



NSA Official Notices Friday, May 28, 2021

Tryon Block House Course Report

The Tryon Block House race course was inspected on May 23, 2021 by Dan Fradley and Micah Yarboro.

Turf: Course is coming together nicely. The stand of grass is about 90% filled in, with a small percentage of weeds. Grasses prominently seen throughout the course are fescues (fine and turf type tall fescue), with a small amount of Poa Annuua. We have continued to spray foliar fertilizer feeds on a 10 to 14 day rotation, with a granular feed starting in February of 10-20-20 every 30 to 35 days as needed. The course was sprayed for disease in early May, and will not need anything more until after the race meet.

Smoothness: The track is being mowed every three to four days to help create a dense turf profile. We started at 2.5 inches and have now raised our height to 5 inches. The track will be mowed one last time the Monday before the race meet so we can achieve the desired height of 6 inches plus for race day. This will only change unless instructed by the Race Meet Director.

Compaction: Average readings of 13.5 to 14 (firm) taken in 12 locations over the course. The reading is high due to our irrigation program running last night, as we are watering deep and infrequently to encourage rooting, which means the course was wetter than usual and pore space was filled to capacity. We are planning to aggravate the course this week at a depth of 6 inches to also reduce this number, and possibly the week of the race in meet.

Moisture: 9-10 (wet) readings due to our irrigation program running last night and applying 0.75 inches of water evenly throughout the course. This program runs every four days to help encourage root growth.

Notes: The thinnest area on the course unfortunately is the Start/Finish, but this was overseeded at the end of April and seedlings are starting to fill in these spots. We have also regraded and sodded the low section of the course leading to the finish. This was done in early May with a tall fescue sod, roots have now taken really strongly, and this cannot be pulled up. With a topdressing and continued watering, this area will continue to get stronger for the race meet. It is already at the point where you can race safely.

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.

THA Continuing Education Webinar

The Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association will host an online Continuing Education webinar on U.S.

Immigration Law on Monday, June 14, from 2:00-3:00 PM ET. Participating trainers will earn one (1) hour of CE credit toward the annual CE requirement. Please go to the following link to register: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_IVOhJkkESvSz00TLDiEPwg

Amateur Riders Club of America

Aspiring ARCA Riders, please fill out the attached bio form and return it to Don Yovanovich (dony13@aol.com) at your earliest convenience.

National Fences

Please be advised that the National Fence hurdles will be used at all NSA sanctioned race meets for the remainder of the Spring Season while the EasyFix fence continues to be evaluated by the Safety Committee, with input from trainers.

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.

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.**

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 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.

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.



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Bedrock.....142	Anticipating.....118	Mr. Bridger.....113
Redicean.....142	Bodes Well.....118	Wightman.....111
Iranistan.....137	Hepcat.....118	All Out of Aces.....110
Sempre Medici.....135	Sportswear.....118	Amnicalola.....110
Gibralfaro.....133	Prayer Hope.....117	Be Counted.....110
Arch My Boy.....131	Show Court.....117	Emerald Rocket.....110
Chief Justice.....131	Zoom Zoom Zoe.....117	Mr. Sarinana.....110
Amschel.....130	Bet The Pot.....116	Notjudginjustsayin.....110
Gowiththeflow.....130	Boss Man.....116	Orchestra Leader.....110
City Dreamer.....129	Court Ruler.....116	Tricked Up.....110
Duc de Meran.....129	Douglas Road.....116	Animal Kingston.....109
New Member.....129	Eryx.....116	He'll Do.....109
Galway Kid.....126	Espoir De Loire.....116	Decisive Triumph.....107
Brainbakescookies.....125	Fightinirishtabit.....116	Mighty Mark.....107
Elucidation.....125	Kilronan.....116	Paddy Wears Prada.....107
Invocation.....125	Lemonade Thursday...116	Speed Alert.....107
Maserati.....125	Master Gunner.....116	Gostisbehere.....106
Noah And The Ark.....125	Mini P.....116	Screen Image.....106
Adjutant.....124	Withoutdestination.....116	Be Somebody.....105
French Light.....124	Ziggle Pops.....116	Brooklyn Speights.....105
Contented.....122	Barnacle Bill.....115	Embrace the Grind.....105
A Silent Player.....121	Bercasa.....115	Ismusbemyluckyday.....105
Lord Justice.....121	Down Royal.....115	Telegram.....105
Stooshie.....121	Ebullience.....115	Eve's City.....103
Cracker Factory.....120	Maccabee.....115	My Own Lane.....102
Family Tree.....120	Shadow Seven.....115	Paddy's Crown.....102
Fast Car.....120	Skydiving.....115	Junonia.....100
Repeat Repeat.....120	The Happy Giant.....115	Bullet Star.....98

ATTENTION AMATEUR RIDERS

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED TO PARTICIPATE IN ARCA AND FEGENTRI RACES IN 2021,
PLEASE FILL OUT THIS BIO-FORM.

Name (as on passport or birth certificate): _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Emergency Contact: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Birthdate: _____ Place of Birth: _____

Minimum Riding Weight: _____

Do you have a passport? Yes / No If Yes, Number: _____

Expiration Date: _____

Are you fully vaccinated (COVID-19)? Yes / No If Yes, Dates: _____

Occupation: _____

Languages You Speak: _____

Hobbies: _____

Race Record

On the Flat:	Sanction	P2P	ARCA
Wins	_____	_____	_____
Seconds	_____	_____	_____
Thirds	_____	_____	_____
Fourths	_____	_____	_____
Over Jumps:	Sanction	P2P	ARCA
Wins	_____	_____	_____
Seconds	_____	_____	_____
Thirds	_____	_____	_____
Fourths	_____	_____	_____

Total Starts, if you remember (all races): _____

Riders are reminded to have an NSA Amateur Rider License or an ARCA Rider License.

Please send your Bio to Don Yovanovich (dony13@aol.com or P.O. Box 1877 Middleburg, VA 20118) Phone: 540-270-0115