

RIPON STEWARDS' REPORT

Thursday 17 April 2025

Stewards: Michael Eyre (Chief Steward), Peter Crafts (Stewards' Panel Chair), Simon Connaway (Steward), Philippa Hardy (Assistant Steward), Sarah Russell (Raceday Assistant)

Going: GOOD, GOOD TO FIRM (IN PLACES)

Rail: Rail on bend from back straight to home straight dolled out by six yards adding 12 yards to races on the round course

Stalls: Straight Course - Stand side Round Course - Inside rail 1 mile 4 furlongs - Centre

Non-Runners

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
2:00pm	KENNEDYS PASS (IRE), trained by John & Sean Quinn.	Self Cert (Off Colour)
2:35pm	EMERALD ISLAND (FR), trained by David Menuisier.	Going (Changed Since Declaration)
3:42pm	WOBWOBWOB (IRE), trained by Adrian Keatley.	Going (Changed Since Declaration)
4:15pm	BARYSHNIKOV, trained by David & Nicola Barron.	Going (Changed Since Declaration)
4:15pm	HIGH POINT (IRE), trained by Kevin Philippart de Foy.	Going (Changed Since Declaration)

Jockey Changes

Race	Horse	Declared Jockey	Replacement Jockey	Reason
2:00pm	SHARP CALL (IRE)	Billy Garritty	Joanna Mason	(Garritty Having Car Issues)
4:15pm	WINTERCRACK (GB)	Shane Kelly	Jason Hart	(Kelly Stuck in Traffic)

Race 1 - 2:00pm.

THE DOWNLOAD THE AT THE RACES APP RESTRICTED NOVICE STAKES (CLASS 5) (for horses in Bands B, C and D) (GBB RACE)

Approximately 2 ½ furlongs out, GET UP EVERYBODY (IRE), placed fourth, hung quickly left-handed giving a bump to and briefly unbalancing HYZENTHLAY RAH, unplaced, 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

GET UP EVERYBODY (IRE).

Following the race, John Egan reported that WILLOW BABY (IRE), unplaced, weakened quickly inside the final ½ furlong.

Race 2 - 2:35pm.

THE DOWNLOAD THE RACEDAY READY APP MAIDEN STAKES (CLASS 5) (GBB RACE)

Permission was given for both DINO BELLAGIO and MIDDLE AGES (IRE) to wear red hoods to post.

Following the race, Sam James reported that DOLLAR'S DREAM (IRE), placed fourth, hung left-handed on the bend.

Race 3 - 3:10pm.

THE RIPON SILVER BOWL HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 4)

Permission was given for LARCHILL LASS to go early to post wearing a red hood and for FAR ABOVE THE LAW (IRE) to wear a red hood to post.

Following the race, Jason Hart reported that INVINCIBLE ANNICE (IRE), unplaced, hung right-handed throughout.

Race 4 - 3:42pm.

THE ARMSTRONG MEMORIAL HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 4)

An enquiry was held to consider interference 1 ½ furlongs out, involving AMERICAN BAY, unplaced, ridden by David Nolan and THE GOOD BISCUIT, placed fourth, ridden by Joanna Mason. The interference was found to be accidental as AMERICAN BAY became unbalanced and shifted slightly left-handed, resulting in THE GOOD BISCUIT becoming tight for room and unbalanced against the rail.

Approximately 4 ½ furlongs out, a free running TIRIAC, unplaced, shifted left-handed, moving ROCK OPERA, unplaced, slightly off its intended line, which in turn, caused VALENTINE CATCHER, unplaced, to briefly become short for room, but after viewing a recording of the incident, it was found that no riding offence was involved.

Approaching the line, the winner, DAKOTA GOLD, hung right-handed despite the rider's best efforts to correct the gelding, causing the rider of FORTAMOUR (IRE), placed third, to become momentarily short for 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 DAKOTA GOLD.

The performance of VALENTINE CATCHER, which started favourite and finished tenth of thirteen runners, beaten by 9 lengths was considered. It was noted that Tim Easterby could offer no explanation for the gelding's performance, other than VALENTINE CATCHER had been slowly away. The Veterinary Officer examined the gelding post-race during routine testing and had nothing to report.

Following the race, David Nolan reported that AMERICAN BAY, unplaced, became unbalanced on the undulations of the track on this occasion. The Veterinary Officer examined the gelding post-race and had nothing to report. The Veterinary Officer further reported that BEYOND BORDERS (IRE), unplaced, lost its left-fore shoe.

Race 5 - 4:15pm.

THE RIPON 'COCK O' THE NORTH' HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 4)

Permission was given for EY UP ITS THE BOSS to go early to post and for LORD PROTECTOR (GER) to go early to post and to be mounted in the chute. LOYAL TOUCH (IRE) wore ear plugs which were removed at the start.

Race 6 - 4:50pm.

THE SPREADEX GET £60 IN FREE BETS HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 5)

Nothing to report

Race 7 - 5:25pm.

THE GO RACING IN YORKSHIRE APPRENTICE HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 4) (Yorkshire Future Stars Apprentice Series)

Permission was given for OVERNIGHT OATS to go early to post, wearing a red hood.

An enquiry was held to consider interference shortly after the start, involving GARDEN OASIS, placed fourth, ridden by Jake Dickson and ON THE RIVER, placed second, ridden by Warren Fentiman. Being a 7lb claiming Apprentice, Dickson was accompanied in the enquiry by his jockey coach. Dickson was suspended for 2 days for careless riding as he shifted right-handed, tightening ON THE RIVER for room against the rail.

An enquiry was held to consider interference shortly after entering the bend, involving ON THE RIVER, placed second, ridden by Warren Fentiman and YERMANTHERE (IRE), unplaced, ridden by Tom Kiely-Marshall. The interference was found to be accidental as ON THE RIVER became unbalanced and shifted quickly left-handed resulting in YERMANTHERE (IRE) clipping a heel and becoming unbalanced.

An enquiry was held to consider interference, approaching the line, involving the winner, OVERNIGHT OATS, ridden by Mason Paetel, ON THE RIVER, placed second, ridden by Warren Fentiman and GARDEN OASIS, placed fourth ridden by Jake Dickson. Being 7lb claiming Apprentices, both Paetel and Dickson were accompanied in the enquiry a jockey coach. The interference was found to be accidental as ON THE RIVER had improved quickly to the right of OVERNIGHT OATS, which had shifted slightly right-handed, briefly crowding GARDEN OASIS causing the rider to take a slight check.

Following the race, Elle-May Croot reported that BOWOOD, unplaced, ran too free.

Suspensions

Person	Race	Horse	Days	Suspended Days
Jake Dickson	Race - 5:25pm	GARDEN OASIS (GB)	2	2 May 2025 1 May 2025