



## **\$1 Million LQHBA Futurity highlights 2013 Quarter Horse Season at Evangeline Downs**

Opelousas, Louisiana—The LQHBA Futurity, worth an estimated \$1 million dollars highlights the upcoming 2013 fall Quarter Horse racing season as Evangeline Downs Racetrack & Casino, which kicks off the 46-night meet on Wednesday, October 2. The LQHBA Futurity, a Restricted Grade I event for Louisiana bred two-year-olds is the first and only seven-figure Quarter Horse race in the state of Louisiana. The LQHBA Futurity will be run on Saturday, November 16, with the trials held on Friday, October 25.

Coleman Lloyd, racing secretary at Evangeline Downs stated “In addition to the LQHBA Futurity, our stakes program also includes the Evangeline Futurity. This very popular event provides horsemen a chance to showcase their late-blooming two-year-olds at the end of the year in a six-figure event. The trials for the Evangeline Futurity will be held on Saturday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>, with the final set for Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup>. Lloyd also stated “While we have a solid stakes schedule for both the juveniles and older horses, we also offer a strong overnight program with purses at \$75,500 a night, which provides plenty of opportunity for our horsemen.”

### Evangeline Downs' 2013 fall Stakes schedule.

Oct. 5	Opelousas Stakes	3yo&up	400 yds.	\$35,000 added
Oct. 19	Billy Montgomery Stakes	3yo&up f/m	350 yds.	\$30,000 added
Nov. 9	EVD Dash	3yo&up	220 yds.	\$25,000 added
Nov. 16	LQHBA Futurity	2yo	400 yds.	\$1,000,000
Nov. 16	LQHBA Fut. (Consolation)	2yo	400 yds.	\$40,000 guaranteed
Nov. 16	EVD Derby	3yo	400 yds.	\$50,000 guaranteed
Dec. 14	EVD Futurity	2yo	400 yds.	\$100,000 added

The season will run thru Thursday, December 19 and will feature primarily a four-evening a week schedule, Wednesday-Saturday with a first post of 5:40 p.m. Central Time.

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