

## **2023 Summer Steeplechase Schedule**

ENTRIES CLOSE ON THE DAYS INDICATED WITH

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**Note: All summer steeplechase races and conditions are subject to late change.**

### **COLONIAL DOWNS**

**FRIDAY, JULY 14**

ENTRIES CLOSE MONDAY, JULY 10

**(Maiden Hurdle)**

**Purse \$40,000. Hurdle. For Maidens, Four Years Old and Upward.** Four-year-olds, 148 lbs.; older, 154 lbs.  
**Two Miles and One Quarter over National Fences.**

**(Filly/Mare Maiden Hurdle)**

**Purse \$40,000. Hurdle. For Maiden Fillies and Mares, Four Years Old and Upward.** Four-year-olds, 147 lbs.; older, 153 lbs.

**Two Miles and One Quarter over National Fences.**

### **SARATOGA**

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 19**

**THE 26th RUNNING OF THE**

**A.P. SMITHWICK (Grade I)**

ENTRIES CLOSE FRIDAY, JULY 17

**(Hurdle Stakes)**

**Purse \$150,000. Hurdle Handicap. For Four-Year-Olds and Upward.**

**Two Miles and One Sixteenth over National Fences.**

Nominations Close Saturday, July 8.

### **COLONIAL DOWNS**

**FRIDAY, JULY 21**

ENTRIES CLOSE MONDAY, JULY 17

**(Maiden Hurdle)**

**Purse \$40,000. Hurdle. For Maidens, Four Years Old and Upward.** Four-year-olds, 148 lbs.; older, 154 lbs.  
**Two Miles and One Quarter over National Fences.**

**(Ratings Handicap Hurdle)**

**Purse \$35,000. Hurdle. For Four Year Olds and Upward which are rated 115 or lower.** The highest rated horse will be assigned 158 lbs. with all other weights adjusted accordingly based on the current ratings. Minimum weight 140 lbs., not including apprentice allowances.

**Two Miles and One Quarter over National Fences.**

### **SARATOGA**

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 26**

ENTRIES CLOSE FRIDAY, JULY 21

**(Allowance Hurdle)**

**Purse \$70,000. Hurdle. For Four Year Olds and Upward which have never won two races.** Four-year-olds, 150 lbs.; older, 156 lbs. Non-winners in 2023, allowed 4 lbs.; in 2022-2023, 8 lbs. (Claiming races not considered in estimating allowances).

**Two Miles and One Sixteenth over National Fences.**

**COLONIAL DOWNS**

**FRIDAY, JULY 28**

ENTRIES CLOSE MONDAY, JULY 24

**(Filly/Mare Maiden Hurdle)**

**Purse \$40,000. Hurdle. For Maiden Fillies and Mares, Four Years Old and Upward.** Four-year-olds, 147 lbs.; older, 153 lbs.

**Two Miles and One Quarter over National Fences.**

**(Maiden Starter Hurdle)**

**Purse \$30,000. Hurdle. For Maidens, Four Years Old and Upward which have started for a claiming price of \$25,000 or less on the flat or over fences.** Four-year-olds, 148 lbs.; older, 154 lbs.

**Two Miles and One Quarter over National Fences.**

**SARATOGA**

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2**

**THE JONATHAN KISER NOVICE STAKES**

ENTRIES CLOSE FRIDAY, JULY 28

**(Novice Hurdle Stakes)**

**Purse \$75,000. Hurdle. For Four Year Olds and Upward which have not won over hurdles prior to March 1, 2022 or which have never won three races, other than three-year-old.** Four-year-olds, 144 lbs.; older, 150 lbs. Winners, other than maiden, claiming, starter, or three-year-old: 3 lbs. extra for each race won.

**Two Miles and One Sixteenth over National Fences.**

**COLONIAL DOWNS**

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 4**

ENTRIES CLOSE MONDAY, JULY 31

**(Maiden Hurdle)**

**Purse \$40,000. Hurdle. For Maidens, Four Years Old and Upward.** Four-year-olds, 148 lbs.; older, 154 lbs.

**Two Miles and One Quarter over National Fences.**

**(Ratings Handicap Hurdle)**

**Purse \$30,000. Hurdle. For Four Year Olds and Upward which are rated 110 or lower.** The highest rated horse will be assigned 158 lbs. with all other weights adjusted accordingly based on the current ratings. Minimum weight 140 lbs., not including apprentice allowances.

**Two Miles and One Quarter over National Fences.**

**SARATOGA**

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 9**

ENTRIES CLOSE FRIDAY, AUGUST 4

**(Allowance Hurdle)**

**Purse \$70,000. Hurdle. For Four Year Olds and Upward which have never won two races.** Four-year-olds, 150 lbs.; older, 156 lbs. Non-winners in 2023, allowed 4 lbs.; in 2022-2023, 8 lbs. (Claiming races not considered in estimating allowances).

**Two Miles and Three Furlongs over National Fences.**

**COLONIAL DOWNS**

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 11**

ENTRIES CLOSE MONDAY, AUGUST 7

**(Maiden Hurdle)**

**Purse \$40,000. Hurdle. For Maidens, Four Years Old and Upward.** Four-year-olds, 148 lbs.; older, 154 lbs.

**Two Miles and One Quarter over National Fences.**

**THE RANDOLPH D. ROUSE**

**(Filly/Mare Hurdle Stakes)**

**Purse \$75,000. Hurdle Handicap. For Fillies and Mares, Four Years Old and Upward.**

**Two Miles and One Quarter over National Fences.**

Nominations Close Monday, July 31.

**SARATOGA**

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16**

**THE JONATHAN SHEPPARD STAKES (Grade I)**

ENTRIES CLOSE FRIDAY, AUGUST 11

**(Hurdle Stakes)**

**Purse \$150,000. Hurdle Handicap. For Four Year Olds and Upward.**

**Two Miles and Three Furlongs over National Fences.**

Nominations Close Saturday, August 5.

**COLONIAL DOWNS**

**MONDAY, AUGUST 18**

ENTRIES CLOSE MONDAY, AUGUST 14

**(Four-Year-Old Maiden Hurdle)**

**Purse \$40,000. Hurdle. For Maidens, Four Years Old.** Four-year-olds, 150 lbs.

**Two Miles and One Quarter over National Fences.**

**(Ratings Handicap Hurdle)**

**Purse \$35,000. Hurdle. For Four Year Olds and Upward which are rated 115 or lower.** The highest rated horse will be assigned 158 lbs. with all other weights adjusted accordingly based on the current ratings. Minimum weight 140 lbs., not including apprentice allowances.

**Two Miles and One Quarter over National Fences.**

**SARATOGA**

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 23**

**THE MICHAEL G. WALSH NOVICE STAKES**

ENTRIES CLOSE FRIDAY, AUGUST 18

**(Novice Hurdle Stakes)**

**Purse \$75,000. Hurdle. For Four Year Olds and Upward which have not won over hurdles prior to March 1, 2022 or which have never won three races, other than three-year-old.** Four-year-olds, 144 lbs.; older, 150 lbs. Winners, other than maiden, claiming, starter, or three-year-old: 3 lbs. extra for each race won.

**Two Miles and Three Furlongs over National Fences.**

**COLONIAL DOWNS**

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 25**

ENTRIES CLOSE MONDAY, AUGUST 21

**(Maiden Starter Hurdle)**

**Purse \$30,000. Hurdle. For Maidens, Four Years Old and Upward which have started for a claiming price of \$25,000 or less on the flat or over fences. Four-year-olds, 148 lbs.; older, 154 lbs.**

**Two Miles and One Quarter over National Fences.**

**(Ratings Handicap Hurdle)**

**Purse \$30,000. Hurdle. For Four Year Olds and Upward which are rated 110 or lower. The highest rated horse will be assigned 158 lbs. with all other weights adjusted accordingly based on the current ratings. Minimum weight 140 lbs., not including apprentice allowances.**

**Two Miles and One Quarter over National Fences.**

**SARATOGA**

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30**

ENTRIES CLOSE FRIDAY, AUGUST 25

**(Allowance Hurdle)**

**Purse \$70,000. Hurdle. For Four Year Olds and Upward which have never won a race other than maiden, claiming, or ratings 115 or lower or which have never won two races. Four-year-olds, 150 lbs.; older, 156 lbs. Non-winners in 2023, allowed 4 lbs.; in 2022-2023, 8 lbs. (Claiming races not considered in estimating allowances).**

**Two Miles and Three Furlongs over National Fences.**

**COLONIAL DOWNS**

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1**

ENTRIES CLOSE MONDAY, AUGUST 28

**(Maiden Hurdle)**

**Purse \$40,000. Hurdle. For Maidens, Four Years Old and Upward. Four-year-olds, 148 lbs.; older, 154 lbs.**

**Two Miles and One Quarter over National Fences.**

**(Four-Year-Old Maiden Hurdle)**

**Purse \$40,000. Hurdle. For Maidens, Four Years Old. Four-year-olds, 150 lbs.**

**Two Miles and One Quarter over National Fences.**

**COLONIAL DOWNS**

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8**

ENTRIES CLOSE MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

**THE LIFE'S ILLUSION**

**(Filly/Mare Hurdle Stakes)**

**Purse \$75,000. Hurdle Handicap. For Fillies and Mares, Four Years Old and Upward.**

**Two Miles and One Quarter over National Fences.**

Nominations Close Monday, August 28.

**(Ratings Handicap Hurdle)**

**Purse \$35,000. Hurdle. For Four Year Olds and Upward which are rated 115 or lower. The highest rated horse will be assigned 158 lbs. with all other weights adjusted accordingly based on the current ratings. Minimum weight 140 lbs., not including apprentice allowances.**

**Two Miles and One Quarter over National Fences.**

**AQUEDUCT RACETRACK**  
**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14**  
**THE WILLIAM ENTENMANN NOVICE STAKES**  
ENTRIES CLOSE SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9  
**(Novice Hurdle Stakes)**

**Purse \$75,000. Hurdle. For Four Year Olds and Upward which have not won over hurdles prior to September 1, 2022 or which have never won three races, other than three-year-old.** Four-year-olds, 144 lbs.; older, 150 lbs. Winners, other than maiden, claiming, starter, or three-year-old: 3 lbs. extra for each race won.

**Two Miles and Three Furlongs over National Fences.**

**THE LONESOME GLORY (Grade I)**  
**(Hurdle Stakes)**

**Purse \$150,000. Hurdle Handicap. For Four Year Olds and Upward.**

**Two Miles and One Half over National Fences.**

Nominations Close Saturday, September 2.

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**Official Notes:**

- Permission for apprentice riders to ride in jump races at Colonial Downs, Saratoga, and Aqueduct will be granted by the Stewards Advisory Committee on a case by case, and race by race basis.
- In all steeplechase races at Colonial Downs, Saratoga, and Aqueduct, the first fence in the stretch will not be jumped on the final circuit; therefore, the last fence down the backside at all venues will be the final fence.
- In all stakes races at Colonial Downs, Saratoga and Aqueduct, Lasix is prohibited. Also, horses 10 years old and upward are not permitted to run at NYRA racetracks.
- Maiden claiming winners are eligible for Saratoga allowance races providing they have won for \$20,000 or greater.
- Maidens over jumps are ineligible for steeplechase races at Saratoga.
- Post times for the Colonial Downs jump races will be 1:30 PM (first) and 2:00 PM (second) each Friday during the meet. The Colonial jump races are now part of the regular parimutuel racing program and as such will follow all of the standard racetrack protocols.
- Limit of field in the maiden hurdle races at Colonial Downs is 10, with 12 allowed in ratings races and the filly/mare stakes.
- All horses entering the Colonial Downs racetrack grounds must have proof of health certificate and required vaccinations, and a current negative Coggins test.