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**San Angelo Stock Show and Rodeo**

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# Sechrist sneaks into Angelo title

SAN ANGELO, Texas – Bryson Sechrist has shown great promise in the world of professional rodeo.

Three seasons ago, he finished the campaign 21<sup>st</sup> in the tie-down roping world standings with nearly \$70,000. He was just six spots out of reaching the sport's pinnacle, the National Finals Rodeo, which features only the top 15 contestants in each event. The year before, he finished 18<sup>th</sup> in the world standings, pocking just shy of \$60,000 in the 2016 season

That's a considerable sum, but each mile driven and each missed opportunity took a toll on the young cowboy. He stayed closer to his home in Apache, Oklahoma, competing at regional rodeos and battling for the Prairie Circuit title. All the while, a hunger grew in his stomach.

He's trying to feed it this year. On Friday night, he roped and tied his calf in 7.9 seconds to win the final round of the San Angelo Stock Show and Rodeo. What's more impressive is that he was ninth heading into the championship round. Between his solid run and some poor luck on those above him in the race, it worked out to his benefit.

"I stayed home for a while last year," said Sechrist, who earned \$12,616 in this west Texas community of more than 100,000 people. "I missed the finals a couple of years ago, so I regrouped and decided to let it roll in 2020."

It's rolling. With the win, he will move into the top 20 in the ProRodeo world standings. It's often important to get a good start to the season, and the winter rodeos in Texas are a good place to make that happen.

"It means a lot to win this rodeo," he said. "I've been coming here for years. This is the first year I've made the short round, and I'm glad it worked out."

It was a bit of a relief for the 27-year-old cowboy, who threw his first loop at a Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association event in 2011. He understands the importance of stepping up when the opportunities allow, just as they did Friday.

"I had a really good calf that was fast-handling, and that was more of my style," Sechrist said. "I was a tick late, so I just wanted to make it more of a practice run. With that calf being like he was, I knew if I set it up, she'd be really good on the ground.

"This is huge. This is one of the toughest rodeos to win. Winning this one here, where calf roping is such a big deal, has been one of my goals."

## **San Angelo Stock Show and Rodeo Jan. 30-Feb. 14**

**Bareback riding: First round:** 1. Kody Lamb, 88 points on Pete Carr Pro Rodeo's Hometown Girl, \$3,727; 2. Leighton Berry, 87.5, \$2,857; 3. Austin Foss, 87, \$2,112; 4. Tim O'Connell, 86, \$1,366; 5. (tie) Richmond Champion and Taylor Broussard, 85, \$745 each; 7. Tyler Berghuis, 84.5, \$497; 8. (tie) Tilden Hooper, Chad Rutherford, Clayton Biglow and Jamie Howlett, 84, \$93 each. **Final round:** 1. Clayton Biglow, 89 points on Pete Carr Pro Rodeo's Painted River, \$1,650; 2. (tie) Chad Rutherford and Richmond Champion, 86.5, \$1,075 each; 4. Jamie Howlett, 86, \$600; 5. Taylor Broussard, 85.5, \$350; 6. (tie) Tim O'Connell and Leighton Berry, 84, \$125 each. **Average:** 1. Clayton Biglow, 173 points on two rides, \$3,727; 2. (tie) Richmond Champion and Leighton

Berry, 171.5, \$2,484 each; 4. (tie) Chad Rutherford and Taylor Broussard, 170.5, \$1,118 each; 6. (tie) Jamie Howlett and Tim O'Connell, 170, \$559 each; 8. (tie) Tilden Hooper and Kody Lamb, 166, \$186 each.

**Steer wrestling: First round:** 1. Ty Erickson, 3.8 seconds, \$3,284; 2. Taz Olson, 3.9, \$2,855; 3. (tie) Stockton Graves and Sterling Humphry, 4.1, \$2,213 each; 5. (tie) Tait Kvistad and Dalton Massey, 4.3, \$1,356 each; 7. (tie) Ryan McKay Nettle and Jacob Talley, 4.4, \$500 each. **Second round:** 1. (tie) Cameron Morman and Matt Reeves, 3.9 seconds, \$3,070 each; 3. (tie) Cade Staton and Chance Howard, 4.0, \$2,213 each; 5. (tie) Dakota Eldridge and Tanner Brunner, 4.1, \$1,356 each; 7. Jesse Brown, 4.2, \$714; 8. (tie) Luke Branquinho, Sterling Lambert and Cade Goodman, 4.3, \$95 each. **Final round:** 1. Matt Reeves, 3.7 seconds, \$1,769; 2. Cade Staton, 5.0, \$1,464; 3. Cody Harmon, 5.2, \$1,159; 4. Tanner Brunner, 5.3, \$854; 5. Ty Erickson, 5.6, \$549; 6. Josh Clark, 6.6, \$305; **Average:** 1. Matt Reeves, 12.4 seconds on three runs, \$4,926; 2. Cade Stanton, 14.3, \$4,283; 3. Tanner Brunner, 14.5, \$3,641; 4. Cody Harmon, 14.6, \$2,998; 5. Ty Erickson, 15.2, \$2,356; 6. Josh Clark, 16.0, \$1,713; 7. Taz Olson, 20.9, \$1,070; 8. Trell Etbauer, 31.9, \$428.

**Team roping: First round:** 1. Spencer Mitchell/Cesar de la Cruz, 3.7 seconds, \$3,742; 2. (tie) Kaleb Driggers/Junior Nogueira and Clay Smith/Jade Corkill, 3.8, \$3,010 each; 4. (tie) Laramie Allen/Whit Kitchens and Colton Campbell/Jordan Ketscher, 3.9, \$2,034 each; 6. Reno Cash Stoebner/Colton Brittain, 4.1, \$1,302; 7. Tanner Tomlinson/Coleby Payne, 4.2, \$813; 8. (tie) Aaron Tsinigine/Kyle Lockett and Manny Equisquiza Jr./York Gill, 4.3, \$163. **Second round:** 1. Jaxon Tucker/Jake Clay, 3.5 seconds, \$2,742; 2. Dustin Eguesquiza/Travis Graves, 3.7, \$3,254; 3. (tie) Erich Rogers/Paden Bray and Lane Ivy/Dillon Wingereid, 3.8, \$2,522 each; 5. (tie) Dawson Graham/Dillon Graham and Clint Summers/Douglas Rich, 3.9, \$1,546 each; 7. Trey Blackmore/Kory Bramwell, 4.0, \$813; 8. (tie) Dale Martin Jr./Garrett McQueen and Jake Orman/Daniel Braman, 4.3, \$163 each. **Final round:** 1. Aaron Tsinigine/Kyle Lockett, 4.8 seconds, \$1,697; 2. Kolton Schmidt/Hunter Koch, 4.9, \$1,404; 3. Cory Smothers/Brandon Gonzales, 5.4, \$1,112; 4. Colton Campbell/Jordan Ketscher, 6.6, \$819; 5. Jaguar Terrill/Travis Woodard, 7.6, \$527; 6. Laramie Allen/Whit Kitchens, 9.9, \$293. **Average:** 1. Aaron Tsinigine/Kyle Lockett, 13.7 seconds on three runs, \$5,613; 2. Kolton Schmidt/Hunter Koch, 15.3, \$4,881; 3. Cory Smothers/Brandon Gonzales, 15.4, \$4,149; 4. Colton Campbell/Jordan Ketscher, 15.9, \$3,417; 5. Laramie Allen/Whit Kitchens, 18.2, \$2,694; 6. Jaguar Terrill/Travis Woodard, 19.4, \$1,952; 7. Brenton Hall/Chase Tryan, 24.5, \$1,220; 8. Clay Smith/Jade Corkill, 8.3 seconds on two runs, \$488.

**Saddle bronc riding: First round:** 1. Zeke Thurston, 90 points on Hampton Pro Rodeo's Rising Tide, \$3,494; 2. Jacobs Crawley, 88, \$2,679; 3. Carter Elshere, 85.5, \$1,980; 4. Cody DeMoss, 85, \$1,281; 5. Jesse Wright, 84.5, \$815; 6. (tie) Allen Boore, Rusty Wright and Kolby Wanchuk, 84, \$466 each; 9. (tie) Tegan Smith, Spencer Wright and Garrett Buckley, 83.5; 11. Leon Fountain, 83. **Final round:** 1. Allen Boore, 88.5 points on Pete Carr Pro Rodeo's Big Tex, \$1,650; 2. Rusty Wright, 87, \$1,250; 3. Zeke Thurston, 86, \$900; 4. Spencer Wright, 83.5, \$600; 5. Tegan Smith, 83, \$250; 6. Jesse Wright, 82.5, \$250. **Average:** 1. Zeke Thurston, 176 points on two rides, \$3,494; 2. Allen Boore, 172.5, \$2,679; 3. Rusty Wright, 171, \$1,980; 4. Jacobs Crawley, 167.5, \$1,281; 5. (tie) Spencer Wright and Jesse Wright, 167, \$699 each; 7. Tegan Smith, 166.5, \$466; 8. Leon Fountain, 162, \$349.

**Tie-down roping: First round:** 1. Lane Livingston, 7.2 seconds \$4,899; 2. Shad Mayfield, 7.4, \$4,260; 3. (tie) Caleb Smidt and Bryson Sechrist, 7.5, \$3,301 each; 5. L.D. Meier, 7.7, \$2,343; 6. (tie) Blane Cox and Marcos Costa, 7.8, \$1,384 each; 8. Bo Pickett, 7.9, \$426. **Second round:** 1. Justin Smith, 7.0 seconds, \$4,899; 2. Marty Yates, 7.1, \$4,260; 3. (tie) Riley Pruitt and Ike Fontenot, 7.4, \$3,301 each; 5. Cooper Martin, 7.5, \$2,343; 6. (tie) Kincade Henry and Cory Solomon, 7.6, \$1,384 each; 8. (tie) Blane Cox and Lucas Potter, 7.8, \$213 each. **Final round:** 1. Bryson Sechrist, 7.9 seconds, \$1,967; 2. Stetson Vest, 8.4, \$1,710; 3. Cooper Martin, 8.5, \$1,454; 4. Caleb Smidt, 9.1, \$1,197; 5. (tie) Reid Zapalac and Kincade Cullen Henry, 9.2, \$812; 7. Ty Harris, 9.7, \$428; 8. Jake Pratt, 9.9, \$171. **Average:** 1. Bryson Sechrist, 24.8 seconds on three runs, \$7,348; 2. (tie) Cooper Martin and Caleb Smidt, 25.1, \$5,910 each; 4. Stetson Vest, 25.3, \$4,473; 5. Kincade Cullen Henry, 25.6, \$3,514; 6. Reid Zapalac, 25.9, \$2,556; 7. (tie) Ty Harris and Jake Pratt, 25.7, \$1,118 each.

**Barrel racing: First round:** 1. Wenda Johnson, 15.78 seconds, \$4,414; 2. Shelley Morgan, 15.89, \$3,784; 3. Emily Efurd, 15.90, \$3,153; 4. (tie) Taylor Langdon and Amberleigh Moore, 15.93, \$2,417 each; 6. Kylie Weast, 15.96, \$1,682; 7. Tillar Murray, 15.99, \$1,261; 8. Kenna Squires, 16.00, \$841; 9. Lisa Thornton, 16.02, \$631; 10. Ryann Pedone, 16.03, \$420. **Second round:** 1. Tiany Schuster, 14.05 seconds, \$4,414; 2. Brittany Pozzi Tonozzi, 14.10, \$3,784; 3. Shannon McReynolds, 14.20, \$3,153; 4. Kim Schulze, 14.24, \$2,733; 5. (tie) Haley Wolfe and Ivy Conrado-Saebens, 14.26, \$1,892 each; 7. (tie) Kathy Grimes and Lindsay Sears, 14.27, \$1,051 each; 9. (tie) Lexie Goss, Rande Prindle and Bristan Kennedy, 14.30, \$350 each. **Final round:** 1. Brittany Pozzi Tonozzi, 13.93 seconds, \$3,270; 2. Emily Efurd, 14.34, \$2,452; 3. Rande Prindle, 14.35, \$1,635; 4. Ryan Pedone, 14.39, \$817. **Average:** 1. Brittany Pozzi Tonozzi, 44.15 seconds on three runs, \$6,622; 2. Wenda Johnson, 44.83, \$5,676; 3. Emily Efurd, 44.76, \$4,730; 4. Rande Prindle, 44.81, \$4,099; 5. Ryann Pedone, 44.86, \$3,153; 6. Bristan Kennedy, 44.88, \$2,522; 7. Kim Schulze, 44.92, \$1,892; 8. (tie) Shelley Morgan and Tiany Schuster, 44.93, \$1,104; 10. Lexie Goss, 44.95, \$631.

**Bull riding: First round:** 1. Stetson Wright, 89 points on Rafter H Rodeo Livestock's Bet On Black, \$3,466; 2. Bayle Worden, 88.5, \$2,657; 3. Elliot Jacoby, 86.5, \$1,964; 4. Tim Bingham, 84.5, \$1,271; 5. (tie) Parker

McCown, Boudreaux Campbell and Ty Wallace, 84, \$616 each; 8. Jeston Mead, 83.5, \$347. **Final round:** 1. Tim Bingham, 76 points on Lancaster & Jones' White Walker, \$5,000; no other qualified rides. **Average:** 1. Tim Bingham, 160.5 points on two rides, \$3,601; 2. Stetson Wright, 89 points on one ride, \$2,761; 3. Bayle Worden, 88.5, \$2,041; 4. Elliot Jacoby, 86.5, \$1,320; 5. (tie) Parker McCown, Boudreaux Campbell and Ty Wallace, 84, \$640 each; 8. Jeston Mead, 83.5, \$360.