

KILAKILA NĀ ROUGHRIDERS

Traditional

Kilakila nā roughriders
Me ka ua Kipu'upu'u
Me ka nani o Pu'u Kalani
Me ka hae o ka lanakila

Famed are the roughriders
As the rain Kipu'upu'u
And the beauty of Pu`u Kalani
Carrying the banner of victory

Hui

Hu'i e hu'i `eha
Hu'i konikoni i ka pu`uwai
Hu'i e hu'i eha
Hu'i konikoni i ka pu`uwai

Chorus:
The ache
The tingling in the heart
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`Akahi ho'i au a `ike maka
Nā roughrider ka hulu `ekahi
Inu ana i ka wai aniani
E ma'u i ka pu'u ke moni

Here come the roughriders
Brave Hawaiian cowboys, number one
They drink from sparkling waters
On the plains of Waimea

Hanohano wale nā cowboy
E maku'u noho i ka lio
Halena pono `oe i kaula `ili
I ka lae o ka pipi `ahui

Glorious are the cowboys
Proudly mounting their horses
Pull taut now your lassos
Hold the brow of the plunging cattle

Kaulana Ikuwa me Ka`aia
Nā `eu`eu kipuka `ili
Eia mai nā paniolo pipi
Me ka nani o ku'u home

Famous are Ikua and Ka`aia
The spirited ropers
Here are the cowboys
The glory of my home

This song tells the exploits of the three paniola from Hawai'i, Ikuwa Purdy, Archie Ka`aia and Jack Low who competed in the 1908 Wyoming rodeo. Purdy was named World champion and Ka`aia placed 3rd. They were inducted into the Rodeo Hall of Fame in 1999. Translator unknown