

**CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD**

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## **STABLING AND VANNING** **AD HOC COMMITTEE MEETING**

of the **California Horse Racing Board** will be held on **Wednesday, September 26, 2018**, commencing at **10:00 a.m.**, in the **Baldwin Terrace Room** at the **Santa Anita Park Race Track, 285 West Huntington Drive, Arcadia, California**. Non-committee Board members attending the committee meeting may not participate in the public discussion, official committee vote, or committee closed session.

### **AGENDA**

#### **Agenda Items**

1. Discussion regarding **racing calendar proposals and stabling and vanning for northern California in the context of the continued challenges of providing full fields and attractive race cards for the wagering public.**
2. **General Business:** Communications, reports, requests for future actions of the Committee.

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#### **STABLING AND VANNING AD HOC COMMITTEE**

Vice Chairman Madeline Auerbach, Chairman  
Fredric Maas, Member  
Rick Baedeker, Executive Director  
Jacqueline Wagner, Assistant Executive Director

STAFF ANALYSIS  
DISCUSSION REGARDING  
RACING CALENDAR PROPOSALS AND  
STABLING AND VANNING FOR  
NORTHERN CALIFORNIA  
IN THE CONTEXT OF THE CONTINUED CHALLENGES OF  
PROVIDING FULL FIELDS AND ATTRACTIVE RACE CARDS  
FOR THE WAGERING PUBLIC

Stabling and Vanning Ad Hoc Committee Meeting  
September 26, 2018

## ANALYSIS

The Race Dates Committee met August 22, 2018 at the Del Mar Thoroughbred Club (DMTC). Following a brief discussion, the Committee endorsed the allocated dates recommendation of all stakeholders in Southern California for a 2019 calendar that mirrors the 2018 thoroughbred calendar beginning December 26, 2018, at Santa Anita Park (SA), through June 25, 2019. The racing circuit continues to Los Alamitos Race Course (LA) from June 26 through July 16, 2019, followed by DMTC from July 17 through September 3, 2019; LA from September 4 through September 24, 2019; SA from September 25 through November 5, 2019; DMTC from November 6 through December 3, 2019; and finally LA from December 4 through December 17, 2019. The actual dates for each race meeting will fall within these allocated dates and will be determined at the time the Board approves the license applications.

The Committee also supported the allocated race dates request from the LA Quarter Horse Racing Association for quarter horse racing at LA from December 26, 2018 through December 17, 2019 and the request from Watch and Wager for harness racing at Cal Expo from December 26, 2018 through May 7, 2019 and October 27, 2019 through December 23, 2019 (meet dates to be determined).

Northern California stakeholders remained divided, principally over summer race dates and stabling issues.

## BACKGROUND

Business and Professions Code section 19440(a) states the Board shall have all powers necessary and proper to enable it to carry out fully and effectually the purposes of this chapter. Responsibilities of the Board shall include allocation of racing dates to qualified associations in accordance with law. Business and Professions Code section 19530 provides that the Board shall have the authority to allocate racing weeks to an applicant or applicants pursuant to the provisions of this article and article 6.5 and to specify such racing days, dates and hours for horse racing as will be in the public interest and will subserve the purposes of this chapter. The decision of the Board as to such racing days, dates and hours shall be subject to change, limitation or restriction

only by the Board. Business and Professions Code section 19531 states the Board shall make allocation of racing weeks, including simultaneous racing between zones, as it deems appropriate. The maximum number of racing weeks that may be allocated for horse racing other than at fairs shall be as follows: (a) For thoroughbred racing: 44 weeks per year in the northern zone; 42 weeks per year in the central zone; and seven weeks per year in the southern zone. (b) For harness racing: 25 weeks per year in the northern zone. (c) For quarter horse racing: 25 weeks per year in the northern zone. (d) For harness racing and quarter horse racing: a total of 77 weeks per year in the combined central and southern zones.

Board Rule 1430, Allocation of Racing Weeks and Dates, states the Board shall allocate racing weeks and dates for the conduct of horse racing in this State for such time periods and at such racing facilities as the Board determines will best subserve the purposes of the Horse Racing Law and which will be in the best interests of the people of California in accord with the intent of the Horse Racing Law.

#### RECOMMENDATION

This item is presented for Committee discussion and action.



*a California joint powers agency*

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August 7, 2019

Mr. Rick Baedeker, Executive Director  
California Horse Racing Board  
1010 Hurley Way  
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Rick,

As requested by Board staff, the California Authority of Racing Fairs respectfully submits the attached proposal for Northern California racing dates at CARF-member Fairs in 2019.

CARF Racing Fairs, having adequate on-site stalls to house the Northern California race horse population, maintain our 2018 position to opt-out of the Stabling & Vanning Fund, thereby decreasing stabling expenses and ensuring the future viability of Fair racing.

Respectfully yours,

Larry Swartzlander  
Executive Director

Cc: CARF Racing Fair CEO's

## 2019 CARF Member Fair Proposed Racing Calendar

Revised August 7, 2018

California State Fair (Sacramento)	15
California State Fair (Sacramento)	11
Humboldt (Fair)	8
Humboldt (Fair)	9
<b>Total CARF-Member Fair Days</b>	<b>43</b>

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\* CARF requests Humboldt race unoverlapped.



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August 13, 2018

Mr. Rick Baedeker, Executive Director  
 California Horse Racing Board  
 1010 Hurley Way  
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Dear Mr. Baedeker,

The enclosure with this letter is Sonoma County Fair's (Wine Country Racing) submittal for the proposed 2019 horse racing dates.

We are requesting three weeks of racing for 2019. The first two weeks would be with the Sonoma County Fair and the last week would be without a Fair.

Unfortunately due to the fluctuating race dates for the SOCO Fair we lost our previous carnival contractor and are only able to contract with a carnival for the first two weeks of the Fair. However we believe this third week in Santa Rosa with our turf track is a better benefit for California Horse Racing even without a Fair.

We appreciate the Commissioner's consideration of these proposals and look forward to the Date's Committee meeting on August 22.

Best Regards,

Rebecca Barling  
 Chief Executive Officer  
 Sonoma County Fair  
 Wine Country Racing

CC: Sonoma County Fair Board of Directors

At the Fairgrounds:  
 Golf Course  
 RV Park  
 Jockey Club  
 Wine Country Racing  
 Fair Foundation

### Santa Rosa - 2019 Proposal for Racing Dates

LIVE RACE DAYS TBD

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<b>Santa Rosa</b>	<b>3 weeks</b>
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*Week 1 and 2 with the Fair. Week 3 without a Fair*

# 2019 Northern California Race Dates - Golden Gate Field Proposal

GGF - December 19, 2018 through June 11, 2019

Pleasanton - June 12 through July 9, 2019

Cal Expo - July 10 through July 23, 2019

GGF - July 24 through July 30, 2019

Sonoma - July 31 through August 13, 2019

GGF - August 14 through October 1, 2019

Humboldt - Overlap August 21 through September 3, 2019

Fresno - October 2 through October 15, 2019

GGF - October 16 through December 17, 2019

<b>Golden Gate</b>	160
<b>Pleasanton</b>	16
<b>Cal Expo</b>	7
<b>Sonoma</b>	8
<b>Humboldt</b>	6
<b>Fresno</b>	8

Total Race Dates
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# 2019 Southern California Race Dates - Exhibit E

- SA - December 26, 2018 through June 25, 2019
- Los AI - June 26 through July 16, 2019
- DMR - July 17 through September 3, 2019
- Los AI - September 4 through 24, 2019
- SA - September 25 through October 29, 2019\*
- DMR - October 30 through December 3, 2019
- Los AI - December 4 through December 17, 2019

Del Mar	122
Los AI	55
Los AI	32

Total Race Dates	209
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\* If SA is awarded the 2019 Breeders' Cup, DMR will relinquish the first weekend of November

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**Wagner, Jacqueline**

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**From:** Cathy Monji  
**Sent:**  
**To:** Wagner, Jacqueline  
**Subject:** Re: FW: 2019 Race Dates Committee Meeting - Request for Proposed 2019 Race Dates Schedule

Dear Ms. Wagner,

For the 2019 race calendar, Los Alamitos Quarter Horse Racing Association would like to request December 28, 2018 through December 15, 2019.

Thank you for your consideration of our proposal.



watch wager

Operating Harness Racing at Cal Expo  
Managed By Golden Bear Racing, LLC

August 7, 2018

Jackie Wagner  
Asst. Executive Director  
California Horse Racing Board  
1010 Hurley Avenue #210  
Sacramento, CA 95825

Re: 2019 Harness Racing Dates Allocation Request

Dear Jackie,


WatchandWager.com, operator of Cal Expo harness racing, would like to request the following 2019 Standardbred race dates. Our split meet date request is consistent with our 2018 schedule.

- December 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018 through May 6<sup>th</sup> 2019 for the Winter/Spring meeting.
- October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019 through December 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2019 for the Fall meeting.

We anticipate racing on Friday and Saturday evenings during the period.

We thank the Board for consideration of our 2019 date request.

Sincerely,



Christopher J. Schick

**CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD**

**SEPTEMBER 26, 2018**  
**COMMITTEE MEETING**

**There is no material for Item 2**