

## The Score | Riding the Wave | Marty Yates

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I may not shoot. I'd have to write a novel to tell you all, all the stuff you need to know. But the biggest thing is to get with somebody that, that you like, you enjoy being around and they enjoy being around you and just put your finger in there and their belt loop and drag along and ask questions and learn everything you can, because you can never know too much about this.

Even the greatest guys in the world, they have trouble and they have brain farts and don't do things right. But I mean, they made mistakes and try to learn from them. And that's kind of the biggest thing. And in what we do, you got to take just as much out of doing bad as you do. Doing good. Yeah.

This is Chelsea Shaffer, and this is season four of the score. You all have listened to this podcast, three quarters of a million times, and we are here in season four to bring you even more of what you love.

Hey guys, it's Kaitlin Gustave and I am here with another episode. This time we have the one and only a seven time Wrangler NFR, calf roping, qualifier, Marty Yates. Marty's currently riding the team roping wave. He started out as a fill-in for young gun Jackson, Tucker, and now he's picking up a heel rope for what could be the remainder of the 2021 pro rodeo season.

In this episode, you'll get to hear about how Marty was raised, his love for team roping and Katherine. The horses he's currently riding and the horse has that have helped shaped his career. We even talk about is pretty cool aunt, who is a 18 time WPR, a world champion, JJ Hampton, who recently won the Reno rodeo and the breakaway roping.

And we talk about all that she's done for him. And just so everyone knows, uh, before we get into this episode, I know we recorded this episode just about an hour or two before Marty roped in Estes park, Colorado. Um, The world saw his horse slipped and fell. Right. He was making the corner. Um, I just want everyone to know that Marty and the horse are okay.

Um, I believe chase Wiley and his head worse. I believe they're okay as well. Um, it was kind of sketchy in that ground as does park, but they all made through and, uh, Marty bounced back and made a pretty good run in the calf roping to finish his trip in Estes park. Anyway, I'll quit chat net. You thank you, Marty, for being on this episode with me and I hope everyone enjoys it.

This episode is brought to you by Farnham stick with us because we have a special commercial, the middle of the step sewed. Hey guys, I am sitting here. We're currently in Jackson. Tucker's living quarters. It's a mess. Jackson, you need to clean it, but I'm sitting here with Marty eights, seven time NFR qualifier in the calf roping, and you're picking up the team roping these days.

How's it going? Oh, it's going good. It's going good. Yeah. I didn't think I would be, uh, entering rodeos. Uh, whenever I started, started headed out for summer, but I guess here we are. And then the team roping. Yeah. And you, I mean, you pretty much helped Jackson out. His partner went home. Um, so you were picking up the, picking up the heat there.

Uh, what are your thoughts on, on team rope and do you love it or yeah, no. Yeah, I do. I do. And I've always said if I ever did really good and, uh, want to go Buffalo or anything like that, I would do it. It's just, the horses are so hard to find just like half horses and they cost just as much. And that's probably one of the biggest reasons why I haven't ever done it.

Just the fact that if you're not riding the best horse, well, he might as well not be doing it. So, and that's kind of goes to show every time I fill in or something's coming up and I'm riding Polly's his horse or something. So it's not like when I feel, and I'm just stepping on somebody's practice horse.

So I don't know. I do love team roping though. It's it's uh, it's, it's fun. That's what I grew up doing. And, uh, calf over Kevin I'm just kind of took over. So. So you've teamed up your whole life. Yes ma'am. Yeah, I probably, he had, I probably teamed up for more than just because, I mean, JJ wrote breakaway at the amateurs with growing up and we all practice in the same arena and my uncle row.

I mean, we that's 18 out too and rodeo stuff, so we didn't really have, like, we had a team roping arena. It was huge and it wasn't no fun at all calves. And so that's just what we did. We teamed up, we got him. Uh, you wrote till it got dark turn lights on and wrote some more until you didn't have no horses.

So I really did tear up a lot growing up. And then, I don't know, uh, I always wrote calves at the junior rodeos and stuff, and that kind of just took over. I had a passion for it and fell in love with it. And for one of my like 13th or 14th birthday, they built, uh, a cafe LA format. So then that's yeah, that's where it took off.

They got a lot easier to practice. And you wanted to get out there instead of chasing them all over the arena. Yeah, no kidding. she don't a kids that was just a little bitty third trimester. You're out there and rustling down. Oh my God. I don't know. It probably is. Yeah, it made me, I mean, it was, it was good, but I don't, I don't know.

I I've always, I've always wanted to know if I've always had the thought about doing it and I don't know. Not saying, I mean, who knows what will happen with me and Jackson ropes or whatnot, but I mean, I think it's cool to get, to help him. It was just going to be a couple of rodeos and then it worked out and we're like, well, screw it.

Let's just ride the wave, I guess. No, that's when we fund. And did you, what did you do more of head or heal? True, man. I always liked healing more, but I always, I always wrote the horns better that's so I always ended up and I had a good head horse too. So. Mainly headed, but then the healing was healing is obviously more fun.

I like eating a lot more, but, and, and also feeling filling in and doing what I'm doing. It's a lot easier to have a good hill. There's a lot more good kill horses then just like I, ain't going to

walk up there and ask rally monitor to get on Bob. You know, I mean, there's not as many great head horses.

There are good heel horses you can get by on. Definitely. And do you find like, is it easier for you with your swing? I know like sometimes people get their swings mixed up, you know, it's, it's tough. Yeah, it is. It is. But the way I look at it, if you, if you can handle your open over your tips, that you can catch whatever you want to.

I don't know. I try to, I don't get in the middle of everything and breaking it down, but that's the way I feel. If, if you, if you can handle your rope and over your tips that you can do whatever you want. The first time we ever really saw you get crack out in the team roping. Was it with Jackie when you guys went to California?

Yeah, we went to, we wrote to Salinas and then we roped at Cheyenne too. And that was kind of funny because I haven't wrote to sh I haven't seen her up to Cheyenne since then. Jackson was like, man, it's gonna be fun team rope over there. And I'm like, yeah, it is. I said, I got the rope over there one time.

And he's like, oh, Nope, no. He's like with who? I said a girl. And he's like what I said. Yeah, me and Jackie had her a long time. I wrote the leg on the second one, the banks should have a chance. I would say you guys were doing pretty good. I remember how I was keeping up with that. The first one that good.

And then I looked to let him the second one, but the COTA took his man. I had to get on something else. So that's how it goes when the children then I guess, so what was, I mean, it was so cool for Jack. Like you can have Jackie go out there. Huh? That's what she just, I don't know where one day she'll she'll send me random texts.

Jackie will. And then I don't know where she said, do you want to take email? And, uh, and Cheyenne I'm like with who I was like, what, like whatever. So she called me after that and we talked and I'm not sure, like I'm going to be there. I might as well do it. And I'd always wanted the team rope. It is slanderous and Cheyenne too.

So it was a cool screen. Yeah. I remember that because I remember before you guys left to go out there, Jackie came over. I was living at layer D's house where during that time, and Jackie had came over and was testing out head horses. She took Raven. Tired, neither. She brought a bad sucker, but it was, and that made it even more fun because we just, she could just catch up to him right there.

It was, yeah. There wasn't any crazy headshots or anything going on. Just go knock them down. Yeah. Oh, that's awesome. Gotcha. And what have you been healing on at all the rodeos? Um, I wrote Paul's, I think he calls her bourbon. I wrote her at which I got to ride her at Garmin this year too. And then I wrote her.

And then I wrote a little bay horse that comes from Colby level that Paul rods now it's called Woody. So it's not like I have been riding Dean's throaty. Now you've been on some of your lines. Yeah. And that's the, that's the deal kind of moving forward is now I'm not just, I'm not just filling in and stuff and, and just going over a couple of them.

So now I'm probably gonna find me a horse or something to haul down with me. That's going to be a little, little different, but it'll be fun. So how has the entering gonna go, you know, with you being in the cap roping and the team room. Uh, well, we got our first little taste of it. Uh, we entered Dodge city and we got split up already at the very first one.

So, um, uh, probably just find a trade and hopefully, uh, make it all work. I'm sure it'll be a pain in the butt, but I, you kind of throw into effect too. I'm I'm actually riding, uh, my girlfriend's horse and she dies in the breakaway too. So kind of got an inner around her and we don't get to buddy. So it's, it's going to be a nightmare here for a minute, but it'll be worth it.

It'll be fun. Geez. I can only imagine. Um, and. What in your string right now that you are riding at the road? Yes.

Horses. What are you going to ride? Moving forward? Calf horses like tonight, right here at SS park. There's a couple of guys. I haven't even asked you to one of them, but hunter cooks up tonight and, uh, uh, the Torres brothers are up. So I thought I'd ask, uh, I'd ask Jonathan maybe to write his and he's always let me ride something.

And it's like, like, just like Paul's, they're all good horses. So. And I'm, I've been buzzed with all those guys in there. And they're fortunate enough to let me on, I used to get to ride a horse of a Russ report that was just in the cash, open a lot, a raindrop. And she was awesome. Helped me win a lot of money.

So, I mean, I would have turned in favor, fan them guys went into the cab and I mean, they're more than welcome to get on. I just, I don't see some of them guys in the cab frozen. I can't imagine. I'd like to see Paul show up and get on more of my heart. Oh, yeah, that'd be fun. Right. And what about in the cafe?

What's in your street? You know, I bought it, it's kinda been slim, uh, after the finals, this winter was good. I got to ride Buster everywhere and it was, it was all looking fine. And then he got hurt again. So I bought a green mayor, uh, right during the NFR this year. And that's what I kinda been open on this spring and stuff and got out here and I, she didn't, she didn't necessarily do anything wrong.

She just showed a few green things that, I mean, it just, wasn't loving and it's time to be winded. Uh, I've been jumping around, like I'd wrote Smith's wars pockets hit at Reno, and I'm going to ride like RJ horse tonight. And I mean, it's just kind of like DePaul deal. We're buds out. They know they can ever get on something of mine, anytime and, uh, pockets or pockets Caleb's road, mine, Buster a lot.

So it's just buddies helping buddies out, you know? So the foot will be the shoe gun, different foot ones, days. Yeah, definitely. I want to talk about to you. What's that horse you and your aunt JJ. Yeah. What's that horse that you were riding that doesn't JJ habit. Well, she did, that was a horse that, uh, actually come from Ryan Jarrett, my traveling partner.

Um, I bought him and just kind of going to take him along and he got pretty good, but he just was funny on the end of it. Uh, and the calf open and then JJ, she, she needed something

kind of she's up. She was going through kind of a little force problem and she jumped on him and it went amazing. So she freaking took the world by storm.

She wanted everything on that. He was older whenever I sold him. I think he was, I don't remember he's 21 maybe now. So he was damn sure. I still had some age on him then. And she got some good years out of him, but he was dang. Sure. Good for her for quite a few years. Yeah. I mean, JJ is a winner. Yeah. She might just make a horse.

Good. She just needs them to leave off her hand, be sentenced as long as they give her, get her kind of close she's all right. And how, you know, having JJ in your corner she's I love just talking to JJ, hanging out with her and. It's fun. I love watching her at the NFR. When they scan over to her on screen, she's always hooping and hollering.

Um, you know, what's it like having JJ she's nuts. It's awesome. Having, having her, I wouldn't want any, I mean she's and, and put it go a different way with it. She's an ultimate competitor too. And she's feels that way. Like she, when she sit in the stands, it looks like to me, she's loving and she's wishing she was down there, but man, it's been awesome to have somebody like.

Behind me and pushing me my whole life. I mean, not just my career. I mean, she was there from the day I was born. And, um, she's just a winner in life, really? Not just in rodeo. I mean, she, she has a wonderful family casing and Ricky and they shoot, they casing. He's kind of getting into it now and it's, it's been cool for JJ to help him.

And now it's kind of hard for her because well, now is the ultimate deal for the record helpers. They get to go rodeo and she feels like she needs to be home with him, but I think they're making it work and. I don't know, she's, she's helped me more than I can sit here and talk about, you know, she's helped me with lots of things, but, um, she's incredible.

And I appreciate her to be my aunt, you know? Yeah. Is it cool having her, like, you know, getting to go down the road now? Yeah, because she calls me and she's going to all the same places and she asks me about what are the kids? What's the start? Yada, yada, yada, when she's pretty intense. I don't know. I'm, I'm sure he's talked to her a lot, which she, she doesn't, uh, she.

Throw some, uh, strange language. I was a little bit, most of the time, but, uh, she she's intense and if you're down and out, I haven't been winning a whole lot and it's been kind of rough and she's, she's been positive the whole way. Was she? I mean, she's had great success out here and just like, we all figured she would, but it's been nice to have her in my car.

Definitely, definitely. And I want to step back, you know, um, you've talked about JJ has been there all your life. Um, let's kind of talk about where you came from. Um, just your background story. Who's Marty eights. Um, shoot, just, uh, one of the first, uh, rodeo guys in Stevenville. I guess you could say everybody lives there now, but they all asked if I just came from, uh, if I should go to school and stayed in there, like, no, I was born and raised there and it's, it's a completely different town, but no, I was born, born and raised right there in Stevenville and, uh, had a great family behind me.

Um, kind of started off a little, a little bit different than most, most kids, probably my dad. Died in a car wreck before I was born. And that kind of set us up maybe to not have the best start, you know, for me and my mom. And then of course my grandma and grandpa and everybody, they stepped in and my dad's side of the family, they they've been awesome.

You know, so I never, I never went without, you know, I had everything I needed and I don't know. I feel like I don't know my dad's with me all the time and, uh, just blessed to get, to do what I do. Things happen for a reason. Um, I was blessed with a talent, so I just, I, I, I, that's, what I tried to keep in my mind is just, God gave me this talent.

I'm going to use it until, uh, until that another door opened. Yeah. And, um, so your dad died before you were even born. Do you, I mean, obviously you've heard all the stories about him. Um, he rodeoed kinda what, what, something that people always tell or used to tell you about him or. Probably he was such a people person, which is kind of strange because I'm not as outgoing as I asked that he was, but I mean, everybody loved him.

He was, he was the center of attention. I don't know. It goes on and on. It just seems like he was the ultimate guy. And I don't know that I'll ever be the guy that they talked that he was, but I, I just hope that, um, maybe I have enough in me that I'll I'll be a good person, just like he wasn't people thinking of me, but I don't know.

I've never heard one person said bad, a bad thing about it. Him him not having any fun or enjoying life. So I'm just thankful, I guess, get to be a son. Yeah, no, that's awesome. That's terrible that you never got to meet him. I mean, it's cool. It's laughing and life goes on and like you say, you just got to believe in and keep moving forward and no, everything happens for a reason.

Yeah, definitely. Um, and okay, let's talk about what was it like qualifying for your first NFR? And it was dream come true. Of course. Every little kid grows up. Hoping and praying and wanting to be there so bad. And then, I mean, then it just comes into reality. I went out my first year and didn't have hardly any luck.

I, my horse was terrible. I had a lot to learn. I, I grown up my whole life. Yeah. I'm making the NFR the first year I go. And, uh, I got slapped in the face the first year and then, uh, go out there the next year. And the winter was great. I got to rodeo with handshake. And cliff Cooper. And it was just like, man, I belong out here, you know?

And then I went to winter and had a great force. And then of course, every season has a little Rocky point in it and, uh, that it didn't slow us down much and then show up to the finals and it's like, holy cow, it's it's this is what it is. And it, it was everything I ever dreamed of too. It wasn't like it was a letdown.

It was unbelievable. Um, Me saying that I wish a little kids would realize, Hey, it really does mean something like it's, it's awesome. It is the pinnacle of it. So I don't know. It's like I say, as the dream come true, definitely. And what was that learning curve after your friend first NFR? Not doing as great as you'd hoped.

And now you're seven years. I don't know the learning curve, I guess it keeps happening. You don't talk to many people besides Dustin Skis and maybe they go through, I mean, everybody goes through Lowe's and has, has tough times. And if you just learned to ride it out, I mean, you got to look back on your past to realize that you do belong and you aren't good enough and, and just keep believing in yourself and going on because, um, it's not always going to be great.

It's really not. And that's what I mean. That's what kids in the rodeo have to realize too is, um, it's not always, it's not always. And, you know, getting to that point, I was like, I liked hearing if there's any like cool, like horror stories that like, is there like a cool horse that kind of brought you into it?

Yeah, of course chicken. I mean, if you got to throw him in there, because he was the first one that I had that great winter on and had the great fourth on, and then I got to ride him at my first two minute FARS and he probably wasn't the best horse I ever rode. As far as all the things that he did. I swear.

I go places still to this day. I mean, it's plus five years, six years later, people still know him. Like, it's like, where's the, where's the chicken at? And I'm like, man, how did people know? Remember that horse? But he was, I guess he was an eye catcher, you know? And, uh, he is the one that got my career boosted off.

And then of course Buster is the one I wrote it to last five in FRS. And man, he, he was probably the, he came along at a great time. Cause chicken had just went down and I was doing the same thing right now. Done from horse, the horse. And then Buster came along and he was just like, took off like wildfire, great summer that year.

And then, um, I got to ride him like three more summers and then the last couple of hadn't got to ride him much, but at, just at the finals and man he's worth it just to keep him just arriving at the best places. Cause he is, he is the best horse I've maybe yeah. Ever road, not, not only just, um, you know, in Hammond pockets there definitely.

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in, uh, you talked about, um, you know, jumping from Porsche divorce. Do you fight your head getting on a different horse or do you just get on him? Like it's your own? Nah, there's

definitely, there's definitely obstacles. You know, when you, cause you, you get on a different horse, they might be an awesome one.

They might not, they might do something completely different than when you're used to, or the last horse you rode. So you gotta just get on thinking, go do your job and trust the horse. And, and sometimes it helps me doing that because if he does something different or then, then you think, and it gets you, it gets your mind messed up.

So I don't know, you got to just stay open with it and keep, keep going forward, stay positive because if, if you start thinking about the horse too much, then you're life. Uh, I dunno, you start second guessing your roping. So it gets, it gets weird, but, um, it keeps my mind just, I don't know. It's good for me.

Yeah. And is there anything, like, what is the lowest low you've had? I guess? Well, I like lowest low. That's a good one, but I've been pretty fortunate. I I've had tough times through the summers and tough times to the finals. I've really been pretty fortunate. I've got to make the finals every year since I've made it the first time and I've had great NFR.

And, um, probably the lowest of the low would be about two years ago. It was, I was doing the exact same thing. Buster got crippled and I was just jumping around horse the horse. Wasn't winning much. I don't know that. I guess you could say that probably is the lowest for me is those two summers. Um, but other than that, I've been very fortunate.

I can't, um, I've been pretty blessed with good years. Hopefully he lost some work though. Yeah, definitely. And what I guess, can we talk about Lewis loves what's the highest high, like what's, what's one of your most memorable runs or memorable moments has high? Probably. I mean, I guess you'd have to say this year at the NFR, just because I came so close to the go buck on, um, shad was way out there in front of us, but I don't think any of us in the care for him and realized that we had a chance to catch him until all of a sudden, Hey, we want some money.

You know, and he, he didn't have much luck and I don't know that it might've been one of the highest highs, but then it might've crashed me just because it came so close and then it was like 300 and whatever dollars. And it's just like the wind out of you. But yeah, I don't know. I try not to that's. One of the things that I think about is try not to get too low and try not to get too high when you're winning and just try to stay in the middle because anything can happen.

I mean, it's going to change tomorrow. I mean, you might be on a roller coaster winning everything, and guess what. It might not stop, but it's going to slow down for sure. So I try to just stay in the middle and, and appreciate everything gets thrown my way. Yeah, definitely. And I know right now you're sitting in the top 15 in the calf roping, um, compared to previous years, is this a good standings for you?

Um, I mean, um, obviously I don't think anybody's ever pleased unless you're first, but, um, for the way. I feel like I'm in a good spot to make the finals again. Um, I need to start putting some checks together and stuff, but now I've got to ride Lonnie's horse a little bit, and me



and him kind of clicking along and I'm gonna, I'm not gonna ride him a lot, but I'm going to ride him at the big ones.

Probably just the ones that you put all the money together. And we'll just see. I mean, I, I feel confident in where I'm at and, uh, yeah, obviously I you'd always like to have more money, but it's just the way the year's going. And I guess, you know, going into the rest of the season, what, what are the plans, you know, are you in Jackson gonna is more so circuit or no, I mean, we're, we're going to go to the like, cause my dad, I told him, I said, man, obviously care for him.

I mean, we're going to, yeah. If something happens on Fairfield one, but we're going to enter it. I mean, everyone, we can get into the big ones. I mean, because that's where I'm going to be cared for open and um, If we're going to win the check and muscle will be a big one. I just didn't when it Cody then when it, I dunno, Estes park or something, I, you know, I'd rather, I'd rather have a chance.

It's a big one. And that's where I wrote better at too. I think. I mean, uh, all these rodeos are one Heather's now and that's, I mean, that's a lot more my style. I'm going to go around and open the average rope anyways. So I don't know. We're, we're definitely gonna enter some, uh, Dodge and Lovington probably that next week.

And then, uh, if, if he wants to keep going, I don't care. I mean, I'm there. I might as well be in there. I dunno, we're just going to kind of rough, like I said, by the, and, uh, see where it takes us. Yeah, that'd be cool. Yeah, that'd be real cool. But we'll see. And so do you, like, do you ever talk to any of the healers, like get any tips or anything?

Ah, man, Paul break it down a little bit, but, but not a whole lot. I mean, we just talk about roping, but like, uh, I guess last week I'm messed. The last one, we ran it over there, killed deer and we kind of talked about it a little bit. Um, I don't know. I it's cool just to have, just to be around those guys.

And I'm more of a, like, I can watch those guys and pick up more than they can if they sit there and tell me that was like, like that as a tier that I could get, I could get more out of watching Cody I'll have a practice session, then I could him tell me how to do it. And that worked out better for me.

Gotcha. Well, who favorite team? Rubber who's. Who are your favorite team represent? Do you have any to watch? Yeah, I mean, yeah. I like to go up there and watch roping at the finals and stuff, but like the stuff Dustin's been doing, like is unheard of it's, it's crazy. Like, he's just kind of going to a different plan in a little bit, but I mean, there's, I I've I've we always talked about it.

I mean, going down the road there's, I mean, you love watching drinkers. You love watching. So I really can't single one out besides life and to watch destiny right now. I mean, he's just, he's on a heater and T Jesus. You know now, I mean, yeah, he's doing a good job. Um, and then of course my favorite, my favorite healer, I liked me and Paula buds.

He's I don't know him. And then watching JG or it's it's like clockwork every time. So, and then there's, it's just like Wesley door, if there, I mean, the grades just like anybody, exactly the same people that everybody likes to watch. That's what I liked. That's awesome. Um, and what about calf rovers? Who do you, who do you kind of go to for help?

Who. Handshake he's our director this year and he kind of knows more of the insides and the ins and outs of the rodeos and what cash we're going to be roping here. So he's kind of a guy you'd go to, to, to get the inside info. And then me and RJ, Ron, Jared, we rodeo together. And, uh, we just get along real good.

We don't, but he's the type of guy he don't get too high or too low and it's going back. We got a lot more in common than just rodeo. You know, we get to drive along and talk about Katelyn, this and that and whatever. And so it's, it's cool to have a guy like that in your corner to, uh, to go with you. But I mean, Kevin Smith, I mean, I could sit and watch him rope calves all day long.

I mean, I am at the end of the day, I mean, I am a student of the game. I like to watch him pick up stuff. And if coach Smith does everything exactly how you would want to do it. So he's probably, I mean the next day he's right. If he wanted to do it in my eyes, if he wanted to do it every day, all day and wanted to be up with it, he could be Cody all in my eyes, but he likes to do other things and he's got to go Buffalo still.

So that says a lot for him. Definitely. Cause like, well going down the road, what a maintenance-wise what does it take to keep your horses going and keep you going the rig? Yeah. Uh, well, I'm, I'm blessed with great sponsors. I mean, uh, Marty Tanner, he's been with me. Uh, chicken first got hurt and now he's done a great job keeping Buster together.

Um, I don't know if anybody else in the world could have done it. Not so much. I believe in him. And then, uh, as far as far as the maintenance goes, I mean, he does he, whatever he tells me, that's what goes. So, and then, uh, as far as like my rigs and stuff, outlaw conversions, I mean, they're, they're awesome.

They do whatever it takes to get me back going and bloom, or they, they do everything they can to keep me on the road. Um, but as far as me. I dunno, I kinda try to stay low maintenance. I don't do a whole lot. I'll go get some massages and go to the chiropractor and stuff, but I'm not too beat up yet. I don't guess so.

I'm sure sharing a couple of years, or it might be different, but maybe, maybe by then I'll just be a healer. Not too much maintenance. What about, do you like, do you need workouts on the wrist? Like, not even when I'm home, I blow and go, non-stop taking care of cattle and going roping and this and that and rodeo.

I don't, I don't stop long enough to really do no working out or anything like that. And just like, I mean, one of these days, I'm sure I'll have to know when I get older and my body starts to kind of wearing out a little bit, but as of now, shoot, everything's everything. Yeah, definitely for, you know, rookie is humming up and people that want to ProRodeo.

Um, what advice can you give to them? I mean, it's, it's tough out here, so it is tough. I hear. I may not shoot. I'd have to write a novel to tell you all, all the stuff you need to know. But the biggest thing is to get with somebody that, that you like, you enjoy being around and they enjoy being around you and just put your finger in there and their belt loop and, and drag along and, and ask questions and learn everything you can, because you can never know too much about this.

Even the greatest guys in the world, they have trouble and they have brain farts and don't do things right. But I mean, they made mistakes and try to learn from them. And that's kind of the biggest thing. And in what we do, you got to take just as much out of doing bad as you do doing good, you know, because I in rodeo and you don't get to go to the house and run 10 practice kids, 10 track steers, you know what I mean?

You might have friends along the way, but it's a lot different than just going to a weekend warrior and then going to some amateurs and going to the house for practicing all week. Yeah. So I don't know. I just say, give us somebody good that you trust and you live and get along with and, and ride it out and learn everything you can as well.

That's fine. And what's a day off for Marty eights on the rodeo. Oh, just sit back. Chill. We don't, uh, like we went and walked around town and jacked around. I mean, nothing too spectacular. We tried to go eat something good. Yeah. Something like that. Cause most times. Gas station and stuff, especially last week.

It was, that was crazy. But I mean, I don't know. Yeah. We just like to go find something to overdo and looked at some look at the size. I mean, it was, it was cool enough just driving up the mountain here. I'd never been there before. It's kind of cool. Yeah. Cool. So what's your favorite location of rodeo? Um, it's hard to beat.

Like it's hard to beat the Northwest. I mean, you get up there and it's, it's cool. Hotter than trap in Texas. You don't want to be home by yourself. Um, it, it's fun to be up there and get to hang out with people. And it's, there's a lot more downtime, but I mean, we get to go stay at people's houses and rope with them.

And, um, I don't know, you kind of develop a Northwest family while you're up there. Uh, no, it's okay. We have, I mean, obviously all of us are close, close friends. It's like a big traveling circus. You know, everybody knows each other when I'll go in the same places. We have, uh, some of this or that we got to do it with friends or Yellowstone friends.

Oh yes. High five. I mean, I love both sides. I've seen them all talk to her steaks, steaks steaks. So for you and Jackson are two for two, I'm a fan pirates are ninjas pirates, I guess. I don't know. I don't know much about either one. Oh, flying or driving. Oh man, this year I'm going to have to say driving cars, but not very, but normally I would say I wouldn't, normally I say climb.

Um, yeah, they've been canceling flights. It's been, it's been terrible. I had a terrible experience. So the day I flew from, uh, Reno and I was trying to get the package to the next, the next day, flew all day. Finally get barely mad. My first ones, delayed, laid, barely makes the connection. Get on the plane. We sat there for two hours and they ain't got no pilots.

So they canceled. They canceled the flight at midnight and I'm, I gotta be at, take us to 8:00 AM. Now my arm, we're going to run the car, no cars from that. So thankfully Ricky and Jason and judges, a little boy, they were at a junior rodeo, about 30 minutes from the airport. I jumped in with them. They were going to love it, got to ride this Sweetwater.

And then rich was rodeo that rodeos with us was already in Pega. So he come and got me through. And we got there at like seven o'clock just in time, our, for, oh my God. Yeah, that's terrible. Exactly. So that's why I'm just kind of driving to drive in the mail. Okay. Are you the driver or passenger? Um, the passenger, RJ, RJ drives everywhere.

I mean, I don't mind driving, but he was just served me in the driver's seat and I'm not going to stop him. And since I've been going with Jackson, he likes to drive too, so I can kind of help. Yeah. Yeah. Well salted Marty. It's a salty.

Okay. I think that's all I had for you. We're not going to play that too much longer. Thanks for playing my game. Well, Marty, I'm not going to hold you too much longer. Uh, thank you for stopping and talking with me and playing a little bit of this or that. I appreciate it. You bet. Thanks for having me.

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