

UTTOXETER STEWARDS' REPORT

Saturday 13 November 2021

Stewards: Louise Moore (Chief Steward), Caroline Robinson (Stewards' Panel Chair), Gordan Markham (Steward), Stephanie Swanney (Assistant Steward), Dan Andrews (Raceday Assistant)

Going: GOOD, GOOD TO SOFT (IN PLACES)

Rail: Hurdle course out 13 yards. Chase course out 6 yards.

Non-Runners

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
12:22pm	KYNTARA, trained by Kim Bailey.	Going - Horse Identified on Course (Not changed since declaration)
12:57pm	LEOPOLDS ROCK (IRE), trained by Philip Kirby.	Self Cert (Not Eaten Up)
3:17pm	LUCKY ICON (IRE), trained by Philip Kirby.	Self Cert (Stiff)
3:17pm	BEBRAVEFORGLORY (IRE), trained by Tim Vaughan.	Vets Cert (Temperature)
3:50pm	FORTUNE TRAVELLER, trained by John O'Shea.	Self Cert (Bruised Foot)

Withdrawals

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
12:57pm	MOUNTAIN HAWK (IRE), trained by Clare Ellam.	Horse got loose and bolted Withdrawn by the Stewards at 12:56pm

Jockey Changes

Race	Horse	Declared Jockey	Replacement Jockey	Reason
3:50pm	BLENKINSOP (GB)	Stan Sheppard	Richard Patrick	Patrick's only ride at Wetherby declared a non-runner
12:57pm	JOHNNY MAC (IRE)	Mr Jason Dixon	James Best	Dixon injured

Race 1 - 12:22pm.**THE MARSTON'S 61 DEEP MAIDEN HURDLE RACE (CLASS 4) (GBB RACE)**

Permission was given for MEXICAN BOY (IRE) to wear a red hood to the start.

James Best, the rider of CONCRETE KING (IRE), which finished fourth of seven finishers, beaten 16½ lengths, was asked to explain his riding in the home straight where he appeared to decelerate going into all three hurdles, particularly the second last losing several lengths as a result. The Stewards interviewed Best and viewed recordings of the race and the Veterinary Officer reported that a post-race examination of the gelding during routine testing failed to reveal any abnormalities. Best explained that CONCRETE KING (IRE) was lit up in the preliminaries and ran very free in the early stages, a fact he reported at Scales, and as a result the gelding was jumping sketchily. As CONCRETE KING (IRE) began to tire in the home straight and being mindful that the gelding has fallen in the past, he tried to hold CONCRETE KING (IRE) together on the approach to the hurdles in order to negotiate them safely, then having jumped the last, he stayed on at the one pace and never made any ground on the leading horses. His explanation was noted.

Race 2 - 12:57pm.**THE RINGWOOD RAZORBACK HANDICAP HURDLE RACE (CLASS 5)**

Permission was given for DIAMOND JOEL to be mounted on the course and to go early to post and for GAVIN to go early to post.

At the fourth last hurdle, COURT JURADO (IRE), placed second, jumped left across LONIMOSS BARELIERE (FR), placed fourth, causing that gelding to be short of room, 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 COURT JURADO (IRE).

Following the race, Stan Sheppard reported that KING FERDINAND (IRE), placed seventh, was never travelling.

Race 3 - 1:32pm.**THE MARSTON'S PEDIGREE NOVICES' HURDLE RACE (CLASS 4) (GBB RACE)**

Following the race, Fergus Gregory reported that LUPUS REGEM, which ran out at the top of the home straight, hung badly right.

Race 4 - 2:07pm.**THE HOBGOBLIN IPA HANDICAP STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 3)**

Permission was given for INDY FIVE (IRE) to be mounted in the chute and to go early to post.

Race 5 - 2:42pm.**THE WAINWRIGHT BRITISH EBF MARES' NOVICES' LIMITED HANDICAP STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 3) (EBF)**

Mares' Chase Series Qualifier) (GBB RACE)

Following the race, Page Fuller reported that ANYTHINGFORLOVE, placed third, jumped right-handed and Paul O'Brien reported that LADY KK (IRE), which was pulled up, lost its action and the Veterinary Officer reported that a post-race examination of the mare failed to reveal any abnormalities.

Race 6 - 3:17pm.

THE BRAKSPEAR GRAVITY HANDICAP HURDLE RACE (CLASS 5)

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, Mr Philip Thomas reported that DIONYSIS (FR), unplaced, was slowly away.

Race 7 - 3:50pm.

THE JENNINGS CUMBERLAND OPEN NATIONAL HUNT FLAT RACE (CLASS 5) (Category 1 Elimination) (GBB RACE)

This race was started by flag due to two false starts and numerous debutantes becoming fractious in the diminishing light.

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

Rounding the bend going into the back straight, BLENKINSOP, unplaced, lugged left tightening HIWAY ONE O THREE (IRE), placed fourth, resulting in BLENKINSOP becoming short of room and clipping heels, but after viewing a recording of the incident, it was found that no riding offence was involved.

Following the race, David Bass reported that DENSWORTH (IRE), unplaced, stopped quickly and the Veterinary Officer reported that a post-race examination of the gelding failed to reveal any abnormalities.