

## NSA Official Notices Tuesday, September 30, 2014

### Stewards Advisory Committee – Policy Revision

The current NSA policy which prohibits a hurdle horse from competing beyond the age of 12 will remain in effect with the following amendment:

*To be eligible to run beyond the age of 12 a horse must have established form as a 12 year old, having finished first, second or third in at least one of its last three starts. To remain eligible as a 13 year old, such horse must continue to maintain its form by finishing first, second or third in at least one of its first three starts. Additionally, an eligible 13 year old would be required to pass a thorough veterinary exam (by a veterinarian approved by the Stewards Advisory Committee) prior to its first start of that season.*

As with all new policy issues, this proposal will be open for discussion and comment for a 45-day period beginning August 27, 2014. If approved, it would be in effect for the 2015 NSA spring season. Please direct any comments in writing (via email) to the NSA Stewards Advisory Committee Chairman Dwight Hall (dhall247@comcast.net).

### NSA Medication Guidelines Update

When using Methocarbamol in conjunction with bute, it is possible the recommended withdrawal time of 48 hours for Methocarbamol is inaccurate. The latest research indicated a minimum of 72 hours should be used if using in conjunction with bute, please adjust your pre-race treatments accordingly.

### Genesee Valley

Nominations (8) with weight and trainer for the Genesee Valley Hunt Cup Timber Stakes (#132) are as follows: ALMARMOOQ (160 – K. Neilson), CHESS BOARD (160 – Meister), DELTA PARK (155 – J. Fisher), GRINDING SPEED (160 – A. Murphy), MAJOR MALIBU (155 – W. Dowling), REGAL HOUR (150 - Gillam), SERENE HARBOR (160 – McKenna), SNOW BLIZZARD (160 – Knox)

### Genesee Valley – Course Inspection

The Genesee Valley race course was inspected on September 29, 2014 by Marion Thorne.

**Turf:** Course is run over “fair hunting country,” and as such is in excellent condition with thick lush grass cover averaging 8 inches. Fertilizer and weed killer have been applied again this year greatly improving our turf.

**Smoothness:** The ground at Genesee Valley is smoother this year due to regular mowing and maintenance.

**Compaction:** 14.5 (Soft)

**Moisture:** 5 (Average)

### Far Hills

The purse for the Harry E. Harris (Sport Of Kings Maiden Hurdle) has been increased from \$25,000 to \$30,000. The fees will be adjusted accordingly.

### Aiken Fall – Substitute Race (Apprentice Rider Allowance Hurdle)

**Purse \$10,000. Allowance Hurdle. For Four-Year-Olds and Upward which have never won a novice or open hurdle stakes. To be ridden by apprentice riders.** Four-year-olds, 150 lbs; older, 156 lbs. Non-winners of a race in 2014, allowed 4 lbs.; since September 1, 2013, 8 lbs.; in 2013-2014, 12 lbs.; (Maiden and claiming races not considered). Entry fee \$50; \$50 additional if not scratched on time Wednesday; with \$100 additional to start.

**Two Miles and One Quarter over National Fences.**

### International Gold Cup

All owners and trainers participating in the flat races at International Gold Cup (#147, #149 and #151) are not required to be licensed by the NSA. They will, however, be required to be licensed by the Virginia Racing Commission. Additionally, NSA entry fees for those three flat races will be waived for the 2014 International Gold Cup races on a one-time basis to encourage participation at this pari-mutuel meet.

### Callaway – Substitute Race (Filly & Mare Maiden Hurdle)

**Purse \$25,000. Hurdle. For Maiden Fillies and Mares, Three-Years-Old and Upward.** Three-year-olds, 137 lbs.; four-year-olds, 149 lbs., older, 155 lbs. Entry fee \$125; \$125 additional if not scratched on time Wednesday; with \$250 additional to start.

**Two Miles and One Quarter over National Fences.**

### Fegentri World Cup of Nations Team Races

**Friday, October 10 - Penn National** (entries Wednesday October 8) Fillies and Mares NW2 Claiming \$10,000  
**One Mile on the Turf**

**Friday, October 10 - Laurel Park** (entries Tuesday Oct 7) **Purse \$27,000** For Maidens, three-years-old and upward. Three year olds, 141 lbs; older 145 lbs. Claiming Price \$25,000. For each \$2,500 to \$20,000 allowed 2 lbs.  
**Five and One Half Furlongs on the Turf**

**Saturday, October 11- Delaware Park** (entries Wednesday Oct 8) **Purse \$16,000.** For Three Year Olds and Upward which have started for a claiming price Of \$5,000 or less in the last five starts Three Year Olds 136 lbs.; older 140 lbs. Non-Winners of a race since September 11, 2014 allowed 3 lbs.; of a race since July 11, 2014, 5 lbs.  
**One Mile and Seventy Yards**

**Sunday, October 12 – Parx Racing** (entries Tuesday Oct 7) **Purse \$19,000** For Maiden Fillies and Mare, 3, 4, and 5 year olds. Three year olds 136 lbs.; older 139 lbs. Claiming price \$15,000 - \$13,000. All turf eligibilities waived.  
**One Mile on the Turf**

### America's Most Wanted Thoroughbred Contest

Jazz Napravnik and So Outspoken are competing in the America's Most Wanted Thoroughbred contest to bring awareness and interest to Steeplechasing. You can help by going to the link below and voting for So Outspoken!! He is scheduled to make his first start at Montpelier this fall. I have attached a picture of him below. Thank you so much!!

The first round of VOTING for the winner of the America's Most Wanted Thoroughbred contest begins TODAY! Like RIGHT NOW!

By clicking the link below, you will have the opportunity to cast your vote for your favorite team...the first round of voting will be open form now until 11:59pm on Saturday night (October 4th).

You will have a second chance to vote DURING the actual on-track performances on Sunday, October 5 at the RRP Thoroughbred Makeover. Votes from both rounds will be compiled and the winner will be announced Sunday afternoon...come watch it at Pimlico and see it streamed LIVE on [The Blood-Horse](http://www.thebloodhorse.com) website.

VOTE HERE: <http://www.retiredracehorseproject.org/2014-thoroughbred-makeover-a-marketplace-and-national-symposium>

