

**THE CARL ERSKINE  
For 3-Year-Old Trotters in 2018  
Early Closing Event – Open to the World  
\$200,000 Estimated**

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**Owned By:**

Hoosier Park

**Serviced By:**

The Hambletonian Society, Inc.

**For:**

Foals of 2015 (Subject to USTA Rule 26, section 24 (b).

Nominated horses 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 2015. 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 2015 will be eligible for nomination. The Owner(s) of the nominated horse agree to indemnify and hold the Society and the Sponsors harmless from any and all claims, suits or damages, including attorney's fees, arising out of or related in any way to such certification.

**To Be Raced As:**

The Carl Erskine for 3-year-old trotters

**To Be Raced At:**

Hoosier Park, Anderson, Indiana. Definite date will be published in the USTA Stakes Guide in the year of the race. If for any reason it becomes impractical or undesirable, in the opinion of the Sponsors, to hold this race at the Host Track designated the Sponsors reserve the right to change the date and the location of the races.

**Cancellation:**

The Sponsors further reserve the right to cancel the race if for reasons beyond their control it becomes impractical or undesirable in the opinion of the Sponsors to conduct said race. If an event is not raced due to circumstances beyond their control, the Sponsors' responsibility and liability will be limited to refunding without interest nomination, sustaining and Entrance Fees collected toward canceled event that have not been disbursed at the time of cancellation. These monies will be prorated among the owners of the horses eligible as of the time of cancellation.

**Added Money:**

The Sponsors will add \$25,000 minimum to the race.

**Payments: (U.S. Funds only)**

February 15, 2018 – 1st payment (nominating).....	\$500
March 15, 2018 – 2nd payment (sustaining) .....	\$1000
April 15, 2018 – 3rd payment (sustaining).....	\$1000
Entrance Fee.....	\$2000

**Declaration:**

Entrance fee shall be due with declaration to start at the track where the race is being held at the time and date posted on the Condition Sheet.

Entrance Fee shall be due at time of declaration and payable not later than one hour prior to post time of the race to be contested. All Entrance Fees shall be made payable to the Hambletonian Society, Inc.

**Supplemental Nominations and Declarations:**

Horses may supplement by paying \$20,000 at time of entry. If a horse is supplemented and is not in the top ten (10) money earners, the supplement fee will be returned.

**Payment Distribution:**

All payments will be credited to the specific race.

**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, Inc. will construe payment to require that cash or check duly honored upon presentation be received at the time specified in USTA Rule 12.02.

**Waiver:**

As a condition of participation in The Carl Erskine, the Owner(s) of the nominated horse(s) hereby grants to the Sponsor, its representatives, successors, and assigns the absolute right to copyright and publish, use or reuse still and motion photographic 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 Sponsor herein, to hold Sponsor harmless from any and all liability and damages, and to indemnify the Sponsor from same should any such owner(s), driver(s), trainer(s), employee(s), officer(s) and agent(s) challenge Sponsor's rights herein as set forth above.

**Racing Conditions:**

One dash at one mile. The final will be limited to the ten (10) highest lifetime money earners amongst those that enter as of the published declaration date and time. The next ten (10) highest lifetime money earners that enter, will be eligible to the consolation (\$20,000 est). There will be two (2) "also eligibles" drawn for the finals. Those designated as "also eligibles" in the finals will be drawn into the consolation, but may be eligible to be drawn into the final at scratch time. Horses may not opt out of their proper races to enter the next level down. If a horse entered fails to be amongst the top ten (10) lifetime money earners and the consolation doesn't fill, all payments will be refunded to the owner of the horse at time of declaration, provided, however, the horse meets the current qualifying standards at Hoosier Park. If a horse entered fails to be amongst the top twenty (20) lifetime money earners, all payments will be refunded to the owner of the horse at time of declaration, provided, however, the horse meets the current qualifying standards at Hoosier Park. A minimum of eight (8) entries are required for a consolation to be contested.

Per Indiana Race Commission Rules - The 30-day rule is in effect (race date to race date) in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Indiana Horse Racing Commission.

The Host Track reserves the right to reject and return the entry fee. Stable entries will be seeded by lot whenever possible. All starters are subject to the detention policy of the Host Track.

**Money Division:**

Purses for race will be divided 50-25-12-8-5%.

**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.

**Disputes:**

In the case of any dispute as to the interpretation of these conditions, the decision of the Sponsors shall be final. All fees and payments in any race are accepted on the condition that all claims, objections and appeals arising out of these races or with respect to any interpretation of any rules or conditions of the races, or otherwise shall be decided by the Sponsors.

**Rules:**

Unless otherwise specified and except as may be affected by the rules of the state or provincial racing Commission or Board, USTA rules not in conflict with these conditions to govern, as well as the track rules & regulations of the Host Track. The rules shall be those in effect at the time of race.

**Nomination and Sustaining Checks Payable To and Mail To:**

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Cranbury, NJ 08512-3176