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## HARNESS RACING YOUTH LEAGUE LEVEL 2 PREMIERES NEXT WEEKEND

Harness Racing Youth League--the second level--is scheduled to take place June 15-17 at the Delaware County Fairgrounds in Delaware, OH.

The popularity of Harness Horse Youth Foundation's summer camp program for kids has led to the development of Harness Racing Youth League Level 2. Level 2 is a cooperative effort of the HHYF and the USTA, and 50 participants were selected to attend the fun-filled harness racing weekend.

The event is open to youth ages 14 to 16 as of June 1. All USTA youth members and all past participants of Harness Racing Youth League Level 1 camps who fit the appropriate age bracket were eligible to apply. Each youth who applied is encouraged to attend with a parent or guardian. USTA youth membership is required of all participants.

The curriculum includes breakout sessions for youths and adults and combined sessions on a variety of harness racing topics. Hands-on activities as well as other learning challenges are part of the program, including a breeding farm tour, horses and higher education, exploring equine nutrition and other topics, as well as an evening trip to Scioto Downs for live racing.



HRYL-2 is open to youth throughout North America. There is a \$50 registration fee per participant, payment due with the application. If the applicant is not accepted, the fee is refunded.

The event begins with registration on Friday, and concludes Sunday, at 1:00 p.m. Transportation during the event activities, meals and snacks for the weekend, and all hand-outs and curriculum materials are provided. Lodging and transportation expenses to the event are the responsibilities of the participants.

The USTA is providing a free T-shirt to all who apply.

# HOGS 'N DOGS HIT HOOSIER PARK

Hoosier Park at Anderson hosted its fifth annual Hogs 'N Dogs event Saturday, June 9. A crowd of 2,082 turned out for event which displayed some of Central Indiana's best motorcycles and Weiner dogs as highlights of the evening. All proceeds from the event went to the Countryside Animal Rescue. The charity group also brought out their own local volunteers to help with the festivities.



Hogs 'N Dogs included a motorcycle show, giving 29 bikes a chance to earn prizes in five different categories. Thirty Weiner dogs competed in races for a grand prize sponsored by Speck's Pet Supply of Anderson. Each dog participant received a gift bag stuffed with items by Pork Chomps.

The motorcycle competition provided patrons with a look at the best of the best bikes that rode into Hoosier Park. Each winner of the five categories received \$100 and a Hogs 'N Dogs trophy. Fans voted Charlie Moore's 2001 Harley Davidson Road King as the top bike for the "People's Choice" category.

Taking home the remaining prizes were Mike Asbury and his 2004 Springer bike, winning the "Best American" category. The "Best Import" prize went to Delbert Rice. Jane Heine won "Best Paint Job" for the artwork accompanying her 2000 Springer. Mike Morgan's 1999 Yamaha Chopper won the "Best Custom" award.

Daisy the Weiner dog won the final heat of the Hogs 'N Dogs Weiner dog race. Owned by Ashley Swain, Daisy won two qualifying rounds before winning the grand prize.

## 2007 WNEHHA SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

Daniel Caradeo and Jillian Turner, two Salem High School seniors, each was awarded a \$2,500 college scholarship by the Western New England Harness Horsemen's Association in a private ceremony at the school on Wednesday, May 23.

The winners of the Al Thomas Scholarships, named for the well-known horseman who ran the WNEHHA before the 1980 fire which devastated Rockingham Park, were determined by the principal of the high school.



This is the first year that the Al Thomas scholarships were awarded to local students. The scholarships were funded through purse subsidies given to the horsemen by the racetrack.