

Del Mar 2008



To Our Horsemen—

The Del Mar Thoroughbred Club looks forward to hosting you for our 69th season of racing. We salute your hard work and dedication to the sport of Thoroughbred racing and appreciate the vital role you play in making Del Mar one of the most successful race meets in the country.

This summer, Del Mar is offering the most prestigious stakes schedule ever with 31 major stake races worth \$7.35 million. The track's signature event, the \$1-million Pacific Classic will be run for the 18th time on Sunday, August 24. The Pacific Classic, the day's most lucrative race is part of the Breeders' Cup "Win and You're In" program in addition to the \$400,000 Del Mar Mile and the \$300,000 Pat O'Brien Handicap and the \$200,000 Ranch Bernardo Handicap. Besides the four "Win and Your're In" races on August 24, four other stakes races have been added to the special Breeders' Cup program. They are Del Mar's new stake race the \$150,000 Cougar II at a mile and ½ on the polytrack, the \$400,000 John C. Mabee, the \$300,000 San Diego Handicap and the \$250,000 Del Mar Handicap. Horsemen may nominate for any of the listed stakes races by e-mailing to nominations@dmtc.com or downloading printable forms to mail or fax from Del Mar's website at www.delmarracing.com/horsemen.

The Del Mar Thoroughbred Club is the first track to introduce its new Trakus system feature for all of the Del Mar Stakes races. Sign up to receive this free e-mail service.

We have plenty of activities to keep you busy during the summer in Del Mar. Four O'Clock Fridays will return, featuring concerts following the races. Family Fun Weekends will be held every Saturday and Sunday and on Labor Day in the Infield. The Profession Bull Riding is returning for two nights in the Del Mar Arena and we are pleased to introduce Post @ Aterra, for Horsemen's Happy Hour every Wednesday after the races.

The Del Mar Thoroughbred Club wishes you good luck "where the turf meets the surf."

—Del Mar Thoroughbred Club