



## NSA Official Notices Friday, April 23, 2021

### **NSA Voided Claim Policy**

By order of the NSA Stewards Advisory Committee, a claim for a horse entered in a claiming race may be voided by the claimant if the horse suffers a fatal injury during or immediately following the running of the race, or the horse is deemed to be “unsound” by the examining veterinarian, up to one (1) hour after the race.

### **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.**

### **Middleburg Spring Nominations**

Nominations (9) for the Middleburg Hunt Cup timber stakes (#18) and nominations (8) for the Temple Gwathmey Sport of Kings hurdle stakes (Gr. II) (#19) closed on Wednesday, April 21. Please see the attached lists of nominees.

### **Middleburg Spring Course Report**

The Middleburg Spring race course was inspected on April 13, 2021 by Doug Fout.

**Turf:** The turf consists of tall fescue.

**Smoothness:** The course is smooth throughout. It was rolled and chain harrowed after the 2020 fall race meet and aerated the middle of November.

**Compaction:** 80-107 (soft to good)

**Moisture:** 5-6 (average)

**Notes:** It has been a wet spring. The course will be mowed ten days before the race meet. There is plenty of thick turf throughout the course.

### **Willowdale Course Report**

The Willowdale race course was inspected on April 23, 2021 by Will Taylor and Andy Cruse.

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

**Smoothness:** The course is smooth throughout.

**Compaction:** 10-12 (soft to good) out of 20 throughout the course, the softest spots being back by the school in the low spot.

**Moisture:** 4-6 (average dry to average) out of 10 throughout the course, the wettest spot was also in the low spot in front of the school.

**Notes:** The course has been core aerated three times, fertilized, over-seeded and spot seeded. The irrigation system is ready and will be used if necessary.

### **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 Mile 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.



# The Middleburg Hunt Cup \$25,000 Guaranteed

**PURSE \$25,000** Timber. For Five Year Olds and Upward. Five-year-olds, 160 lbs.; older, 165 lbs. Non-winners of tow races over timber, allowed 5 lbs.; or a race, 10 lbs. (Apprentice rider timber races not considered).

**THREE AND ONE FOURTH MILES (TIMBER)**

TO BE RUN SATURDAY, MAY 1, 2021

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<b>CANYON ROAD</b>	ch.g.12	Gordonsdale Farm	James R. Piper
<b>CURVE OF STONES</b>	gr/ro.g.10	S. Rebecca Shepherd	David M. Bourke
<b>JALEO (GER)</b>	ch.g.9	Bruton Street-US	Jack Fisher
<b>MYSTIC STRIKE</b>	b.g.12	Upland Partners	Todd McKenna
<b>ROAD TO OZ</b>	gr/ro.g.6	Holwood Stable	Mark Beecher
<b>SCHOODIC</b>	b.g.11	Mrs. John R.S. Fisher	Jack Fisher
<b>SUPER SATURDAY</b>	gr/ro.g.12	Irvin S. Naylor	Katherine S. Neilson
<b>TOMGARROW (IRE)</b>	ch.g.7	Leipers Fork Steeplechase	Leslie F. Young
<b>ZANJABEEL (GB)</b>	b.g.8	Meadow Run Farm	Stephanie Moore

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\*PENDING LATE MAIL

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DIRECTOR OF RACING



# The Middleburg Hunt Cup

## \$25,000 Guaranteed

**PURSE \$25,000** Timber. For Five Year Olds and Upward. Five-year-olds, 160 lbs.; older, 165 lbs. Non-winners of two races over timber, allowed 5 lbs.; or a race, 10 lbs. (Apprentice rider timber races not considered).

**THREE AND ONE FOURTH MILES (TIMBER)**

TO BE RUN SATURDAY, MAY 1, 2021

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<b>HORSE</b>	<b>Weight</b>	<b>Trainer</b>
CANYON ROAD .....	165	James R. Piper
CURVE OF STONES .....	165	David M. Bourke
MYSTIC STRIKE .....	165	Todd McKenna
SCHOODIC .....	165	Jack Fisher
SUPER SATURDAY .....	165	Katherine S. Neilson
ROAD TO OZ .....	160	Mark Beecher
TOMGARROW (IRE) .....	160	Leslie F. Young
JALEO (GER) .....	155	Jack Fisher
ZANJABEEL (GB) .....	155	Stephanie Moore

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**The Temple Gwathmey  
\$75,000 Guaranteed  
(Grade II)**

PURSE \$75,000 Handicap Hurdle. For Four Year Olds and Upward.

**TWO MILES AND ONE HALF (HURDLE)**

TO BE RUN SATURDAY, MAY 1, 2021

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<b>AMSCHEL (GB)</b>	b.g.7	Irvin S. Naylor	Cyril Murphy
<b>CRACKER FACTORY (GB)</b>	b.g.6	The Hundred Acre Field	Mark Beecher
<b>FOOTPAD (FR)</b>	b.g.9	Harold A. Via, Jr.	Jack Fisher
<b>GALWAY KID (IRE)</b>	ch.g.6	Hudson River Farms	Keri Brion
<b>GIBRALFARO (IRE)</b>	b.g.9	Riverdee Stable	Jack Fisher
<b>NOAH AND THE ARK (IRE)</b>	ch.g.7	Keystone Thoroughbreds	Todd McKenna
<b>RAZOUL (IRE)</b>	b.g.6	Del Rio Chasers, LLC	Kate Dalton
<b>SNAP DECISION</b>	b.g.7	Bruton Street-US	Jack Fisher

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**The Temple Gwathmey(Grade II)**

**\$75,000 Guaranteed**

PURSE \$75,000 Handicap Hurdle. For Four Year Olds and Upward.

**TWO MILES AND ONE HALF (HURDLE)**

TO BE RUN SATURDAY, MAY 1, 2021

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<b>HORSE</b>	<b>Weight</b>	<b>Trainer</b>
FOOTPAD (FR) .....	162	Jack Fisher
SNAP DECISION .....	156	Jack Fisher
AMSCHEL (GB) .....	144	Cyril Murphy
GALWAY KID (IRE) .....	144	Keri Brion
GIBRALFARO (IRE) .....	144	Jack Fisher
RAZOUL (IRE) .....	144	Kate Dalton
CRACKER FACTORY (GB) .....	142	Mark Beecher
NOAH AND THE ARK (IRE) .....	140	Todd McKenna

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## Official Ratings • April 23, 2021

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