



## NATIONAL STEEPLECHASE ASSOCIATION

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### STEWARDS' REPORT

**RACE MEETING:** Radnor (Malvern, Pa)

**DATE:** 5/18/2024.

**WEATHER:** Overcast, Rain  
Temperature at post time 56 degrees

**COURSE CONDITION:**  
Compaction:80  
Moisture: 8

**CLERK OF SCALES:** Jake Chalfin

**STARTER:** Joe McVey

**STEWARDS:** Rug Howard  
Charlie Fleischmann  
Wayne Van Sant  
Doris Paxson (Safety Steward)

**OFFICIAL ACTIONS:** Jockey Sean McDermot was fined \$250 and suspended one racing day for exceeding the limit for striking his mount during the 4<sup>th</sup> race. He will serve his one day on June 9, 2024 (Saratoga).

**OFFICIAL COMMENTS:** The Officials' meeting and the Jockeys' meeting were held as scheduled. The timber fences are problematic as almost all the top rails were knocked down on the first turn of the race. The race committee should consider returning to conventional post and rail jumps as opposed to the strapped in rails.

Race 1: ASK HIM OAKEY ridden by Bernie Dalton slipped and fell on the turn. ON THE COUCH ridden by Harrison Beswick fell at the second to last. Dalton and Beswick were cleared to ride. YUP YA BOY pulled up before the last, tired.

Race 2: L'AVAVACATO lost rider at the 8<sup>th</sup>. NOBLE SPEAKER pulled up 2 fences out. PHOTO COPY pulled up 2 fences out. Jockey Jack Power was not cleared to ride.

Race 5: Change of rider on WESTERLAND to Paddy O'Hanlon, replacing Power. EXUMA was randomly chosen for TCO2 test.

Race 6: GREYLOVER was a late scratch, after trainer Mark Beecher received permission because of the soft ground. Change of rider on MR JEFFERSON to Harrison Beswick, replacing Power. VARIABLE COST fell at the last. Ben Ffrench Davis was cleared to ride. Jockey Mell Boucher (LOWCOUNTRY) claimed a foul on Stephen Mulqueen (PENICILLIN SUCCESS). After an interview with the riders and a review of the video there was no change to the order of finish.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rug Howard, Presiding Steward