



Race Conditions NSA Fall 2026 Race Meetings



Camden Littleton

Riverdee Stable's Cool Jet won the 2025 Noel Laing (G 3) at Montpelier to cap off his Eclipse Award winning season.

SHAWAN DOWNS • FOXFIELD • GENESEE VALLEY
VIRGINIA FALL • FAR HILLS • INTERNATIONAL GOLD CUP
AIKEN • PENNSYLVANIA HUNT CUP • MONTPELIER
CALLAWAY • CHARLESTON • COLONIAL CUP

2026 FALL RACE MEET SCHEDULE

- ***SHAWAN DOWNS**, Hunt Valley, MD.....Saturday, September 26
- ***FOXFIELD FALL**, Charlottesville, VA.....Sunday, October 4
- ***GENESEE VALLEY**, Geneseo, NY.....Saturday, October 10
- ***VIRGINIA FALL**, Middleburg, VA.....Saturday, October 10
- ***FAR HILLS**, Far Hills, NJ.....Saturday, October 17
- ***INTL. GOLD CUP**, The Plains, VA.....Saturday, October 24
- ***AIKEN FALL**, Aiken, SC.....Saturday, October 31
- ***PA HUNT CUP**, Unionville, PA.....Sunday, November 1
- ***MONTPELIER**, Montpelier Station, VA....Saturday, November 7
- CALLAWAY**, Pine Mountain, GA.....Saturday, November 7
- ***CHARLESTON**, Hollywood, SC.....Sunday, November 15
- ***COLONIAL CUP**, Camden, SC.....Sunday, November 22

* Denotes participation in the Reverted Purse Opportunity Fund



Entries for all races close as designated with

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Nominations and Entries

All nominations and entries for races described in this condition book are to be made at the prescribed times with the National Steeplechase Association (“NSA”) in accordance with its Rules of Racing (the “Rules”), which can be found on the NSA website, www.nationalsteeplechase.com. Copies of the current Rules may also be obtained from the NSA.

Racing Authority

The race meeting at International Gold Cup will be conducted in accordance with the rules of the Virginia Racing Commission. and the race meeting at Far Hills will be conducted in accordance with the rules of the New Jersey Racing Commission. All horsemen are urged to be familiar with the applicable Commission rules. All other races contained in this condition book will be conducted under NSA rules.

Every person entering a horse in a race to be run under the rules of the respective state Racing Commission, or the National Steeplechase Association, accepts the decision of the respective racing authority, the Directors of the National Steeplechase Association, or the Stewards of the meeting, as the case may be, on any question relating to a race or to racing.

Overnights and Official Notices

Overnights containing entries and other pertinent information for a race meeting are generally published Monday afternoon for race meetings occurring the following weekend. Horsemen are encouraged to examine such overnights carefully for errors, delayed closings and other information applicable to a particular race meeting. Any questions or concerns should be immediately brought to the attention of Bill Gallo, Director of Racing. Official Notices are published weekly during each racing season. They contain information concerning substitute races, course conditions for upcoming race meets, rule changes and other official determinations. Horsemen are urged to consult these Official Notices regularly for information that may impact the races described in this condition book.

Rider Fees

In the absence of a specified contract, the fee to a rider in a steeplechase race shall be as follows: \$200, or 10% of the money earned in all places (whichever is greater). The fee to a rider in a training flat race shall be \$100. In flat races with purses, the fee to a rider shall be as follows: \$100, or 10% of the money earned in all places (whichever is greater).

Rider Licensing Requirements/Insurance Coverage

A rider is required to have and maintain health insurance as a condition of licensure, and must provide evidence thereof at the time of application for a license. In addition, all riders are required to take a baseline ImpACT test. An accident medical insurance policy (underwritten by Zurich North America) covers all licensed NSA riders participating in NSA sanctioned races. Please note that the policy provides “excess” coverage, which means it does not provide any reimbursement for medical expenses that are payable under any other insurance available to the claimant. This policy does not include the races at Fair Hill, MD, or the major racetracks that host steeplechasing.

Rider Allowances

In all steeplechase races, except handicaps and stakes races, riders who have never won a race are allowed ten (10) pounds; riders who have not won five (5) races are allowed seven (7) pounds; riders who have not won fifteen (15) races are allowed five (5) pounds. Once a rider wins fifteen (15) races, he/she is no longer eligible for an allowance. These apprentice allowances may be claimed up to one (1) hour prior to post-time for the first race.

Policies

In addition to the provisions of NSA Rules, horsemen are advised of the following policies and useful information:

Entry Fees

Entry fees equivalent to 3% of the purse will be deducted from earnings of the first five finishers in all NSA sanctioned races. Those fees will be scaled at 1% to enter, 1% if not scratched on time Tuesday, and 1% to start. All fees will be waived for horses that run and do not earn a portion of the purse.

Training Flat Races

All training flat races run under NSA rules are sanctioned by the NSA, and, as such, all rules apply, including the rules on forbidden substances. However, these races do not count toward a horse's official record.

Lasix

Trainers are reminded to have a stable assistant on hand with a horse receiving Lasix at the time of administration. If such horse is left unattended, the horse may be scratched by the Stewards and the trainer may be subject to a fine.

A horse that is entered on Lasix and does not receive Lasix will not be permitted to run, unless it is determined by the Stewards that there were extenuating circumstances that led to the inability to administer the medication in a timely manner, and the trainer of the horse chooses to run the horse without Lasix. Under these conditions, the trainer assumes all risk as it relates to the health and condition of the horse during or immediately following the race.

Horse Identification

All horses running under NSA rules must either be tattooed or microchipped, per The Jockey Club standards.

Pre-Race Testing

The Stewards may randomly select horses for pre-race testing. Failure to submit to this test will result in an automatic scratch.

Adjusted Weights

In all allowance and open hurdle races (including stakes) at NSA race meets, weights will be adjusted upward when a high-weight (by allowance condition) is not entered or the high-weight is scratched at scratch time.

Code of Conduct

As a condition of license, all NSA licensees are expected to conduct themselves in a manner consistent with the best interests of racing. Any conduct deemed to be detrimental to the sport, the NSA, or the individual race meets and their representatives, or conduct prejudicial to the sport's reputation, will subject the offender to a fine or suspension, or both, in accordance with the NSA Rules of Racing. Furthermore, please note that the use of social media, in a negative or derogatory way, may create a circumstance whereby the Stewards Advisory Committee may have to take action to protect the integrity and welfare of the National Steeplechase Association.

Waiver Claimer

At the time of entry into any NSA steeplechase claiming race, the trainer may declare a horse ineligible to be claimed provided:

1. The horse has not started for a minimum of 120 calendar days since its last race; and
2. The horse is entered for a claiming price equal to or greater than the price at which it last started over jumps or on the flat.

Changes

All changes to distance of races or course modifications, including fences, must be reviewed by the NSA Safety Committee and approved by the NSA Stewards Advisory Committee, other than those made by the stewards on race day.

LEGACY CHASE AT SHAWAN DOWNS
(Right-Handed & Irrigated)
HUNT VALLEY, MARYLAND
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2026
FIRST RACE – 12:30 P.M.
TOTAL PURSES \$150,000

ENTRIES CLOSE 11:00 A.M. - MONDAY SEPTEMBER 21
SCRATCHES BY 11:00 A.M. - TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

FIRST RACE 77

(Maiden Three-Year-Old Hurdle)

Purse \$20,000 (plus \$5,000 Maryland Million Bonus). Hurdle. For Maidens, Three Years Old. 150 lbs. Entry fee \$200; \$200 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$200 additional to start. Two Miles over National Fences.

SECOND RACE 78

(Maiden Hurdle)

Purse \$30,000 (plus \$5,000 Maryland Million Bonus). Hurdle. For Maidens, Three Years Old and Upward. Three-year-olds, 144 lbs.; four-year-olds, 152 lbs.; older, 156 lbs. Entry fee \$300; \$300 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$300 additional to start. Two Miles over National Fences.

THIRD RACE 79

(Ratings Handicap Hurdle)

Purse \$25,000 (plus \$5,000 Maryland Million Bonus). 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 144 lbs., not including apprentice allowances. Entry fee \$250; \$250 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$250 additional to start. Two Miles over National Fences.

FOURTH RACE 80

(Allowance Hurdle)

Purse \$35,000 (plus \$5,000 Maryland Million Bonus). Hurdle. For Four Year Olds and Upward which have never won two races. Four-year-olds, 152 lbs.; older, 156 lbs. Entry fee \$350; \$350 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$350 additional to start. Two Miles over National Fences.

FIFTH RACE
THE BROWN ADVISORY TIMBER STAKES
(Timber Stakes)

81

Nominations Close Monday, September 14

Purse \$25,000 (plus \$5,000 Maryland Million Bonus). Timber. For Four Year Olds and Upward. Four-year-olds, 155 lbs.; five-year-olds, 160 lbs.; older, 165 lbs. Non-winners of two races over timber, allowed 5 lbs.; of a race, 10 lbs. Nomination fee \$100; \$150 additional to enter; \$250 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$250 additional to start. Supplementary nominations, at a cost of \$500, may be made at the time of entry.
Three Miles and One Furlong over Timber.

SIXTH RACE
(Maiden Timber)

82

Purse \$15,000. Timber. For Four Year Olds and Upward which have never won over timber. Four-year-olds, 155 lbs.; five-year-olds, 160 lbs.; older, 165 lbs. Entry fee \$150; \$150 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$150 additional to start.
Three Miles and One Furlong over Timber.

NOTICES

If necessary, the timber races will be run over to the irrigated hurdle course at a distance of Three Miles.

Preference to Maryland bred horses in all races.

Maryland Bred Bonuses

Breeders and owners of registered Maryland-bred horses competing over fences at NSA-sanctioned Maryland meets will receive a bonus on top of the normal purse amount for 1-2-3 placings. Paid bonuses will be equal to current Maryland Bred Fund bonus percentage. These bonuses are not considered part of purse earnings and will be paid directly from the Maryland Horse Breeders Association. For any inquiries please call Cricket Goodall (410-252-2100, extension 111).

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**THE 48th ANNUAL
FOXFIELD FALL RACES
FOXFIELD RACE COURSE (IRRIGATED)
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2026
FIRST RACE - 12:00 P.M.
TOTAL PURSES \$235,000**

ENTRIES CLOSE 11:00 A.M. - MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28
SCRATCHES BY 11:00 A.M. - TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

83

**FIRST RACE
(Maiden Claiming Hurdle)**

Purse \$20,000. Hurdle. For Maidens, Three Years Old and Upward. Three-year-olds, 144 lbs.; four-year-olds, 152 lbs.; older, 156 lbs. **Claiming price \$16,000.** Entry fee \$200; \$200 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$200 additional to start.
Two Miles and One Furlong over National Fences.

84

**SECOND RACE
(Filly & Mare Maiden Hurdle)**

Purse \$30,000. Hurdle. For Maiden Fillies and Mares, Three Years Old and Upward. Three-year-olds, 143 lbs.; four-year-olds, 151 lbs.; older, 155 lbs. Entry fee \$300; \$300 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$300 additional to start.
Two Miles and One Furlong over National Fences.

85

**THIRD RACE
VIRGINIA EQUINE ALLIANCE MAIDEN HURDLE
(Maiden Hurdle)**

Purse \$40,000. Hurdle. For Maidens Three Years Old and Upward. Three-year-olds, 144 lbs.; four-year-olds, 152 lbs.; older, 156 lbs. Entry fee \$400; \$400 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$400 additional to start.
Two Miles and One Furlong over National Fences

86

**FOURTH RACE
(Ratings Handicap Hurdle)**

Purse \$30,000. Hurdle Handicap. 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 144 lbs., not including apprentice allowances. Entry fee \$300; \$300 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$300 additional to start.
Two Miles and One Furlong over National Fences.

FIFTH RACE**87****(Ratings Handicap Hurdle)**

Purse \$40,000. Hurdle Handicap. For Four Year Olds and Upward which are rated 120 or lower. The highest rated horse will be assigned 158 lbs. with all other weights adjusted accordingly based on the current ratings. Minimum weight 144 lbs., not including apprentice allowances. Entry fee \$400; \$400 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$400 additional to start. **Two Miles and One Furlong over National Fences.**

SIXTH RACE**88****THE MARIANN DE TEJEDA MEMORIAL (Gr. 3)****(Sport of Kings Hurdle Stakes)****Nominations Close Monday, September 21**

Purse \$75,000. Hurdle Handicap. For Four Year Olds and Upward. Nomination fee \$250; \$500 additional to enter; \$750 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$750 additional to start. **No supplementary nominations.** *In addition to NSA fees, 5% of any purse money earned in this race will be deducted as a fee to the Sport of Kings Reserve Purse Fund.*

Two Miles and One Furlong over National Fences.**SEVENTH RACE****89****(Training Flat)**

For Three Year Olds and Upward. Three-year-olds, 150 lbs.; older, 155 lbs. Maidens allowed 5 lbs. Apprentice riders allowed 5 lbs. **No other rider allowances. The result of this race does not count toward a horse's official record.** Entry fee \$100. **One Mile and One Half on the Turf.**

NOTICE

Preference for all races will be given to Virginia Bred, Virginia Sired, Virginia Certified, and all other horses that are stabled or trained in Virginia or owned by Virginians. (The "stabled or trained in Virginia or owned by Virginians" is restricted to one horse per trainer).

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**THE 97th ANNUAL
GENESEE VALLEY HUNT RACES
GENESEO, NEW YORK
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2026
POST TIME - 1:00 P.M.
TOTAL PURSES \$55,000**

ENTRIES CLOSE 11:00 A.M. - MONDAY, OCTOBER 5
SCRATCHES BY 11:00 A.M. - TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6

90

**FIRST RACE
THE MARTHA S. WADSWORTH MEMORIAL
(Maiden Timber)**

Purse \$15,000. Timber. For Four Year Olds and Upward which have never won over timber. Four-year-olds, 155 lbs.; five-year-olds, 160 lbs.; older, 165 lbs. Entry fee \$150; \$150 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$150 additional to start.
Three Miles over Timber.

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**SECOND RACE
THE CROSS COUNTRY CUP
(Amateur or Apprentice Rider Timber)**

Purse \$15,000. Timber. For Five Year Olds and Upward which have not won a timber or hurdle stakes in 2025-2026. To be ridden by amateur or apprentice riders. 170 lbs. Non-winners of two races over timber, allowed 5 lbs.; of a race over timber, 10 lbs. Entry fee \$150; \$150 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$150 additional to start.

Three Miles over a Modified Timber Course.

Note: \$5,000 of this purse has been donated by the Temple Gwathmey Steeplechase Foundation, for the promotion of the apprentice rider program.

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**THIRD RACE
THE GENESEE VALLEY HUNT CUP
(Timber Stakes)**

Nominations Close Monday, September 28

Purse \$25,000. Timber. For Four Year Olds and Upward. Four-year-olds, 150 lbs.; five-year-olds, 155 lbs.; older, 160 lbs. Winners of two races over timber, 5 lbs. extra. Non-winners over timber, allowed 5 lbs. Nomination fee \$100; \$150 additional to enter; \$250 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$250 additional to start. Supplementary nominations, at a cost of \$500, may be made at the time of entry.

Three Miles and One Half over Timber.

OTHER RACES

There will be a number of non-sanctioned races on the Genesee Valley card, starting at 11:00 a.m. They include a small pony, large pony, junior race, pace race, and side saddle race. To enter non-sanctioned races, visit the GVH website or call Racing Secretary Martha Wadsworth.

The sanctioned races will run as Races 6, 7, and 9 on the card.

ATTENDANT AWARDS

There will be an award to the attendant of the best “turned out” horse in each race.

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**THE 72nd ANNUAL
VIRGINIA FALL RACES
GLENWOOD PARK COURSE
MIDDLEBURG, VIRGINIA
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2026
FIRST RACE – 12:30 P.M.
TOTAL PURSES \$275,000**

ENTRIES CLOSE 11:00 A.M. - MONDAY, OCTOBER 5
SCRATCHES BY 11:00 A.M. - TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6

**FIRST RACE 93
THE THEODORA A. RANDOLPH CUP
VIRGINIA EQUINE ALLIANCE MAIDEN HURDLE
(Maiden Hurdle)**

Purse \$40,000. Hurdle. For Maidens, Four Years Old and Upward. Four-year-olds, 152 lbs.; older, 156 lbs. Entry fee \$400; \$400 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$400 additional to start.

Two Miles and One Furlong over National Fences.

**SECOND/FIFTH RACE 94
THE DANIEL C. SANDS CUP
(Optional Maiden Starter/Maiden Claiming Hurdle)**

Purse \$30,000. Hurdle. For Maidens, Three Years Old and Upward which have started for a claiming price of \$30,000 or less on the flat, or over fences, or which are entered for a claiming price of \$30,000. Three-year-olds, 144; four-year-olds, 152 lbs.; older, 156 lbs. Entry Fee \$300; \$300 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$300 additional to start.

Two Miles and One Furlong over National Fences.

It is the intention of the race committee to split this race with a \$30,000 purse in each division.

**THIRD RACE 95
THE MAGALEN O. BRYANT MEMORIAL
(Ratings Handicap Hurdle)**

Purse \$35,000. Hurdle Handicap. 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 144 lbs, not including apprentice allowances. Entry fee \$350; \$350 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$350 additional to start.

Two Miles and One Furlong over National Fences.

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FOURTH RACE
THE NATIONAL SPORTING LIBRARY & MUSEUM CUP
(Timber Stakes)

Nominations Close Monday, September 28

Purse \$50,000. Timber. For Four Year Olds and Upward. Four-year-olds, 155 lbs.; five-year-olds, 160 lbs.; older, 165 lbs. Nomination fee \$100; \$400 additional to enter; \$500 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$500 additional to start. Supplementary nominations, at a cost of \$500, may be made at the time of entry.
Three Miles and One Quarter over Timber.

97

SIXTH RACE
THE WILL O' KEEFE MEMORIAL
(Sport of Kings Three-Year-Old Hurdle Stakes)

Nominations Close Monday, September 28

Purse \$50,000. Hurdle. For Three Year Olds. 148 lbs. Winners, other than claiming, 3 lbs. extra for each race won. Nomination fee \$100; \$400 additional to enter; \$500 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$500 additional to start. Supplementary nominations, at a cost of \$500, may be made at the time of entry. *In addition to NSA fees, 5% of any purse money earned in this race will be deducted as a fee to the Sport of Kings Reserve Purse Fund.*

Two Miles and One Furlong over National Fences.

98

SEVENTH RACE
THE JAMES P. McCORMICK MEMORIAL
(Maiden Timber)

Purse \$20,000. Timber. For Four Year Olds and Upward which have never won over timber. Four-year-olds, 155 lbs.; five-year-olds, 160 lbs.; older, 165 lbs. Entry fee \$200; \$200 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$200 additional to start.

Three Miles over Timber.

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EIGHTH RACE
THE KINROSS STEEPLETHON
(Steeplethon)

Purse \$20,000. Timber. For Five-Year-Olds and Upward. 160 lbs. Winners of a steeplethon, 5 lbs. extra. Entry fee \$200; \$200 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$200 additional to start.

Two Miles and Five Furlongs over the Alfred Hunt Course.

NOTICE

Preference for all races will be given to Virginia Bred, Virginia Sired, Virginia Certified, and all other horses that are stabled or trained in Virginia or owned by Virginians. (The "stabled or trained in Virginia or owned by Virginians" is restricted to one horse per trainer).

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**THE 105th ANNUAL
FAR HILLS RACE MEETING
AT MOORLAND FARM (Irrigated)
FAR HILLS, NEW JERSEY
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2026
FIRST RACE - 12:30 P.M.
TOTAL PURSES \$825,000**

ENTRIES CLOSE 11:00 A.M. - MONDAY, OCTOBER 12
SCRATCHES BY 11:00 A.M. - TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13

**FIRST RACE 100
THE HARRY E. HARRIS
(Sport of Kings Four-Year-Old Hurdle Stakes)
Nominations Close Monday, October 5**

Purse \$75,000. Hurdle. For Four Year Olds. 150 lbs. Winners, other than claiming, 3 lbs. extra for each race won. Nomination fee \$250; \$500 additional to enter; \$750 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$750 additional to start. Supplementary nominations, at a cost of \$1,250, may be made at the time of entry. *In addition to NSA fees, 5% of any purse money earned in this race will be deducted as a fee to the Sport of Kings Reserve Purse Fund.*

Two Miles and One Furlong over National Fences.

**SECOND RACE 101
THE MCDYNAMO MAIDEN SWEEPSTAKES
(Maiden Hurdle Stakes)
Nominations Close Monday, October 5**

Purse \$50,000-added. Hurdle. For Maidens, Four Years Old and Upward. Four-year-olds, 152 lbs.; older, 156 lbs. Nomination fee \$100; \$400 additional to enter; \$500 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$500 additional to start. In addition to normal entry fees, a "sweepstakes ante" of \$1,000 per horse will be added to the \$50,000 guaranteed purse. Runner's reward will not apply to the "sweepstakes ante" portion of the entry fees. Limit of field 10, with only two entries allowed per trainer. Also, all entries must be approved by and acceptable to the Far Hills Race Committee.

Two Miles and One Furlong over National Fences.

As an added incentive, the Moran family will match the "sweepstakes ante" amount. Therefore, if there are 10 runners in the race the total purse will be \$70,000, the richest maiden race on the NSA circuit.

**THIRD RACE 102
THE PEAPACK (Grade 2)
(Sport of Kings Filly & Mare Hurdle Stakes)
Nominations Close Monday, October 5**

Purse \$100,000. Hurdle Handicap. For Fillies and Mares, Four Years Old and Upward. Nomination fee \$300; \$700 additional to enter; \$1,000 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$1,000 additional to start. **No supplementary nominations.** *In addition to NSA fees, 5% of any purse money earned in this race will be deducted as a fee to the Sport of Kings Reserve Purse Fund.*

Two Miles and One Furlong over National Fences.

FOURTH RACE
THE FOXBROOK CHAMPION HURDLE
(Sport of Kings Novice Hurdle Stakes)
Nominations Close Monday, October 5

103

Purse \$150,000. Hurdle. For Four Year Olds and Upward which have not won over hurdles prior to September 1, 2025 or which have never won three races, other than three-year-old. Four-year-olds, 146 lbs.; older, 152 lbs. Winners, other than maiden, claiming, starter, or three-year-old race: 3 lbs. extra for each race won. Nomination fee \$500; \$1,000 additional to enter; \$1,500 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$1,500 additional to start. Supplementary nominations, at a cost of \$2,500, may be made at the time of entry. *In addition to NSA fees, 5% of any purse money earned in this race will be deducted as a fee to the Sport of Kings Reserve Purse Fund.*

Two Miles and One Half over National Fences.

FIFTH RACE
THE AMERICAN GRAND NATIONAL (Grade 1)
(Sport of Kings Hurdle Stakes)
Nominations Close Monday, October 5

104

Purse \$300,000. Hurdle. For Four Year Olds and Upward. Four-year-olds, 148 lbs.; older, 156 lbs. Nomination fee \$500; \$2,500 additional to enter; \$3,000 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$3,000 additional to start. Supplementary nominations, at a cost of \$2,500, may be made at the time of entry. *In addition to NSA fees, 5% of any purse money earned in this race will be deducted as a fee to the Sport of Kings Reserve Purse Fund.*

Two Miles and Five Furlongs over National Fences.

SIXTH RACE
THE JOHN FORBES MEMORIAL
(Flat Stakes)

105

Nominations Close Monday, October 5

Purse \$150,000. For Four Year Olds and Upward. 148 lbs. Non-winners of a stakes race, allowed 4 lbs.; of a race other than maiden or claiming, 8 lbs. Nomination fee \$500; \$1,000 additional to enter; \$1,500 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$1,500 additional to start. Supplementary nominations, at a cost of \$2,500, may be made at the time of entry. NOTE: The use of Lasix is not permitted in this race.

Two Miles on the Turf.

GUY J. TORSILIERI, Chairman
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**THE 43rd ANNUAL
INTERNATIONAL GOLD CUP
GREAT MEADOW (Irrigated)
THE PLAINS, VIRGINIA
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2026
FIRST RACE - 12:00 P.M.
TOTAL PURSES \$365,000**

ENTRIES CLOSE 11:00 A.M. - MONDAY, OCTOBER 19
SCRATCHES BY 11:00 A.M. - TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20

FIRST RACE 106

VIRGINIA EQUINE ALLIANCE MAIDEN HURDLE
(Maiden Hurdle)

Purse \$45,000. Hurdle. For Maidens, Three Years Old and Upward. Three-year-olds, 142 lbs.; four-year-olds, 150 lbs.; older, 156 lbs. Entry fee \$450; \$450 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$450 additional to start.

About Two Miles and One Furlong over National Fences.

SECOND RACE 107

THE GREAT MEADOW STEEPLETHON
(Steeplethon)

Purse \$20,000. Timber. For Five Year Olds and Upward. 160 lbs. Winners of a steeplethon, 5 lbs. extra. Entry fee \$200; \$200 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$200 additional to start.

Three Miles over the Steeplethon Course.

THIRD RACE 108

THE BROADVIEW ALLOWANCE HURDLE
(Allowance Hurdle)

Purse \$50,000. Hurdle. For Three Year Olds and Upward which have never won a race, other than maiden, claiming, three-year-old, ratings 115 or lower, or two races. Three-year-olds, 142 lbs.; four-year-olds, 150 lbs.; older, 156 lbs. Entry fee \$500; \$500 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$500 additional to start.

About Two Miles and One Half over National Fences.

FOURTH RACE 109

THE WILLIAM H. ALLISON STAKES (Grade 2)
(Sport of Kings Hurdle Stakes)

Nominations Close Monday, October 12

Purse \$100,000. Hurdle Handicap. For Four Year Olds and Upward. Nomination fee \$300; \$700 additional to enter; \$1,000 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$1,000 additional to start. **No supplementary nominations.** *In addition to NSA fees, 5% of any purse money earned in this race will be deducted as a fee to the Sport of Kings Reserve Purse Fund.*

About Two Miles and One Furlong over National Fences.

**FIFTH RACE
THE 89th RUNNING OF THE
INTERNATIONAL GOLD CUP
(Timber Stakes)**

110

Nominations Close Monday, October 12

Purse \$50,000. Timber. For Four Year Olds and Upward. Four-year-olds, 155 lbs.; five-year-olds 160 lbs.; older, 165 lbs. Nomination fee \$100; \$400 additional to enter; \$500 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$500 additional to start. Supplementary nominations, at a cost of \$500, may be made at the time of entry.

Three Miles and One Half over Timber.

SIXTH RACE

111

**THE ZEKE FERGUSON MEMORIAL RATINGS HANDICAP HURDLE
(Ratings Handicap Hurdle)**

Purse \$40,000. Hurdle Handicap. 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 144 lbs., not including apprentice allowances. Entry fee \$400; \$400 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$400 additional to start.

About Two Miles and One Half over National Fences.

SEVENTH RACE

112

**THE SPRINGS ROAD MAIDEN CLAIMING HURDLE
(Optional Maiden Starter/Maiden Claiming Hurdle)**

Purse \$30,000. Hurdle. For Maidens, Three Years Old and Upward which have started for a claiming price of \$30,000 or less on the flat, or over fences, or which are entered for a claiming price of \$30,000. Three-year-olds, 142; four-year-olds, 150 lbs.; older, 156 lbs. Entry Fee \$300; \$300 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$300 additional to start.

About Two Miles and One Furlong over National Fences.

NOTICES

Preference for all races will be given to Virginia Bred, Virginia Sired, Virginia Certified, and all other horses that are stabled or trained in Virginia or owned by Virginians. (The "stabled or trained in Virginia or owned by Virginians" is restricted to one horse per trainer).

Virginia Bred, Virginia Sired, and Virginia Certified winners in all races are eligible for a 25% bonus, capped at \$10,000, to be paid by the Virginia Thoroughbred Association. Bonuses are not considered part of purse earnings.

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**THE 33rd RUNNING OF
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AIKEN STEEPLECHASE RACECOURSE (Irrigated)
AIKEN, SOUTH CAROLINA
SATURDAY, OCTOBER, 31, 2026
FIRST RACE - 1:00 P.M.
TOTAL PURSES \$155,000**

ENTRIES CLOSE 11:00 A.M. – MONDAY, OCTOBER 26
SCRATCHES BY 11:00 A.M. - TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27

**FIRST RACE 113
(Maiden Claiming Hurdle)**

Purse \$20,000. Hurdle. For Maidens, Three Years Old and Upward. Three-year-olds, 144 lbs.; four-year-olds, 152 lbs.; older, 156 lbs. **Claiming price \$16,000.** Entry fee \$200; \$200 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$200 additional to start.

Two Miles and One Furlong over National Fences.

**SECOND RACE 114
(Optional Starter Allowance Hurdle)**

Purse \$25,000. For Four Year Olds and Upward which have started for a claiming price of \$25,000 or less on the flat, or over fences, and have never won two races, or claiming price \$25,000 and which have never won two races. Four-year-olds, 152 lbs.; older, 156 lbs. Entry fee \$250; \$250 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$250 additional to start.

Two Miles and Three Furlongs over National Fences.

**THIRD RACE 115
(Maiden Hurdle)**

Purse \$30,000. Hurdle. For Maidens, Three Years Old and Upward. Three-year-olds, 144 lbs.; four-year-olds, 152 lbs.; older, 156 lbs. Entry fee \$300; \$300 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$300 additional to start.

Two Miles and One Furlong over National Fences.

FOURTH RACE

116

(Filly & Mare Maiden Hurdle)

Purse \$30,000. Hurdle. For Maiden Fillies and Mares, Three Years Old and Upward. Three-year-olds, 143 lbs.; four-year-olds, 151 lbs., older, 155 lbs. Entry fee \$300; \$300 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$300 additional to start.

Two Miles and One Furlong over National Fences.

FIFTH RACE

117

THE HOLIDAY CUP

(Sport of Kings Ratings Handicap Hurdle Stakes)

Nominations close Monday, October 19

Purse \$50,000. Handicap Hurdle. For Four Year Olds and Upward which are rated 130 or lower. The highest rated horse will be assigned 158 lbs. with all other weights adjusted accordingly based on the current ratings. Minimum weight 144 lbs. **No rider allowances.** Nomination fee \$100; \$400 additional to enter; \$500 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$500 additional to start. Supplementary nominations, at a cost of \$500, may be made at the time of entry. *In addition to NSA fees, 5% of any purse money earned in this race will be deducted as a fee to the Sport of Kings Reserve Purse Fund.*

Two Miles and Three Furlongs over National Fences.

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**THE 91st ANNUAL
PENNSYLVANIA HUNT CUP
UNIONVILLE, PENNSYLVANIA
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2026
FIRST RACE – 1:30 P.M.
TOTAL PURSES \$75,000**

ENTRIES CLOSE 11:00 A.M. - MONDAY, OCTOBER 26
SCRATCHES BY 11:00 A.M. - TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 27

**FIRST RACE 118
THE ARTHUR O. CHOATE, JR. MEMORIAL
(Allowance Timber)**

Purse \$25,000. Timber. For Five Year Olds and Upward which have never won two races over timber. Winners only. Horses and riders acceptable to the race committee. Five-year-olds, 160 lbs.; older, 165 lbs. Entry fee \$250; \$250 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$250 additional to start. Three Miles over Timber.

**SECOND RACE 119
THE PENNSYLVANIA HUNT CUP
(Timber Stakes)**

Nominations Close Monday, October 19

Purse \$50,000. Timber. For Five Year Olds and Upward. Winners only. Horses and riders acceptable to the race committee. Five-year-olds, 160 lbs.; older, 165 lbs. Nomination fee \$100; \$400 additional to enter; \$500 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; with \$500 additional to start. Supplementary nominations, at a cost of \$500, may be made at the time of entry.

Four Miles over Timber.

THIRD /FOURTH RACE

120

THE ATHENIAN IDOL

(Apprentice Rider Training Flat)

For Three Year Olds and Upward. To be ridden by apprentice riders. Three-year-olds, 150 lbs.; older, 155 lbs. Maidens allowed 5 lbs. Riders who have never won a race, allowed 5 lbs. No other rider allowances. **The result of this race does not count toward a horse's official record.** Entry fee \$100.
One Mile and Three Furlongs on the Turf.

It is the intention of the race committee to split this race with a \$2,500 bonus, provided by the Temple Gwathmey Foundation, in each division, with \$1,500 to the winning owner and \$1,000 to the winning trainer.

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**THE 91st ANNUAL
MONTPELIER HUNT RACES
MONTPELIER STATION, VIRGINIA
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2026
FIRST RACE – 12:30 P.M.
TOTAL PURSES \$255,000**

ENTRIES CLOSE 11:00 A.M. - MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2
SCRATCHES BY 11:00 A.M. - TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3

**FIRST RACE 121
THE MONTPELIER FOUNDATION CUP
(Training Flat)**

For Three Year Olds and Upward. Three-year-olds, 150 lbs.; older, 155 lbs. Maidens allowed 5 lbs. Apprentice riders allowed 5 lbs. **No other rider allowances. The result of this race does not count toward a horse's official record.** Entry fee \$100. There will be a \$12,000 bonus, with \$6,000 to the winning owner, \$3,000 for second, \$2,000 for third, \$1,000 for fourth, provided by the Virginia HBPA.

One Mile on the Dirt.

**SECOND RACE 122
THE MADISON PLATE
(Ratings Handicap Hurdle)**

Purse \$30,000. Hurdle Handicap. 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 144 lbs., not including apprentice allowances. Entry fee \$300; \$300 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$300 additional to start.

Two Miles and Three Furlongs over National Fences.

**THIRD/FOURTH RACE 123
THE BATTLESHIP
THE CONSTITUTION
(Maiden Claiming Hurdle)**

Purse \$20,000. Hurdle. For Maidens, Three Years Old and Upward. Three-year-olds, 144 lbs.; four-year-olds, 152 lbs.; older, 156 lbs. **Claiming price \$16,000.** Entry fee \$200; \$200 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$200 additional to start.

Two Miles and One Furlong over National Fences.

It is the intention of the race committee to split this race with a \$20,000 purse in each division.

**FIFTH RACE
THE MONTEPELIER CUP
(Maiden Hurdle)**

124

Purse \$40,000. Hurdle. For Maidens, Three Years Old and Upward. Three-year-olds, 144 lbs.; four-year-olds, 152 lbs.; older, 156 lbs. Entry fee \$400; \$400 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday ; \$400 additional to start.

Two Miles and One Furlong over National Fences.

**SIXTH RACE
(Ratings Handicap Hurdle)**

125

Purse \$45,000. Hurdle Handicap. For Four Year Olds and Upward which are rated 120 or lower. The highest rated horse will be assigned 158 lbs. with all other weights adjusted accordingly based on the current ratings. Minimum weight 144 lbs., not including apprentice allowances. Entry fee \$450; \$450 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$450 additional to start.

Two Miles and Three Furlongs over National Fences.

**SEVENTH RACE
THE NOEL LAING (Grade 2)
(Sport of Kings Hurdle Handicap Stakes)
Nominations Close Monday, October 26**

126

Purse \$100,000. Hurdle Handicap. For Four Year Olds and Upward. Nomination fee \$500; \$500 additional to enter; \$1,000 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$1,000 additional to start. **No supplementary nominations.** *In addition to NSA fees, 5% of any purse money earned in this race will be deducted as a fee to the Sport of Kings Reserve Purse Fund.*

Two Miles and One Half over the Montpelier Brush Course.

NOTICE

Preference for all races will be given to Virginia Bred, Virginia Sired, Virginia Certified, and all other horses that are stabled or trained in Virginia or owned by Virginians. (The "stabled or trained in Virginia or owned by Virginians" is restricted to one horse per trainer).

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**THE 42nd ANNUAL
STEEPLECHASE AT CALLAWAY GARDENS
(Right-Handed and Irrigated)
PINE MOUNTAIN, GEORGIA
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2026
FIRST RACE - 1:00 P.M.
TOTAL PURSES \$175,000**

ENTRIES CLOSE 11:00 A.M. - MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2
SCRATCHES BY 11:00 A.M. - TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3

**FIRST RACE 127
THE W.C. BRADLEY
(Steeplethon)**

Purse \$30,000. Timber. For Five Year Olds and Upward. 160 lbs. Winners of a steeplethon, 5 lbs. extra. Entry fee \$300; \$300 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$300 additional to start.

Three Miles and One Half over the Steeplethon Course.

**SECOND RACE 128
THE BLADE AND BOW
(Maiden Hurdle)**

Purse \$40,000. Hurdle. For Maidens, Three Years Old and Upward. Three-year-olds, 144 lbs.; four-year-olds, 152 lbs.; older, 156 lbs. Entry fee \$400; \$400 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$400 additional to start.

Two Miles and Three Furlongs over National Fences.

**THIRD RACE 129
THE AFLAC SUPREME HURDLE
(Sport of Kings Novice Hurdle Stakes)
Nominations Close Monday, October 26**

Purse \$75,000. Hurdle. For Four Year Olds and Upward which have not won over hurdles prior to September 1, 2025 or which have never won three races, other than three-year-old. Four-year-olds, 148 lbs.; older, 152 lbs. Winners, other than maiden, claiming, starter, or three-year-old race: 3 lbs. extra for each race won. Nomination fee \$250; \$500 additional to enter; \$750 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$750 additional to start. Supplementary nominations, at a cost of \$1,250, may be made at the time of entry. *In addition to NSA fees, 5% of any purse money earned in this race will be deducted as a fee to the Sport of Kings Reserve Fund.*

Two Miles and Three Furlongs over National Fences.

FOURTH RACE

130

THE STANDARD CONCRETE

(Optional Maiden Starter/ Maiden Claiming Hurdle)

Purse \$30,000. Hurdle. For Maidens, Three Years Old and Upward, which have started for a claiming price of \$30,000 or less on the flat or over jumps, or which are entered for a claiming price of \$30,000. Three-year-olds, 144 lbs.; four-year-olds, 152 lbs.; older, 156 lbs. Entry fee \$300; \$300 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$300 additional to start. Two Miles and Three Furlongs over National Fences.

STABLING

Contact Felicia Irvin (706) 987-7575. Bedding to be provided. Please reserve stalls.

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**STEEPLECHASE OF CHARLESTON
AT STONO FERRY
HOLLYWOOD, SOUTH CAROLINA
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2026
FIRST RACE - 1:00 P.M.
TOTAL PURSES \$130,000**

ENTRIES CLOSE 11:00 A.M. - MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9
SCRATCHES BY 11:00 A.M. - TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10

**FIRST/ SECOND RACE 131
(Maiden Claiming Hurdle)**

Purse \$20,000. Hurdle. For Maidens, Three Years Old and Upward. Three-year-olds, 144 lbs.; four-year-olds, 152 lbs.; older, 156 lbs. **Claiming price \$16,000.** Entry fee \$200; \$200 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$200 additional to start.

Two Miles and One Sixteenth over National Fences.

It is the intention of the race committee to split this race with a \$20,000 purse in each division.

**THIRD RACE 132
(Maiden Hurdle)**

Purse \$30,000. Hurdle. For Maidens, Three Years Old and Upward. Three-year-olds, 144 lbs.; four-year-olds, 152 lbs.; older, 156 lbs. Entry fee \$300; \$300 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$300 additional to start.

Two Miles and One Sixteenth over National Fences.

**FOURTH RACE 133
(Ratings Handicap Hurdle)**

Purse \$25,000. Hurdle Handicap. 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 144 lbs., not including apprentice allowances. Entry fee \$250; \$250 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$250 additional to start.

Two Miles and Three Furlongs over National Fences.

**FIFTH RACE
THE ALSTON CUP
(Allowance Hurdle)**

134

Purse \$35,000. Hurdle. For Four Year Olds and Upward which have never won two races. Four-year-olds, 152 lbs.; older, 156 lbs. Entry fee \$350; \$350 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$350 additional to start.

Two Miles and Three Furlongs over National Fences.

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SPRINGDALE RACE COURSE (Irrigated)
CAMDEN, SOUTH CAROLINA
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2026
FIRST RACE – 1:00 P.M.
TOTAL PURSES \$310,000**

ENTRIES CLOSE 11:00 A.M. - MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16
SCRATCHES BY 11:00 A.M. - TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17

FIRST RACE **135**
(Maiden Hurdle)

Purse \$30,000. Hurdle. For Maidens, Three Years Old and Upward. Three-year-olds, 144 lbs.; four-year-olds, 152 lbs.; older, 156 lbs. Entry fee \$300; \$300 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$300 additional to start.

Two Miles and Three Furlongs over National Fences.

SECOND RACE **136**
THE RAYMOND G. WOOLFE MEMORIAL
(Sport of Kings Three-Year-Old Hurdle Stakes)
Nominations Close Monday, November 9

Purse \$50,000. Hurdle. For Three Year Olds. 148 lbs. Winners, other than claiming, 3 lbs. extra for each race won. Nomination fee \$100; \$400 additional to enter; \$500 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$500 additional to start. Supplementary nominations, at a cost of \$500, may be made at the time of entry. *In addition to NSA fees, 5% of any purse money earned in this race will be deducted as a fee to the Sport of Kings Reserve Purse Fund.*

Two Miles over National Fences.

THIRD RACE **137**
(Ratings Handicap Hurdle)

Purse \$30,000. Hurdle Handicap. 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 144 lbs., not including apprentice allowances. Entry fee \$300; \$300 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$300 additional to start.

Two Miles and Three Furlongs over National Fences.

FOURTH RACE
THE COLONIAL CUP (Gr. 1)
(Sport of Kings Hurdle Stakes)

138

Nominations Close Monday, November 9

Purse \$150,000. Hurdle. For Four Year Olds and Upward. Four-year-olds, 150 lbs.; older, 156 lbs. Nomination fee \$500; \$1,000 additional to enter; \$1,500 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$1,500 additional to start. Supplementary nominations, at a cost of \$2,500, may be made at the time of entry. *In addition to NSA fees, 5% of any purse money earned in this race will be deducted as a fee to the Sport of Kings Reserve Purse Fund.*

Two Miles and Five Furlongs over National Fences.

FIFTH RACE
THE HOBKIRK HILL

139

(Sport of Kings Restricted Hurdle Stakes)

Nominations Close Monday, November 9

Purse \$50,000-added. Hurdle Handicap. For Four Year Olds and Upward which have never won an open hurdle stakes. Nomination fee \$100; \$400 additional to enter; \$500 additional if not scratched on time Tuesday; \$500 additional to start. *In addition to normal entry fees, a "sweepstakes ante" of \$1,000 per horse will be added to the \$50,000 guaranteed purse. Runner's reward will not apply to the "sweepstakes ante" portion of the entry fees.*

Two Miles and One Half over National Fences.

SIXTH RACE
(Apprentice Rider Flat)

140

For Three Year Olds and Upward. To be ridden by apprentice riders. Three-year-olds, 150 lbs.; older, 155 lbs. Maidens allowed 5 lbs. Riders who have never won a race allowed 5 lbs. **No other rider allowances.** Entry fee \$100. There will be a \$5,000 bonus to the winning owner; \$3,000 for second; and \$2,000 for third.

One Mile and One Half on the Turf.

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NSA RATINGS SYSTEM 2026

The Handicap Committee consists of NSA Director of Racing Bill Gallo, Assistant Racing Secretary Keith O'Brien, Senior Steward Gregg Morris, and Assistant to the Director of Racing Emma Cary.

To be eligible for any Ratings Handicap, a horse must be entered in the Ratings system at least one week prior to the close of entries of such race.

Ratings will be assigned to hurdle winners, four-years-old and upward, **which have run in three NSA-sanctioned races over hurdles**, providing the committee feels confident that they can properly assess the horse.

Automatic Ratings: Winners of the following races will be automatically assigned a rating.

A maiden claiming winner (\$30,000): **116**.

A maiden claiming winner (\$25,000-\$20,000): **111**.

A maiden claiming winner (\$16,000-10,000): **107**.

A filly/mare restricted maiden winner: **111**.

A maiden starter winner's automatic number corresponds to the claiming price.

Other Policies:

A horse with an official published rating in another country will race on its most recent mark (hurdle or chase), unless the Committee determines that another number is more applicable.

In all Ratings Handicaps, the highest rated horse will be assigned 158 lbs. with all other weights adjusted accordingly based on the current ratings. If the highest rated horse scratches at scratch time on Tuesday, the next highest rated horse will assume top weight and all others adjusted accordingly. In all ratings races, highweights are preferred.

The minimum weight in all Ratings Handicaps will be 144 lbs., not including apprentice allowances. Apprentice allowances may not be claimed in Ratings Stakes.

If a horse runs with an established number, and is entered before a new number is determined, that entry will be considered provisional.



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Conditions for the 2026 novice races will be as follows for the spring and summer: **For Four-Year-Olds and Upward which have not won over hurdles prior to March 1, 2025 or which have never won three races, other than three-year-old.**

For the fall novice races, the eligibility date will change from March 1, 2025 to **September 1, 2025.**

2026 FALL HURDLE STAKES

Oct. 4	Mariann De Tejada (Gr. 3)	\$75,000	2-1/8	Foxfield Fall
Oct. 10	Will O' Keefe (3YO)	\$50,000	2-1/8	Virginia Fall
Oct. 17	Harry E. Harris (4YO)	\$75,000	2-1/8	Far Hills
Oct. 17	McDynamo Maiden Stakes	\$70,000	2-1/8	Far Hills
Oct. 17	Peapack (F/M)	\$100,000	2-1/8	Far Hills
Oct. 17	Foxbrook (Novice)	\$150,000	2-1/2	Far Hills
Oct. 17	Grand National (Gr. I)	\$300,000	2-5/8	Far Hills
Oct. 24	William H. Allison (Gr. 2)	\$100,000	2-1/8	Intl. Gold Cup
Oct. 31	Holiday Cup (Ratings)	\$50,000	2-1/8	Aiken Fall
Nov. 7	Noel Laing (Gr. 2)	\$100,000	2-1/2	Montpelier
Nov. 7	Aflac Supreme (Novice)	\$75,000	2-3/8	Callaway
Nov. 22	Raymond G. Woolfe (3YO)	\$50,000	2-1/8	Colonial Cup
Nov. 22	Colonial Cup (Gr. 1)	\$150,000	2-5/8	Colonial Cup
Nov. 22	The Hobkirk Hill (R)	\$50,000-a	2-1/2	Colonial Cup

2026 FALL TIMBER STAKES

Sept. 26	Brown Advisory Stakes	\$25,000	3-1/8	Shawan Downs
Oct. 10	Genesee Valley Hunt Cup	\$25,000	3-1/2	Genesee Valley
Oct. 10	Nat'l Sporting Library & Museum Cup	\$50,000	3-1/4	Virginia Fall
Oct. 24	International Gold Cup	\$50,000	3-1/2	Intl. Gold Cup
Nov. 1	Pennsylvania Hunt Cup	\$50,000	4	PA Hunt Cup

SCALE OF WEIGHTS FOR AGE

Age	Mar/Apr/May	June/July/Aug	Sept/Oct/Nov
Short (2 to 2-3/8 Miles)			
3	142	144	146
4	150	152	154
Older	158	158	158

Long (2-1/2 to 3 Miles)			
3	140	142	144
4	148	150	152
Older	158	158	158



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The NSA Central Bookkeeping System is in effect at all meets. **Purses will be distributed by the NSA as follows: 60% to first; 18% to second; 10% to third; 7% to fourth; and 5% to fifth.** All unearned purse money will be accumulated in the Reverted Purse Opportunity Fund or retained by the race meeting. "Runners Reward" applies to all races, with all fees waived for any horse that runs and does not earn a portion of the purse, unless otherwise noted.

NSA DIVISION OF PURSE MONEY

PURSE	1st 60%	2nd 18%	3rd 10%	4th 7%	5th 5%
15,000	9,000	2,700	1,500	1,050	750
20,000	12,000	3,600	2,000	1,400	1,000
25,000	15,000	4,500	2,500	1,750	1,250
30,000	18,000	5,400	3,000	2,100	1,500
35,000	21,000	6,300	3,500	2,450	1,750
40,000	24,000	7,200	4,000	2,800	2,000
45,000	27,000	8,100	4,500	3,150	2,250
50,000	30,000	9,000	5,000	3,500	2,500
75,000	45,000	13,500	7,500	5,250	3,750
100,000	60,000	18,000	10,000	7,000	5,000
150,000	90,000	27,000	15,000	10,500	7,500
250,000	150,000	45,000	25,000	17,500	12,500
300,000	180,000	54,000	30,000	21,000	15,000

All unearned purse money reverts to the Reverted Purse Opportunity Fund (RPOF) or the race meeting.

COURSE INSPECTION

A comprehensive course inspection is made prior to each race meet involving inspection of the grounds, analysis of the turf, fence and beacon placement, and a complete safety review.

Compaction Meter Scale

>1.81	Deep
1.39-1.77	Soft
.99-1.38	Yielding
0.76-0.98	Good
0.20-0.75	Firm
<0.20	Hard

Moisture Meter Scale

<15%	Dry
15%-25%	Average Dry
26%-35%	Average
36% – 45%	Average Wet
>45%	Wet

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HURDLE (46)

Maiden Special (10)

\$30,000 Purse	78, 115, 132, 135
\$40,000 Purse	85, 93, 124, 128
\$45,000 Purse	106
\$50,000 Purse	101

Three Year Old (3)

Maiden	77
Stakes	97, 136

Four Year Old (1)

Stakes	100
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Maiden Claiming (4)

\$16,000	83, 113, 123, 131
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Opt. Maiden Starter/ Maiden Claiming (3)

\$30,000 or less	94, 112, 130
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Ratings Handicap (10)

110 or lower	86, 122, 133
115 or lower	79, 95, 111, 137
120 or lower	87, 125
130 or lower (Stakes)	117

Allowance (4)

NW 2	80, 134
NWAOT	108
Opt. Starter	114

Novice (2)

Novice Stakes	103, 129
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Stakes (6)

Open	88, 104, 109, 126, 138
Restricted	139

Filly & Mare (3)

Maiden	84, 116
Stakes	102

TIMBER (13)

Amateur or Apprentice Rider	91
Maiden	82, 90, 98
NW 2	118
Stakes	81, 92, 96, 110, 119
Steeplethon	99, 107, 127

FLAT (5)

Stakes	105
Training Flat	89, 121
Apprentice Rider	120, 140

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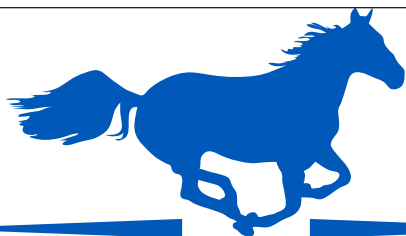
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SEPTEMBER 2026						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26 Shawan
27	28	29	30			

OCTOBER 2026						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
				1	2	3
4 Foxfield	5	6	7	8	9	10 Genesee Virginia Fall
11	12	13	14	15	16	17 Far Hills
18	19	20	21	22	23	24 Intl. Gold Cup
25	26	27	28	29	30	31 Aiken Fall

NOVEMBER 2026						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
1 PA Hunt Cup	2	3	4	5	6	7 Montpelier Callaway
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15 Charleston	16	17	18	19	20	21
22 Colonial Cup	23	24	25	26	27	28