# FACT SHEET

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### The Contestants: Top Touring Pros and Weekend Warriors from across the Country

192 cowboys & cowgirls have qualified from the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association's (PRCA) and Women's Professional Rodeo Association's (WPRA) 12 geographic circuits to meet in Kissimmee and compete over four days in seven events. They come from 33 states, including seven who make their home in Florida.

#### The Events: All 7 Pro Rodeo Contests

Competition includes bareback riding, saddle bronc riding and bull riding (rough stock events) and steer wrestling, team roping, tie-down roping and women's barrel racing (timed events).

#### The Livestock: Some of the Best Bucking Horses and Bulls in Pro Rodeo

Animal athletes will be showcased at the RNCFR. The PRCA's top livestock companies will bring their top horses and bulls. Timed-event cowboys and cowgirls will bring their own highly-trained performance horses to Kissimmee.

### The Format: Two Preliminary Rounds, Semi-Finals and Finals

The 12 circuits are represented by two contestants in each event. They will compete in two preliminary rounds of competition during the first four rodeo performances. Prize money is awarded to the top six in each round and to the top six overall in the individual contests. On Championship Sunday, the top eight per event compete in the Semi-Finals where they start evenly. The four best from the Semi-Finals go to the Finals, where, again, they start evenly. The contestant with the highest score or fastest time in the Finals is crowned the RAM National Circuit Finals Rodeo Champion.



## The Swag: More than \$1 million in Prize Money & Awards

More than \$445,000 is awarded to winners in the preliminary rounds and overall after those two rounds, with first place earning nearly \$6,200 for each round and the overall. The four best from the Semi-Finals share almost \$150,000 and qualify for the Finals where they will share another \$150,000. First place in the Semi-Finals and the Finals receives almost \$7,500. In addition, each contestant receives \$1,000 from Osceola County for qualifying and competing. Plus, each RNCFR Champion gets a \$20,000 voucher towards a new RAM vehicle, a Polaris RANGER UTV, a pair of exotic boots from Justin Boots, a trophy saddle from Cactus Saddlery, and a buckle from Montana Silversmiths.

## Come early & enjoy the RICFR Tallgate Party!

Live music, shopping, Kids Zone, cowboy and cowgirl autographs, food trucks and FREE concerts! The fun begins at 4 p.m. on Thursday & Friday and at 11 a.m. on Saturday & Sunday.

Thursday, April 7, 7:30 P.M. - LATIN NIGHT Adult Gen. Admission Tickets \$15 - Kids 12 & under FREE

Friday, April 8, 7:30 P.M. - PATRIOT NIGHT Adult Gen. Admission Tickets \$20 - Kids 12 & under FREE Veterans and active military FREE with ID

#### Saturday, April 9, 1:30 P.M. - FAMILY DAY

Adult Gen. Admission Tickets \$15 - Students 18 & under FREE College Students FREE with ID

#### Saturday, April 9, 7:30 P.M. -TOUGH ENOUGH to WEAR PINK NIGHT

Adult Gen. Admission Tickets \$20 - Kids 12 & under FREE A portion of the proceeds will go toward resources for cancer patients.

**Sunday, April 10, 2:30 P.M. - CHAMPIONSHIP DAY** Adult Gen. Admission Tickets \$25 - Kids 12 & under FREE

**4-DAY/5-PERF SERIES Gen. Adm. TICKET \$65** (save \$30) **SILVER BUCKLE TICKETS \$85** PER PERF. (limited number) A special section of the best seats that includes in-seat dining and cocktail service.

For complete schedule and more information, visit www.RNGFR.com.