

IMPORTANT NOTICE RE: YONKERS STAKES FOR 2004

Because of the pending video lottery terminal construction project due to begin sometime in June, the Yonkers Trot, the Messenger Stake and their filly divisions will not be raced at Yonkers Raceway in 2004 as previously scheduled and are being transferred to other race tracks.

- The **Yonkers Trot 2004**, a leg of the Triple Crown of Trotting, will be raced at Hawthorne Race Course in Stickney, Illinois on Saturday, August 28. Eliminations, if necessary, will be raced on August 21. The final sustaining payment for 3-year-old colts & geldings is \$800.00. For a payment form go to:

<http://www.hambletonian.org/pdf/04/3YCTcombined.PDF>

- The **Hudson Filly Trot** for 2004, the filly division of the Yonkers Trot 2004, will also be raced on the same night, August 28, at Hawthorne. The final sustaining payment for 3-year-old fillies is \$400.00. For a payment form go to:

<http://www.hambletonian.org/pdf/04/3YFTcombined.PDF>

- The **Messenger Stake 2004**, a leg of the Triple Crown of Pacing, will be raced at Harrington Raceway in Harrington, Delaware, on Tuesday, September 14. Eliminations if necessary will be raced on that same day. The final sustaining payment for 3-year-old colts & geldings is \$800.00. For a payment form go to:

<http://www.hambletonian.org/pdf/04/3YCPcombined.PDF>

- The **Lady Maud** for 2004, the filly division of the Messenger Stake 2004, will also be raced on the same night, September 14, at Harrington. The final sustaining payment for 3-year-old fillies is \$400.00. For a payment form go to:

<http://www.hambletonian.org/pdf/04/3YFPcombined.PDF>

- All of the above payments are payable to the Hambletonian Society, Inc. and due on **February 15, 2004**. As provided by USTA Rule 12, Section 4, such payments must be received in the Hambletonian Society office by Tuesday, February 17, or postmarked no later than midnight Wednesday, February 18.
- There are no additional nominations allowed for any of the above events, however the published conditions allow for supplemental entries at the time of declaration. Please contact the new host tracks for precise time and date of declaration.

With regret we also must announce that the **Art Rooney Memorial** and its companion filly race the **Rose of Tralee** have been canceled by Yonkers Raceway in 2004 because of the above construction. Yonkers was unable to move it to another track. In accordance with the conditions, the nomination and sustaining fees collected through the March 15, 2003 2-year-old payment will be prorated among the owners of the eligible horses at the time of cancellation -- which is February 12, 2004. For a refund form go to:

<http://www.hambletonian.org/pdf/04/refundcolt.PDF>

or

<http://www.hambletonian.org/pdf/04/refundfillies2.PDF>

All of the above races will be contested at Yonkers Raceway in 2005.

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