

Starting Gate

Horseplayer and racing guide • May/June 2019



\$500,000 Penn Mile Takes Center Stage Saturday, June 1



Hollywood Casino at Penn National Race Course will host the \$500,000 Penn Mile (Grade 2) on Saturday, June 1. The one-mile turf event annually attracts the nations top 3-year-olds and is the premier event on the Penn National schedule. First race post time from Penn National for June 1 is scheduled for 2:45pm ET.

Other Stakes races on Penn Mile card include the \$200,000 Penn Oaks, \$100,000 New Start Stakes, \$100,000 Danzig Stakes, \$100,000 Penn Ladies Dash, \$100,000 Susquehanna Stakes, and \$100,000 Pennsylvania Governor's Cup.

In addition to great racing on Penn Mile Day, Penn National will offer great wagering opportunities with three low 15% takeout Pick 4's on races 4 through 7, 6 through 9, and 8 through 11. Also, there will be mandatory payout's of the Hollywood High 5 and Penn Pick 6.

Bangor Raceway Meet Opens Tuesday, May 14

Bangor Raceway begins their 2019 Standardbred meet on Tuesday, May 14 with live racing continuing through Friday, July 19. Racing will take place every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday at 5:00pm ET. In addition, there is a special July 4th card that begins at 6:30pm ET.

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Race Meets Starting in May and June

- Arlington Park • May 3
- Canterbury Park • May 3
- Prairie Meadows (Thoroughbred) • May 3
- SunRay Park • May 3
- Hawthorne (Harness) • May 3
- Delaware Park • May 4
- Hastings Park • May 4
- Monmouth Park • May 4
- Louisiana Downs (Thoroughbred) • May 4
- Tioga Downs (Harness) • May 4
- Virginia Gold Cup Races • May 4
- Scioto Downs (Harness) • May 7
- Pimlico • May 9
- Ruidoso Downs • May 10
- Horsemen's Park • May 11
- Assiniboia Downs • May 12
- Presque Isle Downs • May 13
- BANGOR RACEWAY (Harness) • May 14**
- Running Aces (Harness) • May 18
- Suffolk Downs • May 18
- Arizona Downs • May 24
- Arapahoe Park • May 25
- Fort Erie Race Track • May 28
- Laurel Park • May 31
- Georgian Downs (Harness) • June 1
- Ocean Downs (Harness) • June 2
- Grand River (Harness) • June 5
- Fair Meadows at Tulsa • June 6
- Oak Tree at Pleasanton • June 14
- Los Alamitos (Thoroughbred) • June 27
- Downs at Albuquerque • June 28
- Ellis Park • June 30

*Some Tracks Not Available at all Penn National Gaming Locations

Mark Your Calendars July 28th for Spirit of Mass Trot!

Plainridge Park Casino and the Harness Horseman's Association of New England are pleased to announce the return of the Spirit of Massachusetts Trot.

After a one year hiatus, the \$250,000 Open event for North America's top trotters will be contested on Sunday, July 28. First post is scheduled for 2:00pm ET.

The inaugural Spirit of Massachusetts Trot in 2017 produced a track record by JL Cruze and created excitement both locally and nationally. For 2019, the track has added a co-featured event, the \$100,000 Clara Barton Pace for fillies and mares.

May and June Stakes Calendar

Friday, May 17

Black-Eyed Susan Stakes (Gr. 2) - Pim
Miss Preakness Stakes (Gr. 3) - Pim
Allaire duPont Distaff Stakes (Gr. 3) - Pim
Pimlico Special (Gr. 3) - Pim

Saturday, May 18

\$50k Fancy Buckles Stakes - CT
Preakness Stakes (Gr. 1) - Pim
Dixie Stakes (Gr. 2) - Pim
Gallorette Stakes (Gr. 3) - Pim
Maryland Sprint Stakes (Gr. 3) - Pim
Chick Lang Stakes (Gr. 3) - Pim
Soaring Softly (Gr. 3) - Bel
Louisville Handicap (Gr. 3) - CD
Lazaro Barrera Stakes (Gr. 3) - SA
Selene Stakes (Can-Gr. 3) - WO

Sunday, May 19

Desert Stormer Stakes (Gr. 3) - SA

Monday, May 20

Eclipse Stakes (Can-Gr. 2) - WO

Saturday, May 25

\$50k Sam Houston Classic (QH-Gr. 2) - HOU
Charles Whittingham Stakes (Gr. 2) - SA
Triple Bend Stakes (Gr. 2) - SA
Daytona Stakes (Gr. 3) - SA
Winning Colors Stakes (Gr. 3) - CD
Monmouth Stakes (Gr. 2) - Mth
Salvator Mile Sakes (Gr. 3) - Mth
Marine Stakes (Can-Gr. 3) - WO
\$300k Art Rooney Pace Final - Yonkers

Sunday, May 26

Monrovia Stakes (Gr. 2) - SA
Summertime Oaks (Gr. 2) - SA

Monday, May 27

The Gold Cup at Santa Anita (Gr. 1) - SA
Shoemaker Mile (Gr. 1) - SA
Gamely Stakes (Gr. 1) - SA
All American Stakes (Gr. 3) - GG

Saturday, June 1

\$500k Penn Mile (Gr. 2) - Pen
\$200k Penn Oaks - Pen
\$100k Pennsylvania Governor's Cup - Pen
\$100k Danzig Stakes - Pen
\$100k Chocolate Town Sprint - Pen
\$100k New Start Stakes - Pen
\$100k Penn Ladies Dash - Pen
\$100k Susquehanna Stakes - Pen
Pennine Ridge (Gr. 3) - Bel
Santa Maria Stakes (Gr. 2) - SA
Honeymoon Stakes (Gr. 3) - SA
Arlington Matron (Gr. 3) - AP
Connaught Cup Stakes (Can-Gr. 2) - WO

Thursday, June 6

Intercontinental (Gr. 3) - Bel
Wonder Again Stakes (Gr. 3) - Bel

Friday, June 7

Belmont Gold Cup Invitational (Gr. 2) - Bel
New York Stakes (Gr. 2) - Bel
True North Stakes (Gr. 2) - Bel
Bed o' Roses Invitational (Gr. 3) - Bel

Saturday, June 8

Belmont Stakes (Gr. 1) - Bel
Acorn Stakes (Gr. 1) - Bel
Jaipur Invitational (Gr. 1) - Bel
Just a Game Stakes (Gr. 1) - Bel
Manhattan Stakes (Gr. 1) - Bel
Metropolitan Handicap (Gr. 1) - Bel
Ogden Phipps Stakes (Gr. 1) - Bel
Woody Stephens (Gr. 1) - Bel
Brooklyn Invitational (Gr. 2) - Bel
Mint Julep (Gr. 3) - CD
\$200k Battle of Lake Erie Pace - Northfield

Sunday, June 9

Hendrie Stakes (Can-Gr. 3) - WO

Saturday, June 15

Stephen Foster Handicap (Gr. 2) - CD
Fleur de Lis Handicap (Gr. 2) - CD
Wise Dan Stakes (Gr. 2) - CD
Matt Winn Stakes (Gr. 3) - CD
Regret Stakes (Gr. 3) - CD
\$1M North America Cup Pace Final - Woodbine
\$425k Fan Hanover Pace Final - Woodbine
\$370k Roses are Red Pace Final - Woodbine
\$260k Goodtimes Trot Final - Woodbine
\$250k Armbrro Flight Trot Final - Woodbine

Sunday, June 16

Poker Stakes (Gr. 3) - Bel
Affirmed Stakes (Gr. 3) - SA
Trillium Stakes (Can-Gr.3) - WO

Saturday, June 22

United Nations Stakes (Gr. 1) - Mth
Eatontown Stakes (Gr. 3) - Mth
Philip H. Iselin Stakes (Gr. 3) - Mth
Ohio Derby (Gr. 3) - Tdn
Wilshire Stakes (Gr. 3) - SA
Singspiel Stakes (Gr. 3) - WO

Sunday, June 23

San Juan Capistrano Stakes (Gr. 3) - SA

Saturday, June 29

Mother Goose Stakes (Gr. 2) - Bel
Bashford Manor Stakes (Gr. 3) - CD
Princess Rooney Stakes (Gr. 2) - GP
Smile Sprint Handicap (Gr. 2) - GP
Chicago Handicap (Gr. 3) - AP
Highlander Stakes (Can-Gr. 1) - WO
Dance Smartly Stakes (Can-Gr. 1) - WO
King Edward Stakes (Can-Gr. 2) - WO
\$500k Ben Franklin Pace Final - Harrah's Philly
\$500k Max Hempt Pace Final - Harrah's Philly
\$500k Earl Beal Jr Trot Final - Harrah's Philly
\$300k James Lynch Pace Final - Harrah's Philly

Saturday, June 30

Dominion Day Stakes (Can-Gr. 2) - WO