



MINNESOTA QUARTER HORSE RACING ASSOCIATION



In June of 2012 the historic agreement between Canterbury Park and the Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community brought an end to the struggle between the two that spanned many years. It resulted in a promising future for horse racing in Minnesota. To summarize, the plan would have SMSC contributing \$75 million over a 10 year period to enhance purses.

As represented for many years at the legislature the industry needed additional revenues for purses to help the decline the industry had been seeing in recent years. Purses are the driving force behind a strong racing industry which supports an overall healthy equine industry.

Early numbers are showing that this agreement is doing what was promised.

- For the first time since the 1980's Canterbury will host a \$100,000 Quarter Horse race, Mystic Lake Northlands Futurity, July 5, 2013
- Quarter Horse purses up over 100% in 2013 as compared to 2012, totaling over \$1 million
- Quarter Horse mare registrations for 2013 foaling season are at 93, a number not seen since 2003
- Inquiries from around the country from owners and trainers about coming to Canterbury Park this summer

We hope you will do your part by being a part of this racing resurgence. Come to Canterbury Park this summer for Quarter Horse racing, learn more about owning and racing your own horse(s) through new owner seminars being offered and get involved with the Minnesota Quarter Horse Racing Association. If you have questions contact myself or any of the Board members.

Hope to see you at the Races!

Kelvin Childers, AQHA National Director

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March 18th Stall applications due to Canterbury Park

April 22nd Stable area opens at Canterbury Park

April 26th Canterbury Park track open for training

May 4th Race Horse Ownership Seminar Part 1; Canterbury Park backside

June 1st Race Horse Ownership Seminar Part 2; Canterbury Park front side

June 18th 4H Boot Camp Pork Chop Feed and Presentation

July 13th Race Horse Ownership Seminar Part 3

Watch for dates for Day at the Races, Backside Party, Youth Day at the Races

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