



Grandstand Entertainment From Educational Programs to Small Dog Races

The Brian I. Tatarian Grandstand is home to 14-days of exciting live horse racing presented by Table Mountain Casino and Coors Light, as well as many thrilling events that entertain audiences! Here's your guide to what's happening in the Grandstand besides amazing live horse racing, of course.

NEW! Mascot Races during September Horse Racing (Sept 29)

Watch your favorite local mascots compete in the 2024 Mascot Races on Sunday, September 29 during Sunday Fun Day at September Horse Racing! Come out to the races to find out which one of your favorite Valley mascots wins!

4.0 & Above Program – Wednesday, October 2 at 6:30 p.m.

The Big Fresno Fair and the Office of the Fresno County Superintendent of Schools, along with our valued sponsors Friends of the Fair, Valley Children's Healthcare, EECU, Toyota and iHeartMedia have partnered to give BIG rewards to high achieving 8-12 grade students, as part of the 4.0 & Above Program. Fair entrance is FREE on Wednesday, October 2 to all Fresno County 8-12 grade students who have a 4.0 grade point average or above as of June 2024. Each student will have the opportunity to enter-to-win scholarships, laptops and more, plus 9-12 grade students can also win a brand-new Toyota Corolla at the 6:30 p.m. random drawing! Must be present to win!

Big Band Review – Thursday, October 3 from 2 p.m. – 6 p.m.

The 13th Annual Big Band Review presented by Valley Children's Healthcare, EECU, Toyota and iHeartMedia will take place on Thursday, October 3. Junior High and High School Marching Bands from throughout the State of California will compete for cash prizes. The Big Band Review competition will begin at 2:00 p.m. and the awards will be announced at 6:00 p.m. Make sure to stop in and watch the competition for yourself where a total of \$15,000 in prize money will be awarded to participating bands!

Beer & Wine Fest – Saturday, October 5

The Big Fresno Fair is excited to welcome back beer and wine enthusiasts for our popular combination event Saturday, October 5 from 2 p.m. until 6 p.m. Tickets start at \$25 for event only and \$7 for Designated Driver. From inside the horse racing infield, sip on beer and wine from over 20 breweries and wineries, play lawn games, enjoy live music, gourmet food trucks and, of course, betting stations so people can wager on the races!

Derby Dog Dash – Saturday, October 12

Have a small dog that you think is fast? Then be sure to enter them into the Annual Derby Dog Dash on Saturday, October 12 for the chance to win cash prizes and, of course, bragging rights, plus you get into the Fair for free! Go to the website for more information!

Bulldog Stakes Race – Sunday, October 13

Join the tradition and win! Wear red to the races on Sunday, October 13 to celebrate our very own Fresno State Bulldogs, and be entered to win cash prizes during the Bulldog Stakes Race! Look for the entry booth at the main entrance to Grandstand to show your Fresno State Bulldog pride (by wearing red of course!), fill out an entry form and pick your winning horse! Must be present to win!

NEW! Drone Shows – Every Friday & Saturday Nights!

Carnival lights isn't the only thing lighting up the night sky during this year's Fair! Each Friday and Saturday night of the 2024 Big Fresno Fair is the NEW Drone Show in the Brian I. Tatarian Grandstand! Experience a one-of-a-kind and FREE Drone Show with your favorite Fair images as they light up the night sky. Brought to you by [Skye Dreams](#).