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NEWSLETTER



Dear Members

Welcome to the October edition of RA Today. We have recently come through some very difficult times and are now on the verge of an exciting new period in racing. We are very positive about the future and welcome the renewed energy and enthusiasm displayed by the MOD team. We are like minded in our determination to get racing back on track and share the sentiment that together, the sport of horse racing can thrive once again.

The RA believes that racing is moving in the right direction and we are confident that Stakes will return to more reasonable levels in all of our regions. In light of this, we encourage more owners to join the RA and for lapsed members to renew their membership. The RA is considering a tiered membership structure which will be put to members at the next annual general meeting and we will be announcing several new benefits for members over the coming months.

We will reinstate a pro-rata membership fee from 1 February 2021. Until then we invite all registered racehorse owners to join the RA free of charge with immediate effect until 31 January 2021. Upon joining now, members will be entitled to name badges displaying

From the desk of the CEO

their individual racing colours as well as parking discs for the duration of the season.

Furthermore, where an existing member brings a new member on board during this period, the existing member will receive the remainder of season free of charge. We look forward to welcoming new members as well as returning members back to the RA. For further information and application forms, kindly go to our website www.racingassociation.co.za or contact Penny Morsner on 011 683 3220.

In the Western Cape this week, racing returned to Kenilworth Racecourse with the running of the Grade 2 Western Cape Fillies Championship and the Grade 3 Cape Classic.



On the Highveld, racing moves to the stand side track at Turffontein Racecourse on Saturday 31 October with the running of the Grade 2 Peermont Emperors Palace Charity Mile with supporting features Grade 3 Graham Beck Stakes, the HSH Princess Charlene Starling Stakes, Yellowwood Handicap, Listed Golden Loom Handicap and Java Handicap and the NBT Peermont Emperors Palace Ready to Run Stakes sponsored by BSA.



In closing, I am looking forward to this year's annual general meeting taking place on 14 December 2020. A decision has been taken to hold a joint meeting between Turffontein, Kenilworth and Fairview and proceedings will be followed by a members' cocktail party at all centres. Members are encouraged to attend where they will be able to interact with their Board and provide feedback to all interested parties.

Warm regards

Wuru! Natalie Turner

CEO

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The Parade Ring at Turffontein Racecourse

A request was recently put forward by the RA for horses to leave from the back parade ring at Turffontein Racecourse. The following reasons were taken into account when considering this option;

- The parade ring's position relative to the saddling boxes, holding boxes and jockey quarters is ideal and its use will allow for 30-minute intervals between races (which cannot be done using the front parade ring).
- During the warm summer months, there is significantly more shade available for horses.
- The horses seem far more relaxed when using the back parade ring.
- Feedback from both senior jockeys and senior trainers has been positive.
- The use of the back parade ring and horses being more relaxed may result in less chance of an unnecessary scratching and we all want to see horses run to their full potential.

Raceday Experience at Turffontein Racecourse

The Flevation Room on the 3rd floor of Turffontein Racecourse is our RA Members' facility. Members making reservations in the Elevation Room are reminded of the smart casual dress code. No shorts, takkies or T-shirts are allowed in that facility. No children under 12 years old will be allowed in the Elevation Room. The rules have been somewhat relaxed during lock-down which has resulted in standards dropping but with the summer racing season approaching, we appeal to our members to dress accordingly. Members who are hosting non-members on the day are kindly requested to advise their guests of the dress code.



1,6 MILLION REASONS TO BUY BSA

The BSA Emperors Palace National 2yo Sale to be held at the TBA Sales Complex on 12 & 13 November has received a massive boost with graduates qualifying for R1,6 million worth of linked races for both sexes to be held in two different provinces.

A 'tick of the box' by the buyer will mean that the individual purchase could qualify for two R400 000 races – that's R800 000 in total on offer in KwaZulu-Natal at Hollywoodbets Greyville on Vodacom Durban July Day 2021, and then just over a month later at Turffontein.

This innovative and rewarding Sales Race programme is offered in addition to the usual Added Stakes Incentive.

The four Emperors Palace N2YO Sale linked races:

3 July 2021 Sales Race 1 - 1300m at <u>Hollywoodbets Greyville - Fillies only</u>

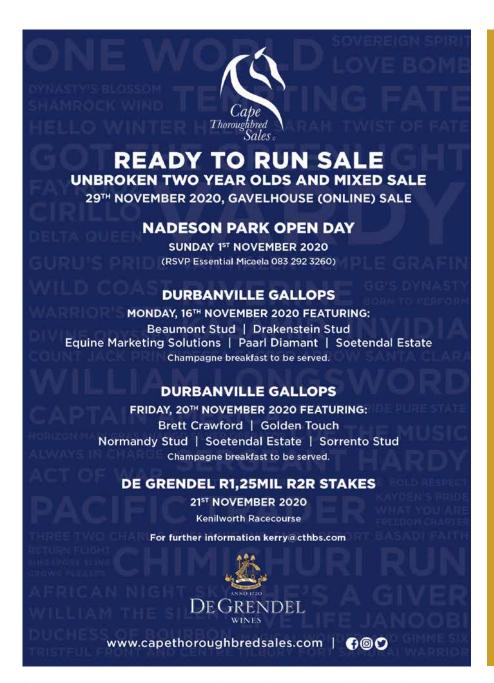
Sales Race 2 - 1300m at Hollywoodbets Greyville - Colts/geldings only

7 August 2021 Sales Race 3 - 1400m at Turffontein - Fillies only

Sales Race 4 - 1400m at Turffontein - Colts/geldings only



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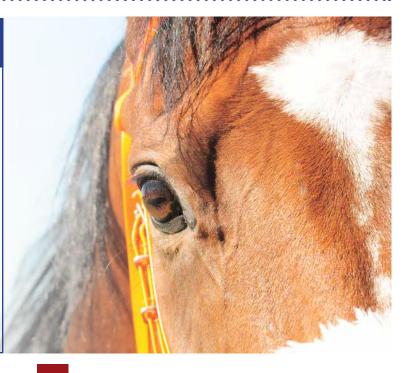
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Competition Time

All RA Members in good standing are invited to enter a competition to win a four ball at the 2021 Cape Thoroughbred Sales Golf Day which will be taking place on Sunday 24th January at Atlantic Beach Links, Melkbosstrand.

In order to enter, kindly send an email through to natalie@racingassociation.co.za with your name and contact details by midnight on the 30th of November. All eligible entries will be entered in to a random draw and the winner will be notified by Friday 4 December 2020.

T's & C's apply



Feature Races - November 2020

DATE	W Cape	Gauteng	E Cape	KZN
Sun 1				Model Man Mile (L)
Sat 7	Laissefaire Stakes (L) Woolavington Stakes (L) Cape Mile (NB)			
Sun 14		Victory Moon Stakes (G3) Gardenia Handicap (L)		
Fri 20			November Stakes (NB)	
Sat 21	Cape Merchants (G2) Concorde Cup (G2) Ready To Run Stakes (NB)	Fillies Mile (G3)		
Fri 27			Socrasync Toro Ya Africa Algoa Cup (L) Racing Association St (L) Cradock Place Stakes (NB) Glendore Sprint (NB)	
Sat 28		Summer Cup (G1) Dingaans (G2) Ipi Tombe Challenge (G2) Merchants (G3) Magnolia H/cap (G3) Racing Association H/cap (L)		

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Vaal Racecourse Contact Angie (011) 683 3220 or angie@racingassociation.co.za

Fairview Racecourse HB Christian Room Contact Gail on (041) 372 1859 or email gailr@phumelela.com

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