



NEW AT THE CLOVERDALE RODEO AND COUNTRY FAIR FOR 2005

For Immediate Release

Surrey, B.C.: The 2005 Cloverdale Rodeo and Country Fair running May 20th – 23rd, has added some fantastic new family entertainment to the already busting line-up.

Wild West Cooking Stage

Catch culinary King Chef Dez on the Wild West Cooking Stage, where he will be serving up his usual magic and feeding the crowds during the fair with some tasty Southwestern and Chuckwagon dishes.

Chef Dez runs his own successful business that specializes in culinary classes for adults. He can be seen performing in live cooking events across BC, and has his own food column in a variety of publications.

Chef Dez will be performing 11 shows during the May long weekend:

Friday, May 20 - 7:30 pm

Saturday, May 21 - 1:30pm, 3:30pm, 6:30pm, 8:00pm

Sunday, May 22 - 1:30pm, 3:30pm, 6:30pm, 8:00pm

Monday, May 23 - 1:30pm, 2:30pm

Dog Star Canine Sports

Don't miss Dog Star Canine Sports, a spectacular show of four talented pooches who go by the name of the Barnaby Bunch. The dogs, Kiefa, Kado, Kaecha and Kyly are all members of the Barnaby family and are top of their class when it comes to performance. They have each attained the status of Agility Trial Champion of Canada (ATCHC).

Catch the dogs and their talented trainers Wesley, Denise and Cory Barnaby at the Cloverdale Rodeo.

Saturday, May 21 - 12:00pm, 3:00pm, 6:30pm

Sunday, May 22 - 12:00pm, 3:30pm, 6:30pm

Monday, May 23 - 12:00pm, 3:30pm

Orchid Display

Calling all Orchid fans! This year's Cloverdale Rodeo and Country Fair is holding a stunning display of over 20 rare orchids, some of which are not usually seen at public

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displays. The show will include Yellow Lady Slippers (*Cypripedium calceolus*), South American Slippers (*Phragmipedium*), Kite Orchids (*Masdevallia*) and Pansy Orchids (*Miltonias*).

Orchids are the largest flowering plant family in the world, with around 35,000 species and over 100,000 hybrids. They come in all shapes and sizes, from the thimble sized to several metres in length, so you never quite know what you'll see!

Scales Reptile Zoo

Come and discover the fascinating world of reptiles at Scales Zoo.

Curators Ryan and Sheila Wunsch will bring along some of their scaly friends from all over the world, including pythons, boas, and albino snakes. Also watch out for the giant legless lizards, the crazy crocodiles and the turtles and tortoises.

You can even have your photograph taken with a snake or take home a fossilized shark tooth souvenir!

Scales Reptile Zoo is fun for the whole family and gives you the chance to get up close and personal with some of the world's most exciting reptiles.

BMX Bike Trials

Check out some of Canada's top bike trial riders performing stunts that will make your head spin - Pro Trials demo! You won't want to miss these amazing demos as riders maneuver their mountain bikes over incredible obstacles.

Friday, May 20 - 6:00pm

Saturday, May 21 - 11:30pm, 2:30pm, 8:00pm

Sunday, May 22 - 11:30pm, 2:30pm, 7:30pm

Monday, May 23 - 2:00pm

Blacksmith Demonstration

Also a must this year are the blacksmith demonstrations, where Kwantlen Ferrier graduates will show off their skills of this once popular trade.

For more information on the 59th Cloverdale Rodeo and Country Fair visit: www.cloverdalerodeo.com.

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