



**Weeklong Celebration Offers Fun And Education Activities For Horse Enthusiasts**



“Ernie Stock” is a weeklong celebration of family, friends and horses, according to Ernie Rodina (left), well-known regional Purina Animal Nutrition manager at Ottawa.

Appropriately titled after Rodina, a most energetic and congenial horse event coordinator, “Ernie Stock,” presented by area Purina dealers, is set from May 22 through May 27, at Lone Wolf Ranch & Arena, 22801 State Line Road, Cleveland, Missouri.

“It’s a perfect Memorial Day week and weekend event. Please come join us,” Rodina welcomed.

Advertised and promoted on The BIG 94.5 Country and 580 WIBW, the wide array of activities for everybody with horse interests is centered around the third annual AI Dunning Experience.

“This is an opportunity to ride with the ‘Legend,’ AI Dunning (right below), renowned reining and all-around horse trainer, riding instructor and horseman,” Rodina promised.

While riders are welcome to bring their horses, for a two-day clinic, those who want to learn while watching and listening, have been invited to audit the sessions.

Brent Wright, a million dollar rider in the National Reining Horse Association, and Brad Lund, world champion in the American Quarter Horse Association and a leading National Reining Cow Horse Association competitor, are to be assisting Dunning during the all of the presentations.

Curt Pate, acclaimed natural horse trainer, will be offering advice while showing trail riding and ranch roping techniques. Obstacle course challenges are to be discussed by Mark and Miranda Lyon, highly successful obstacle course riders and designers.

There will be an Open 4-D Barrel Race Friday evening with more than \$1,000 added money, plus championship buckles for top contestants. Tom Seay from “Best of America by Horseback” is to be there visiting, and the Kansas City Mounted Patrol will be in attendance with a public performance.

Highlight of the Saturday night barbecue is to be entertainment by Rusty Rierson and the Forever Young Band, along with cowboy poetry recited by Geff Dawson. Inspirational Cowboy Church Services on Sunday morning will be presented by Steve Stafford, Frank Slaughter and Cory Young.

R.W. Hampton is scheduled to entertain with cowboy and Western music Sunday throughout the day and evening. “American Cowboy Magazine” has selected “Ernie Stock” as one of the “Top 101 Western Events for 2013,” Rodina proudly noted.

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*“Life will change without our permission. It’s our attitude that will determine the ride.”*