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May 14, 2020

Chairman Phillip Borst, DVM
Vice Chairman Greg Schenkel
Member Susie Lightle
Member Bill McCarty
Member George Pillow
1302 N. Meridian St.
Indianapolis, IN 46202

Chairman Borst and members of the IHRC,

Please accept this updated request for 2020 live racing dates at Indiana Grand. The COVID-19 pandemic has made this year's racing season an extraordinary one in many ways and we felt the change to a new set of dates made the most sense for our horsemen and customers.

Earlier this week I sent a proposal to the IHRC for revised dates. After further discussions with our horsemen we would like to amend that request to this version to be considered at the next IHRC meeting. This is just a slight modification to my previous letter but we hope you'll support us in adding an additional four mixed thoroughbred and quarter horse days while moving four quarter horse-only days to select Saturdays on the 2020 calendar. So the net change from our previous request is an additional four days of racing.

Recall that when we consider the likely slow return of our customer base and social distancing requirements we are concerned that Friday and Saturday racing is generally not our best option to maximize revenue. Additionally, we've observed the schedules and post times of the tracks that are returning from their own delayed meets and see an opportunity to garner a larger share of the simulcasting market on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons. With that in mind we are now requesting a 94-day meet, beginning on June 15th with racing on Monday through Thursday, and select Saturdays for our quarter horse-only days, with a first race post time of 2:20 p.m.

Please know that these revised dates have been presented to the Indiana HBPA, the QHRAI and ITOBA for their review. While we all share disappointment with a reduction in race days in 2020 there is unanimous support for this request and I've included the leadership of the horsemen's groups on this correspondence.

Thank you for your consideration and I apologize for the need for a second request.

Sincerely,

Mike Rich
SVP and General Manager, Indiana Grand Racecourse and Casino

Cc: Deena Pitman, Executive Director, IHRC
Eric Halstrom, VP and GM of Racing, Indiana Grand Racecourse and Casino
Joe Davis, President, Indiana HBPA
Paul Martin, President, QHRAI
Bruce Murphy, President, ITOBA
Dan Fick, Presiding Steward, Indiana Grand Racecourse and Casino
Brian Elmore, Executive Director, Indiana HBPA
Dianne Bennett, Executive Director, QHRAI



2020 LIVE RACING CALENDAR

Post Times:

Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs, Sat:
2:20 PM Eastern

94 Live Racing Days

APRIL						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	TH	FRI	SAT
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All Quarter Horse Days in Red (July 4, August 8, October 3 and October 24)

Agenda Item #17



May 23, 2020

Ms. Deena Pitman
Executive Director
Indiana Horse Racing Commission
1302 N. Meridian Street, Suite 175
Indianapolis, Indiana 46202

Dear Deena,

Harrah's Hoosier Park would like to respectfully submit to you the following revised 2020 live race dates for your consideration. We would propose a total of 111 race dates beginning on Tuesday, June 16 and running through Saturday, November 21. If approved racing would be conducted Tuesday through Saturday, except for the last two racing weeks in November when it would be a Thursday, Friday and Saturday schedule. Post time will be 6:30 pm EDT each night with the exception of Kentucky Derby Day, Saturday, September 5, when we would request a 7:10 pm EDT first post time.

A detailed list of all race dates laid out in calendar format is attached for your review.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this race dates request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Rick Moore".

Rick Moore
Vice President and General Manager of Racing
Harrah's Hoosier Park Racing & Casino



2020

**111 Standardbred Race Days *
June 16 through November 21**

Post Time 6:30 pm EDT

March

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* Pending Indiana Horse Racing Commission Approval

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