Xpressbet NHC Super Qualifier Handicapping Tournament Saturday, January 8, 2022

OFFICIAL RULES

CONTEST DATE

Saturday, January 8, 2022

CONTEST LOCATIONS

Online:	https://www.xpressbet.com
Santa Anita Park:	285 W Huntington Dr, Arcadia, CA 91007

NHC TOUR POINTS

This is an official NHC Tour event. Per the NHC, 2022 NHC Tour points will be awarded in accordance with the NHC Tour rules, which can be found at <u>www.nhctour.com</u>. As required by the NTRA, all contest participants must be members of the NHC Tour prior to the start of this contest in order to participate in the NHC, win NHC Seats and receive NHC Tour points (See Section 14).

To become an NHC Tour Member, please visit <u>https://www.ntra.com/membership/</u>.

NHC Seat winners can choose to receive a seat to the 2022 NHC (scheduled for January 29, 2022) or the 2023 NHC.

BUY-IN

\$1,500 per entry (\$1,000 Bankroll / \$500 Entry Fee) 100% of Entry Fees are paid out as prizes.

MAXIMUM ENTRIES

Maximum of two (2) entries per player.

1. CONTEST LOCATIONS

Players may compete in this contest from the following locations:

Online:	https://www.xpressbet.com
Santa Anita Park:	285 W Huntington Dr, Arcadia, CA 91007

Santa Anita Park Accommodations

Please note that Santa Anita Park is currently working with health officials to operate under the most current health and safety protocols. These protocols will continue to be updated at the advice of health officials and could change the information pertaining to accommodations at Santa Anita Park (updates will be announced in a timely manner, as soon as possible).

For each on-track player, entry into this contest includes two (2) tickets for Santa Anita Park on Saturday, January 8, 2022. Each player may bring one (1) guest with them. The tickets may be used for each on-track player and guest.

2. PLAYER'S BANKROLL

This is a 'real money' Handicapping Contest. In order to participate, this contest requires a \$1,500 buy-in, per entry. Of each buy-in, \$1,000 will be used for a player's bankroll, while the remaining \$500 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>, or on-track at Santa Anita Park.

On-Track Participation at Santa Anita Park

Players that choose to compete on-track at Santa Anita Park in Arcadia, California will each receive, at the beginning of the contest, an official contest wagering card that has a balance of \$1,000 for each of their paid entries, this balance will be the player's initial bankroll. This wagering card must be used for all wagers that are placed for contest purposes.

Online Participation

Players that choose to compete online at <u>www.xpressbet.com</u> will have a separate Contest account for each entry that they purchase. Each Contest account will have a balance of \$1,000 for each of their paid entries, this balance will be the player's initial bankroll. To participate in the contest, follow instructions at <u>www.xpressbet.com</u>. Players must have an Xpressbet account in good standing to play.

At the conclusion of the Contest, any dollar amount remaining within the Xpressbet Contest account or on the wagering card remains the property of the player. Xpressbet will transfer funds from the Contest account back to the player's primary Xpressbet account at the conclusion of the Contest.

3. TO ENTER

Eligibility:

Participants must have or open a valid Xpressbet account that is in good standing, subject to the Xpressbet terms and conditions. Due to state regulations, residents of the state of Washington are ineligible to participate in this tournament. Residents of state(s) that are unable to bet Gulfstream Park or Santa Anita Park are also ineligible to participate in this tournament.

How to Enter:

As mentioned previously, players may choose to compete in this contest on Saturday, January 8, 2022 either on-track at Santa Anita Park or online at xpressbet.com. There is a maximum of two (2) entries per person.

Players participating on-track at Santa Anita Park must be at least 18 years old. Players participating online with Xpressbet must be at least 18 years old (21 years old in Alabama, Arizona, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, New Hampshire, North Dakota and Washington).

For all locations, entries will be accepted up until the start of the tenth to last contest race on Saturday, January 8, 2022. This contest consists of all Santa Anita Park races and the last four live Gulfstream Park races. Entries cannot be accepted once there are fewer races than 10 contest races remaining. Once Santa Anita Park and Gulfstream Park's cards are drawn for Saturday, January 8, 2022, a definitive entry cutoff will be announced.

To Register for a Santa Anita Park Entry

Individuals that would like to participate on-track at Santa Anita Park may enter by:

1. Phone:	Call (626) 574 – 6384
2. Online:	https://www.santaanita.com/handicapping-contests/
3. Walk-Up (tentative):	Santa Anita Park – Main Thoroughbred Center
4. Mail:	Make checks payable to Los Angeles Turf Club, Inc. and mail to:
	Santa Anita Park
	Attn: Tyler Frausto
	285 W. Huntington Dr.
	Arcadia, CA 91007

Accepted payment methods for entries at Santa Anita Park are check, credit card and/or cash. Personal checks will not be accepted after Monday, January 3, 2022.

Player Contest Cards:

Each participant that chooses to compete in this contest at Santa Anita Park on Saturday, January 8, 2022 will be issued an official contest card used for all contest wagers. This card contains the 'real money' bankroll of \$1,000. If a player loses their card, or the card is not working, the player should immediately report to a contest official to receive a new card. Santa Anita Park and 1/ST are not responsible for any races missed due to a malfunctioning or lost card. Players are encouraged to wager early so they are not shut out due to mutuel lines or malfunctioning contest cards.

Contestants may not add additional cast to their contest card. Adding additional cash to the bankroll on an official contest card will result in automatic disqualification.

To Register for an Xpressbet.com Entry

Online registration begins on or around Tuesday, January 4, 2022 at approximately 12:00PM ET. To participate in the contest, follow instructions at <u>www.xpressbet.com/tournaments</u>. The Buy-In amount (\$1,500) will be deducted from the player's Xpressbet account at the time of registration. The player must have sufficient funds in their Xpressbet account to cover the Buy-In to complete registration. Registration must be completed for each entry purchased.

Xpressbet.com Entries

Upon completion of registration, the \$1,500 Buy-In will be deducted from the player's Xpressbet account. A Contest account will be created and \$1,000 will be deposited into the player's Contest account. All contest wagers must be placed from the Contest account.

4. FORMAT:

Contest Races:

Contest races include all live races from Santa Anita Park and the last four scheduled live races from Gulfstream Park on Saturday, January 8, 2022.

If for any reason there is a cancelation in racing on January 8, 2022 at a contest track, Xpressbet reserves the right to substitute races into the contest or cancel the contest and refund all entry fees. An announcement will be made to all contestants regarding the updated eligible contest races and/or contest status. All decisions are final.

Wager Requirements:

Per the NTRA Super Qualifier format, each entry on Saturday, January 8, 2022 must wager on exactly ten (10) contest races, placing exactly \$50 to Win and Place on one (1) horse per contest race. Players may not wager on more than one (1) horse in any contest race.

The maximum, and minimum, amount each entry is permitted to wager on a contest race is \$50 to Win and \$50 to Place. Betting more, or less, than \$50 to Win and \$50 to Place on a contest race will result in that entry being disqualified from the contest.

Should an entry fail to bet the required minimums and/or maximums listed above on Saturday, January 8, 2022, that entry may be disqualified from the contest, making that 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 1/ST and NTRA contest officials.

Permitted Contest Wagers:

Permitted wagers include Win and Place only. Players may not wager on more than one (1) horse in any contest race.

No Show, Exacta, Trifecta, Daily Double, Superfecta, Super High 5, Grand Slam, Pick 3, Pick 4, Pick 5, Pick 6 or Place Pick All wagers will be permitted in this contest. The Parlay function for Win, Place and Show wagers will not be permitted in this contest.

The entry with the largest total dollar amount of pari-mutuel earnings after the last contest race on Saturday, January 8, 2022 will be declared the winner (pending an official audit). It is the player's responsibility to meet the wagering requirements listed above. Xpressbet and NTRA contest officials will make the decision on disqualification in the event of a rule violation and all decisions are final. The remaining bankroll in the player's Xpressbet contest account remains the property of the player. Entry fees will not be refunded in the event of a disqualification.

5. PRIZES

- 1. One (1) entry into the 2022 or 2023 National Horseplayers Championship (NHC) will be awarded per every 15 contest entries on Saturday, January 8, 2022.
- 2. Four-night stay at Bally's in Las Vegas and a \$500 travel reimbursement for all NHC qualifiers.
- 3. Cash Prize Pool to the top five (5) finishers:

1st Place:50% of Cash Prize Pool2nd Place:20% of Cash Prize Pool3rd Place:15% of Cash Prize Pool4th Place:10% of Cash Prize Pool5th Place:5% of Cash Prize Pool

4. 100% of Entry Fees will be paid out as prizes.

At 80 entries, prizes will be:

- 1. Five (5) entries into the 2022 or 2023 National Horseplayers Championship (NHC).
- 2. Four-night stay at Bally's in Las Vegas and a \$500 travel reimbursement for all NHC qualifiers.
- 3. \$12,942.20 Cash Prize Pool to the top five (5) finishers:

 1st Place:
 \$6,471.10 (50% of Cash Prize Pool)

 2nd Place:
 \$2,588.44 (20% of Cash Prize Pool)

 3rd Place:
 \$1,941.33 (15% of Cash Prize Pool)

 4th Place:
 \$1,294.22 (10% of Cash Prize Pool)

 5th Place:
 \$647.11 (5% of Cash Prize Pool)

4. 100% of Entry Fees will be paid out as prizes.

At 125 entries, prizes will be:

- 1. Eight (8) entries into the 2022 or 2023 National Horseplayers Championship (NHC).
- 2. Four-night stay at Bally's in Las Vegas and a \$500 travel reimbursement for all NHC qualifiers.
- 3. \$19,207.52 Cash Prize Pool to the top five (5) finishers:

 1st Place:
 \$9,603.76 (50% of Cash Prize Pool)

 2nd Place:
 \$3,841.50 (20% of Cash Prize Pool)

 3rd Place:
 \$2,881.13 (15% of Cash Prize Pool)

 4th Place:
 \$1,920.75 (10% of Cash Prize Pool)

 5th Place:
 \$960.38 (5% of Cash Prize Pool)

4. 100% of Entry Fees will be paid out as prizes.

The final prize pool is contingent upon the total number of entries in this contest and will be announced after entries close on Saturday, January 8, 2022.

Entry Fees:

Per Item 1, of every \$1,500 entry into this contest, \$500 will be allocated toward the total prize pool (the remaining \$1,000 will be the player's bankroll); 100% of entry fees will be paid out as prizes. Entry fees are non-refundable.

NHC ENTRIES:

Each prize entry into the National Horseplayers Championship (NHC) will be valid for 2022 or 2023. As required by the NTRA, all contest participants must be members of the NHC Tour prior to the start of this contest in order to participate in the NHC (See Item 14). The NHC entry prizes in this contest will not be awarded to any contest participant that is not a current member of the NHC Tour prior to the start of this contest. Contest officials (in cooperation with the NTRA) may assign an alternate qualifier for the NHC. It is solely the responsibility of each contest participant to maintain the status of their NHC Tour Membership. For more information about membership to the NHC, please visit <u>https://www.ntra.com/membership/</u>.

Per the NTRA, a player may qualify for the NHC twice, but only once in any single NHC qualifying event. This means players may be eligible to win a maximum of one (1) NHC entry, per person, in this contest. In the event a participant that has already qualified the maximum number of times (2) for the 2022 or 2023 National Horseplayers Championship finishes in a position that receives a 2022 or 2023 NHC Entry as a prize, that player will receive a maximum of one (1) transferrable \$3,000 paid entry into a future Xpressbet or Santa Anita Park contest of his or her choice in 2022 in lieu of the 2022 or 2023 NHC entry, and the 2022 or 2023 NHC entry will be awarded to the next highest eligible finishing position.

Dual Qualification for the NHC:

In the event a contest player that is already dual qualified for the 2022 and 2023 NHC prior to the start of this contest, has an entry in this contest that finishes in a position to earn an NHC entry prize, that player will receive, in lieu of an additional NHC entry prize, a \$4,000 transferable credit to a future Xpressbet, Santa Anita Park or Gulfstream Park handicapping contest in 2022. No additional NHC Seats will be awarded to the next highest finisher, so long as the minimum number of NHC Seats (2) are awarded in the contest.

NHC TOUR POINTS:

NHC Tour Points for the 2022 NHC Tour will be awarded for this contest.

6. PLAYER BANKROLL:

Upon completion of registration, the \$1,500 Buy-In will be deducted from the player's Xpressbet account. A Contest account will be created and \$1,000 will be deposited into the player's Contest account. All contest wagers must be placed from the Contest account.

7. PLACING WAGERS:

On-Track Entries

Each participant that chooses to compete in this contest from Santa Anita Park on Saturday, January 8, 2022 must place all contest wagers with their contest wagering card through selfservice machines. Wagers will not be accepted through mutuel tellers. Players must place all wagers personally, unless pre-approved by a contest official. No person shall directly, nor indirectly, act as an intermediary, transmitter or agent in placing wagers for the player, unless authorized by contest officials. All official track rulings will apply to wagers placed in the contest, except as otherwise stipulated. The contest will be based on official placement and mutuels at Santa Anita Park. If a player wagers on a non-eligible contest race (see section 4) for purposes of the contest, the player may be disqualified, and any winnings will not count for contest standings.

Xpressbet.com Entries

On the day of the contest, after completing registration, the player must log in to their Xpressbet account. During login, the player will be prompted to select their Main Xpressbet Account or their Contest account. The Contest wagers must be placed through the Contest account.

8. ADVANCE WAGERING

Advance wagering will not be permitted unless prior approval has been obtained by a contest official. Wagers for each race must be placed after the prior race has been declared official. This rule is designed to maintain an accurate leaderboard.

If a player needs to advance wager for any reason, a player must contact a contest official. The contest official will decide if an advance wager will affect the integrity of the leaderboard. All decisions are final and penalties for violating this rule will be at the sole discretion of contest officials.

9. CASHING OUT

Santa Anita Park Entries

Players competing at Santa Anita Park will not be permitted to cash out their wagering card until 10 minutes after the results of the final live contest race on Saturday, January 8, 2022 become official. Should a player cash out their card before the last live contest race is declared official, that player's entry can be disqualified from any prizes.

Xpressbet.com Entries

Players competing online will not be able to cash out their account balances until after the results of the final live contest race on Saturday, January 8, 2022 become official. After the contest is official, any remaining balance from the Contest account will be transferred back to the player's primary Xpressbet account.

10. IRS WITHHOLDING:

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

11. SCRATCHES

If a horse is scratched after a wager is placed, it is the player's responsibility to change his/her selection prior to the start of the race in order to meet contest parameters. 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.

12. CONTEST STANDINGS:

Contest standings will be based off of each player's bankroll on their official contest entry. Standings will rank all bankrolls based off of 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 and on a designated television channel at Santa Anita Park. For on-track contestants, please inquire at the registration desk for the television channel number.

13. TIES

In a result of a tie between any of the finishing positions, the following will be done with regard to prize distribution:

For Entry Prizes:

If the tie occurs in a place in the standings that will earn an entry prize, the player with the largest number of winning selections in the contest will be declared the winner of the tie and awarded the higher placing in the final official standings. If the entries are still tied, the highest mutuel payout on a single contest race will determine the winner of the tie. If the entries are still tied after that, the most money earned on the customer's final contest wager will be the final monetary tiebreaker. If the players remain tied after those three tiebreakers, the players who registered for the contest first will be deemed the winner of the tie and awarded the higher placing in the final official standings.

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.

14. NHC TOUR MEMBERSHIP REQUIRED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE NHC:

As required by the NTRA: All contest participants must be members of the NHC Tour prior to the start of this contest in order to participate in the NHC in Las Vegas. Contest participants may register for the NHC Tour at <u>https://www.ntra.com/membership/</u>. NHC Tour members must be at least 21 years of age to participate in the NHC in Las Vegas.

It is solely the responsibility of each contest participant to confirm if they are a current member of the NHC Tour prior to the start of the contest. Xpressbet, 1/ST BET and The Stronach Group are not responsible for confirming a contest participant's membership status with the NHC Tour and will not be held accountable in the event a contest participant is not awarded an NHC entry prize as a result of their NHC Tour membership status, or lack thereof.

15. INELIGIBILITY

The following are ineligible to participate in this contest: Employees of Xpressbet, AmTote, Santa Anita Park, Gulfstream Park the National Thoroughbred Racing Association (NTRA) and contest officials.

16. HORSE OWNERSHIP & WAGERING ON A COMPETING HORSE:

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. Trainers, owners or any other player with another interest can bet that race, but must bet their horse to WIN in a WPS pool wager or "ON TOP ONLY" when wager in the Exacta or Trifecta pool, assuming those bet types are eligible in the contest.

17. TAXES:

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

18. 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 The Stronach Group. 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. Contestants also consent to the use of their names, pictures and video images to be used by The Stronach Group without compensation.

19. JUDGING AND DISPUTES:

The management of Xpressbet reserve 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. Xpressbet reserves the right to amend these rules at any time.

If for any reason there is a cancelation in racing on January 8, 2022 at a contest track, Xpressbet reserves the right to substitute races into the contest or cancel the contest and refund all entry fees. An announcement will be made to all contestants regarding the updated eligible contest races and/or contest status. All decision are final.

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 The Stronach Group 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 Stronach Group handicapping contests

SPECIAL RULE REGARDING COLLUSION

Collusion among players could be grounds for disqualification, specifically, combining of entries. An example would be:

Player A and Player B have 2 entries each. All have \$1,000. They play a race together with the intent to get one entry to an extremely high number. At race conclusion, one entry stands at \$40,000 and the other three are at zero. Actions similar to this among any amount of players – 2 or more – will result in disqualification of the players involved. Players with 2 entries are allowed to player those entries in any fashion they choose within the rules, and collusion rules do not apply to one person.

All players must make their own final selections and betting decisions independently of every other player in the contest.

20. 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 outof-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 number set forth in these Official Rules, an alternate winner will be selected in accordance with 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.

21. WINNERS LIST:

For names of winners, send a self-addressed stamped envelope for receipt by January 31, 2022 to: Xpressbet, LLC, 200 Race Track Road, Building 26, Washington, PA 15301.

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