



SchwartzzenHOGGER: 'I'm BAACK!'

Five other hogs still vying for three spots in this weekend's PIGtucky Derby

During the eight years of the Triple PIG Crown series, Arnold SchwartzzenHOGGER has been a "name" at best over the course of the month long season. People have always loved the former Mr. HOG and pig-action film hero as he's one of the original pig racers, just never been very good. Many thought he was living off past successes. He'd show up in October to swarms of fans, but didn't do much when it came to race time. One thing he has been is consistent...consistently bad.

Well, this past weekend, over the course of two days of qualifying rounds at PIGlico Downs in Buckley, the "old-timer," representing Anytime Fitness of Buckley/Orting, was as consistent as he's ever been – consistently great. He captured five victories in six races to become the "leader in the house" headed into this Saturday's final qualifying race (noon, PDT) for the PIGtucky Derby, scheduled for 2 pm.

"I'm baack," SchwartzzenHOGGER bellowed from his race pen paddock after final qualifying races were completed on Sunday afternoon. "Off season has been good to me. Let the criticisms begin."

Of course, the oversized hog with the black "belt" around his belly, has been accused for years of taking performance-pig enhancers. But he's never tested positive, and this weekend was no different as he was clean in post-race testing. Those allegations have come mostly from his younger years when he was amongst the most popular hog actors from such famed movies as (HOGinator, RoboSLOP and ConHAM the Barbequebarion)

He has positioned himself well to kick off the season and has assured himself at least one of the four coveted spots for this weekend's Derby. Others still vying for the remaining three spots: Wally's Drive In "Famous Seattle Radio DJ teammates #106.1 KISS FM's Ben SUUUUbert, with three victories and #100.7 The Wolf's BACON Fitz, with two wins; and all three Westside Pizza "Famous Pig" teammates #6 BABE, #7 PORKY PIG and #8 Miss PIGGY – all with two wins apiece.

"Let's face it, I'm leaner, I'm meaner and I'm prettier," said SUUUUbert, referring to his race mates. "I'm confident that my fellow DJ race mates know this and fear this."

"Bull-Pork" snorted This Little MIGGY, when told of SUUUUbert's comments. "He'd better watch his ham this weekend."

BACON Fitz agreed, "He's not a lock for the 'Derby' and I'm right on his baby backs. If I were him, I'd keep my snout shut until after final qualifying Saturday morning."

In addition to the title sponsors – Anytime Fitness, Westside Pizza and Wally's Drive In - several other sponsors are contributing cash and/or prizes to this event, including Applebee's of Bonney Lake, Monster Energy Drink, Chic-Fil-A of Tacoma and Smith Bros. Dairy. The top victory earner from each group and the hog with the next most victories will race in this Saturday's PIGtucky Derby at 2 pm at PIGlico Downs. In addition to the PIGtucky Derby (Saturday, 2 pm), there will be two more marquee races: The SQUEAKness (Oct. 17th, 2 pm) and The BOARmont Stakes (Oct. 24th, 2 pm).

Our 9 competitors include:

	<u>WINS</u>
1. <u>ANYTIME FITNESS Buckley/Orting Fitness Fanatics Competitors:</u>	
• #1 arnold SchwartzzenHOGGER	5
• #2 jack LaLOIN	1
• #3 richard SOWmmons	3
2. <u>WESTSIDE PIZZA'S Famous Pigs Competitors</u>	
• #6 BABE	2
• #7 PORKY PIG	2
• #8 Miss PIGGY	2
3. <u>WHITE RIVER DRIVE IN'S Morning Radio DJ Competitors</u>	
• #99.9 This Little MIGGY (KISW morning show)	1
• #100.7 BACON Fitz (Wolf morning crew, Fitz in the Morning)	2
• # 106.1 Ben SUUUUbert (KISS morning crew, Jackie & Bender)	3





HOW IT WORKS:

On a small round track near the animal barn, several races will occur during the course of a weekend day. Prior to each racing session (3 races per session, 3 sessions per day), racing fans can make donations of \$1 (1 ticket), \$5 (6 tickets) or \$10 (15 tickets) and pick a pig they feel will win that race.

After someone donates, they will receive a numbered raffle ticket – they will keep half and put the other half in the slot of their “chosen” winner. At the end of the race, the announcer will draw a name from the “winning” pig’s slot, and that individual will win a prize from one of our sponsors. **ALL DONORS will earn a special “pignostication” pig nose for their contribution.** ALL DONATIONS will go to St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital.

This past weekend, more \$280 betting/donation tickets were purchased and \$199 was raised over the course of those six qualifying races. The unprecedented racing series has raised over \$22,000+ for St. Jude’s during its eight-year run.

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, founded by the late entertainer Danny Thomas, is the nation’s leading children’s cancer research and treatment hospital, and the only one that covers all of the costs for medicine, treatment, food, travel and lodging. Children come to St. Jude from across the country, and 85 cents of every dollar received supports research and treatment. Today Danny’s legacy continues to thrive through the commitment of his children Marlo, Terre and Tony Thomas, who work tirelessly to honor their father's promise that no child is ever turned away because of a family’s inability to pay.

Maris Farms, in its 16th year of operation at this current site, is located in scenic east Pierce County about 3 miles west of Buckley, Washington, at 25001 Sumner-Buckley Highway. It has been selling pumpkins for 19 years (first three years were at a different location). Check www.MarisFarms.com for more details.



