# TAB REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS - 2022

The TAB Regional Championships in 2022 are to be conducted similarly to the 2021 Championships with Heats, Consolations and Finals in the Metropolitan, Western, Riverina and Hunter Regions with a State Final 'The Ultimate TAB Championship Final' at Tabcorp Park Menangle. The State Final will consist of the first two placed horses in the Regional Finals with the third placed horses based on \$TS constituting the remainder of the field and the emergency starters.

# TABCORP REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS CONDITIONS

# Eligibility

For four year old and older Australian Bred pacers with a National Rating Points up to 70.

No Driver or Mares Concessions apply.

Horses must be trained, based on a processed Stable Return, by a HRNSW licensed trainer from 1 February 2022 in accordance with HRNSW Stable Return Policy and/or in accordance with HRNSW Policies governing the responsibilities of a trainer with the notification of the movement of horses under their training.

Horses are eligible to compete in the Region where they were stabled continuously from 1 March 2022.

For the avoidance of doubt horses which are transferred out of a Region other than for the purpose of spelling are ineligible to compete in the Championships.

In the circumstance of a satellite stable operated by a HRNSW licenced trainer, the horse(s) must be physically located in NSW from 1 March 2022.

# **Field Selection**

First preference in race field selection is provided to horses with National Rating Points between 60 and 70 based on \$TS (dollars won from 1 January 2022).

Second preference in race field selection is provided to horses with National Rating Points of 59 and below based on \$TS (dollars won from 1 January 2022).

# **Barrier Draw**

The barrier draw will be random (RBD).

# Distances

All races will be conducted at a distance of as close to 2200M on the respective tracks. The State Final will be conducted over 2400M at Tabcorp Park Menangle

# **HEATS, CONSOLATIONS & FINALS:**

Each Region (Metropolitan, Hunter, Riverina and Western) will conduct an individual Championship.

Tabcorp Park Menangle will host 'The Ultimate TAB Championship Final' on Saturday 28 May 2022.

Each Region will conduct two rounds of Heats with a maximum of 5 heats per round. Fresh nominations will be called for the second round of Heats. The two fastest second placed horses (individual time) from both rounds of Heats will be the emergencies for the Final. Prizemoney for the Heats will be **\$9,500**.

Each Region will conduct a Consolation from nominations received. Field selection will be based on finishing positions in the Heats and on individual times recorded for those horses with the same finishing position for each Consolation.

Consolations will only be held where more than 5 Heats were conducted. Prizemoney for the Consolations will be **\$14,500**.

The first two placed horses in each Region Final will progress to 'The Ultimate TAB Championship Final' with the two third placed horses in order of the highest \$TS to compete the field and the two lowest \$TS third placed horses in order will be the emergencies.

Each Regional Final and the State Final will be conducted for **\$100,000**.

A State Consolation of **\$25,000** will be conducted from nominations received with field selection based on finishing positions in the Regional Finals and \$TS on Saturday 28th May 2022 at Tabcorp Park Menangle.

All prizemoney will be distributed in accordance with HRNSW Policy.

# Schedule for Heats, Consolations and Final will be as follows:

# Western – Gold Crown Paceway Bathurst

- Round 1 Heats Wednesday 4 May Distance 2260
- Round 2 Heats Wednesday 11 May Distance 2260
- Final & Consolation Wednesday 18 May Distance 2260

# Hunter – Newcastle International Paceway

- Round 1 Heats Friday 6 May Distance 2030
- Round 2 Heats 13 May Distance 2030
- Final & Consolation Friday 20 May Distance 2030

# Metropolitan – Tabcorp Park Menangle

- Round 1 Heats Tuesday 3 May Distance 2300
- Round 2 Heats Tuesday 10 May Distance 2300
- Final & Consolation Saturday 21 May Distance 2300

# Riverina – Riverina Paceway Wagga Wagga

- Round 1 Heats Tuesday 3 May Distance 2270
- Round 2 Heats Friday 13 May Distance 2270
- Final & Consolation Friday 20 May Distance 2270

# Regions

The boundaries for the Regions are in accordance with HRNSW published definitions however and may be amended at any time prior to the 1 March 2022.

# Important

HRNSW at its sole discretion may deem a horse ineligible to compete in the TAB Regional Championships if HRNSW is of the belief that the intent and spirit of the Conditions have been circumvented or compromised.

John Dumesny Chief Executive January 2022