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To our Members,

Below, please see today's NYRA's Press Release regarding the launch of the new stakes bonuses at the upcoming Belmont and Saratoga meets.

Regards,

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NYRA to offer New York Stakes Turf Bonus and Flower Bowl Bonus

OZONE PARK, N.Y. – The New York Racing Association, Inc. (NYRA) will see its Turf Triple series for fillies incentivized by a pair of lucrative bonus opportunities at the upcoming Belmont Park and Saratoga Race Course meets.

“The bonus system is a win-win for the 3-year-old filly Turf Triple series winners as they progress to their 4 and 5-year-old seasons,” said Martin Panza, NYRA Senior Vice President of Racing Operations. “NYRA wants the best turf fillies and mares pointing towards our races, providing our fans with top class events.”

The Turf Triple series for fillies kicks off July 10 at Belmont with the Grade 1, \$700,000 Belmont Oaks Invitational. The series continues with the Grade 3, \$700,000 Saratoga Oaks Invitational on August 8 at Saratoga and is completed by the Jockey Club Oaks at the Belmont fall meet.

NYRA is offering a pair of unique bonus opportunities as further incentive for owners to participate in the prestigious series.

The “New York Stakes Turf Bonus” will provide \$315,000 to the owner and \$35,000 to the trainer of any previous winner of the Belmont Oaks, Saratoga Oaks or Jockey Club Oaks who captures the 2021 edition of the Grade 2, \$750,000 New York, a 10-furlong turf test for older fillies and mares to be held June 4 at Belmont

The “Flower Bowl Bonus” will provide \$300,000 to the owner and \$30,000 to the trainer of any previous winner of the Belmont Oaks, Saratoga Oaks or Jockey Club Oaks, who captures the Grade 1, \$600,000 Flower Bowl, an 11-furlong test for fillies and mares 4-years-old and up on

The Turf Triple series, launched by NYRA in 2019, showcases the best 3-year-old turf runners in the country.

Concrete Rose captured two-thirds of the inaugural Turf Triple series for fillies with wins in the 2019 Belmont Oaks and Saratoga Oaks. The France-based Edisa captured the 2019 Jockey Club Oaks.

In August, Godolphin homebred Antoinette, trained by Hall of Famer Bill Mott, won the 2020 Saratoga Oaks ahead of a runner-up effort to Lael Stables' Magic Attitude, conditioned by Arnaud Delacour, in the Grade 1 Belmont Oaks on September 19. The Jockey Club Oaks was not contested last year due to a reduced stakes schedule caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

For more information, visit [NYRA.com](https://www.nyra.com).

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