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## **80th Annual PRCA Rooftop Rodeo Comes to Estes Park**

There's non-stop, rip-roarin' cowboy action in store for rodeo fans July 11 through 16 at Estes Park's 80<sup>th</sup> Annual Rooftop Rodeo, a PRCA sanctioned event. Six nightly professional rodeo performances combine with nightly Mutton Bustin' competition, a parade through downtown Estes Park and dance during the annual affair.

The 10:30 a.m. parade on Tuesday, July 11 kicks off the six-day event when entries make their way from the west end of town on Elkhorn Avenue (Estes Park's main street) to Fourth St. on their way to the Stanley Park Fairgrounds, adjacent to Lake Estes at U.S. Highway 36 and Community Drive. The parade traditionally features hundreds of horses, marching units, hitches, cowboys and cowgirls, floats, and antique cars.

Saddle bronc riding, steer wrestling, tie down roping, bareback bronc riding, barrel racing and bull riding are among the PRCA sanctioned events that will entertain each evening's audience. Each night in Mutton Bustin' 10 youngsters between the ages of five and eight, will sit on sheep and hang on as long as they can. Rodeo performances begin at 7:30 p.m.

Those interested in a behind-the-scenes view of the rodeo can make reservations for a Gold Buckle Club experience that includes a behind the chutes tour, Western steak barbeque, reserved seating for the evening's rodeo performance and free parking. Tickets are limited, so those interested in participating should make advance reservations by calling 970-586-6104.

Chute Nine is the featured performer at Saturday night's (July 15) Queens Dance. The group is known for its mix of new country and showmanship makes it one of the more popular bands entertaining in Minnesota, Florida, Nevada and points in between. The dance at the Estes Park Conference Center, 201 South St. Vrain Ave., begins at 9:30 p.m.

To order tickets, or for more information about the award winning Rooftop Rodeo, call the Estes Park Special events department at 970-586-6104.

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**Ticket Prices:**

- PRCA RODEO PERFORMANCES: Box Seats - \$20; General Admission Adults - \$15; General Admission Children 3-11 - \$5
- Gold Buckle Club Experience: Adults - \$40; Children 3-11 - \$15. Includes a Behind-the chute tour, Western BBQ dinner, free parking and reserved seating.
- Queens Dance: \$10