

CARBONDALE WILD WEST RODEO

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Every Thursday Rain or Shine
June 1 to August 17, 2023

Gates Open 5:00 p.m.

Slack 5:45 p.m.

Grand Entry 7:30 p.m.

Admission:	Adults	\$15
	Children 10 & under	Free w/Adult
	Fence parking	\$50
	On-site vehicle parking	\$10
	Shuttle bus from town	FREE

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WELCOME TO THE CARBONDALE WILD WEST RODEO

WELCOME BACK TO THE 2023 CARBONDALE WILD WEST RODEO SERIES! The Rodeo is now in its 18th season and promises to be as fun and exciting as ever! Lots of great rodeo action, good food and good friends are at the rodeo every Thursday night all summer. Last season we had some of our biggest crowds ever and a few rainy, muddy nights as well, just because a rodeo in the mud is so much fun!

At the conclusion of the 2023 season, we will be offering a \$2,000 scholarship to a deserving contestant or volunteer for use in a college or trade school. Watch for application details on the CWWRA web site. We will also be presenting a new saddle at the end of the season to the top money winner in two events or more (All-Around Winner).

Lots of changes this year, mostly driven by the large crowds we have been getting the last few years. Watch for details or check the web site. These include the following: Due to rising costs, we are forced to increase ticket price (first time since 2011) from \$10 to \$15 per person. We also will be charging an on-site parking fee of \$10 per vehicle. We hope this will help encourage folks to RIDE THE FREE SHUTTLE BUSES FROM TOWN this year for the first time ever. There will be NO PARKING on County Road 100 this year and LIMITED PARKING in the neighborhood nearby (by order of Sheriff Dept). The parking around the arena will increase to \$50 and may include on-line signups (rather than a waiting line) so watch for details. Lastly, "bring your own alcohol" will no longer be allowed and alcohol will be sold on site (by order of Sheriff Dept and Town Police Dept), in order to be better controlled. We realize change can be difficult, but sometimes there is no choice and we believe everyone will adapt and enjoy the Rodeo!

As always, there are a lot of people to thank! First a big thank you to our sponsors. Without the sponsorship of numerous businesses and individuals, we would not have the financial ability to do this. New sponsors are always welcome, so if you are looking for a great way to advertise and support the rodeo at the same time, please talk to us. We urge all the spectators and contestants alike, to support these sponsors who support the CWWRA! We would also like to thank the contestants young and old, who show up week after week and compete, putting on a great show for everyone to enjoy. Next, we would like to thank you the spectators who support the rodeo with your presence, week after week, rain or shine. We love your enthusiasm for the sport of rodeo and we hope that you enjoy the rodeo series we all have worked hard to produce. Last and certainly not least, we would like to thank the volunteers who show up every week and help make this rodeo happen. Without these volunteers (in the red shirts), we could not produce this rodeo series week after week. So if you see one of these dedicated people, please tell them "thank you". They will appreciate that you noticed!

The Carbondale Wild West Rodeo Association (CWWRA) is a non-profit 501(c) (3) corporation dedicated to keeping the Western Heritage alive in Carbondale. It is run by a volunteer Board of Directors who spend countless hours planning and producing the Rodeo Series with no financial compensation. The Board sincerely hopes you enjoy the Carbondale Wild West Rodeo! If you have questions, please feel free to ask one of the volunteers or stop by the Secretary's shed and someone will assist you.

Thank you for your continued support and we look forward to a great 2023 Rodeo Season!

Sincerely,

Mike Kennedy, President

More info can be found at CarbondaleRodeo.com



Thank you for coming out to attend the Carbondale Wild West Rodeo tonight and supporting our efforts to stage a "Small Town Rodeo" that offers "Big Time Fun". So that you have a safe and enjoyable evening, the Town of Carbondale and the volunteers of the Carbondale Wild West Rodeo Association would like you to observe the following:

1. For your safety, NO PARKING ALONG COUNTY ROAD 100. Please park in close proximity to the car/truck next to you. Listen to parking volunteers for directions on where to park. Overflow parking, if you cannot find a space, is out the back gate on Willow Lane. Please do not block driveways on Willow Lane and enter through the back gate from Willow Lane.
2. Keep the lane around the arena clear of vehicles for ingress and egress and flow of emergency vehicles.
3. Please leave your dogs at home.
4. Please keep off and don't stand or sit on the Arena Perimeter Fence. It blocks the view of spectators and could prove hazardous when livestock crowd the fence.
5. Parents, it's recommended that you supervise and keep your small children with you at all times to prevent possible accidents with horse riders or vehicles on the perimeter lane around the arena. Keep kids away and out of the back practice warm up area where the horses are.
6. Food coolers, BBQ grills, and tailgate picnics are allowed. No outside alcohol can be brought in. A food and beverage caterer is located under the white tent on the east side of the main grandstand.
7. Please pick up your trash and dispose of it properly or take it with you. Please recycle.
8. Port-a-potties are located on the west side of the main grandstand rodeo registration area and next to the white & green barn on the northeast side of the Rodeo Grounds.
9. All rodeo contestants, including kids participating in Mutton Bustin' and/or the Calf Scramble must sign up and register for the event and sign a waiver at the registration booth west of the main grandstand. Sign up starts at 5:00 p.m.
10. Please use caution and drive safely when exiting as there are lots of pedestrians and heavy traffic.
11. The Wild West Rodeo Series is held every Thursday night, rain or shine, with the rodeo grand entry beginning at 7:30 p.m., through August 17 (Wild West Rodeo Finals).
12. If interested in assisting us as a volunteer committee member of the Carbondale Wild West Rodeo Association, please contact our Volunteer Coordinator, Melanie Cardiff at 970-379-0809.
13. Free shuttle buses from Carbondale available.

Carbondale Wild West Rodeo is pleased to have the following folks working with us to bring you a fantastic rodeo for our 12 week summer run, rain or shine. All have been involved with our rodeo for many years.

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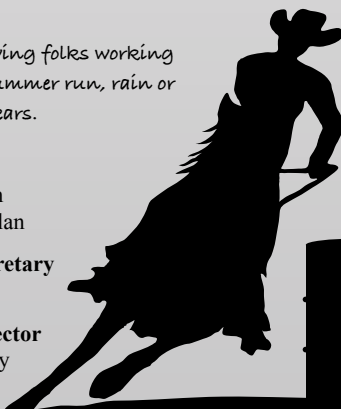
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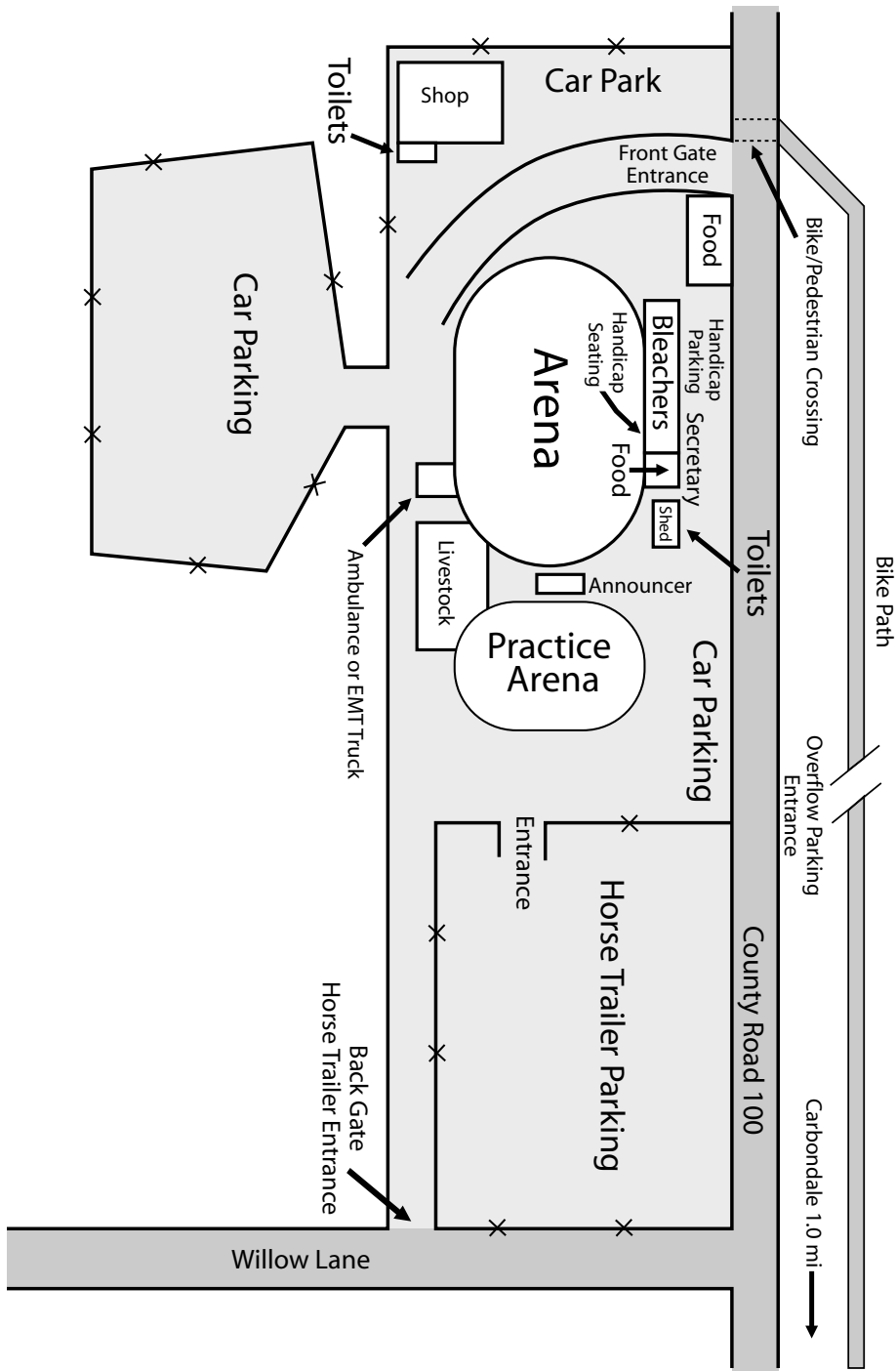
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SPECIAL EVENT DATES

June 8 Latigos Up Equestrian Drill Team
June 15 Joe Carr, Rodeo Clown
July 6 Our Independence Day/4th of July Celebration
July 13 Tomas Garcilazo, Trick Riding/Roping Act
July 20 Tough Enough to Wear Pink
July 27 Bobby Kerr Mustang Act
August 10 Riata Ranch Cowboy Girls, Hawaiian Night
August 17 Finals & Awards Night



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Most of the menu items are made from scratch and sourced locally to support our farmers and ranchers.

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About eight years ago we were thinking it would be really nice to have a public picnic place that would serve as a remembrance for Roz's parents Bob and Ditty Perry who ranched here for many years. They loved this valley and the Carbondale community and gave freely of their time and energy to help in numerous ways. Lots of old timers worked hard to make this community the place it is today and we wanted to do something that would honor all those hardy souls who have gone on but are not forgotten.

We thank all those who have made this possible with special thanks to Sherry Rubin for her persistence in keeping this idea moving forward and to Travis Jadwin and his Silverado crew for building the pavilion. Our greatest hope is that it will get lots of use both summer and winter and will serve to remind us all of family, friends, and our western traditions and heritage.

Roz passed away July 4, 2020. Her warmth, kindness and generosity will be greatly missed. Roz loved this community and kids. She would be pleased to see folks enjoying the pavillion and cheering on the rodeo contestants.

Cheers to the "Wild West" crew, the board and many volunteers who make the rodeo a fun event.



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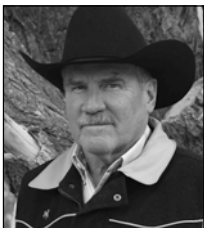
Rodeo, It's a Family Tradition!!

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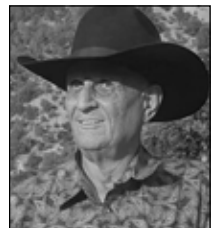
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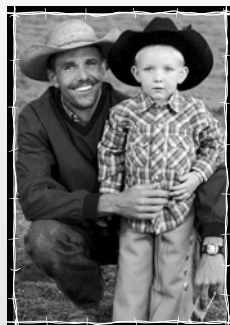
We sincerely hope you enjoy the rodeo!

AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Once again this year, we plan to offer a **\$2000 scholarship** to deserving rodeo contestants or volunteers. Application details are on the web site as to how you can nominate a deserving participant for these scholarships or check with Melanie at the Secretary's Shed.

We also plan to award a belt buckle again this year for the **"Trent Goscha Sportsmanship Award"** that will be presented to a deserving rodeo and/or Gymkhana participant. Details of how you can nominate someone for this award are on the web site or check with Melanie at the Secretary's Shed.

Since Trent's unexpected death in November 2016 at the age of 13, Trent's parents, Mike and Jayme, and sister, Tess, have dedicated themselves to the things Trent loved and valued in his short, but full, life. The thing Trent loved most was being a cowboy and learning from the wonderful cowboy and cowgirl heroes he got to know at the CWWR. (Trent pictured here at age 4 in his Mutton Bustin' days at Carbondale Wild West Rodeo.)



The Spirit of Court Will Award will reward a buckle to a primarily rodeo contestant, but volunteers are also eligible. Recipient should give it their best in all they do, while recognizing the needs of others; wanting everyone to succeed and do the best they are capable of doing. They should be helpful to others with kind gestures such as sharing a horse, teaching younger participants, etc... This award is presented by the Will Family in memory of Court Will.

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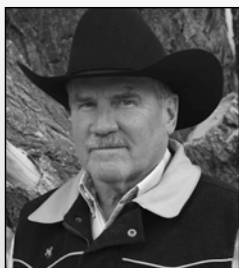
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Open barrel racing is for those ages 13 years and up. The goal of barrel racing is to do a cloverleaf pattern around three barrels in the fastest time. The horses pivot on their haunches at a very high speed and execute each turn with only a few inches to spare. Normally, Quarter Horses are used in barrel racing. If a barrel is knocked over, there is a five-second penalty.



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As soon as the header secures the loop, he “dallies” the rope around the saddle horn and rides to the left, turning the steer away from a right-handed heeler.

As the header rides away, the heeler tries to rope the steer’s hind feet. There is a five-second penalty if the heeler catches only one foot.

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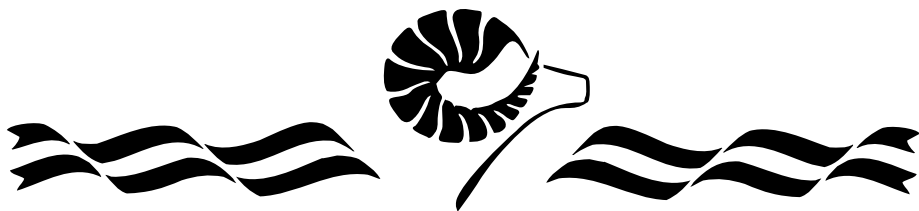


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Each bull has a different style of bucking. Some bulls spin, while others continuously circle in one area. Some bulls add a jump or a kick to their spin and others move sideways in mid-air.



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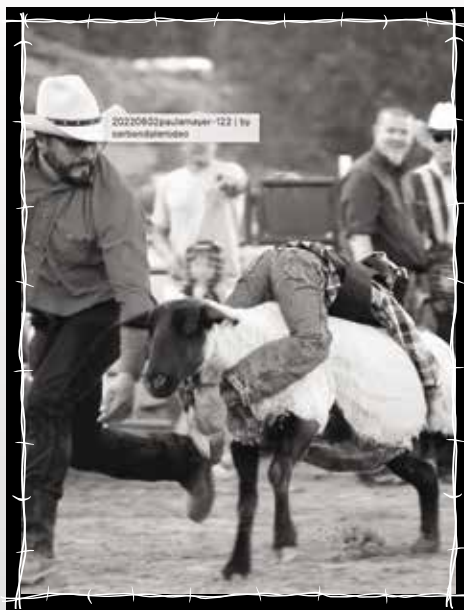
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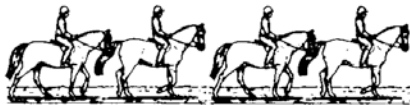


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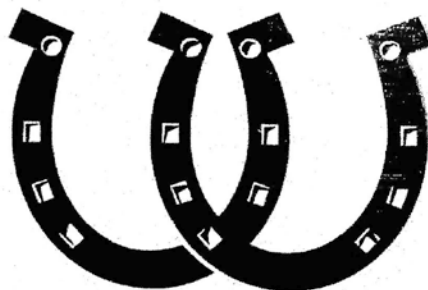
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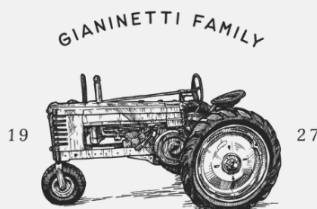
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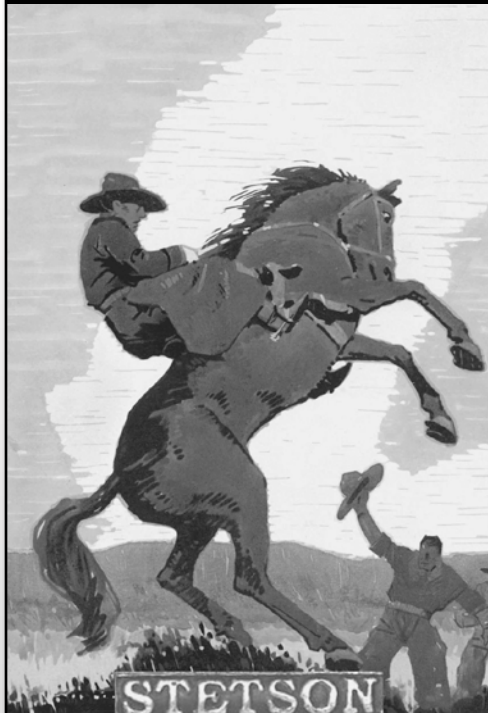
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