

# Positive Growth & Change For The Local Industry



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The California Thoroughbred Breeders Association (CTBA), various California racing associations and the Thoroughbred Owners of California (TOC) are pleased to announce the 2013 through early 2014 Golden State Series stakes schedule for California-breds and California-sired runners. Through the cooperation of all these parties, and financial support from the California Marketing Committee (CMC), this year's series has been expanded by \$325,000 with purses now totaling nearly \$5.2 million.

While the emphasis of the program continues to provide significant purses to two-year-olds and three-year-olds in order to stimulate breeding and ownership by providing quick returns, the purses and opportunities for older horses also expanded. This offers a more balanced program.

One very significant change to the stakes series was the merger of California Cup and Sunshine Millions into one prestigious day with seven stakes and \$1.175 million in total purses. Combining these two events provides better placement on the calendar which will significantly assist in more favorable results with respect to attendance and handle.

Over the past five years, attendance and handle on Cal Cup Day has continued to decline when it was held in the fall. Furthermore, the presence of Breeders' Cup in California has historically had negative effects on Cal Cup, as it is no longer the premier event of the meet. Another benefit of the movement of Cal Cup Day to early in the year, is the added overnight opportunities for Cal-bred owners/breeders. Without Cal Cup being placed three weeks into the fall meet, Cal-breds will be offered more opportunities to run both earlier and later in Santa Anita's Autumn meet.

Again, I want to thank the various racing secretaries, TOC and CMC for their support and efforts in making this series even better than before. The immediate results of this series, coupled with the entire incentive and racing program, has been very positive. The production of foals has stabilized, promising young stallions and mares are coming to the state, and the commercial sales of yearlings and two-year-olds has increased dramatically. We are optimistic these trends will continue. 🐾

| 2013 GOLDEN STATE SERIES - \$5.175 MILLION                                 |                    |                               |                          |                 |           |
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| A RESTRICTED STAKES SCHEDULE FOR REGISTERED CALIFORNIA BRED OR SIRE HORSES |                    |                               |                          |                 |           |
| Sunday, February 24  | Santa Anita Park   | Sensational Star Stakes       | Four-Year-Olds & Up      | 6 1/2 F (Turf)  | \$100,000 |
| Sunday, March 17   | Santa Anita Park   | Irish O'Brien Stakes          | FM, Four-Year-Olds & Up  | 6 1/2 F (Turf)  | \$100,000 |
| Saturday, March 30   | Santa Anita Park   | Echo Eddie Stakes             | Three-Year-Olds          | 6 1/2 F         | \$200,000 |
| Saturday, March 30   | Santa Anita Park   | Evening Jewel Stakes          | Fillies, Three-Year-Olds | 6 1/2 F         | \$200,000 |
| Saturday, April 27   | Hollywood Park     | Snow Chief Stakes             | Three-Year-Olds          | 1 1/8 M         | \$300,000 |
| Saturday, April 27   | Hollywood Park     | Melair Stakes                 | Fillies, Three-Year-Olds | 1 1/16 M        | \$250,000 |
| Saturday, April 27   | Hollywood Park     | Tiznow Stakes                 | Four-Year-Olds & Up      | 7 1/2 F         | \$125,000 |
| Saturday, April 27   | Hollywood Park     | B. Thoughtful Stakes          | FM, Four-Year-Olds & Up  | 7 1/2 F         | \$125,000 |
| May  | Hollywood Park     | Fran's Valentine              | FM, Three-Year-Olds & Up | 1 M (Turf)      | \$100,000 |
| Saturday, June 1   | Golden Gate Fields | Campanile                     | Fillies, Three-Year-Olds | 1 M (Turf)      | \$100,000 |
| Sunday, June 9   | Golden Gate Fields | Silky Sullivan                | Three-Year-Olds          | 1 M (Turf)      | \$100,000 |
| July   | Del Mar            | CTBA Stakes                   | Fillies, Two-Year-Olds   | 5 1/2 F         | \$100,000 |
| July   | Del Mar            | California Dreamin' Handicap  | Three-Year-Olds & Up     | 1 1/16 M (Turf) | \$150,000 |
| July   | Del Mar            | Fleet Treat Stakes            | Fillies, Three-Year-Olds | 7 F             | \$200,000 |
| August   | Del Mar            | Graduation Stakes             | Two-Year-Olds            | 5 1/2 F         | \$100,000 |
| August   | Del Mar            | Real Good Deal Stakes         | Three-Year-Olds          | 7 F             | \$200,000 |
| August   | Del Mar            | Solana Beach Handicap         | FM, Three-Year-Olds & Up | 1 1/16 M (Turf) | \$150,000 |
| August   | Del Mar            | Generous Portion Stakes       | Fillies, Two-Year-Olds   | 6 F             | \$150,000 |
| September  | Del Mar            | I'm Smokin Stakes             | Two-Year-Olds            | 6 F             | \$150,000 |
| October  | Santa Anita Park   | Cal Breeders' Champion Stakes | Two-Year-Olds            | 1 M             | \$200,000 |
| October  | Santa Anita Park   | Cal Breeders' Champion Stakes | Fillies, Two-Year-Olds   | 1 M             | \$200,000 |
| October  | Santa Anita Park   | California Flag               | Three-Year-Olds & Up     | 6 1/2 (Turf)    | \$100,000 |
| November   | Hollywood Park     | On Trust Handicap             | Three-Year-Olds & Up     | 7 1/2 F         | \$100,000 |
| November   | Hollywood Park     | Cat's Cradle Handicap         | FM, Three-Year-Olds & Up | 7 1/2 F         | \$100,000 |
| December   | Hollywood Park     | King Glorious Stakes          | Two-Year-Olds            | 7 F             | \$200,000 |
| December   | Hollywood Park     | Soviet Problem Stakes         | Fillies, Two-Year-Olds   | 7 F             | \$200,000 |
| Jan./Feb. 2014   | Santa Anita Park   | Cal Cup Derby                 | Three-Year-Olds          | 1 1/16 M        | \$250,000 |
| Jan./Feb. 2014   | Santa Anita Park   | Cal Cup Oaks                  | Fillies, Three-Year-Olds | 1 1/16 M        | \$250,000 |
| Jan./Feb. 2014   | Santa Anita Park   | Cal Cup Classic               | Four-Year-Olds & Up      | 1 1/8 M         | \$250,000 |
| Jan./Feb. 2014   | Santa Anita Park   | Cal Cup Distaff               | FM, Four-Year-Olds & Up  | 6 1/2 F (Turf)  | \$125,000 |
| Jan./Feb. 2014   | Santa Anita Park   | Cal Cup Sprint                | Four-Year-Olds & Up      | 6 F             | \$100,000 |
| Jan./Feb. 2014   | Santa Anita Park   | Crystal Water Stakes          | Four-Year-Olds & Up      | 1 M (Turf)      | \$100,000 |
| Jan./Feb. 2014   | Santa Anita Park   | Valentine Dancer Stakes       | FM, Four-Year-Olds & Up  | 1 M (Turf)      | \$100,000 |



Advertised schedule of races and purses subject to change.  
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