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**Free Derby Exacta Box Wager and Fancy Hat Contest
Continue Empire City Casino's Kentucky Derby Tradition on Saturday, May 2**

Yonkers, New York - The "Run for the Roses" on the first Saturday in May is revered as the "most exciting two minutes in sports," and **Empire City Casino** will continue its Kentucky Derby tradition on **May 2** with its annual "Fancy Derby Hat Contest" and a free 2-horse exacta box wager to add to the thrills.

Contestants will register between 2:00 and 4:00 pm trackside, wearing their fancy hats, which have become part of the Derby fabric as much as the big race itself. The winners will be announced at 5 pm, after being chosen by a blue ribbon panel of judges. The grand prize is \$500 CASH and bragging rights; second place will take home \$250 CASH, and third place will receive \$100 CASH. As an added bonus, all qualified hat contestants will receive a \$10 Free Play coupon which can be redeemed at the promotions booth.

Free Exacta Box on the Derby

The first 700 Empire Club Members to visit the Gotham Palace promotions booth at 4 pm will receive one 2-horse exacta box for the Kentucky Derby. Limit one per Empire Club Member.

About Empire City Casino at Yonkers Raceway:

Empire City Casino, one of the largest entertainment and gaming destinations in the northeast, features 5,300 of the hottest slots, electronic craps, roulette, baccarat and sic bo; year-round harness racing & International simulcasting; live entertainment including the best party, tribute and Latin bands, comedy, & more. A plethora of dining options will satisfy even the most discerning palate with Italian cuisine at *Nonno's Trattoria*; trackside dining with live betting at *Empire Terrace Restaurant*; and convenient delicious options at the International Food Court or Lil' Cocina. A new \$50 million expansion added *Dan Rooney's*, a high-energy sports bar, and *Alley 810*, a craft cocktail lounge rounds out the entertainment options with retro bowling lanes. Empire City Casino at Yonkers Raceway is located at 810 Yonkers Avenue (off I-87 at Central Avenue) Yonkers, NY, Westchester County, open seven days a week from 10:00am to 6:00am. Visit www.empirecitycasino.com or call 914.968.4200 for information.

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