



NSA Official Notices

Thursday, April 14, 2022

2022 NSA Summer Steeplechase Schedule

The 2022 NSA Summer Steeplechase Racing Schedule is attached.

Nominations

Nominations (10) for the Grand National timber stakes (#23), to be run Saturday, April 23 at the Grand National Steeplechase, are attached.

Nominations (7) for the Middleburg Hunt Cup timber stakes (#29), and nominations (5) for the Temple Gwathmey Sport of Kings hurdle stakes (Grade II) (#30), to be run Saturday, April 23 at the Middleburg Spring Races, are attached.

Grand National - Important Notices

There will be temporary stabling, with a fee of \$150 per horse. Trainers are asked to please bring a check for \$150 made payable to "Valleys Planning Council." The checks will be collected by the stabling manager before horses are allowed to jog for the vet.

Jockeys, please note that **no advertising** will be allowed on breeches. Riders with advertising on their breeches will not be permitted to ride.

Grand National - Course Report

The Grand National race course was inspected on April 10, 2022 by Forrest Kelly.

Turf: The turf is good throughout.

Smoothness: The course is smooth throughout.

Compaction: 80-90 (soft).

Moisture: 6-8 (average - average wet).

Notes: The course was harrowed on April 10 and will be mowed mid-week before race day if necessary.

Continuing Education for NSA Trainers

Reminder: Trainers are required to complete 4 hours of Continuing Education to receive their NSA trainer's license in 2022. CE courses, information, and resources can be found at the following link: <http://tharacing.com/continuing-education/>

Foxfield Spring Races

The Foxfield Spring race card will be limited to seven (7) races on Saturday, April 30, which may pro-

hibit the split of the maiden claiming hurdle (#35).

Also, please note that all five hurdle races will be run at a distance of 2-1/8 miles. The second to last fence has been removed, leaving five flights of hurdles on the course, for a total of 10 jumps, two less than in prior years.

Queen's Cup Steeplechase

Please take note of the following changes to the Queen's Cup conditions. The Queen's Cup, to be run Saturday, April 30, will offer an all hurdle, five-race card. The allowance timber (#47) as well as the training flat (#48) have been canceled, and the Queen's Cup is committed to splitting the maiden hurdle (#44), if there are sufficient number of entries, with a \$30,000 purse in each division. Purses for the meet will now total \$155,000.

Virginia Gold Cup

The purse of the maiden hurdle (#49) has been reduced to \$30,000. The purse of the allowance hurdle (#51) has been reduced to \$40,000. Entry fees will be adjusted accordingly.

Iroquois Steeplechase

Please take note of the following changes to the Iroquois racecourse:

On the hurdle course, the second to last fence in the stretch has been eliminated. Therefore, there will be 12 jumps in the 2-1/4 mile races, 15 jumps in the 2-3/4 mile race and 16 jumps in the 3-mile Iroquois.

The timber course has been completely redesigned, featuring post and rail fences built to the same specifications as those at the Virginia Gold Cup (see photo below). The 3-mile allowance timber race will include seven fences per circuit, for a total of 18 jumps.

Also, horsemen are encouraged to make hotel reservations early for Iroquois, as rooms are going quickly due to several events in the Nashville area that weekend.



Willowdale Steeplechase

The Liam Magee (#66) and the Marshall W. Jenny Memorial Foxhunter's Chase (#71) may be open to amateur riders if there is an insufficient number of entries with only apprentice riders.

Fair Hill Races

The Fair Hill Races originally scheduled for Saturday, May 28 have been canceled.

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.

Further Clarification: No protrusions below the ground surface of the shoe is the target of the rule. On outer rims, consider the rim itself to be the ground surface and grind the toe grabs down flush with it. On everything else the grab gets ground down to flush with the shoe's surface. There are a variety of Block Heels available from various manufacturers. As long as they're labeled Block Heels from the maker, they are permitted. Again, with the toes ground flush to the surrounding shoe surface.

Maryland Bred Bonuses

Breeders and Owners of registered Maryland bred horses competing over fences at National Steeplechase Association sanctioned Maryland meets will now receive a 30% bonus on top of the normal purse amount for 1-2-3 placings. These bonuses are not considered part of purse earnings and will be paid directly from the Maryland Horse Breeders Association. This new program incentive applies to NSA meets at My Lady's Manor, Grand National, Maryland Hunt Cup, and Shawan Downs. For any inquiries please call Cricket Goodall (410-252-2100, extension 111).

150-Day Layoff Report Forms - Now Online!

Attention NSA Trainers: 150-Day **Layoff Report Forms can now be submitted online** at the following link: <http://tharacing.com/resources/layoffreportform/>

Online reports will be sent directly to Reynolds Cowles. If you choose to print and scan the form to complete the process, please email your form to Reynolds Cowles (rcowles41@icloud.com).

Entries for horses that have not raced for 150 days or more (excluding first-time starters) will not be accepted unless the trainer has completed and submitted a Layoff Report Form.

2022 NSA Summer Steeplechase Racing Schedule

COLONIAL DOWNS

Monday, July 11

\$40,000 Maiden Hurdle 2

\$40,000 Filly/Mare Maiden Hurdle 2

COLONIAL DOWNS

Monday, July 18

\$40,000 Maiden Hurdle 2

\$35,000 Ratings Handicap Hurdle (115 or lower) 2-1/4

SARATOGA

Wednesday, July 20

\$150,000 A.P. Smithwick Memorial (Gr. 1 Stakes) 2-1/16

COLONIAL DOWNS

Monday, July 25

\$40,000 Maiden Hurdle 2

\$30,000 Ratings Handicap Hurdle (110 or lower) 2-1/4

SARATOGA

Wednesday, July 27

\$75,000 Jonathan Kiser (Novice) 2-1/16

COLONIAL DOWNS

Monday, August 1

\$40,000 Maiden Hurdle 2

\$40,000 Filly/Mare Maiden Hurdle 2

SARATOGA

Wednesday, August 3

\$70,000 Ratings Handicap Hurdle (130 or lower) 2-1/16

COLONIAL DOWNS

Monday, August 8

\$40,000 Maiden Hurdle 2

\$35,000 Ratings Handicap Hurdle (115 or lower) 2-1/4

SARATOGA

Wednesday, August 10

\$65,000 Allowance Hurdle (NW2) 2-1/16

COLONIAL DOWNS

Monday, August 15

\$40,000 Maiden Hurdle 2

\$30,000 Ratings Handicap Hurdle (110 or lower) 2-1/4

SARATOGA

Wednesday, August 17

\$150,000 Jonathan Sheppard (Gr. 1 Stakes) 2-3/8

COLONIAL DOWNS

Monday, August 22

\$35,000 Ratings Handicap Hurdle (115 or lower) 2-1/4

\$100,000 Randolph D. Rouse (Filly/Mare Stakes) 2

SARATOGA

Wednesday, August 24

\$75,000 Michael G. Walsh (Novice) 2-3/8

COLONIAL DOWNS

Monday, August 29

\$40,000 Maiden Hurdle 2

\$30,000 Ratings Handicap Hurdle (110 or lower) 2-1/4

SARATOGA

Wednesday, August 31

\$65,000 Allowance Hurdle (NW2) 2-3/8

COLONIAL DOWNS

Monday, September 5 (Labor Day)

\$50,000 Flat Race for Jumpers (Horses which have started over fences at the meet, and have not won a jump race) 2

BELMONT

Thursday, September 15

\$75,000 William Entenmann (Novice) 2-1/4

\$150,000 Lonesome Glory (Gr. 1 Stakes) 2-1/2



**The Grand National
\$30,000 Guaranteed**

PURSE \$30,000 Timber. For Five Year Olds and Upward. To be ridden by amateur riders acceptable to the race committee. Five-year-olds, 160 lbs.; older, 165 lbs.

THREE AND ONE FOURTH MILES (TIMBER)

TO BE RUN SATURDAY, APRIL 23, 2022

BLACKHALL (IRE)	ch.g.8	Kinross Farm	Joseph G. Davies
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GOODOLDTIMES (IRE)	b.g.8	Armata Stables	Alicia S. Murphy
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HOODED	b.g.11	Irvin S. Naylor	Cyril Murphy
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MERCOEUR (FR)	gr/ro.g.11	Ballybristol Farm LLC	Leslie F. Young
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POCKET TALK (IRE)	dk b/.g.12	Kinross Farm	Joseph G. Davies
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RENEGADE RIVER	dk b/.g.9	Kiplin Hall	William Dowling
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ROAD TO OZ	gr/ro.g.7	Holwood Stable	Mark Beecher
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ROYAL RUSE	dk b/.g.8	Charles C. Fenwick, Jr.	Sanna Neilson
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SHOOTIST	dk b/.g.8	Upland Partners	Todd McKenna
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STAND DOWN (IRE)	b.g.10	Frank A. Bonsal, Jr.	Casey Pinkard Savin
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CLOSED MONDAY, APRIL 11, 2022 WITH 10 NOMINATIONS

BILL GALLO
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.; of a race, 10 lbs. (Apprentice rider timber races not considered).

THREE AND ONE FOURTH MILES (TIMBER)

TO BE RUN SATURDAY, APRIL 23, 2022

ANDI'AMU (FR)	b.g.12	Ballybristol Farm LLC	Leslie F. Young
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AWESOME ADRIAN	dk b/.g.9	Nancy A. Reed	Katherine S. Neilson
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FIRST FRIDAY	b.g.8	Four Virginia Gents	Doug Fout
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HOODED	b.g.11	Irvin S. Naylor	Cyril Murphy
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INCLUDE IT	dk b/.g.7	Riverdee Stable	Todd J. Wyatt
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RENEGADE RIVER	dk b/.g.9	Kiplin Hall	William Dowling
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STORM TEAM	ch.g.8	Sheila J. Williams and Northwoods Stable	Jack Fisher
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CLOSED MONDAY, APRIL 11, 2022 WITH 7 NOMINATIONS

BILL GALLO
DIRECTOR OF RACING



The Temple Gwathmey (Grade II)
Sport of Kings Hurdle Stakes
\$75,000 Guaranteed

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

TWO MILES AND ONE HALF (HURDLE)

TO BE RUN SATURDAY, APRIL 23, 2022

AMSCHEL (GB)	b.g.8	Irvin S. Naylor	Cyril Murphy
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IRANISTAN	dk b/.g.8	Hudson River Farms	Keri Brion
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MOSCATO (GB)	gr/ro.g.11	Bruton Street-US	Jack Fisher
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REDICEAN (GB)	b.g.8	Sharon E. Sheppard	Leslie F. Young
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SNAP DECISION	b.g.8	Bruton Street-US	Jack Fisher
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CLOSED MONDAY, APRIL 11, 2022 WITH 5 NOMINATIONS

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DIRECTOR OF RACING



**The Temple Gwathmey (Grade II)
Sport of Kings Hurdle Stakes
\$75,000 Guaranteed**

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

TWO MILES AND ONE HALF (HURDLE)

TO BE RUN SATURDAY, APRIL 23, 2022

HORSE	Weight	Trainer
SNAP DECISION	158	Jack Fisher
MOSCATO (GB)	154	Jack Fisher
IRANISTAN	144	Keri Brion
REDICEAN (GB)	142	Leslie F. Young
AMSCHEL (GB)	140	Cyril Murphy

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