

# Rumors fly about pre-race Alley Races in Nevis

By Clark Pork

The alleys of Nevis are apparently no longer safe for pedestrians or bicyclists; numerous reports have been received of illegal Pig Sprint Racing in the alleys after dark. Several incidents have been reported in which a normally safe alleyway has turned into a hotbed of illegal racing swine and the associated ruffraff that follows such activities, threatening the safety of the community's casual after-dark alley walkers on a warm summer evening. There have been rumors of pigs being injured in crashes, and while authorities refuse to validate those due to HAMMA laws, has anyone noticed extra pork on the menu at local eateries lately?

A confidential source said he was told by the local Sausage Pizza King and Queen from Leona's that they have purportedly witnessed streaking sows and bolting boars on several occasions from the back door of the restaurant. However, when asked to confirm for

the record about what goes on in the alley to the north of the restaurant, the answer was, "No comment."

A little birdie flew into the newspaper office the other day with speculation that those races involved not only illegal racing, but some high-stakes gambling, too! She sang a song about wagers wherein the winner receives the loser's swine with out a legal transfer form and fee, and no sales tax collected! However, she too refused to state for the record which Nevites might be involved.

One theory has it that with all the new pigs in this year's race, many of the first-year owners and coaches are trying to sneak in a little extra training for their racing hogs, in violation of National Pig Racing (NPR) rules. This theory is supported by reports of the 'new kid in town' from Tru Star Credit Union, Joey Kase-man, talking with the new owners of Bullwinkles, Kim and Robb Warne (while holding pet carriers) outside of Amelia's Hair Design.

Also suspicious is the re-emergence of daily Halik sightings. Brian and Sara, veteran pig racers from their days at Northwinds Grocery, have been seen regularly on the sidewalks of Nevis again, but the word is that they are now trucking in a ringer racing pig from somewhere east of Nevis. That new pig, Friday's Special, has been heard oinking in a dark van parked behind the Nevis Muni just before dusk on several Saturday evenings. Hmmm...

Yes, something suspicious might be happening in the Nevis alleys after dark. Think about it before venturing out for an evening walk – meeting one pig in a dark alley is bad enough, but getting trampled by a stampede of racing pigs in a dark alley might just make you into mud!



You don't have to kiss the Nevis Study Group ladies for a cookie. Money well spent will buy you a delectable pig cookie. However, if your pig wins its race, you may have to kiss a pig! As Dear Flabby would say, "You have to kiss a few pigs in one's lifetime ..." Okay ladies, you can quit laughing now.

## Pig Race Etiquette

Cell phones

Cell phones must be muted in the race area. The School of Veterinarian Medicine at Iowa State University reports that ringing sounds disrupt the focus of racing pigs. Race officials ask that all spectators' cell phones be muted or turned to vibrate only. The only exception allowed on race day is the special "oinking pig" ringtone app that you can purchase at pig race headquarters and have installed for just \$500. Also, no texting is allowed once a race has started, and no selfie photos are allowed unless there is a pig in the back ground.

Personal attire

Ladies, the Nevis Pig Races are the perfect time to make a classy fashion statement, with so many high society debutantes in attendance to observe the running of the pigs. No blouses with holes in the shoulder. No jeans with worn through denim. Patch them up, or get some new ones. Skirts and high heels are fine, even preferred.

Guys, no hats on backwards. And it is okay to wear pink.

Anyone found to be in violation of these rules will have to soothe a pig by kissing it on the snout (tongue optional).

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