



NSA Official Notices

Wednesday, April 17, 2019

Revised NSA Vet's List Policy

A horse may be placed on the NSA Vet's List by the Stewards, based on a recommendation by the race meet veterinarian, due to pre-race veterinary examination findings or lameness or injury during a race or lameness or health conditions observed post race.

Any horse that is placed on the NSA Vet's List **"for lameness"** shall not be eligible for race entry for at least seven (7) days and said horse must be examined by an equine veterinarian at the resident stable. That exam must consist of a complete assessment of that horse with particular attention to the findings that placed the horse on the vet's list. The horse will be observed in hand and under tack at a walk, trot and canter. If examination findings indicate that the horse is racing sound, a drug screen shall be drawn and submitted to the testing laboratory designated by the NSA. If that screen is negative, the horse may be re-entered. The cost of the examination and the drug screen shall be the responsibility of the trainer or owner of the horse.

This examination of a horse on the NSA Vet's List differs from most flat racing jurisdictions in that there is no designated work required other than observation under tack. This difference is due to the widespread geographic distribution of horses involved in jump racing and the lack of supervising regulatory veterinarians in most areas.

By Order of the NSA Stewards Advisory Committee

Any horse that falls on the race course and does not immediately recover **MUST** be transported back to the stables via the horse ambulance unless the attending veterinarian at the scene deems such a transport to be unsafe. In addition, all horses who are visibly lame must be transported back to the stable via ambulance. If a horse is suffering from heat exhaustion it is unsafe to confine the horse in the equine ambulance until that horse is stabilized on the course and it is advisable to slowly walk those off the course. This decision must be made by the attending veterinarian.

Live Streaming of Race Meets

All NSA race meets will be available in high definition on the NSA Network, which was created by and is managed by TPH Productions. The live-streaming video will be available for mobile, laptop and desktop computers, and televisions equipped with internet browsers.

A permanent button is on the NSA website home page, www.nationalsteeplechase.com, underneath the Need to Know icon just below the main photo. Click on that button to go to the NSA Network page to access live streaming and archived videos of past races and other features

The web address of the NSA Network is: theplaidhorse.com/steeplechase.

Revised NSA Waiver Claimer Policy

At the time of entry into any NSA steeplechase claiming race, the trainer may declare a horse ineligible to be claimed provided:

1. The horse has not started for a minimum of **180** calendar days since its last race; **and**
2. The horse is entered for a claiming price equal to or greater than the price at which it last started over jumps.

Revised NSA Race Day Barn Policies

- Only NSA third party veterinarians administer race day Salix (furosemide), which will be performed 4 hours prior to the horse's scheduled post time. Please have an attendant with the horse during this period. Veterinarians will not administer Salix to an unattended horse.
- Salix is the only permitted injection a horse may receive on race day.
- No oral administration of any medication or substance (such as oral electrolytes or lubricants) is permitted on race day prior to a horse running. **(The use of a dose syringe, other than by the attending veterinarian, is prohibited).** Horses may be treated post-race by the attending veterinarian. Also, horsemen may self-treat horses after the final race of the day.
- The following are prohibited on race day: electro-shock or shockwave therapy; Nebulizer or puffer treatment; Transdermal patches.
- On race day, blood samples for TCO₂ analysis will be collected randomly from horses selected between 45 minutes to 1 hour before post time.

Foxfield Spring Course Report

The Foxfield race course was inspected by Thomas Shifflett on April 15, 2019.

Turf: The turf is at a height of 2 to 3.5 inches but not consistent due to irregular temperatures at night. There is supposed to be a warming trend this week which will increase growth.

Smoothness: The course is fairly smooth. There was a lot of traffic last fall over the flat track. Following the fall race, the course was dragged, aerated, rolled and seeded.

Compaction: between 10 and 12 (good)

Moisture: The course is wet. We had almost two inches of rain on April 14.

Notes: The two areas that were damaged by last summer's heavy rains have recovered nicely and are in good condition.

Maryland Hunt Cup Course Report

The Maryland Hunt Cup race course was inspected by Shockey Gillet on April 13, 2019.

The race is run over Fair Hunting Country.

Turf: Turf is good to very good on most of the course. The rest of the course should improve with good weather.

Smoothness: The course has been Cambridge rolled and aerated. Most of the course is in good to very good shape.

Compaction: Ranges 8-10 (yielding to good) in most of course; 3 (soft) in wet areas. There are areas that are very soft.

Moisture: Rating 8-10 (average wet to wet) depending on location

Notes: Historic wet period has made for new spring heads and saturated ground. Extensive drainage works have been successfully completed on several areas of the course. The course is improving each week. There are still wet areas we will continue to monitor and work on.

Overall, the Course is in good shape and will improve with good weather. A bucket of flags will be available race week at the first road crossing for course walkers to mark any issues.

Queen's Cup

Nominations (15) for the \$100,000 Queen's Cup Novice Stakes are listed below.

Please see the attached course report for Queen's Cup Steeplechase.

Virginia Gold Cup

Please see the attached notice regarding licensing procedures with the Virginia Racing Commission for both the Virginia Gold Cup and Colonial Downs.

Please note the Eighth Race (#53) is Restricted to Virginia bred or Virginia sired horses unless there are less than eight entries, in which case the race will be also open to Virginia certified horses.

Willowdale Steeplechase

In an effort to move to safer timber fences, existing timber fences at Willowdale will be replaced with all new post and rail (four rail) fences. All fences will be the same height or lower than the current fences. The safety premise is that now the top one/two rails will be breakable, unlike the existing ones.

Radnor Substitute Race (Open Claiming Hurdle)

Purse \$30,000. Hurdle. For Four Year Olds and Upward. Four-year-olds, 150 lbs.; older, 158 lbs. **Claiming price \$30,000.** For each \$2,500 to **\$25,000**, allowed 3 lbs. Non-winners in 2019 allowed 3 lbs.; in 2018-2019, 6 lbs.

Two Miles and Three Furlongs over National Fences

Please see attached notice from the Radnor Hunt Races.

Fair Hill Spring Races

There will be a Friday Twilight card of four races (two flat and two timber) added to the Fair Hill Spring Races, in celebration of the 85th anniversary of the event.

The Friday Twilight card is as follows:

Training Flat (#78) for **Amateur Riders**. One Mile and One Quarter on the Turf

Training Flat (#79). One Mile and Seven Furlongs on the Turf

(Amateur Apprentice Timber)

Purse \$10,000. Timber. For Five Year Olds and Upward. To be ridden by amateur apprentice riders. 170 lbs. Non-winners of a timber stakes, allowed 5 lbs.; of a race over timber, 10 lbs. **Riders who have never won a race, allowed 5 lbs. No other rider allowances.** Entry fee \$50; \$50 additional if not scratched on time Wednesday; with \$100 additional to start.

Three Miles over Timber.

\$5,000 of this purse, and an engraved goblet to the rider, have been donated by the Temple Gwathmey Steeplechase Foundation for the promotion of amateur racing.

Novice Timber (#85)

The Saturday seven-race card will include one Training Flat (#77) and five hurdle races in the Condition Book (#80, 81, 82, 83, 84) as well the following additional hurdle race:

(Conditioned Claiming Hurdle)

Purse \$25,000 Hurdle. For Four Year Olds and Upward which have never won two races. Four Year Olds, 150 lbs.; older, 158 lbs. **Claiming price \$25,000.** For each \$5,000 to **\$15,000**, allowed 4 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

Summer Steeplechase Racing Schedule

The 2019 summer steeplechase program at the major tracks is listed below.



The Queen's Cup MPC 'Chase
Run in Memory of Race Benefactors Midge and Jim Price
\$100,000 Guaranteed

PURSE \$100,000 Hurdle. For Four Year Olds and Upward which have not won over hurdles prior to March 1, 2018 or which have never won three races, other than three-year-old.

TWO MILES AND THREE EIGHTHS (HURDLE)

TO BE RUN SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2019

BELISARIUS (IRE)	b.g.8	Barber, Gary, Brous Stable, Wachtel Stable	Kate Dalton
BOSS MAN	ch.g.9	Carrington Holdings LLC	Arch Kingsley, Jr.
CANADIAN GOLD	dk b/.g.7	Virginia Lazenby Racing Stable LLC	Kate Dalton
CITY DREAMER (IRE)	ch.g.5	Riverdee Stable	Jack Fisher
CONTENTED (IRE)	gr/ro.g.6	Mrs. S. K. Johnston, Jr.	Richard L. Valentine
GIBRALFARO (IRE)	b.g.7	Riverdee Stable	Jack Fisher
HELP FROM HEAVEN	ch.g.7	Virginia Lazenby Racing Stable LLC	Kate Dalton
LORD JUSTICE (IRE)	b.g.6	Bruton Street-US	Jack Fisher
MACNICHOLSON (IRE)	b.g.10	James S. Carter	Jimmy Day
MUTASAAWY	b.g.9	Mrs. S. K. Johnston, Jr.	Neil R. Morris
MY AFLEET	gr/ro.g.8	Amling, Jeffrey S. and Merriefield Farm	Mark Beecher
NO WUNDER (GB)	b.g.8	Robert A. Kinsley	Elizabeth Voss
SET TO MUSIC	dk b/.g.8	Mrs. S. K. Johnston, Jr.	Katherine S. Neilson
STORM TEAM	ch.g.5	Sheila J. Williams & Northwoods Stable	Jack Fisher
VENEER OF CHARM (IRE)	b.g.5	Rosbrian Farm	Ricky Hendriks

 CLOSED MONDAY, APRIL 15, 2019 WITH 15 NOMINATIONS*
 *PENDING LATE MAIL

WILLIAM GALLO, JR
 DIRECTOR OF RACING



2019 QUEEN'S CUP COURSE REPORT

The Brooklandwood racecourse was inspected **Monday, April 15, 2019 at 0900** by Bill Price, co-race chair.

Turf: *Consistent, thick and lush throughout.* The Brooklandwood Racecourse turf is made-up of a blend of fine turf fescues, bluegrass & perennial rye grasses. Turf is currently at a height of 5¾ inches. The course was fertilized by Race Partner, TruGreen on March 22 with high levels of nitrogen to promote top growth and fast green-up. Dry nitrogen will be spread by TruGreen this coming Wednesday, April 17.

Thin areas of note: Turf is quite thick throughout on the backside but there are some areas of poa annua which is quickly dying off. This area is on the approach to H2 as well as in the center of the course between H5 and Steeplethon fence 5 on the finishing stretch. The bottom tie wall on Member's Hill was replaced with a permanent concrete segmental wall system in 2017 affecting the outer areas of the racecourse below Member's Hill. The grass is thin along this area but is not in the running area of the racecourse. None of the aforementioned characteristics should be cause for concern as they are cosmetic in nature. Again, these areas are not part of the racing areas of the racecourse. Area of concern is the bottom of the hill at Turn 4. Because of the rain, the area at the inside rail all the way to the outside rail, near the chute is holding moisture and is very SOFT. This area could be a cause for concern but frankly, there is no relief

Smoothness: *Smooth.* Very smooth throughout. A good feel under foot.

Compaction: *AVG 70-10 (SOFT to GOOD).* The racecourse was tine aerated using the "Aerway" March 4 and again April 14. The racecourse will be aerated as needed in areas of compaction concerns leading up to race day.

Moisture: 10 (Wet). As of the writing of this report, the racecourse has had plenty of rain to the point of too much. The irrigation was used sparingly in late March but none to date the month of April. Mother Nature is providing an over abundance of moisture, which should set-up the racecourse perfectly for Saturday, April 27th. If the rain showers persist, the expected "going" race day *could* be listed as "**GOOD throughout (SOFT in areas)**".

Other Comments:

- Weather Forecast: It's too early to predict this far out but there has been no shortage of rain this spring. The irrigation has been set to run but has not been in use since late March
- Stables and finish Line hydration: Large floor fans will be set-up in the entrances to the stable area. Ice machine and endless amounts of water (cold and hot) will be available in the stable area.



CLUB HOUSE TURN



FROM TURN 2 LOOKING UP THE BACKSIDE



FROM TURN 3 LOOKING DOWN BACKSIDE



TURN 4 LOOKING UP THE HILL TO TURN 3



BOTTOM OF STRETCH TO FINISHLINE



LOOKING DOWN STRETCH FROM FINISH LINE



**The Maryland Hunt Cup
\$100,000 Guaranteed**

PURSE \$100,000 Timber. For Five Year Olds and Upward.

FOUR MILES (TIMBER)

TO BE RUN SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2019

ARDRAHAN (GB)	ch.g.7	Irvin S. Naylor	Katherine S. Neilson
BATTLE ARAY	b.g.11	Merriefield Farm	William Meister
BIEDERMEIER	b.g.8	Riverdee Stable	Todd J. Wyatt
CLASS INDIAN	gr/ro.g.12	Jeremy Batoff	William Dowling
DADDY IN THE DARK	b.g.9	H. Bruce Fenwick	H. Bruce Fenwick
DERWINS PROSPECTOR	ch.g.11	Gerry L. Brewster	Joseph G. Davies
DRIFT SOCIETY (IRE)	b.g.11	Bruton Street-US	Jack Fisher
FOYLE	dk b/.g.14	Merriefield Farm	H. Bruce Fenwick
GAS CAN EDDIE	ch.g.12	Mrs. William D. Class, Jr.	William Meister
GRAND MANAN	b.g.10	Armata Stables	William Meister
HILL TIE	b.g.9	Sportsmans Hall	Joseph G. Davies
JEFFERY G.	ch.g.12	Jason L. Cole	Jason L. Cole
JOSHUA G.	ch.g.13	Armata Stables	Katherine S. Neilson
OLD TIMER	b.g.13	Kinross Farm	Richard L. Valentine
OUR TOWN	gr/ro.g.10	Richard F. Blue, Jr., George Tydings, and Gerry L. Brewster,	Joseph G. Davies
OUT PLAYING	b.g.9	Donald Cochran	Todd McKenna
POCKET TALK (IRE)	dk b/.g.9	Kinross Farm	Joseph G. Davies
PRIME PROSPECTOR	b.g.11	Peter A. Jay and Sarah M. Jay	Todd J. Wyatt
RAVEN'S CHOICE	dk b/.g.12	Ann Jackson	Todd J. Wyatt
RIDE AWAY	b.g.8	Irvin S. Naylor	Katherine S. Neilson
SENIOR SENATOR	b.g.9	Irvin L. Crawford, II	Joseph G. Davies
SOVEREIGN FUND	dk b/.g.13	Upland Partners	Todd McKenna
SUMO POWER	dk b/.g.13	Rosman Mackenzie	Amelia McGuirk
VINTAGE VINNIE (IRE)	b.g.10	Armata Stables	Joseph G. Davies
WILDCATTER	dk b/.g.11	Armata Stables	Elizabeth Voss
WITOR (GER)	b.g.11	Blair Wyatt	Todd J. Wyatt

CLOSED MONDAY, MARCH 11, 2019 WITH 26 NOMINATIONS*
*PENDING LATE MAIL

WILLIAM GALLO, JR
DIRECTOR OF RACING

Attention NSA Horsemen Participating at Great Meadow and Colonial Downs

There will be Steeplechase racing with pari-mutuel wagering at Great Meadow this spring and fall, as well as at Colonial Downs with races scheduled every Saturday during the live meet. In addition, license fees have been reduced from \$50 to \$25 for owners, trainers, and riders and the fees for grooms have also been reduced from \$25 to \$10 (please note: day passes for grooms will only be issued to individuals with a current groom's license from another racing commission). The Virginia Racing Commission (VRC) will be extremely busy in the month of April with the commencement of historical horse racing at Colonial Downs and we would greatly appreciate anyone that plans on participating at Great Meadow or Colonial Downs in 2019 to send in their applications as soon as possible to avoid delays in processing.

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 spring races at Great Meadow, your application and payment must be received before April 22nd, otherwise badges will be distributed at the horsemen's check-in tent located in the stable area on the day of the races. Please contact Rhonda Davis at (804) 966-7415 with any questions or concerns. The VRC appreciates your support of Virginia's Horse Racing Industry.

RADNOR HUNT RACES

The 89th Radnor Hunt Races will be held on Saturday, May 18th. We hope you are planning on running a horse or joining us as a patron. We are excited for another spectacular day of racing:

- As we instituted last year, a tent and picnic tables will be set up in the stable area. As always there will be hamburgers, hot dogs and beverages available.
- The Paddock club was rebranded as The *Fox's Den* — we are thrilled to welcome all owners, trainers and riders running a horse on May 19 and a guest to the *Fox's Den*. Please email radnorhuntraces@brandywine.org if you will be joining us and your guest's name.
- If you don't have a horse running at Radnor, we would love to have you to join us for a thrilling day of racing and want to extend to you a discount for the *Fox's Den* - \$150 per person or \$1,500 per table of ten (normally \$225 per person and \$2,000 for a table of ten). Please make your reservation by calling Kathy Smith in the Radnor office at 610.388.8315 by May 14.
- Once again, there will be a prize for the winning jockey in each race as well as the Best Turned-Out for each Race.
- The *Wildflower Bash is back* –Celebrate the 89th Radnor Hunt Races with a delicious dinner stations, open bar, signature cocktails, a raffle and live music on May 17 at the Radnor Hunt – the invitation can be found on our website www.radnorhuntraces.org

For 40 years, the Brandywine Conservancy has been the sole beneficiary of the Radnor Hunt Races. More than \$5 million has been raised to date providing critical support for the Conservancy's vital efforts to protect open space and water resources in southeastern Pennsylvania and northern Delaware. Your loyal support allows us to make major contributions to the natural and cultural resources of this region while continuing the beloved traditions of the Radnor Hunt Races. Let's keep *Racing for Open Space*.

Summer 2019 Steeplechase Schedule

<i>Track</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Purse</i>	<i>Race Type</i>	<i>Distance</i>
Monmouth	Friday, June 21	\$30,000	Maiden Hurdle	2-1/16
		\$35,000	Ratings (125 or lower)	2-3/8
Saratoga	Wednesday, July 17	\$65,000	Allowance (NW2)	2-1/16
Saratoga	Wednesday, July 24	\$75,000	Kiser Novice Stakes	2-1/16
Saratoga	Thursday, July 25	\$150,000	A.P. Smithwick (Gr. I)	2-1/16
Saratoga	Wednesday, July 31	\$65,000	Allowance (NW2)	2-3/8
Saratoga	Wednesday, August 7	\$75,000	Mrs. Ogden Phipps F/M Stakes	2-1/16
Colonial Downs	Saturday, August 10	\$30,000	Maiden Hurdle	2-1/4
		\$25,000	Ratings (115 or lower)	2-1/4
Saratoga	Wednesday, August 14	\$65,000	Allowance (NW2)	2-1/16
Colonial Downs	Saturday, August 17	\$30,000	F/M Maiden Hurdle	2-1/4
		\$20,000	Ratings (110 or lower)	2-1/4
Saratoga	Wednesday, August 21	\$75,000	Walsh Novice Stakes	2-3/8
Saratoga	Thursday, August 22	\$150,000	NYTW (Gr. I)	2-3/8
Colonial Downs	Saturday, August 24	\$30,000	Maiden Hurdle	2-1/4
		\$25,000	Ratings (115 or lower)	2-1/4
Saratoga	Wednesday, August 28	\$65,000	Allowance (NW2)	2-3/8
Colonial Downs	Saturday, August 31	\$30,000	Maiden Hurdle	2-1/4
		\$20,000	Ratings (110 or lower)	2-1/4
Colonial Downs	Saturday, September 7	\$30,000	Maiden Hurdle	2-1/4
		\$50,000	Randolph D. Rouse F/M Stakes	2-1/4
Total Purses		\$1,140,000		