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World Junior Team Roping Announcement

GUTHRIE, OK – World Jr Team Roping is excited to announce the changes coming to 2018. The World JR Team Roping Championships is the World’s oldest and largest youth oriented event in team roping history. Originated in 1971 by Bill Duncan, it has significant historical value. Many World Champions of today hold past titles to World JR Championships. Speed Williams, Kory Koontz, Clay Smith, Brady Norman, Wesley Thorp, and Paul Eaves are just a few of today’s top ropers, who have held the JR title. “The World Champions of today will tell you that the best roping they’ve ever been to is the World JR. All kids from around the country looked forward to coming together at the World JR each year. This was where they all got to know one another, back before social media and cell phones” said Twister Cain.

The Cain Family, out of Gonzales Texas, has produced the World JR since 1991. They are well known in the sport of rodeo and we owe them utmost respect for the things they’ve done for our youth. They are honored to announce the transfer of ownership to The Patriot Event, LLC, who are also the producers of the Young Guns World Championships, The Patriot Event, and most recently added RFDTV’s JR American. “It’s time for the World JR to evolve into the future and The Patriot Event has the carrot in front of the cart. They have what it takes to take the World JR to the next level” said Cain.

Today, in conjunction with the Nation’s Largest Youth Calf Roping, The Patriot is excited to announce the move of the World JR Team Roping Championships to the world renowned LAZY E ARENA facility. For the first time in history, the world’s longest running Youth Team Roping will run aside Rising Stars Youth Calf Roping.

In addition, Smarty will be recognized as the 2018 Title Sponsor. Together with The Patriot, Smarty will help advance the JR World to its greatest potential.

About The Patriot Event, LLC

The Patriot was founded in 2014, just a few short months on the tail of the inaugural RFDTV’s American Rodeo. The owners of The Patriot were not new to the sport of rodeo or the production of major events. For the past 20 years they have been involved in the production of Team Roping, Monster Truck Shows, SuperCross, PBR, Air Shows, and NHRA, just to name a few. Showmanship is extremely important and has been a focal point in all Patriot Event productions.

With an arsenal of youth events, including: Young World Championships, JR American Rodeo, and World JR Team Roping, The Patriot Event, LLC is now the industry’s leading innovator in the Western World’s Youth Industry.

