



NSA Official Notices Tuesday, September 26, 2023

FOXFIELD

Please note that the order of races has been revised, with the Maiden Claiming Hurdle (#84) now scheduled as the first race, and the Training Flat (#85) going as the second race. All other races will be run according to the original overnight.

The Foxfield paddock has been moved to the racecourse in front of the judges tower. All horses will be saddled at the barn and will be directed up the racecourse to the newly designated paddock area.

BY ORDER OF THE STEWARDS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The new standard fine for “careless riding” will be \$500. Should the infraction be deemed “reckless” or “dangerous” by the stewards, the penalty will be a minimum fine of \$1,000 plus a one (1) day suspension or greater.

MONTPELIER

Please note that the Training Flat Race (#119) **is opened to Virginia bred, Virginia sired, Virginia certified horses, as well as horses owned or trained by Virginians, with preference to Virginia bred, Virginia sired, and Virginia certified horses.**

LARRY BATES MEMORIAL SERVICE

All are invited to a memorial for trainer and former jockey Larry Bates, who died in July, in Maryland at 4:30 p.m. Sunday, October 1. As per his wishes, the ceremony and a spreading of his ashes will take place at the third fence of the Maryland Hunt Cup on Tufton Avenue. Although Bates never rode in the historic timber race he told friends he always wanted to. The Virginia native worked with horses and rode flat races in New England before working in Europe for Daniel Wildenstein and in the United States for Allen Jerkens E.I. Kelly Sr. and others. As a steeplechase jockey, he worked for Paul Fout and other trainers. Bates rode regularly on the NSA circuit in the early 1970s, winning a Belmont Park allowance hurdle with Dauncy in 1971 to earn a spot in the second running of the Colonial Cup that November. Based in Florida for the past 30 years, Bates won 454 races as a trainer and enjoyed success with Grade 3 winner Regal Joy and multiple stakes winners Diamond Cat and Cher Ami. He also helped prepare Mistical Plan for a win in the Grade 1 Princess Rooney Handicap in 2008 after she was shipped to Florida by California trainer Doug O'Neill. For more information, contact Kip Elser at (859) 312-3414.