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Plan Now to Attend Strawberry Hill Races April 12 Purchase Early and Enjoy Extra Savings

Whether you wish to travel in style, celebrate in the sun, enjoy the highlife in skysuites, or want to leave the driving to someone else the Strawberry Hill Races has the right pass for you. Passes are now on sale for Central Virginia's annual "Rite of Spring" the 76th Running of the Strawberry Hill Races at Colonial Downs, Saturday, April 12. Order your passes today online or by calling the SHR Ticket office at 804. 569.3232.

JOCKEY CLUB - \$325 reservations by April 7

Enjoy a sumptuous buffet with table reservation for four, closed circuit TV at your table, outdoor grandstand viewing area, one carload pass with VIP parking and more in the exclusive Colonial Downs Clubhouse third floor Jockey Club.



RESERVED SPACES - \$200 to \$295

Host your own picnic with family and friends. Spaces accommodate one regular sized vehicle with room for 15 to 20 guests. Inside and outside rail available, sold on first-come, first-served basis.



LIMOUSINE PASS - \$250 must be purchased by April 11

Arrive in style to celebrate the Central Virginia's annual "Rite of Spring." Allows entrance for all in the limousine but does not include rental of limo.

Get above the crowd in the Jockey Club in the Colonial Downs Clubhouse.

SHUTTLE PASS - \$40 advance pricing through April 4

Enjoy door-to-door service with this combined admission/transportation package.

Includes shuttle ride to and from Colonial Downs and admission to the races from Richmond Raceway Complex.



CARLOAD PASS - \$125 advance pricing through April 4

Put the top down and travel to scenic New Kent for a day at the races.

Includes admission to the races for as many people who can legally fit in a personal vehicle. No oversized vehicles allowed.

Have fun in the sun and display your epicurean style with your own reserved space.

BUSLOAD PASS - \$700 must be purchased by April 11

Gather all your friends, family, co-workers and club members for steeplechase excitement. Admission includes all passengers on the bus

but does not include bus rental.

For detailed information, complete pricing and ordering visit
<http://www.strawberryhillraces.com/admission.asp> or call 804.569.3232

Elis Olsson Foundation Awards Grant to SFVA Campaign

In December, SFVA, The State Fair of Virginia, Inc., received a major grant from the Elis Olsson Memorial Foundation to support the construction of the Equine Complex at The Meadow Event Park. SFVA will recognize the grant by honoring the name of Sture G. Olsson on one of two 143-stall Horse Stall Barns to be built at the Event Park.

Mr. Olsson, who lived in West Point, passed away September 10 of last year at the age of 87. Mr. Olsson was a member of the board of directors of SFVA (when it was formerly known as 'Atlantic Rural Exposition') from 1960-1971.

Sture Olsson was best known as the chairman of Chesapeake Corp. in West Point and for his illustrious 48-year career there. But of similar longevity was his involvement with Thoroughbred horses in Virginia. He was a successful owner and breeder, as well as a generous supporter of equine-related activities.

2007 State Fair of Virginia Scholarship Winners Announced List Available Online

The 2007 State Fair of Virginia Scholarship Winners list is available online. See who from your county, school or favorite competition brought home a blue ribbon and has helped to further their education with scholarship dollars.

Visit <http://www.statefair.com/2007/scholarshipwinners2007.asp> for a complete listing.

Since its inception in 1989, the State Fair of Virginia Scholarship Program has awarded 1,890 scholarships and has dedicated nearly one and a half million dollars to youth education. Scholarship winners may use their scholarship earnings to attend any accredited post-secondary educational institution. For 2008, the State Fair of Virginia Scholarship Program will reward young people for their hard work and achievement in twenty nine sanctioned State Fair competition areas.

For complete information in the State Fair of Virginia Scholarship Program visit
<http://www.statefairva.org/scholarships.asp>

2008 SFVA Events Calendar



April 12
Colonial Downs
New Kent, Virginia

September 25 - October 5
Richmond Raceway Complex
Richmond, Virginia

October 25 and 26
Richmond Raceway Complex
Richmond, Virginia

For complete information on SFVA and SFVA events visit <http://www.statefairva.org>

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