

Welcome to the 66th Annual
Kispiox Valley



Rodeo

Where gettin' dirty is just good, clean fun!



Welcome to Wilps Ma-uus

These rodeo grounds sit on the traditional Gitksan territory of Wilps Ma-uus. The Kispiox Valley Rodeo is honoured to recognize and feature Billy Blackwater in the Grand Entry ceremonies. Billy will open the

weekend with a welcoming address from the House of Ma-uus. Please treat this territory and the Kispiox River with respect.

Wilps Ma-uus will be raising a beautiful totem pole this month in Kispiox Village, an event you won't want to miss! Chuck Heit - carver, pictured left with the totem and a traditional carving tool.

Thank-you to the House members and Chief Ma-uus! We sure appreciate your welcome each and every year and can't wait to see the new totem standing tall.



From our Rodeo Club President

Welcome to the 66th Annual Kispiox Valley Rodeo!! 66 years of great volunteers who are passionate about keeping our western traditions and heritage alive.

You'll notice we're taking a year off from the Western Idol & the Tug of War. We've added the Wild Cow Milking and I'm sure after seeing who is entered, it will be entertaining!!! C+ Rodeo's milk cows differ a bit from your typical family milk cow.

Every year the rodeo committee and contestants are grateful to our rodeo fans. You have got to be the most dedicated, enthusiastic and appreciative rodeo fans in the rodeo world. Great to have you all back!

To all you rodeo competitors, we thank you for making the commitment to compete here. It's because of you that we strive to keep our prize money high and award Jim Olson Silver Buckles to all the winners.

The Voice of the Kispiox Valley Rodeo is 3 x World Champion Auctioneer, Keith Dinwoodie. He is the best! Keith travels to functions around the world, and we feel very fortunate he keeps this rodeo on his agenda!

A big thank you to the Hazeltons for supporting our Valley events! Old Hazelton does an outstanding job on their Rodeo Fun Day & BBQ! New Hazelton's Bulkley Valley Credit Union has won more 'Best Western Businesses' than any other business in the area! We appreciate your efforts and community spirit!

Welcome back to Lee Dinwoodie who will be getting you up onto the dance floor Friday and Saturday night. If you want to really top off your rodeo weekend, grab yourself a dance partner and join in the fun!

Please keep safe, don't drink & drive, and keep your kids away from the river!

If you've got a little 'Yahoo' in you, this is the place to be!

Have a GREAT weekend!

Joy Allen

President



Joy & Roy Henry Vickers (Vice President)

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The Western Industry has joined together to raise awareness and funds for the fight against breast cancer. The color pink is not something you would associate with the tough sport of rodeo, however, breast cancer has toughed the lives of many rodeo and western lifestyle families and the Tough Enough To Wear Pink partners want to put this important health issue top-of-mind at rodeos and extreme sporting events across America and Canada. Rodeo committees, western event producers and western manufacturers have gotten behind this campaign and the momentum continues to build. Over \$14 million dollars has been raised to support local cancer groups in behalf of the western industry.



2013 Proceeds will be donated to the Bulkey Valley District Hospital in Smithers.



Tough Enough to Wear Pink all started on on my travels as the Miss Kispiox Valley rodeo queen in 2010-2011. When I was at the Williams Lake Stampede I saw that they had a Tough Enough to Wear Pink day and it really blew me away. My family and I were usually involved in Relay for Life in Smithers during the Kispiox Valley rodeo time. But when I started getting to busy with events at our rodeo I could never make it to the relay for life. I still wanted to contribute somehow to cancer so I decided to start Tough Enough to Wear Pink Day at our rodeo. That way, I could be involved with the rodeo and still raise money for cancer. This is my second year organizing the Tough Enough to Wear Pink Day at the Kispiox Valley Rodeo.

Jude Hobenshield and my mom, Liz Lazzarotto, have helped make this event possible. It has blown up at our rodeo as you will notice with this years Kispiox Valley Drill Teams pink attire on Sunday June 2nd of the rodeo. Last year we raised \$1870.82 for the Bulkeley Valley District Hospital Cancer Unit in Smithers.

It is a great cause and I hope it can continue in the years to come. I am inspired my sister who had cancer and hope this money can help the search for a cure so that other people can fight cancer away just like she did.

**Tough Enough to Wear Pink Organizer
Age: 17**

Sarah Lazzarotto



WIN ONE OF THESE QUILTS

We will auction it off on Sunday

The Kispiox Valley Rodeo Club

What a GREAT crew of people!!! Enthusiastic, hard working, community minded, committed, full of great ideas and dedicated to ensuring that this rodeo will be around for more generations to enjoy.



2013 Rodeo Club Members

Gene & Joy Allen, John Allen, Bill & Tammy Baker, Henny, Kia, Max & Scott Beertema, Bruce, Rene, Wyatt Chandler, Mary Charlebois & John de Boer, Ron Fleming & Brenda Nelson, John & Sandra Forsyth, Charmaine Hall, James Iverson, Deb Jackson, Chuck Johnson, Carole, Graham & Keifer Larson, Conrad Larson, Sarah Lazzarotto, Liz Lazzarotto, Cohen, Geraldine, Ashley & Megan Marshall, John Pelsma, Sheryl & Kassie Penfold, Barbara Schmidt, Jordan Willie, Makayla, Meaghan, Kaitlyn & Trey, Eryn & Jewel Stokes, Francis & Lawrence Stokes, Phil Trombley, Andrea, Roy, Wakas & Gracie Vickers, Rick Vipond, Marlise & Levi Turner

2013 Honourary Members

Lil Love, Marcella Love, Ruth Messich, Esther Love, June Nash, Pete Ness, Dave & Bernice Aspeslet, Glyn Wookey, Gil & Mary Wilson, Pat & Les Witwer, Howard Ennis, Neil Sterrit, Peter Hinchliffe, Patsy & Earl Hobenshield, Betty Hagen, Henry Hagen, June Larson Nash, Al & Dodie Weston, Art Hagen, Wilfred Gawa, Glen & Linda Lavery and Pat Wookey.



Weekend Schedule

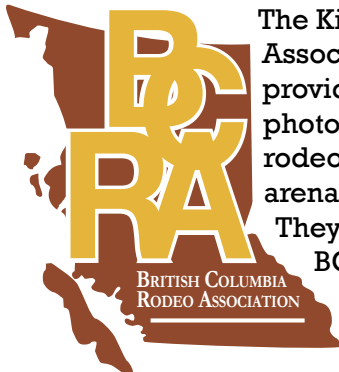
<i>Friday</i>	<i>Noon</i> <i>10 p.m.</i>	<i>Riverside Camping Opens</i> <i>Dance – Main Hall (No Minors)</i>
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>8:00a.m.</i> <i>10:00a.m.</i> <i>1:00 p.m.</i> <i>9:00p.m.</i>	<i>Pancake Breakfast – Main Hall - With The 4 Fat Fryers</i> <i>Horse Drawn Wagon Rides With the Semeschucks</i> <i>BCRA Sanctioned Rodeo, Grand Entry – Main Arena</i> <i>The Kispiox Mounted Drill Team</i> <i>Family Dance - Main Hall</i>
<i>Sunday</i>	<i>8:00a.m.</i> <i>9:00a.m.</i> <i>10:00a.m.</i> <i>1:00 p.m.</i>	<i>Pancake Breakfast - With the 4 Fat Fyers - Main Hall</i> <i>Cowboy Christian Service - Outdoor Music Stage</i> <i>Horse Drawn Wagon Rides - Brian & Tanis Semeschuck</i> <i>BCRA Sanctioned Rodeo, Grand Entry – Main Arena</i> <i>The Kispiox Valley Mounted Drill Team</i>



Make sure you slip on over to the Rodeo T-Shirt booth and take home some rodeo memorabilia with you. Roy Vickers has contributed some great art work to help raise money to keep this rodeo alive. Rodeo t-shirts, posters, limited edition buckles, and limited edition silk screen prints. Check out the booth and show your support of rodeo!



British Columbia Rodeo Association



The Kispiox Valley Rodeo is sanctioned by the British Columbia Rodeo Association. The BCRA ensures that the rodeo is run on a professional level providing top quality judges, timers, secretaries, announcers, pickup men, photographers, bullfighters, stock contractors and rodeo entertainers. Each rodeo is attended by elected directors who monitor the stock, contestants, arena conditions, facilities and help committees to produce a great rodeo.

They keep track of contestants winnings and determine who qualifies for the BCRA rodeo finals. Many of their contestants have gone on to compete and win in the Canadian Professional Rodeo Association, (the CPRA) and many of you will recognize their names as they've competed many times at Kispiox. You can always check out www.rodeobc.com

Our position on gas pipelines through the Kispiox Valley

April 15, 2013

An open letter to all residents, municipalities, band councils, and elected representatives of northern BC:

We are writing on behalf of the Kispiox Valley Community Centre Association (KVCCA), which represents rural residents of the Kispiox Valley, north of Hazelton, BC.

This letter is to share our concerns regarding the proposed construction of natural gas pipelines between northeastern BC and the Pacific coast. Several of these pipelines are proposed to cross the Kispiox Valley as part of routes that would traverse large, relatively undisturbed sections of northern BC.

The KVCCA held a well-attended meeting on March 13, 2013, at which pipeline proposals were discussed. The membership present was unanimous in its opposition. These are some of the principal reasons:

- The construction and presence of pipelines and accompanying roads would fragment an area that is considered to be a globally significant wilderness. Salmon habitat, from headwaters to estuaries would be put at risk.
- The province of BC has no sustainable, longterm plan with regard to the natural gas export industry. The recent “omnibus” bills of the federal government have promoted the present free-for-all in the natural gas industry, by removing many environmental requirements and “streamlining” the approval processes.
- Natural gas pipelines can be converted to use for transporting oil, without additional environmental review.
- Fracking (drilling for natural gas) is accompanied by a plethora of negative environmental impacts, including: depletion and poisoning of aquifers; vast releases of greenhouse gases; the creation of toxic wastewater; triggering of earthquakes; and the destruction of boreal forest and lands used traditionally by First Nations.
- BC Hydro cannot provide the electricity that will be required to power the refrigeration plants that would be built at the proposed export terminals on the Pacific coast, yet the provincial government is approving projects anyway.
- When all aspects of its drilling, transmission, refrigeration, and export are considered, natural gas is not a “green” source of energy. Studies indicate that natural gas produces significantly more carbon emissions than do the mining, transportation, and combustion of coal – the “dirty” fuel that natural gas is touted to replace.
- According to Environment Canada, the natural gas industry is already the single largest industrial source of greenhouse gas emissions in BC. The BC government has exempted the industry from reporting the greenhouse gas emissions from new projects, admitting that if they were included, the province would not be able to meet its legally mandated target for greenhouse gas emissions by 2020. While school boards, municipalities, and small businesses grapple with the Carbon Tax and the implications of BC’s greenhouse gas policy, big industry is being given a free pass, with grave implications for the health of the planet.
- Local economic returns from pipeline construction would be minimal. There would be short-term construction, supply, and transportation jobs. Once built, the pipelines would be monitored remotely, with site access by helicopter. The BC government estimates a permanent job total of 800, mostly at export terminals.
- The principal market for natural gas export is the People’s Republic of China. This communist country owns some of the key companies in the development of natural gas leases in northeastern BC. Economics is being given priority over human rights and freedoms, a sentiment that is not popular with the majority of Canadians.
- The potential cumulative impacts of multiple natural gas pipeline routes and export terminals are not being considered under the BC Environmental Assessment Act.

We urge all communities and First Nations in northern BC to give thought to these concerns and to weigh the proposed benefits versus the risks to the environment, traditional lifestyles, and the local, salmon-based economy. We invite you to join this conversation and to make your community voice heard. Inform your provincial and federal government representatives and industry representatives of your concerns.

Thank you. We look forward to hearing from you.

Respectfully,

The Executive and Directors of the Kispiox Valley Community Centre Association

Information sources are available at: www.nomorepipelines.ca/KVCCALetter

“The KVCCA has remained a non-political entity for almost 70 years. The threats of these proposals has forced us into becoming political to defend our home and health.”

KATHY CLAY
KVCCA PRESIDENT

“No one has talked to any of us about these proposals. We have no idea what’s going on. We think we deserve more than this from our government.”

CAROL PONCHET
KISPIOX VALLEY RESIDENT



Kispiox Valley Community Centre Association

Stock Contractor



C+ Rodeos of Williams Lake B.C. Is supplying the stock for the 2013 Kispiox Valley Rodeo. Roy and Earl Call are the only Professional Stock Contractors in B.C. Among the many rodeos they contract is the world famous Williams Lake Stampede. They also supply stock for High School, Little Britches, and amateur rodeos. They supply bulls for the Canadian Bull Riding Association and Pro Bullriders Rodeo (PBR). Their horses Simon's Bear and Medevil Kneival have won Saddle Bronc of the round at the Canadian Finals. In 2012 the CPRA chose several of the C+ bucking horses to attend the Canadian Finals Rodeo. The Call boys supply all their own stock for rodeos, pickup horses, cattle, bulls and broncs. These rodeo athletes love the applause of the crowd for their performances, so don't hold back your appreciation!! The Kispiox Valley Rodeo is proud to have C+!



CJFW & CFTK Live on Location

Astral radio and television presents the 66th annual Kispiox Valley rodeo. They are excited to be a part of a community event with such a rich heritage rooted in the Kispiox Valley. CJFW will be live on location covering all the rodeo excitement. **Mike in the Morning** will be coming to you live from the rodeo grounds on Saturday, June 1st so listen for all your rodeo coverage on CJFW. 101.9 FM in Hazelton (and Kispiox if you've got good reception. There will be 2 film crews on site - that's right 2 FILM CREWS, so put your lipstick on, comb your hair and smile for the camera!!



Toby Millard - Rodeo Ambassador



Toby has been coming to the Kispiox Valley Rodeo for more than 60 years! He's makes his way from Vanderhoof, BC and has claimed All-Around Cowboy & All-Around Junior Cowboy in his days as a competitor and then he hung up his chaps to become a rodeo contractor with his son and formed Tnt Contracting. They had an amazing string of bulls. Toby and his wife, Carma, provided a home for countless kids that they loaded up and hauled all over the rodeo circuit. They started the Yellowhead Rodeo Association which later became the BCRA which sanctions our Rodeo. Their daughter, Dena, is one of the top barrel horse trainers and racers in Canada. Here's a tip of the hat to a great rodeo ambassador, Toby Millard.

Rodeo Royalty

THANKS to Miss Cassie Penfold & Kassie Vipond for a wonderful year of representing the Kispiox Valley Rodeo as our very own ambassadors throughout the province, can't wait to see what this next year has in store.



This rodeo season was a blast as I represented Kispiox Valley Rodeo proudly as the 2012/2013 Rodeo Queen. I represented at many rodeos and events throughout British Columbia. This would not have been possible without many helping hands and sponsors. I would like to extend a huge thank you to Sarah Lazzarotto, the 2011/2012 KVR Queen for guiding me and lending me a lot of extra "bling" and wonderful tips and tricks. Also, I would like to thank Joy and Kaleigh Allen for helping me organize my events and for the support throughout my reign, as well as my dad for driving me and Tabu everywhere. Morecore was a major sponsor for me and that was greatly appreciated. If I have missed anyone, I am terribly sorry, as all the help and support was appreciated. I have been asked to be the KVR Queen for the upcoming year, and I am honoured to be able to not only represent "The Biggest Little Rodeo in the West: Kispiox Valley Rodeo" but also all the surrounding communities that make me proud to be from such a wonderful area. Good luck to all participants in the 2013 Kispiox Valley Rodeo and I hope to see many out there cheering them on as they compete.

Sincerely,

Cassie Penfold
Kispiox Valley Rodeo Queen 2012/2014



Kassie Vipond in the middle with Rodeo Royalty from all over BC and Alberta representing their local rodeos at the Williams Lake Stampede

Memorial Rodeo

The Kispiox Valley rodeo has several memorial events to help us remember and honour some of the fine cowboys and cowgirls that came before us - the people that loved this rodeo and helped make it what it is today. These aren't just names on a trophy, each individual has in some way touched our lives and those around us. The rodeo club is very honoured that the families chose this event to commemorate such special people. Each year the recipient of these awards gets their name carved on a perpetual trophy and wins a highly coveted memorial trophy buckle. Some of these trophies date back to the early seventies and are a very important part of the Kispiox Valley Rodeo.

Marty Allen Memorial Saddle Bronc

Jack Lee Memorial Bare Back

Gerrit Pelsma Memorial Team Roping

John & Elsie Wookey Memorial All Around Cowboy

Jimmy McCrae Memorial Cowhide Race

Wally Love Memorial Sportsmanship Cowboy

Chris Leary Memorial Sportsmanship Junior

Helen Campbell Memorial All Around Cowgirl



Welcoming a Rodeo Legend



Leo Brown is considered to be one of the greatest riding event cowboys to ever come out of this country. Born in 1936 he started his rodeo career in 1953 and went on to win ten major Canadian championships.

Brown still holds the record as the only cowboy to win championships in all three riding events. He was bull riding champion in 1960, 1961 and 1963; saddle bronc champ in 1962; and captured the bareback event in 1958 and 1960. The High Point award also won by Leo in 1960 and 1963.

Leo, along with Gid Garstad and Wilf Girletz shares the most Canadian bull riding titles - each have won this event five times.

At the Winnipeg Rodeo, in 1961, Leo marked a score of 185 (on the old 200 point system) on Vold's famous bull, Tiger.

In 1961, Leo was among the top fifteen bull riders in the world and became the first Canadian to qualify for the National Finals Rodeo in this event. The following year he returned to the N.F.R. in the bull riding, and also qualified in

the saddle bronc riding. In 1963, Brown set a record in the bull riding as he was the first cowboy to ride all eight bulls during the N.F.R. in Los Angeles.

During the winter rodeo at Regina in 1971, Leo became acquainted with stock contractor Roy West and together they formed the company of Brown West Rodeo which he operated for 11 years. In 1974 and 1976 his Horse High N Mighty was named Bucking Horse of the Year for Canada.

In 1988 Leo was inducted into the Alberta Sports Hall of Fame.

Up until 1989 he was still competing in the Canadian Old Timers Rodeo Association.

Serving on the C.R.C.A. Board of Directors for 11 years, Leo contributed to the sport of rodeo as a Wrangler Pro Official.

Leo has now retired completely from Rodeo but not his rodeo buddies, as he shows up at a rodeo now and then and the Rodeo Hall of Fame banquet each fall to catch up with the stories of the old days and learn from the young fellows what's going on today in the rodeo world. Leo is a favorite to visit with as his sense of humor is very much present.

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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

June 2013

Kispiox Valley Rodeo

The Village of Hazelton is pleased to congratulate the Kispiox Rodeo Association on their 66th presentation of the long lasting Kispiox Valley Rodeo. This event has grown to be one of the most important annual events in the Upper Skeena and the Bulkley Valley.

We are proud and happy to welcome the visitors who come from far and wide to celebrate this fun event in the beautiful Kispiox Valley.

We appreciate and applaud the volunteers who work year round to make this event a successful one. Congratulations to you all!

Alice Maitland
Mayor

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Doug Donaldson, MLA
(Stikine)

Dear Kispiox Valley Rodeo Club:

Congratulations on another successful rodeo weekend. The dedication and perseverance of volunteers and the overall community support is evident not just in the great competition and displays but in the fact that this is the 66th year for the rodeo – an amazing record for any community event!

Rodeo weekend is a time to reconnect with friends locally and from communities further away from the Kispiox Valley. It is also a time to reflect on the long legacy of our agriculture sector in the northwest. The skills on display have their roots in our ranching past and many of the competitors, volunteers and those attending are still involved with working farms and ranches. This deep connection to the land and what it provides for us is one thing that makes the "The Biggest Little Rodeo in the West" so special.

I hope everyone involved this weekend gets a chance to have some fun, meet up with friends and family, and remember what a beautiful place it is that we call home.

Once again, congratulations to the rodeo club and all the organizers for another great job.

See you at the rodeo!

Doug Donaldson



May 30, 2013

Kispiox Valley Rodeo Association

Dear Members:

On behalf of the District of New Hazelton Council it is a pleasure to write a letter of support for the Kispiox Valley Rodeo Association. Your rodeo has become a staple of the Hazeltons and brings people from far and wide. The event not only highlights traditional rodeo events, but also a number of unique local events like the Tug of War, Calf Scramble and Kids Stick Horse Race.

The Kispiox Valley Rodeo always serves as a pick-me-up for the Hazeltons and reminds us of our pioneer spirit and the perseverance of our community. The tireless volunteers and members, along with the enthusiastic fans make this the best "Biggest Little Rodeo in the West". This event gives us all a great opportunity to visit with friends from near and far and enjoy a day in the scenic Kispiox Valley.

The District of New Hazelton council would like to thank all the members and volunteers for all their dedication and hard work which makes this a great event year after year and welcome this year's spectators and competitors to our community.

Sincerely,

Alice Maitland
Mayor



Kispiox Valley Drill Team



This is the 17th year this incredible group of riders has performed at the Kispiox Valley Rodeo, riding in their patriotic Canadian Colours. They have put together a new drill over the winter and they hope you appreciate their performance. Their horses are ridden countless hours to insure a smooth performance. Unlike other drill teams, this team is not about speed, expensive horses and competitive



riders. They love the camaraderie, their horses, riding and performing. Each year the team accepts new riders and green horses and grooms them until they are a team member. The team would like to thank everyone who helps to make their performance a success, mainly Moms, Dads, Husbands, Grandpas & Grandmas, Friends, Supporters and especially their fans!! Both riders and horses love your applause during their maneuvers and appreciate your enthusiasm. You 'horse wise' spectators, will truly appreciate the timing, horse psychology, and commitment it takes to perform the drills, especially on the wheel and the 'swings'. The inside horse is the pivot horse who barely moves, while the outside horses are running. Please show your enthusiasm if you like what you see!

Your Kispiox Valley Drill Team Riders:

Charlotte Pole
Ashley Marshall
Jolene McCormick
Brenda Nelson
Kassie Vipond
Cathy David

Dixie Webb
Gracie Vickers
Andrea Vickers
Marlise Zurbrugg
Megan Marshall
Kimberly Wiwsoniski

Anna Frezell
Abby Stevens
James Iverson
Hannah Trombley
Marika Van Tunen
Destiny Webb

Carole Larson
Megan Trombley
Max Beertema
Joy Allen - Coach

2012 Champions

Bareback 85
Saddle Bronc 81
Ladies Barrels 16.153 Sec
Team Roping 7.7 Sec
Bull Riding 79
Tie Down Roping 15.2 Sec
Steer Wrestling 4.7 Sec
Breakaway Roping 2.7 Sec
Jr. Steer Riding 74
Jr. Breakaway Roping 4.0 Sec
Jr. Barrel Racing 16.881 Sec
Open Pole Bending 21.808 Sec
Cowhide Race
Rescue Race
Ride & Lead
Musical Chairs
Tug-O-War
Wild Horse Race
Kids Wild Pony Race

Cash Kerner, Pritchard
Steve Hohman - Quesnel
Kirsten Gjerde, Prince George
Gary Nicholson & Glen Brown, Quesnel
Mike Gill, Merrit
Riley Isnardy, Cache Creek
Mike Gill, Merrit
Katrina Innicki, Williams Lake
KC Spiers, Williams Lake
Jake Gardner, Ft. St. John
Lane Wills, Quesnel
Kristen Bell - Houston
Kaleigh Allen & Charlie Atrill
Danielle Sexton & Kyle Wargovcsik
Kyle Wargovcsik
Megan Bartlett
Kitimat Team
Doyle Wasylciw Team, Edmonton
Tucker & Gracie Marshall & Emma Hobenshield



Sportsmanship

Mens Luke Muellen, Vanderhoof
Ladies Candy Moore, Houston
Juniors McKenzie Willis, Quesnel

All Arounds - Cowboy/Cowgirl

Mens Mike Gill, Merrit
Ladies Kirsten Bell, Houston
Junior Taylor Cherry



Kispiox Valley Rodeo



Hard damn work! That's what it takes to put a rodeo on. Without all the services of the people and organizations below, our rodeo just wouldn't be the same. Thanks so very much to all of you!

RCMP - Regularly patrol the grounds to help our security team keep our families, children, animals and friends safe.

Chute Helpers - **Keifer Larson, Colten Murrel & Levi Turner** are the guys you see pushing horses, bulls, steers, calves and other stock through the alley-ways into the chutes. Headed up by long time cowboy, **John Pelsma**, they sort all the stock into pens to make sure the right calf or horse is in the right chute for the right cowboy!



BBQ Beef Cooker/Sellers - The chef, **Willie Schmidt & family** stay up ALL night continuously basting the giant hunks of beefs as it roasts slowly in an old boiler from a stern-wheeler ship!

Pick-Up Men - **Wade McNolty & Earl Call** are the two good-looking rugged cowboys that ride their well-trained horses alongside the broncs to give the bronc-rider an "easy-off" instead of a "buck-off."

Stock-Chaser - **Abby Stevens** is the one you see helping chase calves out of the arena to keep the rodeo running faster.

Strip-Chute - When the horse or the bull is done bucking, it runs into the strip chute where the rigging, saddle or bull rope is taken off and returned to the competitor. This is a tough job as the horse or bull is still excited from bucking in the arena but **Sam & Conrad Larson and Scott Beertema** are old hands at it!



Arena Director - **Kaleigh Allen** - She keeps the entire rodeo running smoothly by always working 2 events ahead of the rodeo and helping coordinate all the other behind-the-scenes people.




Chute Boss - **Gene Allen** - This guy generally yells a lot! He keeps all the rough stock in order and works with the chute help to keep them bringing the right animal athletes to match up with their cowboy competitor.

Rodeo Clown - The painted up goofy guy otherwise known as **Bruce Chandler** that keeps the crowd and kids entertained during event changes.

Shootin' Rodeo

*The photos in this booklet are shot from the cameras belonging to **Wendy Perry** and **Shannon Hurst**. We are grateful for their photos each and every year to make this program possible.*



Whoa pardner,
this is getting
outta hand!



Just as Shell's plans for coal bed methane in the Sacred Headwaters have gone to the shredder, Fortune Minerals rides in on its black horse kicking up dust in everyone's eyes with their plans for a giant coal mine on Mt. Klappan in the heart of the Sacred Headwaters. Just downstream on the Skeena River, there's another proposed coal mine by Atrium Coal + CN's plans for a railway + 6 pipelines + a gold mine. Just who's running this stampede? The Tahltan, Gitksan and communities didn't fight for 10 years to protect the headwaters so massive industrial development could take over.

Time to mount up and take action at
skeenawatershed.com

Bustin' the Mutton

The rodeo club spends a lot of time making sure we have lots of events for local kids and Mutton Busting is definitely a favourite. Kids 5 & under can compete. If you missed entries this year, make sure to the 67th Annual Rodeo in 2014.

Last year, Kispiox Valley kid, Bella Combs stole the show with her marathon ride on the back of a fleecy sheep. When the chute gate was cracked her sheep tore out at mach speed and Bella wasn't about to let go. She hung on so tight that the sheep couldn't shake her even when it was upside down. Bella earned herself a mouth full of dirt, the respect of all the cowboys watching from behind the chutes and a giant applause from the crowd. Her great Grandfather, Bill Love would have been proud!



Some Basic Rules

*Our professional security team headed up by the great-great-great nephew of rodeo founder Gable Louis is **Mark Louis**. Please remember that this is a **FAMILY** event and excessive or underage drinking will not be tolerated.*

*Mark & his team will be doing a Sunday morning 'camp check'. If they find your camp a mess, with broken bottles and garbage, you could be in **BIG TROUBLE!!!** Your license plate will be noted, and the names of people in the camp. If the camp is not cleaned up by noon on Sunday, you and the people in your camp will not be welcome on the community grounds for a minimum of two years, for **ANY** event. Please make sure your camping spot*



*is kept clean! With the snow melting off our beautiful mountains, the Kispiox River is high, muddy, cold and **WILL** cause hypothermia. Please take extra care not only with yourself but with your children.*



*Kids camp here too, so please remember to keep the cuss words out of your vocabulary, the drinking within a responsible limit and the late nights quiet....or else! We could even add in a "**MOM SAID!**" to be sure you get the message but essentially, if you wouldn't do it in Gramma's house - don't do it here.*

RODEO VENDORS

Are your hungry? Thirsty?

Check out the tasty treats, satisfying snacks and megalicious meals in our vendor area near the bleacher entrance



FOUR FAT FRYERS PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Pancakes, bacon, eggs, juice & coffee. A solid breakfast to start your day, served from 8:00 - 11:00 each morning in the hall. A long-standing rodeo tradition!

KISPIOX VALLEY RODEO BBQ BEEF BOOTH

Barbequed beef on a bun. Our roast beef is flame roasted "low and slow" all night long in a giant boiler from an old stern wheeler ship that came up the Skeena River. Another long-standing rodeo tradition!

KISPIOX VALLEY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION LOG CONCESSION BOOTH

Hamburgers, chips, freezies, hot dogs, chocolate bars, hot & cold drinks.
(A portion of this year's sales will go to the House of Ma-uus' totem pole raising.)

SHISH-KA-DAVE'S

Pork or chicken kabobs, meat or vegetable rolls, chow mein, Phillipino food, and cold drinks

QUICK EATS

Fries, gyros, chicken strips, elephant ears (YUM!), onion rings, wraps, grille cheese, hot & cold drinks

SNOWIE SHAVED ICE

Snow cones & cotton candy

ICE-CREAM BUCKET

Ice-cream, cold drinks, hot dogs & corn dogs (Saturday evening), and ice-cream novelties

BLUESTONE MINI-TREATS

Fried bread (Yeah baby!), perogies, deep fried pickles, smoothies, chicken sandwich (on fried bread), deep fried Mars bars, drinks, and chicken wings

MINI-DONUTS & KETTLE CORN POPCORN

Mmmmmmmmm...mini-donuts

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Name Your Bronc

If you had the chance to name a bucking horse, what would you call it? Wouldn't it be cool to have a horse named after a loved one, your business or maybe your mother in law? Heck, you can even



name it after you and add "Lightning" at the beginning. (ie: if your name is Chuck, you could name the horse "Lightning Chuck." If you're looking for innovative ways to advertise your business - name a bucking horse! Imagine, if you owned, the famous bronc named "Bulkley Browser" who would travel all around western Canada and the USA and be watched by thousands of folks.

So when hear our 3-time world champion auctioneer and rodeo announcer, Keith Dinwoodie do what he does best, get ready to bid! He will be auctioning off the right to name a bucking horse. The proceeds from the auction go towards improving the rodeo facilities. Last year's lucky auction winner chose "Andy Copeland" for his horse's name in honour of BC Cowboy Hall of Famer, Andy Copeland!



Facebook

Did you know the Kispiox Valley Rodeo is on Facebook? It's not a trick question, we are! You can find out all sorts of cool things on there. Lots of people posting photos, Roy Vickers giving Facebookers a sneak peek at the latest T-shirt designs, the new KVRC logo and info on how to get involved with lots of cool rodeo things that happen throughout the year. So get on there, give us a "like" and join us online! (and get over to the T-shirt booth to get some of this cool swag!)



Maiden Voyage

Can you imagine what it would be like to get down on the back of a wild bronc? Frances Quock didn't want to just wonder what it was like, he wanted to KNOW what it was like. The rodeo stock contractor found him a good bucking horse, one cowboy lent him a saddle and other cowboys made sure he had all the riggin he needed to make his rodeo rough stock debut.

No one thought for one second that Frances would actually ride that horse for the full 8 seconds but he DID! The crowd went crazy and you couldn't wipe the smile from Frances' face. He's a cowboy at heart and we hope to see him riding the circuit in the years to come.



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Chute Gates

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If you would like to see your name on a chute gate next year, help out as a volunteer, join the rodeo club or participate as a sponsor, please contact our committee at 250-842-6287. Your support helps ensure that this event will continue.

Crossing the Great Divide



Wilfred Gawa, an Honourary member of the rodeo club and was one of the original founding fathers of the very first rodeo in Kispiox Village nearly 70 years ago. Born and raised in Kispiox Village, Wilfred was renowned for being a keen sports enthusiast. A great athlete himself, Wilfred & his wife Edith never missed a sporting event in this area. He was a good teamster and spent a lot of his time in the bush logging. He was Ye'e (Grandpa) to many. The rodeo club extends their sympathies to the Gawa family.

Dorothy (Love) Allen was born & raised in the Kispiox Valley. She married Marty Allen and settled on George Biernes' Telegraph Trail Ranch and raised cattle. Dorothy helped run the concessions in the early days and when the rodeo was over, she used to ride one of the bucking horses home! Dorothy was renowned for her hospitality, giant garden, wood cook stove and serving delicious meals to all who stopped by. Her sons Gene and John, her grand children and great-grand children are all dedicated to ensure the rodeo continues. Dorothy passed away at 95 years of age, leaving a pioneering legacy behind her.



Norman Hagen was a cowboy through and through and passed away at the age of 83. He grew up in the Kispiox Valley, worked in his dad's Cedar pole camp, was a hunting guide with the legendary Love Bros. & Lee and did some pioneering cowboy work. He fell head over heels for his wife Betty, literally! He was helping Marty and Dorothy Allen pour concrete for their basement and drove the wheelbarrow (and himself) right off the ramp when he spotted the Beautiful Betty. He was a big part of our community, a true cowboy, father and grandfather to many and one of the 'greats'.

The Cowboy's Prayer

*Our Heavenly Father, we pause at this time,
mindful of the many blessings you have bestowed upon us.
We ask, Lord, that you will be with us in the arena of life.
We as cowboys do not ask for special favors.
We don't ask to draw around the chute fighting horse, the steer
that won't lay, or to never break the barrier.
We don't even ask for all daylight runs.*

*We do ask Lord, that you will help us live our lives here on
earth as cowboys, in such a manner, that when we make that
last inevitable ride, to the country up there, where the grass grows
lush, green, and stirrup high, and the water runs cool, clear,
and deep, that you'll take us by the hand and say -
"Welcome to Heaven cowboy, your entry fees are paid."*

Live Music with Lee Dinwoodie

Located in the beautiful interior of British Columbia near Vernon, Lee Dinwoodie lives and creates his music close to the land and people that have always been the inspiration of the country music genre. We owe Lee a big THANKS for signing on to play the Kispiox Valley Rodeo so last minute! Catch the handsome and talented Lee and his crew Friday and Saturday night performing live here at the Kispiox Valley Rodeo.



Timed Event Strip Chute

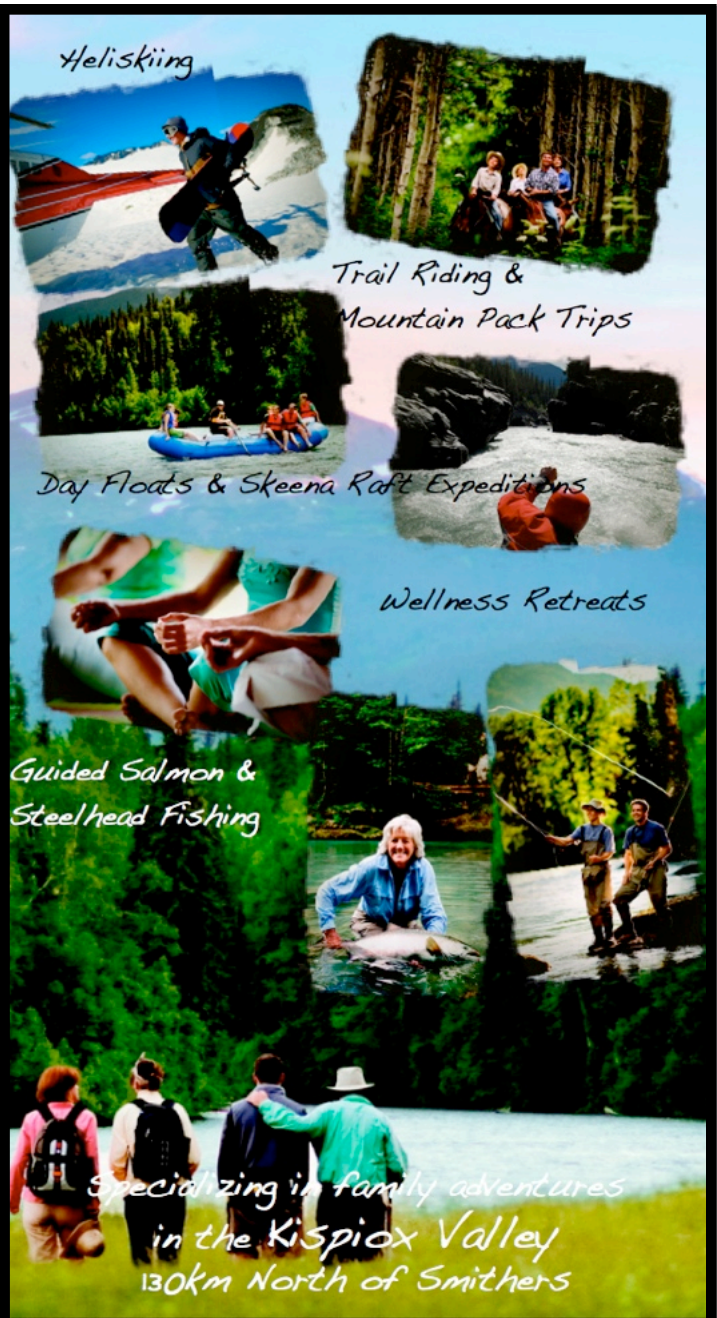
Have you ever wondered who takes the ropes off of the steers after they've been roped? Would you believe that it's a Mom and her 2 little girls? Eryn Stokes & her daughters Jules(7) & Fallon(5) having been operating the strip chute for the past few years and they are one hard working team. These girls spend hours in the dusty end of the arena dealing with chute fighting cattle without so much as a complaint! They come by their rodeo work-ethic honestly as the grandkids of Francis and Lawrence Stokes, long time KV Rodeo club members. Hats off to these troopers that help make our rodeo run smoothly!



From Spectator to Competitor

If you're sitting there thinking that Rodeo might be something you'd love to try out for yourself get out and DO IT! You might think you have to be raised as a cowboy or cowgirl to be competitive but that's just not the case. It wasn't that long ago that Rhonda Anderson was sitting in the bleachers watching a rodeo thinking that she would love to be a cowgirl. She didn't have a horse or skills but she got tangled up with Joy Allen and Rhonda soon become Joy's biggest competition! Rhonda's daughter took to the sport of rodeo just as quickly as her mom and also became a fearsome competitor. You never know that you've got what it takes until you try. Give it a shot - talk to Joy!





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