

TAUNTON STEWARDS' REPORT**Tuesday 21 February 2023**

Stewards: Fergus Sweeney (Chief Steward), John Pearn (Stewards' Panel Chair), Sophie Candy (Steward), Kelly O'Boyle (Assistant Steward), Milly Bersey (Raceday Assistant)

Going: GOOD

Rail: Chase bends out by 2-4 yards, Hurdle bends out by 6-10 yards.

Non-Runners

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
2:30pm	WEST PARK BOY, trained by Philip Hobbs.	Self Cert (Lame)
3:30pm	GALICE MACALO (FR), trained by Mrs Jane Williams.	Self Cert (Not Eaten Up)

Race 1 - 2:00pm.**THE RACING TO SCHOOL BLACKBROOK PRIMARY NOVICES' HANDICAP HURDLE RACE (CLASS 5) (DIV I)**

Having reviewed recordings of the false start, the Starters were satisfied that no riders should be reported for contravening the starting procedures.

Following the race, Bryony Frost reported that PRESGRAVE (IRE), unplaced, jumped left-handed. The Veterinary Officer reported that LOOKINGDANDY, unplaced, lost a right-fore shoe.

Race 2 - 2:30pm.**THE RACING TO SCHOOL BLACKBROOK PRIMARY NOVICES' HANDICAP HURDLE RACE (CLASS 5) (DIV II)**

Permission was given for PRISON BREAK (IRE) to wear a red hood to post.

The winner, PROFESSOR CALCULUS, appeared to show improved form compared with its previous run at Doncaster on 9 February 2023 where the gelding finished seventh, beaten by 25 lengths. Nigel Hawke's explanation that the gelding had benefited from the first time application of a visor and being ridden more prominently, was noted. PROFESSOR CALCULUS was routine tested.

Following the race, the Veterinary Officer reported that PRISON BREAK (IRE), unplaced, lost both front shoes.

Race 3 - 3:00pm.**THE WEATHERBYS nhstallions.co.uk HANDICAP STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 4)**

Following the race, Charlie Price reported that leaving the back straight he had lost his stirrup on board TRIXSTER (IRE), unplaced.

Race 4 - 3:30pm.

THE WEATHERBYS CHELTENHAM FESTIVAL BETTING GUIDE HANDICAP HURDLE RACE (CLASS 2) (GBB RACE)

Following the race, Bryan Carver reported that AMELIA'S DANCE (IRE), placed fifth, stopped quickly and the Veterinary Officer reported that a post-race examination failed to reveal any abnormalities.

Race 5 - 4:00pm.

THE ROYAL BATH & WEST OF ENGLAND SOCIETY MAIDEN HURDLE RACE (CLASS 4) (GBB RACE)

Following the race, the Veterinary Officer reported that OLLY'S FOLLY, which was pulled up, lost both front shoes and RED BOND (IRE), unplaced, lost a right-fore shoe.

Race 6 - 4:30pm.

THE MARTYN PRIDDLE MEMORIAL MARES' HANDICAP HURDLE RACE (CLASS 5)

Following the race, the Veterinary Officer reported that LITTLE ELSE, placed fifth, lost a right-fore shoe.

Race 7 - 5:05pm.

THE MAURICE BROADWAY 70TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION OPEN HUNTERS' STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 5)

Nothing to report