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# **MEDIA ADVISORY**

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**What: Dixie National Livestock Show and Rodeo Events**

**When: Saturday, February 8, 2020  
Sunday, February 9, 2020**

**Where: Mississippi State Fairgrounds**

**Schedule of Dixie National Livestock Show and Rodeo Events Saturday, February 8, Through  
Sunday, February 9**

Agriculture Commissioner Andy Gipson announces the schedule of Dixie National Livestock Show and Rodeo events taking place today, Saturday, February 8, through Sunday, February 9, 2020. All events take place on the Mississippi State Fairgrounds.

**Saturday, February 8**

7:30 a.m. – Intercollegiate Beef Judging Contest – Kirk Fordice Equine Center

8:00 a.m. – Open Hereford Show – Barn 14, Ring 1

Open Gelbvieh/Balancer (following open Hereford) Barn 14, Ring 1

8:00 a.m. – Open Braford Show – Barn 14, Ring 2

Open Shorthorn/Shorthorn Plus (following open Braford) Barn 14, Ring 2

9:30 a.m. – Open Boer Goat Show – Barn 6

10:00 a.m. – Farriers Competition at the Dixie National Market Place

10:00 a.m. – Southern Classic Horse Sale in the Sales Arena of Barn 12

10:30 a.m. – Dixie National Parade starting at Amite Street going through Downtown around the State Capitol.

\*Commissioner of Agriculture and Commerce Andy Gipson will be attendance.

12:00 p.m. – Dixie National Parade Awards will be announced at the Mississippi Farmers Market and presented by Miss Hospitality Kasey Pearson.

2:00 p.m. – The Dixie National Rodeo will have its first performance of the day with special entertainment – Confederate Railroad

\*Commissioner of Agriculture and Commerce Andy Gipson will be attendance.

4:00 p.m. – Simmental/Simbrah Sale – Sales Arena, Barn 12

7:00 p.m. – The Dixie National Rodeo will have its second performance of the day with special entertainment – Confederate Railroad. This performance will include a special tribute to Madison County Deputy Brad Sullivan who was seriously injured in the line of duty.

\*Commissioner of Agriculture and Commerce Andy Gipson will be attendance.

10:00 p.m. – Dixie National Rodeo Dance – Trade Mart

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## **Sunday, February 9**

7:00 a.m. – Open Simmental, Percentage Simmental, Simbrah Show – Barn 14

7:00 a.m. – Open R.O.V. Angus Show – Coliseum

7:30 a.m. – R.O.V. Angus Open Brangus Show – Coliseum

8:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m. – Dixie National Rodeo Breakfast at the Mississippi Farmers Market

10:15 a.m. – Cowboy Church in the Sales Arena in Barn 12

1:00 p.m. – Open Red Brangus Show – Barn 14, Ring 1

1:00 p.m. – Open Charolais Show – Barn 14, Ring 2

3:00 p.m. – The Dixie National Rodeo with special entertainment – Gene Watson  
\*Commissioner of Agriculture and Commerce Andy Gipson will be attendance.

5:00 p.m. – Open Barrow Show – Swine Area Barn 6

Performances of the Dixie National Rodeo, the largest rodeo east of the Mississippi River run through Wednesday, February 12.

**Rodeo Entertainment**

Saturday, February 8 (two performances) – 2:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m. - Confederate Railroad

Sunday, February 9 – 3:00 p.m. - Gene Watson

Monday, February 10 – 7:00 p.m. - Jordan Davis

Tuesday, February 11 – 7:00 p.m. - Craig Morgan

Wednesday, February 12 – 7: 00 p.m. - Russell Dickerson

Tickets can be purchased at the Coliseum Box Office, Ticketmaster outlets, online at [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com) or charge by phone 1-800-745-3000.

For more information on the rodeo, concerts and schedules, download the Dixie National Livestock Show and Rodeo mobile app, visit [www.dixienational.org](http://www.dixienational.org), “like” the Dixie National Livestock Show & Rodeo page on Facebook, or call 601-961-4000.

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