

## **WORCESTER STEWARDS' REPORT**

**Wednesday 17 May 2023**

Stewards: Fergus Sweeney (Chief Steward), Joanne Hawkins (Stewards Panel Chair), Michael Eyre (Steward), Lyndsay Allan (Assistant Steward), Ali Galliers-Pratt (Raceday Assistant)

Going: GOOD

Fixture Note: The final chase fence in the home straight remained in situ throughout the meeting and was bypassed after race 2 due to being unable to be removed from the course.

An enquiry was held to establish the circumstances surrounding the power cut which led to the delay of race 2. The Clerk of the Course, Regional Clerk of the Course and a representative of the Racecourse Executive were interviewed. Having heard their evidence, the Stewards ordered a report to be forwarded to the Head Office of the British Horseracing Authority for further consideration.

### **Non-Runners**

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
2:50pm	TARBUCK, trained by Claire Dyson.	Self Cert (Going)
2:50pm	SWEET THREAT (FR), trained by Tom George.	Self Cert (Bruised Foot)
4:00pm	LUCKY LOVER BOY (IRE), trained by Oliver Greenall & Josh Guerriero.	Self Cert (Abscess)
4:35pm	HARTHILL (FR), trained by David Dennis.	Self Cert (Not Eaten Up)

### **Jockey Changes**

Race	Horse	Declared Jockey	Replacement Jockey	Reason
5:05pm	PRINCE OF NEWTON (GB)	Kielan Woods	Beau Morgan	Woods stood down by RMO
2:50pm	TED'S GIFT (GB)	Jonjo O'Neill Jr.	Mr A J O'Neill	Jonjo O'Neill unwell

### **Race 1 - 1:40pm.**

#### **THE DOWNLOAD FITZDARES FOR FREE RACE STREAMING HANDICAP STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 5)**

Permission was given for GUGUSS COLLONGES (FR) to wear a red hood in the preliminaries and go to post early.

The winner SIR JACK WEST (IRE), appeared to show an improvement in form compared with its previous run at Warwick on 24 February 2023, where the gelding finished third of nine beaten 31 lengths. Deborah

Cole explained that the gelding may have appreciated the better ground on this occasion, officially described as Good. Her explanation was noted and SIR JACK WEST (IRE) was routine tested.

Following the race, the Veterinary Officer reported that GUGUSS COLLONGES (FR), which was pulled up, had lost its left fore shoe.

**Race 2 - 2:15pm.**

**THE PLAY WITH THE FINEST BOOKMAKER - FITZDARES HANDICAP STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 4)**

Permission was given for LAST QUARTER (IRE) to wear a red hood in the preliminaries.

Following the race, the Veterinary Officer reported that LORD BRYAN (IRE), which was pulled up, had bled from the nose. Sam Twiston-Davies reported that RAKHINE STATE (IRE), unplaced, became upset at the start during the delay to this race. Gavin Sheehan reported that PREMIER D'TROICE (FR), placed fifth, was outpaced throughout.

**Race 3 - 2:50pm.**

**THE VISIT DR NEWLAND'S NEW WEBSITE [richardnewlandracing.com](http://richardnewlandracing.com) OPEN MAIDEN NATIONAL HUNT FLAT RACE (CLASS 5) (Category 3 Elimination) (GBB RACE)**

Following the race, Richie McLernon reported that JONGLEUR D'ETOILES (FR), unplaced, became unbalanced rounding the bend into the home straight.

**Race 4 - 3:25pm.**

**THE GET PULLING WITH PJ NICHOLLS SSANGYONG NOVICES' HURDLE RACE (CLASS 4) (ARC Summer Novices' Brush Hurdle Series Qualifier) (GBB RACE)**

In the final furlong, the winner DESTROYTHEEVIDENCE, made contact with HUELGOAT (FR), placed second, due to having to bypass the in situ final fence. However, 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 DESTROYTHEEVIDENCE.

Following the race, the Veterinary Officer reported that TOUT PARIS (FR), unplaced, lost its left hind shoe.

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

**THE [eventmasters.co.uk](http://eventmasters.co.uk) HANDICAP HURDLE RACE (CLASS 4)**

Permission was given for THE GREY FALCO (IRE) to wear a red hood in the preliminaries, and for GLIMPSE OF GOLD to be mounted on the track and go to post early.

The raceday privilege request in relation to THE GREY FALCO (FR), trained by Ben Pauling, to wear a red hood in the preliminaries was late being submitted. Pauling was warned as to his responsibility to ensure that all raceday privilege requests are submitted by 1pm the day before racing.

Joe Anderson the rider of TROLLEY BOY, placed second beaten by half a length, appeared to mistake the

½ furlong marker for the winning post. After being interviewed and shown recordings of the incident, Anderson was suspended for 10 days for failing to take all reasonable and permissible measures to obtain the best possible placing on a horse that could have finished first.

Following the race, Jay Tidball reported that GLIMPSE OF GOLD, placed fifth, hung left in the home straight.

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

**THE FBC MANBY BOWDLER MAIDEN HURDLE RACE (CLASS 4) (ARC Summer Novices' Brush Hurdle Qualifier) (DIV I) (GBB RACE)**

BAIKAL collided with the rails on the way out onto the track. Having been examined by the Veterinary Surgeon at the start, the gelding was deemed fit to race.

On by-passing the final fence, SPLASHING WAVE, placed third, hung left away from the fence carrying the winner BAIKAL onto MOONSHINE SPIRIT, placed second. However, after viewing a recording of the incident, it was found that no riding offence was involved.

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

**THE FBC MANBY BOWDLER MAIDEN HURDLE RACE (CLASS 4) (ARC Summer Novices' Brush Hurdle Qualifier) (DIV II) (GBB RACE)**

The winner HOBIE (FR) appeared to show an improvement in form, compared with its previous run at Fakenham on 9 May 2023, where the gelding finished fifth of seven beaten 41 lengths. David Dennis explained that the gelding may have appreciated the drop back in trip from 2 miles 4 furlongs, to 2 miles on this occasion. His explanation was noted and HOBIE (FR) was routine tested.

**Race 8 - 5:35pm.**

**THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING EARNEST CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS' HANDICAP HURDLE RACE (CLASS 5)**

The winner STRIPE OF HONOUR (IRE) appeared to show an improvement in form, compared with its previous run at Hereford on 11 October 2022, where the gelding finished tenth of eleven beaten 84 lengths. The representative of Anthony Day explained that the gelding may have appreciated being freshened up following a 218 day break. Their explanation was noted and STRIPE OF HONOUR (IRE) was routine tested.

Following the race, Joe Anderson reported that MASTERDREAM (FR), placed fourth, made a mistake 3 out. Finn Lambert reported that FLINTSTONE (IRE), which was pulled up, was never travelling. Dylan Kitts reported that HILLSIN (IRE), which was pulled up, stumbled after the first fence in the back straight and hung right. The Veterinary Officer reported that INDEPENDENCE (USA), unplaced, finished lame left fore.

**Suspensions**

Person	Race	Horse	Days	Suspended Days
Joe Anderson	Race - 4:00pm	TROLLEY BOY (GB)	10	31 May 2023 1 Jun 2023 3 Jun 2023 4 Jun 2023 6 Jun 2023 7 Jun 2023 8 Jun 2023 9 Jun 2023 10 Jun 2023 11 Jun 2023