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STEWARDS' REPORT

RACE MEETING: Tryon Block House Steeplechase

DATE: April 15th, 2023

WEATHER: Partly Cloudy, Dry, 77F

COURSE CONDITION:
Compaction: 10-11 (Good)
Moisture: 5-6

CLERK OF SCALES: Cathie Jackson

STARTER: Sterling Young

STEWARDS: Greg Pachman (Presiding)
Cook Edens
Anne Pezzano
Anne Pezzano (Safety Steward)

OFFICIAL ACTIONS:

Race 1: #6 Merkaba pulled up prior to the final fence (Tired).

Race 2: #6 Carl Timothy was ridden by Bernie Dalton. #5 Agitare ridden by Parker Hendriks fell at the 6th fence. Both horse and rider were uninjured and Hendriks was cleared to ride. #6 Carl Timothy pulled up prior to the last fence (Tired). After the race, the stewards initiated a brief inquiry to investigate the fall but took no action.

Race 3: #1 Three O One was ridden by Bernie Dalton. #3 Top Brass was ridden by Mikey Hamill.

Race 4: #9 Animal Kingston was selected for TCO2 testing. #7 Lumberjack was scratched. #3 Tease and Seize was excused from the post parade. #6 Uco Valley was pulled up prior to the last fence (Tired). #8 Topic Changer was pulled up prior to the last fence (Tired).

After the 4th race, the stewards initiated an inquiry concerning interference in the final turn between #3 Tease and Seize, ridden by Thomas Garner who finished 5th, and #9 Animal Kingston, ridden by Gerard Galligan who finished 2nd. After extensive video review and interviews with both riders, the stewards determined that Galligan suffered substantial interference due to the actions of Garner. Since Galligan finished ahead of Garner there was no change to the order of finish. The stewards decided that Garner's actions fell between the NSA definitions of careless and reckless riding and fined Garner \$350.

Race 5: No actions.

Official Comments:

Course was in excellent condition and the event was extremely well managed. Congratulations to Molly Oakman, Toby Edwards and the entire TIEC team.

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Greg Pachman
Presiding Steward