



Perris Press Release

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Firecracker 30 and Sky Concert Set for July 2

The City of Perris and Perris Auto Speedway are once again teaming up to present a free night of racing and fireworks at the half-mile racetrack to celebrate America's Independence Day.

Known officially as "The Firecracker 30 and Sky Concert," the holiday fireworks show and patriotic-music tribute will take place at 9 p.m. on Saturday, July 2 at the speedway at 18700 Lake Perris Drive.

Perris residents will be admitted at no charge if they show their identification or utility bill verifying their address.

Track promoter Don Kazarian said last year more than 1,900 Perris residents took in the racing and sky concert. He hopes to double that number in 2011.

"It's a red, white and blue celebration," Kazarian said. "It's very, very patriotic."

This year's night of racing and revelry marks another in a series of events celebrating Perris' Centennial. The City has been hosting celebrations throughout the year and the fireworks spectacular promises to be one of the most exciting.

Pre-race activities include musical performances, a dunk tank, a pit-crew challenge and skydivers. American flags will be handed out for free.

Sprint cars from the United States Auto Club/California Racing Association will compete on the half-mile oval, which features some of the top drivers in the western U.S. The night of competition culminates with a 30-lap feature race.

The Perris Auto Speedway is recognized nationally and internationally as one of the top dirt tracks in America. The track boasts world-class sound and lighting systems.

Perris City Councilman Mark Yarbrough, who has raced at the track, sponsored racecars in Perris and works most events with his towing company, said no one will be disappointed in the July 2 show.

"It's maybe the best fireworks show I've ever seen," he said. "I encourage all Perris residents to enjoy this thrilling event. It's a great way to spend the Independence Day weekend."

More information about the July 2 show and other raceway events is available by calling the Perris Auto Speedway at 951-940-0134 or visiting the website, www.perrisautospeedway.com

Perris City Manager Richard Belmudez said officials hope residents take advantage of the free fireworks show at the speedway. Fireworks of all kinds are prohibited in Perris, and people cited by police can face fines of up to \$500.



Last year's race was full of excitement and surprises!