

**FIFTH RACE**

**Camden**

**MARCH 30, 2024**

**2 1/8 MILES. ( Hurdles ) ( 3.47 ) CAROLINA CUP HURDLE S. Purse \$75,000 TO BE RUN OVER NATIONAL FENCES FOR FOUR YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NOT WON OVER HURDLES PRIOR TO MARCH 1, 2023 OR WHICH HAVE NEVER WON THREE RACES, OTHER THAN THREE YEAR OLD. Four-year-olds, 142 lbs.; older, 150 lbs. Winners, other than maiden, claiming, starter or restricted three-year-old race: 3 lbs. extra for each race won.**

**Value of Race: \$71,250 Winner \$45,000; second \$13,500; third \$7,500; fourth \$5,250. Mutuel Pool \$.00**

Last Raced	Horse	M/Eqt.	A. Wt	PP	1/2	1	1 1/2	1 3/4	Str	Fin	Jockey	Odds \$1
21Oct23 3FH1	Abaan	L	7 153	1	4	4	3 1 1/2	2 1	2 1	12 1/4	Dalton B	0.00
4Nov23 4Pmt2	TheHroNxtDoor-Ire	L	6 153	2	12	11	14	11	1hd	2 3/4	Bargary J	0.00
21Oct23 3FH3	L'Imperator-FR		7 153	3	31	21	21	34	35	33 1 1/2	Hen driks P	0.00
28Oct23 4GrM1	Neotropic	L b	6 153	4	25	3 1 1/2	4	4	4	4	Watters G	0.00

**OFF AT 4:01 Start Good. Won driving. Course good.**

**TIME 3:53.4 ( 3:53.80 )**

**\$2 Mutuel Prices:**

- 1 - ABAAN** \_\_\_\_\_ — —
- 2 - THE HERO NEXT DOOR - IRE** \_\_\_\_\_ — —
- 3 - L'IMPERATOR - FR** \_\_\_\_\_ — —

**Ch. g, (Apr), by Will Take Charge - Anchorage, by Tapit. Trainer Dalton Kate. Bred by Rosilyn Polan (Ky).**

ABAAN settled to the back of the field early, gained ground on the leader 5/8 from home, pressed the pace after the eighth fence, challenged the leader at the final fence, and rallied in the stretch for the win. THE HERO NEXT DOOR (IRE) took command early, maintained the lead through nine fences, was challenged by ABAAN before the last, entered the stretch just ahead of the challenger but could not hold off the rival and settled for second best. L'IMPERATOR (FR) started off the pace, gained position to stalk the leader after the fourth fence, lost position to ABAAN after the seventh, rallied before the last to gain ground on the leader but was unable to pass rivals and finished for show. NEOTROPIC kept pace with the leader through the first 1/2 mile, eased off the pace at 1 mile, lost ground after the seventh fence, attempted to rally after the eighth but continued to lose ground and was eased home in the stretch.

**Owners**- 1, Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners and Daigneault Thoroughbreds; 2, Smith Michael A; 3, Hudson River Farms; 4, Bruton Street-US

**Trainers**- 1, Dalton Kate; 2, Young Leslie F; 3, Kingsley Archibald Jr; 4, Fisher Jack