

# The Dr. Harry M. Zweig Memorial Trot No. 53

**For 3-Year-Old Trotters**

## **Sponsored By:**

Tioga Downs and Vernon Downs, et al.

## **Fees Collected By:**

Harness Horse Breeders of New York State (HHBNYS)

## **For:**

Foals of 2024

## **To Be Raced As:**

An Open Stake for Three Year Old Trotters in 2027 with a Filly Division and a consolation for each division, if necessary.

## **Estimated Purse:**

Total Purse \$500,000E

\$300,000E Main Event with a \$50,000E Consolation

\$125,000E Filly Division with a \$25,000E Consolation

## **To Be Raced At:**

Vernon Downs and/or Tioga Downs. Definite dates will be published in the USTA Stakes Guide in the year of the races.

If for any reason it becomes impractical or undesirable, in the opinion of the Sponsors, to hold any or all of these races at the track designated, the Sponsors reserve the right to change the date and the location of any or all of the races.

## **Cancellation:**

The Sponsors further reserve the right to cancel any or all of the races if for reasons beyond their control it becomes impractical or undesirable in the opinion of the Sponsors to conduct said races. If an event is not raced due to circumstances beyond their control, the Sponsor's responsibility and liability will be limited to refunding without interest the sustaining and entrance fees collected toward canceled events that have not been disbursed at the time of cancellation. These monies will be prorated among the owners of the horses eligible at the time of cancellation.

## **Added Money:**

A minimum of \$150,000 will be added to these events.

These funds, barring any unforeseen circumstances which may preclude this, in addition to all fees paid in by nominating horsemen shall constitute the purses for this event. All declaration fees will be added to the purses for this event.

## **Eligibility:**

Open to 3-year-old trotters. Fillies may transfer and race in the Open division by paying the difference in 3-year-old payments at the time of entry and the Entry Fee for the Open division.

## **Nomination Fee (U.S. funds only):**

Yearling Nomination	COLTS	FILLIES
May 15, 2025.....	\$50.....	\$25

## **Supplemental Yearling Nominations:**

Yearlings may be made eligible by a supplemental fee.

August 15, 2025.....	\$250.....	\$125
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## **Future Payments:**

On 2-Year-Olds		
March 15, 2026 .....	\$300.....	\$150
On 3-Year-Olds		
February 15, 2027 .....	\$500.....	\$250
March 15, 2027 .....	\$750.....	\$375
April 15, 2027 .....	\$1,000.....	\$500
Entry Fee - Final.....	\$4,000.....	\$2,000
Entry Fee - Consolation(s) .....	\$1,000/500.....	\$500/250

## **Declaration:**

Declarations for these events will close at the time and date designated on the condition sheet. The declaration fee shall be due at the time of declaration and payable before the horse starts. Declaration fees should be made payable to the host track. No refunds for scratched horses. At the time of declaration, horses declared to race in these events must have a clean charted past performance line that meets the current time requirement of the Host Track within thirty days of the date of declaration for the race.

## **Notice:**

USTA Rule 12, Section 4 provides: "Failure to make any payment required by the conditions constitutes an automatic withdrawal from the event."

All payments collected will be retained by HHBNYS until dispersed in 2027 with no interest added.

## **Racing Conditions:**

The Main Event will be limited to the highest lifetime money winning horses of those that declare as of the published declaration date and time that equal the number of positions on the starting gate. The remaining declared horses will be eligible to the Consolations, segregated by lifetime earnings. USTA records (including currency conversions) on earnings shall be accepted as being official. There will be two (2) "also eligible" drawn for the Finals and the Consolations. Those horses designated as also eligible in the Main Event will be drawn into the Consolations, but may be eligible to draw into the Main Event no later than scratch time for the race. Horses eligible for the Main Event may not race in the Consolation. At least seven (7) horses must be entered for each Consolation or they may be canceled at the sole discretion of the Sponsor. If a Consolation race does not fill or if a declared horse fails to draw into either the Main Event or a consolation, all sustaining payments made as a three year old will be refunded to the owner at the time of entry, provided that the horse meets the current qualifying standards for the race meeting. All starters are subject to the detention policy of Tioga Downs and/or Vernon Downs.

## **Money Division:**

50%, 25%, 12%, 8% and 5% or USTA standard for less than five places for all races.

## **Disputes:**

All owners, trainers and drivers of horses nominated to this event must be accepted to participate at each Host Track or the entry may be denied without refund of previous payments. Decisions by the Management of Tioga / Vernon Downs and HHBNYS shall govern all disputes arising from these conditions and their decision shall be final.

## **Rules:**

A nomination to these events is an agreement to the above terms and conditions. Rules of the New York State Gaming Commission, host racetrack and the USTA shall govern unless otherwise specified in these conditions.

## **Stallion Rule:**

The Stallion Restriction condition at the host track must be followed.

## **Make Checks Payable (in U.S. Funds Only)**

### **To and Send To:**

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