

## **WINCANTON STEWARDS' REPORT**

**Wednesday 27 March 2024**

Stewards: Fergus Sweeney (Chief Steward), Robert Webb-Bowen (Stewards' Panel Chair), Steve Drowne (Steward), Philippa Hardy (Assistant Steward), Kelly O'Boyle (Raceday Assistant).

Going: **Chase Course**  
(GSt 4.8)  
**Hurdle Course**  
(GSt 4.4)

Rail: Both Fence and Hurdles back on Innermost positions. Race distances as advertised.

### Non-Runners

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
2:00pm	STANLEY PINCOMBE (IRE), trained by Chris Gordon.	Self Cert (Abscess)
2:00pm	BATAILLON, trained by Philip Hobbs & Johnson White.	Self Cert (Coughing)
2:30pm	I LOVE YOU SIVOLA (FR), trained by Helen Nelmes.	Self Cert (Bruised Foot)
2:30pm	PLENTY OF TIME (IRE), trained by Syd Hosie.	Self Cert (Bruised Foot)
4:35pm	GENTLIEMAN ROSS, trained by Ella Pickard.	Self Cert (Other) (Ran 26 March 2024 and Not Eaten Up)
5:05pm	CLINTON LANE, trained by Mark Gillard.	Self Cert (Swelling)

### Jockey Changes

Race	Horse	Declared Jockey	Replacement Jockey	Reason
4:00pm	GOLD FOR ALEC (FR)	Jordan Nailor	Harry Cobden	(Nailor Unwell)

### Race 1 - 2:00pm.

#### THE RESPECT IN RACING AMATEUR JOCKEYS' HANDICAP HURDLE RACE (CLASS 4)

Mrs Jane Williams was cautioned as HONNEUR D'AJONC (FR) had arrived in the Parade Ring without its declared cheek pieces, which were then located and fitted to the gelding before going to the start.

The winner, BEHIND THE CURTAIN (IRE), appeared to show improved form compared with its previous

run at Fontwell Park on 26 December 2023 where the gelding was pulled up. David Pipe's representative's explanation that BEHIND THE CURTAIN (IRE) was suited by a return to hurdles was noted and the gelding was routine tested.

Following the race, Miss Lily Jones reported that THE BOMBER LISTON (IRE), unplaced, was very slowly away, the Veterinary Officer reported that ODIN'S QUEST, which was pulled up, bled from the nose and the representative of Paul Nicholls reported that BANTEER (IRE), unplaced, was unsuited by the Going, officially described as Soft, Good to Soft in places and would prefer a quicker surface.

**Race 2 - 2:30pm.**

**THE HARRIET DICKIN RACING HANDICAP STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 4)**

Permission was given for BEGIN THE LUCK (IRE) to go early to post.

ABINGWORTH, trained by Gary Moore was late in the Parade Ring, due to the gelding being difficult to saddle.

**Race 3 - 3:00pm.**

**THE CREST RACING MARES' HANDICAP HURDLE RACE (CLASS 3) (For the Jim Morgan & Ronnie Stevens Memorial Trophy) (Challenger Mares' Hurdle Series Qualifier)**

Following the race, Harry Cobden reported that ROYALE DANCE (FR), which was pulled up, hung badly right-handed. The representative of Paul Nicholls reported that SABRINA (IRE), unplaced, was unsuited by the Going, officially described as Soft, Good to Soft in places and would prefer a quicker surface.

**Race 4 - 3:30pm.**

**THE MOLSON COORS FINAL CHANCE TO QUALIFY MARES' HANDICAP STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 4) (Challenger Mares' Chase Series Qualifier)**

JUNIPER, trained by Anthony Honeyball, lost its left-fore shoe on the way to post. As the trainer had not indicated at declaration stage that the mare should be withdrawn in the event of losing a shoe on the way to post, JUNIPER ran without its left-fore shoe.

Lee Edwards, the rider of WHATSDASTORY (IRE), was unseated turning into the home straight. Edwards was interviewed and shown recordings of the incident. It was found that the incident was accidental and was caused by the mare rolling towards the rail on the bend, making contact with the winner, JUNIPER, causing WHATSDASTORY (IRE) to stumble and unseat Edwards.

Following the race, the Veterinary Officer reported that the winner, JUNIPER, bled from the nose.

**Race 5 - 4:00pm.**

**THE BLACKMORE VALE HURDLE RACE 1867 'NATIONAL HUNT' MAIDEN HURDLE RACE (CLASS 4) (DIV I) (GBB RACE)**

Permission was given for GOLDEN MILLIE to wear a red hood to post.

The winner, DENEMETHY (IRE), appeared to show improved form compared with its previous run at Chepstow on 24 January 2024 where the gelding finished seventh of ten runners, beaten 44 lengths. It was noted that DENEMETHY (IRE) had undergone wind surgery since its previous run. The gelding was routine tested.

**Race 6 - 4:35pm.**

**THE BLACKMORE VALE HURDLE RACE 1867 'NATIONAL HUNT' MAIDEN HURDLE RACE (CLASS 4) (DIV II) (GBB RACE)**

Following the race, Thomasina Eyston reported that BELLA CAVALLA (IRE), unplaced, jumped left-handed throughout.

**Race 7 - 5:05pm.**

**THE SHARES FROM £45 AT racingclub.com NOVICES' LIMITED HANDICAP HURDLE RACE (CLASS 5)**

Permission was given for ONNAROLL (FR) to go early to post and for JOHANNES (FR) to wear a red hood to post.

BALLYMAGEE (IRE) was kicked at the start. Having been checked at the start by the Veterinary Surgeon, the gelding was deemed fit to race.

Following the race, Charlie Price reported that BALLYMAGEE (IRE), which was pulled up, hung left-handed. Philip Armson reported that ONNAROLL (FR), unplaced, ran too free. Harry Cobden reported that JOHANNES (FR), which was pulled up, stopped quickly, the Veterinary Officer examined the gelding post-race and had nothing to report.