

**BREEDERS CROWN® NO. 34****Nomination to Twelve Separate Races****For 2-Year-Olds in 2020, 3-Year-Olds in 2021, and Open and Mare Races for Trotters and Pacers in 2022****Owned and Serviced By:**

The Hambletonian Society, Inc.

**For:**

Eligible Foals of 2018 (subject to USTA foaling date rules) whose sires were nominated to this Breeders Crown No. 34 and are eligible, or who are made eligible, in accordance with the conditions below and the conditions to be published in the year of the specific races. These foals will be eligible to 2-year-old races in 2020, 3-year-old races in 2021 and open races in 2022 and thereafter, in accordance with the conditions of those specific races.

**To Be Raced As:**

Twelve races in Breeders Crown No. 34. Separate colt (including geldings) and filly races for 2-year-old and 3-year-old trotters and pacers. Fillies are not eligible to the colt races. Four separate open races in 2022: Breeders Crown Trot and Breeders Crown Pace (open to 3-year-olds & older, regardless of sex); and Breeders Crown Mare Trot and Breeders Crown Mare Pace (open to fillies & mares, 3-year-olds & older). Three-year-old fillies & older mares are eligible to the Open races.

**To Be Raced At:**

Races to be held at the track or the tracks to which they are awarded by The Hambletonian Society. Dates and locations 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 Society to hold any one or more of these races at the track designated, the Society reserves the right to change the date and/or location of either any or all races.

**Cancellation:**

The Society further reserves the right to cancel either one or more of the races if for reasons beyond its control it becomes impractical or undesirable in the opinion of the Society to conduct said race or races. If an event is not raced due to circumstances beyond its control, the Society's responsibility and liability will be limited to refunding without interest nomination, sustaining (including future eligibility payments) and starting fees collected toward canceled events that have not been disbursed at the time of cancellation. These monies will be prorated among the owners, except as provided below, to the nominators of the horses eligible at the time of cancellation.

For purposes of these conditions, stallion nomination fees for Breeders Crown No. 34 were disbursed in 2016 Breeders Crown races or retained to be disbursed in future races as determined by the Society. In the circumstance of cancellation of any or all Breeders Crown events in 2016, stallion nomination fees shall not be refunded. If the 2-year-old races for 2020 and/or 3-year-old races in 2021 are canceled between the May 15, 2019 and prior to the Breeders Crown races in 2019, the yearling nomination fees, if not disbursed as provided herein, may be refunded, in whole or in part, to the nominators.

Refunds of supplemental nomination fees, sustaining payments, supplemental declaration fees and starting fees shall be paid to the registered owner(s) of the eligible horses at the time of cancellation in accordance with the conditions in the year of the canceled race(s).

**Purses:**

It is estimated that the purses will be no less than \$300,000 with the exception of the Mare Trot and Mare Pace which will be no less than \$250,000. The Society, however, reserves the right to scale back the prescribed minimum estimated purses.

**Estimated Final Purses For The Races In 2019 Are (U.S. Funds):**

	TROT	PACE
2-Year-Old Colt .....	\$600,000	\$600,000
2-Year-Old Filly .....	\$600,000	\$600,000
3-Year-Old Colt .....	\$500,000	\$500,000
3-Year-Old Filly .....	\$500,000	\$500,000
Open .....	\$500,000	\$400,000
Open Mare .....	\$250,000	\$250,000

**Stallion Nomination Fee:**

Due and payable January 15, 2017, in the amount of the advertised stud fee for the 2017 breeding season (\$500 U.S. funds minimum) -- plus an additional surcharge determined by the amount of the service fee provided, however, that for first-year stallions placed in commercial service after January 15, (which would not include test breedings) the nomination must be paid within 60 days after the stallion first breeds a mare. This payment covers 2017 matings (foals of 2018).

*For more information regarding the Breeders Crown No. 34 stallion nomination which is closed, contact the Hambletonian Society, Inc.*

**Nomination Fee To Be Eligible To Race As A 2-Year-Old In 2020, and/or as a 3-Year-Old in 2021 and/or as an Older Horse in 2022 (U.S. funds only):**

On Yearlings in 2019

May 15, 2019 Yearling Nomination Fee..... \$150... or

August 15, 2019 Yearling Nomination Fee..... \$750... or

On 2-Year-Olds in 2020

Feb.15, 2020 2YO Supp. Nom. Fee .....\$1,000... or

Mar.15, 2020 2YO Supp. Nom. Fee to race as a 3YO\$1,500... or

On 3-Year-Olds in 2021

Feb. 15, 2021 3YO Supp. Nom. Fee .....\$10,000... or

On 4-Year-Olds and up in 2022

Feb. 15, 2022 Older Supp. Nom. Fee..\$1,500 (horses & geldings)

Feb. 15, 2022 Older Supp. Nom Fee..... \$1,000 (mares)

Nominated horses (including those that have otherwise entered by supplemental nomination or supplemental declaration as provided below) must be properly identified to the satisfaction of the Society at the time of nomination, including but not limited to certifying that the nominated horse is registered as a twin or is the only foal of the mare in 2018. The Society will not recognize foals as twins if produced through embryo/ovum transfer. If produced through embryo/ovum transfer, only the donor mare's first born foal in 2018 will be eligible for nomination. The Owner(s) of the nominated horse agree to indemnify and hold the Society and the Host Track harmless from any and all claims, suits or damages, including attorney's fees, arising out of or related in any way to such certification.

The Society, at its sole discretion as to what it determines to be in the best interest of the Races, reserves the right to refuse the participation of any entry or proposed entry.

**Nomination and Eligibility To The 2- and 3-Year-Old Divisions:**

For foals of 2018 by nominated stallions, the May 15, 2019 yearling fee (or the August 15, 2019 yearling supplement fee) and the 2-year-old sustaining payments must be made to be eligible to the 2-year-old races. To be eligible as a 3-year-old, the May 15, 2019 yearling nomination and the March 15, 2020 future eligibility payment and the 3-year-old sustaining payments must be made.

Foals of 2018 by sires named to Breeders Crown No. 34, but not nominated in the May 15, 2019 yearling payment, may be made eligible by a supplemental nomination fee of \$750, due on or before

August 15, 2019. A foal of 2018 by sires named to Breeders Crown No. 34, but not nominated as a yearling, may be made eligible by a supplemental nomination fee of \$1,000 due on or before February 15, 2020. These supplemental nomination payments are in addition to the normal schedule of sustaining payments for the 2-year-old and 3-year-old races.

Owners of ineligible 2-year-olds that wish to race in the program as a 3-year-old may be made eligible by a supplemental nomination fee of \$1,500, due on or before March 15, 2020. This supplemental nomination payment is in addition to the normal 3YO sustaining payments for the 3-year-old races.

Foals of 2018 by sires named to Breeders Crown No. 34, but not nominated in the May 15, 2019 yearling payment or February 15 or March 15, 2020 2-year-old supplemental nomination above, may be made eligible by a 3-year-old supplemental nomination fee of \$10,000, due on or before February 15, 2021. This supplemental nomination payment is in addition to the normal schedule of sustaining payments for the 3-year-old races.

#### **Breeders Crown Stallion Fund Distribution:**

Stallion nomination fees for Breeders Crown No. 34 were disbursed in 2017 Breeders Crown races. However, the Society, at its sole discretion, reserves the right to allocate a portion of the stallion fees to future Breeders Crown races when it determines such allocation to be in the best interests of the Breeders Crown program.

Additionally, the Hambletonian Society reserves the right to deduct up to 10 percent (%) of the Breeders Crown stallion nomination fees each year, including 2017, to fund promotional expenses.

Except as provided in the published conditions for stallion nomination, under no circumstances will stallion nomination fees be refunded.

#### **Yearling Payments Distribution:**

Breeders Crown yearling nomination fees will be disbursed as determined by the Society in 2019 Breeders Crown races. However, the Society, at its sole discretion, reserves the right to allocate a portion of these fees to future Breeders Crown races when it determines such allocation to be in the best interests of the Breeders Crown program.

#### **Future Payments:**

Required future payments for this program will be published in the USTA Stakes Guide in the years of the races.

#### **Eligibility of 2018 Foals:**

Foals of 2018 whose sires were nominated to this Breeders Crown program will be eligible to the 2-year-old Breeders Crown races in 2020 and to the 3-year-old Breeders Crown races in 2021 upon making the required payments for the specific year's races.

#### **Continuing Eligibility of 2018 Foals to the Open Divisions:**

Foals of 2018 whose sires were nominated to this Breeders Crown program will be eligible to the open races in 2022 and to the open races in subsequent years upon making the required payments for the specific year's races, subject to the conditions of those specific races. Eligible trotting mares will have the option of entering either the Breeders Crown Trot, and/or the Mare Trot to which they have been nominated, subject to the conditions of those specific races. Eligible pacing mares will have the option of entering either the Breeders Crown Pace, and/or the Mare Pace to which they have been nominated, subject to the conditions of those specific races.

#### **Notice:**

USTA Rule 12.04 provides: "Failure to make any payment required by the conditions constitutes an automatic withdrawal from the event." The Hambletonian Society may construe payment of nominating and sustaining fees to require that cash or check duly honored upon presentation be received at the time specified in USTA Rule 12.02.

#### **Image Waiver:**

As a condition of participation in the Breeders Crown No. 34, the Owner(s) of the nominated horse(s) hereby grants to the Society, its representatives, successors, and assigns the absolute right to copy-right and publish, use or reuse still and motion, photographic and digital, images of its horses, drivers, trainers, employees, officers and agents, in whole or in part, in composite or in distorted character, with or without use of names, in color or otherwise, for the purpose of promotion, advertising, trade or other lawful purpose in any and all media. Owner(s) waives any right to inspect and/or approve the finished product or the copy that may be used in connection therewith or the use to which it might be applied. Owner(s) further agrees to inform his drivers, trainers, employees, officers and agents of the authority granted to the Society herein, to hold the Society harmless from any and all liability and damages, and to indemnify the Society from same should any such owner(s), driver(s), trainer(s), employee(s), officer(s) and agent(s) challenge Society's rights as set forth above.

#### **Transfer:**

Any eligible horse that changes gait may be transferred at any time. Sustaining payments already made remain with the originally nominated race.

#### **Testing Waiver And Consent:**

As a further condition of participation in the Breeders Crown ("Race"), which is a private event owned by the Hambletonian Society ("Society"), the Owner ("Owner", which includes all beneficial owners at the time) of the nominated horse ("Horse") which has been declared (i.e. entered) to start in the Race hereby grants to the Society, its representatives, employees and agents, including a licensed veterinarian designated by the Society, and assigns the absolute right and authority to:

- 1.) Conduct one or more physical examinations of the Horse at any time prior to the Race, regardless of where it is stabled;
- 2.) Draw blood and other specimens one or more times from the Horse for immediate testing;
- 3.) Freeze or otherwise preserve split-samples of the specimens for future testing and send such samples to a laboratory designated by the Society and;
- 4.) Require, at the sole discretion of the Society, the Horse to stable on the grounds of the track to which the races has been awarded, or other designated premises for a reasonable period of time prior to the Race which will be specified by the Society.

Further conditions regarding "out of competition" testing for this program will be published in the year of the races.

#### **Drivers and Trainers Fees:**

The drivers and trainers fees may be disbursed in accordance with the policy of the host track at the time of the race.

#### **Protests, Investigations and/or Disputes:**

In the event of any protest, investigation or dispute with respect to the results of the Breeders Crown or any races related thereto, the Society may, if it is in possession of the purse, at its option deliver the purse, or the disputed portion thereof, to the Track which shall hold such purse in a segregated interest-bearing bank account, to be disbursed by the Track following the final binding and non-appealable determination of any such protest, investigation or dispute. Further, the Owner shall hold the Society and the Track, their officers, directors, members, employees and agents harmless from, against and in respect of any and all claims, actions, losses, damages, liabilities, judgment, costs and expenses (including, without limitation, reasonable attorneys' fees and disbursements) resulting from any such protest, investigation or dispute.

In the case of any dispute as to the interpretation of these conditions, the decision of the Executive Committee of The Hambletonian Society, Inc. shall be final. All fees and payments in any race

are accepted on the condition that all claims, objections and appeals arising out of the Breeders Crown races or with respect to any interpretation of any rules or conditions of the Breeders Crown races, or otherwise shall be decided by Executive Committee of the Hambletonian Society, Inc.

**Rules:**

The Hambletonian Society reserves the right to add to, amend or delete the conditions of all or any part of the Breeders Crown program, without liability including but not limited to:

- a.) classes and divisions of races, eligibility of horses, fees and payments, and the amount of purses to be awarded to each race, elimination and final heat;
- b.) time and/or date of declarations and the time and/or date of the supplemental declarations;
- c.) dates and/or the location of any or all of the races including the date of the elimination heats;
- d.) other matters that the Society determines to be necessary and appropriate for the proper administration, promotion and implementation of the Breeders Crown program.

Unless otherwise specified and except as may be affected by a state or provincial racing Commission or Board, U.S.T.A. rules not in conflict with these conditions of Breeders Crown No. 34 or the future amended conditions in the year of the race to govern. The conditions and rules shall be those in effect at the time of the race.

**Make Nomination and Sustaining Checks Payable To and Send To:**

The Hambletonian Society, Inc.  
 109 South Main Street, Suite 18  
 Cranbury, NJ 08512-3174

These stallions have been nominated to Breeders Crown No. 34 for their Foals of 2018.

A Rocknroll Dance	Deweycheatumnhowe
Always A Virgin	Donato Hanover
Always B Miki	Dontyouforgetit
American Ideal	Dragon Again
Andover Hall	E L Titan
Andoversure	Encore Encore
Angus Hall	Explosive Matter
Archangel	Father Patrick
Art Major	From Above S
Art Official	Glidemaster
Artiscape	Googoo Gaagaa
Artspeak	Guccio
Bar Hopping	Here Comes Herbie
Betterthancheddar	He's Watching
Betting Line	Heston Blue Chip
Bettors Delight	Holiday Road
Big Bad John	Il Sogno Dream
Big Jim	Jk Endofanera
Bolt The Duer	Johnny William
Break The Bank K	Justice Hall
Bring On The Beach	Kadabra
Broadway Hall	Lionhunter
Cantab Hall	Lis Mara
Captaintreacherous	Love You F
Chapter Seven	Lucky Chucky
Class Included	Maharajah S
Classic Card Shark	Manningly
Control The Moment	Mcardle
Conway Hall	Mister Big
Crazed	Mr Web Page
Creatine	Mr Wiggles
Credit Winner	Muscle Hill
Dejarmbro	Muscle Mass

Muscle Massive	Sportswriter
Muscles Yankee	State Treasurer
Musclesprinctonian	Straight Shooting
My MVP	Sunshine Beach
Net Ten Eom	Swan For All
Panther Hanover	Sweet Lou
Pet Rock	Tellitlikeitis
Ponder	Thinking Out Loud
Possess The Will	Third Straight
Prestidigitator	Triumphant Caviar
Racing Hill	Trixton
RC Royalty	Uncle Peter
Readly Express S	Vintage Master
Real Desire	We Will See
Rock N Roll Heaven	Well Said
Rockin Amadeus	Western Ideal
Rockin Image	Western Vintage
Roll With Joe	Whataworkout
Royal Mattjesty	Wheeling N Dealin
Royalty For Life	Winning Mister
Sebastian K S	Wishing Stone
Shadow Play	World Of Rocknroll
So Surreal	Yankee Cruiser
Somebeachsomewhere	Yankee Glide
Southwind Frank	Zola Boko S

*The above list is subject to omissions and corrections.*