COLUMBIA RIVER CIRCUIT FINALS RODEO RETURNS TO THE YAKIMA VALLEY SUNDOME

The top rodeo in the Northwest, the Columbia River Circuit Finals Rodeo, will be returning to Central Washington in November. The PRCA sanctioned Finals will be held at the Yakima Valley SunDome on November 7 & 8.

The rodeo, which has been held in Redmond, Oregon, is moving back to Central Washington and the SunDome, where it was held throughout the 1990's.

"We're excited to be coming back to Washington State, and to bring this great rodeo back to the SunDome," said Rowdy Barry, President of the Columbia River Circuit. "Central Washington is great rodeo country and we're looking forward to putting on a fantastic show for everyone."

The Columbia River Circuit Finals will present the top 12 cowboys and cowgirls in all the PRCA events including bareback, saddle bronc, tie down roping, bull riding, team roping, barrel racing, and steer wrestling. Each contestant will be competing for a chance to go on to compete at the RAM National Circuit Finals Rodeo in Oklahoma City.

The Columbia River Circuit consists of 29 of the best PRCA rodeos throughout the Northwest and the Finals are the pinnacle of the season attracting the top riders and ropers from around the region.

"The Columbia River Circuit has a number of top PRCA athletes from our pro rodeo circuit," said Barry. "In fact, 15 of our contestants competed for a world title at the Wrangler National Finals Rodeo in Las Vegas last December."

"We are thrilled and excited to have the CRC Finals coming back to Yakima after a 14 year absence," said SunDome manager Greg Lybeck. "The SunDome is a perfect venue for rodeo, giving fans a close-up view of all the action."

The SunDome has been the site for many rodeo and bull riding events over the years.

Barry said tickets to the CRC Finals Rodeo will be available starting in May.

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