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Consistent Spring for Logan Bird

Logan Bird has established himself as one of the most consistent tie-down ropers in the game. And his winning effort at the Falkland Stampede was more of what fans have come to expect from the Nanton, Alberta roper.

Bird was a rapid 8.1 seconds for the win – which netted him \$1908 and moved the 2017 Canadian Champion into third place overall in the early season standings.

“This is the most money I’ve ever won at this point in the season,” the 29-year-old noted. “I’ve placed at every rodeo but one so far and I’d like to keep that going. The year I won Canada was the only year I didn’t really have a cold spell. I’m hoping for another year like that one.”

It was the first time Bird has won Falkland. “I’ve had my ups and downs there. I’ve been second twice but the one I remember was my first time there. I was in high school and I was 7.6 at the high school rodeo in Strathmore. I drove all night to get to Falkland and I was thinking I’m ready to really do something. I got the whistle there—didn’t even get my calf tied. I learned real quick the difference between high school rodeo and pro.”

Bird was quick to give a bunch of credit to his amazing horse—Peso. “The calf I had at Falkland wants to jump by you to the left when you go to flank him but Peso is so quick with that first step back after he stops that a calf like that isn’t a problem. A good horse you can win on fifty per cent of the calves. An elite-good horse, like Peso, you can win on eighty per cent of the calves. That’s the difference.”

Another remarkable 2023 rodeo season story continued in British Columbia as Tate and Kagen Schmidt found themselves in familiar territory—at the top of the leaderboard. This time around, the unstoppable Barrhead, Alberta duo posted a 4.4 second run for the win, their fourth in the last six runs dating back to their record-setting 3.3 second blur in the final round of the Agribition Maple Leaf Circuit Finals (which count in this year’s standings). The lights-out tandem extended their lead atop the Canadian standings with earnings just shy of \$9000 and a comfortable cushion over Tristin Woolsey and Trey Gallais who were second at Falkland and are now second in the season standings as well.

A couple of first-time winners in CPRA competition also highlighted the weekend’s action as Grande Prairie bull rider Jett Lambert mastered the Macza bull, Ugly This, to the tune of 87 points for a \$1333 payday and second-generation barrel racer, Jayden Wilson also hit the Winner’s Circle for the first time as her 16.34 second run netted the Gleichen cowgirl \$1747.

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Next CPRA action will be the first SMS Equipment Pro Tour Rodeo of the season—the Buffalo Lake Metis Settlement Rodeo at Caslan, Alberta May 27 and 28.

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