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**Photo Caption: Lander will have its 116<sup>th</sup> Pioneer Days Rodeo, the World's oldest paid rodeo on July 3-4.**

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**Lander, WY** - The 116<sup>th</sup> Pioneer Days Rodeo, The World's Oldest Paid Rodeo, July 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> in Lander Wyoming at the Lander Old Timers Rodeo Arena, 2 Rodeo Drive has western action and excitement for everyone! In addition to the traditional, fun events including saddle bronc, bareback riding, barrels and steer wrestling, on July 3<sup>rd</sup>, viewers can enjoy the new Ultimate Miniature Bull Riding. This event is fast gaining popularity as an extreme sport and training aid for aspiring young bull riders. The livestock used, although small in size, buck similar to full size bulls.. The miniature bulls are a huge crowd pleaser! To view more Miniature Bull Riding events visit [howlrodeobulls@yahoo.com](mailto:howlrodeobulls@yahoo.com)

On both evenings, an all-Indian relay is a fast and entertaining race. Native American riders (from the nearby Wind River Indian Reservation) on teams ride bareback around the track exchanging horses after each lap. True horsemanship at its best!



In contrast to the extreme bareback riding is a 3-person businessman's roping event. The first team member must rope the calf, and the second holds the calf. The third team member takes the ribbon from the calf's tail and runs back to the chute for a timed event.

Each evening concludes with the amazing wild horse race. Real wild horses are rounded up just for this exciting event. It's a must see and a great way to end the rodeo.

Pre-sale tickets are \$7 for adults, \$ for kids (6-12). At the gate \$8 for adults, \$4 for kids. For more information on this spectacular rodeo 307-332-7632, [www.landerchamber.org/LOTRA.aspx](http://www.landerchamber.org/LOTRA.aspx)

The Pioneer Days Parade is a favorite and starts at 10 a.m. on Main Street, Lander. This is the World's Oldest Historical Pageant Parade. The parade starts with the 30th Annual Lander Half Marathon, walkers 6 a.m., runners 6:30 a.m. (pre-register 307-332-0480.)

Enjoy a pancake breakfast at Lander Senior Center, 205 S. 10<sup>th</sup> St., July 4, 7-9 a.m., adults \$5, children 12 & under \$4. Tickets available at the Lander Chamber of Commerce, 160 N.1st St. A Buffalo Barbeque in City Park starts at noon, (the rodeo in the evening) and later that night watch the fireworks right from the Fairgrounds. Costs vary. 800-433-0662, 307-332-3892 info@landerchamber.org, www.landerchamber.org

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