

National Steeplechase Association  
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Stewards Report

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| Race Meeting: Queen's Cup   | 04/24/2020   |
| Weather: Rain, 58 °<br>Wet Bulb Temperature 54.5  | Course Condition: Good<br>Moisture: 8.5<br>Compaction: 110 |
| Clerk of Scales: Dana Burke   | Starter: Jeff Teter  |
| Stewards: Beale Payne<br>Larry F. Curtis<br>Greg Pachman<br>Anne Pezzano (Safety Steward) |  |

Official Actions: After the running of Race 1 , the course condition was deemed as yielding. The Easyfix fences were used for first time on the NSA circuit.

Race 1: WESTERN CRUSADER fell on landing after twisting badly over the second fence. OCEANOGRAPHER fell at the second to last jump. Both riders were cleared by course physician Dr. Doug Swanson.

Race 2: HAYABUSA ONE (FR) slipped and fell while trying to negotiate the run around the clubhouse turn . The rider was cleared by the course physician.

Race 3: ANTICIPATING trained by Sanna Neilson was randomly selected for pre-race TCO2 testing. BODES WELL(IRE) slid and fell landing after the first fence. A tiring CHIEF JUSTICE(GB) was pulled up before the second to last fence. ARCH MY BOY(GB)

fell at the second from last jump. SPORTSWEAR fell at the last fence after not meeting the jump well. All riders were cleared by the course physician.

Race 4: GO AS YOU PLEASE and MR. BRIDGER were late scratches by their trainers. EBULLIENCE was eased at the eighth fence . BIG BEND broke down at the third from last fence and was pulled up by the rider. Blood samples were taken before the horse was euthanized on course.

Race 5: HIGHWAY PRINCE lost rider at second last fence after landing awkwardly. The rider was cleared by the course physician.

Official Comments : The meet marked the debut of the Easyfix fences which unfortunately is difficult to assess. Adverse weather conditions led to slick footing that precipitated numerous falls on landing. These falls could not be directly attributed to the new fences as slow motion analysis by Dr.White found form over fences consistent with the national hurdles. Communications over radio needs to be revised. Communications with the starter, horse ambulance, and emergency medical response were repeatedly compromised by too many people on the same channel simultaneously. All horses that fell were cleared to ship by course veterinarian.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Beale Payne  
Presiding Steward