



CANTERBURY PARK

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Canterbury Park Reschedules Promotional Events

Extreme Day with Camel & Ostrich Races Aug.6; Free Hot Dogs on Labor Day

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Shakopee, MN -- Canterbury Park officials have released a revised promotional schedule for the remainder of the live meet following a 20-day state government shutdown which cost the racetrack 12 days of live racing and its customers a number of popular events. The revised schedule includes six added race dates, the previously canceled Extreme Race Day, a championship weiner dog race and free hotdogs.

The added days of racing will be: Wednesday, Aug. 3, Thursday, Sept. 1 and 8 and Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Sept. 9 – 11. Post times for the added dates are 7:00 pm on weeknights, 1:30 on Saturday, and 11:00 am on Sunday, Sept. 11, the final day of the 2011 meet.

Extreme Race Day, rescheduled for Aug. 6, features exhibition races by camels and ostriches and also includes several horse races with unusual conditions, run at distances unique to the day. Free pony rides, face painting, and a petting zoo will also be offered.

Labor Day, Sept. 5, will now feature free Hormel hot dogs and a weiner dog race. Both events had previously been planned for Independence Day.

Also rescheduled is Canterbury's Cigar Smoker, now on Saturday, Aug. 20.

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“Adding racing days was important to the horsemen spending their summer in Minnesota,” Senior Marketing Manager John Groen said. “Our fans really enjoy the camels and ostriches, so getting that back on the schedule was a priority as well.”

Events that will be held as originally scheduled include the Saturday, Aug. 13 Food Truck Festival, the Friday, Aug. 19 Canterbury Uncorked wine event, and the Minnesota Festival of Champions Sept. 4.

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