

Jackson Energy Linemen Are State Champs

Jackson Energy's linemen are state champs for the second year in a row.

The team of Jeremy Rayborn, Royce Baker and Kris Cunagin were the top team at the 11th annual Kentucky Lineman's rodeo. The rodeo was hosted this year by Pennyriale Electric in Hopkinsville and was held at the Christian County Fairgrounds.

Also bringing home awards were the team of Jonathan Tillery, Justin Robinson and Willis Sizemore. Tillery also placed in individual competition.

"I am so proud of our linemen and their professionalism," said Jackson Energy President & CEO Carol Wright. "They exhibit the same award-winning level of commitment and professionalism when they are on the job and working for our members."

The rodeo, sponsored by KAEC's Safety and Loss Prevention, saw 72 linemen competing in the name of safety for the coveted United Utility Supply silver transformer.

"I am impressed by the spirit of competition each one of our guys displayed yet with a strong desire to be safe while competing," added Jackson Energy Chief Operations Officer Derrick Dean.

Volunteer judges were also on hand making sure safety procedures were followed during each of the competitions: hurtman, skills climb and two mystery events. Representatives from Kentucky's electric cooperatives were involved in the rodeo either as competitors or judges or clerks. Many family members and co-op co-workers were also in attendance supporting their rodeo teams.

Jackson Energy's Team 1 - Rayborn, Baker and Cunagin - had the best team overall score and took home the UUS silver transformer. Jackson Energy's Team 2 - Tillery, Robinson and Sizemore - placed third in the team competition.

Jackson Team 2 also took top spot in the team hurtman category and Jackson Team 1 took third place in

the hurtman competition. In the skills climb, Jackson Team 1 won the category, with Jackson Team 2 a close second. Jackson Team 1 took second in the Mystery 1 event and third in the Mystery 2 category.

Jonathan Tillery placed first in the individual hurtman and skills climb competition. He also placed third the individual refuse cut-out competition. Jackson Energy's Marlon Coffey also competed in the apprentice division.

"Again this year our Jackson Energy linemen exhibited their skills and training, which are tops in the State of Kentucky," said Jackson Energy Superintendent of Operations Tim Wilson. "We are proud of their accomplishments at the 2015 Kentucky State Lineman Rodeo."

This is the first time in the history of the competition a team from the same co-op has won two years in a row.

Photo and story courtesy of Karen Combs



The Jackson Energy team of Royce Baker, Jeremy Rayborn and Kris Cunagin brought home the silver transformer trophy for the second year in a row for taking first place in the 2015 Kentucky Lineman Rodeo.



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1. Park
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4. 1st/First
5. 3rd/Third
6. Maple
7. Pine
8. 4th/Fourth
9. Cedar
10. Main

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Estill Sports News
Mon., Tues., Thurs. @ 5:30pm

Middle School Girls Soccer Practice
Estill County Girls Middle School Soccer practices are going on now behind Estill Springs Elementary School from 5:30-7 p.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays. The first game is Thursday, August 6th, 2015. You must have a recent sports physical for the 2015-2016 school year. Any questions, contact head coach Stacey McFarland at (859)967-9363 or assistant coach Sophie Bays at (859)948-4100.

Saturday, August 8th, 8am-4'ish pm

Estill Marching Engineers Car Wash
The Estill County High School Marching Engineers will be having a car wash on Saturday, August 8th from 8-4'ish at Advance Auto Parts. Please make plans to stop by and have your car washed for a donation. We will also be selling ESTILL spirit items, Old KY Chocolates, and Country Meats Jerky.


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Attention Veterans 

A Veterans Benefits Field Representative will be at the National Guard Armory, 335 Cow Creek Road, Ravenna, on Thursday, August 6th and normally the first Thursday of each month. The hours are 1:30 p.m. until 3:30 p.m.

Veterans and their dependants will receive assistance filing for Federal and state veterans benefits. This service is provided free of charge by the Kentucky Department of Veterans Affairs. To apply, veterans need to furnish copies of pertinent documentation to verify eligibility. For further information, please call toll free within Kentucky, 1-866-376-0308, to speak with a Veterans Benefits Field Representative.

Estill senior golfer McKane Short sizes up the shot during the Estill County Invitational Golf Tournament held Saturday at the Estill County Golf Course in Irvine. Seventeen teams from various schools including Powell, Jackson County, South Laurel, Bourbon, Madison Central and Jackson City participated.