



## Highworth Races, Wiltshire, 1766

Are altered and will begin as follows:

To be run for on Tuesday the 29th of July next, on the course near Highworth, a purse of 50£ (being the Gentlemen's subscription) by any four years old horse, Mare or Gelding, that never won 50£ in Match or Plate, to carry 8st 9lb, the best of three two-mile Heats. And on Thursday the 31st, 50£ (being the Town Plate) by any five, six or aged Horses, Mares or Geldings; five years old to carry 8st 10lb, six years old 9st 4lb and aged to carry 9st 20lb the best of three four-mile Heats. The horses to be entered for either of the Plates at the Market House in Highworth on Tuesday the 22nd day of July, between the hours of two and seven of the clock in the afternoon and to run and be governed by the Articles which shall then and there be produced by the Clerk of the course. A Subscriber to pay One Guinea Entrance; a Non-Subscriber Three Guineas; or double at the Post and Five shillings to the Clerk of the course. The stakes each day for the second best horse, winning a clear Heat.

No less than three reported running horses to start for either of the said plates without consent of the majority of the subscribers then present; if but one horse enters for either of the purses, the owner to have 10 Guineas; if two only, the owners of those two shall have 15 Guineas between them. The horses to be plated by a Subscriber. The winning horse each day to pay two Guineas towards the repairing of the course. No person will be permitted to sell any liquor on the course without subscribing one Guinea to the town Plate.

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