Happy Trails Cowboy Church Taylorsville, North Carolina

Press Release Information

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Professional Rodeo is returning to Taylorsville, NC.

Happy Trails Cowboy Church and **H & H Indoor Arena** will host their **7th Annual Professional Rodeo** in Taylorsville, NC May 14th & 15th. The rodeo is sanctioned by the Southern Rodeo Association (**SRA**) and International Professional Rodeo Association (**IPRA**). Events include Bareback Bronc riding, Saddleback Bronc riding, Calf roping, Cowgirl's break-away calf roping, Steer wrestling, Team roping, Cowgirl's barrel racing, and Bull riding. Contestants from all over the eastern seaboard will be competing for points as they chase the coveted championships.

Two great performances will be held on **Friday & Saturday**, **May 14**th **& 15**th. Gates open at 5pm. **Country Gospel singing** will be provided both nights beginning at 7pm (one hour prior to the rodeo action) featuring **Donny Riggs** of Knoxville, Tennessee (<u>www.dcriggs.net</u>). The rodeo will begin at 8pm. Concessions will be provided by the congregation of Happy Trails Cowboy Church.

The rodeo is sponsored by Happy Trails Cowboy Church, H & H Arena, Farm Bureau of Alexander County, James River Equipment, and Walnut Grove Auction & Realty/Event Rentals, and many other businesses and organizations across the Catawba Valley area.

The **H & H Indoor Arena** is conveniently located on Ned Herman Road, just off Hwy. 64/90, 3 ½ miles west of Taylorsville, NC. This arena is centrally located in the beautiful foothills of the Brushy Mountains of rural Alexander County and is convenient to Hickory (NC-16 and NC-127), Lenoir (NC-64/90), Statesville (NC-64), and Wilkesboro (NC-16).

"H & H Indoor Arena and the congregation of Happy Trails Cowboy Church (a church which exists for the purpose of sharing the love of Jesus Christ and ministering to the needs of folks who identify with the cowboy, western, and just plain country way of life) desire to provide a clean family entertainment venue to our community. We want everyone to experience the thrill of professional rodeo and have a great time." says Pastor Don Martin of the Happy Trails Cowboy Church. "This is a great event for your family, church or civic group to enjoy."

The rodeo is being promoted by Rafter 3 Rodeo Co. of Charlotte, NC. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the Happy Trails Cowboy Church, which has donated over \$100,000 to missions and benevolent causes the last five years. Admission is \$15 at the gate, children under 6 admitted free. **Advance tickets** are \$10 and are available at Alexander Chamber of Commerce, Taylorsville Savings Bank (Taylorsville, Hiddenite & Bethlehem branches), Peoples Bank (Hiddenite branch), and Village Inn Pizza (Taylorsville).

For more information, including group ticket sales, call 828-635-1260, 828-632-3111, 828-312-5310 or email paster@djmc.com or visit online at www.djmc.com/happytrailscowboychurch.