



## NSA Official Notices

### Wednesday, April 14, 2021

#### **Revised NSA Shoe Policy**

Following recent incidents of horses slipping and falling, and after hearing the concerns of horsemen, the Stewards Advisory Committee has made the following modification (in bold) to the NSA Shoe Policy:

No toe grabs, caulks, stickers, turndowns, inserts, trailers, or heel extensions will be allowed on the front or hind shoes. Note: The insert on the toe of the Queen's Plate is considered a "wear plate," not a toe grab. Block heels on the hind shoes (not to exceed ¼ inch) are permissible. **Outer rim shoes are allowable providing there is no toe grab.**

#### **Loudoun Hunt Point to Point - Sunday, April 18**

Please note that the hurdle races scheduled for the Loudoun Hunt Point to Point will be run over the new EasyFix fence. In addition, schooling will be available after the races for the entry fee of \$35 per horse.

#### **Queen's Cup Nominations**

Nominations (8) for the Queen's Cup MPC 'Chase novice hurdle stakes (#11) closed on Monday, April 12. Please see the attached list of nominees.

#### **Grand National Course Report**

The Grand National race course was inspected on Wednesday, April 7, 2021 by Priscilla Hoblitzell, Forrest Kelly, and Thomas R. Fenwick.

**Turf:** The turf is thick throughout.

**Smoothness:** The course is good, and was harrowed and rolled on April 4, 2021.

**Compaction:** 75-100 (soft).

**Moisture:** 5-9 (average to average wet).

**Notes:** The course will be mowed on the Sunday before the race meet.

#### **Maryland Hunt Cup Course Report**

The Maryland Hunt Cup race course was inspected on Wednesday, April 7, 2021 by Bruce Fenwick and Shockey Gillet.

**Turf:** The race is run over fair hunting country. On the south side of Tufton Avenue, the turf is excellent. On the north side, it is good in most places and patchy in some due to local turnout.

**Smoothness:** Excellent where the course has been sliced, good everywhere else.

**Compaction:** 50-120 (deep to good with an average of 100 (soft)).

**Moisture:** 5-10 (average to wet) with an average of 10 (wet).

**Notes:** Overall, the course is in excellent condition. There is a wet spot four strides out from Fence #5. A bucket of flags will be available race week at the first road crossing for course walkers to mark any issues.

### **Queen's Cup Course Report**

The Queen's Cup racecourse was inspected on Thursday, April 8, 2021 by Bill Price, Co-Chair.

**Turf:** The turf is quite thick in most areas. There are a number of areas containing poa annua bluegrass, which is currently dying off from the heat and being replaced with fine turf fescue. In addition to Sponsor TruGreen normal fertilizer program, the areas of poa were over-seeded, fertilized and "Cambridge Rolled-in", April 4. However, the expiring poa should not be cause for concern and will certainly not affect the safety for the horse or its rider.

**Smoothness:** The course is very smooth throughout after being "Cambridge Rolled," Sunday, April 4, 2021.

**Compaction:** 110-120 (good). The racecourse was aerated with our Aerway, which has significantly reduced winter compaction. The course will be aerated again, as needed, in areas of heavy compaction.

**Moisture:** 5 (average). Rain is expected over the next few days.

**Notes:** The racecourse irrigation system is currently down waiting on a new pump motor which caught fire at start-up three weeks ago. We have been waiting on locating a motor which has been back ordered due to last year's COVID shut down. It is expected to be replaced, up and running this weekend. The course will be watered as needed leading up to race day.

### **Queen's Cup Steeplechase - Saturday, April 24**

Due to the NC Governor Executive Order limiting outdoor mass gatherings to spectators, the Board of the Charlotte Steeplechase Foundation unanimously voted January 15 to conduct the 2021 Queen's Cup without spectators but run for the benefit of the Sport, the Owners and the Horsemen. This year's race will be run under strict COVID protocols and restrictions.

#### **COVID Procedures & Restrictions**

Race day COVID restrictions will be enforced, including temperature taking, health questions, social distancing and wearing of masks where social distancing is not possible or under tent. Periodic reminders will be made by volunteers.

- Enter through **GATE 3**, located at 3830 S. Potter Road, Monroe, NC 28112.
- Upon entry at the gate, ALL SPONSORS, GUESTS, HORSEMEN, OWNERS & OFFICIALS' names will be crossed checked, temperatures taken and recorded along with a wrist band applied to indicate a health check. Please **wear your wristband at all times** unless you like your temperature checked several times during the course of the day!
- **PLEASE NOTE:** For contact tracing purposes, the Queen's Cup will require names and phone numbers of ALL HORSEMEN (trainers, jockeys, grooms, van drivers, etc.) IN ADVANCE but no later than **April 21**. Please email detailed information to [carrington@queenscup.org](mailto:carrington@queenscup.org).
- Temperature readings and short form questionnaires will be performed by Race Sponsor NOVANT Health at the rear of Member's Hill for those not wearing designated health check wrist bands.
- HORSEMEN & OWNERS will observe strict social distancing with no obvious contact or congratu-

- latory gestures with others outside of your immediate family, including winner circle presentations.
- Jockeys and Outriders must wear masks at all times **except** when on a horse.
  - There will be no trophies provided this year to the winning connections. Sorry!

### **New Post Time / Saddling Procedure**

Post time for the first race is **12:30 pm** with races run every 30 minutes. To facilitate timely post times, all saddling will be in the stable area. Jockey shuttles will be available to and from the Jockey tent to the Stabling area. Once saddled, all runners will be organized by saddle cloth number at least 15 minutes prior to each Post Time and then parade single-file to the Parade Ring. The Race Meet Committee has asked all horsemen to be prompt and timely to the Parade Ring and to maintain professional decorum at all times.

### **Owners Wishing to Attend**

For the safety of all concerned, Owners are encouraged to watch the NSA's live stream production. However, Owners running horses and wishing to attend the Queen's Cup will be made available on a limited, first come - first served basis. To offset a small portion of the cost to run with limited income, a nominal, non-refundable payment of \$100 per person will be charged in advance. Owners will receive a box lunch, limited bar service along with assigned seating in a Lawn Box as well as under tent. Owners wishing to reserve one of the limited seats, please email [carrington@queenscup.org](mailto:carrington@queenscup.org) no later than close of business, **April 15**.

### **Participating Horsemen & Jockeys Lunch**

- Participating TRAINERS and GROOMS will be provided complimentary box lunch along with bottled water, available **in the stable area only**.
- JOCKEYS will be provided a box lunch **in the Jockey's Tent** along with traditional snacks, water and gatorade.
- **PLEASE NOTE:** Participating TRAINERS, GROOMS, JOCKEYS and OFFICIALS will have access to Member's Hill but will **not** have access to Lawn Box seating or in the small hospitality tent on Member's Hill, which is reserved for Sponsors, Guests and Owners.

### **Stall Assignments**

- The Queen's Cup is the first and only "hurdle" Race Meet on the day.
- The Committee has carded 5 jump and 2 training flat races and will provide 60 stalls for all entries.
- Stall assignments will be based on each trainer's entries with **priority given to horses in jump races** over training flat entries.
- **PLEASE NOTE:** If there is an abundance of jump entries limiting stall availability, one or both training flat races may be combined or canceled with prior notice on Wednesday, April 21.

### **Schooling Over the EasyFix Fences**

- All "hurdle" races carded will be using the new EasyFix Fences.
- The EasyFix fences will be moved to the Queen's Cup racecourse early morning Wednesday, April 21. Schooling will be available for horsemen through Friday afternoon (April 23). For permission to school, please contact Bill Price in advance at: (704) 621-3001.

### **Race Day Live Streaming Production**

Queen's Cup 2021 will begin its live stream production at approximately 12:20 pm. Watch the live stream at the following link: [https://player.castr.io/live\\_9f0cd7f02f1111ea8926a7d63f28c558](https://player.castr.io/live_9f0cd7f02f1111ea8926a7d63f28c558)

**Raffle Tickets on Sale Now: Win \$5,000 Cash!**

A virtual on-line raffle has been created to provide a revenue opportunity for the Queen's Cup with a grand prize of \$5,000 cash! The Raffle benefits both the Queen's Cup and its charity partner, the Alzheimer's Association; all proceeds evenly split. Winners will be announced 3:00 pm race day. Please buy your raffle tickets at the following link: <https://go.eventgroovefundraising.com/2021-queenscup-raffle>

The Charlotte Steeplechase Foundation Board is encouraging "Friends of the Queen's Cup" to ensure its financial future by considering making a tax deductible donation to the Foundation in support of this year's race running without spectators. Make a donation at the following link: <https://www.queenscup.org/product/donate/>

### **Carolina Cup Races - Saturday, May 22**

The Carolina Cup Racing Association has added \$25,000 to their purses, which brings the total purse structure to \$100,000. They are intending to split the Maiden Hurdle (#38), with a \$20,000 purse in each division, which will add a sixth race to the card. Also, the purse for the Carolina Cup (#39) has been raised from \$30,000 to \$35,000, conditions remaining the same.

### **Winterthur Races - Sunday, May 30**

The following substitute race will be offered at Winterthur:

#### **THE WINTERTHUR TURF RACE (Allowance Flat)**

**Purse \$10,000. For Three Year Olds and Upward.** Three year olds, 145 lbs.; older, 155 lbs. Non-winners of a stakes race, allowed 4 lbs.; of a race other than maiden or claiming, allowed 8 lbs. Entry fee \$50; \$50 additional if not scratched on time Wednesday; \$200 additional to start.

**One Miles and One Half on the Turf.**

### **Iroquois Steeplechase - Saturday, June 26**

The following bonus will be added to the Mason Houghland Memorial Allowance Timber (#61): The owner of the winner of this race will receive a \$10,000 bonus if the horse is ridden by an amateur licensed by the NSA and acceptable to the Iroquois race committee.

### **EasyFix Fence**

The new EasyFix fence will be utilized at all NSA race meets this spring for all hurdle races with the exception of the Iroquois Steeplechase, which will use the National Fence.

Steeplechase racing at Colonial Downs will be run over the EasyFix Fence. Steeplechase racing at Saratoga and Belmont will be run over the National Fence.

### **Ratings**

Please see the attached current ratings list. If your ratings horse does not appear on this list, please inform Bill Gallo or Harper McVey and the horse will be added.

### **NSA Clenbuterol Policy**

Clenbuterol is an accepted treatment for certain respiratory diseases in the horse, however, it has been used off label for its partitioning affects and as an anabolic agent.

Clenbuterol is prohibited in racing and NSA has a zero tolerance level for this substance in post-race

testing. If a horse has been prescribed by a veterinarian for the treatment of respiratory disease in a horse that is to run in an NSA sanctioned race, a copy of that prescription must be filed with the NSA Equine Medical Director at the NSA office.

**No horse should run within 30 days of treatment and if there is a question of clearance then a pre-race drug test should be run to ensure compliance.**

If clenbuterol has been detected in a horse's post race or out-of-competition sample and the appropriate prescription has not been filed, the horse shall be placed on the Official Veterinarian's List pending investigation.

### **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. During the pre-race examination, if the examining vet discovers a condition that warrants a second review, that horse may be walked "in hand," not lunged or ridden before a second examination.

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 a testing laboratory. If that screen is negative, the horse will be removed from the Vet's List. 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.

### **New NYRA Policy**

Please note that horses aged 10 years old and upward will not be permitted to run at NYRA race-tracks. This change in policy does apply to steeplechase races.

### **New Rider Allowance Policy**

In all steeplechase races, except handicaps (other than ratings) and stakes races, riders who have never won a race, allowed ten (10) pounds; riders who have not won five (5) races, allowed seven (7) pounds; riders who have not won fifteen (15) races, allowed five (5) pounds. Once a rider wins fifteen (15) races, he/she is no longer eligible for an allowance. These apprentice allowances may be claimed up to one (1) hour prior to post-time for the first race.

### **Revised Apprentice Rider Policy**

By order of the NSA Stewards Advisory Committee, the Apprentice Rider Policy has been revised for the 2021 Spring Steeplechase Season. If a trainer would like to use an apprentice rider that has not met the prior conditions of eligibility, they must submit a "**Petition to Ride**" request to the Stewards

Advisory Committee, at least two weeks prior to the time of entry for the race in question. That request will be thoroughly reviewed by the Committee and a determination will be made on their best judgment. Petitions not sent in a timely manner will automatically result in a denial of the request.

### **Updated Lasix Guideline**

A horse that is entered on Lasix and does not receive Lasix will not be permitted to run, **unless it is determined by the Stewards that there were extenuating circumstances that led to the inability to administer the medication in a timely manner, and the trainer of the horse chooses to run the horse without Lasix. Under these conditions, the trainer assumes all risk as it relates to the health and condition of the horse during or immediately following the race.**

Note: This policy supersedes NSA Rules of Racing 10.1.B.



**Queen's Cup MPC 'Chase  
\$35,000 Guaranteed**

**PURSE \$35,000 Hurdle.** For Four Year Olds and Upward which have not won over hurdles prior to March 1, 2020 or which have never won three races, other than three year old. Four-year-olds, 142 lbs.; older, 150 lbs. Winners, other than maiden, claiming, starter or restricted three-year-old race: 3 lbs. extra for each race won.

**TWO MILES AND THREE EIGHTHS (HURDLE)**

**TO BE RUN SATURDAY, APRIL 24, 2021**

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<b>ANTICIPATING</b>	b.g.6	Sherry L. Fenwick	Sanna Neilson
<b>ARCH MY BOY (GB)</b>	b.g.7	Mrs. George L. Ohrstrom, Jr.	Richard L. Valentine
<b>BRIANBAKESCOOKIES</b>	ch.g.8	Mrs. S. K. Johnston, Jr.	Jack Fisher
<b>CHIEF JUSTICE (GB)</b>	b.g.6	Irvin S. Naylor	Cyril Murphy
<b>CITY DREAMER (IRE)</b>	ch.g.7	Riverdee Stable	Jack Fisher
<b>GOWITHTHEFLOW (IRE)</b>	b.g.8	Bruton Street-US	Jack Fisher
<b>SPORTSWEAR (GB)</b>	b.g.6	KMSN Stable	Keri Brion
<b>THE HAPPY GIANT</b>	ch.g.5	Allison B. Fulmer	Allison B. Fulmer

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CLOSED MONDAY, APRIL 12, 2021 WITH 8 NOMINATIONS\*  
\*PENDING LATE MAIL

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HORSE	Weight	Trainer
GOWITHTHEFLOW (IRE) .....	156	Jack Fisher
ANTICIPATING .....	153	Sanna Neilson
ARCH MY BOY (GB) .....	153	Richard L. Valentine
BRIANBAKESCOOKIES .....	153	Jack Fisher
CHIEF JUSTICE (GB) .....	153	Cyril Murphy
CITY DREAMER (IRE) .....	153	Jack Fisher
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## Official Ratings • April 14, 2021

Footpad.....	160	Family Tree.....	120	Mr. Bridger.....	115
Snap Decision.....	153	Fast Car.....	120	Orchestra Leader.....	115
Winston C.....	151	Fearsome.....	120	Praecepts.....	115
Rashaan.....	149	Anticipating.....	119	Shadow Seven.....	115
Redicean.....	142	Baltimore Bucko.....	119	Skydiving.....	115
Iranistan.....	137	Cite.....	119	Working Class.....	115
Arch My Boy.....	133	Hepcat.....	119	Big Bend.....	114
Chief Justice.....	133	Must See The Doc.....	119	Elmutahid.....	113
Gibralfaro.....	133	Noah And The Ark.....	119	Amnicalola.....	112
Sempre Medici.....	132	Sportswear.....	119	Prayer Hope.....	112
Gowiththeflow.....	131	Boss Man.....	118	Mr. Sarinana.....	111
Amschel.....	130	Bodes Well.....	118	Wightman.....	111
City Dreamer.....	130	Barnacle Bill.....	117	All Out of Aces.....	110
Razoul.....	130	Brainbakescookies.....	117	Be Counted.....	110
Duc de Meran.....	129	Zoom Zoom Zoe.....	117	Notjudginjustsayin.....	110
New Member.....	129	Bet The Pot.....	116	Down Royal.....	107
Galway Kid.....	126	Clondaw Camp.....	116	Eve's City.....	106
Adjutant.....	125	Court Ruler.....	116	Animal Kingston.....	105
Elucidation.....	125	Douglas Road.....	116	Brooklyn Speights.....	105
Invocation.....	125	Espoir De Loire.....	116	Decisive Triumph.....	105
Lord Justice.....	125	Fightinirishtabit.....	116	Go as You Please.....	105
Maserati.....	125	Lemonade Thursday...	116	He'll Do.....	105
Pik Em.....	125	Maccabee.....	116	High Sierra.....	105
French Light.....	124	Repeat Repeat.....	116	Hyperlapse.....	104
Cracker Factory.....	123	The Happy Giant.....	116	My Own Lane.....	102
Contented.....	122	Bercasa.....	115	Mighty Mark.....	101
A Silent Player.....	121	Ebullience.....	115	Junonia.....	100
Stooshie.....	121	Emerald Rocket.....	115		