

DockDogs Big-Air competition jumpstarts the Festival

The DockDogs Big-Air competition will make its second stop to Northern Michigan during the National Cherry Festival's opening weekend July 2 and 3 along the shores of West Bay. Sponsored by Charter Business and Invisible Fence of Northwest Michigan, and hosted by the Holiday Inn West Bay, The competition will get underway on Saturday, July 2 at 10 a.m., and run until noon both Saturday and Sunday. The second flight will resume both days at 4 p.m., and run until 6 p.m.

DockDogs Big-Air is an electrifying competition that pits dogs from all over the country against each other to see who can jump the farthest into the water. Dogs will sprint down a 40 foot dock at speeds over 30 mph and jump into a pool — all trying to get the biggest air and distance they can. Championship dogs will consistently jump over 22 feet with the world record set by Little Morgan jumping 26 feet 6 inches.

The competition will feature "dog athletes" and their proud owner-trainers.

Winning competitors may qualify for the national games to be held in 2006. As seen on ESPN, audiences love the moment of suspense as competitors explode off the dock and are suspended in mid-air.

Dockdogs Big-Air competition applications can be found on-line at www.dockdogs.com or www.cherryfestival.org. It is suggested that each competitor pre-register prior to the event. On site registration is available beginning at 8 a.m. each day.



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**Human: See the ball, be the ball.
Dog: Yeah, let's see you do this!**
The DockDogs competition runs at 10 a.m. & 4 p.m. on Sat. & Sun.

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Saturday, July 2nd

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Sunday, July 3rd

9:00 a.m. - Church in the Park - Sunset Park next to Holiday Inn

10:55 a.m. - Worship in the Sanctuary

Everyone invited!

Tuesday, July 5th Heritage Day

Open House 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Lunch 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.,

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Tours, Organ Demonstrations, Artist Displays

Wednesday, July 6th

Refreshments and Restrooms open. 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Thursday, July 7th

Refreshments and Restrooms open. 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

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Friday, July 8th

Refreshments and Restrooms open. 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Saturday, July 9th

Refreshments and Restrooms open. 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

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