



PRESS RELEASE - AJAX DOWNS

Fun is name of the game at Ajax Downs this summer

Family Fun Day has excitement for kids of all ages on Sunday, Aug. 21

August 11, 2016 — This year's big event at Ajax Downs will be a real treat for fans of Treehouse TV, with Lenny Graf coming out to help put the fun in Family Fun Day on Sunday, Aug. 21, along with a long list of free treats, activities and even Wendel Clark on hand to support The Shoulder Centre, located at Ajax and Pickering hospital.

Kids get a chance to run on the horse-racing track in the 'Try-the-Track' event and can get up close and personal with the jockeys, horses and many other animals in the petting zoo. The 2016 Family Fun Day also features free draws and giveaways, crafts, henna tattoos, water fun and inflatable bouncers, along with a chance to meet a Toronto Maple Leaf legend.

"I think having Lenny Graf here to sing and entertain the kids is going to be really special this year," says **Bob Broadstock**, President, of the **Quarter Racing Owners of Ontario, Inc. (QROOI)**. "For Leafs fans, having Wendel (Clark) back will be a treat and I always get a kick out of seeing the little ones bursting out of the starting gate and running down the track. You really don't want to miss this year's Family Fun Day."

The list of special guests includes a visit from Paw Patrol, and everyone will have a chance to meet and have their picture taken with Batman, Wonder Woman and Supergirl. Throughout the afternoon there are several exciting quarter horse races being run to add to the excitement.

Ajax Downs and the **QROOI** host the annual free community event to support Rouge Valley Ajax and Pickering hospital. Ajax Downs is a family-owned business that is proud to support the Ajax community, as is the Racing Owners' association, with both associations located in Ajax. Funded entirely with corporate donations by Ajax Downs, QROOI and a number of event sponsors, **Free Family Fun Day at the Races** is held in order to give back to the community. This year the event supports The Shoulder Centre, a collaboration between five great shoulder surgeons, to build the capacity to assess and treat all shoulder problems accurately and with shortened wait times.

The media is invited to attend for photo opportunities:

Date: Sunday, August 21, 2016

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Location: Ajax Downs, 50 Alexander's Crossing, Lower Level Patio, Ajax

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About Ajax Downs

Ajax Downs has a deep rooted history of horse racing in Canada. For over 40 years, it has been exclusively devoted to the exciting sport of Quarter Horse racing. Ajax Downs hosts some of the richest

stake races in Canadian Quarter Horse racing and the upmost in exciting equine entertainment.

About Quarter Racing Owners of Ontario, Inc.

The Quarter Racing Owners of Ontario Inc. organization and its members promote the sport of quarter horse racing in Ontario and Canada.