

# MEADOWLANDS EARLY CLOSING EVENTS FOR OLDER HORSES

**ALL RACES ARE TVG LEGS**

**JOHN CASHMAN MEMORIAL OPEN TROT - ARTHUR CUTLER MEMORIAL OPEN TROT  
JOHN R STEELE MEMORIAL OPEN MARE TROT  
GOLDEN GIRLS OPEN MARE PACE - LADY LIBERTY OPEN MARE PACE  
WR HAUGHTON MEMORIAL OPEN PACE – SAM MCKEE MEMORIAL OPEN PACE**

**Owned & Serviced By:** The Meadowlands

**Sponsored By:** The Meadowlands, et al.

**For:** 3YO and up

**To Be Raced As:** Single events with a possible consolation

**To Be Raced At:** The Meadowlands

**Cancellation:** The Sponsors reserve the right to cancel any or all of the races if it becomes impractical or undesirable in the opinion of The Sponsors to conduct said races. If an event is not raced, The Sponsors responsibility and liability shall be limited to refunding, without interest, all payments collected toward these events. These monies will be pro-rated among those owners of horses eligible at the time of cancellation.

**Estimated Purses & Added Money:**

RACE	PURSE	ADDED	RACE	PURSE	ADDED
CASHMAN:	\$300,000	\$145,000	CUTLER:	\$200,000	\$70,000
STEELE:	\$175,000	\$70,000			
WR HAUGHTON:	\$425,000	\$240,000	SAM MCKEE:	\$225,000	\$100,000
GOLDEN GIRLS:	\$200,000	\$60,000	LADY LIBERTY:	\$200,000	\$60,000

**Payments:** See website [www.MeadowlandsRacetrack.com](http://www.MeadowlandsRacetrack.com) or USTA Stakes Guide

**Supplemental Nomination/Declaration:** There shall be no supplemental nomination or declaration to these events.

**Declaration:** Declarations will close at the time and date designated on the condition sheet of the Host Track. Declaration fees shall be due at the time of declaration and payable before the horse starts. Declaration fees should be made payable to the Host Track. There are no refunds for scratched horses. At the time of declaration, horses declared to race in these events must have a past performance line that meets the current qualifying standard for stakes and/or added money races at the Host Track.

**Notice:** USTA Rule 11 Sec 3 provides: "Failure to make any payment required by the conditions constitutes an automatic withdrawal from the event."

**Racing Conditions:** The twelve (12) highest 2017-18 money winners (*USTA records*) that declare will race at the distance of a mile and one eighth. If ten or fewer declare the race will be at one mile. If a consolation can be filled with sufficient wagering interests, that may be raced for 25% of the total purse pool before entry fees are added and the main event will race for 75% of the total purse pool before entry fees are added. Entry fee for the consolation will be \$1,000. Any horse that is declared for this race but does not draw in either event due to the above condition (including a horse drawn as also eligible that does not draw into the race) and meets the track's qualifying standards for the race will have their nomination and sustaining fees refunded in full and shall **NOT** be liable for the entry fee.

**Money Division:** One-percent of the purse will be awarded to each horse finishing sixth through last. The balance of the purse shall be distributed 50% - 25% - 12% - 8% - 5%.

**Disputes:** All owners, trainers and drivers of horses nominated to this event must be accepted to participate at each Host Track or the nomination/entry may be denied without refund of previous payments. Any change of trainers made fewer than 30 days or within four starts of the date of this race will be reviewed by the sponsor. If such change is not accepted, it may result in refusal of entry. Sponsors reserve the right to amend these conditions as deemed necessary without liability.

**Rules:** A minimum of seven (7) separate interests may be required in any event or the event may be cancelled. All starters are subject to the detention policy of the Host Track. The rules of the Host Track and its state Racing Commission along with the USTA shall govern unless otherwise specified in these conditions. These races are subject to the Stallion Restriction Rule and Standardbred Racing Integrity & Accountability Initiative (SRIAI) see *Meadowlands website for details*. Any horse nominated to any Meadowlands stakes/event must be in the care of an approved trainer by April 15, 2018 for any stake/event raced during the month of May and by May 15 for all other 2018 stakes/events. Nominator also agrees that any horse paid into any 2018 Meadowlands stake/event may be required to be stabled for up to 14 days at a approved facility within a 150 mile radius of The Meadowlands or the Tioga or Vernon Downs stable area or an approved facility in a state that agrees to cooperate in an out of competition testing protocol by the date set by The Meadowlands for that stake/event for the purpose of out of competition testing. Failure to comply with these conditions may result in any agreement created by the acceptance of any stakes payment to be declared void at the discretion of The Meadowlands rendering the horse(s) in question ineligible to race in those stakes/events with no liability to The Meadowlands and no assurance of a refund of payments previously made to the stake/event in question. A nomination to these events is an agreement to the above terms and conditions.

**Checks made payable and sent to:**

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