

## STEWARDS REPORT

Race Meeting: Grand National

Date: April 17, 2021

Stewards: Gregg Morris  
Tad Zimmerman  
Rug Howard  
Norm Fraley, Safety Steward

Weather: Clear  
WGBT: 58.8\*

Course: Firm

Clerk of Scales: Ed McLaughlin

Starter: Chris Daney

### Official Actions:

First Race: HANNO, trained by Jack Fisher, was randomly selected for pre-race “milkshake” testing.

MYSTIC STRIKE was pulled up by Chris Gracie after jumping the first fence.

Gracie stated that he had broken a stirrup leather.

CLASS INDIAN fell with Justin Batoff at the 8th fence.

GRAND MANAN fell with John Brophy at the 16th fence.

Batoff was cleared by the course physician.

Brophy was transported to the hospital and was therefore not cleared.

Course vet Rachel Westerlund examined both fallers back in the van area and reported that neither had suffered any injury.

Second Race: SPOILER ALERT was scratched by trainer Billy Meister due to the fact that his regular rider had been injured in the previous race and could not ride.

Third Race: AS YOU LIKE IT pulled up lame after the wire. He was immediately examined by the course vet who stated later that she suspected a suspensory injury. The horse was placed in a support bandage and was returned to the van area by horse ambulance.

### Official Comments:

After discussion with the medical team, it is recommended that the medical examination tent be returned to the paddock where it has been in the past.

It is necessary to have a tent at the base of the Stewards stand for the video replay monitor.

The distance of the first 2 races was incorrectly listed in the program at 3 miles. The correct distance (as listed on the Overnight) is 3 1/4 miles.

The race committee is commended for producing this meet despite the Covid restrictions imposed by the state of Maryland. The course was in excellent shape and the event well organized.

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Gregg Morris, Presiding  
(electronically signed)