# XPRESSBET \$40 HAWTHORNE FEEDER TOURNAMENTS OFFICIAL RULES

\*\* ONE \$800 ILLINOIS DERBY TOURNAMENT SEAT FOR EVERY 40 ENTRIES \*\*

### **CONTEST DATES**

- Saturday, April 6, 2024
- Sunday, April 7, 2024
- Saturday, April 13, 2024
- Sunday, April 14, 2024
- Saturday, April 20, 2024

### **CONTEST LOCATIONS**

These tournaments are offered ONLINE ONLY at <a href="https://www.xpressbet.com/">https://www.xpressbet.com/</a>.

#### NHC TOUR POINTS

NHC Tour Points will NOT be awarded in these tournaments.

#### **BUY-IN**

\$40 per entry (\$20 Bankroll / \$20 Entry Fee) 100% of Entry Fees paid out as prizes.

### MAXIMUM ENTRIES

Maximum of two (2) entries per person, per tournament.

### **1. CONTEST LOCATIONS**

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### 2. PLAYER'S BANKROLL

These are 'real money' Handicapping Contests. In order to participate, this contest requires a \$40 buyin, per entry. Of each buy-in, \$20 will be used for a player's bankroll, while the remaining \$20 will be allocated to the prize pool (100% of entry fees will be paid out as prizes). Players may compete online at <u>www.xpressbet.com</u>.

#### **Online Participation**

Players that choose to compete online at <u>www.xpressbet.com</u> must make their wagers by logging in and using the Contest Wagerpad. Wagers not placed through the Contest Wagerpad do not count toward this tournament. For assistance, please call 866.889.7737. Players must have an Xpressbet account in good standing to play. All contest winnings are the property of the player.

# **3. TO ENTER**

As mentioned previously, players may choose to compete in these contests online at xpressbet.com. Each day is a separate tournament. There is a maximum of two (2) entries per person, per day.

No entries will be taken after the start of the fifth to last live thoroughbred race at the tournament track on the tournament day. For example, on a card with nine (9) races, the entry cutoff will be the start of Race #5. On a card with seven (7) races, the entry cutoff will be the start of Race #3.

Online registration begins approximately 48 hours in advance of each tournament. To participate in these contests, follow instructions at <u>www.xpressbet.com</u>. Participants must have or open a valid Xpressbet account that is in good standing, subject to the Xpressbet terms and conditions. Players must be at least 18 years old to participate (21 years old in Alabama, Arizona, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, New Hampshire, North Dakota and Washington). Due to state regulations, residents of the state of Washington are ineligible to participate in these tournaments. Residents of state(s) that are unable to bet Hawthorne are also ineligible to participate in these tournaments online.

### 4. FORMAT

- You must make \$2 Win/Place bets on one (1) horse in five (5) different live races at Hawthorne for a total of \$20 wagered. No more or less than \$2 Win/Place shall be played on any one (1) horse.
- You must play five (5) different horses in five (5) different races at Hawthorne.
- You may only bet \$20 during each tournament in the form of five (5) \$2 Win/Place bets.
- In the unlikely event of a cancellation of a race card, Tournament Officials reserve the right to substitute races from another racetrack or cancel the tournament and issue refunds to all participants.

Should an entry in a contest fail to meet the above-mentioned requirements, that entry shall be disqualified from the contest, making the entry ineligible to win prizes. Any situation involving a late scratch where it is deemed the players were not given sufficient time to adjust their betting will be handled on a case-by-case basis by contest officials.

The player with the largest bankroll after the last Contest Race on the tournament day will be declared the winner. It is the player's responsibility to meet the wagering requirements listed above. Contest officials will make the decision on disqualification in the event of a rule violation and all decisions are final. The remaining bankroll in their online Xpressbet contest account remains the property of the player. Entry fees will not be refunded in the event of a disqualification.

#### 5. PRIZES

Per Item 1, 100% of the entry fees will be paid out as prizes. The final prize pool will be announced on the tournament day, after Registration closes.

One (1) seat to the April 21 Illinois Derby Handicapping Tournament, valued at \$800, will be awarded for every 40 paid registrants in each tournament. Entry totals greater than 40 but less than 80 (or greater than 80, but less than 120, etc.) will be supplemented with cash prizes from the remaining prize pool to the next highest finisher.

A minimum of one (1) seat to the April 21 Illinois Derby Handicapping Tournament, valued at \$800, will be given away in each tournament regardless of the final number of entries in that tournament.

Below are three (3) examples of the prize pool distribution depending on the number of entries in these contests:

#### At 50 entries, prizes will be:

- One (1) entry into the April 21 Illinois Derby Handicapping Tournament, valued at \$800.
- \$200 cash prize to the second-place finisher.

#### At 100 entries, prizes will be:

- Two (2) entries into the April 21 Illinois Derby Handicapping Tournament, valued at \$800 each.
- \$400 cash prize to the third-place finisher.

### At 125 entries, prizes will be:

- Three (3) entries into the April 21 Illinois Derby Handicapping Tournament, valued at \$800 each.
- \$100 cash prize to the fourth-place finisher.

### 6. CHECK IN FOR CONTEST ENTRIES

#### Xpressbet.com Check-In

On the day of the contest, after completing registration, the player must log into their Xpressbet account and bet the contest track with the Contest Wagerpad. If a player has purchased multiple entries, they will have the option to choose which Contest entry they would like to use on the Contest Wagerpad.

### 7. IRS WITHHOLDING

Per the tax rules by the U.S. Treasury Department and the Internal Revenue Service.

### 8. SCRATCHES

Wagers on scratched horses receive no payout in the competition and that wager does not count toward a player's \$20 bankroll. They may submit another \$2 Win/Place bet on another race. If a player notices that their horse is scratched in a particular race, they may submit a \$2 Win/Place bet on another horse in that race before wagering closes for that race. The player must use the Contest Wagerpad to submit all tournament plays, including replacement wagers for scratched horses. Once a late scratch is processed by tote, the Contest Wagerpad will be available for submission of replacement wagers on scratched horses.

If a late scratch occurs or a horse is declared a 'non-starter' and post time prevents the selection of an alternate horse or bet cancellation, the contestant will not be disqualified for failure to bet the minimum amount and any live tickets bet will be in play.

In the event that late scratch(es) result in no PLACE wagering for an eligible contest race, that race will no longer be available for contest wagering. In the event that a player does not meet the five-race requirement in this contest due to a race being ineligible for contest wagering, that contestant will not be disqualified for failure to bet the minimum number of races.

### 9. CONTEST STANDINGS:

Contest standings will be based off each player's bankroll on their official contest entry. Standings will rank all bankrolls based off dollar value from largest to smallest, with first place being the largest bankroll and last place being the smallest bankroll.

Current standings will be posted after every race, or as soon as the information is available. Standings will be posted at xpressbet.com.

# **10. TIES**

### For Entry Prizes

In the event of a scoring tie amongst eligible contestants at the conclusion of the final live contest race for the contest day, the following tie-breakers will be put in place. Contest officials will start with the first tie-breaker, in the event there is still a tie, officials will use the second tie-breaker and so on, until the tie is resolved and a winner is declared.

- 1st Tiebreaker: Number of 1st place finishes (WINS) amongst the wagers for that contest day.
- **2nd Tiebreaker:** The highest individual WIN/PLACE or 2nd (PLACE) payoff amount for that contest day.
- **3rd Tiebreaker:** Highest Average Placing amongst the wagers for the contest day. The average finish placings of all horses selected for each tied contestant will be calculated and the contestant with the highest average placing amongst all their wagers that day will be declared the winner.
- **4th Tiebreaker:** The player that wagered on the longest priced horse will win the tie breaker for that contest day. For example, if Player #1's longest shot was 10/1 and Player #2 longest shot was 15/1, Player #2 would win the tiebreaker for that contest day.

• **5th Tiebreaker:** The player who chronologically entered the tournament first will be declared the winner.

### For Cash Prizes

If the tie occurs in a place in the standings that will earn a cash prize, then the cash prizes for that tied placing and the subsequent placing will be combined and split evenly among the tied players. For example, if two players finish tied for third place in the final standings, then the cash prize for third place and the cash prize for fourth place will be combined together and then split evenly among the players tied for third place. In the event that a tournament grants a cash prize to only one finishing position, all players tied in that position will evenly split the cash prize pool.

# **11. ELIGIBILITY/DISCLOSURE**

The following are ineligible to participate in this contest: Employees of Xpressbet, Amtote and contest officials.

If a player has an ownership or other interest in any horses running in any of the contest races, or holds a pari-mutuel license in any jurisdiction, then all involvements and licenses must be fully disclosed to contest officials prior to the start of the contest. Failure to disclose any ownership interest or license can result in disqualification.

# 12. TAXES

Liabilities for any and all federal, state, and local taxes are solely the responsibility of prize winners.

### **13. AFFIDAVITS**

Affidavits confirming compliance of all the rules of this contest will be required of all participants. All prize winners acknowledge that if they enter this contest under a fraudulent name and/or Social Security number, they will be immediately disqualified from this and all future contests held by 1/ST. Positive identification is required of contestants and prize winners. Positive identification is a driver's license with a picture and same address and birth date used on the entry forms, and/or other forms of identification as deemed adequate by contest officials. Social Security information is also the responsibility of the player and must be provided before the players are given their bankroll cards. Contestants also consent to the use of their names, pictures and video images to be used by 1/ST.

### **14. JUDGING AND DISPUTES:**

The management of Xpressbet reserves the right to interpret all questions and conditions in regard to this event, without claim for damages or recourse of any kind. All decisions made by contest officials will be final and all questions and definitions not covered explicitly in these rules shall be interpreted by contest officials. Contest officials reserve the right to amend these rules at any time.

Anyone found to have engaged in or attempted to engage in any act that contest officials believe in their

sole and absolute discretion compromises or could compromise the competitive integrity of this contest, including collusion, will be subject to sanctions imposed by The Stronach Group management. The nature and extent of the sanctions imposed shall be in the sole and absolute discretion of 1/ST management and may include, but shall not be limited to, the following:

- Forfeiture of prize money
- Disqualification from the contest
- Loss of privilege to participate in future Xpressbet, Santa Anita Park or Gulfstream Park handicapping contests

# 15. RELEASE OF LIABILITY; DISCLAIMER OF WARRANTY; FORUM SELECTION CLAUSE

This Contest is subject to all applicable federal, state, and local laws. By participating in this Contest, Entrants and winners agree to indemnify, release and hold harmless Sponsor, affiliates, parent corporation, officers, and directors (the "Released Parties") from any and all liability, for loss, harm, damage, injury, cost or expense whatsoever, including without limitation, tax liabilities, property damage, personal injury (including emotional distress), and/or death caused, directly or indirectly, from the awarding, acceptance, possession, use, misuse, loss or misdirection of any prize or resulting from participating in this Contest or any promotion or prize-related activities, and for any claims or causes of action based on publicity rights, defamation or invasion of privacy. The Released Parties assume no responsibility for any injury or damage to Entrants or to any other person's computer, regardless of how caused, relating to or resulting from entering or downloading materials or software in connection with this Contest. Entrants and winners acknowledge that the Released Parties have neither made nor are in any manner responsible or liable for any warranty, representations or guarantees, express or implied, in fact or in law, relative to any prize, including, but not limited to, express warranties provided by the manufacturer of the goods or their affiliates. THIS CONTEST IS GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE STATE OF OREGON WITHOUT RESPECT TO ITS CONFLICT OF LAW DOCTRINES. Entrant agrees that, by entering the Contest, (i) any and all disputes, claims, and causes of action arising out of or in connection with this Contest, or any prize awarded, shall be resolved individually without resort to any form of class action, and exclusively before a state or federal court located in (County & State) and having jurisdiction; (ii) any claims, judgments and awards shall be limited to actual out-of-pocket costs incurred, including costs associated with entering the Contest, but in no event attorney's or experts' fees; and (iii) under no circumstances will any Entrant be permitted to obtain any award for, and Entrant hereby waives all rights to claim, punitive, incidental or consequential damages, including reasonable attorneys' fees, and any and all rights to have damages multiplied or otherwise increased and any other damages, other than damages for actual out-of-pocket expenses. Only the number of prizes stated in these Official Rules is available to be won in the Contest. If, by reason of a print or other error, more prizes are claimed than the the winner selection method described above from among all eligible claimants making purportedly valid claims to award the advertised number of prizes available. SPONSOR SHALL HAVE NO LIABILITY FOR ANY PERSONAL INJURIES, DEATH, PROPERTY DAMAGE, OR OTHER DAMAGES OR EXPENSES RESULTING FROM OR ARISING OUT OF ANY ASPECT OF PRIZE WINNER'S ACCEPTANCE OR USE OF THE PRIZE.

### **16. WINNERS LIST**

For names of winners, send a self-addressed stamped envelope for receipt by May 31, 2024 to: Xpressbet, LLC, 200 Race Track Road, Building 26, Washington, PA 15301.

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