



Beechy Western Days 2012

An 86 mark on *Real Deal* in the long go, combined with 78 on *Knockout* in the finals, gave Dakota Buttar a total of 164 and the bull riding win. Buttar struck this pose before as he also won the event in 2011. The buckle honours Brian Claypool, a former bull riding champion at our rodeo, who tragically lost his life in 1979. Originally presented by Brian's grandmother, Ida Kenyon, the award is now sponsored by his mother, Ellen Claypool-Marquis and brother, Arlee Claypool of Claypool's Boot and Jean. Congratulations Dakota, and thank you to our faithful donors.

Brian Claypool Memorial

Presenting the Brian Claypool Memorial Buckle are Dale Claypool (L), brother of sponsor Arlee Claypool (Claypool's Boot & Jean), and Ellen Claypool-Marquis. The smiling recipient of the prestigious award is Dakota Buttar (R).





RODEO COMMITTEE HONOURS ONE OF ITS OWN

Russ Sibbald, president of Beechy Western Days Rodeo Committee presents Norman Tuplin (R) with an Ash Cooper print in honour his dedication to the rodeo over its 45 years. The print, "Seeing Double" is a fitting reward as it features two little gals on a trusty mount...our imagination can picture them as Norman and Sandy's two daughters. Perhaps son, Trevor, also active on the committee, helped them saddle up. Congratulations Norman, and thanks for all your support!

Beechy Western Days Rodeo has survived for 45 years largely due to volunteers and sponsors. One committee man we want to honour has given generously in both capacities. Thank you NORMAN TUPLIN.

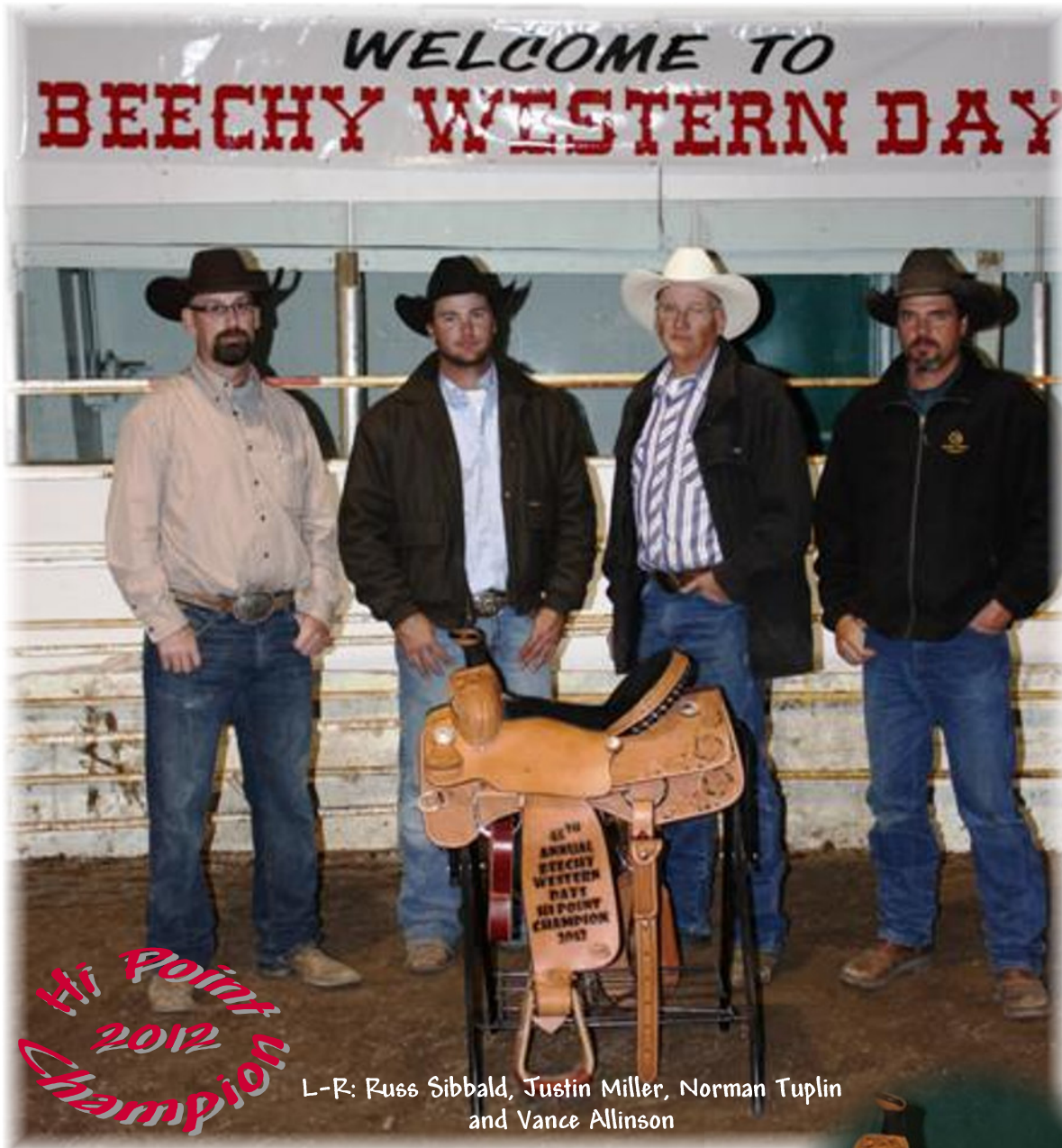
Norman's barns, paddocks and pasture have housed the bucking stock and rodeo horses. Team ropers have headed and heeled his steers. For many years, Norman and his Belgian team prepared the ground for each rodeo performance – a bit of nostalgia for those in the stands.

When the decision was made to construct pens behind the arena, Norman offered his earth-moving equipment and manpower to ready the area. The resulting pens boast his welding prowess.

Norman has also made a considerable monetary donation to Beechy Western Days. For 18 years he has been a major player in the saddle sponsorship, and for seven of those years was the sole sponsor.

Thank you, NORMAN TUPLIN, for your exceptional support of our community event, Beechy Western Days.

September 29, 2012



L-R: Russ Sibbald, Justin Miller, Norman Tuplin and Vance Allinson

The Hi-Point Saddle was presented to Bassano cowboy, Justin Miller. Money won for his long go 4th place in team roping and his sweep of the steer wrestling earned Miller more \$\$\$ than any other competitor on the weekend. Sponsors of the saddle:

Lazy RC Ranch (Russ & Cindy Sibbald),

Norman & Sandy Tuplin and

Coteau Hills Transport (Vance & Darcy Allinson).

Sponsors, volunteers, home cooking and a great rodeo keep the cowboys and cowgirls returning to Beechy Western Days, "the social event of the year",

The 45th edition is in the books.

