

RODEO ASSOCIATION VOTES ON NEW BOARD

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Surrey, British Columbia- The Cloverdale Rodeo and Exhibition Association membership has elected four members to the Board of Directors of the Association at its Annual General Meeting, held January 20, 2009. Three of the appointments, Rocky Rockwell, Penny Smythe and Shannon Claypool are longtime Board members, and the fourth position has been filled by well-known Rodeo volunteer Ben Wevers.

"Rocky, Penny and Shannon have given countless hours to this Association in the past," says Cloverdale Rodeo and Country Fair General Manager Bob Matwiv, "we welcome their dedication, experience and expertise back onto the Board. And we're happy to have such a long-serving volunteer as Ben join the Board."

The four elected Board of Directors members are:

Penny Smythe (re-elected) Shannon Claypool (re-elected) Rocky Rockwell (re-elected) Ben Wevers (elected)

As its first order of business the newly elected Board selected its 2009 Executive Committee, with popular volunteer Shannon Claypool replacing Gerry Spielmacher as President, who stepped aside after ten years.

The complete 2009 Board of Directors of the Cloverdale Rodeo and Exhibition Association is:

Shannon Claypool – President Gerry Spielmacher – 1st Vice President Rocky Rockwell – 2nd Vice President Ken Kachur – Treasurer Rob Marshall Penny Smythe Ben Wevers Garry Hollick - Surrey Board of Trade Representative George Siudut - Surrey City Representative Tim Neufeld – Surrey City Representative Marvin Hunt - Surrey City Council Representative Bill Reid - Provincial Representative

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Preparation is now underway for the 2009 Cloverdale Rodeo and Country Fair, May 15 – 18 at the Cloverdale Fairgrounds.

About:

The Cloverdale Rodeo and Exhibition Association is the non-profit organization that manages the world famous Cloverdale Rodeo & Country Fair held every year on the May long weekend (May $15^{th} - 18^{th}$, 2009) at the Cloverdale Fairgrounds in Surrey, British Columbia.

The Association is also responsible for the year-round management of the eight facilities on the Cloverdale Fairgrounds that host over 1000 events annually, including trade shows, concerts, festivals, sporting events, horse and dog shows, swap meets, flea markets, weddings and meetings.

For more information on the CR & E Association and the 63rd annual Cloverdale Rodeo and the 120th Country Fair visit: www.cloverdalerodeo.com.

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