

## Update on Summer Steeplechase Racing at Saratoga/Colonial Downs

The Wednesday, August 9 allowance hurdle at Saratoga that was canceled when all races were taken off the turf, will not be rescheduled for Wednesday, August 16 due to an insufficient number of possible entries. Therefore, the next jump race at Saratoga will be the Grade 1 Jonathan Sheppard, which has been moved to Wednesday, August 23, in place of the Michael G. Walsh novice stakes. Nominations for the Sheppard have been re-opened and close this Saturday, August 12. The final jump race at Saratoga, an allowance hurdle, remains on the schedule and will be run Wednesday, August 30.

Jump racing at Colonial Downs continues with three races set for tomorrow, Friday, August 11. They will be available via livestream on the NSA website starting at 11:40 am. Entries for the following Friday, August 18 will close Monday, August 14, and will include a restricted 4YO maiden hurdle, a ratings 115 or lower handicap, and a filly/mare maiden hurdle. Please note that if the 4YO maiden hurdle does not attract a sufficient number of entries it may be opened to older horses.

## **Revised Summer Schedule 2023**

The Summer Schedule for 2023 has been revised please view the schedule at the link below. https://nationalsteeplechase.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/Final-Schedule-1-2.pdf

## Colonial Downs Life's Illusion Purse Increase

The purse for the Life's Illusion filly/mare hurdle stakes, to be run Friday, September 8, has been increased from \$75,000 to \$100,000.