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Cal Expo Roars Back with Exciting On-Site Events

The return of live events at Cal Expo begins this summer

SACRAMENTO — As the state reopens, Cal Expo will begin hosting events again. Several events have already been confirmed, including the Butler Amusements Summer Carnival, the grand opening of the Rock & Brews restaurant, FoodieLand Night Market, The Legendary Sacramento Mile, 9/11 Memorial Plaza Ceremony and Country in the Park, with many more to follow.

“As the State reopens, we are delighted to bring the community together again for events at Cal Expo,” said Rick Pickering, CEO of Cal Expo. “With the success of our vaccination efforts, we look forward to safely reopening and enjoying live events again.”

Cal Expo's first large event since the pandemic will be Butler Amusements Summer Carnival from **July 16th to July 25th**. Hours of operation for the carnival will be Monday through Thursday from 4 pm to 11 pm, Friday from 4 pm to midnight, and on Saturday and Sunday from 11 am to midnight. Come enjoy the rides, food, and games with family and friends.

Following the Butler Amusements Summer Carnival, the restaurant Rock & Brews will be opening at the end of July at Cal Expo with a soft opening on **July 19th**. Rock & Brews will have 55 beers on tap and offers batting cages, mini golf, and a stage inside for live entertainment.

Continuing Cal Expo's comeback, the FoodieLand Night Market will take place on Labor Day Weekend from **September 3rd to September 6th**. Tickets are currently on sale online at foodielandnm.com. In order to continue to take safety precautions and protect the community's well-being, tickets for the event will be sold with staggered entry times to alleviate long lines and excessive crowding. There is also an early bird special ticket of \$3 for a 3 pm entrance time on Friday, September 3rd.

To follow up with more excitement for the community, Cal Expo will also be hosting the premier motorcycle racing event: The Legendary Sacramento Mile. It will take place on **September 11th to September 12th** and tickets are now available [online](#).

Additionally, in observance of the twentieth anniversary of 9/11, [the Cal Expo September 11 Memorial Plaza](#) will be open to the public on Saturday, **September 11, 2021, from 8 am to 12 pm**, to pay tribute to the victims and honor the survivors of the September 11, 2001 terror attacks and to observe the anniversary of the end of 9/11 rescue and recovery efforts.

Cal Expo will also be hosting Country in the Park on **September 18th**. This event is perfect for country music fans as there will be live performances from Little Big Town, Kip Moore, Niko Moon, Devin Dawson, Callista Clark, and more. A variety of games and food favorites will be available, offering something everyone in the family.

“These new events to kick start our return are the perfect way for families and friends to get together again in a safe and fun environment,” said Jess Durfee, Cal Expo Board of Director’s Chair. “With California reopening, we are happy to host live events again filled with plenty of delicious food and endless entertainment.”

Sacramento Republic FC soccer matches are in full swing at Cal Expo’s Heart Health Park. The full-sized soccer field is operational, and pro soccer matches are being held. Also, located on the Cal Expo grounds, Raging Waters is open daily and available for families to enjoy!

For more information about the events or to purchase tickets, visit CalExpoStateFair.com.

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