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McDowell wins calf roping title



Winner of the Amateur Calf Roping saddle donated by Kinzua Corp. was Brett McDowell. L-R Queen Staci O'Brien, Brett McDowell, princesses Kim Bedortha, Jossie Evans and Char Coe.

Brett McDowell, Heppner, took home the amateur calf roping title and the accompanying Kinzua Corp. saddle at the Morrow County Rodeo held Aug. 21. The rodeo, packed with onlookers, was held Sunday afternoon this year, instead of the usual Friday night. Second place went to Ken Bailey, also of Heppner.

Tony Currin captured the open steer wrestling title with a time of 6.2, while Mike Mahoney came in second with 7.6. Currin came in second in the open calf roping with a 10.6, just a fraction over win-

ner Jack McGuire of Pilot Rock, who finished with a 10.5.

Terri Gentry won both the barrel racing and breakaway roping events with times of 17.93 and 4.0, respectively. Lisanne Currin was second in the breakaway with a 5.9, while Theresa Proctor Reece came in third with a 9.4 and Tiffany Munkers, fourth with 21.3. Munkers also finished third in the senior barrels with 18.0.

Second place in the senior barrels went to Janice Davis with 17.98.

Steve Miller and Cliff Dougherty, both Heppner, combined to take the team roping category with a time of 7.1. Bob and David Steagall were second with 7.7; Jerry Gentry and John Moyer were third with 8.2; Jim Ward and Tony Currin, fourth with 8.4; Tara Doutré and Mike Mahoney, fifth with 8.6; and Ron McDowell and Bob Mahony, sixth with 16.7.

More Morrow County Rodeo winners will be published in next week's Gazette-Times.

Stands packed for stick horse race



Around 40 children participated in the stick horse race

The stands were packed for the "biggest little" event of the Morrow County Rodeo held Aug. 21 in Heppner, but they quickly emptied as parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, brothers, sisters, friends and neighbors rushed into the arena to cheer on the 40-plus

stick horse racers.

Tracey Bailey took first in the three year-old category, with Alexis Doutré, second, and Wacy Coil, third. In the four and five year-old division, it was Cody Ford-Day, first, Devin Doutré, second and Cyde Coil, third.

Sponsors of the event are Bob and Sherree Mahoney and Peterson's Jewelers.

Mahoney says she hopes to "see you all next year and remember, bring a friend and cheer for your favorite horse. And maybe, just maybe, we'll see you in the winner's circle," adds Mahoney.

Walla Walla cowboy wins Oregon Trail Pro Rodeo all-around



John Moyer (second from left) accepts All-Around saddle for Troy Frazier donated by Gardner's Men's Wear. Pictured left to right: saddle maker Rich Boyer, John Moyer, Roe Gardner, Queen Staci O'Brien, princesses Kim Bedortha, Jossie Evans and Char Coe.

Troy Frazier of Walla Walla won \$1,048.57 at the Oregon Trail Pro Rodeo, enough to win himself the title of all-around cowboy.

Frazier won \$626.62 with a time of 9.2 for third place in calf roping and \$421.95 with a time of 6.1 for third place in team roping along with Shane Crossley of Hermiston.

Jim Wheatly took top honors in steer roping with a 28.6 average. He was fourth in the first go-round with a time of 15.1 and \$139.03 and first in the second with a time of 13.5 for \$556.13.

Virgil Williams won the first go-round with a time of 11.2 and \$556.13 and third in the average with a time of 11.2 (one time) and \$278.07. Other steer roping winners are as follows: first go-round: second-Paul Rice, 14.5; third-Tracy Rice, 15; fourth-Jim Wheatly, 15.1; second go-round: second-Sam Williams, 14.7; third-Jack Purchase, 15.6; fourth-Les Kamm, 17.7; average: second-Jack Purchase, 37.9; third-Williams; fourth-Rice, 14.5 (one time). First place was \$556.13; second, \$417.10; third, \$278.07; and fourth, \$139.03.

Joe Beaver, five-time world champion calf roper, put another notch on his belt as he took top place in the OTRP calf roping event with a time of 8.9 and \$956.42. Jim Bob Mayes was second with 9. and \$791.52

and Troy Frazier was third with 9.2 and \$626.62. Dee Pickett was fourth with 9.4 and \$461.72; Spike Guardipee, fifth, with 9.8 and \$296.82; and Ken Schanno, sixth with 10. and \$164.90.

Jeff King finished first in bareback riding with a score of 81 and \$919.56 and Marvin Garrett was second with 79 and \$689.67. World champion bareback rider Clint Corey came up third with a score of 77 and \$459.78 and Mark Garrett was close behind with a score of 76 and \$229.89 in earnings.

In team roping, the team of Walt Woodard and Doyle Gellerman finished first with a time of 5.5 and \$843.90. The team of Bucky Campbell and Mike Fuller were second with a time of 5.9 and \$632.92; Troy Frazier and Shane Crossley were third with 6.1 and \$421.95; and Monty Joe and Paul Petska ended up fourth with 6.6 and \$210.98.

Vance Siler took first place in the saddle bronc riding with a score of 78 and \$733.32; Robert Shannon and Josh Oleson tied with 69 and \$458.32 for second and third place; and John Hammack and Travis Howell tied for fourth and fifth with a 66 and \$91.66.

Heppner's Steve Currin captured fifth place in steer wrestling with a time of 5.0 for a purse of \$331.74. Joe Rosenberg

took first in that category with a time of 4.4 and \$1,068.94; Dag Houston, second, with 4.6 and \$884.64; Billy Gallino, third, 4.7, \$700.34; J.C. Jensen, fourth, 4.8, \$516.04; and Tom Camarillo, sixth, 5.1, \$184.30.

Another member of the Currin family, Kelli, took fourth place in the barrel race. She had a time of 17.51 for \$350.69, only a fraction over Sheila Haggert with a time of 17.50. Haggert took home \$431.62. Other barrel race winners are: first-Amy Dale, 17.23, \$647.42; second-Judi MacDonald, 17.45, \$512.54; fifth-Diane Kendrick, 17.55, \$215.81; a tie with two Randies for sixth and seventh-Randy Rae Britt, Echo and Randi Hultberg, 17.66, \$148.37; eighth-Jenna Beaver, 17.67, 107.90; ninth-Kathy Petska, 17.68, \$80.93; and 10th-Kim MacRae, 17.72, \$53.95.

In the bull-riding event, Michael Gaffney was first with a score of 81 and \$1,195.52. Shawn Waite took second with a score of 77 and \$989.40; Jeremy Symons and Richard Stapleman split third and fourth with a score of 76 and \$680.21 in earnings; Greg Oules was fifth with 75 and \$371.02; and Jeff Jonas and Kyle Kolbaba split sixth with 74 and \$103.06.

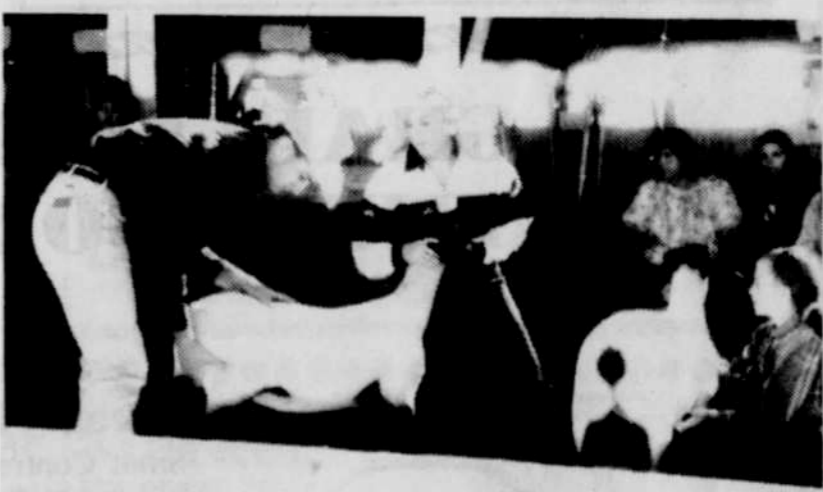
Livestock judge uses skills to his advantage

Javan Shull of Redmond not only has an FFA and ranching background, but has discovered a way to use it to pay his way through college.

Shull, 20, attends college through a livestock judging scholarship, selling livestock and using his FFA expertise to earn money judging at various fairs. Shull came to Heppner as an independent judge to judge the entries in the sheep division of the Morrow County Fair.

Shull grew up on a dairy farm and also raised beef cattle, hogs and sheep. He got involved in FFA in the Redmond High School Chapter and earned a judging scholarship to go to Lassen College at Susanville, CA, a two-year college. This fall Shull will transfer to a four-year institution, Texas A & M, also on a judging scholarship. He will major in ag-business and animal science with the goal of becoming a commodities broker (buying and selling ag commodities).

Shull won a national sheep judging scholarship in Nov. of 1993 at the national contest at Louisville. He was the captain of a judging team that traveled



Javan Shull (r) feels for fat in market lamb show

around the country, hitting big contests at places like Louisville, Fort Worth, the Cow Palace, Houston and Kansas City. As captain of a team of 10 members, Shull judged at all of the contests they traveled to.

Shull says that he looks for a heavy muscled, structurally correct, well-balanced and correctly finished lamb in his judging. The lamb must be sound on its feet and level and well proportioned with as much muscle in its hind saddle as in the front end of the shoulders,

he says. It should also have the right amount of fat, "fat enough, but not too fat," says Shull. Shull remarked that the lambs he judged at the Morrow County Fair had "a lot of depth in quality" and were representative of the sheep industry. "I enjoy judging fairs," he added. "It can be tiring, but I enjoy being around livestock."

After judging the Morrow County Fair, Shull was immediately on the road again. He returns to school this Saturday.

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