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New York Sire Stakes Announces First Race Dates of Revised 2020 Calendar

SCHENECTADY, **N.Y.** – The New York Sire Stakes today announced dates for the first 3-year-olds legs of the 2020 season. The season will open with 3-Year-Old Trotting Fillies at Tioga Downs on June 21.

It is important to note that racing schedules have not all been finalized at tracks that are not yet open. The revised calendar will feature an equal number of legs for all ages and divisions.

- 3-Year-Old Trotting Fillies—Sunday, June 21 at Tioga Downs
- 3-Year-Old Trotting Colts-Wednesday, June 24 at Vernon Downs
- 3-Year-Old Pacing Colts—Sunday, June 28 at Tioga Downs
- 3-Year-Old Pacing Fillies—Thursday, July 2 at Yonkers Raceway

"There are many factors at play here that keep our plans changing on a consistent basis, but we wanted to provide a target start date for participants," said M. Kelly Young, executive director of the Agriculture and NYS Horse Breeding Development Fund. "While we look to forward to providing a complete schedule in the coming days, we felt it necessary to provide some certainty for planning purposes. The two-year-old events will begin on or about July 4."

Participants are asked to review the racing procedures set in place by each track and be prepared to follow them.

Please call or email Kelly Young with any questions. She can be reached at kelly.young@gaming.ny.gov or at 518-388-0224.

About the Agriculture and NYS Horse Breeding Development Fund:

The Agriculture and NYS Horse Breeding Development Fund is a public benefit corporation established in 1965 by the Laverne Law (Laws of New York, Chapter 567 of the Laws of 1965). The mission of the fund is to promote agriculture through the breeding of Standardbred horses and the conduct of equine research within the state. To carry out its legislative mission, the Fund administers the New York Sire Stakes races, Excelsior/State Fair Series races, and County Fair Races.