements on United Pro Rodeo's Jungle Cat, 89 points. 2, (tie) Hooper and Hardwick, 86. 4, Hurst, 82.5. 5, Larsen, 82. 6, (tie) Hibler and Zack Brown, Red Bluff, Calif.,

81.5 (total on three) 1, Clements, 254. 2, Breuer, 241.5. 3, Vezain, 251. 4, Miller, 246.5. 5, Hibler, 245. 6, Hardwick, 244. 7, Larsen, 242. 8, Feild, 241.5.

**Steer Wrestling:** (second round leaders) 1, Cody Devers, Alva, Okla., 3.8 seconds. 2, (tie) Shayde Etherton, Borden, Ind., and Justin Shaffer, Hallsville, Texas, 4.1. 4, (tie) Ty Erickson, Helena, Mont., and Royce Johnson, Checotah, Okla., 4.3. 6, (tie) Tyler Pearson, Louisville, Miss.; Rowdy Thames, Buda, Texas, and Matt Reeves, Cross Plains, Texas, 4.4. (total on two) 1, Pearson, 8.5. 2, Tanner Brunner, Ramona, Kan., 9.0. 3, Matt Reeves, Cross Plains, Texas, 9.2. 4, Cody Cabral, Hilo, Hawaii, 9.3. 5, (tie) Sean Mulligan, Coleman, Okla., and Taz Olson, Prairie City, S.D., and Will Lummus, West Point, Miss., 9.4. 8, (tie) Josh Clark, Warner, Okla.; Dakota Eldridge, Elko, Nev., and Shaffer, 9.5.

**Team Roping:** (first round) 1, Cody Snow, Los Olivos, Calif., and Wesley Thorp, Throckmorton, Texas, 4.1 seconds. 2, Dustin Egusquiza, Mariana, Fla., and Kory Koontz, Stephenville, Texas, and Tom Richards, Humboldt, Ariz., and Jake Smith, Broken Bow, Okla., 4.7. 4, (tie) Kaleb Driggers, Hoboken, Ga., and Junior Nogueira, Presidente Prude, Brazil, and Shane Philipp, Washington, Texas, and Joel Bach, Mount Vernon, Texas, 4.8. 6, (tie) Jake Cooper, Monument, N.M., and Logan Medlin, Tatum, N.M., and Luke Brown, Rock Hill, S.C., and Jake Long, Coffeyville, Kan., 4.9. (second round) 1, Spencer Mitchell, Orange Cove, Calif., and Jason Duby, Klamath Falls, Ore., 4.0 seconds. 2, Clay Smith, Broken Bow, Okla., and Paul Eaves, Lonedell, Mo., 4.1. 3, Mitchell Barney, Logan, Iowa, and J.W. Beck, Merville, Iowa, 4.5. 4, (tie) Coleman Proctor, Pryor, Okla., and Billie Jack Saebens, Nowata, Okla.; Jake Orman, Prairie, Miss., and Will Woodfin, Marshall, Texas, and Clay Tryan, Billings, Mont., and Jade Corkill, Fallon, Nev., 4.6. 7, (tie) Brandon Beers, Powell Butte, Ore., and Daniel Braman IV, Victoria, Texas, and Jesse Stipes, Salina, Okla., and Jake Clay, Sapulpa, Okla., 4.8. (total on two) 1, (tie) Sherwood and Woodard and Shane Philip, Washington, Texas, and Joel Bach, Mount Vernon, Texas, 10.1 seconds. 3, Brown and Long, 10.2. 4, (tie) Tyler Wojciechowski, Hico, Texas, and Ross Ashford, Lott, Texas; Snow and Thorp and Beers and Braman, 10.7. 6, Begay and O'Brien Cooper, 11.0. 7, Kolton Schmidt, Barrhead, Alberta, and Cole Davison, Stephenville, Texas, 10.8. 8, Derrick Begay, Seba Dalkai, Ariz., and Clay O'Brien Cooper, Gardnerville, Nev., 11.0.

**Saddle Bronc Riding:** (first round) 1, Rusty Wright, Milford, Utah, 87 points on Frontier Rodeo's Tiger Lily. 2, Brody Cress, Hillsdale, Wyo., 86.5. 3, Taos Muncy, Corona, N.M., 86. 4, Mitch Pollock, Winnemucca, Nev., 84. 5, Dawson Jandreau, Kennebec, S.D., 83.5. 6, Blaise Freeman, Snyder, Texas, 83. 7, (tie) Sean Prater, Muskogee, Okla., and Hardy Braden, Welch, Okla., 81.5. (second round) 1, Jacobs Crawley, Boerne, Texas, 86.5 points on Rafter G Rodeo's Orange Crush. 2, Colt Gordon, Comanche, Okla., 85.5. 3, Cress, 84. 4, Sterling Crawley, Stephenville, Texas, 83.5. 5, Spencer Wright, Milford, Utah, 82.5. 6, Isaac Diaz, Desdemona, Texas, and Hardy Braden, Welch, Okla., 82. 8, Kash Deal, Dupree, S.D., 81.5. (total on two) 1, Cress, 170.5. 2, Rusty Wright, 168. 3, Dawson Jandreau, 164. 4, (tie) Crawley and Braden, 163.5. 6, (tie) Gordon and Blaise Freeman, Snyder, Texas, 163. 8, Diaz, 161.

**Tie-Down Roping:** (second round leaders) 1, Trevor Brazile, Decatur, Texas, 8.1 seconds. 2, Cory Solomon, Prairie View, Texas, 8.2. 3, Shane Allan Smith, Wimborne, Alberta, 8.3. 4, Scott Kormos, Teague, Texas, 8.4. 5, Weldon Watson, Huntsville, Texas, 8.4. 6, Dane

Kissack, Spearfish, S.D., 8.7. 7, Monty Lewis, Hereford, Texas, 8.8. 8, (tie) Cody Huber, Albia, Iowa, and J.D. McCuiston, Collinsville, Texas, 8.9. (total on two) 1, Kormos, 16.7 seconds. 2, Clif Cooper, Decatur, Texas, 18.1. 3, Marty Yates, Stephenville, Texas, 18.2. 4, Cody Quaney, Cheney, Kan., 19.1. 5, Solomon, 19.2. 6, Shane Hanchey, Sulphur, La., 19.5. 7, (tie) Braxton Laughlin, Sulphur, La., and Robert Mathis, Mart, Texas, 19.7.

**Barrel Racing:** (first round winners) 1, Amberleigh Moore, Keizer, Ore., 16.35 seconds, \$5,175. 2, Kylie Weast, Comanche, Okla., 16.39, \$4,436. 3, Shelly Anzick, Shepherd, Mont., 16.51, \$3,696. 4, Hailey Kinsel, Cotulla, Texas, 16.57, \$3,204. 5, Taci Bettis, Round Top, Texas, 16.58, \$2,464. 6, Tracy Nowlin, Nowata, Okla., 16.60, \$1,971. 7, Cayla Small, Burneyville, Okla., 16.61, \$1,479. 8, Jodi Colton, Spring Hill, Tenn., 16.62, \$976. 9, (tie) Kellie Collier, Hereford, Texas; Carman Pozzobon, Aldergrove, British Columbia, and Sadye Simpson, Stephenville, Texas, \$411 each. (second round) 1, Loni Lester, Gonzales, Texas, 16.27 seconds. 2, Kellie Collier, Hereford, Texas, 16.46. 3, Jill Wilson, Snyder, Texas, 16.51., 4, Katie Pascoe, Morro Bay, Calif., 16.52. 5, Nikki Hansen, Dickinson, N.D., 16.61. 6, Teri Bangart, Olympia, Wash., 16.74. 7, Ryann Pedone, Sunset, Texas, 16.75. 8, Dena Milner, Midland, Texas, 16.84. (total on two) 1, (tie) Lester and Collier, 33.09 seconds. 3, Pascoe, 33.54. 4, Hansen, 33.56. 5, Wilson, 33.59. 6, Jordan Moore, Mauston, Wis., 33.60. 7, Pedone, 33.7. 8, Bangart, 33.82.

**Bull Riding:** (first round) 1, (tie) Elliot Jacoby, Fredericksburg, Texas, on Silver Creek Rodeo's Sudden Debt and Jeff Askey, Athens, Texas, 88.5 points. 3, Lane Nobles, Gatesville, Texas, 86.5. 4, Garrett Wickett, Battle Creek, Neb., 85.5. 5, Dustin Boquet, Bourg, La., 83. 6, Cody Rostockyj, Lorena, Texas, 82. 7, (tie) Tyler Bingham, Honeyville, Utah, and Steve Woolsey, Payson, Utah, 81.5. (second round) 1, Chase Dougherty, Canby, Ore., 88 points on J Bar J Rodeo's Cold Dice. 2, Cody Teel, Kountze, Texas. 3, Trevor Kastner, Roff, Okla., 85.5. 4, Bingham, 85. 5, Josh Frost, Randlett, Utah, 84.5. 6, (tie) Tristan Mize, Bryan, Texas, and Reid Barker, Comfort, Texas, 84. 8, Boquet.; Ethan Lesiak, Clarks, Neb.; Boudreaux Campbell, Crockett, Texas, and Brody Yeary, Brock, Texas, 82. (total on two) 1, Bingham, 166.5 points. 2, Boquet, 166. 3, Kastner, 164.5. 4, Colby Demo, Red Bluff, Calif., 161.5. 5, Mize, 156. 6, Colby Hill, Del Rio, Texas, 150. 7, Jimmy Marten, Donahue, Iowa, 148.5. 8, Jed Jones, Garden Valley, Idaho, 129.