

ASCOT STEWARDS' REPORT

Wednesday 19 June 2019

Stewards: Simon Cowley (Chief Steward), Mr Rupert Sweeting (Stewards' Panel Chair), Colin Vickers (Steward), Sam Angell (Steward), Stephanie Farmer (Assistant Steward), Kate Smith (Assistant Steward), Guy Upton (Raceday Assistant)

Going: **Straight Course**
Flat Turf Race: Soft (GSt 8.3)
Round Course
Flat Turf Race: Soft (GSt 7.2)

Rail: The running rail on the round course is positioned 3yds out from approx 9f out to the home straight. This rail will remain in place until Thursday.

Stalls: Straight Course: Centre. Round course: Inside

Fixture Note: A total of 51 horses were sampled in day 2, both pre and post-race, including all winners and the first four in all Group races.

After Race 3, the Going was changed to Soft on both courses (from Good to Soft on the straight course, and Soft, Good to Soft on the round course)

Non-Runners

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
2:30pm	KEMBLE (IRE), trained by Richard Hannon.	Going (Changed since declaration)
2:30pm	EMTEN (IRE), trained by Jamie Osborne.	Going (Changed since declaration)
2:30pm	GOOD VIBES, trained by David Evans.	Self Cert (Bad Scope)
5:00pm	BREDEN (IRE), trained by Linda Jewell.	Going (Changed since declaration)
5:00pm	SENIORITY, trained by William Haggas.	Going (Changed since declaration)
5:00pm	CRAZY HORSE, trained by George Baker.	Self Cert (Lame)
5:35pm	LADY QUICKSTEP (IRE), trained by Gay Kelleway.	Going (Changed since declaration)
5:35pm	IVATHEENGINE (IRE), trained by Paul Cole.	Vets Cert (Runny Nose)

Withdrawals

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
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5:35pm	SHOW ME SHOW ME, trained by Richard Fahey.	Unruly at start Withdrawn by the Starter at 5.36pm (Unruly, broke out of stalls)
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Race 1 - 2:30pm.

THE QUEEN MARY STAKES (CLASS 1) (Group 2)

M Palussiere was fined £80 as the record of vaccinations in the passport of BRAND NEW DAY (IRE) had been altered.

Permission was given for ANNA'S FAST (USA) to be ponied early to the start and for APPLECROSS (IRE) to wear a hood in the Parade Ring.

ICKWORTH (IRE), ridden by W J Lee, reared as the stalls opened and refused to race. The rider and the Starter were interviewed and shown recordings of the incident. Lee explained that as the 'all clear' was given by the Starter, he tried to straighten the filly in preparation for the start of the race but, in doing so, the filly reared and sat down on her haunches causing him to become unbalanced. Being satisfied that Lee was mounted as the start was effected, ICKWORTH (IRE) was deemed to be a runner.

John R Velazquez, the rider of KIMARI (USA), placed second, was suspended for 9 days and fined £350 for using his whip above the permitted level and in an incorrect place from approximately 1 ½ furlongs out.

Race 2 - 3:05pm.

THE QUEEN'S VASE (CLASS 1) (Group 2)

The Stable Inspecting Officer reported that an employee of G M Lyons, the trainer of PYTHION (FR), had brought a substance in an unlabelled bottle into the racecourse stables which was believed to be KuraSyn, a liquid feed supplement containing Curcumin and Hyaluronic Acid. The representative of G M Lyons, the Stable Inspecting Officer and the Veterinary Officer were interviewed. Being satisfied that the colt had received only normal food and water by mouth on the day of racing, the Stewards allowed PYTHION (FR) to run, and ordered the colt to be routine tested. They further confiscated the substance, informed the trainer that it may be tested, and referred the matter to the Head Office of the British Horseracing Authority.

The performance of WESTERN AUSTRALIA (IRE), which finished unplaced, was considered. The representative of Aidan O'Brien could offer no explanation for the colt's performance; the Veterinary Officer reported that a post-race examination of the colt failed to reveal any abnormalities.

Following the race, James Doyle reported that JALMOUD, unplaced, ran too free; the Veterinary Officer reported that a post-race examination of the colt failed to reveal any abnormalities.

Race 3 - 3:40pm.**THE PRINCE OF WALES'S STAKES (CLASS 1) (Group 1) (British Champions Series)**

Approximately ½ furlong out, the winner, CRYSTAL OCEAN, edged right-handed taking MAGICAL (IRE), placed second, marginally off its intended line. After viewing a recording of the incident, it was found that no riding offence was involved and it had not improved the placing of CRYSTAL OCEAN.

Race 4 - 4:20pm.**THE DUKE OF CAMBRIDGE STAKES (CLASS 1) (Group 2)**

Permission was given for AGROTERA (IRE) to be ponied early to post, for PREENING to be mounted in the chute, for SHENANIGANS (IRE) to wear a hood in the Parade Ring, and for VERACIOUS to wear a hood in the Parade Ring. ARGOTERA (IRE), DAN'S DREAM, INDIAN BLESSING, MOVE SWIFTLY, RAWDAA, and VERACIOUS all wore earplugs in the preliminaries which were removed upon arrival at the start.

The performance of AGROTERA (IRE), which finished unplaced, was considered. Ed Walker could offer no explanation for the filly's performance.

Race 5 - 5:00pm.**THE ROYAL HUNT CUP (CLASS 2) (HERITAGE HANDICAP)**

Permission was given for CARDSHARP and GLENDEVON (USA) to be mounted in the chute, and for MORDIN (IRE) and NEW GRADUATE (IRE) to wear hoods in the Parade Ring.

An enquiry was held to consider the unruly behaviour of GLENDEVON (USA), trained by Richard Hughes, which did not enter the Parade Ring. Hughes explained that GLENDEVON (USA) becomes overwhelmed on the busier racedays and has a tendency to kick out violently. He added that the gelding was wearing a hood for the first time in an attempt to keep him calmer, and that he was being led-up in a lip chain, but as GLENDEVON (USA) had approached the Parade Ring he had become more unruly and the trainer felt it would be safer to send the gelding straight to the start. Noting that GLENDEVON (USA) had also been unruly at Goodwood on 28 May 2019, Hughes was informed that any further similar behaviour may result in the gelding being reported to the Head Office of the British Horseracing Authority.

Approaching the final two furlongs, MORDIN (IRE), unplaced, edged marginally right-handed taking CIRCUS COUTURE (IRE), unplaced, off its intended line, which in turn took STYLEHUNTER, placed fourth, off its intended line, which in turn took ZWAYYAN, unplaced, off its intended line. After viewing a recording of the incident it was found that no riding offence was involved.

Jim Crowley, the rider of the winner, AFAAK, was suspended for 2 days for using his whip above the permitted level from inside the final two furlongs. Robert Winston, the rider of KYNREN (IRE), placed fifth, was suspended for 2 days for using his whip above the permitted level from approaching the final furlong.

Following the race, the Veterinary Officer reported that ZWAYYAN, unplaced, lost its left-hind shoe.

Race 6 - 5:35pm.

THE WINDSOR CASTLE STAKES (CLASS 1) (Listed Race)

Permission was given for PAPER STAR to wear a hood in the Parade Ring, and for FOOLISH HUMOR (USA), to be ponied to the start.

The Starter reported that SHOW ME SHOW ME was unruly, broke out of stalls, and was withdrawn. Richard Fahey was informed that the colt could not run until the day after passing a stalls test.

Paul Mulrennan, the rider of GLASVEGAS (IRE), placed third, was suspended for 2 days for using his whip above the permitted level from approaching the final two furlongs.

KARAK (USA), drawn 18, jumped right-handed leaving the stalls before being corrected by the rider, taking PAPER STAR, drawn 15, off its intended line causing knock-on interference to BETTER THE DEVIL (USA), drawn 13, TAXIWALA (IRE), drawn 12, SYMBOLIZE (IRE), drawn 11, TEMPLE OF HEAVEN, drawn 10, SUMMER SANDS, drawn 9, and IFFRAAZ (IRE), drawn 8. After viewing a recording of the incident, it was found that no riding offence was involved.

Approaching the final furlong, KARAK (USA), unplaced, shifted right-handed taking FOOLISH HUMOR (USA), unplaced, off its intended line causing it to make contact with RAYONG, unplaced, which in turn made contact with and turned the quarters of ILLUSIONIST, placed fifth. After viewing a recording of the

incident, it was found that no riding offence was involved.

Following the race, Sean Levey reported that TEMPLE OF HEAVEN, unplaced, was never travelling; the Veterinary Officer reported that a post-race examination of the colt failed to reveal any abnormalities. Edward Greatrex reported that BETTER THE DEVIL (USA), unplaced, stopped quickly. The Veterinary Officer reported that TAXIWALA (IRE), unplaced, had lost its left-hind shoe.

Suspensions

Person	Race	Horse	Days	Suspended Days
John R. Velazquez	Race - 2:30pm	KIMARI (USA)	10	3 Jul 2019 4 Jul 2019 5 Jul 2019 6 Jul 2019 7 Jul 2019 8 Jul 2019 9 Jul 2019 10 Jul 2019 11 Jul 2019 1 Jan 1970
Jim Crowley	Race - 5:00pm	AFAAK (GB)	2	3 Jul 2019 30 Jun 2019
Robert Winston	Race - 5:00pm	KYNREN (IRE)	2	3 Jul 2019 23 Jun 2019
Paul Mulrennan	Race - 5:35pm	GLASVEGAS (IRE)	2	4 Jul 2019 25 Jun 2019