

## **CHELTENHAM STEWARDS' REPORT**

**Wednesday 19 April 2023**

Stewards: Thomas Evetts (Chief Steward), Caroline Robinson (Stewards' Panel Chair), Guy Upton (Steward), Dan Andrews (Assistant Steward), Kelly O'Boyle (Raceday Assistant)

Going: GOOD

Rail: Hurdle rail +4 yards out

### **Non-Runners**

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
3:15pm	THE CARPENTER (IRE), trained by Nicky Henderson.	Going (Changed since declaration)
3:15pm	THEATRE MAN (IRE), trained by Richard Bandey.	Going (Changed since declaration)
3:15pm	HERMINO AA (FR), trained by Gary Moore.	Going (Changed since declaration)
3:50pm	POPPA POUTINE (IRE), trained by Nigel Twiston-Davies.	Going (Changed since declaration)
4:25pm	HECTOR JAVILEX (FR), trained by Charlie Longsdon.	Self Cert (Knocked Joint)
5:00pm	ASHINGTON, trained by Mark Walford.	Self Cert (Colic)

### **Jockey Changes**

Race	Horse	Declared Jockey	Replacement Jockey	Reason
3:50pm	HIDDEN HEROICS (FR)	Harry Skelton	Jack Andrews	Skelton stood down by RMO
2:05pm	BOOMBAWN (IRE)	Harry Skelton	Jack Andrews	Skelton stood down by RMO
3:15pm	PIKAR (FR)	Harry Skelton	Kielan Woods	Skelton stood down by RMO

### **Race 1 - 1:30pm.**

**THE MATT HAMPSON FOUNDATION SILVER TROPHY HANDICAP STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 1) (Grade 2)(A LIMITED HANDICAP) (GBB RACE)**

PRESENTANDCOUNTING (IRE) was kicked at the start by another runner. Having been examined by the

Veterinary Surgeon, the gelding was deemed fit to race.

When jumping the fourth fence, the winner, CARIBEAN BOY (FR) jumped left-handed bumping ZHIGULI (IRE) which caused Moore to become unbalanced and his saddle to slip which resulted in him pulling up the gelding shortly after, 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 CARIBEAN BOY (FR).

An enquiry was held to consider the placings in this race after interference following the final fence involving SUPER SIX, placed third, ridden by Sam Twiston-Davies and GEMIRANDE (FR), placed second, ridden by Charlie Deutsch. The Stewards considered that the interference had improved GEMIRANDE (FR)'s placing as having jumped the final fence, Deutsch allowed his mount to move left-handed towards the rail, at the same time as SUPER SIX improved to its inside, getting to within approximately a head, whereupon he ran out of room as a consequence of GEMIRANDE (FR)'s drift. This resulted in Twiston-Davies having to take a significant check and in SUPER SIX becoming unbalanced and losing significant ground. Thereafter SUPER SIX rallied all the way to the line, to be beaten a diminishing ½ length. The placings were therefore revised as follows: First; CARIBEAN BOY (FR), Second; SUPER SIX, Third; GEMIRANDE (FR), Fourth; HERBIERS (FR). Deutsch was suspended for 6 days for careless riding as in allowing his mount to drift left-handed towards the rail when insufficiently clear of SUPER SIX, he caused considerable interference to that gelding when placed up against the rail.

Following the race, Harry Cobden reported that UNANSWERED PRAYERS (IRE) was badly hampered by the faller at the tenth fence which resulted in him pulling the gelding up shortly thereafter; the Veterinary Officer reported that the gelding lost its left-fore shoe.

#### **Race 2 - 2:05pm.**

##### **THE KINGSTON STUD HANDICAP HURDLE RACE (CLASS 2) (GBB RACE)**

Permission was given for LADY ADARE (IRE) to wear a red hood to post.

It was noted that the winner, WILLASTON (IRE), slipped when turning into the home straight.

On the approach to the last flight, BOLD ENDEAVOUR, placed second, shifted right-handed moving the winner, WILLASTON (IRE), off its intended line and in turn slightly hampering MASTER CHEWY (IRE), 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 BOLD ENDEAVOUR.

#### **Race 3 - 2:40pm.**

##### **THE GLOUCESTER BREWERY HOLMAN HANDICAP STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 3)**

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

The performance of VALLERES (FR), which finished unplaced, was considered. Venetia Williams could offer no explanation for the gelding's performance; The Veterinary Officer reported that a post-race

examination of VALLERES (FR), during routine testing, failed to reveal any abnormalities.

Following the race, Nick Scholfield reported that COUP DE PINCEAU (FR), which was pulled up, was slowly into stride, Harrison Beswick reported that MAX DYNAMO, unplaced, was never travelling. Jonathan England reported that NO CRUISE YET lost its action having jumped the fourth last fence and so he pulled the gelding up shortly after; the Veterinary Officer reported that a post-race examination of the gelding failed to reveal any abnormalities other than he had lost his right-fore shoe. The Veterinary Officer reported that YOUNG BULL (IRE), placed second, was found to be lame on its left-fore, that DIDERO VALLIS (FR), which was pulled up, had bled from the nose and that BALLINSLEA BRIDGE (IRE), which was pulled up, had also bled from the nose.

**Race 4 - 3:15pm.**

**THE CITIPOST NOVICES' HURDLE RACE (CLASS 2) (GBB RACE)**

Permission was given for THE FRIDAY MAN to wear a red hood to post and for TWIG to wear a red hood in the parade ring only.

Following the race, Jonjo O'Neill Jr. reported that RED DIRT ROAD (IRE), placed fourth, hung right-handed and Nick Scholfield reported that ROCK MY WAY (IRE), unplaced, jumped right-handed and hung right-handed.

**Race 5 - 3:50pm.**

**THE WEATHERITE AIR CONDITIONING HANDICAP STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 2) (GBB RACE)**

Following the race, Harry Bannister reported that MISTER MALARKY, which was pulled up, was never travelling; the Veterinary Officer reported that a post-race examination of the gelding failed to reveal any abnormalities. Mr Jack Andrews reported that HIDDEN HEROICS (FR), placed fifth, jumped right-handed. Kielan Woods reported that something had felt amiss with ANIGHTINLAMBOURN (IRE) and so he felt it prudent to pull the gelding up. The Veterinary Officer reported that LORD DU MESNIL (FR), placed second, was treated for post-race heat stress, that JIMMY THE DIGGER, which was pulled up, bled from the nose and that PERCUSSION, which was pulled up, also bled from the nose.

**Race 6 - 4:25pm.**

**THE SAFRAN LANDING SYSTEMS HANDICAP HURDLE RACE (CLASS 2) (GBB RACE)**

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

Following the race, the Veterinary Officer reported that THE KNIPHAND (FR), placed fifth, was treated for post-race heat stress.

**Race 7 - 5:00pm.**

**THE CHELTENHAM PONY RACING AUTHORITY GRADUATES HANDICAP HURDLE RACE (CLASS 3)  
(CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS' AND AMATEUR RIDERS' RACE) (For Riders that have ridden in PRA Pony Races)**

An enquiry was held to consider interference at the bend at the top of the hill involving BOSTON EMERY

(FR), unplaced, ridden by Miss Roisin Leech and RED FORCE ONE, placed fifth, ridden by Toby Wynne. As a 7lb claiming amateur Miss Leech was offered the opportunity to be accompanied in the enquiry but declined. Wynne was cautioned for careless riding as he allowed his mount to drift left-handed when insufficiently clear of BOSTON EMERY (FR) causing Miss Leech to take a slight check on her mount.

An enquiry was held to consider interference turning into the home straight involving FRANSAM, unplaced, ridden by Mr Jack Andrews, LIVELY CITIZEN (IRE), placed fourth, ridden by Lilly Pinchin, ELHAM VALLEY (FR), unplaced, ridden by Liam Harrison, the winner, BLACK POPPY, ridden by Luca Morgan, MAYHEM MYA, unplaced, ridden by Finn Lambert and BY YOUR SIDE, placed third, ridden by Ben Bromley. The Stewards determined that there were two separate incidents of interference. In the first, Pinchin was cautioned for careless riding as she allowed her mount to drift left-handed when insufficiently clear of BLACK POPPY and FRANSAM on her inside, slightly inconveniencing these two runners. In the second, Bromley was cautioned for careless riding as he allowed his mount to drift left-handed when insufficiently clear, taking MAYHEM MYA and ELHAM VALLEY (FR) off their lines. The Stewards noted that these two incidents happened simultaneously and resulted in the runners on the inside of BY YOUR SIDE becoming short of room for a period.

An enquiry was held to consider interference on the run in having jumped the last flight involving SAMTARA, placed second, ridden by Harry Atkins and BY YOUR SIDE, placed third, ridden by Ben Bromley. Bromley was suspended for 2 days for careless riding as he allowed his mount to drift left-handed over a prolonged period, without sufficient correction taking SAMTARA off his intended racing line.

Following the race, Miss Fern O'Brien reported that GUMBALL (FR), unplaced, was slowly into stride, Finn Lambert reported that MAYHEM MYA, unplaced, ran too freely; the Veterinary Officer reported that the mare lost its right-hind shoe. The Veterinary Officer also reported that BALLYGEARY (IRE), unplaced, bled from the nose.

### Suspensions

Person	Race	Horse	Days	Suspended Days
Charlie Deutsch	Race - 1:30pm	GEMIRANDE (FR)	6	6 May 2023 8 May 2023 9 May 2023 10 May 2023 11 May 2023 12 May 2023
Lilly Pinchin	Race - 3:50pm	LORD DU MESNIL (FR)	8	6 May 2023 8 May 2023 9 May 2023 10 May 2023 11 May 2023 12 May 2023 13 May 2023 14 May 2023

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Ben Bromley	Race - 5:00pm	BY YOUR SIDE (GB)	2	8 May 2023 6 May 2023