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All Around Champion

from page 3 by JD Malone

of mine that was out there with me knew how much I was ahead of Lee and when he didn't place in the round he told me that I had it!

With the All-Around out of the way Ryan headed into the Calf Roping. Sticking to the plan that got him there, he held nothing back. Making a quick run of 8 seconds flat he sealed the deal, beating Monty Lewis by 3.2 seconds to clinch the average Tie-Down title with an 89 second average on ten head.

When all the smoke cleared, Ryan had won \$114,717.54 at his first WNFR and finished the year with a total of \$263,664.65. Accompanying his average win in the calf roping he finished 6th in the world standings and ended up 4th in the average of the steer wrestling and 10th in the world. Not too bad for a country boy from Summerville, Georgia!

In talking with Ryan after the finals I found that same humble, soon to be 22 year old, virtually unchanged. As a matter a fact a friend told me after I talked to Ryan that his dad had been sick and Ryan had been having to feed and milk this week. That is what I call a well-grounded young man!

Ryan was also grateful when I asked him if he would like to thank anyone for helping him get to where he was. "I want to thank my dad DeJuan and my mom Joan for supporting me and hauling me up and down the road to the Jr. and High School rodeos. I also want to thank my sister Lauren who helped with my airline booking and scheduling. Greg Winham has also played a huge part in my horsemanship and horse power. I really don't rope any different than I used to, I just ride better horses and I would like to thank Greg for that! I also want to thank all my sponsors Carroll Leather, Cactus Ropes, Pro Equine and WRANGLER!

When I asked Ryan if he had a different tactic for the 2006 season he just laughed and said. "No, not really, I'm going to rope steers with a boy from Utah named Clint Robinson this winter. Other than that I'm just going to go enter. Hopefully I'm a little more experienced about entering and it should help me out." Look for Ryan and his calf horse "Country" to be right back in the thick of things in 2006!