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Michigan Racing Commissioner Issues 2009 Harness Horse Racing Schedule

LANSING, MI - Racing Commissioner Christine C. White today signed orders authorizing the 2009 live and simulcast horse racing calendar for Michigan's four pari-mutuel harness race tracks.

The 2009 live schedule calls for a total of 216 days of standardbred horse racing at the four locations and involves five corporations.

Hazel Park Raceway – A total of 82 live race dates beginning Friday, May 1 through Saturday, September 19 with live racing being conducted every Monday, Tuesday, Friday and Saturday.

Jackson Harness Raceway – A total of 26 live race dates beginning Saturday, May 2 through Saturday, July 18 with live racing being conducted every Friday and Saturday, and every Wednesday starting June 24. No racing shall be conducted on Saturday, July 4.

Northville Downs – A total of 43 live race dates beginning Friday, February 6 through April 25 with live racing being conducted every Friday and Saturday; then beginning February 12 every Thursday, Friday, and Saturday and then beginning March 4, every Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday.

Northville Racing Corporation (Northville Downs) – A total of 34 live race dates beginning Friday, September 25 through Saturday, November 21 with live racing being conducted every Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Sports Creek Raceway (Swartz Creek) – A total of 15 live race dates in a Winter Meeting, beginning Friday, January 2 through Sunday, February 1 with live racing being conducted every Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Also, a total of 16 live race dates in a Fall Meeting, beginning Friday, November 27 through Thursday, December 31 with live racing being conducted every Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. No racing shall be conducted on Friday, December 25 while racing shall be conducted on Monday, December 28 and Thursday, December 31.

Full schedules with exception days will be posted on the Office of Racing Commissioner website at www.michigan.gov/horseracing.

In addition to the standardbred race dates, Commissioner White also signed orders for the mixed breed meet at Mount Pleasant Meadows and the thoroughbred meet at Pinnacle Race Course in New Boston.

The Office of Racing Commissioner is the official state agency charged with regulating, promoting and serving the horse racing industry in Michigan. During 2008, Michigan horse racing is celebrating its 75th Anniversary of pari-mutuel horse racing in our State. For more information about upcoming events, the six pari-mutuel horse race tracks, racing schedules and Michigan horse racing, visit www.michigan.gov/horseracing.

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