

West Niagara Fairgrounds to host extreme cowboy race

The horses run Aug. 26

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WEST LINCOLN — Horse riders will be taken to the extreme this month at the West Niagara Fairgrounds.

Ontario Xtreme Cowboys, an affiliate of the Extreme Cowboy Association, will be coming to the fairgrounds on Aug. 26. OXC is an event that challenges both horse and rider to manoeuvre through a series of trail- and farm-based obstacles to demonstrate their horsemanship and speed.

The Aug. 26 event begins at 9 a.m., with a rider's meeting beforehand at 8:30. There will be eight divisions open for competitors:

- Young Guns, seven to 11 years old. \$20.
- Youth, 17 and under. \$50.
- Green Horse. \$60.
- Novice. \$60.
- Intermediate. \$60.
- Non-Pro. \$60.
- Ridesmart, 55-plus. \$60.
- Pro. \$70.

Each division will take part in a walk-through before their event. Each rider will run in the preliminary round, and the finals format will be announced at the rider's meeting.

Registration is open 30 days in advance of the race and will close on Aug. 23 at 6 p.m. Preentry is required. Prize money will be up for grabs, including \$2,000 in

prizes from show hosts Crime Stoppers of Niagara, Serenity Range and HollisWealth.

For more information visit ontarioxtremecowboys.ca.