

**FOURTH RACE**  
**Middleburg**

**3½ MILES. ( Steeplechase ) ( 8.19<sup>3</sup> ) INTERNATIONAL GOLD CUP TIMBER S. Purse \$75,000 FOR FOUR YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD. Four-year-olds, 155 lbs.; older, 165 lbs.**

**OCTOBER 27, 2024**

**Value of Race: \$58,500 Winner \$45,000; second \$13,500. Mutuel Pool \$.00**

Last Raced	Horse	M/Eqt.	A. Wt	PP	1	2	2½	3	Str	Fin	Jockey	Odds \$1
12Oct24 4Mid1	Mystic Strike	L	15 165	3	2 <sup>3</sup>	2	2	1 <sup>3</sup>	17	18	Galligan G	0.00
12Oct24 4Mid7	Druid's Altar-Ire	L	7 165	1	3	11	11	2	2	2	Dwan E	0.00
12Oct24 7Mid1	Anticipating	L	9 165	2	17	—	—	—	—	—	Mulqueen S	0.00

**OFF AT 1:30 Start Good. Won handily. Course hard.**

**TIME 8:19<sup>3</sup> ( 8:19.60 )**

**\$2 Mutuel Prices:**

**6 – MYSTIC STRIKE** \_\_\_\_\_ — —  
**1 – DRUID'S ALTAR-IRE** \_\_\_\_\_ — —  
**2 – ANTICIPATING** \_\_\_\_\_ — —

**B. g, (Feb), by Smart Strike – Mystic Rhythms, by Citidancer. Trainer McKenna Todd. Bred by Peter Vegso Racing Stable (Fla).**

MYSTIC STRIKE traveled in second just behind DRUID'S ALTAR through most of the race, then took command on the backstretch in the final circuit, drew off going to the final fence and held a comfortable lead to the wire. DRUID'S ALTAR (IRE) led after ANTICIPATING went off course with a narrow lead over MYSTIC STRIKE, was overtaken by that one on the final circuit, chased doggedly yet outrun from final fence to wire. ANTICIPATING led early until he went off course and was then pulled up.

**Owners**– 1, Upland Partners; 2, Hyggelig Haven LLC; 3, Fenwick Sherry L

**Trainers**– 1, McKenna Todd; 2, Dowling William; 3, Morris Neil R

**Scratched**– Court Ruler (IRE) ( 12Oct24<sup>8</sup>Mid<sup>2</sup> ), Schoodic ( 12Oct24<sup>4</sup>Mid<sup>4</sup> ), Rhythmia ( 12Oct24<sup>2</sup>GV<sup>2</sup> ), Bogey's Image ( 28Sep24<sup>5</sup>Shw<sup>2</sup> )