

"Insiders" Race Day will benefit UCSD Medical Center on August 7 at the Del Mar Race Track

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A winning day--in uniqueness, excitement, conviality--is predicted for "An Insider's Day at the Races" to be held Aug. 7 at the Del Mar Race Track as a benefit for UCSD Medical Center.

Slated as "a full day of behind-the-scenes excitement connected with the prestigious million dollar Pacific Classic," the event begins at 8 a.m. trackside and doesn't end until late in the afternoon with the final race of the day.

In between, there's fast-paced diversity. After watching the 8 a.m. morning workouts, getting clocker's reports and track conditions, participants get a VIP behind-the-scenes tour of the backstretch stable area.

At 9 a.m. they'll have a private presentation by a leading trainer and jockey about race preparation and strategy and then hear a discussion by a well-known veterinarian about treatments in training and racing.

An early highlight during brunch in the new Satellite Wagering Facility will be the post position drawing for the Aug. 10 Pacific Classic, Del Mar's first million dollar race. Trevor Denman, track announcer, will emcee the drawing, to be attended by top owners, jockeys, trainers and celebrities.

A private handicapping seminar regarding morning lines, race conditions, what to look for in Racing Form and other "insider" information is scheduled at 11 a.m., followed by drawings for special prizes such as one year's use of a new convertible car or season passes to the Turf Club.

Pre-race afternoon events include tours of the normally "off limits" computer and photo-finish rooms, and a visit with the jockeys as they don their silks in preparation for the first race.

Participants will view the races from reserved tables in the Turf Club and join in the "Winner's Circle" trophy presentation at the end of the eighth race, named in honor of UCSD Medical Center.

The unique charity event is the brainchild of Donald D. Stone, chairman, who is being assisted by Robert M. Spanjian as co-chair. Members of their committee include Jan Anton, Robert Astleford, Robert Breitbard, Paul Ecke Jr., Carolyn Farris, Craig Fravel, David H. Garfield, Alan Greenway, James D. Hennessy Sr., Charmaine and Maurice Kaplan, Shelia D. and M. Larry Lawrence, Richard C. Levi, Warner C. Lusardi, Dr. Peter J. Maturo, Dr. William F. McColl, Thomas A. Page, VAdm. Raymond E. Peet, Ewa and Lawrence Robinson, Darlene and Donald Shiley, Richard S. Spanjian, Sally B. and John M. Thornton, Viviane Warren and James R. Williams.

The honorary committee includes UCSD Chancellor Richard C. Atkinson, School of Medicine Dean Gerard N. Burrow, UCSD Medical Center Director Michael R. Stringer and Del Mar Thoroughbred Club President Joe Harper.

Reservations are \$1,000 per person and are limited. Since all expenses for the event have been underwritten, 100 percent of the proceeds will go to the 1991-92 UCSD Medical Center capital fund.

For further information call 534-6388.

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