

Breakaway roper to compete in Finals

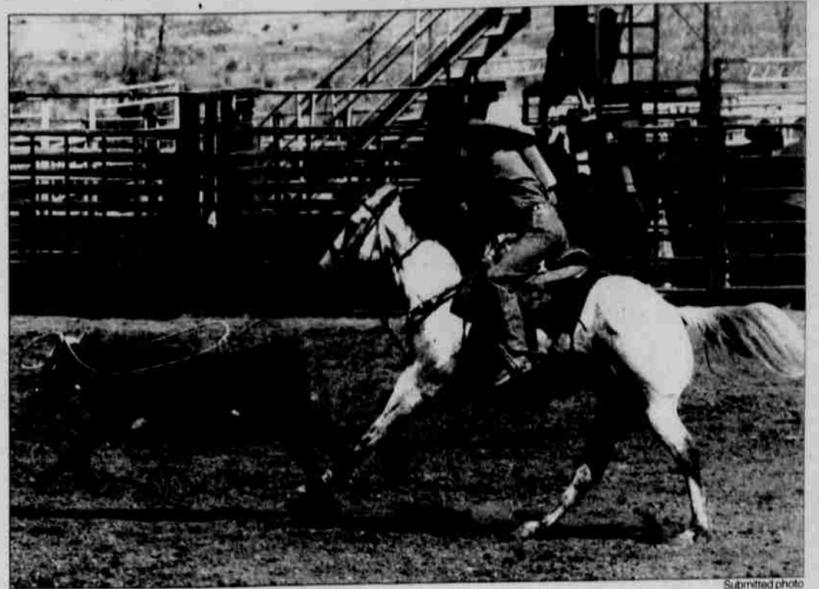
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Kima Flammond is like the ducks, she's heading south in October - not to keep warm, but to represent the Columbia River Indian Rodeo Association at the Indian National Finals Rodeo in the ladies breakaway roping.

Flammond is the regional breakaway champion for the Columbia region, and is one of 16 qualifiers. The Indian National Finals Rodeo will take place October 14-17 in San Jacinto, Calif., by the Soboba Indian Reservation.

Not only is she the No. 1 breakaway roper, she is also the ladies all-around champion for 2004. Flammond is originally from the Blackfeet Indian Reservation in Browning, Mont., and now makes her home at Warm Springs.

How did she get this far? It comes from being a real living cowgirl, living on a ranch, help-



Kima Flammond is a champion breakaway roper.

ing with cattle roundups, training her own horse, practicing and participating in all Columbia River rodeos.

This is all in addition to be-

ing a homemaker.

Her thoughts on the Indian National Finals Rodeo? "I participated in the 1999 finals at Albuquerque, but this year I am

more focused. There is tough competition at Soboba, but as always, I will put forth my best effort. My family and friends will be there to support me."



Dave McMechan/Spilyay

Jenna Johnson will compete in the barrel racing competition at the National Indian Rodeo Finals.

Barrel racer ready for Finals Rodeo

By Dave McMechan
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Jenna Johnson never gets nervous before a rodeo competition. "She doesn't let anything bother her," said her mother Jodel Johnson. Jenna is a calm competitor probably because she's been riding horses and competing in rodeos for a long time.

She started riding at age 5, and was in her first rodeo at 6 or 7. The first circuit she rode in was the Peeewe Rodeo Circuit. She won a saddle in 1998 at age 10.

Jenna is now 15 years old and in the tenth grade at Madras High School. She is a third-generation cowgirl, following her mother Jodel and grandmother Marita.

In mid-October Jenna will be traveling to California to compete in the barrel race event at the Indian National Finals Rodeo. She qualified from the newly formed region, Columbia River Indian Rodeo Association.

For 2004 Jenna finished second in the region in bar-

rels. She won at Tygh Ridge, placed at Warm Springs, and was third at Klamath Falls and White Swan.

She is a tough competitor. At the rodeo in Nespelum, Wash., her mare fell over during the barrel race and landed on Jenna's hip. She and the horse were both limping, but to keep her points she continued with the competition.

For the Indian National Finals Rodeo, Jenna will be traveling with her grandmother Marita and their friend Faye Suppah. Her mother Jodel can't make the trip because she has to work at her business, Jo's Coffee Corral.

The family is holding a raffle to raise money to cover the expenses of going to the rodeo finals. And it can be expensive. You have to haul two horses, one for a backup; so gas is a major expense. Then there is the cost for the hay and lodging of the horse at the rodeo grounds.

The prizes for raffle include \$100 cash, a \$25 gas card from the Shell station, gift certificates from Jo's Coffee Corral, an Avon gift pack, Mary Kay gift pack, beaded items and other prizes. The tickets are \$1, and can be purchased at the Coffee Corral by the Shell station, from DMJ Automotive, or from Val Squiemphen.

The raffle drawing will be on Oct. 8.



Photo courtesy of Jodel Johnson

Madras football squad wins big against Sisters

By Sid Miller
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The Sisters Outlaws might just as well have missed the bus to Madras Friday night, September 24, for the football game. On the other hand the Madras fans really had something to cheer about as the Buffs trampled the Sisters Outlaws by the score of 62-6, in a non-league football game.

No matter how you describe it everything went well for the Buffs. A good solid defense, a good running game and they did well through the air. Perhaps, this was pay back for the last few years where the Outlaws were the dominant team. At any

rate the Buffs showed no mercy and took control of the game right from the opening kick off until the final buzzer.

The scoring came early for the host Buffs, just minutes into the game. The Outlaws took the opening kick off and on third and a long 6, the Buff defense jarred the ball loose and Orin Wallace picked up the fumble and ran it in for the Buffs first score.

The Buffs next score came when Aaron Marshall intercepted an Outlaw pass and ran it in 22 yards for the score. Reese kick good the Buffs 14-0 lead.

Early in the second quarter,

Jessie Wilson recovered an Outlaw fumble in the end zone to give the Buffs the touch down and Reese's kick was good, Buffs 21 and Outlaws 0. The defensive put pressure on Andy Burke the Outlaw quarterback holding them to little gains.

Gavin Romanick picks up 33 yards, a pass to Jordan Say was good for 31 yards and Jacob Struck ran in one yard for the score Reese kicked the PAT giving the Buffs a 28-0 lead at half time.

Jordan Beamer took the kick off to start the second half ran out of bounds on the 33-yard line. A score came on a pass to Romanick, kick was good by

Reese, the score Buffs 35-0. The Buffs recovered a fumble and Gabe Sweeney ran the ball in. Point after touch down was blocked the score 41-0 Buffs. The next score came on a 31 yard pass from Reese to Wallace, with the kick good the score 48-0, Buffs. Devin Reese intercepted a pass and was down just short of the goal line. Jacob Struck ran the ball in with the kick good, the Buffs led 55-0.

The Outlaws finally get on the scoreboard with a 67-yard pass. The Outlaws kicked and Jordan Beamer ran the ball 85 yards. The Buffs travel to take on Molalla Friday night with kick off time at 7 p.m.

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