2018 IPRA WORLD CHAMPION COWGIRL BREAKAWAY ROPING

ANGELA CHAFFIN

AGE: 25 TAHLEQUAH, OK

Angela Chaffin came into IFR49 number 7 in the world standings. "My goal for the year was to be where I had a shot to be a contender for the world title. But I knew everything would have to go right to make it happen."

Angela has a strategy in average ropings, "The first round is the one I go after. It's usually the toughest round and then the other rounds will soften up. I knew if I had a chance at the gold buckle, being in 7^{th} position, I would need to win some round money."

Chaffin's plan worked and she claimed the win in round 1 with a time of 2.2 seconds. A time of 3.1 seconds in round 2 was out of the money but 6^{th} in the round. In round 3, Angela got the flag in 4.7 seconds and finished 7^{th} in the round. In the championship round she was 2.4 seconds to take the win in the round, claim the IFR average and the world championship.

"I'd be lying if I said I wasn't nervous coming into the 4^{th} round. I knew what I had to do and that really took the pressure off of me. I decided I was going for broke. My dad tried to keep me level headed and told me they were going to pay more places than just first, but I was going to give it my best shot."

"I had a good idea after I roped my calf that I'd set myself up to be the world champion. When the last 2 girls roped, I knew I had won it."

Angela gives a lot of credit to her horse, Hitman. "I've been riding him consistently now for 2 years. He's a mess. He gives everything he's got every run. He loves his job and is like a big dog."

"My parents, Keith and Linda Bartley and my sister and brother-in-law, Michelle & Cole Wilson are big influences in my roping career. My husband Tyler, and I train roping horses. We have one son, Colter that is two years old."

"I plan to go pretty hard this spring and try to get solid in the standings early."