# 1. Kevin & Kay Seymour Evolution Series

#### 1.1 ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- a) The Kevin & Kay Seymour Evolution Series is restricted to horses whose owners have paid:
  - i. optional foal nomination series fee;
  - ii. the compulsory foal registration fee and the 2YO/3YO series fee, or;
  - iii. the compulsory foal registration fee and the 3YO annual sustaining fee

#### 1.2 ACCEPTANCE

a) Closing dates for nomination and acceptance in Kevin & Kay Seymour Evolution Series are the same as normal nomination and acceptance dates for meetings programmed by conducting clubs. Nomination and acceptance dates and times are published in the HRNSW Official Notices Booklet.

#### 1.3 ACCEPTANCE FEES

a) There are no acceptance fees applicable to Kevin & Kay Seymour Evolution Series.

#### 1.4 RIGHT TO COMPETE

a) All horses conforming to the provisions of Condition 1 in the NSW Breeders Challenge Pacers Terms & Conditions (Eligibility) and Condition 2 in the NSW Breeders Challenge Pacers Terms & Conditions (Sustaining Fees) have the right to nominate for Kevin & Kay Seymour Evolution Series events of the appropriate sex categories.

## 1.5 THE EVOLUTION SERIES

- a) The Kevin & Kay Seymour Evolution Series Heats are to be conducted each Region:
  - i. Metropolitan
  - ii. Hunter/North West
  - iii. South West Riverina
  - iv. Western Districts
- b) The Kevin & Kay Seymour Evolution Series Heats are valued at \$10,000.
  - i. The prizemoney will be comprised of:
    - 1) \$6,500 base prizemoney funding
    - 2) \$1,750 contribution from the conducting club
    - 3) \$1,750 contribution from the HRNSW Industry Fund
  - ii. Heats must have a minimum of six (6) Final acceptors, except with the approval of HRNSW.

- c) The Kevin & Kay Seymour Evolution Series Finals are valued at \$20,000.
  - i. The prizemoney will be provided by Club Menangle from their base prizemoney funding.
  - ii. Finals must have a minimum of eight (8) Final acceptors, except with the approval of HRNSW.
- d) The following Kevin & Kay Seymour Evolution Series' are to be conducted:

September Combined Sex Series
October Combined Sex Series
November Combined Sex Series
December Combined Sex Series

January Fillies Series and Colts & Geldings Series
February Fillies Series and Colts & Geldings Series
April Fillies Series and Colts & Geldings Series
August Fillies Series and Colts & Geldings Series

## 1.6 HANDICAPPING CONDITIONS

- a) All races in the Series are to be conducted at the distance which is closest to 1609 metres.
- b) The maximum field size for each race in the Series shall be dependent on the maximum field size allowable at the track where the event is conducted.
- c) The Barrier Draw for all Kevin & Kay Seymour Evolution Series events will be:
  - i. Preferential Barrier Draw based on National Rating Points and then Sex for combined sex events (PBD/NR/SEX)
  - ii. Preferential Barrier Draw based on National Rating Points (PBD/NR) for single sex events.
- d) Eligibility for all Kevin & Kay Seymour Evolution Series is determined at acceptance time.

## 1.7 KEVIN & KAY SEYMOUR EVOLUTION SERIES SELECTION CRITERIA

- a) Kevin & Kay Seymour Evolution Series:
  - i. Kevin & Kay Seymour Evolution Series are open to NSW Breeders Challenge eligible horses that have had no more than one (1) win in their 3YO season in races valued at \$5,000 or more, however:
    - 1. Horses that have won \$40,000 or more in their lifetime are ineligible to compete.
    - 2. Horses that win two (2) Heats (excluding dead-heats) are ineligible to contest further Series'
    - 3. Horses that win one (1) Final are ineligible to contest further Series'.

- ii. Race field selection and the number of races to be conducted at the Regional Heats (Provincial, Hunter/North West, Western Districts and South West & Riverina) is to be based on the following conditions:
  - 1. Horses trained in the host Region are to be selected first in line with Clause 3 of the HRNSW Race Field Selection Policy.
    - a. A horses Region is determined by its stable return 28 days prior to acceptance time.
    - b. A horse trained interstate will qualify as a host Region entrant at the track located closest to the trainers' stable address.
  - If there are less than a full field of Final acceptors trained in the host Region any other NSW Breeders Challenge eligible horse is to be selected in line with Clause 3 of the HRNSW Race Field Selection Policy.
- iii. Finals will be selected according to the HRNSW Heats & Final Conditions, unless:
  - 1. If there are less than two (2) Heats conducted in a Series then fresh nominations will be called for the Final and all horses must re-nominate, then:
    - a. Horses that accepted for a Heat are to gain preference in race field selection.
    - Horses are to be selected in line with Clause 3 of the HRNSW Race Field Selection Policy.

## 1.9 PRIZEMONEY DISTRIBUTION

a) Prizemoney is to be distributed according to the table below:

Placing	Total	Owner	Foal Nominator	Stallion Nominator	Trainer	Driver
1 <sup>st</sup>	60%	80%	5%	5%	5%	5%
2 <sup>nd</sup>	15%	80%	5%	5%	5%	5%
3 <sup>rd</sup>	10%	80%	5%	5%	5%	5%
4 <sup>th</sup>	6%	80%	5%	5%	5%	5%
5 <sup>th</sup>	4%	80%	5%	5%	5%	5%
6 <sup>th</sup> to 12 <sup>th</sup>	1%	80%	5%	5%	5%	5%

- b) HRNSW will determine each year the prizemoney for the next racing season. In the 2018/19 racing season, prizemoney has been set at \$10,000 per Heat and \$20,000 per Final.
- c) HRNSW makes no representation that the level of prizemoney for any one season will continue for the Kevin & Kay Seymour Evolution Series in later seasons.

## 1.10 ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS

a) HRNSW has the right, in its absolute discretion, to impose additional conditions and restrictions for the Kevin & Kay Seymour Evolution Series and to alter, vary, divide or cancel any event(s) and/or conditions in the Kevin & Kay Seymour Evolution Series programme.

- b) HRNSW may, at any time, terminate the Kevin & Kay Seymour Evolution Series.
- c) HRNSW will endeavour to notify industry participants of any discontinuation by 30 June prior to the next breeding season.

## 1.11 DISPUTES

a) Any matter that is in dispute regarding the Kevin & Kay Seymour Evolution Series (including, but not limited to, the application and interpretation of the terms and conditions or any matter not covered by the terms and conditions) will be determined solely by HRNSW.

## 1.12 INTERPRETATION

- a) Reference to a date which falls on a weekend or NSW public holiday will mean the next following business day.
- b) Fees are exempt of GST.
- c) GST will be added to the prizemoney value for owners registered for GST who have submitted the appropriate details and declarations required by HRNSW.
- d) Payment of applicable fees will signify acceptance of these terms and conditions in connection with the relevant foal, weanling or stallion.