

VICTORIA RACING CLUB

presents the

EMIRATES MELBOURNE CUP

(sponsored by Emirates)

(Group 1)

(150th of Series)

3200 Metres

THE RACE THAT STOPS A NATION

TUESDAY 2 NOVEMBER 2010

At FLEMINGTON RACECOURSE, MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA

Handicap of **\$6,000,000 & \$175,000** trophies. First \$3,600,000 and trophies valued at \$150,000, \$10,000, \$10,000, \$2,500 & \$2,500 to owner, trainer, rider, strapper (Tommy Woodcock Trophy) and breeder respectively; Second \$900,000; Third \$450,000; Fourth \$250,000; Fifth \$175,000; Sixth \$125,000; Seventh \$125,000; Eighth \$125,000; Ninth \$125,000 & Tenth \$125,000.

ENTRIES

Entries close at 12 NOON (Melbourne Time) on TUESDAY 3 AUGUST 2010 at RISA Trainers Service Centre, 400 Epsom Road, Flemington 3031 – Fee: \$660.

Overseas Entries may be lodged at the offices of IRB, Newmarket, England; GIE Galop, France; STC, Singapore; HKJC, Hong Kong; JAIR, Tokyo, Japan; & TRNZ, Wellington, New Zealand.

LATE ENTRY

Any horse not previously entered may be nominated before 12 NOON (Melbourne Time) on TUESDAY 10 AUGUST 2010. Fee - \$3,300.

HANDICAPS

Handicaps will be declared not later than WEDNESDAY 1 SEPTEMBER 2010.

BENCHMARK WEIGHTS:

3YO C&G 50.0kg; 3YO Filly 48.5kg
4YO E&G 58.0kg; 4YO Mare 56.5kg
5YO+ E&G 59.5kg 5YO+ Mare 58.0kg

MINIMUM HANDICAP WEIGHT:

3YO – 49.0kg
4YO&Up – 50.0kg.

For the purpose of any ballot on this race:

Each horse handicapped above the advertised minimum weight (for its age group) shall be appended with a weight figure that is below, equal to, or above the benchmark weight for that horse, as the case may be.

Each horse handicapped on the minimum weight (for its age group) shall be appended with a weight figure that is not more than 9.5kg below the benchmark weight for that horse, and is not less than or equal to the appended weight figure for a horse of the same age and gender handicapped above the advertised minimum weight (for its age group).

Such appended weight figure below, equal to, or above a horse's benchmark weight shall not affect the weight to be carried in the race by any horse.

MAXIMUM WEIGHT

There is no maximum weight for this race.

MINIMUM TOP WEIGHT

AR 103 (1) provides that the top weight in any Group 1 handicap in Australia must not be less than 57kg when weights are released.

AR 103 (2) provides that if at the final declaration of acceptance for a Group 1 handicap in Australia the highest weight to be carried (including any extra weight by way of re-handicap or penalty) is less than 57kg, then the highest weight must be increased to 57kg and all other weights must be increased by the same amount.

WEIGHT ALLOWANCES

No allowances for Apprentices.

DECLARATIONS OF ACCEPTANCE

First, Second and Third Declarations must be forwarded by the nominator or agent to RISA Trainers Service Centre.

Final Declarations lodged on AAMI Victoria Derby Day may be effected in person by the nominator or agent at Flemington Racecourse, or through RISA Trainers Service Centre.

Overseas Clubs and Agents authorised to receive entries are also authorised to receive Declarations of First and Second Acceptance.

Declarations of Third and Final Acceptance cannot be lodged outside Australia.

Any horse for which any declaration has not been received at closing time will be automatically withdrawn.

FIRST DECLARATION

By 12 NOON (Melbourne Time) TUESDAY 7 SEPTEMBER – Fee: \$990

SECOND DECLARATION

By 12 NOON (Melbourne Time) TUESDAY 5 OCTOBER – Fee: \$1,540

THIRD DECLARATION

By 10.00 AM (Melbourne Time) MONDAY 25 OCTOBER - Fee: \$3,520

FINAL DECLARATION

By 5.00 PM (Melbourne Time) SATURDAY 30 OCTOBER – Fee: \$49,500

RIDER NOTIFICATION

By 7.00 PM (Melbourne Time) SATURDAY 30 OCTOBER

PENALTIES

The winner, after declaration of weights, of any:

- handicap flat race of the advertised value of \$60,000 or over to the winner, or
- internationally recognised Listed handicap, Group handicap or Graded handicap flat race, or
- flat race run over a distance of 2300 metres or further of the advertised value of \$60,000 or over to the winner, or
- internationally recognised Listed, Group or Graded flat race run over a distance of 2300 metres or further

is to carry such additional weight (if any) for each win as the Handicapper shall determine.

Provided that, *in lieu* of re-handicapping, should such winner be a horse on the minimum handicap weight (for its age group) the Handicapper may, at his discretion, instead amend the originally appended weight figure against the benchmark weight downwards, to a figure that is not less than or equal to the appended weight figure for a horse of the same age and gender handicapped above the advertised minimum weight (for its age group).

Any such amendments referred to above shall not affect the weight to be carried in the race.

In these circumstances, any extra weight to be imposed on any horse, or *in lieu* of re-handicapping, any amendment to the appended weight figure against the benchmark weight for a horse, shall be declared by the Handicapper not later than five (5) working days after such win.

BALLOTING CONDITIONS

(1) The Directors may in their absolute discretion exclude any horse or horses from the race, whether the safety limit of 24 horses at final acceptance time shall be reached or not, and if such exclusion occurs, and more than 24 final acceptors remain, balloting of surplus horses will continue in the normal manner to its conclusion.

The winner of the following, if any should be a nomination and a first, second, third and final acceptor for the 2010 Emirates Melbourne Cup, shall be exempt from any ballot on this race:

- 2010 VRC The Lexus Stakes
- 2010 VRC AAMI Victoria Derby
- 2010 VRC Mackinnon Stakes
- 2010 MVRC Cox Plate
- 2010 MRC Caulfield Cup
- 2010 Irish St Leger (IRE)
- 2010 Tenno Sho (Spring) (JPN)
- 2010 ARB Australian Stayers Challenge

(2) Subject always to the Directors' absolute discretion, as stated, remaining final acceptors in excess of the safety limit of 24 horses shall be eliminated in the following order, until the safety limit is reached:

Horses OTHER THAN those that:

- A) since 1 August 2008 inclusive have received \$60,000 or more for having won, or been placed 2nd, 3rd, 4th or 5th in any one race on the flat of 2300 metres or further, for which entry was not restricted by a maximum limitation on prizemoney or races won, or by Official Ratings; OR
- B) since 1 August 2008 inclusive have won, or been placed 2nd or 3rd in an internationally recognised Group or Graded flat race run over 2300 metres or further; OR
- C) since 1 August 2008 inclusive have won an internationally recognised Listed flat race run over 2300 metres or further, OR
- D) have been placed 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th or 8th in the 2010 MRC Caulfield Cup, OR
- E) have been placed 2nd or 3rd in the 2010 MVRC Cox Plate, OR
- F) have been placed 2nd or 3rd in the 2010 VRC Mackinnon Stakes, OR
- G) have won the 2010 VRC Turnbull Stakes

Should the number of such horses exceed the number of horses required to be eliminated from the race, then such elimination shall be effected by order of the lowest appended weight figure against the benchmark weight for individual horses, as the case may be.

Horses in this clause (2) with the same lowest appended weight figure against the benchmark weight for individual horses, as the case may be, shall be eliminated in order of lowest aggregate prizemoney received in flat races since 1 August 2008 inclusive. Horses equal in both of these respects shall be eliminated by lot.

(3) If, after Balloting Clause (2) has been exhausted, excess horses remain, then subject to the exercise of the Directors' discretion, elimination of such horses shall be effected by order of the lowest appended weight figure against the benchmark weight for individual horses, as the case may be.

Horses in this clause (3) with the same lowest appended weight figure against the benchmark weight for individual horses, as the case may be, shall be eliminated in order of lowest aggregate prizemoney received in flat races since 1 August 2008 inclusive. Horses equal in both of these respects shall be eliminated by lot.

SPECIAL NOTES

1. The Japan Racing Association (JRA) will officially invite the 2010 Emirates Melbourne Cup winner to the 2011 Tenno Sho (Spring), with JRA covering expenses for the invited horse, including round-trip air transportation and other ancillary expenses.
2. A horse that is a final acceptor for this race, and is subsequently balloted from it, is eligible for a \$100,000 bonus should it win the 2010 VRC Queen Elizabeth Stakes at Flemington on 6 November.

GENERAL CONDITIONS

1. In the event of a horse being eliminated under the balloting conditions, only the Final Acceptance fee (\$49,500) shall be refunded.
2. Entries for the above race will only be received on condition that the By-laws and conditions of the Victoria Racing Club, and the RVL Rules of Racing, now or hereafter in force, shall be binding in all respects.
3. The Board reserves the right to make from time to time any alteration or modification to the conditions governing this race, and also to alter the date and time for receiving entries, payments and declarations.
4. The Board reserves the right to reject at any time any entry submitted to it.
5. All currency amounts stated are Australian dollars; (\$AUD).
6. Reference to a race being "internationally recognised" means a race published by the International Cataloguing Standards Directors in Part 1 of the International Cataloguing Standards as receiving black-type (Group, Graded or Listed status) for the year such race was run.
7. Breeders' bonuses and/or other bonuses will not be taken into account when calculating prizemoney won for determining of penalties and/or balloting order.
8. Performances by horses in match races or private sweepstakes are not recognised under the conditions of this race. The definition of a "match race" or "private sweepstakes", in any particular instance, is at the absolute discretion of the Directors.
9. All entry and acceptance fees quoted are inclusive of Goods & Services Tax, (GST). All prizemoney and Starters' Rebates amounts quoted are exclusive of GST, and any required GST amount will be added by the Club to any sum of money payable to an entity registered for GST, as identified by its Australian Government approved Australian Business Number, (ABN).

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OTHER FEATURE RACES AT FLEMINGTON
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2 Oct 2010

\$500,000	Gr. 1	TURNBULL STAKES 2000m SW&P
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30 Oct 2010

\$300,000	Gr. 2	SEPPELT SALINGER STAKES 1200m HCP
\$1,500,000	Gr. 1	AAMI VICTORIA DERBY 2500m 3YO SW
\$250,000	Gr. 3	THE LEXUS STAKES 2500m Q.HCP
\$750,000	Gr. 1	MACKINNON STAKES 2000m WFA
\$500,000	Gr. 1	MYER CLASSIC 1600m F&M WFA
\$500,000	Gr. 1	COOLMORE STUD STAKES 1200m 3YO SW

4 Nov 2010

\$1,000,000	Gr. 1	CROWN OAKS 2500m 3YO F SW
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6 Nov 2010

\$1,000,000	Gr. 1	EMIRATES STAKES 1600m Q. HCP
\$500,000	Gr. 1	PATINACK FARM CLASSIC 1200m WFA (Leg of GLOBAL SPRINT CHALLENGE™)
\$250,000	Gr. 3	QUEEN ELIZABETH STAKES 2500m Q.HCP

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

FLEMINGTON RACECOURSE

Australia's International Racecourse, Flemington, is situated 6 kilometres west from the Melbourne CBD, by the Maribyrnong River. On raceday the course is accessible by car, tram, special race trains or rivercraft.

Flemington has been the venue for the running of the Melbourne Cup, since it was first run in 1861. With a capacity for up to 120,000 people, it is famous world-wide for its four-day Melbourne Cup Carnival. In 2010, this magnificent week of racing will comprise: AAMI Victoria Derby Day on Saturday 30 October; Emirates Melbourne Cup Day on Tuesday 2 November; Crown Oaks Day on Thursday 4 November, and Emirates Stakes Day on Saturday 6 November.

Flemington Facts:

Course Proper (fully grassed - anti-clockwise, fully re-constructed in 2007)

Circumference	2312 Metres
Length of Straight	450 Metres
Width of Straight	30 Metres
Run To First Turn (Cup)	888 Metres

FIELD LIMIT

Maximum of 24 Starters - No Emergencies

BALLOT HISTORY

2009	5 Ballots
2008	3 Ballots
2007	7 Ballots
2006	7 Ballots
2005	1 Ballot
2004	6 Ballots
2003	2 Ballots
2002	1 Ballot
2001	10 Ballots
2000	6 Ballots
1999	1 Ballot
1998	8 Ballots
1997	0 Ballots (22 Acceptors)
1996	8 Ballots
1995	0 Ballots (21 Acceptors)
1994	4 Ballots
1993	4 Ballots

BALLOT PLANS (ORDER OF ENTRY)

Progressive ballot order lists will be available on a regular basis from Friday 10 September 2010.

SCRATCHINGS

Betting on the 2010 Emirates Melbourne Cup will start in earnest soon after weights are released. To reduce the possibility of the public investing on horses that will not be starting, nominators are urged to officially withdraw a horse immediately after a decision is made not to run.

WEATHER

The average minimum overnight temperature is 10 C and average daytime temperature 21 C. The average rainfall at Flemington for the month of October is 60.3mm and November 54.8mm. Previous Bureau of Meteorology records suggest that there is approximately a 20% chance of receiving 2mm or less rain, and approximately a 5% chance of receiving 10mm or greater of rain in the first week of November.

GOODS & SERVICES TAX (GST)

Please take note of Clause (8) of the General Conditions for this race. A further explanation can be obtained by contacting the VRC General Manager Business & Finance, Craig Maltman. Tel +61-3-8378 0606.

PRIZEMONEY DISTRIBUTION

For horses earning prizemoney for being placed 1st – 10th inclusive, respective prizemonies payable shall be distributed as follows:

Owner - 85%; Trainer - 10%; Rider - 5%

PROTOCOL FOR OVERSEAS TRAINED HORSES

(For Approved Countries - (New Zealand is exempt))

In Melbourne, an excellent Quarantine & Training facility is located at Sandown Racecourse, situated 25 kilometres south-east of the Melbourne CBD.

Enquiries regarding protocol and the Quarantine & Training facility should be directed to:

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CURRENCY EXCHANGE RATES

AR 112 (f) For the purpose of calculating the value of prizemoney earned in other countries by a horse which is entered for an Australian race, the rate of exchange shall be used which was current on the first working day of January of the year in which such prizemoney was earned, as determined by a Trading Bank nominated by the Australian Racing Board.

As at 4 January 2010 \$AUD 1.00 was equal to:

\$ US	-	0.8977
£ Stg	-	0.5567
EURO	-	0.6249
¥ Yen	-	83.10
\$ NZ	-	1.2372
\$ HK	-	6.9614
\$ Sgpr	-	1.2599
D UAE	-	3.2973
R RSA	-	6.6459

HORSES NOMINATED FROM OUTSIDE AUSTRALIA

AR 60 - "The nominator of a horse which has been registered as a racehorse outside Australia must provide in writing by entry closing time to the Principal Club in the area in which the horse is entered to race:

- (a) in the case of a horse which has never started in a race, a statement to that effect.
- (b) in the case of a horse which has had its last start in a race in an overseas country, a statement advising:
 - (i) the total number of starts,
 - (ii) the racecourse and date of each start
 - (iii) the type of race and the distance
 - (iv) the finishing position and the weight carried
 - (v) the total of the prizemoney offered for each race and the amount received for winning or being placed in any such race.

Details of performances in overseas countries must be certified by an official of the controlling body of racing in the territory overseas in which such horse last raced."

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