

## Breeders Bonus

Racing NSW has today announced that the highly successful BOBS bonus scheme will be changed to include a significant new bonus payable to the owners of mares breeding to BOBS stallions.

Commencing from August 2017, the conditions of BOBS will be altered for a three-year trial to pay \$2 million of bonuses to the owners of mares breeding to BOBS eligible stallions. This will be financed by Racing NSW contributing a further \$1 million per annum to BOBS and by the \$1 million presently paid in bonuses to the owners of stallions nominated for BOBS.

The table below summarises changes to the structure of broodmare bonuses replacing stallion bonuses:

<b>Bonus Type</b>	<b>Existing Mare Owner Bonus</b>	<b>Replaced by New Mare Owner Bonus</b>
<b>Metropolitan Saturday Races</b>	<b>\$500.00</b>	<b>\$5,000.00</b>
<b>Metropolitan Weekday, Highway Races</b>	<b>\$250.00</b>	<b>\$2,500.00</b>
<b>Provincial, Country TAB Races</b>	<b>\$125.00</b>	<b>\$1,250.00</b>
<b>Non-TAB Races</b>	<b>\$31.25</b>	<b>\$312.50</b>

Importantly, the amount of BOBS bonuses payable to the owner, trainer and rider of BOBS bonus winning horses is unchanged.

This enhancement to BOBS has been undertaken by Racing NSW following representations by Thoroughbred Breeders NSW.

“The significant bonus payments to the mare owners of BOBS bonus winning racehorses will provide a great incentive for owners to breed their mares to BOBS eligible stallions. This will have a positive impact on the NSW foal crops in coming years,” said Racing NSW Chief Executive, Mr Peter V’landys AM.

“I greatly appreciate the work done by Thoroughbred Breeders NSW who have been the architects of this new element to BOBS.

“Racing NSW also acknowledges the agreement from stallion owners and studs to change the structure of BOBS bonuses, with a view to an increased number of matings,” Mr V’landys concluded.