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Great Falls Turf Club Announces cancellation of 2026 Horse Racing Season

GREAT FALLS, MT– The Great Falls Turf Club has officially announced the cancellation of the 2026 Great Falls Horse Race season. Originally scheduled to run across three consecutive weekends in July at Montana ExpoPark, the decision comes after unexpected budget shortfalls left the club unable to cover the substantial operational expenses required to safely host the annual summer meet.

The decision was not made lightly, given the deep roots of horse racing in the local community. The Great Falls Turf Club is fully committed to the long-term health of the sport and is pivoting its focus toward a strong comeback. Management plans to spend the upcoming year restructuring its finances with the definitive goal of reestablishing the racing in Great Falls.

"It is a tough decision to halt racing this year, but taking a financial step back right now ensures we can protect the longevity of the track," said Chad Swift a spokesperson for the club. "We are deeply grateful to our horsemen, jockeys, local businesses, and loyal fans. We are focused on building a sustainable financial foundation so we can welcome everyone back to the grandstands soon."
The club is actively seeking partnerships, sponsorships, and community donations to secure the future of Montana summer racing. Anyone interested in more information on how to support future races or getting involved with fundraising efforts is heavily encouraged to contact the club directly.

About Great Falls Turf Club:
The Great Falls Turf Club is a non-profit organization dedicated to preserving and promoting the historic tradition of live horse racing in Cascade County, Montana. The club organizes annual summer race meets that bring together local agricultural heritage, tourism, and community entertainment.

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