2016 CLAIMING CROWN JEWEL WINNER Luis Saez Royal Posse

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# CLAIMING CROWN DECEMBER 2, 2017

CLAIMING RACE	CONDITIONS	DIST/TURF	PURSE
Jewel	3уо & up	1 1/8 M	\$200K
Tiara	3yo & up (F&M)	1 1/16 M (T)	\$125K
Emerald	3уо & up	1 1/16 M (T)	\$125K
Iron Horse	Зуо & up	1 1/16 M	\$110K
Express	3yo & up	6 F	\$110K
Glass Slipper	3yo & up (F&M)	1 M	\$110K
Rapid Transit	3уо & up	7 F	\$110K
Canterbury	Зуо & up	5 F (T)	\$110K
Distaff Dash	3yo & up (F&M)	5 F (T)	\$110K

# ENTRY DAY

NOVEMBER 29

REGULAR NOMINATIONS NOVEMBER 5

SUPPLEMENTAL NOMINATIONS NOVEMBER 29



For qualification criteria and nomination deadlines, call Michael Costanzo at 954-457-6260, www.gulfstreampark.com or the Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders Association (TOBA) at 888-606-8622. Visit our website at claimingcrown.com or e-mail claimingcrown@toba.org. The Claiming Crown is a partnership between the National Horsemen's Benevolent & Protective Association & Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders Association.

# CLAIMING CROWN 2017 SUMMARY OF CONDITIONS

### **RACE DATE**

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2017

# **RUN-UP DATES**

#### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5

Nominations close. Nominator must identify horse and Claiming Crown race (separate nomination fee required for each race nominated to)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12

Lists of all nominated horses released

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29

Supplemental Nominations close

#### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29

Entries taken at Gulfstream Park

LOCATION: Gulfstream Park, Hallandale Beach, Florida

**RACING PROGRAM:** Claiming Crown 2017 will consist of nine stakes races with starter allowance conditions as described below and a total of \$1,100,000 in guaranteed purses.

CLAIMING CROWN RACE	CLAIM LEVEL	AGE SEX	DISTANCE	SURFACE	PURSE
The Iron Horse	\$8K	3&Up	8.5f	D	\$110K
The Express	\$8K	3&Up	6.0f	D	\$110K
The Glass Slipper	\$12.5K	3&Up f/m	8.0f	D	\$110K
The Rapid Transit	\$16K	3&Up	7.Of	D	\$110K
The Distaff Dash	\$25K	3&Up f/m	5.0f	Т	\$110K
The Canterbury	\$25K	3&Up	5.0f	Т	\$110K
The Tiara	\$25K	3&Up f/m	8.5f	т	\$125K
The Emerald	\$25K	3&Up	8.5f	Т	\$125K
The Jewel	\$35K	3&Up	9.0f	D	\$200K

# **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

**GENERAL ELIGIBILITY:** To be eligible to compete in any Claiming Crown event, a horse must have started for a claiming price since January 1, 2016, with the exception of the Iron Horse and Express, which have no 'since' date, in a race restricted to Thoroughbreds and conducted at a recognized North American pari-mutuel racetrack. Only races conducted at recognized North American pari-mutuel racetracks and restricted to Thoroughbreds are considered for eligibility requirements, weight allowances and penalties, and Field Selection points.

To be eligible to compete in any Claiming Crown event, a horse must have a nomination on file with Claiming Crown, Ltd. at the time of entry on Wednesday, November 29, 2017.

#### **ELIGIBILITY FOR A DESIGNATED RACE**

In addition to the General Eligibility requirements, to be eligible to compete in a specific designated Claiming Crown event a horse must have started once at the claiming level associated with that Claiming Crown event, or at a lower claiming level, since January 1, 2016, with the exception of the Iron Horse and Express, which have no 'since' date.

# **NOMINATIONS**

Nominations will be:

1. Regular Nominations close November 5

2. Supplemental Nominations close November 29

#### **1. REGULAR NOMINATIONS**

At the time of nomination, the nominating owner or their authorized agent must identify a specific horse for nomination and the intended Claiming Crown race. Regular nominations will be accepted from the owner of record at the time of nomination, or his authorized agent if received or postmarked on or before 12:00 midnight EST November 5, 2017, accompanied by the fee of \$100 for each Claiming Crown race nominated. Nominations may be made by mail, email, fax, or phone to Claiming Crown, Ltd. or Gulfstream Park.

RACE	NOMINATION FEE
1. The Iron Horse	\$100
2. The Express	\$100
3. The Glass Slipper	\$100
4. The Rapid Transit	\$100
5. The Distaff Dash	\$100
6. The Canterbury	\$100
7. The Tiara	\$100
8. The Emerald	\$100
9. The Jewel	\$100

Regular Nomination fees are non-refundable

#### 2. SUPPLEMENTAL NOMINATIONS

Supplemental Nominations accompanied by a fee will be accepted from the owner of record or his authorized agent, at or before the time of entry on Wednesday, November 29, 2017. At the time of nomination, the owner of record or his authorized agent must identify both the nominated horse and the intended Claiming Crown race. Horses made eligible to Claiming Crown 2017 by Supplemental Nomination are exempt from payment of Entry and Starting fees.

NOMINATION FEE
\$2,500
\$2,500
\$2,500
\$2,500
\$2,500
\$2,500
\$3,000
\$3,000
\$5,000

No refunds will be made except for the following: One-half (50%) of the Supplemental Nomination fee paid shall be refunded to the nominator in the event that the horse has earned enough points to enter a Claiming Crown 2017 race but does not enter. One-quarter (25%) of the Supplemental Nomination fee paid shall be refunded to the nominator in the event that the horse enters a Claiming Crown race, is placed on the Also-Eligible list, but does not draw into the race. In the event that the horse has not earned enough points to be placed on the Also-Eligible list of a Claiming Crown 2017 race, the Supplemental Nomination fee shall be fully refunded.

# **FIELD SELECTIONS**

Maximum field size in each of the nine Claiming Crown 2017 races will be fourteen (14) starters, including the winners of any Claiming Crown automatic qualifying races. If more than fourteen (14) horses have been entered in a Claiming Crown 2017 race, any Claiming Crown automatic qualifying races winners will be selected first and the remaining starters for that race will be selected by Point Total in accord with the Point System below. Points are awarded to a horse for every placing from July 1, 2016, through November 5, 2017, inclusive, as follows:

FIRST	SECOND	THIRD	RACE CATEGORY
12	8	6	In stakes races
8	4	2	In allowance or starter races with a price equal to or greater than the Claiming Crown category for which the horse is entered.
6	3	1	In claiming races, or starter races with a price below that of the Claiming Crown category for which the horse is entered.

In the event of a dead-heat, the horse shall be awarded the full point value for that placing.

#### TIE BREAKERS

In the event that two or more horses have the same point-totals for a race, selection priority will be:

(1) High-weights preferred;

(2) Total points since July 1, 2016, in allowance or stakes races and claiming/starter races with a price equal to or greater than the category of the designated Claiming Crown race;

(3) Highest percentage of wins since July 1, 2016, in allowance or stakes races and claiming/starter races with a price equal to or greater than the category of the designated Claiming Crown race;

(4) Most money won in 2017;

(5) If horses remain tied after all tie-breaking criteria have been evaluated, a Claiming Crown, Ltd., Selection Committee will designate the starter.

#### **NOMINATION RANKINGS**

Claiming Crown, Ltd. will issue lists of nominated horses for each Claiming Crown race on Sunday, November 12, together with the preliminary rankings for all horses nominated in each race.

#### **ENTRIES**

Entries for Claiming Crown 2017 races will be taken at Gulfstream Park on Wednesday, November 29, 2017. All Claiming Crown races will be limited to 14 starters with four (4) also eligibles. If more than 14 horses pass the entry box, preference will be based on rankings established in accord with the Point System above. No Claiming Crown race will be split.

#### **ENTRY & STARTING FEES**

Entry and Starting Fees are payable in accord with the following schedule. There are no Entry or Starting Fees for horses made eligible through Supplemental Nomination.

RACE	ENTRY	STARTING
1. The Iron Horse	\$1.4K	\$750
2. The Express	\$1.4K	\$750
3. The Glass Slipper	\$1.4K	\$750
4. The Rapid Transit	\$1.4K	\$750
5. The Distaff Dash	\$1.4K	\$750
6. The Canterbury	\$1.4K	\$750
7. The Tiara	\$1.6K	\$900
8. The Emerald	\$1.6K	\$900
9. The Jewel	\$2.75K	\$1.75K

# **PURSE DISTRIBUTION**

All Claiming Crown purses shall be distributed as follows: Of the guaranteed purse of the race,

55% to the winner 20% for second place 10% for third place 5% for fourth place 1% to all other finishers

In the event that fourteen horses do not enter, start, or finisha Claiming Crown race, the purse distributable to that finishing position shall revert to the purse account.

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