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STEWARDS' REPORT

RACE MEETING: Middleburg Fall Races

DATE: October 13, 2024

WEATHER: Sunny, Light breeze 76 degrees

COURSE CONDITION: Good

COMPACTION: 122 psi

MOISTURE: 6/10

CLERK OF SCALES: Harrison Young

STARTER: Sterling Young

STEWARDS: Cook Edens (Presiding)

Larry Curtis

Beale Payne

Wayne Van Sant (safety)

OFFICIAL ACTIONS:

PRERACE:

The Stewards were notified by Safety Steward Wayne Van Sant before the first race that the tack box belonging to trainer Jason Cole contained a dose syringe. This was a clear violation of revised rule 9-2a "No person other than a veterinarian described in Rules 5.15, 5.16 or 5.17 shall have in their possession on Association Grounds, during the Race Period, any hypodermic needle, syringe, dose syringe, applicator, or similar device of any type or nature." Any violation of the REVISED NSA RULES OF RACING regarding Chapter 9, Forbidden Substances and Practices, will result in automatic scratch of any horses associated with the offending trainer. The Stewards, after notifying trainer Jason Cole scratched his one entry; #7 SOLOMONS CHOICE in the 5th race.

Pre-Race TC02 test was designated for #3 SCHOODIC in the 4th race

Post Race tests were performed on the winners of all races and first and second in Race#4.

Race 1:

Order: 8-9-10-7-6-3-5

Time: 4:08

Scratches: #1 RISK TAKING

Rider on #3 BASELINE BEATER was Gerard Galligan

#2 NATHAN DETROIT went off course before the first fence. Rider Jamie Bargary said he was pushed out by the field. Subsequently, the beacon was removed, resulting in better racing to the first.

#4 SERVER was pulled up prior to the last fence and was vanned back to the stable area. The veterinarian determined a left front bow. He will be placed on the vet's list

Race 2:

Order: 10-8-5-3-7-2-9-1

Time: 4:13

Scratches: #11 LOVE FOREVERAFTER

#10 LOWCOUNTRY ran in Pink NSA Silks

#6 NEUTRAL was pulled up at the 9th fence, rider reported he had tired

#4 ASK HIM OAKY was pulled up at the 9th fence, rider reported he had tired

Race 3:

Order: 5-4-3-6-7-1-2

Time: 4:03 3/5

Race 4:

Order: 4-6-2-3-5

Time: 6:52 4/5

#7 NOTJUDGINGJUSTSAYING ran in Northwoods Silks, Blue & Yellow, Blue Cap

#1 DRUIDS ALTER pulled up 3 from home, rider reported he had tired

#7 NOTJUDGINGJUSTSAYING pulled up before the last, rider reported he had tired

Race 5:

Order: 3-6-8-11-9

Time: 4:09 2/5

#4 ISHIHARA was ridden by Brian Barry @149

#11 VANA BRIGHT was ridden by Bernie Dalton @ 143

#7 SOLOMON'S CHOICE was a Stewards Scratch

#1 SIR JOHN MONASH pulled up at the last, rider reported he had tired

#2 TI SENTO pulled up at the last, rider reported he had tired

#4 ISHIHARA pulled up at the last, rider reported he had tired

#10 HE BE DA BOMB pulled up at the last, rider reported he had tired

#5 MADE TO BE LUCKY lost rider after the 10th. Jockey Sarah Cundith was interviewed by the Stewards, her explanation was the horse had landed hard after the 10th and she had lost an iron. The Stewards agreed her future eligibility for riding under rules should be on a case-by-case basis.

Sarah Cundith was cleared to ride.

Race 6:

Order: 1-5-7-4-2

Time: 4:11 1/5

#3 ST JAMES THE GREAT lost rider at the first fence; rider Stephen Mulqueen was cleared to ride
#6 EXEMPTION was pulled up at the last fence; rider reported he had tired

Race 7:

Order: 7-2-8-10-6-1-5

Time: 5:50 1/5

#1 TAKE PROFIT was ridden by Brian Barry
#10 KELMSCOTT ran without blinkers and with a hood
#3 RACAVEN pulled up three from home; rider reported he had tired
#9 REASON TO PRAY pulled up three from home; rider reported he had tired

#4 ERYX fell two from home; rider Bernie Dalton was cleared

Race 8:

Order: 7-2-3-4-5

Time: 5:11 1/5

#3 FASHION LINE was ridden by Evan Dwan

#6 HERMANN CLERMONT pulled up two from home; rider reported he had tired
#1 MINELLA PLUS pulled up at the last; rider reported he had tired

OFFICIAL COMMENTS:

The course was smooth and even. The turf was thick and had good cushion. The Race Committee should be commended for their continued excellent management of the racing surface. Several horses suffered heat related stress and the staff was well prepared to handle with water and ice. All stressed horses recovered.

Cook Edens
Presiding Steward

