

# AZHBPA NEWSLETTER

HAPPY AUGUST 2017!!

HARD TO BELIEVE THE SUMMER IS COMING TO A CLOSE! FOUR MORE WEEKS AND THE BACKSIDE WILL BE OPENING FOR BARN SETUP!

TURF PARADISE SCHEDULE

SEPTEMBER 5<sup>th</sup> Backside is open to start with Stall preparations and Barn setups

September 12<sup>th</sup> Backside is open to bringing in your horses.

September 14<sup>th</sup> Main track open for training.

October 14<sup>th</sup> First day of live racing.

Capital Improvement Projects: New in-conduit timing system installed on main track and turf course; barns to be re-painted; pot holes to be filled. Electrical outlet boxes to stables replaced; new water system for K-9-K-12 installed; 5/8 gap safety rain repaired; manure bunkers repaired; new roof for A-1; barns repairs and dorm room clean-up; ADOR/Racing Office roof replaced; new sand and tanbark for main track; south parking lot now paved with asphalt millings.

The ADOR is encouraging members to get licensing done early!

The Turf Paradise Licensing Office opens for the 2017-2018 season on Tuesday, Sept. 5. Licensing hours will be from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. each day. Licensing applications are available online at [www.racing.az.gov](http://www.racing.az.gov). For more information, on licensing, please call 602-364-1709.

THE AZHBPA OFFICE WILL BE OPENING ON September 5<sup>th</sup>.

OFFICE HOURS SEPTEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup> THRU SEPTEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup> WILL BE 8 AM TO 12 PM.

SEPTEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup> THRU OCTOBER 7<sup>TH</sup> OPEN 8 AM TO 2 PM EVERYDAY.

CLOSED ON WEEKENDS UNTIL OCTOBER 7TH

THERE IS A GROUP OF ARIZONA INVESTORS THAT ARE IN THE DUE DILIGENCE STAGE OF ACQUIRING YAVAPI DOWNS! THEY HAVE RETAINED COREY JOHNSON AS AN ADVISOR, COREY IS THE MANAGING PARTNER OF KENTUCKY DOWNS! THE GROUP IS IN THE PROCESS OF ACQUIRING THEIR LICENSES AND OBTAINING BIDS FOR THE REBUILDING OF THE FACILITY. THEIR GOAL IS TO BE OPEN FOR THE 2018 RACE MEET! I WILL KEEP YOU UPDATED AS THE NEWS COMES IN!

SEE YOU IN SEPTEMBER

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