

# Conditions of Entry

## 2023 LADBROKES COX PLATE (GROUP 1)

2040 Metres

MOONEE VALLEY RACING CLUB

SATURDAY 28 OCTOBER, 2023

The Australasian Weight-for-Age Championship

“The Race Where Legends Are Made”

## STANDARD WEIGHT-FOR-AGE CONDITIONS

The Valley Racecourse, Melbourne, Australia

3YO & up – 103rd of Series

No allowances for apprentices

## PRIZEMONEY

Of \$5,000,000 and \$50,000 trophies

**First** \$3,000,000 and trophies of \$35,000, \$4800, \$4800, \$4800 & \$600 to owner, trainer, jockey, breeder and strapper

**Second** \$750,000,

**Third** \$375,000,

**Fourth** \$250,000,

**Fifth** \$200,000,

**Sixth** \$100,000,

**Seventh** \$100,000,

**Eighth** \$75,000,

**Ninth** \$75,000,

**Tenth** \$75,000

## NOMINATIONS (ENTRIES)

Fee \$1,100

Nominations close at 12 Noon on Tuesday 8 August 2023

**LATE NOMINATIONS**

Fee \$5,500

Any horse not previously nominated may be nominated before 12 Noon on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September, 2023

(NOTING LATE NOMINATIONS WILL NOT PAY A FIRST ACCEPTANCE FEE)

Overseas nominations may be lodged via International Racing Bureau (IRB), United Kingdom; France Galop, France; Hong Kong Jockey Club (HKJC), Hong Kong; Japan Association for International Racing (JAIR) or Japan Racing Association (JRA), Tokyo, Japan, Singapore Turf Club (STC), Singapore and New Zealand Thoroughbred Racing (NZTR), New Zealand. (NB. The MVRC will reimburse scanning costs for Overseas Nominations consistent with travel subsidy provisions)

**FIRST ACCEPTANCE**

12 Noon Tuesday 12 September, 2023 Fee \$2,200

**SECOND ACCEPTANCE**

12 Noon Tuesday 26 September, 2023 Fee \$4,400

**THIRD ACCEPTANCE**

12 Noon Tuesday 10 October, 2023 Fee \$6,600

**FINAL LATE NOMINATION**

12 Noon Monday 23 October, 2023 Fee \$200,000

Any horse which has not previously been nominated or for which nomination or acceptance has lapsed, may be entered before 12 Noon on Monday, 23 October, 2023.

This fee includes the final acceptance fee (\$54,450) and can only be lodged in Australia.

**FINAL LATE NOMINATION (3YO ENTRY ONLY)**

12 Noon Monday 23 October, 2023 Fee \$100,000

Any 3YO horse which has not previously been nominated or for which nomination or acceptance has lapsed, may be entered before 12 Noon on Monday, 23 October, 2023.

This fee includes the final acceptance fee (\$54,450) and can only be lodged in Australia.

### **FINAL ACCEPTANCE**

8.30am Tuesday 24 October, 2023 Fee \$54,450

### **RIDER NOTIFICATION**

11.30am Tuesday 24 October, 2023

NB: Any horse for which acceptance has not been received at closing time will be automatically withdrawn.

### **BENCHMARK WEIGHTS**

3YO C & G 49.5kg 3YO FILLY 47.5kg

Northern Hemisphere 3YO H & G 56.5kg 3YO MARE 54.5kg (4YO Australian time)

4YO H & G 57.5kg 4YO MARE 55.5kg

5YO+ H & G 59.0kg 5YO+ MARE 57.0kg

### **RACE CONDITIONS**

"The field" (maximum 14 with provision for 4 emergencies) will be determined by the MVRC Committee at final acceptance time with consideration being given to:

- International Ratings (International Federation of Horse Racing Authorities) and
- ACC Ratings, plus Interim Ratings (produced by Racing Victoria Chief Handicapper David Hegan)

Emergency acceptors will not be allocated a barrier at the time of the barrier draw for the 2023 Cox Plate. Should an emergency acceptor obtain a start in the 2023 Cox Plate they will be assigned the barrier of the horse whose position in the field they are taking.

### **SPECIAL EXEMPTION**

The winner of the 2023 Feehan Stakes (9 September 2023) shall not be eliminated from the 2023 Ladbrokes Cox Plate.

The winner of the 2022 Japan Cup (27 November 2022) shall not be eliminated from the 2023 Ladbrokes Cox Plate.

The winner of the 2023 Takarazuka Kinen (25 June 2023) shall not be eliminated from the 2023 Ladbrokes Cox Plate.

The winner of the 2023 Saratoga Derby Invitational (5 August 2023) shall not be eliminated from the 2023 Ladbrokes Cox Plate.

Please note that the 2023 Ladbrokes Cox Plate winner is eligible for a bonus (in addition to prizemoney) if it competes in the 2023 Japan Cup:

1st Place - \$4,473,639

2nd Place - \$1,789,455

3rd Place - \$1,118,409

4<sup>th</sup> Place or Below - \$298,242

#### **COMMITTEE DISCRETION**

The Committee of the Moonee Valley Racing Club may in its absolute and unfettered discretion:

1. Exclude any horse or horses from the 2023 Ladbrokes Cox Plate (subject to exempt races) irrespective of whether or not the field limit of 14 horses and 4 emergencies (“the field”) as at final acceptance time shall be reached;
2. Exempt any horse or horses;
3. Select the field to compete in the 2023 Ladbrokes Cox Plate with the assistance of an advisory panel including the Racing Victoria Chief Handicapper and in so doing have regard to but not be bound by the race conditions set out above.