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Winner declared in Florida Strawberry Festival's Strawberry Mashed Potato Pie Eating Contest

PLANT CITY, Fla. (March 9, 2018) – The Florida Strawberry Festival announced today the winner of its Strawberry Mashed Potato Pie Eating Contest that took place this afternoon in the Stingray Chevrolet Entertainment Tent.

Patrick Fogarty from the Bronx, N.Y. won the event where each contestant eats a pie plate of garlic mashed potatoes adorned with fresh strawberries. The contestant who eats everything on the plate most quickly is declared the winner. Fogarty was also the winner of the Super Dog Mega Corndog Eating Contest earlier in the week. The Strawberry Mashed Potato Pie Eating Contest is sponsored by Pickle Barrel Sirloin Tips.

The Strawberry Mashed Potato Pie Eating Contest one of eight food contests held at the Festival annually. The Super Dog Mega Corndog Eating Contest, Strawberry Shortcake Eating Contest, Youth Strawberry Stemming Contest, Adult Strawberry Stemming Contest, Strawberry Spaghetti Eating Contest, Strawberry Mashed Potato Pie Eating Contest, Fanta Strawberry Soda Throwdown and Amish Donut Eating Contest all take place during the 11 day event in the Stingray Chevrolet Entertainment Tent.

About the Florida Strawberry Festival

The Florida Strawberry Festival is an 11-day community event celebrating the strawberry harvest of Eastern Hillsborough County. Each year, over 500,000 visitors enjoy the festival's headline entertainment, youth livestock shows, exhibits of commerce and, of course, its strawberry shortcake. The 2018 Florida Strawberry Festival where we're "Building New Memories!" will take place March 1-11 in Plant City, Fla. For more information, visit www.flstrawberryfestival.com, Facebook, Instagram and Twitter (#berryfest18).

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