

MRA

MISS RODEO AUSTRALIA

Hi Readers!

Wow, it's almost half way through the year already. Time definitely flies when you're having fun!

As I mentioned in last month's issue, I had the great opportunity to have a tour of the Glencore Open Cut Coal Mine who are major sponsors of the Clermont Rodeo and I would like to share some of those photos with you. It is such a wonderful feeling to spend time with people that really enjoy supporting their local community.



Clermont Rodeo President Wayde Marks and I visiting the Glencore Open Cut Coal Mine who are major sponsors and supporters of the Clermont Rodeo.

The beginning of May was very exciting for me as I got to attend my first 'Beef Week'. 'Beef Week' is Australia's National Beef Expo, one of the world's greatest beef cattle events and was held in Rockhampton, Qld from May 6th-12th. It was a phenomenal experience for me. Having only ever heard of the exciting event which is only held every three years, I was extremely excited to get the opportunity to attend.

It was a jam packed day from sun up to sun down and I can't thank those enough that made the day possible and run so smoothly. From the early hair and make-up at Cha Ching Hair and Tanning Salon it was straight to the front gates of Beef Australia to kick off the fun. Myself and Amy Walker - The Wife Creative - made the most of every photo opportunity we could, sneaking in a little photo shoot first up. I am so grateful to my wonderful sponsors who made sure I had everything I needed fit for a queen. Thank you to J.Roberts Custom Hats for my gorgeous new felt hat and Chute 4 Western Wear for my



Meeting with Troy Cassar-Daley at Beef Week in Rockhampton.



With Kim from the Glencore Open Cut Coal Mine. Kim took me out in our of the monstrous dump trucks.

outstanding new chaps! Josie and Garry both worked tirelessly for me to have these Cowgirl essentials and I really appreciate it.

Before meeting with fans we stopped for a breath and to try of the amazing foods Beef had to offer and it was truly mouth-watering!

While at Beef I spent time with my generous sponsors Hitchley & Harrow in the big orange truck! As always it was great to interact with those that support myself and the MRA Committee so much. The truck was packed with lovely ladies all with the same idea, to own gorgeous clothing from the one and only!

I also spent time with Just Country - Montana Silversmiths, another of my great sponsors. I was privileged to have a chat with Camp.com.au about my wonderful sponsors Montana Silversmiths and Just Country who make sure I have all the jewellery a girl needs to match my stunning Montana Silversmiths crown. It was great to mingle with so many beautiful people and hopefully some of those who will become the future of Miss Rodeo Australia.

After signing with Just Country, myself, Amy and Terry Donohue - owner of Just Country, sat down for a lovely lunch and chat about all things country before getting to meet with the wonderful Troy Cassar-Daley. Troy was a truly generous man to meet in person and have a chat with, but the excitement didn't stop there! Before my time at Beef came to an end and I had to head home I was fortune to meet the gorgeous musician Fanny Lumsden, who too is a Corral Boots gal!



Meeting with a future cowgirl at Beef Week in Rockhampton.

As this edition goes to print I am preparing to head to my first Mackay Toyota Nebo Rodeo which I will report on next month.

Thank you again to everyone involved, especially those behind the scenes. I have a few big events coming up which I can't wait to share with you all in the coming months.

**Yours Truly,
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Miss Rodeo Australia 2018**



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