





*Crazy Beginning! We are told there will be a 10% purse increase in the next book and possibly another 10% in book 3. TBs are still needing stalls, 500 doesn't allow TB Trainers to bring their full barn to Albuquerque. Hopefully some will open up.*



*Ouch, not quite the start we hoped for but grateful for all the investigators and their hard work. Qualifiers are listed on front page. The winner of the John Andreini Memorial QH Stakes on Monday had to be vanned off, we will see what happens with that.*



*Sunland Park has no racing news today. Attached to this newsletter are happenings and promotions.*



*Sunray received approval of their ratifications from NMRC. Sunray did not receive their Champion Awards in time, so they will present them at DAA.*



*Zia received approval of their 2026 Stakes Schedule (Attached) and approval of their 2026 Gaming and Breakage from NMRC.*

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## **SUNRAY WINNERS**

### **THOROUGHBREDS**

**TRAINER – SHERRY ARMSTRONG**

**OWNER – BOB MATNEY**

**JOCKEY – ENRIQUE GOMEZ**

### **QUARTER HORSES**

**TRAINER – WES GILES**

**OWNER – TUNGSTEN RACING**

**JOCKEY – NOE GARCIA JR.**



# 2026 LIVE RACING SCHEDULE

RACETRACK	STARTING	ENDING	LOCATION	ADDRESS	RACING OFFICE PHONE NUMBER
SUNLAND PARK	JANUARY 2	APRIL 5	SUNLAND PARK	1200 FUTURITY DR SUNLAND PARK, NM 88063	(575) 874-5229
SUNRAY PARK	APRIL 10	MAY 17	FARMINGTON	39 ROAD 5558 FARMINGTON, NM 87401	(505) 566-1220
RUIDOSO DOWNS @ DOWNS AT ALBUQUERQUE	MAY 22	SEPTEMBER 7	ALBUQUERQUE	145 LOUBIANA BLVD HWY ALBUQUERQUE, NM 87108	(575) 378-7223 (505) 268-8668
DOWNS AT ALBUQUERQUE	SEPTEMBER 4	OCTOBER 25	ALBUQUERQUE	145 LOUBIANA BLVD HWY ALBUQUERQUE, NM 87108	(505) 268-8668
ZIA PARK	OCTOBER 31	DECEMBER 15	HOBBS	3901 W MILLEN DR HOBBS, NM 88240	(575) 492-7086

JANUARY							FEBRUARY							MARCH							APRIL							MAY							JUNE													
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JULY							AUGUST							SEPTEMBER							OCTOBER							NOVEMBER							DECEMBER						
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## NMHBA DEADLINES

DEADLINES	EVENT
FEBRUARY 1	STALLION EVA FORMS DEADLINE TO TURN IN TO NMHBA
SEPTEMBER 1	NEW BROODMARE (INCLUDING RECIPIENTS) REGISTRATION DEADLINE
SEPTEMBER 1	ICSI PREGNANCY FORM DEADLINE—DONORS & RECIPIENT MARES
OCTOBER 1	EXPORT BROODMARE PROGRAM DEADLINE (including ICSI)
NOVEMBER 1	STALLION UPDATE FORM DEADLINE TO RETURN TO NMHBA
NOVEMBER 1	ACCEPTING 2026 NMHBA MEMBERSHIPS
DECEMBER 31	LAST DAY TO REGISTER NM BREDS BEFORE THE PRICE INCREASES **ALL HORSES AGE JANUARY 1**



# 2026 NM BRED STAKES RACES

## RACETRACK

## QUARTER HORSE STAKES

## THOROUGHBRED STAKES

<b>SUNLAND PARK</b> NOMINATION SECRETARY (575) 874-5200	RED OR GREEN STAKES RG 4 YRS & UP 400 YDS	NM STATE RACING COMMISSION STAKES 4 YR OLDS & UP 5 1/2 FUR
	LOU WOOTEN-SPDREY VALENTINI STAKES RG FILLIES/MARES 4 YR OLDS & UP 400 YDS	CORRALITO STAK HOUSE STAKES 3 YR OLDS 6 FUR
	THE SHIVE FLY RG 3 YR OLDS 400 YDS	LA SENORA STAKES 3 YR OLD FILLIES 6 FUR
	LONNIE & CANDY ELAM MEMORIAL STAKES 4 YR OLDS & UP 870 YDS	LA CONEJA STAKES FILLIES/MARES 3 YR OLDS & UP 6 FUR
	PEPSI COLA STAKES 4 YR OLDS & UP 250 YDS	JAMISON MEMORIAL STAKES 4 YR OLDS & UP 4 1/2 FUR
	SUNBURY STAKES RG 1 YR OLD FILLIES 350 YDS	THE PEPPER PRIDE STAKES 3 YR OLD FILLIES 1 MILE
	NMHBA QUARTER HORSE STAKE RG 3 YR OLDS 400 YDS	RED HEDEMAN 1 MILE 3 YR OLDS 1 MILE
	NEW MEXICAN SPRING FUTURITY RG 2 YR OLDS 300 YDS	ALBERT & HENRY DOMINGUEZ MEMORIAL STAKES 4 YR OLDS & UP 1 1/16TH MILES
	NEW MEXICAN SPRING FLING 2 YR OLDS THAT STARTED IN NEW MEXICAN SPRING FUTURITY & FAILED TO QUALIFY	MT. CRISTO REY STAKES 3 YR OLDS & UP 5 1/2 FUR
		NEW MEXICO BREEDERS' OAKS 3 YR OLD FILLIES 1 1/16TH MILES
	NEW MEXICO BREEDERS' DERBY 3 YR OLDS 1 1/16TH MILES	
	NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY STAKES 4 YR OLDS & UP 1 MILE & 70 YDS	
<b>SUNRAY PARK</b> NOMINATION SECRETARY (505) 566-1262	NM BREEDERS' STAKES RG 3 YR OLDS 400 YDS	RUSSELL/WELSH FOLTZ DISTAFF FILLIES/MARES 3 YR OLDS & UP 6 1/2 FUR
	JIMMY DRAKE STAKES 3 YR OLDS & UP 250 YDS	JACK COLE STAKES 3 YR OLDS & UP 6 1/2 FUR
	NM BREEDERS' FUTURITY RG 2 YR OLDS 350 YDS	THE KENDRICK STAKES 3 YR OLDS 6 1/2 FUR
<b>RUIDOSO DOWNS</b> NOMINATION SECRETARY (575) 378-7316	JESS BURNER 4 YR OLDS & UP 400 YDS	SIERRA STABLET FILLIES/MARES 4 YR OLDS & UP 1 1/2 FUR
	MOUNTAIN TOP QH DERBY 3 YR OLDS 350 YDS	LAND OF ENCHANTMENT STAKES 3 YEAR OLDS & UP 7 FUR
	MOUNTAIN TOP QH FUTURITY RG 2 YR OLDS 350 YDS	ROAD RUNNER STAKES 3 YEAR OLDS 1 1/2 FUR
	MOUNTAIN TOP QH JUVENILE STAKES 2 YR OLDS 350 YDS	RIO GRANDE SENORITA 2 YEAR OLD FILLIES 1 1/2 FUR
	VISTA DISTAFF STAKES FILLIES/MARES 3 YR OLDS & UP 350 YDS	RIO GRANDE SENOR 2 YEAR OLD COLTS/GELDINGS 1 1/2 FUR
	ZIA QH DERBY RG 3 YR OLDS 400 YDS	LINCOLN STAKES FILLIES/MARES 3 YEAR OLDS & UP 6 FUR
	ZIA STAKES RG 3 YR OLDS & UP 400 YDS	
	ZIA QH FUTURITY RG 2 YR OLDS 400 YDS	
ZIA 870 CHAMPIONSHIP 3 YR OLDS & UP 870 YDS		
ZIA QH JUVENILE 2 YR OLDS 400 YDS		
<b>DOWNS AT ALBUQUERQUE</b> NOMINATION SECRETARY (505) 266-5555 EX. 7919	NMSF QH JUVENILE FOR 2 YR OLDS THAT STARTED IN THE NMSF QH FUTURITY TRIALS AND FAILED TO QUALIFY FOR THE FINAL 400 YDS	NMSF THOROUGHBRED FUTURITY 2 YR OLDS 6 FUR
	NMSF QH FUTURITY RG 2 YR OLDS 400 YDS	CASEY DARNELL HANDICAP 3 YR OLDS & UP 5 1/2 FUR
	NMSF QH DERBY RG 3 YR OLDS 400 YDS	CARLOS SALAZAR FILLIES/MARES 3 YR OLDS & UP 6 1/2 FUR
	FIRST MOONLASH QH MATURITY RG 4 YR OLDS & UP 440 YDS	CASINO AT THE DOWNS TB DERBY 3 YR OLD 1 MILE
	CHAMPAGNE LANE STAKES FILLIES/MARES 3 YR OLDS & UP 350 YDS	PETTCOAT STAKES 3 YR OLD FILLIES 6 1/2 FUR
	O.D. McDONALD HANDICAP 3 YR OLDS & UP 7 FUR	
<b>ZIA PARK</b> NOMINATION SECRETARY (575) 492-7084	NM CLASSIC DERBY RG 3 YR OLDS 400 YDS	PEPPERS PRIDE NM CUP FILLIES & MARES CLASSIC 3 YR OLDS & UP 1 MILE
	NM CLASSIC FUTURITY RG 2 YR OLDS 350 YDS	ROCKY GULCH NM CUP CLASSIC CHAMPIONSHIP 3 YR OLDS & UP 1 MILE & 70 YDS
	NM CLASSIC QH JUVENILE STAKES 2 YR OLDS 350 YDS	NM CLASSIC CUP SPRINT CHAMPIONSHIP 3 YR OLDS & UP 6 FUR
	NM CLASSIC CUP 870 CHAMPIONSHIP CUP 3 YR OLDS & UP 870 YDS	NM CLASSIC CUP JUVENILE CHAMPIONSHIP 2 YR OLD COLTS/GELDINGS 6 FUR
	NM CLASSIC QH SOPHOMORE STAKES 3 YR OLDS 400 YDS	NM CLASSIC CUP DERBY CHAMPIONSHIP 3 YR OLD COLTS/GELDINGS 6 FUR
	NM QH FILLIES & MARES CHAMPIONSHIP RG 3 YR OLDS & UP 400 YDS	NM CLASSIC CUP DISTAFF SPRINT CHAMPIONSHIP FILLIES/MARES 3 YRS & UP 6 FUR
	NAMCHIMASTREAKER NM CLASSIC CUP QH CUP RG 3 YRS & UP 440 YDS	NM CLASSIC CUP LASSIE CHAMPIONSHIP 2 YR OLD FILLIES 6 FUR
	NM CLASSIC DISTAFF STAKES FILLIES/MARES 3 YR OLDS & UP 350 YDS	NM CLASSIC CUP OAKS CHAMPIONSHIP 3 YR OLD FILLIES 6 FUR
		HOBBS FALL CLASSIC 2 YR OLDS 1 MILE 70 YDS
		LEA COUNTY STAKES 2 YR OLD FILLIES 1 MILE 70 YDS

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# Happenings at Sunland Park and Zia Park

**TRUCKS OF Treasure**  
APRIL 28 - JULY 2

Win your share of **\$18,000 EVERY WEEK**

HOURLY DRAWINGS 2PM - 8PM EVERY TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY PLUS A \$2,000 WINNER AT 9PM!

Actual vehicle may differ. Management reserves the right to cancel or modify promotion at any time. See Guest Services for complete details. Keep it FUN, Play Responsibly. Need Help? Call 1-800-572-1142.

**TRUCKS OF TREASURE**  
APRIL 28 - JULY 2

**OFF ROAD to RICHES**

Win a brand new **FORD F-150 OR BRONCO**  
MAY 30 & JUNE 27

HOURLY CASH DRAWINGS 5PM - 9PM FOR \$1,000 EACH & A DRAWING FOR THE VEHICLE AT 10PM!  
EARN DAILY ENTRIES NOW - JUNE 27 & 2X ENTRIES EVERY MONDAY, FRIDAY & SATURDAY

Actual vehicle may differ. Management reserves the right to cancel or modify promotion at any time. See Guest Services for complete details. Keep it FUN, Play Responsibly. Need Help? Call 1-800-572-1142.

**OFF ROAD RICHES**  
MAY 30 & JUNE 27

Daily **SIMULCAST RACING**

Place your Bets Today!

**DAILY SIMULCAST RACING**

Must be 18 years or older to wager on horse racing. Keep it FUN, Play Responsibly. Need Help? Call 1-800-572-1142.

**ZIA PARK**  
CASINO • HOTEL • RACETRACK  
HOBBS, NM

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**DUE JUNE 5**

2026 QH NOMINATION FORMS  
2026 NEW MEXICO CLASSIC FUTURITY  
2026 NEW MEXICO CLASSIC DERBY

**Drake White**

**SATURDAY, MAY 30**

**DRAKE WHITE** >

DOORS: 7PM | SHOW: 8PM  
Get ready to sing along to his biggest hits, including "Makin' Me Look Good Again", "Livin' The Dream", "Mix Em' With Whiskey" and "It Feels Good"!

Grab your tickets for \$25 + Fees

Racetrack at Zia Park

**2026 ZIA PARK LIVE RACING CALENDAR**  
31 Live Race Days

OCTOBER						
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NOVEMBER						
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DECEMBER						
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**2026 ZIA PARK STAKES SCHEDULE**

DATE	DAY	BREED	NM BRED	STAKE NAME	SEX/AGE	DISTANCE	PURSE	GRADED / LISTED (L) BLACK TYPE (BT)	NMHA	ZIA PURSE ACCOUNT SHARE	Closing Date	Nomination Fee	Payback 7th to Last Place	
10/31/2026	SATURDAY	QH	Y	NEW MEXICO CLASSIC FUTURITY TRIALS (NM)	OPEN/2YR	350 YARDS	\$ 12,000		\$ 2,000	\$ 10,000		N/A		
11/1/2026	SUNDAY	QH	Y	NEW MEXICO CLASSIC DERBY TRIALS (NM)	OPEN/3YR	400 YARDS	\$ 12,000		\$ 2,000	\$ 10,000		N/A		
11/22/2026	SUNDAY	QH	Y	NEW MEXICO CLASSIC DERBY (NM)	OPEN/3YR	400 YARDS	\$ 170,000	A	RGII	\$ 85,000	\$ 85,000	9-Nov	N/A	Y
11/22/2026	SUNDAY	QH	Y	NEW MEXICO CLASSIC FUTURITY (NM)	OPEN/2YR	350 YARDS	\$ 170,000	A	RGII	\$ 85,000	\$ 85,000	9-Nov	N/A	Y
11/22/2026	SUNDAY	QH	Y	NAMEHMASTREAKER NEW MEXICO QUARTER HORSE CLASSIC (NM)	OPEN/3UP	440 YARDS	\$ 200,000	G	RG1	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	9-Nov	\$0	Y
11/22/2026	SUNDAY	QH	Y	NEW MEXICO CLASSIC 870 CHAMPIONSHIP (NM)	OPEN/3UP (QH Only)	870 YARDS	\$ 150,000	G	RGIII	\$ 75,000	\$ 75,000	9-Nov	\$0	Y
11/22/2026	SUNDAY	QH	Y	NEW MEXICO CLASSIC FILLY & MARE QUARTER HORSE CHAMPIONSHIP (NM)	F&M/3UP	400 YARDS	\$ 200,000	G	RG1	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	9-Nov	\$0	Y
11/22/2026	SUNDAY	QH	Y	NEW MEXICO CLASSIC QUARTER HORSE JUVENILE (NM)	OPEN/2YR (Horses not in top 10 of NMC Futurity)	350 YARDS	\$ 60,000	G		\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	9-Nov	\$0	Y
11/23/2026	MONDAY	TB	Y	NEW MEXICO CLASSIC DISTAFF (NM)	F&M/3UP	6 FURLONGS	\$ 150,000	G		\$ 75,000	\$ 75,000	10-Nov	\$0	Y
11/23/2026	MONDAY	TB	Y	NEW MEXICO CLASSIC SPRINT (NM)	OPEN/3UP	6 FURLONGS	\$ 150,000	G		\$ 75,000	\$ 75,000	10-Nov	\$0	Y
11/23/2026	MONDAY	TB	Y	NEW MEXICO CLASSIC JUVENILE (NM)	OPEN/2YR	6 FURLONGS	\$ 150,000	G	BT	\$ 75,000	\$ 75,000	10-Nov	\$0	Y
11/23/2026	MONDAY	TB	Y	NEW MEXICO CLASSIC LASSIE (NM)	F/2YR	6 FURLONGS	\$ 150,000	G	BT	\$ 75,000	\$ 75,000	10-Nov	\$0	Y
11/23/2026	MONDAY	TB	Y	NEW MEXICO CLASSIC DERBY (NM)	OPEN/3YR	6.5 FURLONGS	\$ 150,000	G		\$ 75,000	\$ 75,000	10-Nov	\$0	Y
11/23/2026	MONDAY	TB	Y	NEW MEXICO CLASSIC OAKS (NM)	F/3YR	6.5 FURLONGS	\$ 150,000	G		\$ 75,000	\$ 75,000	10-Nov	\$0	Y
11/23/2026	MONDAY	TB	Y	PEPPERS PRIDE NEW MEXICO CLASSIC (NM)	F&M/3UP	1 MILE	\$ 200,000	G		\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	10-Nov	\$0	Y
11/23/2026	MONDAY	TB	Y	ROCKY GULCH NEW MEXICO CLASSIC (NM)	OPEN/3UP	1 1/16 MILE	\$ 200,000	G		\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	10-Nov	\$0	Y
11/24/2026	TUESDAY	TB		ZIA PARK SPRINT	OPEN/3UP	6 FURLONGS	\$ 100,000	G		\$ 100,000	15-Nov	\$0	Y	
11/24/2026	TUESDAY	TB		ZIA PARK CHAMPIONSHIP	OPEN/3UP	1 1/16 MILE	\$ 100,000	G	BT	\$ 100,000	15-Nov	\$0	Y	
11/24/2026	TUESDAY	TB		ZIA PARK DISTAFF	F&M/3UP	6 FURLONGS	\$ 100,000	G	BT	\$ 100,000	15-Nov	\$0	Y	
11/24/2026	TUESDAY	TB		ZIA PARK JUVENILE	OPEN/2YR	6 FURLONGS	\$ 100,000	G	BT	\$ 100,000	15-Nov	\$0	Y	
11/24/2026	TUESDAY	TB		ZIA PARK PRINCESS	F/2YR	6 FURLONGS	\$ 100,000	G	BT	\$ 100,000	15-Nov	\$0	Y	
11/24/2026	TUESDAY	TB		ZIA PARK OAKS	F/3YR	1 1/16 MILE	\$ 300,000	G	BT	\$ 300,000	15-Nov	\$0	Y	
11/24/2026	TUESDAY	TB		ZIA PARK DERBY (Listed)	OPEN/3YR	1 1/16 MILE	\$ 350,000	G	L	\$ 350,000	15-Nov	\$0	Y	
12/13/2026	SUNDAY	QH	Y	NEW MEXICO CLASSIC QUARTER HORSE DISTAFF (NM)	F&M 3UP, 4UP Preferred	350 YARDS	\$ 100,000	G	RGIII	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	1-Dec	\$0	Y
12/13/2026	SUNDAY	QH	Y	NEW MEXICO CLASSIC OAKS (NM)	3YR	400 YARDS	\$ 100,000	G		\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	1-Dec	\$0	Y
12/13/2026	SUNDAY	QH		JAMES ISSAC HOBBS	OPEN/3UP	350 YARDS	\$ 100,000	G	GII	\$ 100,000	1-Dec	\$0	Y	
12/13/2026	SUNDAY	QH		LOVINGTON	OPEN/3UP	400 YARDS	\$ 100,000	G	GII	\$ 100,000	1-Dec	\$0	Y	
12/13/2026	SUNDAY	QH		KING RICK RACK	OPEN/3UP (QH Only)	870 YARDS	\$ 125,000	G	G1	\$ 125,000	1-Dec	\$0	Y	
12/13/2026	SUNDAY	QH		ZIA PARK QUARTER HORSE CHAMPIONSHIP	OPEN/3UP Invitational	440 YARDS	\$ 125,000	G	G1	\$ 125,000	1-Dec	\$0	Y	
12/13/2026	SUNDAY	QH		SOUTHWEST JUVENILE	OPEN/2YR Invitational	400 YARDS	\$ 100,000	G	GII	\$ 100,000	1-Dec	\$0	Y	
12/13/2026	SUNDAY	QH		HOBBS AMERICA DERBY	OPEN/3YR Invitational	400 YARDS	\$ 100,000	G	GIII	\$ 100,000	1-Dec	\$0	Y	
12/14/2026	MONDAY	TB	Y	HOBBS FALL CLASSIC (NM)	OPEN 2YR	6.5 FURLONGS	\$ 100,000	G		\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	5-Dec	\$0	Y
12/15/2026	TUESDAY	TB	Y	LEA COUNTY (NM)	F/2YR	6.5 FURLONGS	\$ 100,000	G		\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	5-Dec	\$0	Y
				<b>TOTALS</b>			<b>\$ 4,450,000</b>		<b>\$ 1,325,000</b>	<b>\$ 3,125,000</b>				