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Xtreme Bulls championship ends in Ellensburg

Ellensburg, Wash. — The road to the 2015 Xtreme Bulls championship ends in Ellensburg on Saturday, Sept. 5, when 40 of the world's top bull riders compete for the \$100,000 purse.

The PRCA's Xtreme Bulls Tour will end in Ellensburg with the event featured as a live webcast on The Wrangler Network at <u>www.wranglernetwork.com</u>.

The competition features the world's best riders along with the baddest and meanest bulls. These bulls have thrown cowboys at the largest rodeo venues in the world, including the Wrangler National Finals Rodeo in Las Vegas, RodeoHouston, San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo, Cheyenne Frontier Days and more.

All 40 riders will compete in a long-go competition. The top 12 will immediately be brought back for the short-go, where the Ellensburg champion and 2015 Xtreme Bulls Champion both will be crowned.

Before stopping in Ellensburg, the tour will have stopped in 25 other cities. Money cowboys earned on the Xtreme Bulls Tour counts toward their PRCA world standings, which determine Wrangler National Finals Rodeo qualifiers. The Tour will have a combined purse of \$561,000.

J.W. Harris of Texas was the 2014 Xtreme Bulls champion with \$47,747 in winnings. Sage Kimzey and Cody Campbell split the win during last year's finale in Ellensburg.

The gates for this year's finale will open at 7 p.m and the show starts at 8 p.m. The event will be webcast on The Wrangler Network at www.wranglernetwork.com.

ABOUT THE ELLENSBURG RODEO:

This year's rodeo runs from September 4 - 7, 2015. More information about its many competitions and events can be found online at <u>www.ellensburgrodeo.com</u>.

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 hosts the World Finale of PRCA's Xtreme 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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