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### Ride MTA Long Island Rail Road to Farmingdale Station And 'Bethpage Polo' at Beautiful Bethpage State Park

#### ***Round Trip Rail & Taxi, Admission & 15% off Gourmet Lunch for Just \$23***

Polo – the Sport of Kings - is closer than ever now that MTA Long Island Rail Road and Bethpage Polo have combined to offer a one-day Getaway Package that includes round-trip rail to **Farmingdale Station**, round-trip taxi service to Bethpage State Park, admission to the match and a 15% discount on a gourmet picnic lunch, all for the bargain price of \$23.

The fun starts this Sunday, June 2 when the season opener gets underway at 3 PM and continues every Sunday through October 13.

Beautiful Bethpage State Park has it all, gorgeous scenery, picnic grounds and polo, the world's most riveting sport. The Polo Grounds at Bethpage State Park offers a 900 foot x 400 foot field with bleacher seating, a facility first laid out in 1934. The 1994 U.S. Open Polo Championship was hosted by Long Island's Meadowbrook Polo Club and the finals played at Bethpage.

Admission to the polo matches is \$5 for all ages and gourmet picnic baskets are available for purchase on site from Carlyle Catering and can be pre-ordered. But the best deal – especially if you want to avoid the hassle of driving from the city or points east - is to take advantage of the LIRR Getaway Package. Travel in air-conditioned comfort, enjoy fine food and thrill to the rumble of horses and excitement of the competition – all for one low price.

#### **Getting There**

Take any off-peak Ronkonkoma Branch train to Farmingdale Station and take a short taxi ride via LI Yellow Cab to Bethpage State Park. Taxis are available at the station. Please call 1/2 hour in advance for the return trip.

#### **Buy Tickets at any LIRR Ticket Machine**

Gray, green and blue machines accept credit and debit cards, gray and green machines also accept cash. Select "Deals and Getaways then Long Island Getaways followed by Bethpage Polo Package.

#### **The Package Deal Includes:**

Discounted round-trip rail to and from the LIRR's Farmingdale Station as well as taxi service from the station to Bethpage State Park, admission to Bethpage Polo and one 15% off coupon for your gourmet picnic lunch.

#### **For More Information**

Customers can contact the LIRR's Customer Information Center by calling 511, the New York State Travel Information Line, and say: Long Island Rail Road. Customers can also visit the LIRR's website at [www.mta.info/lirr](http://www.mta.info/lirr). If you are deaf or hard of hearing, use your preferred relay service provider for the free 711 relay to reach LIRR at 511.