



Iron Duck title there for taking

DUCK Norris leads DUCKtor Drey by a victory after two wins



DUCK Norris has regained the lead in the Iron 'duck' Championship series with his 2 victories this past weekend. He leads DUCKtor Drey, 6 wins to 5.

It's come down to one final weekend of racing – actually two races – to determine who this season's Iron DUCK champion will be. After capturing the first race on Saturday and the last race on Sunday, DUCK Norris has regained the lead in the series with 6 victories overall. DUCKtor Drey, with his one win on Saturday, is second with 5 victories overall.

“It's all upstairs now, all what's between my eyes,” Norris told a post-race press gathering following Sunday afternoon's final race, barely acknowledging what he's become known for. “I realize everyone – including my fellow race mates – thinks it's my strong kick, but when you're DUCK Norris, there's a whole lot more than what you see on the outside.”

DUCKtor Drey, after knotting things up at four wins apiece the previous weekend, at least gave himself an opportunity for the title by virtue of his one win this weekend.

“The swim is easy, but that long waddle to the finish has taken some getting used to,” Norris quacked at the press conference. “I do feel like I've gotten things 'down' with the little quirks of the race track though. I'm ready for our final day!”

Disco Duck, last year's series champion, and Sir Quack-a-Lot both have two victories and DUCK Rogers has one. Michael QUACKson is winless. And though he won't defend his series title, he's still wants to finish strong.

“A full off-season of some quack-talking (by me to them) if I can at least make this a 'lame' duck series title for one of those guys by winning the last two races,” Disco said. “Lots of pride on the line and I'm not about to duck the competition.”

Maris Farms is raising funds for the Fisher House of Seattle with this season's live duck races – it's the third annual “Iron Duck” Championship series. A total of \$111 was raised this past weekend and so far, \$246 over the first three weekends. PRIOR to ALL racing sessions, patrons can donate at our mock “wagering” window. Fans can make donations of \$1 (1 ticket) and \$3 (5 tickets) and pick a duck they feel will win. All donators are given a special duck bill for their contribution. ALL DONATIONS go to the Fisher House of Seattle.

After someone donates, they receive a numbered raffle ticket – they keep half and put the other half in the slot of their “predicted” winner. At the end of the race, the announcer will draw a name from the “winning” duck's slot, and that individual will win a prize, provided by one of our many race sponsors - Anytime Fitness, Westside Pizza and Wally's Drive In, Applebee's of Bonney Lake, Monster Energy Drink, Chic-Fil-A of Tacoma and Smith Bros. Dairy.

A total of \$110 was raised this past weekend and 190 tickets purchased to place bets. The past four weekends have raised a total of \$356 and had 504 bets wagered.

These top tier “QUACK-aletes” – each named after a singing star or actor – start at one end of an old cow feeder by swimming 100 feet one way, then climbing a ramp and “running/fluttering” back to where they started. First one back is the winner. In all, there will be 16 races during the season (Saturdays/Sundays only, two per day) at 1 pm and 3 pm. The duck with the most victories over that period will be crowned “Iron-Duck” World Champion.

This special event race is patterned after the famed Iron Man Triathlon, where competitors (human, that is) challenge one another over a 2.4 mile swim, 112 mile bike ride and 26.2 mile marathon along the Kona (Hawaii) coast each October. However, instead of 1800 human racing machines, Maris Farms will serve up six of the finest QUACK-aletes in Pierce County and they'll cover a grand total of 200 feet!

Maris Farms has become one of Pierce County's favorite family fall destinations for its pumpkins, corn maze and haunted attractions...and, of course, its duck races. All races are at 1 and 3 pm on both Saturdays and Sundays.

Here are the current wins for the competitors:

Maris Farms 'Iron Duck' series competitors

	<u>WINS</u>
• #2 Ducktor Drey	5
• #3 Michael Quackson	0
• #4 Duck Norris	6
• #5 Duck Rogers	1
• #6 Sir Quack-A-Lot	2
• #7 Disco Duck	2