



NSA Official Notices

Wednesday, February 7, 2018

Ratings

Please see the first ratings list of 2018 below. If your horse does not appear on the list and you submitted a Horses in Training list, please let the office know. If you did not submit a spring Horses in Training list, please do so and your ratings horses will be added.

Horses in Training List

All NSA trainers are **required** to submit a "Horses in Training" list for the spring of 2018. Horses which are entered that are **not** on the "Horses in Training" list will be least preferred in any race which overfills.

Code of Conduct

As a condition of license all NSA licensees are expected to conduct themselves in a manner consistent with the best interests of racing. Any conduct deemed to be detrimental to the sport, the NSA, or the individual race meets and their representatives will subject the offender to a fine or suspension, or both, in accordance with the NSA Rules of Racing.

By order of the NSA Stewards Advisory Committee January 19, 2018

NSA Stewards School

The NSA is inquiring about possible interest in a three-day Stewards School, to be held sometime next winter at a location to be determined. The school, which is part of the Racing Officials Accreditation Program (ROAP), makes all graduates eligible to serve as an accredited NSA Steward. It consists of three days of classes, eight hours per day, followed by a comprehensive three-part exam (written, oral and video).

Those interested should contact either Bill Gallo (billgallo@nationalsteeplechase.com) or Courtney Reid (courtneyreid@nationalsteeplechase.com).

Grand National Purse Increase

The race committee for the Grand National Steeplechase, to be run on Saturday April 21, 2018, is pleased to announce that the purse for The Grand National (#26 in spring condition book) has been increased from \$30,000 to **\$50,000**. Total purses offered for the day will now be **\$85,000**.

Proposed New Apprentice Rider Policy

The NSA Stewards Advisory Committee is asking for review and comment (for a 30-day period) of a recommendation from the NSA Safety Committee regarding new apprentice rider policies. All inquires and suggestions should be directed to Courtney Reid via email at Courtneyreid@nationalsteeplechase.com by February 21, 2018. At the end of the 30-day period the NSA Stewards Advisory Committee will make a final proposal to the NSA Board of Directors, which will be in effect for the 2018 NSA season.



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Horse.....	Rating				
Rawnaq	156	Canadian Gold	120	Causeworthy	111
Mr. Hot Stuff	146	Berland	120	Down Royal	111
All the Way Jose	145	Hardrock Eleven	120	First Friday	111
Modem	145	Kensington Court	120	Menacing Dennis	111
Sempre Medici	145	Officer Sydney	119	Able Archer	110
Zanjabeel	137	Lake Champlain	118	Ack Feisty	110
Gibralfaro	136	Detroit Blues	118	Gmac	109
Jamarjo	136	Castle Hill	117	Norse Star	109
Hinterland	135	Kremlin	117	Classical Art	109
Balance the Budget	134	Osmoz	117	Comanchero	108
Swansea Mile	133	Getreadyssetgoes	117	Indy's Legacy	108
Diplomat	132	All for Us	116	Stormy Alex	107
Ice It	130	Barnacle Bill	116	Expecting	107
Taper Tantrum	130	Deficit	116	Pure Deal	107
Katnap	130	Long House Saint	116	Canaveral	106
New Member	130	Manchurian High	116	Barbara's Smile	105
Schoodic	127	Sarah Joyce	116	Devil's Wrangler	105
Andi'amu	127	Sixty Five	116	Disobedience	105
Daneking	126	Swellegent	116	Pram	105
Laser Light	126	Whitman's Poetry	116	Say No Maux	105
Lyonell	125	With Rhythm	116	Show King	104
Mercoeur	125	Zio Elio	115	Balistes	103
Simenon	125	Any Given Royal	115	Pied du Roi	103
Jack Frost	125	For Goodness Sake	115	Mathayus	101
Three Kingdoms	125	Giza	115	Boogie Feeva	100
Surprising Soul	124	Tay Lane	114	Needle in the Hay	98
Lord Justice	123	Easy Exit	114	Stalled	95
L'aigle Royal	123	Perfect Union	114		
Overwhelming	123	Unsinkable	114		
Rudyard K	123	Maximum Horsepower	113		
Bobabout	122	Bishop's Castle	113		
Macnicholson	122	Reporter	113		
Mutasaawy	122	Officer's Oath	112		
No Wunder	122	Wigwam Baby	112		
Invocation	121	Wild Dynaformer	112		
Orchestra Leader	121	Swoop	111		
Kingdom	121				

National Steeplechase Association

Safety Committee

Requirements for New Rider Applicants to be published on NSA website/condition book:

1. A "Provisional License" issued by the Stewards Advisory Committee will be approved for Flat, Hurdle and/or Timber for each new applicant, as the Committee deems appropriate.
2. Flat wins do NOT count against an apprentice claim in steeplechase races.
3. An Apprentice Jockey shall be "sponsored" by a licensed trainer in good standing and remain in sponsorship throughout their apprenticeship. Additionally, a list of Apprentice Jockeys and their Primary Sponsors will be published on the NSA website.
4. The Stewards Advisory Committee shall review each "new" applicant and approve every license, as well as review any current licensee referred to the Committee by the Stewards.
5. All Apprentice Jockeys will meet with the Stewards on race day, 15 minutes prior to the mandatory jockey's meeting, to review any information pertinent to the day/individual. Additionally, Apprentice Jockeys will be required to participate in a minimum of one of the two Continuing Education Stewards Seminars conducted annually.

Suggested Apprentice Rules Changes over Hurdles:

1. An apprentice jockey shall claim the following:
 - a. First two (2) wins - 10 lbs
 - b. Next three (3) wins - 7 lbs
 - c. Next ten (10) wins - 5 lbs
2. New Applicants shall have started in 5 unrestricted races over fences at Pt-to-Pt's or 3 sanctioned races over timber prior to being granted a NSA hurdle license.
3. An apprentice jockey license shall be considered "provisional" by Stewards Advisory Committee prior to their first two(2) hurdle wins or ten(10) completed sanctioned rides over hurdles, whichever occurs first.
4. An Apprentice Jockey shall not ride any maiden hurdle race prior to their first two(2) hurdle wins or ten(10) completed sanctioned rides over hurdles, whichever occurs first.
5. An apprentice jockey shall not ride a maiden hurdle race on a horse that has not completed two(2) sanctioned hurdle races consecutively in the last twelve(12) months.
6. An apprentice jockey may not ride a three year old in an NSA sanctioned jump race.
7. An apprentice jockey may not ride in an NSA sanctioned jump race at the flat track.
8. An apprentice jockey may not ride in Stakes Races or Handicaps (Ratings Handicaps excluded) until they have won their third(3rd) NSA sanctioned hurdle race.