OFFICIAL RULES: 2016 SANTA ANITA GOLD CUP CHALLENGE

SATURDAY, JUNE 25 - SUNDAY, JUNE 26

MUST BE AN NHC TOUR MEMBER TO PARTICIPATE IN THE TOURNAMENT (SEE #13)

1. Player’s Bankroll:

This is a “real money” handicapping tournament with a $3,000 live money-wagering card a $1,500 entry fee which is allocated 100% to prizes. (Total cost to enter =$4,500 per entry). At the conclusion of the contest, any dollar amount remaining on the wagering card remains the property of the player.

2. To Enter:

To enter the contest send a check payable to Los Angeles Turf Club for $4,500 per entry. There is a maximum of two original entries per person.

Checks should be sent to:

Santa Anita Park
Attn: Nate Newby
285 West Huntington Dr.
Arcadia, CA 91007

No personal checks will be accepted after Monday, June 20. Only cash entries will be accepted during the week of the tournament.

3. Format:

Tournament races will include all live races from Santa Anita Park on Saturday, June 25 and Sunday, June 26.

Permitted wagers will include Win, Place, Show, Exacta and Daily Double Wagers. (No Trifecta, Superfecta, Super High 5, Pick 3, Pick 4, Pick 5 or Pick 6 wagers will be permitted in the contest).

Each entry must wager at least $250 per race on a minimum of four races on Saturday. REVISED WAGERING RULES FOR SUNDAY: Players must wager at least $1,000 but may do so on one race or a combination of multiple races. This is a revised rule as field size on Sunday is less than expected and we want to give players more flexibility.

The combined wagering for both days of the contest must be $3,000 or greater.
There are no maximums – players may wager as much as they want, including winnings from their bankroll, whenever they wish. Players may wager less than $250 on a race if they choose but it does not count toward their minimum 4 races at $250 or greater on Saturday.

For Daily Doubles, the wager amount will count to the first leg of the wager. For example, if you place a double wager on race 3 (connecting races 3-4), the total wager amount will count towards your race 3 betting total.

Should a player fail to bet the required minimum number of races (4) at the minimum wager amount required ($250) on Saturday, 3,000 points may be deducted from the player’s total score per missed race. If a player fails to wager their entire $3,000 bankroll over the two contest days, they may be disqualified from the contest and will not be eligible to win prizes. Any situation involving a late scratch where it is deemed the players were not given sufficient time adjust their betting will be handled on a case by case basis by Santa Anita contest officials.

The players with the top bankrolls after the last race on Sunday, June 26 will be declared the winners. It is the player’s responsibility to meet the wagering requirements listed above. Santa Anita Park contest officials will make the decision on disqualification or point deductions from the contest in the event of a rule violation and all decisions are final. The remaining bankroll on the player’s wagering card remains the property of the player however their entry fee will not be refunded.
4. Prizes

The final prize distribution will be announced after entries close on Saturday, June 25. Based on 90 entries, the top five finishers at the end of two days play will each receive entry into the 2017 DRF/NTRA Handicapping Championship in Las Vegas, courtesy of Santa Anita Park. Hotel rooms and airfare to Las Vegas are included. If for any reason one of the top five finishers cannot attend or has already qualified for the National Handicapping Championship, the next highest placing qualifier will receive the entry. Depending on a particular situation, L.A.T.C. (in cooperation with the NTRA) may assign an alternate qualifier.

In the event a participant that is already dual qualified for the NHC (as of Sunday, June 26) finishes in a position that receives an NHC spot as a prize, that player will receive a $5,000 cash prize AND the NHC spot will be awarded to the next highest eligible finishing position.

The top three finishers of the tournament will also receive a paid entry ($10,000 buy-in) to the 2016 Breeders’ Cup Betting Challenge (based on 90 entries).

Cash prizes in addition to the items listed above will be:

**CASH PRIZES BASED ON 90 ENTRIES**

- 1st Place: $50,000
- 2nd Place: $20,000
- 3rd Place: $10,000
- 4th Place: $5,000

**Day 1 Leader Prize:** Paid entry into the Santa Anita Autumn Handicapping Championship on October 8-9 ($4,500 value plus 2 night hotel accommodations).

**Highest Total Wagers Bonus:** The player who wagers the most on a single contest entry over the two day contest will receive a paid entry into the Santa Anita Autumn Handicapping Championship on October 8-9 ($4,500 value plus 2 night hotel accommodations).

**NEW ADDITION** – The winner of the Santa Anita Gold Cup Challenge winner will be eligible for a $1,000,000 bonus should they go on to win the Breeders’ Cup Betting Challenge at Santa Anita on November 4-5, 2016. The winner will have their choice of a $1,000,000 annuity or lump sum cash payment of $575,000.
5. Player Cards

Each participant will be issued a player card used for all wagers. This card contains the “real money” bankroll of $3,000. If a player loses his/her card or the card is not working, the player should immediately report to the Eddie Logan Suite or contact a contest official to receive a new card. Santa Anita Park/Los Angeles Turf Club is not responsible for any races missed due to a malfunctioning or lost card.

6. Placing Wagers:

All wagers must be placed through self-service machines. Wagers will not be accepted through mutuel tellers. Players must place all wagers personally. No person shall directly or indirectly act as an intermediary, transmitter, or agent in placing wagers for the player, unless authorized by L.A.T.C. tournament officials. All official track rulings will apply to wagers placed in the Tournament except as otherwise stipulated. The tournament will be based on official’s placement and mutuels at Santa Anita. If a player wagers on a track other than Santa Anita Park for purposes of the contest, the player may be disqualified and any winnings will not count for contest standings.

7. Advance Wagering:

Advance wagering will not be permitted unless prior approval has been obtained by a tournament official. Wagers for each race must be placed after the race prior has been declared official. This rule is designed to maintain an accurate leader-board. If a player needs to advance wager for any reason, please contact a tournament official. The tournament official will decide if an advance wager will affect the integrity of the leader-board. All decisions are final and penalties for violating this rule will be at the sole discretion of tournament officials.

8. Cashing Out the Balance of the Player Wagering Card:

Players will not be able to cash out their wagering card until after the final live Santa Anita race on Sunday, June 26 becomes official. Should the player cash out his/her card before the last live Santa Anita Race is official, that player’s entry can be disqualified from any prizes.

9. IRS Withholding:

On winning wagers that result in a payoff at odds of 300 to 1 or greater AND pay
over $5,000, IRS withholding will automatically be deducted from the player's card. Whereas, for contest scoring purposes, the gross amount of the winning wager will be recorded in the player's score. Please note for purposes of wagering in the contest, only the net amount (the amount received after the IRS withholding) will be available to the player.

10. Scratches

If a horse is scratched after a wager is placed, it is the player's responsibility to change his/her selection prior to the race subject to all other contest and pari-mutuel wagering rules.

11. Ties

In a result of a tie between any of the top five finishing positions, the player with the highest total wagers will be declared the winner for $1 million bonus, NHC and Breeders' Cup Betting Challenge qualifying purposes. For example, if two players tie for 5th place and player #1 has wagered a total $3,000 ending with a bankroll of $5,300 and player #2 has wagered a total $3,500 finishing with a bankroll of $5,300 (based on wagering his winnings as well as original bankroll), Player #2 will receive the NHC qualifying spot. If both players wagered the same amount and finished with the same final bankroll, the player with the highest single race profit will be awarded the qualifying spot. In the event both players wagered the same amount, finished with the same bankroll, and tied with the largest single race profit, the qualifying spots will be decided by whoever registered for the contest first.

12. Contest Standings:

Current standings will be posted after every race or as soon as the information is available. Standing will appear on a dedicated in-house TV channel. Please inquire at the registration desk for channel number.

13. NHC Tour Membership Required to Participate:

As required by the NTRA rules: All tournament participants must be members of the NHC Tour before the contest begins in order to participate in the NHC in Las Vegas. Tourney participants may register for the NHC Tour at www.NTRA.com/content/nhctour. The cost is a one-time fee of $50. NHC Tour members must be at least 21 years of age to participate in the NHC in Las Vegas.
14. INELIGIBILITY / DISCLOSURE:

The following are ineligible to participate in this contest: Santa Anita Park contest officials, Breeders' Cup Betting Challenge Contest officials and NHC Contest Officials.

If anyone has any ownership interest in any horses running in any of the applicable tournament races then all involvements must be fully disclosed to Santa Anita tournament officials prior to the start of the tournament.

15. TAXES:

Liability for any and all federal, state, and local taxes is solely the responsibility of prize winners.

16. AFFIDAVITS:

Affidavits confirming compliance of all the rules of this contest will be required of all participants. The grand prize winner acknowledges that if they enter this contest under a fraudulent name and/or Social Security number, they will be immediately disqualified from this and all future contests held by Los Angeles Turf Club, Inc. Positive identification is required of all prizewinners. Positive identification is a valid California Driver's License with a picture and the same address and birth date used on the entry forms, and/or such other form of identification as deemed adequate by contest officials. Social Security information is also the responsibility of the player. Social Security information must be provided before the players are given their bankroll cards.
17. JUDGING AND DISPUTES:

The management of The Los Angeles Turf Club, Inc. reserves the right to interpret all questions and conditions in regard to this event, without claim for damages or recourse of any kind. The management of The Los Angeles Turf Club, Inc. with those decisions to be final will decide all questions and definitions not covered explicitly in these rules.

If for any reason there is a cancellation in racing on Saturday, June 25 or Sunday, June 26, the contest will be based on the races completed during the two day event. Santa Anita contest officials will make an announcement and all decisions are final.

Anyone found to have engaged in or attempted to engage in any act that Tournament officials believe in their sole and absolute discretion compromises or could compromise the competitive integrity of this contest will be subject to sanctions imposed by Santa Anita Park management. The nature and extent of the sanctions imposed shall be in the sole and absolute discretion of Santa Anita Park management and may include, but shall not be limited to, the following:

- Forfeiture of prize money
- Disqualification from the contest
- Loss of privilege to participate in future Santa Anita Handicapping Contests