

RODEO MARKS 65TH ANNIVERSARY WITH RCMP DISPLAY

For Immediate Release:

Surrey, British Columbia – The rodeo has been a BC family May long weekend tradition for 65 years and one of the great partners that will be displaying its rich history at this year's event is the Surrey RCMP - in celebration of the detachment's 60th anniversary in Surrey. The Mounties will be showing off their memorabilia at the newly opened Cloverdale Recreation Centre throughout the weekend as part of the rodeo's Country Fair before it moves to a permanent home in Newton.

The Surrey RCMP, today the largest detachment in the country, will celebrate six decades of service in the community. Surrey Police became the Royal Canadian Mounted Police in 1951 with a total membership of just 18 Mounties. They now have 651 officers based at the Surrey detachment. Surrey Mounties will also take part in the historic Cloverdale Rodeo and Country Fair Parade which winds its way through the streets of Cloverdale on Saturday, May 21st. The highlight of the weekend will be a special tribute during the 2pm Saturday, May 21st, afternoon rodeo performance where Surrey Mayor Dianne Watts will salute the foundation of the RCMP in Surrey.

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 20 – 23, 2011) 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 Association and the 65th annual Cloverdale Rodeo and the 122nd Country Fair visit: www.cloverdalerodeo.com.

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