

CANTERBURY PARK

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Minnesota Mile Returns To Canterbury Park

Pro Motorcycle Race scheduled for September 11, 2010

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Shakopee, MN -- American Motorcycle Association (AMA) Pro K&N Filters Grand National Championship presented by Motorcycle-superstore.com makes it return to Canterbury Park in Shakopee, Minnesota on Saturday, September 11. The 'Minnesota Mile', part of the AMA Grand National Series, will be held on Canterbury's one-mile dirt oval.

It has been 13 years since the AMA has hosted motorcycling racing in Minnesota on a mile track. The last such event, also at Canterbury Park, was in 1997.

"We welcome the return of AMA Grand National Racing," Canterbury President Randy Sampson said. "This is another step in the direction of keeping Canterbury Park in the forefront of exciting, action-packed, events and entertainment." Planning for the event has been ongoing. "We have been working with the AMA for almost a year now to ensure a great event that fans of all levels will love. We have also been working with local officials, businesses and enthusiasts to provide the most exciting, fun and safe event possible," Sampson said.

The Minnesota Mile is one of 19 national dates this year. Racing on mile ovals is a rarity; Canterbury is one of just two such tracks west of the Mississippi. The oldest form of motorcycle racing, flat track racing has seen a surge in popularity over the last few years.

"We are thrilled to be back in Minnesota at such a premiere facility," AMA Flat Track President Mike Kidd said. "The team at Canterbury Park has been very involved in every preplanning aspect of this event to make sure the experience is top level."

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Ticket prices start at \$15.00 for General Admission during the month of June. General Admission tickets are \$20.00 starting July 1st. Children under 5 are free, and 5- 12 are \$10.00. Limited VIP reserved seating is available for \$35.00. General admission tickets can be purchased at www.ticketmaster.com, or by calling 800-745-3000. Reserved VIP tickets are available only at the Canterbury box office, www.canterburypark.com or by calling 952.445.7224. Camping and ticket packages are also available by calling the Shakopee Valley RV Park at 952-445-7313.

The Minnesota Mile is welcomed locally by Budweiser.

The AMA Pro Flat Track Grand National Championship is the oldest and most traditional form of motorcycle racing, tracing its roots back to the early 1900's when young daredevils tested each other on county fairground ovals all around the United States. In 1954, Joe Leonard was crowned the first Grand National Champion, accumulating the most points in the new series. Since then, the series has seen major changes but remains strong 56 years later. At the end of the 2010 season, the rider who accumulates the most combined points in Expert Twins and Expert Singles events will be crowned the 2010 AMA Pro Grand National Champion and carry the #1 plate. A rider will be crowned champion in each of the following classes: Pro Singles, Expert Singles and Expert Twins.

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