



From the EXECUTIVE CORNER



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# CALIFORNIA-BRED STAKES OPPORTUNITIES ABOUND AT DEL MAR

Summer racing in Southern California means mornings on the beach, afternoons at Del Mar Thoroughbred Club, and plenty of incentives for stakes-caliber California-breds.

The summer season where the Turf Meets the Surf includes eight stakes races exclusively for Golden State Series eligibles totaling \$1 million in purses. Those events kick off with the \$150,000 Fleet Treat Stakes for 3-year-old fillies on Friday, July 26, and wrap up with the \$100,000 I'm Smokin Stakes for 2-year-olds on Friday, Sept. 6.

The Fleet Treat, as well as the companion \$150,000 Real Good Deal Stakes for males or females, provide 3-year-olds with lucrative

opportunities without them needing to face older horses.

Half of the Del Mar summer Cal-bred stakes are for 2-year-olds. Older males can compete in the \$150,000 California Dreamin' turf route on Saturday, Aug. 3, and older females can point to the \$150,000 Solana Beach Stakes at one mile on the turf on Sunday, Aug. 18.

In addition, while owners of Cal-bred maiden special weight winners will directly receive the \$15,000 maiden bonus from CTBA, Del Mar Thoroughbred Club will pay a 20% maiden dirt bonus for places 2-5 in Cal-bred maiden special weight races and places 1-5 in open maiden special weight races.

For bonuses paid by DMTC,

trainers must have fewer than 85 horses on the Southern California circuit to qualify. Horses also may not dual-qualify for the maiden dirt bonus and the Ship & Win bonus.

Once again, we would like to thank Del Mar Thoroughbred Club and the Thoroughbred Owners of California for their continued support of California-bred races. As Cal-breds make up roughly half of the field sizes in the state, the emphasis on providing these restricted opportunities further encourages those investing in racing and breeding in California.

Here is the Cal-bred stakes lineup offered for this year's Del Mar Summer Meet:

Date	Track	Stakes	Conditions	Distance	Added Value
Friday, July 26	DMR	Fleet Treat Stakes	Fillies, 3YO	7 Furlongs	\$150,000
Friday, Aug 2	DMR	Real Good Deal Stakes	3YO	7 Furlongs	\$150,000
Saturday, Aug 3	DMR	California Dreamin' Stakes	3 & Up	1 1/6 Miles (Turf)	\$150,000
Sunday, Aug 4	DMR	CTBA Stakes	Fillies, 2YO	5 1/2 Furlongs	\$100,000
Friday Aug 9	DMR	Graduation Stakes	2YO	5 1/2 Furlongs	\$100,000
Sunday, Aug 18	DMR	Solana Beach Stakes	F/M, 3 & Up	One Mile (Turf)	\$150,000
Monday, Sept 2	DMR	Generous Portion Stakes	Fillies, 2YO	6 Furlongs	\$100,000
Friday, Sept 6	DMR	I'm Smokin Stakes	2YO	6 Furlongs	\$100,000