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VALUE AT THE NORTHERN CALIFORNIA SALE

August 17 marks the 19th consecutive renewal of the CTBA-hosted Northern California Yearling & Horses of Racing Age Sale. Over the years this sale has provided not only a service for California breeders but a very successful outlet for consignors and buyers.

With the shrinking inventory of horses at California tracks, it is important to note that a very high percentage of horses that go through the sales ring at this venue continues to populate the field sizes at Golden Gate Fields and

the Fairs. Many have also competed successfully in Southern California.

This year we moved the date of the sale back a week in order to provide ample stabling at the Alameda County Fairgrounds. Through the years this sale has proved to offer tremendous value as purchasers have realized significant profits, both with racing and pinhooking. Based on the strength of the catalog, we have similar expectations this year. As in the past, there has been strong support from breeders and consignors located throughout the state.

As mentioned, this sale has not only provided the needed racing product for the state but has also produced many successful horses who have gone on to reward their purchasers with earnings considerably in excess of their original purchase prices. Highlighted below are some examples of recent successes from the past few years. One example is the catalog cover horse, Freeport Joe, winner of the Berkeley Handicap (G3) late last year. This sale offers tremendous value and promise, and we hope to see you there. [CTB](#)

Sale Year	Horse	Earnings	Purchase Price
2014	Camino Del Paraiso	\$650,332	\$5,000
2015	Minister of Soul	\$418,510	\$16,000
2016	El Chavo Del Ocho	\$355,428	\$4,000
2018	Freeport Joe	\$255,824	\$2,000
2019	Big Fish	\$258,518	\$45,000
2019	All Dialed In	\$166,200	\$30,000
2020	Mr. T's Thirsty	\$109,250	\$40,000
2021	Ceiling Crusher	\$40,200	\$22,000