



MRC

MISS RODEO AUSTRALIA

WOW what an incredible month I have had as I re-packed my suitcase after our Warwick NFR and followed Miss Rodeo Canada Samantha Stokes to Canada alongside newly crowned Warwick Rodeo Queen Ashleigh Grant. We were fortunate enough to attend the Miss Rodeo Canada Pageant which of course runs in conjunction with the electrifying Canadian Finals Rodeo!

Ashleigh and I had the most amazing welcome to Canada! We met with the beautiful 2016 Miss Rodeo Canada Samantha Stokes and were also lucky to meet the 2017 MRC entrants! Even though the local Canadians kept telling us it was beautiful weather in Edmonton with a top of 12°C.... Brrrr this Outback Ozzie Queen took a bit to warm up to this so called 'beautiful' weather but I certainly enjoyed rugging up for something different!

In between the pageant we were kept busy with some promotional work; an Etiquette dinner, visits to the magnificent Edmonton Legislature building and on air radio interviews at the West Edmonton Mall before getting in some serious shopping... We had to make good use of time spent at the biggest Mall in North America... right?! I loved that the city of Edmonton got so involved in the rodeo spirit and everywhere we went as Rodeo Queens the people were excited and celebrating the CFR, even our sponsored hotel,

The Chateau Lacombe, closed down the car park/courtyard to hold a Rodeo BBQ! After the BBQ we kicked off the first of six rounds of the CFR at Northlands Coliseum! Following on with the rodeo spirit we continued to promote the CFR each day with so many more amazing appearances from TV interviews, a fly by on horseback, autograph signings and sponsor visits around Edmonton and Farm Fair, one of my favourites was DODGETRUCKS!! Another special visit was to St. Michael's seniors home. We loved attending the MRC Contestants Public Speaking and in between contestants, Ashleigh and I got the opportunity to get up and tell some interesting stories of our great land down under!

Every evening I was excited to get to the CFR and watch the incredibly moving opening ceremonies and just when you thought it couldn't get any better....

I was in absolute awe of the amazing Remembrance Day opening ceremony. It was truly unforgettable as about 17,000 people sat in absolute silence. The CFR rounds

continued and the stock got rougher and the Cowboys got tougher for the ultimate head to head competition!

As you all know, there is no time to rest when it's best against best so we returned to the Northlands Coliseum after some more promotional duties for the final time to see 2016 MRC Samantha Stokes ride her final honorary lap with the great Canadian flag before she handed over her crown. The Northlands Coliseum was silent as we watched a video on the big screen and reflected on the year that was for the amazing Samantha Stokes.... I don't think there was a dry eye in the house! It was then time to crown MRC 2017!

The suspense was killing us in the lead up as all four entrants had put in 110% and we knew that the title would be carried on with the utmost courage, pride and dignity. Ashleigh and I even had the privilege to be secret judges in the MRC competition! As the girls gripped tight, hand in hand the winner was announced.... On behalf of the Australian Professional Rodeo Association and the Miss Rodeo Australia committee I would like to Congratulate ALI MULLIN Miss Rodeo Canada 2017! I have no doubt you will do the CPRA and your country proud and we look forward to having you down under.

Overall the CFR was an absolute blast! The memories and experiences I have had thanks to the MRC board, sponsors and the forever friends I have met along the way will stay with me for a lifetime! If you ever have the opportunity to get to the CFR I really recommend doing it... the beautiful people, magnificent country and thrilling rodeo action is not to be missed! Truly an adventure of a lifetime!

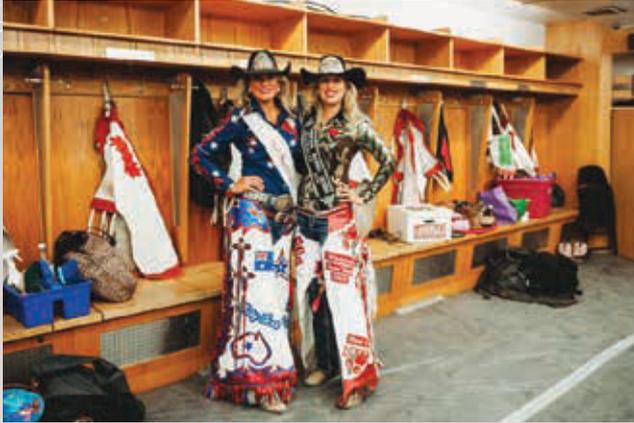
I would again just like to thank my sponsors Cowgirl Up, Corral Boot Co, Montana Silversmiths, Chute 4 Western Wear, Ridetuff Rodeo Equipment.

In between the CFR and Vegas I spent some time with family in Canada that train horses and buffalo for movies such as Flicka and TV shows like 'Heartland' as well as experiencing some lovely snow!

Talk to you all soon next month with my report on the WNFR and the Australian Christmas Run!

Travel Safe on the rodeo road!

Yours Truly in Rodeo
Miss Rodeo Australia
Katy Scott



With Warwick Rodeo Queen Ashleigh Grant. Chute 4 Western Wear Chaps on the other side of the World at the Canadian Finals Rodeo!



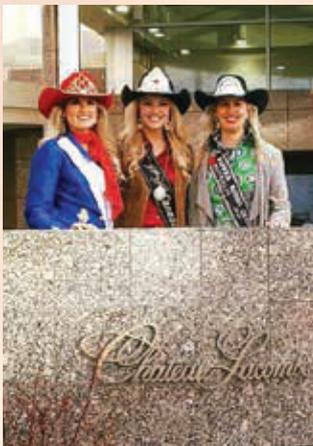
Ashleigh and I with the Miss Rodeo Canada entrants.



CFR action!



Spectating at the CFR.



With 2016 MRC Samantha Stokes and WRQ Ashleigh Grant.



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