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Athlete Highlight

2022 Rodeo Person of The Year

Gord Puhallo

Kamloops, BC

Retired rancher, second generation cowboy.

Gord started going to High School rodeos in 1969, bought his IRA card in 1971, and his CPRA and PRCA in 1976. Gord is also a member of PWRA and NRA. He is one of the founding board of directors of the BCRA in 1988!

How did you get involved in rodeo: My father was a former competitor and also my two older brothers.

What are the rodeo events did you competed in: Bull Riding

What do you like about the rodeo lifestyle: I enjoy the people and the travel. Also feel that keeping this tradition alive is very important to us all.

What did you feel when winning the award: I felt very proud and also very humble. Being recognized by such a wonderful group of people for something I feel so strongly about was very humbling.

What is your favorite BCRA moment: One of my most favorite moments happened this year watching my granddaughter try hard all year and making a winning ride in the Jr Steer riding this year in Smithers.

Gord has been an integral part of not only forming the BCRA, but maintaining the BCRA. A few of his achievements: Founding the BCRA, orchestrating the Polaris sponsorship, multiple term President of the Board of Directors, Vice President of the Board of Directors and countless volunteer hours in both the Polaris booth and the arena at rodeos all over BC.

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