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San Angelo Stock Show and Rodeo

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Corbett heads into finale No. 1

SAN ANGELO, Texas – Through a month and a half of 2018, Logan Corbett had earned just \$1,000 riding bucking horses in ProRodeo.

He quadrupled that Thursday night by winning the first round of bareback riding at the San Angelo Stock Show and Rodeo. Corbett, the rodeo coach at New Mexico State University in Las Cruces, scored 87 points on Pete Carr's Classic Pro Rodeo's Black Widow to win the round. He also takes that top spot with him to Championship Friday with a chance to win the rodeo's overall championship.

"Winning the round really means a lot," said Corbett, who is just in his sophomore season in ProRodeo. "Last year was my rookie year, and I got the opportunity to travel with Tim (O'Connell) and Shane (O'Connell, no relation). I coach a rodeo program full time, so this is a side gig, and I went to 62 rodeos last year."

Tim O'Connell the two-time reigning world champion who has qualified for the Wrangler National Finals Rodeo the past four seasons. Shane O'Connell finished 19th in the world standings, just missing out on being one of the top 15 qualifiers. So far this year, he sits No. 1 in the world standings, while the champion sits seventh.

Corbett, though, isn't among the top 50 ... yet. He qualified for the RAM Turquoise Circuit Finals Rodeo last year, which is a big step for a newcomer in the game. He hopes to gather more experiences this year to help him along his rodeo career.

"This money is pretty big," he said of the \$4,185 he earned Thursday. "The rodeo fund was running pretty low. It was also a stressful day at home. I got up early to leave for the airport, and my daughter's pony was having a bout with colic. My wife had to take care of everything at home, so she got the pony to the vet.

"Now we'll have that vet bill to take care of, so this money from the long round is critical."

There are no guarantees in rodeo. Contestants must pay an entry fee just to compete, and they only get return on their investment if they beat most of the others in the field. He had a little help with Black Widow, a younger Carr horse.

"He was outstanding," Corbett said of the animal. "He was really strong."

Now he'll have the opportunity to get on another one Friday night. That's not too shabby for a cowboy competing in San Angelo for the first time in his career.

"I couldn't be happier to be part of the short round, because the horses are going to be the real deal – a lot have been to the NFR or are going this year," he said. "It's very rewarding to see a lot of the hard work you put into it paying off.

"It's good for the team, too, because I'm always preaching about putting in the work, going to the gym and keeping your head right. It's helpful for me to come to a rodeo like this and win, so it reinforces to my team that I know what I'm talking about."

Now he gets a chance to add to his total, and prove himself to his rodeo team even more, during Friday's championship round. It will feature only the best from the preliminary rounds, which concluded Thursday. It's a true showcase of rodeo's brightest stars.

“It’s going to be electric, that’s for sure,” Corbett said. “That crowd tonight was unbelievable and just a ton of fun. The rodeo committee takes care of the cowboys.

“Of course, it’s always a lot more fun when you do well.”

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Feb. 2-4, Feb. 9-11, Feb. 14-16

Bareback riding leaders: 1. Logan Corbett, 87 points on Pete Carr’s Classic Pro Rodeo’s Black Widow, \$4,185; 2. Luke Creasy, 86.5, \$3,209; 4. David Peebles, 85.5, \$2,372; 5. (tie) Will Lowe, Tanner Aus and Justin Pollmiller, 85, \$1,070 each; 7. Richmond Champion, 84, \$558; 8. (tie) J.R. Vezain and Levi Nicholson, 83.5, \$209 each; 10. Kaycee Feild, 82.5; 11. (tie) BoDell Jessen and Wyatt Denny, 82.

Steer wrestling: First round leaders: 1. Dakota Eldridge, 3.1 seconds, \$3,653; 2. (tie) Craig Hicks, Brandon Harrison, Cameron Morman and Marcus Theriot, 3.5, \$2,462 each; 6. (tie) John Kloeckler, Jarret New and Rowdy Parrott, 3.7, \$794 each. **Second round leaders:** 1. (tie) Dirk Tavenner, Clayton Hass, Jacob Talley and Cody Devers, 3.4 seconds, \$2,938 each; 5. Chason Floyd, 3.5, \$1,747; 6. (tie) Sam Powers and Cade Staton, 3.6, \$1,032 each; 8. Cody Doescher, 3.7, \$318. **Average leaders:** 1. Dakota Eldridge, 7.1 seconds on two runs; 2. Clayton Hass, 7.2; 3. Jacob Talley, 7.5; 4. Sam Powers, 7.7; 5. Craig Hicks, 7.8; 6. Blake Mindemann, 7.9; 7. Denver Berry, 8.2; 8. Cody Doescher, 8.4; 9. (tie) Tyler Waguespack, Blaine Jones and Cameron Morman, 8.5; 12. Scott Guenther, 8.6.

Team roping: First round leaders: 1. Steven DUBY/Evan Arnold, 3.6 seconds, \$3,471; 2. Tanner Green/Cody Hogan, 3.8, \$3,105; 3. Brock Hanson/Ryan Motes, 3.9, \$2,639; 4. (tie) Clay Smith/Paul Eaves, Cory Kidd/Caleb Anderson and Dustin Egusquiza/Kory Koonts, 4.0, \$1,808 each; 7. (tie) Lane Ivy/Buddy Hawkins II, J.B. James Jr/Cesar de la Cruz and Bobby Baize/Justin Fox, 4.1, \$362 each. **Second round leaders:** 1. Nelson Wyatt/Trace Porter, 3.6 secondS, \$3,571; 2. Bubba Buckaloo/Joseph Harrison, 3.8, \$3,105; 3. Luke Brown/Jake Long and Cody Snow/Wesley Thorp, 3.9, \$2,406; 5. (tie) Tom Richards/Jake Smith, Tyler Mangus/Truman Leo Mangus, Colby Lovell/Ty Arnold and Colby Lovell/Ty Arnold, 4.0, \$1,009. **Average:** 1. Steven DUBY/Evan Arnold, 8.2 seconds on two runs; 2. (tie) Clay Smith/Paul Eaves and Tom Richards/Jake Smith, 8.3; 4. Brock Hanson/Ryan Motes, 8.4; 5. (tie) Paul David Tierney/Tanner Braden and Dustin Egusquiza/Kory Koontz, 9.5; 7. (tie) Nelson Wyatt/Trace Porter and Tyler Wade/Trey Yates, 9.0; 9. (tie) Logan Olson/Matt Kasner and Tyler Waters/Britt Bockius, 9.2; 11. (tie) Andrew Livingston/Twister Cain and Tate Kirchenschlager/Tyler Worley, 9.5.

Saddle bronc riding leaders: 1. Wade Sundell, 88.5 points on Powder River Rodeo’s Morning Tea, \$3,466; 2. Taos Muncy, 87, \$2,658; 3. Ryder Wright, 85.5, \$1,964; 4. Zeke Thurston, 85, \$1,271; 5. Audy Reed, 84.5, \$809; 6. (tie) Sterling Crawley and Clay Elliott, 84, \$520; 8. (tie) Tyrel Larsen and Jade Blackwell, 83, \$173 each; 10. Rusty Wright, 81.5; 11. Lefty Holman, 80.5.

Tie-down roping: First round leaders: 1. Weldon Watson, 7.1 seconds, \$4,942; 2. Scott Kormos, 7.3, \$4,297; 3. (tie) Cory Solomon and Westyn Hughes, 7.7, \$3,330 each; 5. (tie) Blane Cox, Zack Jongbloed and Cody Huber, 7.8, \$1,719 each; 8. Cody Craig, 7.9, \$430. **Second round:** 1. Tuf Cooper, 7.0 seconds, \$4,942; 2. Trevor Brazile, 7.4, \$4,297; 3. Michael Perry, 7.7, \$3,652; 4. Cade Swor, 7.8, \$3,008; 5. (tie) Blane Cox and Garrett Jacobs, 7.9, \$2,041 each; 7. (tie) Trent Creager, Hunter Herrin and Ryan Watkins, 8.0, \$501 each. **Average:** 1. Blane Cox, 15.7 seconds on two runs; 2. Scott Kormos, 16.2; 3. Hunter Herrin, 16.3; 4. Timber Moore, 16.9; 5. (tie) Weldon Watson and Zack Jongbloed, 17.42; 7. (tie) Michael Perry and D.J. Parker, 17.52; 9. Marcus Theriot, 17.6; 10. (tie) Trell Etbauer and L.D. Meier, 17.7; 12. Brice Ingo, 17.8.

Barrel racing: Second round leaders: 1. Amberleigh Moore, 14.15 seconds, \$5,193; 2. Teri Bangart, 14.21, \$4,451; 3. Cindy Smith, 14.27, \$3,709; 4. Carman Pozzobon, 14.28, \$3,215; 5. Tyra Kane, 14.30, \$2,473; 6. Tammy Fischer, 14.32, \$1,978; 7. (tie) Kaycie Teague and Hailey Kinsel, 14.35, \$1,236 each; 9. (tie) Sissy Winn and Dena Kirkpatrick, 14.39, \$618 each; 9. Alex Lang, 14.40; 10. Callahan Crossley, 14.41. **Average leaders:** 1. Amberleigh Moore, 30.01 seconds on two runs; 2. Lisa Lockhart, 20.15; 3. Christine Laughlin, 30.26; 4. Hailey Kinsel, 30.31; 5. Kellie Collier, 30.36; 6. Dena Kirkpatrick, 30.40; 7. Tyra Kane, 30.41; 8. Tillar Murray, 30.48; 9. Cindy Smith, 30.50; 10. Kim Coleman, 30.53; 11. (tie) Sissy Winn and Alex Lang, 30.54.

Bull riding leaders: 1. Sage Kimzey, 91 points on Pickett Pro Rodeo’s Lonesome You, \$2,734; 2. Trey Benton III, 90.5, \$2,863; 3. (tie) Jordan Wacey Spears and Brett Stall, 88.5, \$1742 each; 5. Cody Rostockyj, 87.5, \$871; 6. Tyler Bingham, 87, \$622; 7. J.W. Harris, 86.5, \$498; 8. Ednei Caminhas, 85.5, \$373; 9. J.T. Moore, 85; 10. Joe Frost and Jordan Hansen, 84.5.