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Sweetwater Downs to Run the Richest Horse Race in Wyoming History

ROCK SPRINGS – Wyoming Horse Racing's (WHR) Sweetwater Downs has carded a contentious field of 10 two-year-olds to contest the \$250,000 Sweetwater Downs Quarter Horse Futurity this Saturday, September 6, 2025. The \$250,000 purse is the largest in Wyoming Horse Racing history and highlights a 10-race card at the Rock Springs oval. The ten fastest runners from the Aug. 23 trials earned the right to compete in the 350-yard final.

Daisy Carlson and Joe Goggins' Deja Dulce (7-2 morning lines odds) is expected to be the favorite for Trainer Jess Matt. The sorrel gelding by Dulce Sin Tacha was the fastest qualifier in the trials (0:17.324.7 seconds), recording an impressive 99 speed index figure. A winner of \$129,885, Deja Dulce is by far the high money earner in the field and has put together a record of four wins and one second in seven lifetime starts. Jacob Cardenas will be on board the Oklahoma-bred who is seeking his fourth consecutive victory, including a most recent tally in the Wyoming Downs Futurity on July 25th.

Those expecting to challenge the favorite include Robert Ortiz's Fooseylady and Bill Doenz's Cowboy Cadilac. Fooseylady (4-1 morning line) posted a sharp and gritty win in her trial recording the third fastest time of 0:17.400.3 and earning a 97-speed index. Jockey Minor Arana returns in the saddle on the daughter of Foose who has posted wins in three of her four lifetime starts. The Utah-bred who is trained by the owner Ortiz and will break from the outside gate.

Sweetwater Downs' top conditioner Josh Taylor may have the now horse in the field with Cowboy Cadilac (9-2 morning line). The son of Flying Cowboy 123 has posted two straight victories, including a three-length tally in his trial (0:17.441.1, 96 speed index). Taylor's stable has been winning at incredible rate, posting seven wins, four seconds and a third in 15 starts. Jockey Juan Pulido has teamed up with Taylor to win five races at the meeting and will return in the saddle for Saturday's final. They will break from post 8.

On Sunday, older horses are in the spotlight with the \$159,850 Sweetwater Downs Quarter Horse Derby (three-year-olds) and the \$101,450 Sweetwater Downs Quarter Horse Maturity. Both events will be contested at 400 yards and will be run as races eight and six respectively. A nine-race card will get underway at 1 pm on Sunday.

Racing returns this weekend with a seven-race Friday card starting at 4 p.m., featuring a special happy hour (4-5 pm.) and 1-2-3 Friday concession specials (\$1 popcorn, \$2 soft drinks and \$3 hot dogs).

Races continue through Sept. 28. Gates open at noon on Saturdays and Sundays, with the first race starting at 1 p.m. Races will also be held on Fridays: Sept. 5 and 12, with a post time of 4 p.m. Fridays will feature a happy hour from 4-5 p.m.

For those who can't attend the live races in person, Wyoming Horse Racing offers betting at any of the ten Horse Palace locations, including sites in Casper, Cheyenne, Evanston, Gillette, Green River, Rock Springs and Sheridan.

Sweetwater Downs is located within the Sweetwater Events Complex at 3320 Yellowstone Road in Rock Springs.

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