

WINCANTON STEWARDS' REPORT

Thursday 04 February 2021

Stewards: Chris Rutter (Chief Steward), Georgina Cartwright (Stewards' Panel Chair), Steve Drowne (Steward), Richard Westropp (Social Distancing Officer), Cody Watkins (Assistant Steward), Chris Hill (Raceday Assistant)

Going: HEAVY

Rail: Chase and Hurdle course in central positions. Rail moved out between 8-11 yards from the innermost position.

Fixture Note: Races 4 and 6: Fences 2 and 4 in the back straight of the chase course will be omitted due to ground under repair.

Non-Runners

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
1:00pm	DOUKAROV (FR), trained by Sean Curran.	Self Cert (Other) (Cut on the inside of its mouth)
2:45pm	MUSTANG ALPHA (IRE), trained by Jamie Snowden.	Self Cert (Bruised Foot)
3:20pm	ENVOYE SPECIAL (FR), trained by C. R. Barber.	Self Cert (Not Eaten Up)
3:20pm	BACK BAR (IRE), trained by Alan Hill.	Self Cert (Not Eaten Up)

Jockey Changes

Race	Horse	Declared Jockey	Replacement Jockey	Reason
1:35pm	KING ORRY (IRE)	Lucy Gardner	Harry Bannister	Gardner injured

Race 1 - 12:30pm.

THE EBF MARES' 'NATIONAL HUNT' NOVICES' HURDLE RACE (CLASS 4) (Qualifier for The EBF Mares' NH Novices' Hurdle Series)

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

Race 2 - 1:00pm.

THE WATCH RACING TV IN STUNNING HD NOVICES' HANDICAP STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 4) (GBB RACE)

The performance of DESQUE DE L'ISLE (FR), which was pulled up in a field of eight runners, was considered. Venetia Williams could offer no explanation for the gelding's performance on this occasion.

DESQUE DE L'ISLE (FR) was routine tested.

Following the race, Jonjo O'Neill Jr. reported that DEMON D'AUNOU (FR), placed fourth, hung left throughout and ran too freely.

Race 3 - 1:35pm.

THE SOUTHWEST SYNDICATE NOVICES' HURDLE RACE (CLASS 3) (GBB RACE)

Following the race, Mitchell Bastyan reported that SERGEANT (FR), unplaced, hung left-handed.

Race 4 - 2:10pm.

THE DICK HUNT HANDICAP STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 3) (For The Dick Hunt Trophy)

The performance of EDEN DU HOUX (FR), which started favourite and was pulled up in a field of fourteen runners, was considered. David Pipe could offer no explanation for the gelding's performance.

The performance of SEASTON SPIRIT, which was pulled up in a field of fourteen runners, was considered. The representative of Oliver Sherwood could offer no explanation for the gelding's performance on this occasion. The Veterinary Officer reported that a post-race examination of SEASTON SPIRIT failed to reveal any abnormalities.

Following the race, Sean Houlihan reported that REGAL FLOW, which was pulled up, was never travelling.

Race 5 - 2:45pm.

THE WATCH RACE REPLAYS AT racingtv.com CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS' HANDICAP HURDLE RACE (CLASS 3) (PRA Graduates Race)

A query was raised to consider why Johnny Farrelly was running AND THE NEW (IRE) here at Wincanton on going described as Heavy, having declared the gelding a non-runner at Wincanton on 21 January 2021 on ground with the same official description. The trainer stated that with limited options at the moment as well as a drop in trip compared to the gelding's previous entry, he was happy to let AND THE NEW (IRE) take its chance on this occasion.

Race 6 - 3:20pm.

THE STEWART TORY MEMORIAL OPEN HUNTERS' STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 6)

Following the race, Mrs Janet Ackner reported that STEVAN STEEL (IRE), which was pulled up, made a respiratory noise and the Veterinary Officer reported that KELVINGROVE (IRE), which was pulled up, was struck into on its right fore.

Race 7 - 3:50pm.

THE BET AT racingtv.com MARES' STANDARD OPEN NATIONAL HUNT FLAT RACE (CLASS 5) (GBB RACE)

SHEILA NASH (IRE) wore ear plugs which were removed at the start. Permission was given for MY



KEEPSAKE to go early to post.

Jonjo O'Neill Jr., the rider of SHEILA NASH (IRE), was unseated shortly after the start was affected. After viewing a recording of the incident, it was found that no other horse or rider was involved, and that the incident was accidental and caused by SHEILA NASH (IRE) jinking left shortly after the tape went back and unseating its rider. The Stewards were satisfied that SHEILA NASH (IRE) was deemed a runner.

Following the race, Lorcan Williams reported that DOCTOR DOTTY, unplaced, was hampered by SHEILA NASH (IRE) unseating its rider at the start.