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April 2–5, 2009—Equine Affaire: Ohio Expo Center, Columbus, OH

Equine Affaire, the nation’s premier equine exposition and equestrian gathering, will return to the Ohio Expo Center in Columbus on April 2nd through the 5th. The event’s legendary educational program will include hundreds of clinics, seminars, and demonstrations by highly-renowned national and international trainers, competitors, and coaches including **Monty Roberts** (*Join-Up®*), **Craig Cameron** (*General Training & Horsemanship*), **Julie Goodnight** (*Straightforward Horsemanship*), **Mark Rashid** (*General Training & Horsemanship*), **Tommy Garland** (*Western Horsemanship*), **Yonnick Firehorse** (*Become One Spirit Horsemanship*), and an impressive roster of discipline-specific clinicians.

More than 450 of the nation’s finest equine-related retailers and manufacturers will fill four buildings at the Ohio Expo Center, creating the largest equine-related trade show in the nation. Other highlights of the 2009 Equine Affaire will include an extensive Breed Pavilion and Horse & Farm Exhibits area, a fun and informative Youth Pavilion, and the Extreme Cowboy Race™ on Thursday, Friday, and Sunday afternoons in the coliseum. Two new “events within the event” are being introduced this year—a Youth and Collegiate Horse Judging Contest on Thursday and Canine Affaire on Friday and Saturday.

Equine Affaire will take place Thursday through Saturday from 9:00am to 7:30pm and Sunday from 9:00am to 5:00pm. General admission for adults will be \$14/day or \$48/four-day pass; children 7–12 will be \$8/day or \$28/four-day pass; children six and under will be admitted free. General admission includes entry to the trade show, the Extreme Cowboy Race, and all clinics, seminars, and demonstrations. Adult admission also includes a free event program. The Ohio Expo Center will charge for parking.

Discount room rates are available at dozens of Equine Affaire host hotels near the facility, and camping will be available at the Ohio Expo Center. For continuously-updated information, consult www.equineaffaire.com, or call (740) 845-0085 weekdays, 9:00am–5:00pm ET.

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