



Neshoba County Fair®
MISSISSIPPI'S GIANT HOUSE PARTY®
16800 Highway 21 South
Philadelphia, Mississippi 39350

April 15, 2026

To: HARNESS HORSE OWNERS

The Neshoba County Fair dates this year are June 19, 2026, through June 26, 2026. One of the major attractions of the fair, **harness racing**, will begin on Sunday, June 21, 2026, and end on Friday, June 26, 2026. **PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE IN SCHEDULE FOR 2026.**

All horses with current eligibility certificates are invited based on condition sheet which is enclosed and will be eligible to be declared "in" by placing the declaration form in the condition box. The presiding judge will then draw for races from the box.

Due to limited stall space, it will be necessary for some pull in racing. Stall assignments will be made on a need basis and will be handled by the racing committee. Please request stalls that are needed for horses only. The request for stalls must be made on or before **Wednesday, June 3, 2026.**

The USTA will not allow horses to be entered into a race without an implanted, approved microchip. Please make sure that all of your horses have a microchip implanted prior to shipping to the fair. There will not be an identifier available during the 2026 Neshoba County Fair. Please contact the USTA if your horse does not have a microchip by May 1, 2026, to take care of this.

If you plan to race at the fair this year, please complete the enclosed stall application forms and return them to the Neshoba County Fair office. Please send all names of horses that you may race this year. **Do not ask for a stall if you are not going to race. Failure to comply may result in no stalls being issued in 2027.**

If you know of new owners or someone with an address change, please furnish them with a copy of the stall application.

All drivers, trainers, and owners must have a valid USTA membership and license. Please ensure that this is done prior to the first entry day. If in doubt, please contact the USTA at (877) 800-USTA (8782). **Anyone driving or warming up a horse on the racetrack is required to wear a safety vest and helmet anytime on the racetrack, both during training, warmups, and during racing.** There will be no exceptions in 2026. Failure to comply with this may result in a fine and report to the USTA.

Car/barn passes will be given on first entry.

If you have any questions, you may call Sam Mars at 601-562-6464 or email ncfairracing@gmail.com. We are looking forward to seeing you at the 2026 fair.

NCF RACING COMMITTEE

HARNESS RACING PROGRAM

Neshoba County Fair – Philadelphia, MS

June 21, 2026 – June 26, 2026

**All Heats Purses pay \$1,200.00 Six Afternoons of Harness Racing All
Weather Half Mile Track, NO INSURANCE PROVIDED
All conditions may be separated or combined by age, sex, or earnings**

SUNDAY – Post Time 2:00 PM

PACE Three-Year-Old Under \$1,000.00 L/T
PACE Three-Year-Old Over \$1,000.00 L/T
PACE Four Year and Older Over \$2,000.00 L/T
PACE Two-Year-Old Open

MONDAY – Post Time 2:00 PM

TROT FFA
PACE Three-Year-Old Under \$1,500.00 L/T
PACE Four Year and Older Under \$2,000.00 L/T

TUESDAY – Post Time 2:00 PM

PACE Maiden Three, Four, or Five-Year-Old
PACE Three-Year-Old Over \$1,000.00 L/T
PACE Four Year and Older Over \$2,000.00 L/T

WEDNESDAY – Post Time 2:00 PM

TROT FFA
PACE Three-Year-Old with 1st 2nd 3rd Finish at Neshoba County Fair 2026
PACE Four Year and Older with 1st 2nd 3rd at Finish Neshoba County Fair 2026
PACE Three-Year-Old or Older Finishing No Better Than 4th, 5th, 6th, or 7th at Neshoba County Fair 2026
PACE Four Year and Older with 1st 2nd 3rd Finish at Neshoba County Fair 2026

THURSDAY – Post Time 2:00 PM

PACE Two-Year-Old Open/Invitational
PACE Horses with 1st 2nd 3rd Finish at Neshoba County Fair 2026
PACE Horses Finishing No Better Than 4th, 5th, 6th, or 7th at Neshoba County Fair 2026

FRIDAY – Post Time 1:30 PM

TROT FFA
PACE Horses Finishing No Better Than 4th, 5th, 6th, or 7th at Neshoba County Fair 2026
PACE Three-Year-Old Invitational TBA
Morris Therrell Invitational TBA 2 Heats (Time at 2026 NCF will be used as Preference)
Morris Therrell Invitational Consolation TBA (Must enter MTI to be eligible)
Invitation issued after Wednesday's program based upon horse's performance at 2026

CONDITION: U.S.T.A. rules to govern, with exception, 6 to enter, 5 to start. Entrance fee \$30.00 per heat, no refund, and money divided into 45-25-15-10-5%. Eligibility is based on lifetime winnings unless stated otherwise. The Association reserves the right to postpone, change order of program, or declare off on account of insufficient entries, a class may be substituted for available horses. Horses to be declared in and entrance fee paid by 10 AM day before. The Association will not be responsible for any injury to horses or drivers but will take every precaution to prevent same. One or more horses may start from the same stable, but the judges reserve the right to nominate the second driver. Races will be called at Post Time and started then. The Maximum number of horses per heat – 7. The above conditions are subject to change based on the number of horses entering on a given day by the Race Secretary and Presiding Judge. THE FIRST ENTER FREE WITH A SEASON PASS.