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\$50,000 Stakes Race, \$10,000 Handicapping Tournament Highlight New Fall Horse Racing at Pleasanton Fairgrounds

September 23, 24, 25, 30 / October 1, 2, 2016

Six days of horse racing, highlighted by a \$50,000 stakes race and a \$10,000 Handicapping Tournament, will take place as Oak Tree at Pleasanton Fall Horse Racing kicks off September 23 at Alameda County Fairgrounds.

The meet is the first to take place at the Pleasanton track outside of the annual Fair. Oaktree at Pleasanton was awarded the meet by the California Horse Racing Board earlier this year after the San Joaquin County Fair opted out of its 2016 schedule.

Fall Horse Racing will run for two consecutive weekends -- September 23-25 and September 30-October 2 -- with special events and attractions every race day. Post times are 2:15 p.m. for both Friday cards and 1:15 p.m. for Saturday and Sunday racing.

On the track, the highlighted race will be the \$50,000 Oak Tree Juvenile on October 1, which features two-year-old horses. The one mile-plus-70-yards race will bring together some of the best young horses in Northern California.

Off the track, the big event for bettors will be the \$10,000 "Best in the Bay" handicapping tournament. The event, which is not a qualifier for the National Handicapping Championship, will take place on Saturday, September 24. The contest carries a \$500 tournament entry.

Free Daily Handicapping Seminars will be held near the paddock. Starting times for the seminars co-hosted by Dennis Miller and track announcer Chris Griffin are 12:30 p.m. on each Friday and 11:30 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday. Fans will also be able to keep up with their favorite sports teams all day, every day of racing, in the new Fan Cave lounge located on the second floor of the Budweiser Grandstand.

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Special events and promotions include a t-shirt giveaway to the first 1,000 guests who sign up for the Win, Place and Show contest on Opening Day.

Saturday, September 24, features the Sip, Savor & Wager wine festival from 1-4 p.m. Tickets for the wine festival are \$20 in advance and \$25 on the day of the event.

On Sunday, September 25, guests can also enjoy live music by Banda Corazon Ranchero and 2-for-\$7 Corona beer specials at Festival Latino with Univision. On Fridays, guests can enjoy \$2 beers all day.

Family Fun Day Sundays on September 25 and October 2, features jump houses, a game truck, and more. Hippity Hop races at the track are open to kids ages 7-10 on Saturdays and Sundays.

The Craftoberfest craft beer event takes place on Saturday, October 1 from 3-6 p.m. Advanced ticket sales are \$40 per person and \$45 the day of the event.

For more information, go to www.alamedacountyfair.com.

Daily Racing Promotions & Events:

- Friday, September 23
 - \$2 Beers all day
 - T-shirt Giveaway
 - Late Pick 4
 - .20 Cent Gold Rush Pick
 - .20 Cent Gold Strike Pentafecta
 - Fan Cave – Live sports
 - Racing seminar

- Saturday, September 24
 - \$10,000 Handicapping Tournament
 - Sip, Savor & Wager Wine Festival
 - Kids' Hippity Hop Contest
 - Late Pick 4
 - .20 Cent Gold Rush Pick 6
 - .20 Cent Gold Strike Pentafecta
 - Fan Cave- live sports
 - Racing seminar

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- Sunday, September 25
 - Festival Latino with Univision
 - Family Fun Day
 - Kids' Hippity Hop Contest
 - Corona Beer Special – 2 for \$7
 - Late Pick 4
 - .20 Cent Gold Rush Pick 6
 - .20 Gold Strike Pentafecta
 - Fan Cave – live sports
 - Racing seminar

- Friday, September 30
 - \$2 Beers all day
 - Late Pick 4
 - .20 Gold Rush Pick 6
 - .20 Cent Gold Strike Pentafecta
 - Fan Cave – live sports
 - Racing seminar

- Saturday, October 1
 - Craftoberfest – craft beer festival
 - Kids' Hippity Hop Contest
 - Stakes Race: Oak Tree Juvenile (2 yr old, 1 mile) -- \$50,000, Purse presented by Medea Vodka
 - Late Pick 4
 - .20 Cent Gold Rush Pick 6
 - .20 Cent Gold Strike Pentafecta
 - Fan Cave – live sports
 - Racing seminar

- Sunday, October 2
 - Family Fun Day
 - Kids' Hippity Hop Contest
 - Late Pick 4
 - .20 Cent Gold Rush Pick 6
 - .20 Cent Gold Strike Pentafecta
 - Fan Cave – live sports
 - Racing seminar

The Alameda County Fair is operated by the non-profit Fair Association without any tax funding from the government. It is ranked one of the Top 50 North American Fairs and the 7th largest Fair in California. The Fairgrounds is home to the Oldest One-Mile Race Track in America.