



NSA Official Notices Wednesday, October 23, 2024

Stewards Advisory Committee Rulings: Far Hills Saturday, October 19, 2024

First Race

Jockey Harrison Beswick was fined \$250 and suspended one day, Sunday, October 27, 2024 for seven whip strikes aboard **Hidden Path**, one over the limit.

Jockey Bernie Dalton was fined \$250 and suspended one day, Sunday, October 27, 2024 for seven whip strikes aboard **Southpaw Mike**, one over the limit.

Fifth Race

Jockey Jack Kennedy was fined \$250 and suspended one day, Thursday, October 24, 2024 for seven whip strikes aboard **Galvin**, one over the limit.

Following an official hearing, held telephonically on Tuesday, October 22, 2024, jockey Graham Watters was fined \$1,000, \$500 each for two separate incidents at Far Hills where he disregarded the orders of and was disrespectful towards two Far Hills' volunteers, a clear violation of the NSA Code of Conduct.

BY ORDER OF THE STEWARDS ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

Duncan Patterson (Chairman)
Jack Sanford
Tad Zimmerman

Nominations

Nominations for Montpelier, Callaway, and the Pennsylvania Hunt Cup are attached.

<https://nationalsteeplechase.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/10/Montpelier-nominations-.pdf>

<https://nationalsteeplechase.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/10/Aflac-Noms.pdf>

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Course Reports

Montpelier

Date of Inspection: October 22, 2024

Date of Race Meeting: November 2, 2024

Clerk of Course: David Perdue

Moisture: 8.8

Compaction: 126

We monitor and maintain this course and the turf 12 months per year. We have mowed regularly, over seeded, fertilized and paid careful attention to regular aeration (core and slice) and dragging. Attached are the results of the testing that took place on the morning of October 22, 2024. At testing, the turf is thick and green with virtually no weeds. We got very generous rain for two weeks the end of September and first few days of October. Despite the lack of measurable rain since then, the cool nights, heavy dew and sunny days have the grass continuing to grow. We will mow October 25 to a height of 8" and drag the course before Race Day. We will definitely drag the entire course on the afternoon/evening of Friday, November 1, 2024 before the Races the following day, November 2, 2024.

Steeplechase at Callaway

Date of Inspection: October 22, 2024

Date of Race Meeting: November 2, 2024

Clerk of Course: Curt Elver (706) 575-3452

Race Meet Director: Mason Hardaway Lampton

Time In: 2:30 pm

Time Out: 3:30 pm

Turf: Bermuda base and overseeded with Rye grass. The grass has been cut for the last this week and will grow until race day

Smoothness: The course is smooth and has been rolled throughout the year.

Compaction: The compaction is 90-110.

Moisture: The course is irrigated and will be watered regularly to keep the moisture rating between 6-8.

Course Reports

The Pennsylvania Hunt Cup

Date of Inspection: 10/21/2024

Date of Race Meeting: November 3, 2024

Clerk of Course: Brooke Boyer

Race Meet Director: Andrea Collins

Time In: 2:00 pm

Time Out: 3:10 pm

Turf: Mostly fescue

Smoothness: Pretty smooth, no rutts or divots.

Compaction: 120.8

Moisture: 4.6

There has been no significant rain since September 1, but the course is still green with good cover throughout. Height is at 6". The board fence on the Weymouth property has been removed, course will be set with cones.