



From the EXECUTIVE CORNER



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BIG OPPORTUNITIES ACROSS THE BOARD FOR CALIFORNIA-BREDS AT DEL MAR

Take a plane, take a train, take a car. However you get there, bring a California-bred or California-sired Thoroughbred to Del Mar this summer to score some of the most generous rewards ever offered to state-breds.

With improved metrics across the board at recent meets held at Santa Anita and Los Alamitos, Del Mar is looking to ride the momentum at its summer meet, which opens July 18.

Consider this: A Cal-bred maiden special weight race on dirt will have a purse of \$100,000 (including the \$12,500 Cal-bred maiden bonus to the winner) for horses of trainers with fewer than 100 horses on the

California circuit—plus the customary breeder and stallion awards. Del Mar's maiden dirt supplement of 25% also applies to maiden claiming races at \$62,500 and above. The purse for a Cal-bred maiden special weight race on turf will be \$80,000, with the same bonus conditions as the maiden dirt race.

Horses previously based in Northern California were provided numerous opportunities to compete against each other at Santa Anita Park during the season. Del Mar has pledged to provide similar opportunities, including a \$500 starter bonus for the first start at Del Mar and a 15% purse bonus for every Del Mar summer start. Those incentives are for horses that have been based

in Northern California since Dec. 1, 2024, and trained by horsemen based only in Northern California during that time.

The purse bonus applies to earnings for places 1-5 and excludes stakes races. If an eligible horse is claimed after its initial start, the original owner will receive purse bonuses for subsequent starts this summer. Del Mar Thoroughbred Club will determine eligibility and restrictions, which can be found at www.dmtc.com.

There will be eight stakes races at the meet restricted to Golden State Series eligibles, four of them for 2-year-olds, with a total of \$1 million in purses.

Here's that schedule:

Date	Stakes	Conditions	Distance
Friday, July 25	\$150,000 Fleet Treat Stakes	Fillies, 3YO	7 furlongs
Friday, Aug. 1	\$150,000 Real Good Deal Stakes	3YO	7 furlongs
Saturday, Aug. 2	\$150,000 California Dreamin' Stakes	3 & Up	1 $\frac{1}{16}$ Miles (Turf)
Sunday Aug. 3	\$100,000 CTBA Stakes	Fillies, 2YO	5 furlongs
Friday, Aug. 8	\$100,000 Graduation Stakes	2YO	5 furlongs
Sunday, Aug. 17	\$150,000 Solana Beach Stakes	F/M, 3 & Up	One Mile (Turf)
Monday, Sept. 1	\$100,000 Generous Portion Stakes,	Fillies, 2YO	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ furlongs
Friday, Sept. 5	\$100,000 I'm Smokin Stakes	2YO	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ furlongs