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Harness Racing NSW
Harness Racing Victoria
Club Menangle

Morning

Being that of a Regional Final and within our Race Conditions for this final, we do have the availability for the winners from Queensland and Western Australia's 3YO Final's to nominate as per our race conditions attached to their race series.

Please find below the qualification conditions in relation to the 3YO Gold Bullion Final coming up at Melton in the coming weeks, along with an in-depth example of how the fields should be filled for these finals.

QUALIFICATION FOR 2024 APG 3YO GOLD BULLION FINALS

8.1 The WINNERS of the WA and QLD REGION Finals automatically qualify for the NSW/VIC REGION Final subject to:
(a) connections of the winning QLD or WA REGION Finals notifying APG of their intention to contest the NSW/VIC REGION Finals within 72 hours of winning their QLD or WA REGION Final.

QUEENSLAND COLT AND FILLY BOTH NOTIFIED THEIR INTENTIONS OF RUNNING IN THE FINAL - SADLY NO WA ENTRIES, as they have now missed the notification period and were also contacted by APG, therefor now ineligible.

THEREFORE: NINE SPOTS TO BE FILLED via NSW/Vic heats.

The first eight (8) in each Final will go to the four (4) highest placed finishers from the NSW heats and the four (4) highest placed finishers from the VIC heats.

The remaining spots [incl. emergencies] will alternate between the next highest ranked NSW heat runner and the next highest ranked VIC heat runner, **with first preference in field selection** going to the horse from whichever STATE had the greater number of heat runners in the relevant division.

BASED ON THE ABOVE, IF ALL NINE RUNNERS CONTEST BOTH THE COLTS AND FILLIES HEATS IN NSW, FIVE runners will qualify from NSW in both Colts and Fillies, with 1st emergency in both being the next highest placed Victorian. 2nd emergency then goes to NSW, or if that runner does not wish to accept that spot, 2nd emergency goes to Victoria.

If the number of heat runners is identical [i.e. a heat runner is scratched in NSW], preference will be decided by random ballot to be conducted by HRV, after which the 'alternation' will take place.

I thank you in advance and look forward to a great final series for the 3YO APG Gold Bullion Final for 2024.
If you have any questions, please do contact me on the number below.

Regards
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