

LUDLOW STEWARDS' REPORT

Wednesday 07 February 2024

Stewards: Greg Pearson (Chief Steward), Caroline Robinson (Stewards' Panel Chair), Guy Upton (Steward), Nathan Green (Assistant Steward), Daniel Andrews (Raceday Assistant)

Going: **Chase Course**
Chase Race: Soft

Hurdle Course
Hurdle Race: Soft

Rail: Stables Bend shared. Far bend out 5m and Ludlow Bend out 10m. Fresh ground on chase course.

Non-Runners

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
1:50pm	SWIFT HAWK, trained by Paul Nicholls.	Going (Changed since declaration)
1:50pm	LATIN VERSE, trained by Syd Hosie.	Going (Changed since declaration)
1:50pm	SINDRI, trained by Mitchell Hunt.	Self Cert (Not Eaten Up)
2:20pm	BOUNDARY JACK, trained by Mel Rowley.	Going (Changed since declaration)
2:20pm	GALWAY REEL (IRE), trained by Ian Williams.	Going (Changed since declaration)
2:20pm	SOUTH OMO ZONE (IRE), trained by Anthony Charlton.	Self Cert (Bad Scope)
2:50pm	REVE, trained by Martin Keighley.	Going (Changed since declaration)
3:20pm	SABRINA (IRE), trained by Paul Nicholls.	Going (Changed since declaration)
3:20pm	FABLE (FR), trained by Nicky Henderson.	Going (Changed since declaration)
3:20pm	SWINCOMBE FLEAT, trained by Chris Gordon.	Going (Changed since declaration)
3:50pm	BLUEBERRY WINE (IRE), trained by Donald McCain.	Going (Changed since declaration)
4:50pm	JUBILEE GIRL, trained by Martin Keighley.	Going (Changed since declaration)
4:50pm	NORTHERN REEL (IRE), trained by Anthony Charlton.	Self Cert (Bad Scope)

Jockey Changes

Race	Horse	Declared Jockey	Replacement Jockey	Reason
4:50pm	HAZELS DELIGHT (IRE)	Jonjo O'Neill Jr.	Richie McLernon	(O'Neill Jr injured)
1:50pm	ALBERT PARK (IRE)	Lorcan Murtagh	Bryan Carver	(Murtagh injured)

Race 1 - 1:50pm.

THE RACING TO SCHOOL JUVENILE HURDLE RACE (CLASS 4) (GBB RACE)

The performance of ORCHESTRA (FR) which finished unplaced, was considered. The explanation of Fergal O'Brien's representative that this race had come too soon following the gelding's previous run 16 days earlier, was noted.

At the second last hurdle, ALBERT PARK (IRE), unplaced, jumped slightly right-handed at the same time as FAYASEL (IRE), unplaced, jumped slightly left-handed resulting in both runners becoming unbalanced after bumping, but after viewing a recording of the incident, it was found that no riding offence was involved.

Following the race, Liam Harrison reported that KARAKOY, unplaced, ran too free. The Veterinary Officer reported that FAYASEL (IRE), unplaced, was lame right-hind.

Race 2 - 2:20pm.

THE RACING WELFARE EBF 'NATIONAL HUNT' NOVICES' HURDLE RACE (CLASS 4) (Qualifier) (GBB RACE)

The Veterinary Officer reported that upon inspection THE GREY MAN, trained by Harriet Dickin, was grey and not bay as published in the racecard.

Following the race, Shane Quinlan reported that BARBIE GIRLZ (IRE), which was pulled up, stopped quickly. The Veterinary Officer examined the mare post-race and reported that she had been struck into right-hind. The Veterinary Officer further reported that SCHEMATIC, unplaced, lost its left-fore shoe and had been struck into right-fore.

Race 3 - 2:50pm.

THE ATTWOOD MEMORIAL TROPHY HANDICAP STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 3)

The performance of BALLYBEGG (IRE), which started favourite and finished fourth, beaten 27¼ lengths, was considered. The explanation of Kerry Lee's representative that being 6 lbs higher in today's class 3 handicap represented a tougher assignment than his last start win in a class 4 handicap, was noted. The

Veterinary Officer examined the gelding post-race and had nothing to report.

Race 4 - 3:20pm.

THE WATCH ON RACINGTV. MARES' HANDICAP HURDLE RACE (CLASS 3) (Qualifier for the Challenger Mares' Hurdle Series Final)

The winner, DELLA CASA LUNGA (IRE), appeared to show improved form compared with its previous run at Kempton on 27 December 2023 where the mare finished eighth of eleven runners, beaten 35 ½ lengths on ground officially described as Good to Soft. Clive Boulton-Brooks' explanation that the mare was suited by the softer Going, which was officially described as Soft and the drop in trip to 2 miles 5 furlongs from 3 miles on this occasion, was noted. DELLA CASA LUNGA (IRE) was routine tested.

Following the race, Paddy Brennan reported that BONTTAY (IRE), placed fourth, never travelled. Alex Edwards reported that MASKED DANCE (FR), which was pulled up, stopped quickly. The Veterinary Officer examined the mare post-race and had nothing to report.

Race 5 - 3:50pm.

THE VISIT racingtv.com HANDICAP STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 4)

At the second last fence, ABINGWORTH, placed second, lugged slightly left-handed making contact with FAMOSO (IRE), placed third, on the take off stride contributing to that gelding making a jumping error, 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 ABINGWORTH.

Approaching the final fence, FAMOSO (IRE), placed third, leant right-handed at the same time as ABINGWORTH, placed second, shifted slightly left-handed resulting in the runners making light contact on several occasions before ABINGWORTH jumped left-handed at the final fence briefly impeding FAMOSO (IRE), 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 ABINGWORTH.

Race 6 - 4:20pm.

THE JUMPING FOR FUN CHASE MEREDITH MEMORIAL OPEN HUNTERS' STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 4)

Nothing to report

Race 7 - 4:50pm.

THE STUART MATTHEWS 50TH BIRTHDAY MARES' MAIDEN HURDLE RACE (CLASS 4) (GBB RACE)

Permission was given for MO ZOLA to go early to post and be mounted in the chute.

Approaching the first hurdle, the winner, LOOKING AS YOU ARE, hung sharply left-handed hampering BRIDGET MARY (IRE), unplaced, which in turn inconvenienced BETTWYN, which was later pulled up, 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 LOOKING AS YOU ARE.



Following the race, Cillin Leonard reported that BETTWYN, which was pulled up, ran green.