



NSA Official Notices Tuesday, October 11, 2022

International Gold Cup Nominations

Nominations for all three stakes races at the International Gold Cup can be found on the NSA website at the following link: <https://nationalsteeplechase.com/racing>

International Gold Cup Substitute Race (Maiden Starter Hurdle)

Purse \$15,000. For Maidens, Three Year Olds and Upward which have started for a claiming price of \$20,000 or less on the flat or over fences. Three-year-olds, 142 lbs.; four-year-olds, 150 lbs.; older, 154 lbs. Entry fee \$150; \$150 additional if not scratched on time Wednesday; with \$150 additional to start.

Two Miles and One Furlong over National Fences.

International Gold Cup Course Report

The Great Meadow racecourse was inspected on Sunday, October 9 by Don Yovanovich.

Turf: The course will be mowed at 6 inches this week. There is a mat of clippings as thick as can be and a rich and thick covering of Blue Grass Turf Fescue that was fertilized in March.

Smoothness: The course was rolled after the Virginia Gold Cup in May and is smooth.

Compaction: 100 (soft)

Moisture: 8-9 (average wet - wet)

Notes: The Great Meadow course received the same weather as Foxfield and Virginia Fall, a nice abundance of soaking rain. This week's forecast suggests addition showers Thursday evening and Friday.

Callaway Condition Correction

In the Aflac Supreme Hurdle novice stakes (#124) at Callaway Gardens, the correct weight for four-year-olds is **146 lbs.**

Montpelier Purse Increases

The purse for the Madison Plate (#127), a ratings handicap (115 or lower), has been increased from \$25,000 to **\$30,000.**

The purse for the Montpelier Cup (#130), the Sport of Kings filly/mare stakes, has been increased from \$35,000 to **\$50,000.** This race will be run in memory of Glenn Petty.

The purse of the Noel Laing (#131), the Sport of Kings handicap stakes, has been increased from \$50,000 to **\$60,000.**

Total purses for the Montpelier Hunt Races now total \$215,000.

Revised NSA Code of Conduct

As a condition of license, all NSA licensees are expected to conduct themselves in a manner consistent with the best interests of racing. Any conduct deemed to be detrimental to the sport, the NSA, or the individual race meets and their representatives, or conduct prejudicial to the sport's reputation, will subject the offender to a fine or suspension, or both, in accordance with the NSA Rules of Racing.

New NSA Weighing Policy

Riders, please note that the overgirth, breastplate (or yoke) are not to be included in the assigned weight when weighing out or in. Therefore, these pieces of safety equipment should not be included with your tack weighing out, and must be dropped (along with your helmet and crop) before getting on the scale to weigh in.

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 the shoes are labeled Block Heels from the maker, they are permitted. Again, with the toes ground flush to the surrounding shoe surface.

Ratings

Please see the attached current ratings list. If you have a horse in training that has won over jumps and is not on the list, please notify the office immediately. Also, **if a horse appears on the list and has been taken out of training, please notify the office.**

Reminder: A maiden, which has completed three NSA-sanctioned races over jumps may receive a rating if requested by the trainer.



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Snap Decision.....	163	Animal Kingston.....	119	Robert's Luxury.....	111
Pistol Whipped.....	150	Booby Trap.....	118	Top Brass.....	111
Moscato.....	147	Jimmy P.....	118	Jump Ship.....	110
Song For Someone.....	144	Ljay.....	118	Pleasecallmeback.....	110
Ask Paddington.....	140	Sempre Medici.....	118	Senor Seville.....	110
Noah And The Ark.....	140	Step to the Bar.....	118	Yankee Doodle Boy.....	110
City Dreamer.....	137	Who's Counting.....	118	Hooroo.....	109
Iranistan.....	137	Drewscourt.....	117	Queens Empire.....	109
Belfast Banter.....	135	Family Tree.....	117	Telegram.....	109
Proven Innocent.....	135	Baltimore Kid.....	116	New Appointment.....	108
Howyabud.....	130	Connagh's Quay.....	116	Hard Game.....	107
Theocrat.....	130	Fightinirishtabit.....	116	Shaka.....	107
Down Royal.....	129	*Honor Up.....	116	Bold Quest.....	106
Soviet Pimpernel.....	128	Merry Maker.....	116	Lear Avia.....	105
Bodes Well.....	126	Perfect Tapatino.....	116	Mojave.....	105
Galway Kid.....	126	Tease And Seize.....	116	Speed Alert.....	105
Court Ruler.....	125	Bee Major.....	115	Bella Coola.....	103
Going Country.....	125	Saigon.....	115	Cup of Aiken.....	102
Grey Falcon.....	124	Bright Eyed Eagle.....	114	Jump to Juneau.....	102
Redicean.....	124	Project Two.....	113	Soramond.....	101
Scorpion's Revenge.....	123	Fearsome.....	112	Three O One.....	101
Fast Vision.....	122	He'll Do.....	112	Eve's City.....	100
Cause for Pardon.....	121	Hurtgen Forest.....	112	Molly Fantasy.....	100
Welshman.....	121	Mr. Bridger.....	112	Salamanca School.....	100
Awakened.....	120	Spring Heeled Jim.....	112	Seb's Welcome.....	100
Bandua.....	120	Hepcat.....	111	Criticize.....	98
Decisive Triumph.....	120	High Mounte.....	111	R S One.....	NR(1)
State of Affair.....	120	Ludicrous Mode.....	111		
West Newton.....	120	Our Bab.....	111		

* Maiden, which has completed three NSA-sanctioned races over jumps.