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## Andy Harris wins at Cowtown

Andy Harris, of Cowtown, left the Cowtown Rodeo arena this past Saturday night as top bull rider for the evening and a very strong contender in the steer wrestling contest with \$497.84 in his pocket to boot. Andy rode a bull called

"Everready" for the eight

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second time limit, a big 73 points and to the pure enjoyment of the crowd that packed the rodeo. His time of 10.8 seconds for throwing his steer placed him in the 2nd place in that event out of a field of seven.

Johnny Harp on "Yosemite Sam" and John Graham on "Chewbacca" sewed up the 2nd and 3rd places in the bull riding contest with a tie of 64 points each from judges Chris Risoli and Stanley Thomas. Both Harp and Graham won \$245.

Bareback bronc riding saw Jimmie Lee Walker from Clayton, N.J. on a horse called "Broken Boar" take 1st place money, \$196, for his ride and score of 67 pts. Not too far behind Jimmie Lee were Buck Howard with 63 pts. and Rex Johnson 62 pts., together with 147.00 & 98. respectively.

In a field of 12 barrel races, once again longtime veteran Lorraine Alexander from Newton, N.J. took 1st place with a time of 17.59 seconds. Lorraine received \$143.56 for her rounds of the pre-set cloverleaf. Kathy Sleeter with 18.67 claimed 2nd place and Liz Deveno 3rd with \$107.76 and \$71.78, respectively.

Smokey Smith claimed the \$141.00 first prize money for his 12.6 sec. time in calfroping. A 16.3 for Andy Jackson and a 32.4 time for E.T. Buffington from Bear, Delaware, were all that was needed for the 2nd & 3rd place monies in this event. Buff missed his calf on his first throw, and having the foresight to carry (2) loops, was successful in roping his calf the second try to come into 3rd place money of \$70.56. Second place paid \$105.84.

Most fans know that the cornerstone of the rodeo itself is the Saddlebronc riding contest. Staying in the saddle requires more balance and timing than just brute strength alone. Donnie Reeder scored high here with 63 points on a horse called "Mr. Moore" to wrap up first place honors. Jackie Hammett on "Velvet Delivery" and David West on "Sweetwater" claimed second and third positions in that order.

More than 3300 fans witnessed the August 2nd performance.

Cowtown Rodeo will continue to provide family entertainment at its best every Saturday evening at 7:30 p.m. up through August 30th. While weekly shows are provided at Cowtown throughout the summer season, another identical Cowtown Rodeo goes on the road. Up and coming road shows will be given in North Washington, Pa., (five performances); Harford County Fair, Harford, Pa., and the Rutlland State Fair in Vermont later this month.



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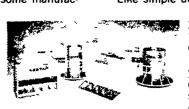
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