

BC BRED 3-YEAR-OLD BREEDERS CLASSIC STAKE

(Standardbred Foals of 2023)

Sponsor: Harness Racing British Columbia (HRBC)

For: Standardbred foals of 2023 defined as horse foaled in BC, out of a mare owned or leased by a BC resident at the time of foaling. (Foals from January 1, 2023, and December 31, 2023, inclusive).

To Be Raced As: Three-year-old pacing fillies, colts and geldings in 2026.

To Be Raced At: Desert Park Raceway, Osoyoos, BC

Eligibility: Foals of 2023 must be registered with Standardbred Canada or the United States Trotting Association.

Any foal registered with the USTA that does not meet the registry requirements set out by Standardbred Canada will not be eligible for Entry in the BC Bred Stakes.

Starting Fee: Horses must be entered by 9:00 a.m. on entry day. A one-time starting fee of \$500 per horse is payable to HRBC by 3:00 p.m. on entry day for the first leg.

The deadline applies to every horse, whether or not it is entered in the first leg.

Any dishonoured payment will result in immediate disqualification.

Racing Conditions:

All races to be raced a distance of one mile. BC Rules of Standardbred Racing shall govern.

The Stake will be raced as a series of two elimination legs and one Final. All horses must be entered to race. All horses must race at least one of the two legs to enter the Final. If divisions are required, entries will be split first by Owner, then by Trainer where possible. In each elimination leg and division, points will be awarded and the eight (8) horses with the most points will be eligible to start in the Final.

Five or more starters, the purse distribution for each race will be 50%, 25%, 12%, 8%, and 5% in Canadian funds. If less than five (5) horses declared to start in the Final, purse distribution will be as follows: Four starters: Winner 50%, Second 25%, Third 15%, Fourth 10%; Three Starters: Winner 55%, Second 30%, Third 15%; Two Starters: Winner 65%,

Second 35%; One Starter: Winner 100%. In the event of a discrepancy regarding the number of starters, the level of money will revert to the ruling of the Point System.

If an elimination to a stake race has less than 5 finishers, due to interference or accident, the non-offending parties will receive the purse money and points for the position(s) not completed. Any remaining purse money will be returned to the purse pool.

If a Final to the stake race has less than 5 finishers, any unclaimed funds will go to the winner instead of returning to the purse pool.

Point System:

Points: 1st-50 points, 2nd-25 points, 3rd-12 points, 4th-8 points, 5th-5 points. If there are less than 5 starters, points are awarded the same way.

A horse disqualified for any reason will forfeit points, which will be reassigned to horses that would have finished in the correct order.

In the event of a Dead Heat, points will be shared between the horses involved. The top 8-point winners will enter the Final.

In the event of a tie in points, entry will be drawn by lot. Also Eligible will be drawn from 9th highest point winners, or non-point winners, also drawn by lot if tied in points. The Also Eligible cannot be moved into a race after advanced betting commenced.

Maximum field size and trailer positions shall be governed by the current track configuration and overnight race conditions in effect at the host track.

All questions regarding eligibility will be determined by the judges. A Retention Barn may be required and /or implemented.

With the approval of the Judges, HRBC may make changes to the terms, conditions, and purse structure of the BC Bred Stakes. All purses are subject to industry funding.

Payment of Starting Fee to HRBC in the form of E-Transfer by email to Diane Pennington (d.pennington@harnessracingbc.com) or Credit Card payable to HRBC.