2024 Hawthorne Summer Contest Official Rules

These are the Official Rules for the 2024 Hawthorne Summer Contest (the "Contest"). The following information is important and all players are responsible for knowledge of the content and complete compliance with the Official Rules. Failure to comply with any of the rules may result in disqualification at the sole discretion of Hawthorne Race Course ("Contest officials").

Contest Dates are Saturday, June 29th and Sunday, June 30th

Contest play is available only at the following Club Hawthorne Off-Track Betting Parlors:

Crestwood	13148 Rivercrest Drive	708-489-4700
Joliet	2200 W. Jefferson Street	815-744-6500
Hoffman Estates	2559 Pratum Avenue	708-780-3786
Oakbrook Terrace	17W648 22nd Street	630-627-8238
Prospect Heights	1250 S. River Road	847-537-3043
Villa Park	105 E. North Avenue	630-426-1094
North Aurora	650 N. Randall Crossing Lane	630-906-9300
McHenry	621 Ridgeview Drive	779-545-2272

To participate in the Contest, contestants must register online at HawthorneRaceCourse.com. Affidavits will be required of all winners. Liabilities, including any taxes, for all prizes are the sole responsibility of the winners. For additional information contact Rhonda Sosnowski at RhondaS@ClubHawthorne.com or 708-780-3733.

PLAYER DECLARATION

Employees of Hawthorne Race Course and members of their immediate families are ineligible to compete. For purposes of this Contest, "immediate family members" shall be defined as mother, father, spouse, and children. Failure to disclose as provided herein shall result in disqualification from the Contest and forfeiture of any prizes.

ELIGIBILITY

- 1. All Players must be at least twenty-one (21) years of age by the day of each Contest.
- 2. Tour Membership ("Membership") is <u>mandatory</u> in order to be eligible to compete for a berth in the National Horseplayers
- 3. Championship ("NHC") in 2025 in Las Vegas.
- 4. The Tour Membership fee is \$50 per individual annually and is limited to one (1) membership per player. See NTRA.com for complete details.
- 5. Anyone who is not eligible to gamble due to any court order or other restriction, in any jurisdiction, is not eligible to compete in the Contests.
- 6. Hawthorne Race Course reserves the right to deny any person entry into the Contests, for any reason whatsoever.
- 7. NHC TOUR POINTS: This is an official NHC Tour event. Per the NHC, NHC Tour points will be awarded in accordance with the official NHC Tour rules which can be found at www.nhctour.com.

ENTRIES/REGISTRATION

- 1. Each Contest entry will be conducted with real money "live" wagers from a minimum \$500 bankroll.
- 2. Limited to (2) entries per person per Contest.
- 3. Credit card processing fee is 3%.
- 4. Registration will be available at selected Club Hawthorne betting bars starting at 11 AM.
- 5. Entry deadline is 5:00 PM on each Contest day.

Contest FORMAT

- 1. The Contest will feature live money wagers to be placed through Contest wagering cards only.
- 2. Each player will begin with his/her live bankroll.
- 3. Players may wager on any race at official Contest tracks, which will be posted 24 hours before the Contest.
- 4. Player may choose to place multi-race wagers such as Daily Doubles, Pick 3s, Pick 4s, etc.
- 5. Player may choose to place WPS, exacta, trifecta and superfecta wagers.
- 6. Multi day wagers or future wagers NOT allowed.
- 7. Each player must wager a minimum of his/her bankroll on Contest day but may reinvest monies earned from winning Contest wagers. Failure to wager the minimum for the day will result in disqualification from the Contest and a last place score for the day.
- 8. Horses grouped in an entry or coupled will run as one selection.
- 9. Official track rules and regulations shall apply to Contest wagers.

- 10. Official track rulings shall apply to horses wagered in the Contest.
- 11. Players keep all winnings from Contest wagers placed.
- 12. A player may not add additional funds to his/her Contest cards. Any player found to have added funds to a Contest Wagering card will be disqualified from earning prize money and qualification points.
- 13. For the purposes of scoring, players that place wagers that result in a payout that requires tax paperwork to be filed, will be awarded points for the payout before taxes.
- 14. Illinois off-track betting locations are mandated to surcharge all winning wagers. Prices shown on screen may be different than your actual winnings.

WAGERING PROCEDURES

- 1. Each player will receive an assigned wagering card when they check in on Contest day.
- 2. All wagers must be placed through the player's Contest card at most self-service terminals at Club Hawthorne facilities. Wagers cannot be placed with a teller.
- 3. All players are responsible for ensuring that each wager is placed correctly and that their wagers have been accepted by the tote system.
- 4. All wagers must be placed personally, and in-person, by the Player. No person shall, directly or indirectly, act as an intermediary, transmitter or agent in placing wagers for the Player, unless prior written authorization is given by Contest officials.
- 5. All Players must use their wagering card to place a wager.
- 6. Official program numbers shall be used when placing all wagers.
- 7. Wagers over \$500 can only be canceled with an OTB manager.
- 8. If a Contest Card has an "IRS" lock, the player must contact an OTB manager immediately with a photo ID. No wagers are possible until the Contest card is unlocked.

SCRATCHES

- 1. If a horse is scratched after a wager is placed, it is the player's responsibility to change his/her selection prior to the start of the race subject to all other Contest wagering rules.
- 2. If a wager is not canceled and the race goes off, the player may collect the refund and wager on another race. In this instance, the refunded wager will not count against Contest requirements. In the event the scratch occurs in the final race of the day, and the player does not cancel their selection, the player will not be disqualified for not meeting the race minimum, but instead awarded \$0 on the final race in place of the refund.

HOW THE CONTEST IS WON

- 1. Players accrue points based on the mutuel payouts of Contest wagers.
- 2. The Player amassing the highest number of points based on the Player's earnings (i.e. the highest final bankroll) from all Contest wagers at the end of Contest day will be declared the winner of the specific Contest.
- 3. Players receive one point per dollar, and points can be broken into fractions. For instance, a player with an ending balance of \$40.35 will receive 40.35 points.
- 4. In the event of a tie, the player tied will split the prize or points associated with their placing.
- 5. Failure to follow Contest rules results in 0 points.

RESULTS

- 1. Contest unofficial standings will start at 1 PM and will be posted on a live leaderboard available at HawthorneRaceCourse.com
- 2. Final official results will be posted on the website thereafter.

PRIZES

The Contest prizes available for each day are as follows and will be awarded in a Pick-a-Prize format with the 1st place winner selecting from the available prizes first, followed by the 2nd place finisher selecting from the available remaining prizes, and so forth for the top 5 finishers.

Saturday, June 29, 2024

- (2) entries for the 2025 NHC
- (2) entries for the 2024 Hawthorne Invitational to be conducted on Sunday, June 30, 2024
- (1) 2-day entry to the Hawthorne Thanksgiving Contests

Sunday, June 30, 2024

- (3) entries for the 2025 NHC
- (1) entry for the 2024 Breeders Cup Betting Challenge

(1) entry for the 2024 Keeneland Fall Contest

Players finishing in 6th through 10th place on each Contest day will receive (1) entry to Hawthorne's 2024 Thanksgiving Weekend Contests.

The player with the highest point total on each Contest Day will also receive a \$1,000,000 bonus if the designated entry also wins the 2025 NHC.

CONDITIONS

- 1. The \$1,000,000 NHC bonus may only be separated from NHC prizes in this contest if the winner is already qualified for the NHC, meaning the 1st place winner may choose the Hawthorne Invitational entry (Saturday) or the BCBC or Keeneland Contest entry (Sunday) and the \$1,000,000 bonus to be applied to an alternate NHC entry obtained other than through this Contest. In such instance, the 2nd place finisher could receive the NHC entry without the bonus. If the 1st place winner has not yet qualified for the NHC, to accept the \$1,000,000 bonus he/she must choose the NHC entry offered in this contest.
- 2. Hawthorne Contest entries are valid for Hawthorne's (3) 1-day contests on Thanksgiving Weekend (November 28, 29 & 30). Value of the entry depends on the minimum bankroll requirements for a single entry in the contest for which the prize is redeemed. Entry prize must be used in-whole, not in-part, and is non-transferable.
- 3. BCBC, NHC and Keeneland entries each include a \$500 travel voucher. Any player who wins more than one such entry through Hawthorne contests may accept only one travel voucher and shall be provided the equivalent value in on-site wagers on Hawthorne races. ADW players in the BCBC who are not traveling to the competition may also accept the equivalent value of the travel voucher in on-site wagers on Hawthorne races. On-site wagers may be placed at Hawthorne Race Course or any Club Hawthorne betting bar, and are valid through 2024.
- 4. In the event, any potential prize winner is disqualified or determined not to be eligible by contest Officials, in their sole discretion, the Player with the next highest total bankroll will be declared the winner of the prize, and each successive Player will be moved up accordingly.
- 5. If a participant accepts the reward of an entry, all qualifiers agree to fully participate in the proceedings.
- 6. Contest Affidavits will be required of all winners. Liabilities, including any taxes, for all prizes are the sole responsibility of the winner.

ODDS OF WINNING

This is a game of skill and chance, and the odds of winning any prize are dependent upon the number of Players and the skill of the Players.

DISQUALIFICATION FOR UNSPORTSMANLIKE BEHAVIOR and/or VIOLATION OF RULES

The Contest officials, in their sole discretion, reserve the right to disqualify any Player they believe to be tampering with or attempting to tamper with the betting process and or operation of the Contest or any Player they believe to be in violation of the Official Rules or to be acting in an unsportsmanlike manner or with the intent to annoy, abuse, threaten, coerce or harass any other person or any person they believe to have influenced or attempted to influence the play of other Players, whether through potential bonuses or other incentives or otherwise.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 1. Hawthorne Race Course is not responsible for lost, interrupted, incomplete, inaccurate or incorrect capture of betting information or for computer, telephone, cable, network, electronic or Internet hardware of software malfunctions, failures, connections, availability or jumbled transmissions, service provider accessibility or availability, or unauthorized human intervention.
- 2. Players are responsible for the payment of all local, state and/or federal taxes on prizes won in the Contest. Players who are not United States citizens or Permanent Resident Aliens may be subject to federal tax withholding by Hawthorne Race Course.
- 3. All trademarks used in connection with this Contest and the promotion thereof are the property or their respective trademark owners and are used for identification purposes only.
- 4. No purchase required. Players may receive an admission pass by contacting Guest Services at Hawthorne Race Course at least 24 hours before the scheduled Contest.
- 5. By participating, Player agrees to be bound by the terms of these Official Rules.
- 6. By participating, Player agrees to the use of Player's name, photograph, voice and likeness for the purpose of advertising and promotion in connection with Hawthorne Race Course, its partners and affiliates without further compensation, except where prohibited.
- 7. By participating, Player agrees to release Hawthorne Race Course and their partners and affiliates, and the directors, employees and agents of each, from any liability, loss or damage incurred by the use, misuse or acceptance of the prize.

- 8. The validity, interpretation and performance of this Agreement shall be controlled and construed under the internal laws of the state of Illinois. No provision of this Agreement shall be construed against or interpreted to the disadvantage of any party by any court or other governmental or judicial authority or mediator or arbitrator by reason of any party having or being deemed to have structured or dictated such provision. Venue shall be a court of competent jurisdiction in Illinois.
- 9. All decisions as to the Official Rules and interpretations thereof are exclusively within the sole discretion of Contest officials and may be changed from time-to-time without notice.
- 10. Hawthorne Race Course reserves the right to cancel or modify the Contest and/or the Official Rules without notice.
- 11. In the event of inconsistency between these Official Rules and any other document provided in connection with the Contest, the terms of these Official Rules shall be controlling.

PRIVACY POLICY

Information submitted on the Registration Form and any information provided in connection with the Contest will be retained by Hawthorne Race Course and may be used for marketing, research or other commercial and noncommercial purposes. In addition, Hawthorne Race Course and its partners and affiliates may send the Players promotions or announcements unless the Player specifically requests that Hawthorne Race Course not do so in the manner provided in the Registration Form. Personal information pertaining to players and the Contest will be held by Hawthorne Race Course.

OFFICIAL TRACKS

SAT (June 29)		SUN (June 30)	
1st Post	TRACK	1st Post	TRACK
11:25 AM	Laurel Park	11:25 AM	Laurel Park
11:30 AM	Delaware Park	11:35 AM	Belmont @ The Big A
11:35 PM	Belmont @ The Big A	11:45 AM	Churchill Downs
11:45 AM	Churchill Downs	11:50 AM	Monmouth Park
11:50 AM	Monmouth Park	12:10 PM	Gulfstream Park
12:10 PM	Gulfstream Park	12:10 PM	Woodbine
12:10 PM	Woodbine	1:00 PM	Canterbury Park
12:25 PM	Belterra	2:10 PM	Hawthorne
2:10 PM	Hawthorne	2:30 PM	Los Alamitos
2:30 PM	Los Alamitos	3:30 PM	Emerald Downs
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