

PRESS RELEASE



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PJA RESPONSE TO THE PUBLICATION OF THE 2027 FIXTURE LIST

The PJA, our board and our members are somewhat surprised at the BHA Board's decision to agree no material change to the 2027 fixture list. It is a risky strategy considering the declining broodmare band and foal crop, staff retention issues and the continuous strain on participants and others that results from servicing the relentless nature of the fixture list. Whilst we disagree with the Board's decision, we respect their right to take it and hope it is a decision that is proven to be the correct one.

The PJA has said repeatedly when it comes to the fixture list that we can't keep doing the same thing and expecting different results. We do therefore welcome the fact that proposals are being put before the Horserace Betting Levy Board for a package of measures which, if approved, will provide further, meaningful incentives for the breeding, training, and owning of horses in Britain.

The process of creating the fixture list is not an easy one. We appreciate the hard work of the BHA's Race Planning team and will continue to play an active and constructive role in trying to positively address the issues we face.

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Notes for Editors:

1. The BHA press announcement can be found [here](#).