

CHELMSFORD CITY STEWARDS' REPORT**Thursday 16 January 2025**

Stewards: Anthony McGlone (Chief Steward), Sarah Ellison (Stewards' Panel Chair), Richard Westropp (Steward), Beth Dowswell (Assistant Steward), Ben Ford (Raceday Assistant), Bridget Chamberlain (Trainee Stewards' Panel Chair).

Going: STANDARD TO SLOW

Stalls: 6f centre, remainder inside

Non-Runners

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
7:00pm	MEGAPHONE, trained by George Boughey.	Self Cert (Not Eaten Up)
8:00pm	ARCADIAN NIGHTS, trained by Mark Loughnane.	Self Cert (Cast in Box)
8:30pm	FALCON NINE, trained by Charlie Fellowes.	Vets Cert (Other)

Withdrawals

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
5:00pm	MULLWARCHAR, trained by Charlie Johnston.	Unruly in stalls (Withdrawn by the Starter at 5:01pm - See Notice below)

Race 1 - 5:00pm.**THE RACING WELFARE RESTRICTED MAIDEN STAKES (CLASS 5) (for horses in Bands C and D) (DIV I) (GBB RACE)**

Permission was given for JUNGLE CRUISE (IRE), MASSIMO BLUE and ROGUE OFFICER (IRE) to all wear a red hood to the start.

The Starter reported that MULLWARCHAR was unruly and broke out of the stalls, before being withdrawn at 5:01pm. Charlie Johnston was informed that the colt could not run until the day after passing a stalls test.

Race 2 - 5:30pm.**THE RACING WELFARE RESTRICTED MAIDEN STAKES (CLASS 5) (for horses in Bands C and D) (DIV II) (GBB RACE)**

Permission was given for WILLOW'S KISS to wear a red hood to the start.

Race 3 - 6:00pm.**THE RACING VALUE AT bet365 HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 6)**

Permission was given for GONE ROGUE (IRE) to wear a red hood to the start.

Race 4 - 6:30pm.**THE WATCH LIVE RACING AT bet365 CLASSIFIED STAKES (CLASS 6)**

Permission was given for BELIEVE IT to wear a red hood to the start, for JUMIRA BRIDGE to be mounted in the chute and go early to post wearing a red hood and for SASSY REDHEAD to be mounted in the chute and go early to post.

Following the race, Hollie Doyle reported that SASSY REDHEAD, placed fifth, ran too free.

Race 5 - 7:00pm.**THE BET BOOST AT bet365 NOVICE STAKES (CLASS 5) (GBB RACE)**

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

Race 6 - 7:30pm.**THE EACH WAY EXTRA AT bet365 HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 5)**

Permission was given for both RAINYNITEINGEORGIA (IRE) and BILL PLUMB (IRE) to wear a red hood to the start and for MERRIMACK to be mounted in the chute.

Race 7 - 8:00pm.**THE DOWNLOAD THE bet365 APP HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 4) (GBBPLUS RACE)**

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

The winner, GORDON GREY (IRE), appeared to show improved form compared with its previous run at Lingfield on 3 January 2025 where the gelding finished ninth of ten runners, beaten by 35½ lengths. Ben Brookhouse's explanation that GORDON GREY (IRE) benefited from an easier lead today was noted. The gelding was routine tested.

Race 8 - 8:30pm.**THE BEST ODDS GUARANTEED AT bet365 HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 6)**

Permission was given for GOT NO DOLLARS (IRE) to be mounted in the chute, and for UNION ISLAND (IRE) to go early to post; the gelding wore earplugs throughout the preliminaries which were removed upon arrival at the start.

