

**Canterbury Park's
Freeze-Out
Handicapping Tournament
Saturday, November 28, 2009
*National Handicapping Championship qualifying event***

The tournament:

The 2009 Freeze-Out Handicapping Tournament is a one-day handicapping tournament held at Canterbury Park, Shakopee, MN. Play will begin at approximately noon on Saturday, November 28. All entries must be made prior to the first contest race. Each player will pay a \$100 entry fee, and upon tournament registration and check-in (with identification), will purchase a \$500 account wagering card, which will be the beginning bankroll for the tournament.

Ten mandatory races will be selected for the tournament. **All players must wager at least \$100 on each of the ten races.** Races will be bet one at a time in chronological order. No advanced wagering is allowed. Any money won through tournament wagers can then be wagered in subsequent bets. **Any player that does not have at least \$100 remaining to wager in a tournament race will be eliminated from play.** At the conclusion of the tenth contest race, the two players with the largest bankrolls will win cash and a Daily Racing Form/NTRA National Handicapping Championship (NHC) entry. The NHC will be held in Las Vegas in January 2010; entry includes airfare and accommodations.

Remaining bankrolls are returned to players at the conclusion of the tournament.

To enter:

Entries may be submitted on November 28, 2009. Advance entry is not necessary as there is no limit to the total number of entries. **Each individual player may have a maximum of two entries.**

Registrations and deadlines:

No entries accepted after the first contest race on Saturday, November 28. Start time is approximately noon.

All players must register in person at the Freeze-Out Tournament registration desk on second floor of the grandstand. Participants cannot make tournament wagers until registration is complete and account card is assigned.

Contest participants must present the \$100 entry fee plus the \$500 bankroll to register along with picture ID and social security number. Each participant will be assigned a \$500 account wagering card with which they will make their wagers. **No additional money may be added to the original \$500 bankroll other than through winning wagers.**

Prize structure:

Winners will be determined by total bankrolls at the conclusion of the tournament on November 28. The two players with the largest bankrolls earn a berth to the NHC.

1st prize: 50% of entry fees plus paid entry to the NHC* in Las Vegas in January, 2010. Round-trip airfare to Las Vegas to compete in the NHC and hotel accommodations are also included. (approximate value of airfare/accommodations/contest entry is \$4,100)

2nd prize: 35% of entry fees plus paid entry to the NHC* in Las Vegas in January, 2010. Round-trip airfare to Las Vegas to compete in the NHC and hotel accommodations are also included. (approximate value of airfare/accommodations/contest entry is \$4,100)

3rd prize: 15% of entry fees.

Should there be a two-way tie for first, prize money will be divided equally and both participants will receive the NHC berth.

A tie for second place will require a playoff immediately following the posting of results to determine both prize money and NHC berth.

Players with two entries are only eligible to win one entry to the NHC. Should a player qualify by money won for both NHC berths, the entry will be awarded to the player with the next largest bankroll. Players with two entries are eligible for all prize money.

Tournament rules:

No player may have more than two entries.

Players must make their own wagers through designated screen activated machines (SAMs) No exceptions. Players must place all wagers personally. No person shall directly or indirectly act as an intermediary, transmitter or agent in placing wagers for another player, unless authorized by Canterbury Park and for good reason shown.

Play begins on Saturday, November 28 with the first contest race, which will be no earlier than noon central time. The contest ends with the tenth contest race. An individual player will be eliminated from the contest prior to the final race if he does not have at least \$100 remaining with which to wager.

The 10 mandatory contest races will be selected on Friday, November 27.

All wagering will be conducted through Canterbury Park's Account Wagering System.

Each entrant will be issued a personal account with a starting bankroll of \$500. The account of each entrant will be kept through the tote system on a running balance basis. **No other monies can be deposited into the contest account. Any entrant found to have added non-contest monies/winnings to their account will be immediately disqualified from the tournament.**

Canterbury Park contest officials will then verify that no additional deposits have been made to any contest accounts before declaring any winners.

Each entrant will be responsible for providing their social security number to start the account and participate in the tournament. **Canterbury Park's Account Wagering System will accept wagers through designated SAM machines only.** All tournament wagers must be made through these designated SAM machines using the assigned account number.

All wagers will be monitored by the Canterbury Park mutuels department.

Liability for any taxes incurred from winning wagers are the sole responsibility of player. **Should a winning contest wager result in I.R.S. tax withholdings, the amount withheld will NOT count toward the player's total bankroll and that amount will not be available for wagering.**

Wagering structure:

All players must wager at least \$100 on each of the ten contest races. Players may wager more than \$100 in any of the 10 contest races. Races will be bet one at a time in chronological order. No advanced wagering is allowed. Any money won through tournament wagers can then be wagered in subsequent bets. **Any player that does not have at least \$100 remaining to wager in a tournament race will be eliminated from play.**

Players may wager the \$100 required minimum in any combination of bets offered WITHIN the contest race.

Win, place, show, exacta, quinella, trifecta, superfecta wagers are allowed in any combination as long as the total in each contest race is at least \$100.

No multi-race wagers are allowed: no doubles, pick 3s, pick 4s etc.

It is each player's responsibility to make wagers in a timely fashion. **If a player fails to wager the required \$100 in a contest race he will be disqualified from the tournament.**

Standings will be posted following each contest race. **Please allow five minutes after each race is official before accessing the account in a SAM to allow for standings to be verified.**

Bankrolls can be checked by the player at the designated SAM machines after the five minute waiting period.

All wagers will be audited at conclusion of tournament to verify winners.

Final standings will be posted as soon as possible following the final contest race.

Do not withdraw money from account until standings are final.

All playing and betting disputes will be resolved by Canterbury staff.

Canceling an incorrect or mistaken wager is not always possible due to tote system constraints. Canterbury staff will make every attempt to assist in the event that an incorrect wager is placed, however it may not always be possible to cancel a wager prior to a race. The tote system will only allow cancellations until two minutes to post time. In the event that a wager cannot be cancelled, the bet will stand as made.

Wagers on scratched horses will be refunded to the player's account **after** the race is official. Should a late scratch occur resulting in a refund, the refunded wagers will count toward the \$100 minimum requirement. At no time can a player wager more money than is currently in the account.

If All Players Are Eliminated Prior to the Final Race:

In the event that all players are eliminated from the contest prior to the final race; or if all but one is eliminated and an NHC entry is still available, the following playoff contest will take place. All players will be allowed to buy-in with \$200 for a contest involving two mandatory races to be determined. The same wagering structure will apply. A new account card will be assigned should there be a need to conduct this playoff contest. This will only take place if one or two NHC entries have not been distributed by the normal tournament rules.

Summary:

- a) If both NHC entries are awarded by tournament rules: no playoff contest; prize money to top three; NHC tour points awarded.
- b) If only one entry is awarded by tournament rules the winner receives the NHC entry and first prize money. Tour points are awarded. Playoff contest to determine second NHC entry and second and third prize money.
- c) If no NHC entries are awarded through tournament rules a playoff contest will determine NHC entries, prize money, and tour points.

Tour Points

NHC Tour points will be awarded in this event. If at least one or both NHC entries are awarded without the need for a playoff contest for both, NHC tour point position will be determined as follows. Highest bankroll is first. Players are then ranked by the last race wagered and then bankroll. For example a player that wagered in nine races beats all players that wagered in only eight regardless of bankroll. These rankings are for NHC Tour points only.

Electronic failure.

In the event of electronic failure, including transmitting of pools, failure of phone lines, and SAM malfunction, or other unforeseen technical problems, wagers will be treated according to the Minnesota Racing Commission rules.

Requirements of Players:

Entrants must be 21 or older.

Affidavits will be required of all winners. **Liability for any taxes incurred from winning wagers or through prize winnings are the sole responsibility of player.**

No prize money paid without social security number.

*Trip to Las Vegas is valid during the NHC tournament only. A player's inability to attend the NHC will result in forfeiture of the airfare, accommodations, and NHC tournament entry (no cash value). The two National Handicapping Championship qualifiers must be in attendance at the NHC on each day of the event. If one of the top two finishers cannot attend, the next highest placing qualifier will earn a place. Depending on a particular situation, Canterbury Park in cooperation with the NTRA may assign an alternate qualifier. Players agree to abide by these determinations.

Ineligibility:

The following people are ineligible to play: Canterbury Park employees. Scientific Games/Autotote employees. Any person forbidden to play the horses at Canterbury Park. Employees of Daily Racing Form and NTRA are ineligible to participate in the DRF National Handicapping Championship. Eligibility of finalists for the National Handicapping Championship shall be established by NTRA and DRF and shall apply to the National Championship event.

Cancellation of tournament:

Canterbury Park management reserves the right to cancel the tournament for any reason at any time.

Canterbury Park assumes no liability for any unforeseen occurrence during the tournament.

Canterbury Park reserves the right to interpret all questions and conditions regarding the tournament, without claim for damages or recourse of any kind. All questions regarding the tournament, which are not specifically listed under these rules will be decided by Canterbury Management. All decisions will be final.

Canterbury Handicapper of the Year Points:

winner: 5 points; Second: 3 points; Third: 2 points