

# THE NSW **\$1 MILLION** PACE



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## 1. THE SERIES

The Series' will consist of the following events:

- 1.1. **Final** - \$1 Million plus trophies and rug at Tabcorp Park Menangle
- 1.2. **Consolation A** - \$50,000 plus rug at Tabcorp Park Menangle
- 1.3. **Consolation B** - \$25,000 plus rug at Tabcorp Park Menangle
- 1.4. **Quarter Finals** - \$15,000 plus rug at Newcastle, Bathurst, Wagga & Tabcorp Park Menangle
- 1.5. **Heats Consolation** - \$10,000 plus rug at Newcastle, Bathurst, Wagga & Tabcorp Park Menangle
- 1.6. **Heats** - \$10,000 plus rug as set out below.
- 1.7. **Preliminary Heats at Broken Hill** - \$5,000 plus rug.

## 2. HOW TO QUALIFY

### 2.1. Preliminary Heat(s) at Broken Hill

- a. Potentially two (2) Preliminary Heats will be conducted at Broken Hill (\$5,000) on 3rd May 2020 – if sufficient nominations are received. These races will be conducted over the distance of 2210 metres and restricted to six (6) starters. Horses must be trained by HRNSW licenced trainers who are residents of Broken Hill or near surrounds and meet the race conditions (refer clause 3.1). The connections of the winners of each Heat would be required to nominate and accept for a start in the Dubbo Heats on 10th May 2020 in accordance with the close of nominations.

### 2.2. Heats

- a. All Heats are restricted to 10 starters plus 1 Emergency
- b. Hunter & North-West  
Newcastle, Maitland & Tamworth = 30 horses (First 3 plus 1 drawn by ballot from the fourth placed horses qualify for the Quarter Final, the other two would be the Emergencies)
- c. Western Districts  
Bathurst, Dubbo & Parkes = 30 horses (First 3 plus 1 drawn by ballot from the fourth placed horses qualify for the Quarter Final, the other two would be the Emergencies)
- d. Riverina & South West  
Wagga, Leeton & Young = 30 horses (First 3 plus 1 drawn by ballot from the fourth placed horses qualify for the Quarter Final, the other two would be the Emergencies)

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- e. Metropolitan  
Bankstown, Penrith & Goulburn = 30 horses (First 3 plus 1 drawn by ballot from the fourth placed horses qualify for the Quarter Final, the other two would be the Emergencies)
- f. If there is a dead-heat for 3<sup>rd</sup> then both horses will progress to the Quarter Final and the 4<sup>th</sup> placed horses will be the Emergencies.

## 2.3. Quarter Finals

- a. Newcastle = 10 horses plus 2 Emergencies
- b. Bathurst = 10 horses plus 2 Emergencies
- c. Wagga = 10 horses plus 2 Emergencies
- d. Menangle = 10 horses plus 2 Emergencies

## 2.4. Heats Consolation

- a. A Heats Consolation is to be conducted at the same meeting as the Quarter Finals from nominations received for horses which contested the Heats and did not qualify for the Quarter Finals.
- b. Race field selection is based on the finishing order in Heats, if there are horses that finished the same placing in a Heat that are in contention for the last position(s) then the Starter(s), Emergencies and Ballot(s) will be decided by a Random Draw.

## 2.5. Qualifying for Final at Tabcorp Park Menangle

- a. The 1st and 2nd placegetters from each Quarter Final plus two (2) drawn by ballot from the 3rd placed horses for a ten (10) horse Final, the other two (2) 3rd placed horses are the Emergencies and their order will be drawn by Random Ballot.
- b. If there is a dead-heat for 3rd then both horses will progress to the Final and the 4th placed horses will be the Emergencies.

## 2.6. Qualifying for \$50,000 Consolation at Tabcorp Park Menangle

- a. Emergencies from the Final plus in descending order of placings from the Quarter Finals (i.e. Emergencies from the Final plus all 4th and 5th placegetters are Starters, a Random Ballot will be undertaken from the 6th placed horses for the Emergencies).

## 2.7. Qualifying for \$25,000 Consolation at Tabcorp Park Menangle

- a. Emergencies from the \$50,000 Consolation then in descending order of placings from the Quarter Finals. (i.e. All 6th and 7th placegetters are Starters, a Random Ballot will be undertaken from the 8th placed horses for the Emergencies)

## 2.8. Random Ballots

- a. All Random Ballots defined in clause 2 are to be undertaken in the HaRVey computer system.

## 3. WHO CAN COMPETE

### 3.1. Race Conditions

- a. For four year old and older Australian Bred pacers with National Rating Points up to 70 at the time of acceptances.
- b. No Driver or Mares Concessions apply.
- c. Horses must be trained based on a processed Stable Return by a HRNSW licensed trainer continuously from 1st January 2020.
- d. Horses which are transferred from interstate stables (in accordance with the above continuous Stable Return requirement) must have five (5) starts in NSW from the date a stable return was lodged by a NSW Licensed Trainer.
- e. Horses are eligible to compete in the Region where they were stabled on 1st February 2020. Any horse that is transferred to a trainer in a different Region after 1 February 2020 will be ineligible to contest the Series'.
- f. In the circumstance of a satellite stable operated by a NSW licenced trainer, a horse must have had its last five (5) continuous starts in NSW.
- g. Horses which have not started in a race since Tuesday, 31st March 2020 must compete in Official Trials on at least two (2) occasions after Wednesday, 1st April 2020 to the satisfaction of the HRNSW Chairman of Stewards prior to the close of nominations for the Heat in which the horse is nominated.
- h. Any horse found to be in breach of the above conditions shall not be eligible to contest the Series.

## 4. HOW ARE THE FIELDS SELECTED

### 4.1. Field Selection

- a. First preference in race field selection is provided to horses with National Rating Points between 60 and 70 based on dollars won from 1st January 2020. With respect of horses which have had more than five (5) starts within the period only prizemoney won in the last five (5) starts will be considered.
- b. Second preference in race field selection is provided to horses with National Rating Points of 59 and below based on dollars won from 1st January 2020. With respect of horses which have had more than five (5) starts within the period only prizemoney won in the last five (5) starts will be considered.
- c. Horses that have not been drawn as a starters in a Heat will have preference over horses that have been drawn as a starter in a prior Heat of the Series.

- d. Horses that have finished 1st, 2nd or 3rd (excluding a dead-heat for 3rd) have already qualified for the Quarter Finals and are ineligible to contest further Heats. If they are drawn as a Starter in a subsequent Heat they will be scratched without penalty and the Emergency will gain a start, giving that horse the chance to qualify
- e. Horses which are continuing in the Series, inclusive of Emergencies, will not be permitted to contest races outside of the Series until after Sunday, 31st May 2020.

## 5. HOW ARE THE BARRIERS DRAWN

### 5.1. Barrier Draw

- a. The barrier draw for all races in the Series shall be Random Barrier Draw.

### 5.2. Barrier Draw – Quarter Finals

- a. The Barrier Draw for the Quarter Finals shall be conducted on the same night as the last Heat in each Region:
  - i. Bathurst 13 May 2020
  - ii. Penrith 14 May 2020
  - iii. Wagga 15 May 2020
  - iv. Newcastle 15 May 2020

### 5.3. Barrier Draw – Final & Consolations

- a. The Barrier Draw for the Final and Consolations shall be conducted at a function no less than five (5) days prior to Sunday, 31 May 2020.

## 6. WHERE & WHEN ARE THE RACES CONDUCTED

### 6.1. Race Dates – The Series will be conducted in May 2020

- a. Hunter & North West  
Maitland (4th), Tamworth (14th) & Newcastle (15th) – Quarter Final Newcastle Saturday 23rd
- b. Western Districts  
Parkes (6th), Dubbo (10th) & Bathurst (13th) – Quarter Final Bathurst Wednesday 20th
- c. Riverina & South West  
Leeton (8th), Young (12th) & Wagga (15th) – Quarter Final Wagga Sunday 24th
- d. Metropolitan  
Bankstown (8th), Goulburn (11th) & Penrith (14th) – Quarter Final Menangle Saturday 23rd

- e. \$1 Million Final and Consolations

Menangle (31st)

## 7. WHEN DO NOMINATIONS CLOSE

### 7.1. Close of Nominations

- a. Nominations for the Heats will close the day before normal close of nominations for each respective Meeting at which Heats will be conducted so as to ensure all horses are eligible.
- b. The field for the respective Heat will be released in-line with the remainder of the meeting.
- c. A horse that is drawn in a Heat will not be permitted to start in another race before it contests the Heat.
- d. In the instance where a horse is drawn in a race within the period between the release of the fields and the conduct of the Heat the horse will be withdrawn by the HRNSW Stewards without penalty.

## 8. WHAT ARE THE DISTANCES FOR EACH RACE

### 8.1. Race Distances - Heats, Quarter Finals & Regional Consolations

- a. Hunter/North West
  - Newcastle 2030m and also Quarter Finals & Consolations
  - Maitland 2044m
  - Tamworth 1980m
- b. Western Districts
  - Bathurst 2260m and also Quarter Finals and Consolations
  - Dubbo 2120m
  - Parkes 2040m
- c. Riverina & South West
  - Wagga 2270m and also Quarter Finals and Consolations
  - Leeton 2147m
  - Young 2100m
- d. Metropolitan
  - Bankstown 2140m
  - Penrith 2125m
  - Goulburn 2240m
  - Tabcorp Park Menangle 2300m Quarter Finals and Consolations

### 8.2. Race Distance - The Final & Consolations

- a. Tabcorp Park Menangle 2300m

## 9. HOW WILL THE PRIZEMONEY BE DISTRIBUTED

### 9.1. Prizemoney Distribution - Final

Placing	Percentage	Prizemoney	Owner (87.5%)	Trainer (7.5%)	Driver (5%)
1st	50%	\$ 500,000	\$ 437,500	\$ 37,500	\$ 25,000
2nd	18%	\$ 180,000	\$ 157,500	\$ 13,500	\$ 9,000
3rd	12%	\$ 120,000	\$ 105,000	\$ 9,000	\$ 6,000
4th	6%	\$ 60,000	\$ 52,500	\$ 4,500	\$ 3,000
5th	4%	\$ 40,000	\$ 35,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 2,000
6th	2%	\$ 20,000	\$ 17,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,000
7th	2%	\$ 20,000	\$ 17,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,000
8th	2%	\$ 20,000	\$ 17,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,000
9th	2%	\$ 20,000	\$ 17,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,000
10th	2%	\$ 20,000	\$ 17,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$ 1,000,000</b>	<b>\$ 875,000</b>	<b>\$ 75,000</b>	<b>\$ 50,000</b>

### 9.2. Prizemoney Distribution – Other Races

- a. All other races in the Series are to be split in accordance with established HRNSW Prizemoney Distribution
  - i. Under \$50,000 (1<sup>st</sup> 52%, 2<sup>nd</sup> 18%, 3<sup>rd</sup> 12%, 4<sup>th</sup> 6%, 5<sup>th</sup> 4%, 6<sup>th</sup> to last 2%, Trainer 7.5% 1<sup>st</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup>, Driver 5% 1<sup>st</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup>)
  - ii. \$50,000 (1<sup>st</sup> 52.5%, 2<sup>nd</sup> 18%, 3<sup>rd</sup> 12%, 4<sup>th</sup> 6%, 5<sup>th</sup> 4%, 6<sup>th</sup> to last 1.5%, Trainer 7.5% 1<sup>st</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup>, Driver 5% 1<sup>st</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup>)

## 10. DISCLAIMER

- a. The Board of HRNSW reserves the right to review these Conditions or any matter pertaining to the Conditions should a situation arise which is not in the spirit that is intended with respect to all aspects of the NSW \$1Million Pace.
- b. The Board of HRNSW reserves the right to amend these conditions so as to protect the spirit of the NSW \$1Million Pace.
- c. If deemed obligatory, the Board of HRNSW shall refer any matters with respect to the interpretation of the Terms & Conditions to a HRNSW Board selected Independent Committee.