



NSA Official Notices Friday, March 10, 2023

EasyFix Fence Schooling

The new EasyFix fences are now available for schooling at the following locations: Shawan Downs, Middleburg, and Camden.

Shawan Downs:

- EasyFix fences will be available for schooling on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 9–11AM, beginning March 6 through April 7.
- Horsemen must reserve a slot within those time periods by emailing or texting Danielle Brewster (danielleoster@gmail.com or 443-386-2097).
- Simultaneously, horsemen must send \$25 per horse to Shawan Downs' PayPal account (user-name: info@shawandowns.org).
- Upon receipt of payment, a release document will be sent to be signed and returned before schooling.
- Cameras may be installed to video these sessions.
- No vehicles will be allowed in the EasyFix field.

Middleburg:

- EasyFix fences are located at Sunny Bank Farm for schooling. Schooling is available on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 9AM-12PM. The fee is \$25 per horse.
- To reach Sunny Bank Farm, go to the "Maple Springs Field." Leaving Middleburg, heading East on Rt. 50, take a left onto Sam Fred Road (Rt. 748). Go 1.5 miles and the Field Entrance will be on the left. It will be marked with a "Snickersville Hounds" sign. Please park on the left-hand side of the farm road.
- Waivers will be available at the check-in station on the right side of the farm road. If paying cash, place the payment in a provided envelope and put your name on it. Please place your signed Waivers and schooling fees in the box marked "Caps."
- To reach the EasyFix hurdles, follow the farm road straight ahead through the first tree line. The hurdles will be to your right. For safety, it is advised to close gate once you are in hurdle field.
- If you wish to pop a few small logs before schooling the hurdles, follow the farm road to the left at the tree line. You will have to cross a small stream. Go up a small rise and the logs will be on your right. Note that the Snickersville Hounds Kennels are nearby and they may greet you with some singing.
- Any questions or concerns should be directed to Eva Smithwick (502-741-1394).

Camden:

- Horsemen must call the Carolina Cup office (803-432-6513) to set up an appointment for schooling with means for payment of \$30 per horse.

Nominations

Trainers are reminded that nominations for the Imperial Cup (#6) and early nominations for the Maryland Hunt Cup (#35) close on Monday, March 13.

Please nominate with Bill Gallo at **443-553-1882** or **billgallo@nationalsteeplechase.com**.

Licensing

NSA horsemen are reminded to please submit their 2023 license applications. The NSA office urges all horsemen to complete these applications early to ensure prompt credential distribution.

2023 Horsemen's Directory

A new NSA Horsemen's Directory is now available for 2023. The directory will be distributed upon request in the form of a PDF document, which can be self-printed or viewed digitally.

Please email **rosella@nationalsteeplechase.com** to request a copy of the directory.

Race Condition Clarification

In any Ratings/Optional Claiming race, a horse may be entered for the claiming price and if such horse is not rated, he/she will be assigned highweight of 158 lbs. regardless of age or sex.

Old Dominion Hounds Point to Point

The following NSA-sanctioned races will be run at the Old Dominion Hounds Point to Point on Saturday, April 8. Entries for the NSA-sanctioned races will close with the NSA office on Monday, April 3.

Horses that are AEs or excluded from the NSA sanctioned Hurdle races can enter the non-sanctioned Maiden Hurdle race with Will O' Keefe at Central Entry on Wednesday, April 5, 2023. With sufficient entries this race may split to allow all entered horses to run. Trainers are reminded that eligibility for the non-sanctioned hurdle race is for horses which has never won over hurdles, sanctioned or non-sanctioned. The non-sanction open timber race will not be run this year.

(Filly & Mare Maiden Hurdle)

Purse \$25,000. Hurdle. For Maidens Fillies and Mares, Four Years Old and Upward. Four-year-olds, 145 lbs.; older, 153 lbs. Entry fee \$250; \$250 additional if not scratched on time Wednesday; \$250 additional to start; with \$100 additional to be paid to the Old Dominion Hounds Point to Point.

Two Miles over National Fences.

(Maiden Hurdle)

Purse \$25,000. Hurdle. For Maidens, Four Years Old and Upward. Four-year-olds, 146 lbs.; older, 154 lbs. Entry fee \$250; \$250 additional if not scratched on time Wednesday; \$250 additional to start; with \$100 additional to be paid to the Old Dominion Hounds Point to Point.

Two Miles over National Fences.

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(Open Timber)

Purse \$15,000. Timber. For Five Year Olds and Upward. Five-year-olds, 165 lbs.; older, 170 lbs. Non-winners of a timber stakes, allowed 5 lbs.; of a race over timber, 10 lbs. Entry fee \$150; \$150 additional if not scratched on time Wednesday; \$150 additional to start; with \$100 additional to be paid to the Old Dominion Hounds Point to Point.

Three Miles over Timber.

Grand National Condition Book Correction

Post time for the first race at the Grand National will be 2:30 PM.

Radnor Condition Book Change

The condition of the Allowance Hurdle (#72) should read as follows: **For Four Year Olds and Upward which have never won a race other than maiden, claiming, ratings 115 or restricted three-year-old.**

Continuing Education for NSA Trainers

Reminder: All trainers are required to complete **4 hours** of Continuing Education to receive an NSA trainer's license in 2023. CE courses, information, and resources can be found on the THA website at the following link: <http://tharacing.com/continuing-education/>

150-Day Layoff Report Forms

150-Day Layoff Report Forms can be submitted directly to Dr. Reynolds Cowles online at the following link: <http://tharacing.com/resources/layoffreportform/>

If you choose to print the form, please scan and return the document by email directly to Dr. 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.