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### **RODEO AUSTIN WRAPS UP THE QUALIFYING ROUND OF THE TOURNAMENT**

Austin, Texas, March 23, 2016 – Rodeo Austin finished the Qualifying Round of the Ride For The Brand Cowboy Tournament. The last group of contestants entered the arena tonight to compete for the top 16 spots in the Playoff Round. Among them was bareback rider, RC Landingham, of Paso Robles, Calif.

Landingham has been riding horses since he was just 4 years old and bareback riding since he was 12. As his career moved forward he went from saddlebronc, to bull riding, before finally settling on bareback riding as his event of choice. Though he's competed in Austin before, he's excited to compete under the new bracket style and was happy there were extra chances to place and extra money to win.

"I'm up at the top of the ProRodeo standings right now," Landingham said. "With all of the added money, if I get a big win here, I'd probably move up to first or second in the world."

Landingham rides at nearly 100 rodeos a year and has seen the backs of more than 800 horses, but still says that a rodeo like Austin's stands out.

"The fans are always different here," Landingham said. "There's more of a rodeo background in Texas with the fanbase, and the hospitality in Texas is always better than most places."

Landingham scored an 88 tonight, which was the highest score in the performance. After Rodeo Austin, Landingham plans to head back to northern California to see family and friends. Then it'll be on to the next rodeo, the RAM National Circuit Finals Rodeo in Kissimmee, Fla., on April 7, 2016.

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See tonight's results below.

<b>Bareback Riding</b>	<b>Score</b>
1. R.C. Landingham	88
2. JR Vezain	81
3. Dantan Bertsch	77
4. Grant Denny	72
5. Wyatt Maines	59
<b>Steer Wrestling</b>	<b>Time</b>
1. Riley Duvall	4.5
2. Brad Loesch	5.1
3. Cody Pratt	5.6
4. Matt Cupp	5.7
5. Shane Frey	14.9
6. Billy Bugenig	15.8
7. Payden McIntyre	No Time
8. Jake Rinehart	No Time
<b>Team Roping</b>	<b>Time</b>
1. Cale Markham	4.5
Billie Jack Saebens	4.5
2. Jesse Stipes	5.6
Tyler Worley	5.6
3. Arky Rogers	9.5
Tyler McKnight	9.5
4. Joel Bach	9.8
Kory Koontz	9.8
5. David Motes	No Time
Justin Copp	
6. Justin Davis	No Time
Zane Bruce	
7. Lane Ivy	No Time
Braden Harmon	
8. Zac Small	No Time
Wesley Thorp	
<b>Saddle Bronc</b>	<b>Score</b>
1. Justin Caylor	78.5
2. Audy Reed	76
3. Preston Burr	71
4. Dustin Wade Moody	64
5. Clay Elliot	No Score
6. Tyrell J. Smith	No Score
7. Cord McCoy	No Score
8. Uhuru Adem	No Score
<b>Tie-Down Roping</b>	<b>Time</b>
1. Hunter Herrin	7.6
2. Jayce Johnson	10.5
3. Stetson Vest	No Time

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|-------------------|---------|
| 4. Blair Burk     | No Time |
| 5. Clint Nyegaard | No Time |
| 6. Marty Yates    | No Time |
| 7. Blake Ash      | No Time |
| 8. Blane Cox      | No Time |

### Barrel Racing

- |                    | Time    |
|--------------------|---------|
| 1. Benette Little  | 15.27   |
| 2. Tiany Schuster  | 15.40   |
| 3. Amanda Cupp     | 15.59   |
| 4. Nicole Laurence | 15.72   |
| 5. Shelby Herrmann | 20.27   |
| 6. Alexa Lake      | 20.49   |
| 7. Kelly Bruner    | No Time |

### Bull Riding

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|-------------------|----------|
| 1. Shane Proctor  | 83       |
| 2. Derek Kolbaba  | No Score |
| 3. Chad German    | No Score |
| 4. Patrick Geipel | No Score |
| 5. Cole Elshere   | No Score |
| 6. Sam Wyatt      | No Score |
| 7. Seth Glause    | No Score |
| 8. Tim Bingham    | No Score |



*Nathan Twining concludes the nightly rodeo performance with the Youth Tribute at Rodeo Austin.*