

Full house enjoyed the annual Vernonia Jamboree Logging Show

Kevin Hofenbredl was named 1996 All-Around Logger for both Columbia County and the Vernonia Jamboree Logging Show, edging out Jeff Skirvin by three points in the county contest and by four points in Vernonia.

Following are those who placed (1st-3rd) in individual events.

Working Saw, 5-6 cu. in.:
Lee Hofenbredl, 15.26; Kevin Hofenbredl, 16.05; Jasson Kyser, 18.5.



Pete Peters maintains a steady patter as he keeps the Logging Show rolling.

Axe Throw:

Scott Whitehead, 13; Dustan Thompson, 12; Les Skirvin, 11.

Kid's Axe Throw:

Kyle Cota, 7; Tom Gardner, 5; Don Schaumburg, 4.

Working Saw, 4-5 cu. in.:

Jeff Skirvin, 5.44; Jim Horn, 6.7; Larry Hofenbredl, 6.87.

Women's Bucking:

Renee Hall, 13.75; Darla Lardy, 15.85; Sara Cave, 16.05.

Pole Walk & Snip:

Kevin Hofenbredl, 17.02; Jim Horn, 19.10; Jess Borders, 19.60.

Women's Hard Hat Toss:

Andrea White, 109' 9"; Andrea Gellatly, 108' 9"; Darla Lardy, 97' 10".

Choker Setting:

Kevin Hofenbredl, 17.74; Jeff Skirvin, 21.54; Geoff Hoffert, 21.97.

Unlimited Bucking:

Les Skirvin, 5.18; Jim Horn, 10.31; Loren Knapp, 12.47.

Kid's Choker Setting:

Don Schaumburg, 13.22; Kyle Cota, 15.5; Nick Sorber, 15.81.

Steeple Chase:

Jeff Skirvin, 32; Kevin Hofenbredl, 33.13; Melvin Lardy, 33.44.

Pole Fall (all hits):

Ray Kyser, 35.40; Jess Borders, 46.00; Geoff Hoffert, 51.78.

Boom Stick Run:

Coby Reiger, 6; Scott Whitehead, 6.13; Chris Cave, 6.37.

Pole Walk:

Chris Cave, 8.5; Scott Whitehead, 9.07; Kennedy Ragsdale, 9.6.



Logging show clown Terry Selby performs his heart-stopping routine from the top of a pole, 40' above ground.

Many sponsors needed for show

In addition to participants, it takes many, many sponsors for a successful logging show. Following are the sponsors of the 1996 event:

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In addition, the Upper Nehalem Valley Dixieland Band provided entertainment before the show, while Clown Terry Selby kept the crowd laughing during the show.



Volunteers working at the 1996 Jamboree Logging Show were (from left) Chris Cota, Ray Cota, Tony Hyde, Pete Peters, Kyle Cota, Kevin Roberts, Bobby Lekkens, Bill Woolsey, Jack Carter, Matt Poetter, Jerry Budge, Tom Jones, Jason Roberts and Al Widme. The crew was aided by the the "Blue Ox", a John Deere skidder from Hessel Tractor.

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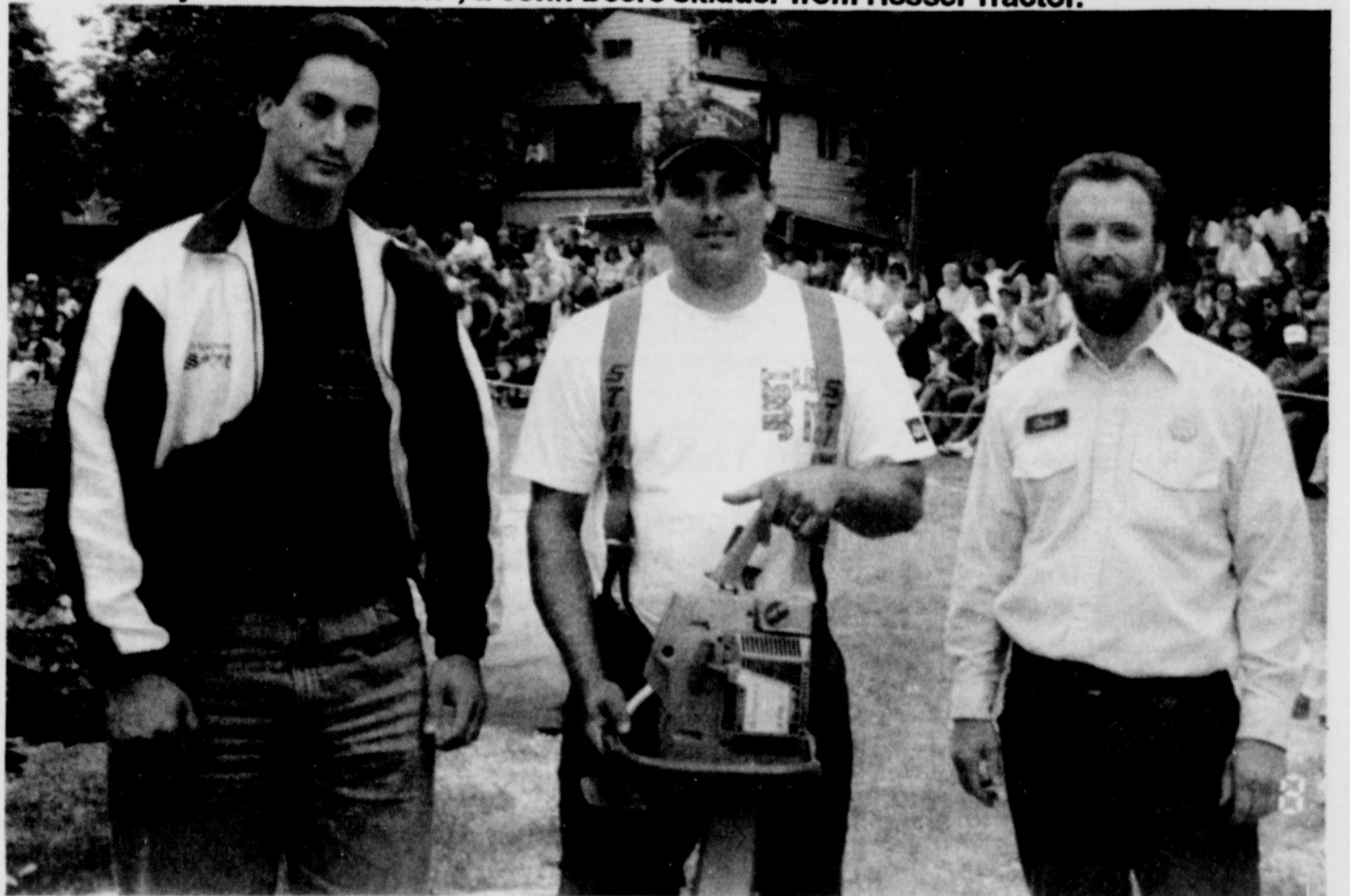
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1996 Columbia County Logger of the Year, Kevin Hofenbredl, accepts a new Husqvarna chainsaw from Lucky Distributors' Gary Cosmer (left), and Clark McGaugh of Vernonia Auto Parts, a Husky dealer.