



Official Notices
Monday, October 16, 2017

Far Hills Credentials

Current NSA credentials will be honored for admission to the racecourse grounds. Participating horsemen will be issued paddock passes upon request to Priscilla Miller. **Requests must be made by Noon Tuesday, October 17** via email: fhmaotr@gmail.com

Grand National Bonus Award

Irish Thoroughbred Marketing will award the winning owner for the 2017 American Grand National a trip to the Punchestown Festival, Ireland. The prize includes; return economy flights from any USA airport, accommodation and four days racing including hospitality at The Punchestown Festival. Terms and Conditions apply.

New NSA Claiming Policy

The claim of any horse in an NSA sanctioned race may be voided if such horse expires or is fatally injured during the running of the race and is euthanized on Association grounds.

International Gold Cup Nominations

Please find the nominations for the International Gold Cup attached.

International Gold Cup Course Report

The International Gold Cup race course was inspected on October 10, 2017 by Robert Hilton and Adel Marquez.

Turf: 7-8 inches in height, clean with no weeds.

Smoothness: Turf is smooth throughout.

Compaction: 100 (Good)

Moisture: 10 (Wet)

Notes: Irrigation started on October 1 and will continue as needed.

Substitute Race for the International Gold Cup
(Allowance Flat)

Purse \$35,000. For Three Years Old and Upward which have never won a race other than maiden, claiming or starter. Three-year-olds, 150 lbs.; older, 155 lbs. Non-winners in 2017, allowed 4 lbs.; in 2016-2017, 8 lbs. (Claiming races not considered in estimating allowances). **Jump riders are eligible for applicable jump apprentice allowances.** The result of this race does count toward a horse's official record. Entry fee \$175, \$175 additional if not scratched on time Wednesday; with \$350 additional to start.

One Mile and One Half on the Turf.

International Gold Cup Licensing

All owners, trainers, jockeys, and grooms participating in the International Gold Cup races are required to be licensed by the Virginia Racing Commission (VRC). **(Please note: anyone licensed in the spring for the 2017 Virginia Gold Cup races does not need to get a new license for this event; bring your badge from the spring races with you.)** The easiest way to obtain a license is by going to the Commission's website at www.vrc.virginia.gov and clicking on "Virginia Racing License" in the upper left hand side of the home page. You will then see a list of documents including the "Racing Application for Participants", "General Application Instructions", "Fee Schedule", and "Credit Card Verification Form". Simply print out the application and complete it by referring to the fee schedule and general instructions. Once the application is completed, signed, and dated you may either mail it along with the appropriate payment to 5707 Huntsman Road, Suite 201-B, Richmond, VA 23250 or scan the application and e-mail it to VRCLicense@vrc.virginia.gov. If you would like your badge mailed to you before the races, your application and payment must be received by October 19th, otherwise badges will be distributed at the horsemen's check-in tent located in the stable area. The VRC will also be on site at the Spring House on Thursday October 26th from 10:00 a.m. till 5:00 p.m. and on Friday October 27st from 10:00 a.m. till 5:00 p.m. for licensing. (Please note: All licensing needs to be completed by Friday, October 27st.) If you have any questions or require assistance with this process, please contact Rhonda Davis at (804) 461-0740. Owners and trainers, etc. participating in the flat races only do not need to be credentialed by NSA. Grooms must have a VRC license unless they have a current license from another jurisdiction with them, in which case they may obtain a day pass at no charge.

A horsemen's check-in tent will be in the stable area to handout and sell wristbands (only needed for those without a license.) Horsemen will receive 4 complimentary wristbands per participating owner, 1 per trainer and jockey; additional wristbands may be purchased for \$35 each. The 2017 NSA mirror-hung car pass will admit the vehicle to Gate 2. The NSA pin will allow entrance to Members Hill only, it does not allow entrance to VRC restricted areas. Anyone with questions can contact the VGCA office at 540-347-2612.

**The David L. "Zeke" Ferguson Memorial
\$75,000 Guaranteed
(Grade II)**

HURDLE HANDICAP For Four Year Olds and Upward. Weights influenced by current NSA ratings.

TWO MILES AND ONE EIGHTH (HURDLE)

TO BE RUN SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2017

ANDI'AMU (FR)	b.g.7	Ballybristol Farm LLC	Leslie F. Young
BALANCE THE BUDGET	ch.g.8	Stonelea Stable LLC	Julie Gomena
CHARMINSTER (IRE)	b.g.11	Irvin S. Naylor	Cyril Murphy
CURVE OF STONES	gr/ro.g.6	S. Rebecca Shepherd	David M. Bourke
HINTERLAND (FR)	b.g.9	Harold A. Via, Jr.	Jack Fisher
JAMARJO (IRE)	b.g.10	Irvin S. Naylor	Leslie F. Young
MASERATI (BRZ)	dk b/.g.8	Amy Taylor Rowe	Leslie F. Young
MY AFLEET	gr/ro.g.6	Amling, Jeffrey S. and Merriefield Farm	Mark Beecher
SCHOODIC	b.g.7	Edith R. Dixon	Jack Fisher
SIMENON (IRE)	b.g.10	Rosbrian Farm	Ricky Hendriks
TOP STRIKER	b.g.8	Mrs. George M. Sensor	Archibald J. Kingsley, Jr.

CLOSED MONDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2017 WITH 11 NOMINATIONS*
*PENDING LATE MAIL

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**80th Running Of
The International Gold Cup
\$75,000 Guaranteed**

TIMBER STAKES For Four Year Olds and Upward. Four year olds, 155 lbs.; older, 165 lbs.

THREE AND ONE HALF MILES (TIMBER)

TO BE RUN SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2017

EBANOUR (IRE) ch.g.10 Irvin S. Naylor Cyril Murphy

GRAND MANAN b.g.8 Armata Stable William Meister

RODRIGUEZ (IRE) dk b/.g.10 Kiplin Hall William Dowling

STRAIGHT TO IT ch.g.11 Sheila J. Williams & Northwoods Stable Jack Fisher

TOUCHDOWNTONY b.g.8 Irvin L. Crawford, II Joseph G. Davies

WORRIED MAN b.g.10 Four Virginia Gents Doug Fout

CLOSED MONDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2017 WITH 6 NOMINATIONS*
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