

DONCASTER STEWARDS' REPORT

Friday 30 June 2023

Stewards: Greg Pearson (Chief Steward), Peter Crafts (Stewards' Panel Chair), Simon Connaway (Steward), Ali Galliers-Pratt (Assistant Steward), Beth Dowswell (Raceday Assistant).
 Going: GOOD
 Stalls: Straight - Centre, Round 1m, 1m 2f and 1m 6f - Inside

Non-Runners

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
2:45pm	FACTORFORFURNITURE, trained by Ronald Thompson.	Going (Changed since Declarations).
2:45pm	GRECIAN GOD (IRE), trained by Charles Hills.	Vets Cert (Lame)
4:30pm	LABIQA (IRE), trained by Charles Hills.	Going (Changed since Declarations).

Withdrawals

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
5:05pm	CHATTEL VILLAGE (IRE), trained by Brian Ellison.	Unruly in stalls (Withdrawn by the Starter at 5:08 pm. See notice below).
2:45pm	ARABIC LEGEND (IRE), trained by Andrew Balding.	Vet advice (Withdrawn by the Veterinary Surgeon at 2:50 pm).

Race 1 - 1:35pm.

THE SKY SPORTS RACING HD VIRGIN 519 RESTRICTED NOVICE STAKES (CLASS 5) (for horses in Bands C and D) (GBB RACE)

There appeared to be interference passing the 1 furlong marker between ALA KAIFI, placed second, ridden by James Doyle and WHISPERING ROYAL (IRE), placed fourth, ridden by Andrea Atzeni. The riders were interviewed and shown recordings of the incident, following which it was found that no interference had taken place after establishing that although ALA KAIFI drifted left-handed under a right-hand drive into the path of WHISPERING ROYAL (IRE), Atzeni's mount had not been impacted and was weakening of its own accord.

Race 2 - 2:10pm

THE DONCASTER SUPPORTING RACING STAFF WEEK HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 5)

Permission was given for JUPITER EXPRESS (IRE) to go early to post; for CRYPTO QUEST (IRE) to go early to post wearing a red hood; and for CAPTAIN VALLO (IRE) to wear a hood in the parade ring.

Approximately 1½ furlongs out, BEAUTY CHOICE, placed third, had to be steadied and switched left-handed when THISMYDREAM (IRE), unplaced, lugged slightly right-handed closing off its run, but after viewing a recording of the incident, it was found that no riding offence was involved.

Approaching the final furlong, JUPITER EXPRESS (IRE), unplaced, shifted left-handed away from the whip before being quickly corrected by its rider, at the same time as THISMYDREAM (IRE), unplaced, lugged slightly right-handed resulting in a weakening CRYPTO QUEST (IRE), unplaced, being inconvenienced and BARNEY'S BAY, unplaced, being hampered, but after viewing a recording of the incident, it was found that no riding offence was involved.

An enquiry was held to consider interference inside the final ½ furlong, involving OKEANOS (FR), placed second, ridden by Elle-May Croot and JUPITER EXPRESS (IRE), unplaced, ridden by Oisín Murphy. Being a 7lb claiming apprentice, Croot was offered the opportunity to be accompanied but declined. Croot was suspended for 2 days for careless riding as she allowed her mount to drift left-handed without sufficient correction when not fully clear of JUPITER EXPRESS (IRE), causing Murphy to take a check.

On the run to the line, the winner, GOLDEN DUKE (IRE), shifted right-handed whilst racing greenly impeding BRAZEN IDOL, placed fourth, 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 GOLDEN DUKE (IRE).

The winner, GOLDEN DUKE (IRE), appeared to show improved form compared with its previous run at Thirsk on 20 June 2023 where the gelding finished last of seven runners, beaten by 22 lengths on Soft ground. The explanation of Nigel Tinkler's representative that the gelding had appreciated the quicker Going, which was officially described as Good on this occasion, was noted. GOLDEN DUKE (IRE) was routine tested.

Following the race, the Veterinary Officer reported that BARNEY'S BAY, unplaced, lost its left-fore shoe. Rob Hornby reported that ASADJUMEIRAH, unplaced, was denied a clear run for some distance from approaching 2 furlongs out until approaching the final furlong.

Race 3 - 2:45pm.

THE SKY SPORTS RACING SKY 415 EBF NOVICE STAKES (CLASS 4) (GBB RACE)

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

Approaching the final furlong, AL MOOTAMARID (IRE), unplaced, lugged quickly right-handed, briefly crowding SCARBADOS (FR), unplaced, for room, but after viewing a recording of the incident, it was found that no riding offence was involved.

Following the race, James Doyle reported that STORMY WAVES (IRE), placed third, ran greenly. Paddy

Bradley reported that JESSE WILLIAM, unplaced, was slowly away. Andrea Atzeni reported that AL MOOTAMARID (IRE), unplaced, was slowly away.

Race 4 - 3:20pm.

THE AGM SAFETY LTD HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 4)

ROYAL DEESIDE, drawn 3, anticipated the start and accelerated the gate at the same moment as the race had been started. Being satisfied that it was not caused through a faulty action of the starting stalls, no further action was taken.

Race 5 - 3:55pm.

THE IT'S RACING STAFF WEEK HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 5)

Permission was given for OLYMPICUS (USA) to be led to post early.

The performance of JACK DANIEL (IRE), which started second favourite and finished ninth of ten runners, was considered. The explanation provided by Declan Carroll's representative that the horse did not appreciate today's going which was officially described as Good, and would prefer a softer surface, was noted. The Veterinary Officer reported that a post race examination of JACK DANIEL (IRE), failed to reveal any abnormalities.

Following the race; Duran Fentiman reported that CASSY O (IRE), placed fourth, reared leaving the stalls and missed the break and Elle-May Croot reported that BIRD OF PLAY (IRE), placed second, hung right-handed in the final furlong.

Race 6 - 4:30pm.

THE CELEBRATING RACING'S WORKFORCE FILLIES' HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 5)

RED MAIDS wore earplugs throughout the race.

In the final strides, the winner, LADY WORMSLEY (IRE), edged left-handed at the same time as STRANGERONTHE SHORE, placed second, lugged slightly right-handed, resulting in the two runners lightly brushing, 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 LADY WORMSLEY (IRE).

Following the race, Alex Jary reported that HOSTELRY, placed third, was slowly away.

Race 7 - 5:05pm.

THE #WEARERACING HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 6)

Permission was given for both AWTAAAR (IRE) and RWENEARLYTHEREDAD to go early to post; for CRIME FICTION (IRE) to go early to post wearing a red hood; and for MINE THAT SHIP (IRE) to wear a red hood to post.

The Starter reported that CHATTEL VILLAGE (IRE) was unruly in the stalls and withdrawn at 5:08 pm.

Brian Ellison was informed that the gelding could not run until the day after passing a stalls test.

An enquiry was held to consider interference on the run to the line, involving the winner, RWENEARLYTHEREDAD, ridden by Zak Wheatley and HIGHER LAW (IRE), placed fifth, ridden by Rob Hornby. Wheatley was suspended for 2 days for careless riding after allowing his mount to drift left-handed without correction when insufficiently clear of HIGHER LAW (IRE), which was hampered and also prevented Hornby from being able to fully ride out to the finish for fourth placing, which he was beaten for by a nose margin.

Following the race; Alec Voikhansky reported that PARR FIRE (IRE), placed third, was slowly away and Rob Hornby reported that HIGHER LAW (IRE), placed fifth, was denied a clear run inside the final furlong.

Suspensions

Person	Race	Horse	Days	Suspended Days
Elle-May Croot	Race - 2:10pm	OKEANOS (FR)	2	9 Jul 2023 17 Jul 2023
Zak Wheatley	Race - 5:05pm	RWENEARLYTHEREDAD (GB)	2	18 Jul 2023 17 Jul 2023