

# How to Have Fun Competing with Matt Sherwood

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Okay. So how to have fun and enjoy. Compete or the competition. And I think that goes back a little bit to practicing and just loving team roping because I, uh, I said earlier, if I never got to compete, I probably wouldn't wouldn't wrote, but I love team roping. And to me, it comes down to, uh, being able to do a good job in, in competition.

You know, I just love making a good run. I love throwing a good heel loop. I love. That whole aspect of it is, is a little bit of an art. And so to be able to go and do that, and then have a chance, you know, you work all week to get to go to the competition and you get to put up money and you get the adrenaline, the adrenaline going in and it pays, you know, it pays good and you're competing against all your peers.

And, um, I think that whole thing for me is what makes the competition enjoyable is putting yourself in a tough situation. And being able to rise up to the challenge and, and do good. Um, there there's to me, there's this no, no feeling it's, it's, I've never done drugs, thankfully, but it's, it's what they say is comparable to a drug.

You know, it's a little bit addicting to get in that situation and get the adrenaline going and get the excitement going. Over the competition, because as much as you try to put yourself in that situation, practicing is hard to get quite the same excitement level as backing in the box and all your peers are around and watching you, watching you go, and you've been working with your horse all week and everything kind of funnels down to.

Okay right now, you know, can I do it? Am I going to do it? And then you do it. And so you get by the first round and you're sitting good, and then there's less guys in, and then you got to do it again. And then pretty soon there's only 18 guys in, in the third round and in the fourth round. And you know, or to me, the, for us, I guess so many different types of ropings, but the BFI is kind of the, the ultimate.

Competitive challenge where it starts with a hundred guys. And then after round one are 70 and after round two, and pretty soon after round four, there's only 12 guys that are still, uh, you know, can you go the whole, the whole distance of making good run after good run after good run and the excitement of that.

I just love it. And I've never. Doing good at the BFI. And I cannot wait for this year. You know, BFI is three months away and I look forward to that, that challenge because for us, to me, that's the hardest roping. Cause you rope one steer and then you sit for a hundred teams and I mean, you almost have to warm up again.

You unmute your horse almost after every one and, and, and then you start one steer again. Can you last all day long? It's like a, it's like a marathon almost. But, but it's the excitement. Every single steer is coming back and you know, we stay in the rope and I've been out of the average several times. And then, okay, so now you have to change your mindset and it's okay.

Now I have to beat everyone else on this one, steer in the average pace, 70 or \$80,000 to go around and pay \$4,000. So it's so disappointing going out to the average, but it's the best I got right now is \$4,000 steer. So I got a rope aggressive and fast instead of just. Back off and go make my jackpot run.

But the excitement of all of that, I just, I just love the whole competition. Part of that. I love watching my competitors. If I'm out of the average, am I I'm out of the roping. I love watching the short go. I love seeing can this guy do it? Are they going to do it and cheering them on and hoping. There's the whole aspect of competition.

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