

# The Laurel Park

## “February Last Chance, First Chance”

### Handicapping Challenge

#### Saturday, February 14



The Laurel Park “February Last Chance, First Chance” Handicapping Challenge will consist of a one-day, **ON-SITE OR ONLINE** handicapping contest taking place at Laurel Park or through Xpressbet and TVG/4NJBETS only. The \$500 contest (\$250 entry fee, \$250 bankroll) will take place Saturday, February 14.

#### ON-SITE PARTICIPATION INFORMATION

- Walk-up registration only Saturday, February 14 from 11am-1pm. Registration table located on the Clubhouse first floor. Cash only.
- \$500 contest buy-in is not refundable. Contest entry includes live program.
- Contest betting card will be loaded with \$250 bankroll. Betting card can be used at any self-service machine throughout the facility using card Pin Number.

#### ONLINE PARTICIPATION INFORMATION

- All TVG/4NJBETS players must pre-register with Brian Skirka ([bskirka@monmouthpark.com](mailto:bskirka@monmouthpark.com)) prior to 3pm eastern on Friday, February 13.
- Xpressbet players may pre-register with Brian Skirka or directly through Xpressbet up until first post on Saturday, February 14.
- All players must declare their tournament ADW (Xpressbet, TVG or 4NJBETS) at time of registration. Players must have existing ADW account in order to participate in contest.

- Each player will be assigned a temporary online handicapping contest account through either Xpressbet, TVG or 4NJBETS.
- Players will be provided login credentials to access account.
- Online accounts will be preloaded with tournament bankroll (\$250).
- All contest wagers must be made through temporary contest account. It is a player's responsibility to distinguish between contest and personal accounts. At conclusion of contest play, remaining contest bankroll will be transferred to player's personal account.

## **Saturday, February 14 - \$500 buy-in (\$250 entry fee, \$250 bankroll)**

### **WAGERING FORMAT:**

- Challenge wagering allowed on the full card of Laurel Park live races only.
- Win, Place, Show, Exacta and/or Daily Double wagering only.
- Must wager on a minimum of five (5) races. No max.
- \$50 minimum bet per race. No maximum.
- Wagers less than the minimum \$50 bet will be allowed PROVIDED THAT, at the end of the contest, the player has the requisite minimums of 5 races at \$50 apiece.

### **PRIZE STRUCTURE:**

**All entry fees will be returned as prizes.** All prizes listed are approximations. Exact prizes will be determined by the exact number of participants.

- Based on 120 entries, total prize pool is \$30,000. To consist of:
  - o 1 BCBC Full Seat (\$10,000 value)
  - o 2 NHC Prize Packs (\$5,350 value) - includes \$400 flight voucher and hotel stay)
  - o Top 5 Split \$9,300 cash
    - 1<sup>st</sup> - \$4,650
    - 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$1,860
    - 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$1,395
    - 4<sup>th</sup> - \$930
    - 5<sup>th</sup> - \$465
  - o **FOR EVERY 21 ENTRIES OVER 120, ANOTHER NHC SEAT WILL BE ADDED.**
  - o **PLAYERS WITH ZERO OR ONE 2026 NHC SEAT WILL RECEIVE A 2026 NHC SEAT. PLAYERS WITH TWO 2026 NHC SEATS WILL RECEIVE A 2027 NHC SEAT. THERE IS NO CHOICE INVOLVED. NO PLAYER CAN WIN TWO NHC SEATS IN THE SAME CONTEST (THAT INCLUDES TWO TO THE SAME YEAR OR ONE TO TWO DIFFERENT YEARS). IF A PLAYER FINISHES WITH TWO ENTRIES IN POSITION TO GET AN NHC SEAT, THAT PLAYER WILL ONLY RECEIVE ONE NHC SEAT AND THE OTHER SEAT WILL GO TO THE NEXT PLAYER.**
  - o At the conclusion of the contest, the top finishers (in order of finish) will select their seat (BCBC or NHC).

## **OFFICIAL RULES & REGULATIONS:**

- All on-site players register day-of from 11am to 1pm at the registration table located on the Clubhouse first floor. Cash only.
- Online players must be pre-registered with all entry fee and bankroll paid in advance. All TVG/4NJBETS participants must be pre-registered by 3pm eastern on Friday, February 13. Xpressbet players must pre-register by first post the day of the contest.
- \$500 tournament buy-in is not refundable. Buy-in must be paid in advance for online players, day-of for on-site players.
- In the event of race cancellation or postponement. For a card that is cancelled in its entirety, the contest will be rescheduled at the discretion of Laurel Park and contest management. For a card this is partially cancelled, if seven (7) or more races have been run, the contest will go official as-is and the minimum race rules (must bet five races) will be waved. If fewer than seven races have been run, the contest will be considered a "no-contest." Players will be refunded their \$250 entry fee. The contest may be rescheduled at the discretion of Laurel Park management.
- Entrants keep all pari-mutuel winnings.
- Entrants cannot add additional cash to tournament bankroll. Adding additional cash to bankroll results in automatically disqualification.
- Maximum 2 entries per person.
- Must be an NHC tour member prior to the start of the contest to be eligible for NHC seats.
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- In the event of a tie for any position, the amount of winning win wagers will determine order of prize selection.
- Players must place all wagers personally. No person shall directly or indirectly act as an intermediary, transmitter or agent in placing wagers for the player. Additionally, collusion amongst players may serve as grounds for disqualification.
- All official track rulings apply to horses selected for tournament play.
- Laurel Park, United Tote, Betmakers and Amtote are not responsible for shut outs or incomplete transactions. No exceptions under any circumstances. All wagers should be placed early to avoid being shut out.
- The decisions of the judges and Laurel Park in all matters or disputes relating to this contest are final.
- Must be 18 years or older by February 14, 2026 to participate in the contests.
- Must be 21 years of age by January 1, 2026 to attend the 2026 National Horseplayers Championship.
- Winners are responsible for all applicable state and federal taxes and may be required to complete a W-9 Form.
- Participants agree to have their name or image appear in any publicity material.
- Employees of Laurel Park, the Maryland Horse Racing Commission, Xpressbet, TVG, Amtote and Betmakers and United Tote are not eligible.
- Licensed owners, trainers or jockey agents may not wager on any race in which they have a vested interest and must declare said race(s) in advance.
- Laurel Park reserves the right to make changes to the contest rules and format as necessary.
- ODS Technologies, L.P. (TVG/4NJBETS) is not a sponsor of this challenge.
- Players participating through a TVG/4NJBETS account must meet TVG/4NJBETS' account registration requirements, including age and residency requirements.

## **ENTRY FORM**

### **The Laurel Park "February Last Chance, First Chance" Handicapping Challenge**

#### **\$500 Handicapping Contest – Saturday, February 14**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

I read, understand and agree to abide by all the rules and regulations of this handicapping challenge. In the event of a dispute, all decisions of Laurel Park are final. Handicapping challenge officials have the right to disqualify any challenge entrant violating any of the rules and regulations and said entrant will forfeit his or her entry fee. I declare that I am at least 18 years of age by February 14, 2026 and I am not employed by Laurel Park, the Maryland Horse Racing Commission, Xpressbet, TVG, Amtote or Betmakers or United Tote.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

NHC Tour Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you registering for:

1 Entry [ ☐ ]                      2 Entries [ ☐ ]

Total Payment Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you playing through:

[ ☐ ] On-Site                      [ ☐ ] Xpressbet                      [ ☐ ] TVG                      [ ☐ ] 4NJBETS

Credit Card Information (Online players only)

Name on Card: \_\_\_\_\_

CC#: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Security Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Email to Brian Skirka at [bskirka@monmouthpark.com](mailto:bskirka@monmouthpark.com) or call 732-571-6595.