

## Mike Hajny is the Newest Member to Join the Board

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ELLENSBURG, Wash. — Mike Hajny was elected to the Ellensburg Rodeo board at the board's November 21, 2013 meeting.

Mike Hajny is the Vice President of Wesco International, a leading global hay export company located in Ellensburg, Washington. Hajny has been involved in the forage export industry for more than sixteen years. He is active on numerous committees and serves on multiple boards, including the United States Forage Export Council, Western States Angus Association, Washington Angus Association, and the Kittitas County Cattlemen's Association.

Hajny owns and operates Hajny Land & Livestock with his wife Chelsea. The couple raises registered Black Angus cattle for breeding stock, specializing in bulls and replacement females. Hajny enjoys the rural lifestyle and appreciates all the Kittitas Valley provides. He is honored with his new appointment of Ellensburg Rodeo Board Director and looks forward to giving back to a great community and world-class event.

This year's rodeo runs from August 29 – September 1, 2014. More information about its many competitions and events can be found online at <a href="https://www.ellensburgrodeo.com">www.ellensburgrodeo.com</a>.

The Ellensburg Rodeo is one of the "old rodeos" and has earned its place as one of America's Top 10 professional rodeos. The Ellensburg Rodeo is the final stop of the Wrangler Million Dollar Gold Tour and hosts the World Finale of PRCA's Extreme Bulls Tour. Started in 1923 with the same volunteer spirit that still "fuels the fire" of today's volunteers, the rodeo has grown from a local competition among ranch hands to the Professional event of today with over 600 contestants and prize money in excess of \$400,000!

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