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Trackside live from the Kentucky Derby

Trackside crosses live to Kentucky this Sunday for one of the most prestigious horse races in the world - the Kentucky Derby. Run over 2000m the Kentucky Derby attracts top three-year-olds in pursuit of US\$2 million stakes and the first leg of the United States Triple Crown of thoroughbred racing.

Trackside will be live from Churchill Downs in Kentucky for the Group 1 Woodford Reserve Turf Classic at 8.52am and the Group 1 Kentucky Derby at 10.04am.

The New Zealand Racing Board's Racing Manager, Michael Dore, said "there will be plenty of female interest in this event with filly Eight Belles lining up against the boys. Only three fillies have ever won the race in the Derby's 133 year history and Eight Belles is expected to put up a good challenge against unbeaten favourite Big Brown."

"This year, for the first time, Kiwi punters placing win, place and quinella bets on these races will bet into the commingled New Zealand and Australian SuperTAB pool," Michael said.

Totalisator betting, commingled with Tabcorp, will be available through the New Zealand Racing Board's Internet, Touch Tone, Phonebet, Skybet and Retail channels from 12 noon Saturday 3 May. There will be no fixed odds betting.

Trackside Live will commence at 8.45am to cover the Group 1 Woodford Reserve Turf Classic. *NZ Retro* will commence at the earlier time of 9.45am before crossing live to Kentucky and will resume after the Kentucky Derby at approximately 10.10am.

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About New Zealand Racing Board wagering channels

The New Zealand Racing Board provides you with a number of different ways to place a bet. With options such as TAB outlets, Internet, Skybet, Touch Tone, Phonebet and at the racetrack, it has never been easier.

- Internet: www.tab.co.nz
- Touch Tone: Freephone 0800 10 20 33
- Phonebet: Freephone 0800 10 20 30
- Skybet: Trackside & Sky Sport 1,2 & 3