



## NSA Official Notices

Tuesday, November 5, 2024

### Colonial Cup Pre Entries and Nominations

Colonial Cup Pre Entries and Nominations are on the link below. Entries officially close Monday, November 11 at 11:00 A.M.

<https://nationalsteeplechase.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/11/Final-Pre-Entries-and-Nominations-Colonial-Cup.pdf>

### Colonial Cup Course Report

**Date of Inspection:** November 4th, 2024

**Course:** Springdale Race Course, Colonial Cup

**Race Director:** Toby Edwards

**Time In:** 11:30 am

**Date of Race Meeting:** November 17th, 2024

**Clerk of Course:** Toby Edwards

**Others on Inspection:** Ava Perona

**Time Out:** 12:30 pm

**Jump track:** FULLY IRRIGATED

**Turf:** The turf is a mixture of Bermuda grass overseeded with Perennial rye on September 23rd, 2024. Though the Bermuda is semi-dormant, there is a very good mat of Bermuda thatch. The rye grass has germinated at 100% and will be mowed on November 10th/11th, 2024 to a height of 3 inches with a race day height of 4-5 inches.

**Smoothness:** The course is smooth throughout.

**Compaction:** 80 through 90 throughout the track. Average 85.

**Moisture:** Readings 3-4 throughout the race course: average. The irrigation will be run to increase the reading to between 4-5.

**Notes:** The course has been aerated and cambridge rolled regularly throughout the summer season. The course has also been fertilized and weed controlled applied at the appropriate times throughout the season.

**Flat track:** NO IRRIGATION

**Turf:** The turf is a mixture of Bermuda grass overseeded with Perennial rye on September 23rd, 2024. Due to the prolonged drought, there is little to no germination of the rye on the flat track. However, the semi dormant Bermuda has a great cover throughout.

**Smoothness:** The course is smooth throughout.

**Compaction:** Constant compaction readings at 120 throughout.

**Moisture:** There is little to no moisture at the track at the current time.

**Notes:** Half an inch of rain is forecast for Wednesday November 6th, 2024 overnight into Thursday November 7th, 2024. Another quarter inch of rain is forecasted overnight for Saturday, November 9th, 2024.

### **Aiken Steeplechase**

Pre entries for the Aiken Races, to be run Saturday, November 23, indicate that there is a possibility of carding seven races. The maiden special will be split, and an additional allowance race (NW2) and ratings race (110 or lower) may be used. Entries close Monday, November 18.