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**Water Weekend in Downtown Kingston!
AUGUST 7 - 9, 2009**

Downtown Kingston!, Poker Runs America and Power Boating Canada Magazine, Canada's largest pleasure boating publication, are pleased to announce that the renowned 1000 Islands Poker Run will return to Kingston, Ontario August 7 – 9, 2009. This spectacular event attracts over 100 of North America's premier high performance enthusiasts and their exotic boats to experience the fabulous waters of the St. Lawrence River between Kingston and Prescott.

Poker Run activities start on the Friday, August 7 in the afternoon when the boats arrive. Confederation Park and Ontario Street will feature exhibitors, live entertainment and boat displays. Live music in Confederation Park begins at 5pm. Things get serious as the fleet departs Confederation Basin on Saturday morning at approximately 10:00 AM. The start is always a spectacular display of sight and sound, not to mention the beginning of a day-long quest for the best poker hand. Speed has no bearing on the result – it's all in the cards.

Be sure to spend some time with the family in Confederation Basin, and visit some of Poker Run's many new and exciting attractions such as:

- Boat displays
- Speed Zone – sponsored by K Rock and TyrouteTelus Kingston
- Face painting and air castle: Saturday 11am -3pm
- Live music all weekend long
- Boat Smart
- Queens Formula race car
- Motorcycle Show and Shine – Sunday 11 – 3pm
- 100KM Ultramarathon finish line on Sunday
- Reduce the Juice
- and so much more!

For a full listing of all that is happening in Confederation Park visit www.downtownkingston.ca

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