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MEMBER SERVICES

2024 NTF Badges

The latest application form for ID card applications is open until Sunday 7th July. Please submit applications for photo ID cards for badge holders who have yet to have applied [HERE](#)

Making the Most of Your Membership :

Borne out of a need for members to have representation at BHA enquiries and employment tribunals, the NTF legal expenses insurance covers far more than just those matters.

One of the most frequently used area of claims is for contract disputes – that may be a non-paying owner, but the insurance also covers the sale, purchase, hire or lease of goods, so a gallops installation or a new piece of equipment which has not proved satisfactory.

The areas your business could be covered for are:

- Employment disputes and compensation awards
- Tax investigations and VAT disputes
- Legal nuisance, trespass or damage to property
- Legal defence
- Compliance and regulation
- Statutory licence appeals
- Loss of earning
- Contract and debt recovery
- Crisis communication

The cover for BHA enquiries and appeals is tailor made for your business understanding how the BHA rules operate, and the need for specialist legal representatives to be there to help and represent you in what is often a very stressful time. It does not cover placings appeals or safeguarding charges involving assault or violence, and, of course, there are terms and conditions of cover which have to be satisfied for a claim to be accepted by the insurers ARAG.

Full details of the insurance cover is [HERE](#)

Free Gambling Awareness training for staff

EPIC Risk Management is the world's leading independent gambling harm minimisation consultancy. EPIC raises awareness of gambling-related harm in order to identify and mitigate the human, financial, brand and reputational risks that problem gambling can create. Their team proudly

contains several reformed problem gamblers. They use their first-hand accounts to educate, caution and inspire.

They are currently offering a free programme to stakeholders from the horse racing industry to take part in training to increase awareness around the dangers of problem gambling. These are designed to be short engaging sessions for trainers and members of staff. A synopsis of the areas covered is available [HERE](#)

Sessions can be delivered face-to-face in yards in two formats:

1. Tack room talks – The EPIC team would visit the yard for a morning and engage with individual staff or small groups for 20-minute discussions in suitable slots between their other duties
2. Gambling Awareness Education – The EPIC team would visit to provide a single, hour long, session to a group of staff

A short video is available [HERE](#) which provides a little detail and trainer feedback on the session they recently took part in.

INDUSTRY NEWS

National Racehorse Week – last chance to sign up

The deadline for signing up to host an open day as part of National Racehorse Week is this Friday, 28th June, and we are still looking for yards to take part this year. If you are able to join in you can sign up [HERE](#) or for more information contact Sally Lyons on 07912 314010

Trainer short comments on runners

As per the article in weekly Update 1386, we have been asked to gather feedback on a trial of short comments being submitted by trainers about their declared runners at Premier fixtures. This will be discussed at the Commercial Committee on Thursday 27 June and, whilst we have had some useful feedback so far, it has only been from 9 trainers. If you have time to complete the short survey [HERE](#) it would be very helpful in shaping the Commercial Committee discussion.

GBR Shared Ownership Promotion

As part of Great British Racing's continued commitment to promoting Shared Ownership across the sport and beyond, they are building on their previous work in this area by launching a programme of work to support trainers in their efforts to maximise promotion opportunities for their own shared ownership entities (racing clubs and syndicates). This includes:

Trainer Workshops :

GBR are offering all trainers the chance to join one of two workshops covering best practice across comms, digital, marketing, and social media, as well as hearing from other trainers about their experiences establishing their own shared ownership entities.

Attendees to the sessions will also receive a Shared Ownership Toolkit with best practice guidance on setting up, promoting, and running their own Racing club or syndicate effectively.

The workshops will be held virtually on Teams on the following dates –

- **Wednesday 3rd July, 1-2pm**

- **Thursday 4th July, 1-2pm**

Please click [HERE](#) to select the session you would like to attend. These two sessions will be for trainers themselves, and we will be offering additional workshops for office staff further down the line.

Trainer Support Programme :

The second element of this work involves working closely with two individual trainers to provide a package of promotional support through the year. This will include the creation of video content, development of tailored promotional assets, and GBR guidance across all channels.

To apply for this opportunity, you will simply need to complete the short application form [HERE](#). This is a free programme that is open to all trainers looking to improve and develop their shared ownership offering - applications will need to be submitted by Monday 8th July.

In the meantime, if you have an existing shared ownership entity which you are looking to promote, [In The Paddock](#) provides a Shared Ownership hub where you can **list your racing club/syndicate for FREE**. Please fill in [the form here](#) and David Letts, GBR Shared Ownership and EDI Lead, will be in touch.

David is also available to answer any questions trainers may have on the promotion of shared ownership and can be contacted at dletts@britishhorseracing.com

OTHER BUSINESS

Horsebox for sale - Oakley Supersport 2021 3.5t

Transports two horses facing backwards in stallion stalls.

5 seater cab. Air conditioning. Sat nav etc.

6 speed semi-automatic gearbox.

165bhp. 56,000 miles. Tow bar. Good condition.

£48,500 + VAT

Tel: 07798 702484

USEFUL LINKS :

Careers in Racing Jobs Board : <https://recruit.careersinracing.com/>

National Racehorse Week - 7 – 15 September 2024 : [SIGN UP](#)

Assistance at the start : [Training on racing2learn](#)

Point to Point : [Pointing Route to Training Under Rules](#)

Trainer Support Network : A [network of knowledgeable and empathetic people](#) for trainers and [Available Roles](#)

International Forum for the Aftercare of Racehorses (IFAR) [News](#)

Great British Racing (GBR) - [Latest Industry Update Jan – Apr 2024](#)

Regulation Deadlines

1st June 2024

- Equine Influenza Vaccinations – Updated Deadline. Trainers have until 4pm on the day a race closes to resolve any issues with horse's vaccination status. The deadline for the Trainer's veterinary surgeon to verify vaccinations is 9am the day after the race closes.

1st July 2024

- Use of Ice Prior to Racing. The use of ice on a horse prior to racing will not be permitted once the horse has arrived at the racecourse, unless approved by a BHA veterinary officer.
 - Use of Equipment in Racecourse Stables. Unless approved by a BHA veterinary officer, items designed or advertised to have an effect on the horse's body system, (e.g. magnetic boots/rugs, massage pads) should not be brought onto racecourse property
 - Sensory Hair Removal. The removal of sensory hairs (more commonly known as whiskers) will no longer be permitted,
 - Use of Lip Chains. Lip chains can only be used if the chain is covered and connected to a lead rope which is under the control of a handler on the ground.
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