

SEDGEFIELD STEWARDS' REPORT

Wednesday 29 March 2017

Stewards: Franki Clark (Chairman), Neil Edminson, Alan Dempsey (Stipendiary), Adie Smith (Stipendiary), Lyndsay Allan (Stewards' Secretary)

Going:

Fixture Note: RACE 5 - fence 3 (last in back straight) omitted due to being damaged in race 3.

Non-Runners

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
3:40pm	JUSTFORJAMES (IRE), trained by Micky Hammond.	N/A
4:45pm	YORGONNAHEARMEROAR (IRE), trained by Henry Oliver.	Self Cert (Abscess)
5:20pm	TURTLE CASK (IRE), trained by Dianne Sayer.	Going (Changed Since Declaration)

Withdrawals

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
3:40pm	JUSTFORJAMES (IRE), trained by Micky Hammond.	Going Withdrawn by Trainer 15.22 (Going - Changed Since Declaration)

Race 1 - 2:10pm.

THE BETFRED 'RACING'S BIGGEST SUPPORTER' HANDICAP HURDLE RACE (CLASS 5)

Sam Coltherd, the rider of DARSI DANCER (IRE), which started favourite but was pulled up, reported that the gelding was never travelling. The Veterinary Officer subsequently reported that a post-race examination during routine testing, found the gelding to be distressed.

Race 2 - 2:40pm.

THE BETFRED 'SUPPORTS JACK BERRY HOUSE' MARES' NOVICES' HURDLE RACE (CLASS 4)

The Veterinary Officer reported that BAT SHEVA (IRE), which was pulled up, trained by Dianne Sayer, was lame right fore.

Race 3 - 3:10pm.**THE BETFRED 'TREBLE ODDS ON LUCKY 15'S' HANDICAP STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 4)**

The Stewards considered the apparent improvement in form of the winner, BORIC ridden by Callum Bewley and trained by Simon Waugh, compared with its previous run at Doncaster on 9 February 2017 where the gelding was pulled up. They noted the trainer's explanation that the gelding had benefited from the step up in trip and first-time application of blinkers on this occasion. They ordered BORIC to be routine tested.

The Stewards gave permission for KING OF THE DARK (IRE), trained by Victor Thompson, to go to post early.

George Bewley, the trainer of ALLEZ COOL (IRE), unplaced, reported that the gelding was unsuited by the Good ground on this occasion and would prefer a softer surface.

The Veterinary Officer reported that INCHCOLM (IRE), which was pulled up, trained by Micky Hammond, was lame right hind.

Race 4 - 3:40pm.**THE BETFRED HURDLE SERIES FINAL HANDICAP HURDLE RACE (CLASS 2)**

Nothing to report

Race 5 - 4:10pm.**THE BETFRED MOBILE NOVICES' HANDICAP STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 4)**

Nothing to report

Race 6 - 4:45pm.**THE BETFRED TV NOVICES' HURDLE RACE (CLASS 4)**

Nothing to report

Race 7 - 5:20pm.**THE BETFRED 'HOME OF GOALS GALORE' HANDICAP HURDLE RACE (CLASS 5)**

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