

National Steeplechase Association
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Stewards Report

Race Meeting: Foxfield Spring

Date: April 27, 2019

Weather : Sunny 68°

Course Condition :Firm

Moisture : 6.9

Compaction : 121

Clerk of Scales : William Hair,Jr

Starter : Graham Alcock

Stewards : Beale Payne

Larry Curtis

Bruce Rodman

Woody Maloney (Safety Steward)

Official Actions :

Race 1 : MONTAUK MAN bolted at the second fence between the outside wing and rail thereby unseating the rider. Martin McIntyre was not cleared to ride.CROSSEYED CRICKET and SUN-RISE SUNSET pulled up before the second to last fence after tiring.MONTAUK MAN is placed on the Stewards Watch List.

Race 3 : LADY JANE running greenly on the lead lost the rider at the fourth fence after ducking to the left corner.Shane Crimin was not cleared to ride.LADY JANE is placed on the Steward's List until she demonstrates a formful style over hurdles.

Race 4 : BALISTES,CHANGE MAKER, and ACK FEISTY were scratched due to the diminished rider pool. ZEPPELIN RIDE fell over the seventh jump after attempting to run through the hurdle. L'AIGLE ROYAL was eased before the second last jump. The rider said the horse stepped on the fallen horse but he continued onward until deciding the horse was not traveling right.MOTIVATIONAL taken up at the second to last after

“giving up”. ZEPPELIN RIDE walked off. Aaron Sinnott was cleared to ride by the course physician.

Race 5 : ABLE ARCHER lost the rider by jumping the rider out of the saddle at the third fence. FOREVER BERNARDINI chipped in at the fifth fence, clipped the top of the fence, pecked on landing thus unseating the rider. RENEGADE RIVER left long and fell at the fourteenth fence. RENEGADE RIVER walked off. All of the fallen riders were cleared by the course physician.

Official Comments : Throughout the spring video coverage at the meets has been problematic at best. The stewards met with the video production team to discuss the viewing needs for race review for the day and were assured the stewards have expeditious replay with priority over the live streaming. Unfortunately, a new low was reached. Requests for replays were totally ignored. The video crew did not understand their responsibility or how to properly operate their own equipment. This situation is totally unacceptable and can not continue. The stewards are essentially operating in the blind and can only be thankful that they have not been significantly compromised. TPH Productions is not giving services contracted. All meets should adopt the use of “colored saddle clothes” particularly in light of the travails of this past spring. Both horses which fell were cleared for shipping.

Respectfully Submitted,
Beale Payne
Presiding Steward