

AYR STEWARDS' REPORT

Saturday 08 March 2025

Stewards: Adrian Sharpe (Chief Steward), John Wilson (Stewards' Panel Chair), Adrian Smith (Steward), Sarah Russell (Assistant Steward), Lauren Thomson (Raceday Assistant), Amanda Hammersley (Trainee Stewards' Panel Chair).

Going: SOFT

Rail: Chase Bends In 6yds Top Hurdle Bends In 8yds Bottoim Hurdle Bend In 9yds

Race Delay: At the request of the BHA Racing Department, the following races have been delayed:

Race 5 - 4:00 +1 minutes (now 4:01)

Race 7 - 5:10 +2 minutes (now 5:12)

Non-Runners

| Race | Horse and Trainer | Reason |
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| 1:42pm | KING OF ANSWERS (IRE), trained by Lucinda Russell. | Self Cert (Colic) |
| 5:10pm | ANOTHER GANGSTER, trained by Donald Whillans. | Self Cert (Rash) |
| 5:10pm | L'INSURGE (FR), trained by Paul Robson. | Self Cert (Not Eaten Up) |
| 5:10pm | LATOSCA DU HOUX (FR), trained by Paul Robson. | Self Cert (Not Eaten Up) |

Jockey Changes

| Race | Horse | Declared Jockey | Replacement Jockey | Reason |
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| 5:10pm | JE MR DAWSON (FR) | Nathan Moscrop | William Maggs | (Moscrop stood down by RMO) |
| 4:35pm | MONSIEUR LE FUZZ (FR) | Nathan Moscrop | Ross Chapman | (Moscrop stood down by RMO) |

Race 1 - 1:42pm.

THE VIRGIN BET NOVICES' HURDLE RACE (CLASS 4) (GBB RACE)

Nothing to report

Race 2 - 2:17pm.

THE VIRGIN BET DAILY EXTRA PLACES HANDICAP STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 4) (Go North One Man Series Qualifier) (GBB RACE)

Permission was given for HERITIER (FR) to go early to post and wear earplugs throughout the race; for

ANAMANDA (FR) to wear a hood throughout the parade.

Race 3 - 2:50pm.

THE LIVESCORE BET MARES' HANDICAP HURDLE RACE (CLASS 4) (Go North Lady Buttons Series Qualifier) (for the Ayrshire Yeomanry Cup)

Permission was given for LAVIDA ADIVA (IRE) to wear a red hood to post.

Following the race, Jamie Hamilton reported that JUST CALL ME LUCY, which was pulled up, had weakened quickly from the third last. The Veterinary Officer examined the mare post-race during routine testing and had nothing to report. Nathan Moscrop the rider of SUNSET HILL (IRE), placed third, reported that he had suffered an injury to his right shoulder after jumping the third last flight of hurdles, which prevented him from riding his mount out fully to the line.

Race 4 - 3:25pm.

THE LIVESCORE BET BEST ODDS DAILY HANDICAP HURDLE RACE (CLASS 4) (for the Craigie Cup) (Go North Sea Pigeon Series Qualifier)

Following the race, Mr Oran McGill reported that APOLOGISE (IRE), which was pulled up, weakened quickly from the third last. The Veterinary Officer examined the gelding during routine testing and had nothing to report.

Race 5 - 4:00pm.

THE VIRGIN BET CHELTENHAM FESTIVAL MONEY BACK HANDICAP STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 3) (GBB RACE)

Permission was given for ARTIC ROW to wear a hood throughout the parade.

Race 6 - 4:35pm.

THE VIRGIN BET DAILY PRICE BOOSTS NOVICES' HANDICAP HURDLE RACE (CLASS 5)

After the final hurdle, the winner, MONSIEUR LE FUZZ (FR), shifted marginally left-handed at the same time as GLORY HIGHTS, placed second, hung right-handed causing interference between both runners 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 MONSIEUR LE FUZZ (FR).

Following the race, Henry Brooke reported that MASTER BRICKLAYER (IRE), which was pulled up weakened quickly from the fourth last. The Veterinary Officer examined the gelding post-race and had nothing to report. Mr Oran McGill reported that OUR ZEBO (IRE), which was pulled up, was never travelling. The Veterinary Officer examined the gelding during routine testing and had nothing to report. William Maggs reported that DIDNTGOTWENTY (IRE), unplaced, was never travelling. The Veterinary Officer examined the gelding post-race and found DIDNTGOTWENTY (IRE) had an irregular heartbeat. Lorcan Murtagh reported that ITURGEON DU BREUIL (FR), which was pulled up, was never travelling. The Veterinary Officer examined the gelding post-race and had nothing to report.

Race 7 - 5:10pm.**THE VIRGIN BET OPEN NATIONAL HUNT FLAT RACE (CLASS 5) (Go North Jodami Series Qualifier) (GBB RACE)**

Rounding the first bend, the free running WANDERINGINTHEDARK (IRE), placed second, shifted quickly right-handed causing WALK ON SON (IRE), unplaced, to clip a heel and stumble, 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 WANDERINGINTHEDARK (IRE).

The performance of GEORDIE MACKEM, unplaced, was considered. Brian Ellison reported that that the gelding was unsuited by the Going, officially described as Soft, which in his opinion was riding holding on this occasion. Their explanation was noted. The Veterinary Officer examined GEORDIE MACKEM post-race and had nothing to report.