



On Saturday, during a review of the shoes of all participants, it was determined by Dr. Richard Payne, Paddock Veterinarian and NSA Administering Veterinarian Dr. Bonny Henderson, that the shoes of the horses of trainer Joe Davies were not in conformance with the policy posted on the overnight, and contacted the Stewards. "NSA Shoe Policy: No raised toes, front or rear, will be permitted in any race. A raised toe is defined as an extension of the shoe by more than 1/16 of an inch. Stickers, caulks and turndowns are not permitted". A photo was sent to the Stewards along with a comment that the extensions were at least 1/4 inch. The Stewards met with Mr. Davies and advised him of the necessity to cure the defect or his horses would be scratched. Mr. Davies secured the services of the course farrier and the veterinarians witnessed the removal of the impermissible cleats. Mr. Davies' horses were then permitted to run.