

### CELEBRATING 40 YEARS OF RACING EXCELLENCE

The Breeders' Cup is the ultimate event for horse racing fans and enthusiasts, showcasing worldwide top-notch horses. This year, the Breeders Cup will celebrate its 40th running with two days of thrilling action on November 3 and 4 at the historic Santa Anita Park in California.

The Breeders Cup first edition was in 1984 as a one-day event with seven races and a total purse of \$10 million. Since then, it has grown into a two-day extravaganza with 14 races and a total purse of over \$35 million.

The Breeders' Cup is more than just a series of races; it is a recognition of the sport, the industry, and the community. The Breeders' Cup generates millions of dollars in economic impact and charitable contributions for various causes related to horse welfare, education, health, and more. The Breeders Cup also honors the achievements of the horses and horsemen who participate in the event and the legacy of those who have contributed to its success.

One of the most distinctive features of the Breeders Cup is its unique trophy, a bronze reproduction of the Torrie horse, a sculpture created by Giovanni da Bologna in the 1580s. The Torrie horse symbolizes strength, beauty, and elegance, qualities embodied by the champions of the Breeders Cup.

The Breeders Cup also offers a variety of races for different divisions and distances, catering to different types of horses and fans. Some of the most famous and popular races in the Breeders Cup are:

- The Classic: unequaled event featuring the best older horses on dirt at 11/4 miles.
- The Turf: top-tier race featuring international stars at 11/2 miles.
- The Mile: a display of speed and endurance featuring top grass milers.
- The Distaff: the main attraction for fillies and mares, showcasing the top female horses on dirt at 11/8 miles.

The Breeders Cup also features races for younger horses, such as:

• The Juvenile: paramount race for 2-year-old colts and geldings, as it frequently determines the foremost contender for the Kentucky Derby of the following year.

The Breeders' Cup is not just a place for fans but also an ambition for owners and breeders who desire to have their horses race in the event. Breeders and owners must sign up the horses to the Breeders Cup program to join any of the Breeders' Cup races. There are two kinds of sign-ups: stallion sign-ups and foal sign-ups.

By nominating a stallion or a foal to the Breeders Cup, the value and earning potential are enhanced for each horse, as well as its chances for acclaim and prizes. All the 14 Group I races that constitute the World Championships and the Challenge Series are open to a horse nominated to the Breeders Cup.

The Challenge Series comprises 82 races in 11 countries across different divisions and distances. The victors of each race get a slot in the related Breeders Cup race, plus a travel grant and a nomination fee discount. The Challenge Series is an extraordinary opportunity for horses to make it to the Breeders Cup and for fans to monitor their growth and performance.

The Breeders Cup 2023 promises to be an unforgettable event, with some of the best horses in the world competing for glory and prestige. Here are some of the contenders to watch out for in each race:



### NOVEMBER 03

### BREEDERS CUP JUVENILE TURF SPRINT

- Valiant Force
- Brightwork
- Dreamfyre
- Crown Imperial
- Hidden Class
- Inquisitively
- Shards
- Givemethebeatboys
- Tiger Belle
- Pipit
- Hedwig
- Dark Vintage
- No Nay Mets
- Asean
- Toca Madera
- Slider
- April Vintage
- Starlust
- Committee of One
- Crimson Advocate
- Amidst Waves
- Big Evs

### BREEDERS CUP JUVENILE FILLIES

- Just FYI
- Candied
- Chatalas
- Brightwork
- Tamara
- V V's Dream
- Go With Gusto
- Scalable

- Alys Beach
- Accommodate Eva
- Launch
- Life Talk
- Jody's Pride
- Omaha Girl
- Esprit Enchante

### BREEDERS CUP JUVENILE FILLIES TURF

- She Feels Pretty
- Hard To Justify
- Buchu
- Opera Singer
- Carla's Way
- Dreamfyre
- Go With Gusto
- Pharoah's Wine
- Gala Brand
- Crown Imperial
- Buttercream Babe
- Jody's Pride
- Bubbly Champagne
- Tripolina
- Hidden Class
- Angiolleta
- Flattery
- Life's and Audible
- Brocknardini
- Les Pavots
- Porta Fortuna
- Laulne
- Austere

### BREEDERS CUP JUVENILE

- Timberlake
- Muth
- Locked
- Prince Of Monaco
- General Partner
- The Wine Steward
- Ecoro Neo
- Cuban Thunder
- Wine Me Up
- Dancing Groom
- Noted
- Be You
- Fierceness

### BREEDERS CUP JUVENILE TURF

- Carson's Run
- Can Group
- My Boy Prince
- Fulmineo
- Endlessly
- Liam's Journey
- Ngannou
- Grand Mo the First
- Noted
- Legend of Time
- Henry Adams
- Tok Tok
- Agate Road
- Stay Hot
- Unquestionable
- Air Recruit

Do not let this opportunity to see history unfold at the Breeders Cup 2023 slip by.

### NOVEMBER 04

### BREEDERS CUP DIRT MILE

- Cody's Wish
- Anarchist
- Zozos
- Practical Move
- Senor Buscador
- Skippylongstocking
- Stage Raider
- Get Her Number
- American Theorem
- Shirl's Bee
- Algiers

### BREEDERS CUP FILLY & MARE TURF

- Fev Rover
- Didia
- Songline
- Inspiral
- Warm Heart
- In Italian
- Gina Romantica
- Mckulick
- With the Moonlight
- Lindy
- Kelina
- Moira
- State Occasion
- MQSE De Sevigne
- Lumiere Rock
- Al Husn
- Win Marilyn

### BREEDERS CUP FILLY & MARE SPRINT

- Yuugiri
- Three Witches
- Goodnight Olive
- Kirstenbosch
- Matareya
- Caramel Swirl
- Elm Drive
- Society
- Hoosier Philly
- Eda
- Clearly Unhinged
- Desert Dawn
- Meikei Yell

### **BREEDERS CUP MILE**

- Up to the Mark
- Casa Creed
- Exaulted
- Master of the Seas
- Gear Jockey
- Lukka
- Inspiral
- Songline
- In Italian
- Du Jour
- Masteroffoxhounds
- Annapolis
- Shirl's Speight
- More Than Looks
- Astronomer
- Lucky Score
- Kelina

- Mawj
- Kinross
- Win Carnelian
- Chaldean

### BREEDERS CUP DISTAFF

- Idiomatic
- Adare Manor
- Clairiere
- Belleza De Arteaga
- Pretty Mischievous
- Search Results
- A Mo Reay
- Randomized
- Le Da Vida
- Hoosier Philly
- Nest
- Xigera
- Wet Paint
- Desert Dawn
- Sabra Turf
- Micro Share

### BREEDERS CUP TURF

- Up to the Mark
- Gold Phoenix
- Get Smokin
- Bolshoi Ballet
- Auguste Rodin
- Raptor's
- Lukka
- Soldier Rising
- War like Goddess

- Balladeer
- Adhamo
- Cellist
- Piz Badile
- Broome
- Planetario
- Onesto
- Shahryar

### **BREEDERS CUP CLASSIC**

- Arcangelo
- Geaux Rocket Ride
- Arabian Knight
- White Abarrio
- Zandon
- Bright Future
- Ushba Tesoro
- Proxy
- Saudi Crown
- Mostahdaf
- Mage
- Practical Move
- Clapton
- Senor Buscador
- King Of Steel
- Derma Sotogake

### BREEDERS CUP TURF SPRINT

- Caravel
- Motorious
- Gear Jockey
- Live in the Dream
- Bradsell

- Tony Ann
- Nobals
- Bad Beat Brian
- Private Creed
- Big Invasion
- Arzak
- Roses for Debra
- Cogburn
- One Timer
- Noble Reflection
- Meikei Yell
- Hamwood Flier
- Aesop's Fables
- Beer Can Man
- Lane Way
- Jasper Krone

### BREEDERS CUP SPRINT

- Cody's Wish
- Anarchist
- Hoist the Gold
- The Chosen Vron
- Elite Power
- Gunite
- Three Technique
- Dr. Schivel
- Speed Boat BeachAmerican Theorem
- Jasper Krone
- Nakatomi

### QUEEN ELIZABETH II CUP

The 48th Queen Elizabeth II Cup, a Group I race for female horses, will be held at Kyoto Racecourse on November 13, 2023. Kyoto Racecourse is one of the biggest and most beautiful racecourses in Japan. The race covers 2,200 meters of turf and has a prize money of 264 million yen (about 2.4 million US dollars), making it one of the world's most lucrative races for fillies and mares.

The race originated in 1976 as the Queen Elizabeth II Commemorative Cup to mark the visit of Queen Elizabeth II and Prince Philip to Japan in 1975. Named after the most long-lived monarch in British history and an avid horse lover and owner, Queen Elizabeth II attended several major horse racing events around the globe, such as the Epsom Derby, the Royal Ascot, and the Kentucky Derby.

The Queen Elizabeth II Cup is one of the four "Jewel Races" for female horses in Japan, along with the Oka Sho (Japanese 1000 Guineas), the Yushun Himba (Japanese Oaks), and the Shuka Sho.

The race is part of the Autumn International Series, which includes the Tenno Sho (Autumn) and the Japan Cup. These races attract some of the finest horses from Japan and abroad, creating exciting and challenging contests.

The Queen Elizabeth II Cup has produced many memorable winners, such as Gentildonna, who won the race in 2012 and went on to win the Japan Cup twice; Almond Eye, who won the race in 2018 and set a new course record of 2:10.6; and Daring Tact, who won the race in 2020 and became the first horse to complete the Triple Tiara (winning all three Jewel Races) since 2005.

This year's Queen Elizabeth II Cup will be another exciting race, with some of the top female horses in Japan competing for glory. Don't miss this opportunity to see history in the works at Kyoto Racecourse!





One of the most exciting races in Japan is the Mile Championship, a Group I race for three-year-olds and up, held every year at the Kyoto Racecourse.

This year the Mile Championship will be held on November 19, 2023. The Mile is not just a race of speed but also of strategy and endurance. Kyoto Racecourse has a distinctive shape, with a long backstretch and a sharp turn into the home straight; contenders must adjust their pace and position while avoiding congestion and saving enough energy for the final sprint.

The Mile Championship displays the best of Japanese racing, as well as the international spirit of the sport. It is a race you don't want to miss, so mark your calendar.



### A CELEBRATION OF INTERNATIONAL HORSE RACING

The Japan Cup is one of the world's most prestigious races, held annually at the Tokyo Racecourse. It is a Group I race for Thoroughbreds aged three and older on the turf. It started in 1981 as an invitational race to foster international exchange and friendship through horse racing.

The Japan Cup attracts some of the best horses from Japan and abroad, creating a high-level competition and a spectacular show for the fans.

This year, the Japan Cup will be on November 26, 2023. The race will showcase some of the best horses competing for international glory.

The Tokyo Racecourse has a wide track, with a long home straight and a gentle uphill finish. The horses must manage their speed and placement while avoiding trouble and maintaining enough energy for the final stretch. The race celebrates the excellence and diversity of horse racing worldwide.

## HOPEFUL STAKES A RACE TO END THE YEAR WITH A BANG

The Hopeful Stakes is one of the most exciting races in Japan, held annually at the Nakayama Racecourse. Its first edition was in 1984, run as the Radio Tampa Hai Sansai Himba Stakes, a mile race for two-year-old fillies at Hanshin Racecourse.

Since 2017, it has been a Group I race and the final JRA race of the year. The race attracts some of the best young horses from Japan, eager to show their potential and talent. The race also serves as a trial for the following year's classics, such as the Satsuki Sho (Japanese 2000 Guineas) and the Tokyo Yushun (Japanese Derby).

The Hopeful Stakes, a race full of speed, courage, and stamina, will be on December 28, 2023. It will stage the best of Japanese racing and the future stars of the racing world.





# BHA ANNOUNCES EXCITING CHANGES TO THE 2024 FIXTURE LIST

The British Horseracing Authority (BHA) is responsible for creating and publishing the fixture list year after year. The fixture list is the schedule of all the horse races run in Britain yearly. The BHA collaborates with various stakeholders, such as racecourses, owners, breeders, trainers, jockeys, and betting operators, to ensure that the fixture list meets the changing needs and preferences of the customers, participants, and all those affiliated with the sport.

The BHA aims to improve the quality, competitiveness, and attractiveness of the racing product to increase the revenue and profitability of the industry. To achieve these goals, the BHA has recently announced some innovative and wide-ranging changes to the 2024 fixture list. Some of these changes include:

- Creating a two-hour window between 14:00 and 16:00 on most Saturday afternoons with three fixtures, including up to two Premier fixtures, during the peak customer engagement period. Other Saturday fixtures will take place outside the protected window.
- Operating six Sunday evening well-lighted fixtures between January and March 2024. These fixtures will start at 18:00 on all-weather tracks with artificial lighting.
- Promoting Core racing by moving more fixtures later in the day in response to changing customer preferences, making the most of Core fixtures during major festivals, and supporting Summer Jumping.
- The BHA also plans to monitor and assess the impact of the changes on various aspects of the sport, such as customer behavior, betting turnover, media coverage, attendance, prize money distribution, horse population, and welfare.

The BHA hopes these changes will make 2024 a memorable year for the sport by enhancing the appeal and value of British racing for all its stakeholders and fans.



## GOLDEN GATE FIELDS TO CLOSE IN 2023

We are saddened to announce that Golden Gate Fields, a prominent thoroughbred track in Northern California, will permanently close after its final racing date in December 2023. The track's owner, 1/ST, has decided to focus on its racing and training facilities in Southern California, namely Santa Anita.

Golden Gate Fields has been a historic and iconic venue for horse racing in the region since 1941 when it opened as a replacement for the Oakland Trotting Track, which closed in 1911 when the state banned horse racing.

Over the decades, Golden Gate Fields has hosted many famous horses, jockeys, trainers, and owners, such as Citation, Seabiscuit, John Henry, and Frank Stronach.

The closure of Golden Gate Fields is the consequence of many factors. These factors include:

- The reduction of horses bred and raced in California
- The competition from other forms of gambling and entertainment
- The pressure from animal rights activists and groups
- The challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic
- The potential value of the land where Golden Gate Fields lies.

The closure of Golden Gate Fields will have significant implications for the sport and the industry in Northern California. These implications include:

- The loss of a historic and iconic venue,
- The reduction of racing opportunities and revenue for the Northern California horsemen and women
- The disruption of the racing calendar and schedule in Northern California
- The potential impact on the breeding and sales of Thoroughbreds in California
- The uncertainty and controversy over the fate of the land that Golden Gate Fields occupies.

This news is shocking and saddening for many fans and participants of the sport, who have cherished their memories and experiences at the track.

There is a possibility that Golden Gate may stay open until June 2024, which is under review. We will keep you informed of any developments regarding this option.



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