



NSA Official Notices Tuesday, November 1, 2022

Virginia Fall Stewards' Ruling

Please see the attached ruling for the Virginia Fall Races stewards.

Charleston Nominations

Nominations (6) for the Alston Cup Sport of Kings three-year-old hurdle stakes (#139) to be run at the Steeplechase of Charleston on Sunday, November 13 are attached.

Charleston Course Report

The Stonoferry racecourse was inspected on Sunday, October 30 by Tom Divers and Toby Edwards.

Turf: The turf is a mixture of semi-dormant Bermuda and other natives grasses, standings at 5-6 inches in height with a good cover overall.

Smoothness: The course is smooth throughout. It has been rolled and harrowed regularly.

Compaction: 130-140 (firm). The course was aerated in early October, but due to lack of rain, the course is firmer than we would like. -- **Compaction Update:** The course received a quarter of an inch of rain on Monday morning, October 31, and was aerated immediately thereafter, reducing the compaction to 100-110 (good).

Moisture: 2 (dry). October rainfall totaled to one inch with no significant rainfall in the forecast. During the inspection, there was a misting rain, but it only amounted to 5/100ths of an inch.

Notes: Should the course receive rain, it will be aerated early during race week. At the current time, the ground is too firm for the aerator to have any impact in reducing the compaction levels.

Revised NSA Code of Conduct

As a condition of license, all NSA licensees are expected to conduct themselves in a manner consistent with the best interests of racing. Any conduct deemed to be detrimental to the sport, the NSA, or the individual race meets and their representatives, or conduct prejudicial to the sport's reputation, will subject the offender to a fine or suspension, or both, in accordance with the NSA Rules of Racing.

New NSA Weighing Policy

Riders, please note that the overgirth, breastplate (or yoke) are not to be included in the assigned weight when weighing out or in. Therefore, these pieces of safety equipment should not be included with your tack weighing out, and must be dropped (along with your helmet and crop) before getting on the scale to weigh in.

Ratings

Please see the attached current ratings list. If you have a horse in training that has won over jumps and is not on the list, please notify the office immediately. Also, **if a horse appears on the list and has been taken out of training, please notify the office.**

Reminder: A maiden, which has completed three NSA-sanctioned races over jumps may receive a rating if requested by the trainer.

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STEWARDS' S RULING

RACE MEETING: Middleburg Fall Races

DATE: October 30, 2022

STEWARDS: Larry Curtis
Beale Payne
Tad Zimmerman

OFFICIAL ACTIONS:

A report of the University of Florida Racing Laboratory, the Official Chemist of the National Steeplechase Association, showed the blood sample E002357-SS, taken from the horse *ROBERTS'S LUXURY*, who finished first in the fifth race on Saturday, October 8, 2022 tested positive for Dexamethasone in the amount of 18.8 picograms per milliliter of plasma, which is 13.3 picograms over the allowable threshold.

Dexamethasone is a controlled therapeutic substance and is classified as a Class 4 substance under the Association of Racing Commissioners International Uniform Classification Guidelines for Foreign Substances and Recommended Penalties Model Rule, December 2020 (v.14.4). The penalty class is C.

Accordingly, Sean McDermott, the trainer of *ROBERT'S LUXURY*, is fined One Thousand (\$1,000) dollars and given ½ point under the medication point system.

The horse *ROBERT'S LUXURY* is disqualified from all purse monies in the fifth race at the Middleburg Fall Races on Saturday, October 8, 2022.

The purse is ordered redistributes as follows: 1st – *LEFT BANK*; 2nd - *HEY TEACHER*; 3rd – *HERO'S RETURN*; 4th – *ALWAYS COOL*; 5th – *FEMINISTA*.

BY ORDER OF THE STEWARDS



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TWO MILES AND ONE SIXTEENTH (HURDLE)

TO BE RUN SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2022

CLARA BELLE	b.f.3	Jordan V. Wycoff	Keri Brion
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FLEETING ATTE	b.g.3	Ciarrai Bloodstock, LLC	Sean McDermott
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HOFFMAN (IRE)	ch.g.3	Michael A. Smith	Leslie F. Young
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THE INSIDER (IRE)	b.g.3	Hudson River Farms, Madaket Stables LLC, and R and K Racing LLC	Keri Brion
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TIGER TO REMEMBER	ch.g.3	Del Rio Racing LLC	Kate Dalton
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TOPIC CHANGER	b.c.3	Jordan V. Wycoff and Frank Mullins	Keri Brion
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THE INSIDER (IRE)	157	Keri Brion
FLEETING ATTE	151	Sean McDermott
TOPIC CHANGER	151	Keri Brion
HOFFMAN (IRE)	148	Leslie F. Young
TIGER TO REMEMBER	148	Kate Dalton
CLARA BELLE	141	Keri Brion

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Snap Decision.....	160	Jimmy P.....	118	Our Bab.....	111
Pistol Whipped.....	150	Step to the Bar.....	118	Ping Pong Champ.....	111
Noah And The Ark.....	146	Awakened.....	117	Top Brass.....	111
Ask Paddington.....	142	Drewscourt.....	117	Hooroo.....	109
Song For Someone.....	140	Family Tree.....	117	Queens Empire.....	109
Down Royal.....	137	Merry Maker.....	116	Senor Seville.....	109
Iranistan.....	137	Perfect Tapatino.....	116	Shaka.....	109
Belfast Banter.....	135	Baltimore Kid.....	115	Telegram.....	109
City Dreamer.....	134	Bee Major.....	115	New Appointment.....	108
Going Country.....	130	Cainudothetwist.....	115	Pleasecallmeback.....	107
Howyabud.....	130	Fightinirishtabit.....	115	Bold Quest.....	106
Proven Innocent.....	130	Sempre Medici.....	115	Jump Ship.....	106
Theocrat.....	130	West Newton.....	115	Hard Game.....	105
Soviet Pimpernel.....	127	Bright Eyed Eagle.....	114	Lear Avia.....	105
Bodes Well.....	126	Saigon.....	114	Mojave.....	105
Duc de Meran.....	126	Soramond.....	114	Speed Alert.....	105
Court Ruler.....	125	Tease And Seize.....	114	Three O One.....	105
Grey Falcon.....	124	Connagh's Quay.....	113	Yankee Doodle Boy.....	105
Scorpion's Revenge.....	123	Fearsome.....	112	Bella Coola.....	103
Fast Vision.....	122	He'll Do.....	112	Cup of Aiken.....	102
Ljay.....	122	*Honor Up.....	112	Jump to Juneau.....	102
Cause for Pardon.....	121	Mr. Bridger.....	112	Criticize.....	100
Welshman.....	121	Project Two.....	112	Eve's City.....	100
Bandua.....	120	Spring Heeled Jim.....	112	Salamanca School.....	100
Potus.....	120	*Beowulf.....	111	Seb's Welcome.....	100
Who's Counting.....	120	*Eye of Gunfighter.....	111	Cool Jet.....	NR(2)
Animal Kingston.....	119	Hepcat.....	111	Gold.....	NR(2)
Booby Trap.....	118	High Mounte.....	111	R S One.....	NR(2)
Decisive Triumph.....	118	Molly Fantasy.....	111		

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