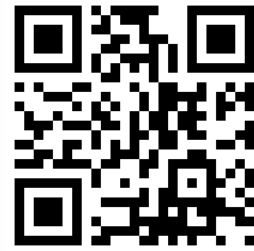


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From our MQHRA President

By Kelvin Childers

As this is being read, the backside at Canterbury should be filling with horses as the scheduled opening is April 22 with anticipated track opening for training on April 25 - sunshine and warmer temperatures please – based on spring arriving. Stall applications show strong numbers of horses and horsemen are making plans for Canterbury this summer and early nominations to the Stakes program look good.

In February, I represented MQHRA along with representatives from Canterbury Park and Minnesota HBPA in signing a historical agreement with the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe to authorize simulcast wagering on horse races that are being run live or simulcast at Canterbury Park at the Northern Lights Casino Hotel and Events Center in Walker, MN. This agreement is still in the process of being granted final approvals by both the National Indian Gaming Commission and the Minnesota Racing Commission. This is a great opportunity for bringing the excitement of live horse racing to Northern Minnesota – both residents and visitors.

MQHRA's stallion auction is over, but opportunities are still available to buy unsold nominated stallions (at the minimum bid price); nominate stallions not in the auction (\$500 or 25% of advertised breeding fee); or owners of nominated stallions may pay up stallions that did not sell (for \$200 each) so the get from all these stallions will be eligible for the 2017 Minnesota Stallion Breeders' Futurity.

See you at the races,

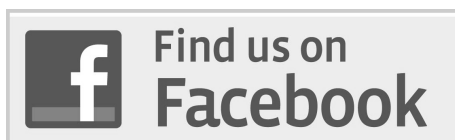
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Quarter Horse Racing at Canterbury Park in 2014

By Rosemary Higgins

Canterbury Park will have live racing from May 16th to September 13, 2014. Quarter horse racing starts on Friday, May 30th and runs through August 17th. There are 104 Quarter Horse races scheduled with 13 stakes races. The Quarters will run at the end of the card each day with two races on Thursday, Friday and Saturday and three races on Sunday. ☺

Look for us on the Internet



Our Facebook page name is:
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Calendar of Events

- 05/16 Live racing begins at Canterbury Park, Shakopee, MN
- 06/08 Minnesota Stallion Breeders' /North Central Derby
- 6/15 Skip Zimmerman Stakes
- 6/29 MN Stallion Breeders' Quarter Horse Futurity
- 7/4 Great Lakes Bonus Challenge
- 7/6 Northlands Futurity Presented by Mystic Lake \$100,000 Guaranteed and Canterbury Park Quarter Horse Derby \$50,000 Guaranteed
- 7/12 Bob Morehouse Stakes
- 7/19 Dash In a Flash, 110 yards on Extreme Race Day
- 7/29 Canterbury Distaff Bonus Challenge for Fillies and Mares
- 8/3 North Central Quarter Horse Racing Association Futurity
- 8/9 Cash Caravan Stakes
- 8/31 Minnesota Festival of Champions Day, Minnesota Quarter Horse Derby and Minnesota Quarter Horse Futurity
- 9/13 Last day of live racing at Canterbury Park

Stay tuned for these upcoming events

- Benefit for jockey Anne Von Rosen



Jockey Anne Von Rosen Severely Injured in Race at Turf Paradise in Phoenix; Fundraiser to Be Scheduled in MN for Longtime Canterbury Jockey

By Rosemary Higgins & Lori Locken

Jockey Anne Von Rosen was severely injured in a spill at Turf Paradise in Phoenix on Tuesday, March 11. The 43 year old Von Rosen was taken to John C. Lincoln Hospital in Phoenix where she was diagnosed with a severed spinal cord. She underwent surgery later that day. Von Rosen has been a jockey at Canterbury Park for about 15 years. She has ridden both Quarter Horses and Thoroughbreds

Von Rosen's father arrived from Germany in time for her second surgery on March 13th. According to Canterbury blog writer Jim Wells, "Doctors reported were pleased with the surgery and hopeful that it will restore Von Rosen's ability to sit upright. They are not as hopeful at restoring Von Rosen's ability to walk again". Her father, who is a doctor, is reportedly investigating the use of stem cells to treat his daughter's condition. Several reports indicate that Von Rosen is in good spirits and she plans to walk again. Von Rosen is actively updating her Facebook page. She reported March 18 that she was moved to her own room and her chest tube was removed on March 20. Since then she reported that she has moved to Craig Hospital in Denver, CO. for her rehabilitation where "they will help me get back on my feet." According to the Craig Hospital website, it "is a world-renown rehabilitation hospital that exclusively specializes in the neuro-rehabilitation and research of patients with spinal cord injuries (SCI) and traumatic brain injury (TBI)."

Several funds have been set up to support Von Rosen and plans for a fundraiser in Minnesota are in the works to be held after horsemen and women have arrive at Canterbury Park. Until then, please to contribute to one of the funds set up for her:

Anne Von Rosen Benefit Funds		
<u>In Minnesota</u>	<u>In Arizona</u>	<u>On Line</u>
Voyager Bank	Turf Paradise	www.youcaring.com/medical-fundraiser/help-jockey-anne-von-rosen/151632
500 Marschall Road	1501 West Bell Road	Please read about this site to get more information about it.
Shakopee, MN 55379	Phoenix, AZ 85023	👍 👍 👍 👍 👍 👍 👍
Make check payable to: "For the Benefit of Anne Von Rosen"	Make check payable to the "Turf Paradise Foundation" and mark the memo line on your check "Ann Von Rosen"	
If you would like to help with the upcoming fundraiser, please contact Patrice Underwood, Executive Director, MN HBPA, 952-496-6442	For more information, contact Loretta Brasher, 602-625-0468	

Stay tuned for specific details on the fundraiser to benefit Anne Von Rosen.

2014 MQHRA Trainer of the Week and Trainer of the Meet

By Rosemary Higgins

MQHRA will again be sponsoring a contest for the QH Trainer of the Week at Canterbury Park. To participate, both the trainer and the owner and/or partnership MUST be current members of MQHRA. Weekly winners will be awarded a gift certificate to Ruby Tuesday restaurant and have bragging rights with the "traveling sign" posted outside their barn on the backside, as well as be recognized in the racing program. A trophy buckle will be awarded to QH Trainer of the Meet at the end of the season.