

National Steeplechase Association
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Stewards Report

Race Meeting: Camden
The Cup Runneth Over

Date: April 6, 2018

Weather : Mostly Sunny 77°

Course Condition :

Moisture : 6

Compaction : 115

Clerk of Scales : Cathie Jackson

Starter : Sterling Young

Stewards : Beale Payne
Larry Curtis
Reese Howard
Anne Pezzano (Safety Steward)

Official Actions :

Race 1 : CROSSEYEDCRICKET and CAPO DEI CAPI pulled up after the second last fence and walked off. CROSSEYEDCRICKET was “never traveling” as stated by the rider. CAPO DEI CAPI was declared tired by the rider. GERANIUM fell over the last fence reportedly from not picking his knees up. The horse walked off and was cleared by the course veterinarian to ship. Rider, Bernard Dalton, was cleared to ride by the course physician.

Race 2 : GAYE BREEZE was randomly selected for pre-race TCO2 testing. SEEKING ALBERT was a vet scratch at the pre-race exam and placed on the NSA Vet List. KASSEOPIA refused to start and will not be permitted to start in any pari-mutuel jump race until successfully starting in a recognized steeplechase race. The rider of PAINTER'S RAGS lost his iron jumping the sixth fence, lost considerable position before regaining his iron, and pulled up after the next fence to walk off the course. The rider said the horse “didn't jump”. KNOCKHOLT eased at the last fence. The horse tired according to the rider. A steward's inquiry was declared into the finish from the last fence. Upon review of the video no action was taken. Video of the start was next reviewed and

the race was declared official 3-8-11-7 as verified by the photo finish. During the review in the stand the winning horse was misidentified by the finish line announcer, Nigel Casserley, so the 8, JUMP SHIP, was directed to the winner's circle. This caused the post race testers to follow JUMP SHIP as the horse for collection of samples. The stewards have the option to designate any horse for testing. To maintain proper chain of custody the second place finisher JUMP SHIP was tested as there is no requirement for winner to be a designee.

Race 3 : KANAKA was pulled up and walked off at the second to last fence after which the rider explained that the horse was making a gurgling sound. CRAZY BERNICE was pulled up lame at the last fence and vanned off. The riders of CHOKLITCOVERDONUT which finished second and INVERNESS which finished third lodged an objection against the winner AMNICALOLA. Upon video review the claim of foul at the last fence was disallowed.

Race 4 : CASTLE HILL was pulled up at the second to last fence and walked off. OUR FROSTY was pulled up at last fence and walked off.

Official Comments : At the conclusion of the day Lilith Boucher was given the opportunity to see the photo finish image of the second race as well as to understand the mechanics involved in declaring the race. Next Jockey Bernard Dalton gave notice of his dissatisfaction with the start of the second to starter Sterling Young after advising him in the jockey meeting of having a difficult horse at the start. Young stated that he was eyeing another difficult horse and was attempting to get the field underway. The stewards reviewed the start during their inquiry. It appeared that Dalton's horse was moving forward until the flag dropped. Finally, Nigel Casserley was summoned to advise him of the precarious situation created by his unilateral action of trying to determine order of finish which was not in his province. All meets need to designate a separate channel for steward communication as it has been noted that transmissions have been out in the open for anybody to hear.

Respectfully Submitted
Beale Payne
Presiding Steward