# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

#### FORM 8-K

## CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): November 7, 2006



(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

<u>Kentucky</u> (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

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0-1469

(Commission file number)

<u>61-0156015</u>

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

700 Central Avenue, Louisville, Kentucky 40208

(Address of principal executive offices)
(Zip Code)

#### (502) 636-4400

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

#### **Not Applicable**

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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#### ITEM 2.02 RESULTS OF OPERATION AND FINANCIAL CONDITION.

A copy of the news release issued by Churchill Downs Incorporated (the "Company") on November 7, 2006 announcing the results of operations and financial condition for the third quarter ended September 30, 2006, is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated by reference herein.

#### ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

(a) Exhibit

99.1 Press Release dated November 7, 2006 issued by Churchill Downs Incorporated

Exhibit No. Description

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release dated November 7, 2006 issued by Churchill Downs Incorporated.

#### **SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

#### CHURCHILL DOWNS INCORPORATED

Date: November 7, 2006 /s/ Michael W. Anderson

Michael W. Anderson

Vice President Finance and Treasurer

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## CHURCHILL DOWNS INCORPORATED REPORTS 2006 THIRD-QUARTER RESULTS

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (Nov. 7, 2006) - Churchill Downs Incorporated (NASDAQ: CHDN) ("CDI" or "Company") today reported results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 2006.

Net revenues from continuing operations for the third quarter were \$106.4 million, an increase of 4.6 percent over net revenues from continuing operations of \$101.7 million one year earlier. Net earnings from continuing operations for the third quarter were \$2.7 million, or \$0.20 per diluted share, down 15.6 percent from net earnings from continuing operations of \$3.2 million, or \$0.23 per diluted share, during the same period in 2005. Results from the third quarter and first nine months of 2006 are outlined in the accompanying tables.

Net revenues from continuing operations for the first nine months of 2006 were \$324.7 million, up 3.0 percent from \$315.1 million during the first nine months of 2005. Net earnings from continuing operations for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 2006, were \$26.9 million, or \$1.97 per diluted share, up 56.4 percent from \$17.2 million, or \$1.27 per diluted share, a year earlier.

During the quarter, CDI completed the sale of Ellis Park, a racetrack in Henderson, Ky., to a company owned by Kentucky businessman Ron Geary. Results from Ellis Park are treated as discontinued operations and detailed as such in the accompanying tables.

Robert L. Evans, who assumed his new role as CDI's president and chief executive officer on Aug. 14, credited the year-over-year growth in net revenues to the strong performance posted by the Company's Louisiana Operations. "We remain encouraged by the solid results delivered by our video poker and simulcast-wagering operations in Louisiana, which continue to outperform their pre-Hurricane Katrina business levels," said Evans. "Repairs to Fair Grounds Race Course are nearing completion, and we look forward to bringing live horse racing back to the New Orleans community when the historic track reopens on Thanksgiving Day.

"All of our operating units showed improvement in the quarter with the exception of Arlington Park, where a high level of on-track horse injuries and the related publicity appeared to depress field sizes, attendance and, in turn, wagering. Multiple independent examinations of the Arlington Park dirt track revealed no causal factors. We are evaluating numerous, significant changes in our racing program and cost structure at Arlington Park to be implemented in time for our 2007 meet.

"In the three months since joining CDI, I have worked with the management team to identify a path for growth for the Company that will involve reengaging existing customers - and recruiting new fans - by leveraging technological innovations now available to us. In addition, we will pursue alternative gaming opportunities in Louisiana, where we have been authorized to establish a slot machine gaming facility at Fair Grounds, and in other states where such approvals must still be secured. In the coming months, I look forward to briefing investors and other interested parties on the new strategies we intend to pursue."

A conference call regarding this release is scheduled for Wednesday, Nov. 8, 2006, at 9 a.m. EST. Investors and other interested parties may listen to the teleconference by accessing the online, real-time webcast and broadcast of the call at <a href="www.churchilldownsincorporated.com">www.earnings.com</a>, or by dialing (719) 457-2695 at least 10 minutes before the appointed time. The online replay will be available at approximately noon EST and continue for two weeks. A two-week telephonic replay will be available two hours after the call ends by dialing (719) 457-0820 and entering 5677934 when prompted for the access code. A copy of this news release announcing quarterly results and relevant financial and statistical information about the period will be accessible at <a href="www.churchilldownsincorporated.com">www.churchilldownsincorporated.com</a>.

In addition to the results provided in accordance with U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("GAAP"), the Company has provided a non-GAAP measurement, which presents a financial measure of Earnings before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation and Amortization ("EBITDA"). CDI uses EBITDA as a key performance measure of results of operations for purposes of evaluating performance internally. The Company believes the use of this measure enables management and investors to evaluate and compare, from period to period, CDI's operating performance in a meaningful and consistent manner. This non-GAAP measurement is not intended to replace the presentation of CDI's financial results in accordance with GAAP.

Churchill Downs Incorporated, headquartered in Louisville, Ky., owns and operates world-renowned horse racing venues throughout the United States. CDI's five racetracks in Florida, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky and Louisiana host many of North America's most prestigious races, including the Kentucky Derby and Kentucky Oaks, Arlington Million, Princess Rooney Handicap, Louisiana Derby and Indiana Derby. CDI racetracks have hosted seven Breeders' Cup World Championships. CDI also owns off-track betting facilities and has interests in various television production, telecommunications and racing services companies that support CDI's network of simulcasting and racing operations. CDI trades on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol CHDN and can be found on the Internet at <a href="https://www.churchilldownsincorporated.com">www.churchilldownsincorporated.com</a>.

Information set forth in this news release contains various "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 (the "Act") provides certain "safe harbor" provisions for forward-looking statements. All forward-looking statements made in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q are made pursuant to the Act. The reader is cautioned that such forward-looking statements are based on information available at the time and/or management's good faith belief with respect to future events, and are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual performance or results to differ materially from those expressed in the statements. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date the statement was made. We assume no obligation to update forward-looking information to reflect actual results, changes in assumptions or changes in other factors affecting forward-looking information. Forward-looking statements are typically identified by the use of terms such as "anticipate," "believe," "could," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "may," "might," "plan,"

"predict," "project," "should," "will," and similar words, although some forward-looking statements are expressed differently. Although we believe that the expectations reflected in such forward-looking statements are reasonable, we can give no assurance that such expectations will prove to be correct. Important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from expectations include: the effect of global economic conditions; the effect (including possible increases in the cost of doing business) resulting from future war and terrorist activities or political uncertainties; the economic environment; the impact of increasing insurance costs; the impact of interest rate fluctuations; the effect of any change in our accounting policies or practices;

the financial performance of our racing operations; the impact of gaming competition (including lotteries and riverboat, cruise ship and land-based casinos) and other sports and entertainment options in those markets in which we operate; the impact of live racing day competition with other Florida and Louisiana

racetracks within those respective markets; costs associated with our efforts in support of alternative gaming initiatives; costs associated with Customer Relationship Management initiatives; a substantial change in law or regulations affecting pari-mutuel and gaming activities; a substantial change in allocation of live racing days; litigation surrounding the Rosemont, Illinois, riverboat casino; changes in Illinois law that impact revenues of racing operations in Illinois; a decrease in riverboat admissions subsidy revenue from our Indiana operations; the impact of an additional Indiana racetrack and its wagering facilities near our operations; our continued ability to effectively compete for the country's top horses and trainers necessary to field high-quality horse racing; our continued ability to grow our share of the interstate simulcast market; our ability to execute our acquisition strategy and to complete or successfully operate planned expansion projects; our ability to successfully complete any divestiture transaction; our ability to adequately integrate acquired businesses; market reaction to our expansion projects; the loss of our totalisator companies or their inability to provide us assurance of the reliability of their internal control processes through Statement on Auditing Standards No. 70 audits or to keep their technology current; the need for various alternative gaming approvals in Louisiana; our accountability for environmental contamination; the loss of key personnel; the impact of natural disasters, including Hurricanes Katrina, Rita and Wilma on our operations and our ability to adjust the casualty losses through our property and business interruption insurance coverage; any business disruption associated with a natural disaster and/or its aftermath; and the volatility of our stock price.

#### CHURCHILL DOWNS INCORPORATED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF NET EARNINGS

for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2006 and 2005 (Unaudited) (In thousands, except per share data)

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months En September 30			
	<u>2006</u>		<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>		<u>2005</u>
Net revenues	\$ 106,350	\$	101,661	\$ 324,684	\$	315,129
Operating expenses	 91,742		88,177	 256,010		252,452
Gross profit	14,608		13,484	68,674		62,677
Selling, general and administrative expenses	11,452		10,244	35,018		34,918
Insurance recoveries, net of losses	 (1,832)		(1,363)	 (12,954)		(1,363)
Operating income	4,988		4,603	46,610		29,122
Other income (expense):						
Interest income	272		135	634		296
Interest expense	(526)		(265)	(1,708)		(950)
Unrealized gain on derivative instruments	204		204	612		614
Miscellaneous, net	 (92)		715	510		1,308
	(142)		789	48		1,268
Earnings from continuing operations before provision for income						
taxes	4,846		5,392	46,658		30,390
Provision for income taxes	 (2,128)		(2,233)	 (19,772)		(13,240)
Net earnings from continuing operations	2,718		3,159	26,886		17,150
Discontinued operations, net of income taxes:						
Earnings (loss) from operations	1,832		(1,441)	744		(5,143)
Gain on sale of assets	 4,197		69,917	 4,197		69,917
Net earnings	\$ 8,747	\$	71,635	\$ 31,827	\$	81,924
Net earnings per common share:						
Basic						
Earnings from continuing operations	\$ 0.20	\$	0.24	\$ 1.98	\$	1.28
Discontinued operations	0.44		5.12	0.37		4.86
Net earnings	\$ 0.64	\$	5.36	\$ 2.35	\$	6.14
Diluted						
Earnings from continuing operations	\$ 0.20	\$	0.23	\$ 1.97	\$	1.27
Discontinued operations	0.44		5.07	0.36		4.80
Net earnings	\$ 0.64	\$	5.30	\$ 2.33	\$	6.07
Weighted average shares outstanding:						
Basic	13.149		12.913	13.116		12,893
Diluted	13,656		13,511	13,635		13,507

Certain financial statement amounts have been reclassified in the prior periods to conform to current period presentation.

## CHURCHILL DOWNS INCORPORATED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION BY OPERATING UNIT

for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2006 and 2005 (Unaudited)  $\,$ 

(In thousands)

		Three Months Ended September 30,				Nine Months Ended September 30,		
		<u>2006</u>		<u>2005</u>		<u>2006</u>		<u>2005</u>
Net revenues from external customers:								
Churchill Downs Racetrack	\$	8,078	\$	6,708	\$	79,980	\$	75,385
Arlington Park		28,531		33,507		64,175		67,436
Calder Race Course		29,450		28,612		54,603		53,052
Hoosier Park		9,458		9,704		28,801		30,144
Louisiana Operations		15,048		7,474		48,966		38,951
CDSN		14,961		15,065		46,429		49,354
Total racing operations		105,526		101,070		322,954		314,322
Other investments		883		663		1,626		869
Corporate revenues		-		136		162		556
Net revenues from continuing operations		106,409		101,869		324,742		315,747
Discontinued operations		9,175		26,472		10,895		81,487
<u>-</u>	\$	115,584	\$	128,341	\$	335,637	\$	397,234
Intercompany net revenues	<u>-</u>		<u> </u>	-,-	<u> </u>		÷	
Churchill Downs Racetrack	\$	2,426	\$	1,960	\$	19,586	\$	16,712
Arlington Park	Ψ	5,453	Ψ	6,103	Ψ	8,451	Ψ	8,714
Calder Race Course		3,807		3,665		6,831		6,646
Hoosier Park		69		27		165		101
Louisiana Operations		03		21		1,402		6,315
	<u> </u>	11,755		11.755				
Total racing operations				11,755		36,435		38,488
Other investments Eliminations		558		571		1,396		1,388
Emmations		(12,372)		(12,534)	_	(37,889)		(40,494
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Discontinued operations		59		208		58		618
	\$		\$		\$	<u>-</u>	\$	-
EBITDA:								
Churchill Downs Racetrack	\$	(3,331)	\$	(4,657)	\$	29,338	\$	27,235
Arlington Park		2,415		8,330		1,219		8,342
Calder Race Course		6,855		5,065		6,306		1,844
Hoosier Park		22		(39)		296		843
Louisiana Operations		1,211		(1,267)		15,572		(1,674
CDSN		3,833		3,745		11,397		12,062
Total racing operations		11,005		11,177		64,128		48,652
Other investments		471		1,139		1,485		1,695
Corporate expenses		(1,159)		(1,417)		(2,409)		(3,814
Total EBITDA from continuing operations		10,317		10,899		63,204		46,533
Eliminations		(120)		(183)		(90)		(155
Depreciation and amortization		(5,097)		(5,194)		(15,382)		(15,334
Interest income (expense), net		(254)		(130)		(1,074)		(654
Provision for income taxes		(2,128)		(2,233)		(1,074)		(13,240
Net earnings from continuing operations		2,718		3,159		26,886	_	17,150
Discontinued operations, net of income taxes								
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Net earnings	<u>\$</u>	8,747	\$	71,635	\$	31,827	\$	81,924

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## CHURCHILL DOWNS INCORPORATED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(Unaudited) (in thousands, except share data)

	September 30, 2006		December 31, 2005		
ASSETS	'				
Current assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	24,863	\$	22,347	
Restricted cash		16,721		4,946	
Accounts receivable, net		38,268		42,823	
Deferred income taxes		3,907		3,949	
Income taxes receivable		2,079		697	
Other current assets		12,046		6,942	
Assets held for sale		-		3,938	
Total current assets		97,884		85,642	
Other assets		13,120		13,020	
Plant and equipment, net		347,544		342,845	
Goodwill		53,528		53,528	
Other intangible assets, net		17,594		18,130	
Total assets	\$	529,670	\$	513,165	
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY					
Current liabilities:					
Accounts payable	\$	23,843	\$	27,844	
Purses payable		26,727		14,195	
Accrued expenses		45,356		41,844	
Dividends payable		-		6,520	
Deferred revenue		14,725		26,216	
Liabilities associated with assets held for sale		-		790	
Total current liabilities		110,651		117,409	
Long-term debt		19,154		33,793	
Other liabilities		23,215		21,448	
Deferred revenue		18,443		18,614	
Deferred income taxes		5,119		5,670	
Total liabilities		176,582		196,934	
Commitments and contingencies  Charabal dand a griden					
Shareholders' equity:					
Preferred stock, no par value; 250 shares authorized; no shares issued  Common stock, no par value; 50,000 shares authorized; issued: 13,285 shares September 30, 2006 and		-		-	
13,132 shares December 31, 2005		123,260		121,270	
Retained earnings		229,828		198,001	
Unearned compensation		-		(3,040)	
Total shareholders' equity		353,088		316,231	
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$	529,670	\$		
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