

Michaelis Wins Bull Riding Two Nights in a Row

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For the San Antonio Stock Show Rodeo

SAN ANTONIO, Texas --- It's been three years since Marcus Michaelis made an appearance at the Wrangler National Finals Rodeo in bull riding, but if his first two appearances at the San Antonio Stock Show Rodeo are any indication, that's about to change.

Michaelis, from Caldwell, Idaho, has won the first two rounds in his bracket of competition in the AT&T Center. In the first round, he scored 87 points on Flying Five Rodeo's Spin and Win. On Monday night, he did even better with a 92-point effort on Four L Rodeo's Brass Cat. So far, Michaelis has won \$4,148 here and is looking good for the semi-final round.

The talented athlete spent much of the 2009 season at home when a groin injury kept him from being 100%. The time off and therapy to come back and compete served him well. Michaelis and barrel racer Benett Barrington, from Lubbock, Texas, are the high money earners in this bracket so far.

Barrington is riding a young horse in the Women's Professional Rodeo Association barrel race. She stopped the clock in 13.99 seconds Sunday night. She came back on Monday with a 14.05 second run to win first again. She also has earned \$4,148.

Tie-down roping was fast again as contestants had to be eight-seconds or faster to win a check. Clif Cooper from Decatur had the best run of the night at 7.4 to earn \$2,074. Adam Gray who tied for second in the first round was second again on Monday. Gray, from Seymour, Texas, is the only contestant in the field to win two checks. Cody Ohl, from Hico, Texas won the first round with an 8.1. He was going for the money again Monday, but broke the barrier and incurred a 10-second penalty.

World standings leader Shane Hanchey was also the victim of a speeding ticket for not letting the calf he was roping get the required head start. Hanchey, from Sulphur, La., also received a 10-second penalty bringing his time to 17.0 seconds.

If the times continue to get faster in the AT&T Center through the next five rodeo performances, the 6.8-second arena record held by Jade Conner is definitely in danger.

All of these contestants have their third of four rounds of competition on Tuesday night starting at 7 p.m.

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SAN ANTONIO, Texas --- The following are results from the San Antonio Stock Show Rodeo, Monday, Feb. 15, 2010.

Fourteenth Performance --

Bareback Riding: 1 (tie), Logan Hodson, Telkwa, British Columbia, on Cervi Championship's Grit Your Teeth; Dave Worsfeld, Queensland, Australia, on Cervi Championship's Hi Roller; Scott Montague, Rapid City, S.D., on Cervi Championship's ProRodeo Fan Zone; and Mickey Dodwnare, Hartsel, Colo., on Calgary Stampede's Lurking News; 78 points and \$1,296 each.

Steer Wrestling: 1, Wade Sumpter, Fowler, Colo., 3.4 seconds, \$2,074. 2, Nick Guy, Sparta, Wis., 3.6, \$1,556. 3 (tie), Hunter Cure, Halliday, Texas, and Joey Bell JR., Athens, Texas, 4.0, \$778.

Tie-down Roping: 1, Clif Cooper, Decatur, Texas, 7.4 seconds, \$2,074. 2, Adam Gray, Seymour, Texas, 7.5, \$1,556. 3, Tyson Durfey, Colbert, Wash., 7.9, \$1,037. 4, Matt Shiozawa, Chubbock, Idaho, 8.0, \$519.

Team Roping: 1, Cody Graham, Everton, Mo., and Gabe Gwaltney, Carthage, Mo., 4.7 seconds, \$2,074. 2, Caleb Mitchell, Sealy, Texas, and Justin Copp, Justin, Texas, 5.1, \$1,556. 3, Cody O'Dell, Como, Texas, and Boogie Ray, Mabank, Texas, 6.3, \$1,037. 4, Garrett Tonozzi, Fruita, Colo., and Kinney Harrell, Marshall, Texas, 9.7, \$519.

Saddle Bronc Riding: 1, Shaun Stroh, Dickinson, N.D., 83 points on Calgary Stampede's Liquor Whiskey, \$2,074. 2, Dustin Flundra, Pincher Creek, Alberta, 82, \$1,556. 3, Wade Sundell, Boxholm, Iowa, 80, \$1,037. 4, Rod Hay, Wildwood, Alberta, 79, \$519.

Women's Barrel Race: 1, Benette Barrington, Lubbock, Texas, 14.05 seconds, \$2,074. 2 (tie), Tammy Whyte, Eau Claire, Wis., and Sherrylynn Johnson, Henryetta, Okla., 14.08, \$1,296. 4, Lindsay Sears, Nanton, Alberta, 14.11, \$519.

Bull Riding: 1, Marcus Michaelis, Caldwell, Idaho, 92 points on Four L Rodeo's Brass Cat, \$2,074. 2, Shawn Hogg, Odessa, Texas, 88, \$1,556. 3, Luke Haught, Weatherford, Texas, 83, \$1,037. 4, Douglas Duncan, Alvin, Texas, 81, \$519.

Total Money Bracket Four ---

Bareback Riding: 1, Micky Downare, Harsel, Colo., \$2,852. 2, Joe Gunderson, Agar, S.D., \$2,074. 3, Scott Montague, Rapid City, S.D., \$1,815. 4 (tie), Logan Hodson, Telkwa, British Columbia and Dave Worsfold, Queensland, Australia, \$1,296 each.

Steer Wrestling: 1 (tie), Clayton Morrison, Cavalier, N.D., and Wade Sumpter, Fowler, Colo., \$2,074. 3 (tie) Luke Branquinho, Los Alamos, Calif., and Nick Guy, Sparta, Wis., \$1,556.

Tie-Down Roping: 1, Adam Gray, Seymour, Texas, \$2,852. 2 (tie), Cody Ohl, Hico, Texas, and Clif Cooper, Decatur, Texas, \$2,074. 4, Ryan Watkins, Dublin, Texas, \$1,296.

Team Roping: 1, Caleb Mitchell, Sealy, Texas, and Justin Copp, Justin, Texas, \$3,630. 2, Cody Graham, Everton, Mo., and Gabe Gwaltney, Carthage, Mo., \$2,074. 3, Colby Siddoway, Hooper, Utah and Matt Zancanella, Aurora, S.D., \$1,556. 4 (tie), Ty Blasingame, Ramah, Colo., and Cody Hintz, Spring Creek, Neb.; Garrett Tonozzi, Fruita, Colo., and Kinney Harrell, Marshall, Texas; and Cody Odell, Como, Texas, and Boggie Ray, Mabank, Texas, \$1,037 each.

Saddle Bronc Riding: 1, Shaun Stroh, Dickinson, N.D., \$3,889. 2, Dustin Flundra, Pincher Creek, Alberta, \$2,593. 3, Rod Hay, Wildwood, Alberta, \$2,333. 4, Wade Sundell, Boxholm, Iowa, \$519.

Women's Barrel Race: 1, Benette Barrington, Lubbock, Texas, \$4,148. 2, Tammy Whyte, Eau Claire, Wis., \$1,815. 3, Kassie Mowry, Dublin, Texas, \$1,556. 4, Sherrylynn Johnson, Henryetta, Okla., \$1,296.

Bull Riding: 1, Marcus Michaelis, Caldwell, Idaho, \$4,148. 2, Douglas Duncan, Alvin, Texas, \$2,074. 3, Shawn Hogg, Odessa, Texas, \$1,556. 4, Luke Haught, Weatherford, Texas, \$1,037.