

RIPON STEWARDS' REPORT**Thursday 21 June 2018**

Stewards: Rosie Pearson (Chairman), Dan Scoular, Peter Sporne (Stipendiary), Alan Dempsey (Stipendiary), Lyndsay Allan (Stewards Secretary)

Going: GOOD, GOOD TO FIRM (IN PLACES)

Rail: Rail on bend from back straight to home straight dolled out by 3 yards adding 6 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
3:55pm	LAMLOOM (IRE), trained by David O'Meara.	Going (Not changed since declaration but horse on course and ID confirmed by VO)
3:55pm	BRILLIANT VANGUARD (IRE), trained by Kevin Ryan.	Self Cert (Knocked Joint)
5:40pm	BALGOWLAH (IRE), trained by David Lanigan.	Self Cert (Off Colour)

Race 1 - 2:10pm.**THE SNOOTY FROX EBF NOVICE STAKES (CLASS 5)**

Permission was given for BARRISTAN THE BOLD to go to post early.

Following the race, Paul Mulrennan reported that THE DEFIANT, unplaced, ran green.

Race 2 - 2:45pm.**THE mintbet.com HOME OF REFRESHING ODDS HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 5)**

The winner LONGROOM appeared to show an improvement in form, compared with its previous run at Thirsk on 19 May 2018, where the gelding finished fourteenth of fourteen beaten 23 lengths. Noel Wilson's explanation was noted that the gelding had appreciated the drop in grade and that his yard is beginning to return to form.

It was noted that approaching the final furlong, the winner LONGROOM, hung quickly right moving PEARL NOIR, placed third, marginally off its intended line. Inside the final furlong, LONGROOM continued to hang right despite the rider's best efforts, moving AFRICAN FRIEND (IRE), placed second, slightly off its intended line. However after viewing recordings of the incidents, it was found that neither involved a riding offence or had improved the placing of LONGROOM.

Race 3 - 3:20pm.

THE SLINGSBY GIN HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 4)

Nothing to report

Race 4 - 3:55pm.

THE BLACKTYPE.BET LADIES DAY HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 3)

Nothing to report

Race 5 - 4:35pm.

THE OLD MUTUAL WEALTH PRIVATE CLIENT ADVISERS LADIES' DERBY HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 6) (FOR LADY AMATEUR RIDERS)

Noel Wilson had obtained prior permission from the BHA to run HAYWARD FIELD (IRE) with no hind shoes.

An enquiry was held to consider why Lee James was running EXCELLENT ADDITION (IRE), here at Ripon on going described as Good, Good to Firm in places, having declared the gelding a non-runner at Beverley on 19 June 2018 on ground with the same official description. The trainer stated that in his opinion the ground at Beverley was quicker than the official description, but given the good grass covering here at Ripon, he was happy for the gelding to take his chance.

Following the race, Miss Laura Wilson reported that THE FOOZLER, unplaced, was unsuited by the undulating track.

Race 6 - 5:10pm.

THE STRAY FM CELEBRATING LADIES DAY HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 5)

An enquiry was held to consider why David O'Meara was running KHARBETATION (IRE), here at Ripon on going described as Good, Good to Firm in places, having declared the gelding a non-runner at Beverley on 19 June 2018 on ground with the same official description. The trainer's representative stated that in his opinion, the ground at Beverley was quicker than the official description, but having walked the track at



Ripon, he was happy for the gelding to take his chance.

Permission was given for KHARBETATION (IRE) to go to post early.

Race 7 - 5:40pm.

THE INN AT SOUTH STAINLEY HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 6)

Tim Easterby had obtained prior permission from the BHA to run BOLLIN JOAN with no hind shoes.

Permission was given for BIGDABOG to be mounted on the track and go to post early.

Following the race, Eric Alston reported that BIGDABOG, unplaced, may have been unsuited by the Good, Good to Firm in places going on this occasion and in his opinion may be better suited by an easier surface.

The apparent improvement in form of the winner AIRPLANE (IRE), which had never previously been placed was considered. The representative of Tim Easterby was interviewed and his explanation noted that the gelding had good 2 year old form and has taken time to come to himself this year. AIRPLANE (IRE) was routine tested.