

SOUTHWELL STEWARDS' REPORT**Thursday 14 March 2024**

Stewards: Simon Connaway (Chief Steward), Peter Crafts (Stewards' Panel Chair), Louise Moore (Steward), Beth Dowswell (Assistant Steward), Ali Galliers-Pratt (Raceday Assistant).
Going: STANDARD
Stalls: 5f - Centre Remainder - Inner

Non-Runners

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
6:15pm	EL MONTEJEAN, trained by Mark Walford.	Self Cert (Bad Scope)
6:45pm	MOAI (FR), trained by Ivan Furtado.	No Suitable Jockey Available
6:45pm	BARBAROSA (IRE), trained by Clare Hobson.	Self Cert (Not Eaten Up)

Jockey Changes

Race	Horse	Declared Jockey	Replacement Jockey	Reason
7:45pm	DRINKABLE (GB)	David Allan	Sean Kirrane	(Personal reasons)

Race 1 - 3:58pm.**THE WIN £2,000,000 WITH BETMGM'S GOLDEN GOALS CLASSIFIED STAKES (CLASS 6) (DIV I)**

Leaving the stalls, INEXPLICABLE (IRE), placed second, jumped left-handed at the same time as MASHAM MOOR, placed third, jumped right-handed leaving both STOPNSEARCH, unplaced, and KUMARI STAR, unplaced, short of room, but after viewing a recording of the incident, it was found that no riding offence was involved and that it had not improved the placing of either INEXPLICABLE (IRE) or MASHAM MOOR.

Following the race, Kieran Shoemark reported that STOPNSEARCH, unplaced, suffered interference leaving the stalls and the Veterinary Officer examined the gelding post-race and had nothing to report.

Race 2 - 4:37pm.**THE WIN £2,000,000 WITH BETMGM'S GOLDEN GOALS CLASSIFIED STAKES (CLASS 6) (DIV II)**

The performance of RIVER WHARFE, which started second-favourite and finished unplaced, was considered. It was noted that Tony Carroll could offer no explanation for the gelding's performance on this occasion. The Veterinary Officer examined RIVER WHARFE post-race during routine testing and had nothing to report.

Race 3 - 5:10pm.

THE BETMGM: IT'S SHOWTIME MAIDEN STAKES (CLASS 4) (GBB RACE)

Permission was given for OCEANA ORANGE to wear a red hood to the start.

Following the race, Liam Wright reported that BAROQUE BUOY (IRE), unplaced, hung right-handed round the bend.

Race 4 - 5:45pm.

THE BOOST YOUR ACCA AT BETMGM FILLIES' HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 5)

Permission was given for LAURA'S BREEZE (IRE) to wear a red hood to the start.

Following the race, Aidan Keeley reported that SIENNA BREEZE (IRE), which started favourite and finished unplaced, ran flat.

Race 5 - 6:15pm.

THE BETUK. HOME OF THE ACCA HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 5)

Permission was given for HE'S AN ANGEL to go early to post and for both ONE MORE WAVE and MURBIH (IRE) to wear a red hood to the start.

An enquiry was held to consider the placings in this race after interference inside the final furlong when the winner, DARK SIDE THUNDER, ridden by Lewis Edmunds, interfered with WESTMORIAN, placed second, ridden by Sam James. The Stewards considered that the interference had not improved the placing of DARK SIDE THUNDER as despite WESTMORIAN receiving two light bumps, the gelding lost no momentum and was always being held by DARK SIDE THUNDER to be beaten by a short head at the line. The interference was found to be accidental in that DARK SIDE THUNDER shifted quickly right-handed from the whip before being corrected by Edmunds.

Race 6 - 6:45pm.

THE BUILD YOUR ACCA WITH BETUK HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 6) (DIV I)

Permission was given for SKY DANCER to wear a red hood to the start.

Race 7 - 7:15pm.

THE BUILD YOUR ACCA WITH BETUK HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 6) (DIV II)

Permission was given for BUG BOY (IRE) to be mounted in the chute and go early to post.

BUG BOY (IRE), trained by Tony Newcombe, did not enter the Parade Ring due to connections having difficulty saddling the gelding.

Race 8 - 7:45pm.

THE BET £10 GET £40 AT BETMGH HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 6)

Permission was given for HORSE WHISPERER (IRE) to be mounted in the chute and go early to post wearing a red hood.

An enquiry was held to consider interference approximately 2 furlongs out involving BELVOIR KITTEN, unplaced, ridden by Mia Nicholls, DRINKABLE, unplaced, ridden by Sean Kirrane, and MUSICAL DIVA (IRE), unplaced, ridden by Daniel Tudhope. The interference was found to be accidental in that BELVOIR KITTEN hung quickly left-handed at the same time as Nicholls pulled her whip through carrying MUSICAL DIVA (IRE) off its intended line.

Following the race, Paddy Mathers reported that TEES DOUGE (FR), which started second-favourite and finished unplaced, hung badly left-handed, Silvestre De Sousa reported that HORSE WHISPERER (IRE), placed third, became unbalanced under pressure, Alex Jary reported that SMOOTH SILESIE (IRE), placed fourth, hung right-handed inside the final furlong, and Mia Nicholls reported that BELVOIR KITTEN, unplaced, hung left-handed.

Race 9 - 8:15pm.

THE FIND MORE BIG DEALS AT BETUK HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 6)

Permission was given for SIR BENEDICT (IRE) to wear a red hood to the start.

An enquiry was held to consider interference approximately 1 furlong out involving MADAME FENELLA, placed third, ridden by Joanna Mason, LIL WADE (IRE), placed fourth, ridden by Kieran O'Neill, and USTATH, unplaced, ridden by Jonny Peate. Mason was cautioned for careless riding as she allowed her mount to drift right-handed without sufficient correction causing LIL WADE (IRE) to be carried slightly off its intended line resulting in USTATH receiving a light bump.