



NOMINATION & ACCEPTANCE PROCESS FOR MEETINGS CONDUCTED FROM 1 SEPTEMBER 2014

- Trainers **must** declare Concession Driver Claims when nominating, no Concession Driver Claims will be accepted after the close of nominations.
- HRNSW would prefer that when trainers wish to leave preferences they utilise the Comment Section in HarnessWeb.
- Nominations are to close at 9:30am for all meetings.
- To allow the Handicapping Panel to check eligibility without disruption, from 9:30am to 12:30pm no calls will be accepted by the Handicapping Panel to discuss the makeup of race fields.
- Eligibility for all races would be checked.
- Concession Drivers and Mares Concessions will be considered when drawing up fields.

For example:

A C3 mare with a concession driver would be treated as a C1.

- Handicappers will draw up the Divided Stakes Fields inclusive of the race conditions and the Barrier Draw type (they will not perform the Barrier Draw until after acceptances)
- There will be a 1 hour window to view fields between 12:30pm and 1:30pm.
- If there is a delay in assembling the fields the Handicapping Panel will send a SMS to all trainers notifying them of the delay and the expected viewing time.
- For the months of September, October and November connections will have the option to scratch their horses without penalty if they feel the race field they have been placed in does not suit.

RACE FIELD SELECTION PROCESS

Divided Stakes – All Meetings (based on nominations received)

- The Handicapping Panel will group horses together based on their current form.
- Preference in the first instance will be given to grouping fillies and mares together in their own race.

NSWHRC Metro Meetings, NSWHRC Career Penalty and Primary Meetings

- Horses deemed to have superior current form will be grouped together and will race for the highest prizemoney threshold.
- Horses deemed to have average-above average current form will be grouped together and will race for the middle prizemoney threshold.
- Horses deemed to have below average-average current form will be grouped together and will race for the lowest prizemoney threshold.

Secondary Meetings

- Horses deemed to have below average current form will be grouped together and will race for the lowest prizemoney threshold.
- Horses deemed to have below average - average current form will be grouped together and will race for the middle prizemoney threshold.
- Horses deemed to have average-above average current form will be grouped together and will race for the highest prizemoney threshold.
- Horses deemed to have superior form may be excluded from selection.