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History in the Making: Indian Relay Championship of Champions Gallops into Casper, Wyoming

Casper, Wyoming – Get ready to witness history in the making as the Horse Nations Indian Relay Council (HNIRC) partners with the Wind River Hotel & Casino and the Northern Arapaho Tribe to present the most coveted event in Indian Relay racing – the Indian Relay Championship of Champions. Set against the breathtaking backdrop of Casper, Wyoming, this thrilling event is scheduled for September 22nd, 23rd, and 24th, 2023.

Indian Relay racing is a spectacle like no other, where one rider, bareback, takes on three horses, racing three laps and switching horses after each lap. The fierce competition between teams, with 12-18 horses on the track at once, creates an atmosphere of excitement and danger that keeps everyone on the edge of their seats.

"We are thrilled to see such widespread participation in the Championship this year, with over 40 teams representing the best of both the United States and Canada," said Calvin Ghost Bear, President of HNIRC.

This heart-pounding sport traces its roots back to Native American Warriors, who relied on quick horse exchanges during hunts and battles. Horses hold a sacred place in the tribes of the Horse Nations, and their exceptional riding skills are on full display in Indian Relay races – America's first extreme sport.

Chairman Lloyd Goggles of the Northern Arapaho Tribe said, "Supporting the Indian Relay Championship of Champions as the title sponsor, we are proud to invest in the strength and tradition of Indigenous athleticism. Our commitment is a celebration of the incredible talent and heritage that these races represent. We believe in the power of this sport to inspire and unite, and we're honored to contribute to its growth and success."

The Indian Relay Championship of Champions is not just an adrenaline-pumping event; it's a family-oriented celebration of culture and competition. Attendees can enjoy vendors, full concessions, and adult beverages, making it the perfect outing for friends and family.

Tom Jones, Manager of the Central Wyoming Fairgrounds, expressed his excitement by saying, "I am thrilled at the return of the Indian Relay Championship of Champions to the Central Wyoming Fairgrounds. This event not only showcases the remarkable athleticism and traditions of Indigenous communities but also brings our communities together for an unforgettable experience. We're proud to host this celebration of culture, sport, and unity, knowing it's a significant moment for Casper and a testament to our commitment to diverse and inclusive events."

Don't miss your chance to be a part of this unforgettable experience. Mark your calendars for the Indian Relay Championship of Champions and witness the excitement, culture, and history of this remarkable sport.

Event Details:

- **Date:** September 22nd, 23rd, and 24th, 2023
- **Location:** Central Wyoming Fairgrounds, Casper, Wyoming
- **Tickets:** Available at the Central Wyoming Fairgrounds, Casper, WY, and online at horsenationsindianrelay.com
- **Gates Open:** 12:00 noon
- **Races Start:** 2:00 PM (all three days)

About Horse Nations Indian Relay Council (HNIRC): HNIRC is a leading organization dedicated to preserving and promoting the sport of Indian Relay racing. Through events like the Indian Relay Championship of Champions, HNIRC aims to showcase the incredible skills and traditions of Native American riders while providing family-friendly entertainment for all.

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