Green Power Energizes South Carolina Sporting Events

Darlington Raceway Revs Up for Another Year of Green Power

Darlington Raceway is once again zooming along in support of sustainable resources by powering its Bojangles' Southern 500 Labor Day Weekend races with 100 percent homegrown Green Power. Distributed by Pee Dee Electric Cooperative and generated by state-owned utility Santee Cooper, Green Power will meet all of the electrical needs of all races during the annual Labor Day event, held this year Sept. 1 and 2.

If you plan on attending this year's races, all Electric Cooperative member-owners can also take advantage of a special offer by getting \$25 off any purchase of two tickets to the Bojangles' Southern 500 weekend races. Go to DarlingtonRaceway.com/DARGreenStripe to get

your tickets. This offer will expire Aug. 24 so hurry up and get your ticket now and let's all

Drivers at this year's races can earn their Darlington Green Stripe on the famed 2nd turn which will be painted green.

And you can earn your Green Stripe, and a chance to ride in a pace car, at DarlingtonGreenStripe.com.



Coastal Carolina Kicks Off Its Second Year of Green Power

Fully realizing the power of clean, renewable energy, Coastal Carolina University is once again showing its commitment to the environment by sponsoring its second football game to be fueled 100 percent by Green Power. The Green Power event will see CCU's Chanticleers host Campbell University's Fighting Camels in a home game at Brooks Stadium in Conway, Sept. 15, at 7 p.m. In addition to marking its second season of Green Power, the game will also mark CCU's fourth year of holding a Zero Waste football game.

Since 2014, CCU's goal for the Zero Waste football game is to divert 90 percent

or more of the materials generated at the game from going to a landfill. The college accomplishes this by collecting compostables and recyclables throughout the stadium, tailgates and suite areas. Since the Zero Waste program began, organizers have diverted around 85 percent of the materials during the first three years of their efforts with all compostables and recyclables ending up at the Horry County Solid Waste Authority's facilities on S.C. 90 in Conway. To signify this year's event, Zero Waste team members will be wearing green Zero Waste t-shirts on the day of the game.

The use of Green Power and Zero Waste games are the latest efforts that proves CCU is a champion of the environment. In 2006, the University established a far-reaching Community Sustainability Initiative that included the first solar photovoltaic (PV) project at a public university in South Carolina.

To also spread the sustainability message to younger generations, CCU will be celebrating Youth Day at the Green Power/Zero Waste game. CCU invites individuals age 13 and younger to use the online sales promo code YOUTHSC to purchase a ticket to the game for only \$10. For general admission tickets, visit goccusports.com.

"The Zero Waste game offers us a chance to showcase our waste diversion efforts, and the hard work of our student employees at Sustain Coastal. Zero Waste is a wonderful learning opportunity about ways to reduce waste for students, faculty, staff, alumni and members of the community."

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-Jeff SingletaryVice President of Marketing,

Pee Dee Electric Cooperative

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—Jeremy Monday Sustainability Coordinator, Coastal Carolina University





New Solar Farm Lands at Myrtle Beach International Airport

Santee Cooper knows that solar power is a bright idea and that's why a new solar farm will soon debut at Myrtle Beach International Airport. Currently in the permitting process, the Runway Solar Farm is expected to produce 4,233 MWh. The Runway Solar Farm is planned for 17 acres on South Kings Highway and 27th Avenue South, on a site used by the U.S. Air Force as a landfill for Hurricane Hugo debris.

Because airports often have surrounding land that cannot be used for typical development, a solar farm is a wonderful option for that particular land use. However, to ensure no glare from the panels will affect pilots or tower personnel, a special study will be conducted for optimum safety. The Runway Solar project will be primarily funded with Santee Cooper Green Power purchases. The project joins the previously announced Bell Bay Solar Farm, Santee Cooper's 10-acre solar energy project next to its Bucksville substation on US 701.

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A Laundry List of Savings for Your Washer and Dryer!

When it comes to the cost of doing laundry, your appliance bill can put you in hot water! Yes, washers and dryers are among the costliest appliances to operate, but there are some steps you can take to reduce energy use and costs.

- ✓ Wash with cold water. Washing with warm water instead of hot can cut a
 load's energy use in half. Using cold water will save you even more.
- ✓ Wash full loads. Since your washer uses the same amount of energy no matter the load size, go ahead and wait to wash a full load.
- ✓ Air dry when you can. Use an old-fashioned laundry line or a drying rack to avoid dryer use.
- ✓ Clean the dryer's lint filter. The dryer will run more efficiently and safely.
- ✓ Dry towels and heavier cottons separately from lighter-weight clothes. You'll spend less time drying the lighter-weight clothes.
- ✓ **Use AN ENERGY STAR-certified washer and dryer.** New ENERGY STAR washers use about 25 percent less energy than conventional models, and ENERGY STAR dryers use about 20 percent less energy.

Source: Department of Energy's (DOE) National Renewable Energy Laboratory

