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RUTKOWSKI IS HOOKED ON RODEO AUSTIN

Austin, Texas, March 14, 2016 – Rodeo Austin is back in full force this year with another great group of athletes and several veteran bullfighters. Weston Rutkowski returns for his second year as a Team Rodeo Austin Bullfighter, and can be found protecting bull riders in the arena every night through March 26th.

"I love it, it's one of the biggest rodeos I work all year and you get to work with such great people," Rutkowski said. "It makes the job easy working with such awesome athletes."

Rutkowski started out as a bull rider and made the switch to bull fighting by chance. At age 22, he helped a friend tame a bull in the arena was and loved reading and reacting to the animal's movements. Rutkowski has been hooked on the sport ever since, believing it was fate that brought him to bull fighting.

His goal is reach the NFR one day and hopes to continue fighting bulls as long as he can.

"My ultimate goal is to fight bulls at the National Finals Rodeo in Las Vegas, Nevada," said Rutkowski. "I love the opportunities my job grants me, like getting to travel the world. Hopefully I can continue to fight bulls for a long time."

Follwing the conclusion of Rodeo Austin, Rutkowski will travel north to Lubbock to compete in freestyle bullfighting at ABC Rodeo.

See tonight's results below.

Bareback Riding		**Score**
1	Evan Jayne	80.5
2	Shane O'Connell	79.5
3	Winn Ratliff	No Score

Steer Wrestling		Score
1	Scott Guenthner	4.5
2	Tanner Milan	6.0
3	Jacob Shofner	6.7
4	Cole Edge	6.7
5	Clint Shofner	14.3
6	Joohn Franzen	15.0
7	Cooper Shofner	No Score

Team Roping		Time
1	Clayton Van Aken	10.5
	Cullen Teller	10.5
2	Levi Simpson	No Time
	Jeremy Buhler	
3	Joshua Torres	No Time
	Johnathan Torres	
4	Spencer Mitchell	No Time
	Justin Davis	
5	Brandon Beers	No Time
	Cesar de la Cruz	
6	Rowdy Rieken	No Time
	Justin Price	
7	Cory Kidd V	No Time
	Clint Summers	
8	Jay Tittel	No Time
	T.J. Watts	

Saddle Bronc		Score
1	Heith DeMoss	80
2	Ty Kirkland	73.5
3	Cole Hatfield	71
4	Cooper DeWitt	71
5	Toby Collins	No Score
6	Colter Heckman	No Score
7	Andrew Harris	No Score

Tie-Down Roping		Time
1	J.D. Kibbe	8.2
2	Randall Carlisle	9.4
3	Trent Walls	9.7
4	Ike Fontenot	14.0
5	Ryan Thibodeaux	No Score
6	Robert Mathis	No Score
7	Jesse Clark	No Score
8	Chant DeForest	No Score

Time

Barrel Racing

1	Sarah Rose McDonald	15.40
2	Tillar Murray	15.43
3	Victoria Williams	15.45
4	Kappy Allen	15.52
5	Lisa Thornton	15.60
6	Tasha Welsh	15.90
7	Carmel Wright	20.59
8	Aimee Kay	23.88

Bull Riding		**Score**
1	Guthrie Murray	78
2	Cody Rostockyj	71
3	Toby Collins	No Score
4	Aaron Pass	No Score
5	Dallee Mason	No Score
6	Chase Robbins	No Score
7	Brock Russell	No Score

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Bullfighter Weston Rutkowski, dodges a bull during the nightly bullfight in the arena.