

Feild continues family's success in Thomas & Mack Center during Round 2 of Wrangler National Finals Rodeo

LAS VEGAS — Twenty five years after his father Lewis won his first of three consecutive all-around gold buckles at the Thomas & Mack Center the first year the Wrangler National Finals Rodeo was held in Las Vegas, bareback rider Kaycee Feild got a win of his own in the same building. Feild, of Elk Ridge, Utah, rode Harry Vold Rodeo's Dusty Dan for 89 points to win Round 2 in front of 17,267 and add \$17,193 to his season earnings.

The victory was Feild's second Wrangler NFR round victory in two years and moved him to fifth in the 2009 PRCA World Standings.

"They said she hadn't been bucked in three or four months, so she was antsy in the chute," Feild said of Dusty Dan. "But when she left, she fired, and I just marked her out and just let it roll. If you try muscling through it with her, she will overpower you and pull you over, so you just have to kind of flow with her. Jump for jump, you just have to keep going. My goal here this year is to win the average, so I'm pushing for that."

Field leads the Wrangler NFR average with 171.5 points through two rounds after finishing four points ahead of D.V. Fennell and Wes Stevenson in the second round. Lakeview, Ore., bulldogger Shawn Greenfield was the fastest in Round 2, turfing his steer in 3.6 seconds. That was one-tenth of a second quicker than two-time and reigning World Champion Steer Wrestler Luke Branquinho, and the win put Greenfield in fifth place in the PRCA World Standings heading into Round 3.

"Everybody said he was a really good steer, and he was good tonight," Greenfield said. "An early win, that gets me scratched, and that's great confidence and momentum. You don't want to wait around 'til the later rounds to get to place. There are the Top 15 best in the world here, and there's a reason they're here. You stub your toe, they're going to beat you. You've got to do your job every night you back in the box."

Branquinho's second-place finish, and

the \$13,546 that came with it, moved the Los Alamos, Calif., bulldogger into the No. 1 spot in the PRCA World Standings, nearly \$11,000 ahead of 2005 World Champion Lee Graves.

There was one team roping tandem to break the four-second barrier during the second round, and David Key and eight-time World Champion Heeler Rich Skelton were it. Key, of Caldwell, Texas, and Skelton, of Llano, Texas, stopped the clock in 3.9 seconds to win the \$17,139 first-place checks. They finished one-tenth of a second ahead of the brother duo of Riley and Brady Minor.

"Everything was just like you would draw it up on that run tonight," Key said. "I got a great start, and the start here is everything. It sets up the whole run for both of us. I was able to get it on him fast, and the steer handled clean and fast and let Rich heel him fast and get us a good, fast finish. Everything was just about textbook tonight."

Skelton was excited to claim a round victory after failing to qualify for the Wrangler NFR the previous two years. "It feels great to be back roping and winning, and hopefully we can continue to do well this week," Skelton said. "It was a great run. David got it on him fast, and the steer handled well. We thought he was a good steer before we roped, and it just couldn't have been better."

The victory moved Key and Skelton into third place in the PRCA World Standings and put them both across the \$100,000 mark for the season.

When J.J. Elshere won the Wrangler NFR saddle bronc riding average title in 2006, he did so without a round victory. His bid to add a second average crown to his resume in 2009 got a great deal stonger after he took Round 2 at the Thomas & Mack Center.

Elshere, of Quinn, S.D., spurred Andrews Rodeo's Lock & Load for 89.5 points to win the round by 4.5 points over 2006 World Champion Chad Ferley. The win put Elshere atop the average standings

with 170 points, pushed him across the \$100,000 mark for the season with \$108,469 and moved him into second place in the PRCA World Standings behind Jesse Kruse (\$131,436).

"He's just an awesome horse," Elshere, who will celebrate his 30th birthday on Dec. 5, said of Lock & Load. "The horse did pretty much all of it. I tried to keep my feet going and tried to stay ahead of him."

It was Elshere's second career round victory, along with Round 8 from last year's Wrangler NFR. With eight rounds remaining in this year's season finale, Elshere doesn't want to think too much about the world standings just yet.

"I don't want to look at (the world standings) yet," Elshere said. "I just want to look at each day as a new day. I want to do the best I can on the one that I have that day and not get too far ahead of myself."

The tie-down roping went to Scott Kormos, who finished his run in 7.1 seconds. That was six-tenths of a second ahead of Clint Robinson and came a day after he recorded a no-time in Round 1. The victory was Kormos' third career round win, as the Teague, Texas, roper won two rounds at the 2006 Wrangler NFR.

"It's one of the best feelings in the world," Kormos said of winning a round at the Wrangler NFR. "You're roping against the 14 best guys in the world, and when you know you've won first, it feels great. It's a heck of a rush. That's why we do it. I had a great calf tonight. I went out of the average (with a no-time) last night, so the rest of the week I've got to run and go as fast as I can and win something every night."

The battle for this year's barrel racing gold buckle between the last two world champions raged on in Round 2. Reigning World Champion Lindsay Sears won the round in 13.95 seconds, with 2007 World Champion Brittany Pozzi — who won Round 1 — finishing second in 14.03 seconds. Pozzi, of Victoria, Texas, leads the world standings with \$186,550 and the Wrangler NFR average with a two-run total time of 27.97 seconds, and Sears, of Nanton, Alberta, is second in both categories, respectively, with \$162,780 and a total time of 28.13 seconds.

“Martha felt much sharper tonight,” Sears said of her prized mare. “This was our first event since Omaha, so we were a bit rusty. It always gets better once we get a few runs under our belt. I also think I rode her a lot better tonight than I did during the first run. I always come here with a plan, and that’s just to make the best runs I can make and let the rest take care of itself.”

Mission accomplished was the phrase of the night for 2006 World Champion B.J. Schumacher — literally. The Hillsboro, Wis., cowboy rode Four L & Diamond S Rodeo’s Mission Accomplished for 88 points to win Round 2 by a single point over Clayton Savage.

“Yesterday I messed up, but today things just went well,” said Schumacher, who rode just one of his 10 bulls at last year’s Wrangler NFR. “I’m keeping a good attitude. I try to keep consistent in my attitude and my riding, so I have the chance to go win. (The Wrangler NFR) is a good time to have good week and a terrible time to have a bad week.”

ROUND 2 RESULTS

All-around world standings: 1. Trevor Brazile, \$288,588; 2. Clint Robinson, \$164,775; 3. Josh Peek, \$153,197; 4. Curtis Cassidy, \$124,733; 5. Ryan Jarrett, \$119,679; 6. Cash Myers, \$85,628; 7. Chance Kelton, \$80,645; 8. Landon McClaugherty, \$77,405; 9. Jake Hannum, \$74,859; 10. Jesse Bail, \$65,442.

Bareback riding: Second round: 1. Kaycee Feild, Elk Ridge, Utah, 89 points on Harry Vold Rodeo’s Dusty Dan, \$17,139; 2. (tie) D.V. Fennell, Neosho, Mo., and Wes Stevenson, Lubbock, Texas, 85, \$11,887 each; 4. (tie) Tilden Hooper, Carthage, Texas, and Royce Ford, Briggsdale, Colo., 84.5, \$5,805 each; 6. Will Lowe, Canyon, Texas, 83.5, \$2,764; 7. Ryan Gray, Cheney, Wash., 81.5; 8. Kelly Timberman, Mills, Wyo., 80.5; 9. Clint Cannon, Waller, Texas, 79.5; 10. (tie) Bobby Mote, Culver, Ore., and Jared Smith, Williston, Fla., 78.5; 12. Jason Havens, Prineville, Ore., 77.5; 13. Heath Ford, Greeley, Colo., 76; 14. (tie) Justin McDaniel, Porum, Okla., and Steven Peebles, Redmond, Ore., 71.5. **Average:** 1. Kaycee Feild, 171.5 points on two head; 2. Wes Stevenson, 169.5; 3. Will Lowe, 167.5; 4. Tilden Hooper, 166.5; 5. Kelly Timberman, 166; 6. Royce Ford, 164.5; 7. (tie) Clint Cannon, Waller and Jason Havens, 163.5; 9. (tie) Bobby Mote and Ryan Gray, 162.5; 11. D.V. Fennell, 161; 12. Justin McDaniel, 157.5; 13. Jared Smith, 154; 14. Steven Peebles, Redmond, Ore., 153.5; 15. Heath Ford, Greeley, Colo., 151.5. **World standings:** 1. Clint Cannon

\$235,900; 2. Bobby Mote \$172,735; 3. Justin McDaniel \$139,627; 4. Ryan Gray \$138,591; 5. Kaycee Feild \$119,974; 6. Heath Ford \$118,664; 7. Will Lowe \$108,322; 8. Kelly Timberman \$98,865; 9. Tilden Hooper \$98,243; 10. Wes Stevenson \$88,620; 11. D.V. Fennell \$81,816; 12. Royce Ford \$74,723; 13. Jason Havens \$73,111; 14. Jared Smith \$62,154; 15. Steven Peebles \$59,925.

Steer wrestling: Second round: 1. Shawn Greenfield, Lakeview, Ore., 3.6 seconds, \$17,139; 2. Luke Branquinho, Los Alamos, Calif., 3.7, \$13,546; 3. (tie) Todd Suhn, Hermosa, S.D.; Trevor Knowles, Mount Vernon, Ore., and Hunter Cure, Holliday, Texas, 3.8, \$7,280 each; 6. Stockton Graves, Newkirk, Okla., 3.9, \$2,764; 7. (tie) Jake Rinehart, Highmore, S.D., and Joey Bell Jr., Athens, Texas, 4.0; 9. Curtis Cassidy, Donald, Alberta, 4.1; 10. (tie) Lee Graves, Calgary, Alberta, and Casey McMillen, Redmond, Ore., 4.2; 12. Josh Peek, Pueblo, Colo., 4.5; 13. Dean Gorsuch, Gering, Neb., 4.7; 14. Matt Reeves, Pampa, Texas, 16.3; 15. Blake Knowles, Heppner, Ore., NT. **Average:** 1. (tie) Luke Branquinho, Jake Rinehart and Curtis Cassidy, 7.7 seconds on two head; 4. Lee Graves, 8.4; 5. Joey Bell Jr., 8.6; 6. Josh Peek, 8.7; 7. Shawn Greenfield, 9.1; 8. Casey McMillen, 10.4; 9. Hunter Cure, 10.7; 10. Stockton Graves, 11.0; 11. Todd Suhn, 13.3; 12. Matt Reeves, 22.5; 13. Dean Gorsuch, 23.5; 14. Trevor Knowles, 3.8 on one; 15. Blake Knowles, 4.2. **World standings:** 1. Luke Branquinho, \$136,327; 2. Lee Graves \$125,365; 3. Jake Rinehart \$124,473; 4. Curtis Cassidy \$114,089; 5. Shawn Greenfield \$86,173; 6. Trevor Knowles \$85,016; 7. Todd Suhn \$84,388; 8. Hunter Cure \$81,225; 9. Dean Gorsuch \$74,075; 10. Josh Peek \$70,052; 11. Blake Knowles \$67,552; 12. Stockton Graves \$61,945; 13. Matt Reeves \$61,380; 14. Casey McMillen \$59,570; 15. Joey Bell Jr. \$59,209.

Team roping: Second round: 1. David Key, Caldwell, Texas/Rich Skelton, Llano, Texas, 3.9 seconds, \$17,139 each; 2. Riley Minor, Ellensburg, Wash./Brady Minor, Ellensburg, Wash., 4.0, \$13,546; 3. Luke Brown, Rock Hill, S.C./Martin Lucero, Stephenville, Texas, 4.4, \$10,228; 4. Charly Crawford, Prineville, Ore./Russell Cardoza, Farmington, Calif., 4.6, \$7,188; 5. Nick Sartain, Yukon, Okla./Kollin VonAhn, Durant, Okla., 4.7, \$4,423; 6. Chad Masters, Clarksville, Tenn./Jade Corkill, Fallon, Nev., 5.3, \$2,764; 7. Derrick Begay, Seba Dalkai, Ariz./Cesar de la Cruz, Tucson, Ariz., 6.3; 8. Keven Daniel, Franklin, Tenn./Brad Culpepper, Ashburn, Ga., 9.5; 9. Kelsey Parchman, Cumberland City, Tenn./Richard Durham, Morgan Mill, Texas, 9.7; 10. JoJo LeMond, Andrews, Texas/Randon Adams, Logandale, Nev., 14.4; 11. (tie) Trevor Brazile, Decatur,

Texas/Patrick Smith, Midland, Texas; Travis Tryan, Billings, Mont./Michael Jones, Stephenville, Texas; Blaine Linaweaver, Leavenworth, Kan./Justin Davis, Cottonwood, Calif., Clay Tryan, Billings, Mont./Cory Petska, Marana, Ariz., and Steve Purcella, Hereford, Texas/Jhett Johnson, Casper, Wyo., NT. **Average:** 1. Charly Crawford/Russell Cardoza, 9.3 seconds on two head; 2. Luke Brown/Martin Lucero, 9.8; 3. Derrick Begay/Cesar de la Cruz, 11.4; 4. David Key/Rich Skelton, 13.3; 5. Nick Sartain/Kollin VonAhn, 14.0; 6. Chad Masters/Jade Corkill, 16.1; 7. Keven Daniel/Brad Culpepper, 16.4; 8. JoJo LeMond/Randon Adams, 18.7; 9. Riley Minor/Brady Minor, 4.0 on one; 10. Steve Purcella/Jhett Johnson, 4.5; 11. Clay Tryan/Cory Petska, 4.8; 12. Travis Tryan/Michael Jones, 9.1; 13. Kelsey Parchman/Richard Durham, 9.7; 14. (tie) Trevor Brazile/Patrick Smith, and Blaine Linaweaver/Justin Davis, NT. **World standings (headers):** 1. Chad Masters \$130,513; 2. Luke Brown \$118,435; 3. David Key \$107,804; 4. JoJo LeMond \$103,032; 5. Kelsey Parchman \$93,686; 6. Trevor Brazile \$89,707; 7. Travis Tryan \$85,503; 8. Nick Sartain \$84,820; 9. Charly Crawford \$81,826; 10. Riley Minor \$80,862; 11. Steve Purcella \$76,189; 12. Blaine Linaweaver \$73,618; 13. Keven Daniel \$73,149; 14. Clay Tryan \$69,491; 15. Derrick Begay \$67,440. **World standings (heelers):** 1. Jade Corkill \$121,042; 2. Richard Durham \$111,598; 3. Rich Skelton \$107,640; 4. Martin Lucero \$103,982; 5. Randon Adams \$102,454; 6. Patrick Smith \$98,086; 7. Brad Culpepper \$85,754; 8. Michael Jones \$84,884; 9. Kollin VonAhn \$83,653; 10. Russell Cardoza \$81,826; 11. Brady Minor \$80,862; 12. Cesar de la Cruz \$75,541; 13. Jhett Johnson \$73,028; 14. Cory Petska \$70,634; 15. Justin Davis \$55,315.

Saddle bronc riding: Second round: 1. J.J. Elshere, Quinn, S.D., 89.5 points on Andrews Rodeo’s Lock & Load, \$17,139; 2. Chad Ferley, Oelrichs, S.D., 85, \$13,546; 3. Cody DeMoss, Heflin, La., 83.5, \$10,228; 4. Justin Arnold, Santa Margarita, Calif., 82.5, \$7,188; 5. Dustin Flundra, Pincher Creek, Alberta, 81.5, \$4,423; 6. (tie) Wade Sundell, Boxholm, Iowa, and Cody Wright, Milford, Utah, 80.5, \$1,382 each; 8. Shaun Stroh, Dickinson, N.D., 80; 9. Billy Etbauer, Edmond, Okla., 78.5; 10. Isaac Diaz, Stephenville, Texas, 76; 11. Bradley Harter, Weatherford, Texas, 73; 12. Bryce Miller, Buffalo, S.D., 70.5; 13. (tie) Jesse Kruse, Great Falls, Mont.; Heith DeMoss, Heflin, La., and Taos Muncy, Corona, N.M., NS. **Average:** 1. J.J. Elshere, 170 points on two head; 2. Justin Arnold, 166; 3. Chad Ferley, 164; 4. Wade Sundell, 163; 5. Cody DeMoss, 161.5; 6. Billy Etbauer, 159.5; 7. (tie) Shaun Stroh and Cody Wright, 159; 9. Dustin Flundra, 156.5; 10. Isaac

Diaz, Stephenville, Texas, 155.5; 11. Bradley Harter, Weatherford, Texas, 150; 12. Taos Muncy, 86 on one; 13. Jesse Kruse, 79.5; 14. Heith DeMoss, 76.0; 15. Bryce Miller, 70.5. **World standings:** 1. Jesse Kruse \$131,436; 2. J.J. Elshere \$108,469; 3. Wade Sundell \$100,512; 4. Heith DeMoss \$100,383; 5. Cody DeMoss \$99,523; 6. Billy Etbauer \$94,090; 7. Justin Arnold \$93,172; 8. Taos Muncy \$91,538; 9. Bryce Miller \$84,893; 10. Isaac Diaz \$83,213; 11. Shaun Stroh \$82,159; 12. Chad Ferley \$79,334; 13. Bradley Harter \$75,164; 14. Dustin Flundra \$72,618; 15. Cody Wright \$69,034.

Tie-down roping: Second round: 1. Scott Kormos, Teague, Texas, 7.1 seconds, \$17,139; 2. Clint Robinson, Spanish Fork, Utah, 7.7, \$13,546; 3. Tuf Cooper, Decatur, Texas, 8.2, \$10,228; 4. Ryan Watkins, Dublin, Texas, 9.1, \$7,188; 5. Ryan Jarrett, Summerville, Ga., 9.4, \$4,423; 6. Matt Shiozawa, Chubbuck, Idaho, 9.6, \$2,764; 7. Trevor Brazile, Decatur, Texas, 10.1; 8. Cody Ohl, Hico, Texas, 11.1; 9. Monty Lewis, Hereford, Texas, 15.1; 10. Josh Peek, Pueblo, Colo., 16.6; 11. Adam Gray, Seymour, Texas, 16.9; 12. Hunter Herrin, Apache, Okla., 17.1; 13. Tyson Durfey, Colbert, Wash., 18.1; 14. Blair Burk, Durant, Okla., 18.7; 15. Justin Maass, Giddings, Texas, 25.0. **Average:** 1. Clint Robinson, 15.5 seconds on two head; 2. Tuf Cooper, 16.5; 3. Ryan Jarrett, 18.9; 4. Ryan Watkins, 19.8; 5. Cody Ohl, 20.7; 6. Monty Lewis, 23.4; 7. Josh Peek, 24.1; 8. Adam Gray, 24.7; 9. Tyson Durfey, 25.9; 10. Hunter Herrin, 26.8; 11. Blair Burk, 28.3; 12. Justin Maass, 32.7; 13. Trevor Brazile, 33.9; 14. Scott Kormos, 7.1 on one; 15. Matt Shiozawa, 9.6. **World standings:** 1. Trevor Brazile \$132,916; 2. Clint Robinson \$112,558; 3. Hunter Herrin \$100,793; 4. Tuf Cooper \$98,603; 5. Ryan Jarrett \$97,066; 6. Adam Gray \$94,704; 7. Scott Kormos \$93,180; 8. Ryan Watkins \$90,196; 9. Justin Maass \$89,785; 10. Matt Shiozawa \$86,817; 11. Josh Peek \$83,145; 12. Tyson Durfey \$81,257; 13. Cody Ohl \$78,583; 14. Blair Burk \$73,157; 15. Monty Lewis \$71,679.

Barrel racing: Second round: 1. Lindsay Sears, Nanton Alberta, 13.95 seconds, \$17,139; 2. Brittany Pozzi, Victoria, Texas, 14.03, \$13,546; 3. Sherry Cervi, Marana, Ariz., 14.05, \$10,228; 4. Sue Smith, Blackfoot, Idaho, 14.07, \$7,188; 5. Jordon Peterson, Chilton, Texas, 14.14, \$4,423; 6. Lisa Lockhart, Oelrichs, S.D., 14.20, \$2,764; 7. (tie) Mary Burger, Pauls Valley, Okla., and Cassie Moseley, Farwell, Texas, 14.21; 9. Tammy Fischer, Ledbetter, Texas, 14.25; 10. P.J. Burger, Pauls Valley, Okla., 14.27; 11. Brenda Mays, Terrebonne, Ore., 14.39; 12. Danyelle Campbell, Beaumont, Calif., 18.29; 13. Shelley Morgan, Eustace, Texas, 19.09; 14. Sheena Robbins, Fresno, Calif., 19.10; 15. Tiffany Fox, Fox, Okla., 19.18. **Average:** 1. Brittany Pozzi, 27.97 seconds

on two runs; 2. Lindsay Sears, 28.13; 3. Sherry Cervi, 28.31; 4. Lisa Lockhart, 28.35; 5. Jordon Peterson, 28.50; 6. Mary Burger, 28.54; 7. Tammy Fischer, 28.67; 8. Cassie Moseley, 28.91; 9. Brenda Mays, 28.98; 10. Shelley Morgan, 33.19; 11. (tie) Tiffany Fox and P.J. Burger, 33.31; 13. Sheena Robbins, 33.34; 14. Sue Smith, 33.39; 15. Danyelle Campbell, 37.60. **World standings:** 1. Brittany Pozzi \$186,550; 2. Lindsay Sears \$162,780; 3. Mary Burger \$122,289; 4. Tiffany Fox \$110,464; 5. Jordon Peterson \$96,472; 6. Sherry Cervi \$83,757; 7. Lisa Lockhart \$82,650; 8. Brenda Mays \$77,376; 9. Sue Smith \$73,999; 10. Shelley Morgan \$72,999; 11. Sheena Robbins \$71,007; 12. Cassie Moseley \$70,039; 13. Tammy Fischer \$66,840; 14. Danyelle Campbell \$66,759; 15. P.J. Burger \$57,061.

Bull riding: Second round: 1. B.J. Schumacher, Hillsboro, Wis., 88 points on Four L & Diamond S Rodeo's Mission Accomplished, \$17,139; 2. Clayton Savage, Casper, Wyo., 87.0, \$13,546; 3. Cody Whitney, Asher, Okla., 82.5, \$10,228; 4. Douglas Duncan, Alvin, Texas, 81.0, \$7,188; 5. Tate Stratton, Stanley, N.M., 80.0, \$4,423; 6. Bobby Welsh, Gillette, Wyo., 58.0, \$2,764; 7. (tie) J.W. Harris, May, Texas; Corey Navarre, Weatherford, Okla.; Steve Woolsey, Payson, Utah; Jesse Bail, Camp Crook, S.D.; Kanin Asay, Powell, Wyo.; Howdy Cloud, Kountze, Texas; Colin McTaggart, Las Vegas, Nev.; Zack Oakes, Elk, Wash., and Cody Hancock, Taylor, Ariz., NS. **Average:** 1. Bobby Welsh, 144.5 points on two head; 2. Kanin Asay, 89 on one; 3. B.J. Schumacher, 88; 4. Clayton Savage, 87; 5. Jesse Bail, 86; 6. Colin McTaggart, 84; 7. Cody Whitney, 82.5; 8. Corey Navarre, 82; 9. Douglas Duncan, 81; 10. Tate Stratton, 80; 11. Zack Oakes, 74.5; 12. (tie) J.W. Harris, Steve Woolsey, Howdy Cloud and Cody Hancock, NS. **World standings:** 1. J.W. Harris \$219,275; 2. Corey Navarre \$110,308; 3. Kanin Asay \$109,309; 4. Bobby Welsh \$109,109; 5. Steve Woolsey \$108,444; 6. B.J. Schumacher \$95,136; 7. Clayton Savage \$94,956; 8. Cody Whitney \$89,213; 9. Douglas Duncan \$88,815; 10. Colin McTaggart \$86,022; 11. Jesse Bail \$85,640; 12. Tate Stratton \$85,028; 13. Howdy Cloud \$67,721; 14. Cody Hancock \$66,483; 15. Zack Oakes \$66,332.