

# 2022 PBR Australia Monster Energy Tour PBR K- Ranch Invitational K-Ranch Camden, New South Wales Saturday, October 1 at 7:00 p.m. AEDT

**K-RANCH GETS RANK** – This weekend PBR Australia will travel to Camden, New South Wales, and K-Ranch for the first time in history. As the 22<sup>nd</sup> event of the 2022 season, the PBR Monster Energy Tour K-Ranch Invitational will buck into K-Ranch on Saturday, October 1 at 7:00 p.m. AEDT.

**THIS WEEKEND'S FORMAT** – The PBR Australia Monster Energy Tour's K-Ranch Invitational at K-Ranch will feature two rounds of bull riding. All competing bull riders will attempt one bull each in both Round 1 and Round 2. The event champion will be determined by the rider with the highest total score from their two draws.

**KLEIER RIDES UNRIVALLED** – Through the last five PBR Australia events, including the most recent Monster Energy Tour event in Maryborough, and rider has won each – Aaron Kleier. And Kleier earned his most recent victory in commanding fashion. Going a perfect 2-for-2, including delivering a monstrous 90-point ride on the previously unridden Roid Rage, Kleier won his sixth consecutive event title, furthering his stronghold on the No. 1 rank in the race to be crowned the 2022 PBR Australia Championship. Kleier began his march to victory in Round 1 when he conquered Blonde Bomber for 85.5 points. In the second round, the stoic Queensland rider then readied to face the powerful Roid Rage who entered the showdown unridden in 19 outs in PBR competition. Kleier, however, cracked the animal athlete's code, matching Roid Rage jump-for-jump and becoming the first rider to reach the requisite 8. As the capacity crowd erupted in cheer, Kleier was awarded an event-best 90 points. The 90-point score is Kleier's PBR-best second of the season. Marking his sixth consecutive event win, Kleier's latest golden finish earned him a crucial 77 national points. Furthering his stronghold on the No. 1 rank in the national standings, Kleier now leads No. 2 Cody Heffernan by an increased 256.5 points. After tying David Kennedy for most Australian national titles won by one rider in history in 2021, each now with four, should Kleier win his unprecedented fifth consecutive national title at season's end, he would become the winningest bull rider in PBR Australia competition. This weekend at K-Ranch, Kleier will attempt Shotgun Willy in Round 1, followed by a rubber match with Mr. Buckmore in Round 2.

**HEFFERNAN REMAINS IN THE HUNT** – While Cody Heffernan may have lost ground to No. 1 Aaron Kleier at the most recent event in Maryborough, he remained in the hunt for the 2022 PBR Australia Championship compliments of a runner-up finish. The 2016 PBR Australia Champion was unrivaled in the opening round of action, covering Volatile for 87 points. Heffernan, however, was unable to conclude the event with a score, bucked off by POA Reload in 4.77 seconds. The runner-up effort earned Heffernan a much-needed 55 national points. Remaining No. 2 in the nation, Heffernan is 256.5 points behind No. 1 Aaron Kleier as the Monster Energy Tour's K-Ranch Invitational begins. Heffernan will face Instigator as the first rider out in Round 1, followed by Kit Carson as the last man out in Round 2.

**FAMILIAR WATERS** – After no familiar showdowns in the opening round of the PBR K-Ranch Invitational, one rider will attempt a past opponent in Round 2. Four-time and reigning PBR Australia Champion Aaron Kleier will be locked in a rubber match with Mr. Buckmore. After Kleier covered the bull for 87 points during their first meeting in 2018 during the Touring Pro Division stop in Blackall, Queensland, the bovine athlete got the better of the stoic Queensland rider in their most recent meeting in 2019 during the developmental event in Sydney, New South Wales, sending Kleier to the ground in a hard-fought 7.37 seconds.

**BULL PEN** – During the opening round of the PBR K-Ranch Invitational, eight bovine athletes hailing from Throsby & Russell Bucking Bulls, Maynes Bucking Bulls and Diamond S Bucking Bulls will make their PBR debut. Those animal athletes are: Hard 2 Love (vs. Lachlan Richardson), Rambling Roo (vs. Kelsey Pavlou), Neon Dream (vs. Jake Cutt), Great White Hunter (vs. Oscar Leake), Navajo (vs. Qynn Andersen), Scar (vs. Clint Glass), Chili (vs. Phillip Braga) and Village Idiot (vs. Jono Couling).

Several animal athletes will also begin the event having never been ridden. Those bulls are:

- Round 1: Smokeshow (1-0) vs. Toby Leake; Yella Belly (2-0) vs. Will Purcell; and Life Plus 20 (4-0) vs. Thomas Hudson.
- Round 2: Kick Start My Heart (5-0) vs. Kelsey Pavlou; Born For This (4-0) vs. Phillipi Braga; Say When (3-0) vs. Braith Nock; Mayne Man (3-0) vs. Tyson Smith; Canadian Club (2-0) vs. Jono Couling; Everest (4-0) vs. Lachlan Richardson; Bex (3-0) vs. Oscar Leake; Rolling Thunder (6-0) vs. Qynn Andersen; and Feldt Jacket (4-0) vs. Will Purcell.

**PROVIDING PROTECTION** – This weekend's protection athletes are Nick Allen, Eric Richardson and Nick Wilson.

**NEXT UP** – The 2022 PBR Australia season will continue Saturday, October 8 for the Touring Pro Division's PBR Kilkivan in Kilkivan, Queensland. Action at Kilkivan Showgrounds and Equestrian Centre will get underway at 7:00 p.m. AEDT.

# CAMDEN COMPETITORS BY COUNTRY

Australia (16) – Qynn Andersen, Chris Borghero, Taran Chirgwin, Jono Couling, Jake Curr, Clint Glass, Cody Heffernan, Thomas Hudson, Aaron Kleier, Oscar leake, Toby Leake, Braith Nock, Kelsey Pavlou, Will Purcell, Lachlan Richardson, Tyson Smith.

Brazil (2) – Italo Aguilar, Phillipi Braga

### **BREAKDOWN BY STATE –**

New South Wales – Chris Borghero, Jono Couling, Clint Glass, Cody Heffernan, Thomas Hudson, Oscar Leake, Toby Leake, Braith Nock, Lachlan Richardson, Tyson Smith; Queensland – Qynn Andersen, Taran Chirgwin, Jake Curr, Aaron Kleier; Victoria – Kelsey Pavlou, Will Purcell.

TOP 10 AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL STANDINGS – Here are the Top 10 in the 2022 Australian national standings:

	Rider	Points	<b>Dollars Won</b>	<b>Behind Leader</b>
1.	Aaron Kleier	765	\$75,690.32	
2.	Cody Heffernan	508.5	\$34,184.16	-256.5
3.	Qynn Andersen	461	\$68,929.55	-304
4.	Lachlan Richardson	410	\$35,245.63	-355
5.	Brady Fielder	350.5	\$19,594.32	-414.5
6.	Kelsey Pavlou	281.5	\$16,726.77	-483.5
7.	Jake Curr	268.83	\$18,749.72	-496.17
8.	Kurt Shephard	162	\$12,022.76	-603
9.	Braith Nock	155.5	\$12,508.36	-609.5
10.	Michael Smith	129.83	\$10,833.24	-635.17

2022 PBR AUSTRALIA EVENT WINS - Here are the total individual wins for PBR Australia events in 2022:

- 9 Aaron Kleier (\*Toowoomba, \*Rockhampton #3, Bloomsbury #1, Cooyar, Mount Isa #1, \*Cairns, \*Caboolture, Bloomsbury #2, Quirindi, \*Maryborough)
- 2 Brady Fielder (\*Scone, \*Rockhampton #2) Qynn Andersen (#Newcastle, #Brisbane) Jake Curr (Mount Isa #2, \*Cairns)
- 1 Kurt Shephard (\*Rockhampton #1) Brumby Brandenburg (\*Mildura) Lachlan Richardson (#Tamworth) Cody Heffernan (Berry) Kelsey Pavlou (\*Rockhampton #4) Clint Glass (Quirindi)

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EVENT-BY-EVENT RESULTS - Here are the results from 2022 PBR Australia events:

Event	Winner	Ag. Score	<b>Australian Points</b>
*Rockhampton #1	Kurt Shephard	167	77
*Scone	Brady Fielder	171.5	72.5
*Rockhampton #2	Brady Fielder	87.5	65
*Mildura	Brumby Brandenburg	170	75.5
#Newcastle	Qynn Andersen	168	71
*Toowoomba	Aaron Kleier	169.5	100
*Rockhampton #3	Aaron Kleier	172.5	80
#Tamworth	Lachlan Richardson	170	69.5
Bloomsbury #1	Aaron Kleier	169.5	30
Berry	Cody Heffernan	166	30
#Brisbane	Qynn Andersen	168.5	72.5
Cooyar	Aaron Kleier	171.5	28
*Rockhampton #4	Kelsey Pavlou	247.5	89
Mount Isa #1	Aaron Kleier	177	27
Mount Isa #2	Jake Curr	169.5	25
*Cairns	Aaron Kleier	172	170
	Jake Curr	172	164
*Caboolture	Aaron Keleir	172	77
Bloomsbury #2	Aaron Kleier	254	93
Quirindi	Aaron Kleier/Clint Glass	166.5	21
*Maryborough	Aaron Kleier	175.5	77

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**2022 PBR AUSTRALIA 90-POINT RIDES** – Here are the 90-point rides from the 2022 PBR Australia season:

	Score	Rider	Bull (Stock Contractor)	Event
1.	91	Braith Nock	Rambo (Dittmann Bucking Bulls)	Mount Isa #1
2.	90	Aaron Kleier	Super Natural (Colin Fry)	Mount Isa #1
	90	Aaron Kleier	Roid Rage (Dittmann Bucking Bulls)	*Maryborough

\* Denotes a Touring Pro Division event.

**2022 PBR AUSTRALIA 90-POINT RIDES BY RIDER** – Here are the 90-point rides from the 2022 PBR Australia season by rider:

	Australian Rank	Rider	Number of 90-Point Rides
1.	1	Aaron Kleier	2
2.	9	Braith Nock	1

# 2022 RIDES BY PBR AUSTRALIA EVENT

City	R1 Rides	R2 Rides	<b>R3 Rides</b>	<b>R4 Rides</b>	<b>CR Rides</b>	<b>Total Rides</b>	Riding %
*Rockhampton #1	2	2	N/A	N/A	N/A	4	11.11% (4/36)
*Scone	6	3	N/A	N/A	N/A	9	17.30% (9/52)
*Rockhampton #2	1	1	N/A	N/A	2	4	9.52% (4/42)
*Mildura	5	1	N/A	N/A	N/A	6	15% (6/40)
#Newcastle	7	5	N/A	N/A	3	15	31.25% (15/48)
*Toowoomba	7	7	2	N/A	1	17	20.73% (17/82)
*Rockhampton #3	6	7	N/A	N/A	N/A	13	38.23% (13/34)
#Tamworth	7	8	N/A	N/A	2	17	35.41% (17/48)
Bloomsbury #1	10	N/A	N/A	N/A	1	11	30.55% (11/36)
Berry	3	2	N/A	N/A	2	7	21.21% (7/33)
#Brisbane	6	1	N/A	N/A	2	9	18.75% (9/48)
Cooyar	13	4	N/A	N/A	N/A	17	45.94% (17/37)
*Rockhampton #4	8	2	N/A	N/A	2	12	30.76% (12/39)
Mount Isa #1	9	8	N/A	N/A	N/A	17	38.63% (17/44)
Mount Isa #2	7	2	N/A	N/A	N/A	9	25.71% (9/35)
*Cairns	7	5	N/A	N/A	1	13	25.49% (13/51)
*Caboolture	4	N/A	N/A	N/A	3	7	20.58% (7/34)
Bloomsbury #2	4	3	N/A	N/A	1	8	27.587% (8/29)
Quirindi	8	6	N/A	N/A	N/A	14	38.89% (14/36)
*Maryborough	7	3	N/A	N/A	N/A	10	34.48% (10/29)

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## 2022 PBR AUSTRALIA ROUND WINS – Here is a list of the riders with the most round wins in 2022:

- 11 Aaron Kleier (\*Toowoomba Round 2 & Round 3, \*Rockhampton Round 1 & Round 2, Bloomsbury Championship Round, Cooyar Round 2, \* Cairns Round 1 & 2, \*Caboolture Round 1, Bloomsbury # 2 Championship Round, \*Maryborough Round 2)
- 6 Qynn Andersen (\*Mildura Round 1, #Newcastle Round 1, Bloomsbury Round 1, #Brisbane Round 2, Cooyar Round 1, Mount Isa #2 Round 1)

Cody Heffernan (\*Scone Round 1, #Newcastle Round 2, #Tamworth Round 1, Berry Championship Round, Quirindi Round 2, \*Maryborough Round 1)

- 5 Lachlan Richardson (\*Toowoomba Round 1, Berry Round 2, #Brisbane Round 1, Cooyar Round 2, \*Rockhampton #4 Round 2)
  Brady Fielder (\*Rockhampton #1 Round 1, \*Scone Round 2, \*Rockhampton #2 Championship Round, \*Rockhampton #4 Round 1, Mount Isa #1 Round 1)
- 3 Kurt Shephard (\*Rockhampton #1 Round 2, Bloomsbury #2 Round 1 & 2)
- 2 Kelsey Pavlou (\*Rockhampton #2 Round 1, \*Rockhampton #4 Championship Round) Braith Nock (\*Toowoomba Championship Round, Mount Isa #1 Round 2) Jake Curr (Mount Isa #2 Round 2, \*Cairns Championship Round)
- 1 Chris Wilson (\*Scone Round 2) Bailey Woodard (\*Rockhampton #2 Round 2) Brumby Brandenbrg (\*Mildura Round 2) Will Purcell (#Tamworth Round 1) Jono Couling (Berry Round 1) Taran Chirgwin (Cooyar Round 2) Caiden Sandilands (\*Caboolture Championship Round) Lachlan Slade (Quirindi Round 1)

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\*\*Note: This list is only inclusive of Round 1 and Round 2 at the three PBR Origin events as the bonus rounds did not award points. Those winners are: Cody Heffernan (Newcastle), Michael Smith (Tamworth) and Aaron Kleier (Brisbane).

### THE BULLS

**HIGH-MARKED BULL OF THE EVENT** – Here are the bulls that received the highest score at each PBR Australia event in 2022:

- 5 Pretty Boy (\*Rockhampton #1, \*Toowoomba, Bloomsbury #1, \*Rockhampton #4, \*Cairns)
- 4 Roid Rage (\*Rockhampton #2, Mount Isa #1, Mount Isa #2, \*Maryborough)
- 2 Rambo (\*Rockhampton #3, Bloomsbury #2)
- 1 G Shock (\*Scone) Crackalackin (\*Mildura) Posting Bail (#Newcastle) Comeback Kid (\*Rockhampton #3) Screaming Deamon (\*Rockhampton #3) Reload (\*Rockhampton #3) Volatile (#Tamworth) Kick Start My Heart (#Tamworth) Im Cool (Berry)

Told Ya So (Berry) Cattle King Boogers Beach (#Brisbane) Suga Boom Boom (\*Caboolture) Ranga (Bloomsbury #2) Almost Evil (Quirindi) Big Buck Hunter (Quirindi) Say When (Quirindi) POA Reload (\*Maryborough)

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### SEASON HIGH-MARKED BULLS – Here were the top bull scores from 2021 at PBR Australia Events:

Event	Bull	Stock Contractor	Score	Rider
*Rockhampton #1	Pretty Boy	Peter Wallace	44.5	Thomas Hudson, 2.29 seconds
*Scone	G Shock	Throsby & Russell Bucking Bulls	43.5	Cody Groves, 1.49 seconds
	Natural Hillbilly	Throsby & Russell Bucking Bulls	43.5	Steven Carter, 1.84 seconds
*Rockhampton #2	Roid Rage	Dittmann Bucking Bulls	45.5	Bailey Woodard, 2.5 seconds
*Mildura	Crackalackin	Throsby & Russell Bucking Bulls	44	Will Purcell, 2.89 seconds
#Newcastle	Posting Bail	Throsby & Russell Bucking Bulls	44	Caiden Sandilands, 2.71 seconds
*Toowoomba	Pretty Boy	Peter Wallace	44	Aaron Kleier, 3.14 seconds
*Rockhampton #3	Comeback Kid	Dittmann Bucking Bulls	43	Qynn Andersen, 1.72 seconds
-	Rambo	Dittmann Bucking Bulls	43	Aaron Kleier, 86.5 points
	Screaming Deamon	Dittmann Bucking Bulls	43	Taran Chirgwin, 1.8 seconds
	Reload	Dittmann Bucking Bulls	43	Ben Reiter, 5.36 seconds
#Tamworth	Volatile	Maynes Bucking Bulls	44	Aaron Kleier, 1.39 seconds
	Kick Start My Heart	Diamond S Bucking Bulls – Scott	44	Chris Wilson, 5.1 seconds
Bloomsbury #1	Pretty Boy	Peter Wallace	45	Sam Woodall, 2.85 seconds
Berry	Im Cool	Lazy G Bucking Bulls	43.5	Ben Gard, 1.6 seconds
	Told Ya So	Throsby & Russell Bucking Bulls	43.5	Jono Couling, 1.9 seconds
#Brisbane	Cattle King Boogers Beach	Dittmann Bucking Bulls	44.5	Lachlan Slade, 2.71 seconds
Cooyar	Gin n Juice	Ruhland Ranch Bucking Bulls	44	Taran Chirgwin, 87 points
*Rockhampton #4	Pretty Boy	Peter Wallace	45	Brady Fielder, 3.28 seconds
Mount Isa #1	Roid Rage	Dittmann Bucking Bulls	46.5	Brody Woodard, 7.25 seconds
Mount Isa #2	Roid Rage	Dittmann Bucking Bulls	47	Braith Nock, 3 seconds
*Cairns	Pretty Boy	Peter Wallace	46	Lachlan Slade, 3.59 seconds
*Caboolture	Suga Boom Boom	BK Bucking Bulls	44	Toby Leake, 2.27 seconds
Bloomsbury #2	Rambo	Dittmann Bucking Bulls	44.5	Cody Heffernan, 4.82 seconds
	Ranga	MJ/Keliher Bucking Bulls	44.5	Jack Keats, 4.18 seconds
Quirindi	Almost Evil	Throsby & Russell/Baille	43	Cody Heffernan, 5.12 seconds
	Big Buck Hunter	ST Bucking Bulls	43	Jono Couling, 1.93 seconds
	Say When	Throsby & Russell Bucking Bulls	43	Lachlan Richardson, 7.37 seconds
*Maryborough	POA Reload	Dittmann Bucking Bulls	44.5	Cody Heffernan, 4.77 seconds
	Roid Rage	Dittmann Bucking Bulls	44.5	Aaron Kleier, 90 points

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