



## World Gay Rodeo Finals Contestant Information

The men & women of the 33rd World Gay Rodeo Finals production team extend a warm welcome to contestants. Countless hours have gone into preparing what we hope will be an enjoyable, successful, and memorable event for you the weekend of October 24-27<sup>th</sup>. In anticipation of that, we're happy to provide advance information to assist when finalizing your plans to compete in this prestigious event. The Finals are scheduled to start 9am both Saturday and Sunday.

### **Venue**

Tony Nelssen Equestrian Center ("TNEC Equidome") at renowned WestWorld of Scottsdale. 16601 N Pima Rd, Scottsdale, AZ 85260 is the street address for the main gate. Located at the base of McDowell Mountains, WestWorld is a sprawling compound of several arenas and sports facilities on 386 acres. Our venue is the newest at WestWorld – the state-of-the-art *TNEC Equidome* built in 2014.

WestWorld rules & regulations are available for you at [www.westworldaz.com/facilityusepolicy](http://www.westworldaz.com/facilityusepolicy)

### **Contestant Registration**

Concourse at TNEC Equidome at WestWorld. 4-6pm, Friday, October 25<sup>th</sup>. WGRF Secretary is Guy Puglisi. Contact him if your arrival is delayed (702 339-3286).

### **Host Hotel**

The Scottsdale Marriott at McDowell Mountains has been selected as host hotel for WGRF 2019. It is located three minutes from WestWorld. The address is 16770 N Perimeter Dr, Scottsdale, AZ 85260. The Scottsdale Marriott at McDowell Mountains offers premium quality accommodations plus outstanding comfort & convenience features to enhance your stay.

### **RV Space**

WestWorld has 398 permanent RV spaces in eight locations throughout the complex. Each features electric and water hook-ups. A dump station is located on site for convenience.

Contestants will be responsible for making their own RV arrangements. The daily rate is \$30.76 per RV (including tax, with or without use of hook-ups). Weekly or monthly rates do not apply. Contact the WestWorld RV Office by calling 480 312-6802. Press 1 at the prompt. Be sure to mention you are an IGRA-WGRF contestant in the TNEC Equidome. We have arranged for a block area close to the TNEC Equidome where WGRF contestants can be together.

Pets are permitted in contestant trailers. Please observe Scottsdale leash ordinance for pets to be on a leash and under owner control. WestWorld requires pets remain in close proximity to the trailer.

### **Stalls, Veterinarian, and Farrier**

Barn manager, Patrick Terry, will be on-site starting 12pm noon, Thursday, Oct. 24<sup>th</sup>. 719 510-6116. Horse stalls will be assigned on a first-come basis. For persons arriving Friday, first horse stall paid by IGRA. 2<sup>nd</sup> Horse stall available at \$25 for the weekend. Tack stalls cost \$69 for the weekend.

Persons arriving early please contact Patrick Terry (719 510-6116) for information. Smoking is not permitted in the barns or vicinity.

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## **Veterinarian**

Gayle Leith, a familiar name and personality at AGRA rodeos a number of years, will be the veterinarian on-site 8:30am to end of rodeo Saturday and Sunday during running of World Gay Rodeo Finals 2019. On-site during the rodeo, Dr. Leith can be reached *by radio*. See WGRF official for assistance. After hours, arrangements are in place for veterinary care through Southwest Equine Hospital (below). After hours emergency number is 480 250-1129.

Dr. Gayle Leith	- By Radio - See Arena Director, Rodeo Director, or Official.
Southwest Equine Hospital	480 250-1129 (After hours emergency call) 6001 E. Bell Road; Scottsdale, AZ 95254

## **Farrier**

Mark Fisher	602 750-5437
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## **Feed and Tack**

Scottsdale Livestock is preferred feed and tack store. Monday-Friday hours are 8am – 6pm; Saturday 8am – 5pm. Scottsdale Livestock is closed Sundays.

22255 North Scottsdale Road Scottsdale, AZ 85255	480 515-1800
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## **Horse information**

A negative Coggins dated within the last twelve months must accompany all horses six months of age or above. A health certificate dated within the previous thirty days must be presented for any horse originating outside Arizona. County authorities can and do conduct periodic inspections. It is incumbent on contestants therefore to ensure he or she is knowledgeable and in compliance of applicable Arizona regulations to avoid penalties or fines for noncompliance.

Contestants are encouraged to check with authorities regarding required certificates, which may be required when transporting livestock across state lines. Current regulations are available for review at USDA-APHIS website. Other resources with links to detailed information by state include:

- Equine Law and Horsemanship Safety
- Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

## **WGRF Thirteen Event Running Order**

(Grand Entry approximately at noon)

Calf Roping on Foot  
Team Roping  
Mounted Break-away Roping  
Steer Deco  
Pole Bending  
- Grand Entry -  
Steer Riding  
Goat Dressing  
Chute Dogging  
Barrel Race  
Flag Race  
Ranch Saddle Bronc Riding  
Wild Drag Race  
Bull Riding

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## Weekend Schedule

Thursday, October 24<sup>th</sup> 2019

- 12:00 Noon Barn opens for horse check-in. Barn Manager, Patrick Terry
- 6:00 PM Royalty check-in. Scottsdale Marriott at McDowell Mountains
- 7:00 PM Kick-off Party. BS West Bar; 7125 E. 5th Avenue Rear, Scottsdale

Friday, October 25<sup>th</sup> 2019

- 8:00 AM Royalty Horsemanship Competition. Scottsdale Marriott
- 10:00 AM Royalty interviews. Scottsdale Marriott
- 12:00 – 5 PM Vendor check-in and set-up. WestWorld TNEC Equidome
  
- 3:30 PM Media Check-in & Orientation. WestWorld TNEC Equidome
- 4:00 – 6 PM WGRF Contestant Registration. WestWorld TNEC Equidome
- 6:00 PM Royalty Western Wear Competition. WestWorld TNEC Equidome
- 7:30 PM WGRF Opening Ceremony. WestWorld TNEC Equidome
- 8:00 PM Royalty Talent Competition. WestWorld TNEC Equidome

Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup> 2019

- 8:00 AM Arena opens. WestWorld TNEC Equidome
- 9:00 AM 33<sup>rd</sup> World Gay Rodeo Finals begins. WestWorld TNEC Equidome
- 12:00 Noon (approx.) Grand Entry. WestWorld TNEC Equidome
  
- 7:00 PM 2019 IGRA Royalty step downs, 10-year crowning, 2020 IGRA sash crowning  
WestWorld TNEC Equidome

Sunday, October 27<sup>th</sup> 2019

- 8:00 AM Going **Pink** for Rodeo
- 8:00 AM Arena opens for 33<sup>rd</sup> World Gay Rodeo Finals. WestWorld TNEC Equidome
- 9:00 AM Rodeo begins. WestWorld TNEC Equidome
- 12:00 Noon (approx.) Grand Entry. WestWorld TNEC Equidome
  
- 6:30 PM Pre-Awards Cocktail Reception. Agave Southwest Bar & Grill at Scottsdale Marriott at McDowell Mountains
- 7:30 PM Awards Banquet and Ceremony. Ballroom at Scottsdale Marriott at McDowell Mtns.

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