

Statement: 76th Tryon Block House Steeplechase Equine Update

For Immediate Release

Green Creek, NC – April 13, 2024 – During the running of the first race of the Tryon Block House Steeplechase, a horse sustained a fall at the fourth hurdle. The equine athlete was immediately tended to by the onsite expert veterinary and equine ambulance teams. The horse was transported off the course for further observation. Following evaluation by a team of veterinarians and in collaboration with the trainer and owner, the unfortunate decision was made to humanely euthanize the horse, as this was in the best interest of the equine athlete.

The organizing committee and the National Steeplechase Association express sincere condolences to the horse owner, trainer, rider, and all connections. To the equine service providers, first responders, and supportive and respectful attendees, the organizing committee expresses gratitude and thanks.