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More Northern Opportunities

While striving to continue to offer more California-bred restricted racing opportunities in Northern California, the CTBA is pleased to announce the second running of the Cal-bred Turf Extravaganza, to be held Sunday, May 1, at Golden Gate Fields. This event will again offer four Cal-bred turf races, including both the \$100,000 Silky Sullivan for 3-year-olds and the \$100,000 Campanile for 3-year-old fillies, as well as two first-condition allowance races.

With many Cal-bred days highlighting the Southern California racing year, it has been our goal to provide a showcase of California-bred racing in the north. The major obstacles in offering such an event have been the limited purse money allocated to stakes in the north and the emphasis on open overnight races, given the limited inventory based in Northern California. As Cal-breds make up more than 60% of the field sizes in the north, the focus has been on open races due to the added 30% bonus awarded to California-breds in open races.

This year I am pleased to announce that the number of restricted opportunities will expand even more as we will include two maiden special weight races to be featured on Saturday, April 30, as part of the Golden Gate Fields Turf Festival. Therefore, six Cal-bred races for various categories of horses will be offered over the two-day period.

The California-bred restricted races

carded for the turf weekend will have total purses equivalent to the open races through supplements from our Cal-bred Race Fund. We are hoping this will be something we can build on in the future, and appreciate the support from Golden Gate and the TOC. A complete listing of race conditions and purses is presented in the table below.

We also continue to have discussions with the California Authority of Racing Fairs to provide more restricted racing opportunities at various Fair locations. The \$100,000 stakes at Pleasanton and the \$100,000 Harris Farms Stakes at Fresno will again be part of the Golden State Series of races and will be featured later this year. There is also a good pos-

sibility that several Cal-bred allowance races will be available during the Fair meets. The CTBA Racing Committee continues to focus on providing more restricted racing opportunities for owners/breeders both in the north and south.

Speaking of Southern California racing, California-breds are picking up where they left off last year with many graded stakes wins already at Santa Anita, highlighted by the recent grade I win by What a View in the \$400,000 Frank E. Kilroe Mile. His accomplishment is highlighted on the cover. Congratulations to Old English Rancho, who has been breeding and racing classic Cal-breds for many decades. [CTB](#)

GOLDEN GATE FIELDS

Saturday, April 30

Maiden Special Weight – Cal-bred – 3&Up – 1 1/16M – Turf - \$35,000
(Includes \$5,000 from Cal-bred Race Fund)

Maiden Special Weight – Cal-bred – F/M 3&Up – 1 1/16M – Turf - \$35,000
(Includes \$5,000 from Cal-bred Race Fund)

Sunday, May 1

Allowance Non-Winners of 1 – Cal-bred – 3&Up – 1 1/16M – Turf - \$41,000
(Includes \$10,000 from Cal-bred Race Fund)

Allowance Non-Winners of 1 – Cal-bred – F/M 3&Up – 1 1/16M – Turf - \$41,000
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Campanile Stakes – Cal-bred – Fillies 3YO – 1M – Turf - \$100,000

Silky Sullivan Stakes – Cal-bred – 3YO – 1M – Turf - \$100,000