

## **AYR STEWARDS' REPORT**

**Saturday 21 September 2024**

Stewards: Adrian Sharpe (Chief Steward), John Wilson (Stewards' Panel Chair), Adrian Smith (Steward), Robert McCarthy (Steward), Chris Hill (Assistant Steward), Lauren Thomson (Raceday Assistant)

Going: GOOD, GOOD TO FIRM (IN PLACES)

Rail: Home Bend Out 8 yds Stable Bend Inner Most Line

Stalls: 6f, 5.5f & 5f Centre 7f Outside Remainder Inside

### **Non-Runners**

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
2:25pm	THE COFFEE POD (IRE), trained by Richard Hannon.	Self Cert (Not Eaten Up)
2:25pm	ABDUCTION (FR), trained by Jim Goldie.	Double Declaration (£140 fine imposed - see notice below)
2:25pm	BROOKLYN NINE NINE (IRE), trained by Richard Fahey.	Vets Cert (Other) (Vets advice)
4:10pm	DANZAN (IRE), trained by Tim Easterby.	Self Cert (Not Eaten Up)

### **Race 1 - 1:15pm.**

#### **THE LIVESCORE BET DAILY EXTRA PLACES HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 2)**

Permission was given for RED HAT EAGLE to wear a red hood to the start and BEAR FORCE ONE and APIARIST (IRE) to go early to post.

The Starter reported that STONE SOLDIER was the subject of a third criteria failure. Richard Fahey was informed that the gelding could not run until the day after passing a stalls test.

An enquiry was held to consider interference approximately 1 furlong out when RED HAT EAGLE, placed fifth, ridden by Callum Shepherd, interfered with DIAMONDONTHEHILL, unplaced, ridden by Paul Mulrennan. Shepherd was suspended for 2 days for careless riding as he had shifted RED HAT EAGLE left-handed for a run, causing Mulrennan to become short of room and check DIAMONDONTHEHILL for several strides.

An enquiry was held to consider interference inside the final furlong when MR KING (IRE), placed third, ridden by Callum Rodriguez, interfered with MIRSKY, unplaced, ridden by Daniel Tudhope. Rodriguez was cautioned for careless riding as he had drifted left-handed without sufficient correction, resulting in Tudhope being carried marginally off his intended line.

**Race 2 - 1:50pm.****THE LIVESCORE BET DOONSIDE CUP STAKES (CLASS 1) (Listed Race)**

Permission was given for PERSICA (IRE) and UNDER THE SUN to wear a red hood to the start.

The performance of CAVIAR HEIGHTS (IRE), which finished sixth, was considered. The representative of K. R. Burke could offer no explanation for the colt's performance. The Veterinary Officer examined CAVIAR HEIGHTS (IRE) post-race and had nothing to report.

The performance of SONS AND LOVERS, which finished unplaced, beaten by 22¾ lengths was considered. The representative of Jane Chapple-Hyam could offer no explanation for the colt's performance. The Veterinary Officer examined SONS AND LOVERS post-race and had nothing to report.

**Race 3 - 2:25pm.****THE VIRGIN BET AYR SILVER CUP HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 2)**

Permission was given for RHYTHM N HOOVES, ROBERTO CARO (IRE) and JENEVER to wear a red hood to the start.

Jim Goldie was fined £140 for doubly declaring ABDUCTION (FR) to run in THE VIRGIN BET AYR SILVER CUP HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 2) at Ayr and THE JORDAN ELECTRICS HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 4) (DIVISION II) at Ayr and the gelding ran in the latter.

EMPEROR'S SON (IRE) unseated Shane Gray on the way to post. Having been examined by the doctor and Veterinary Surgeon at the start, both the rider and colt were deemed fit to race.

An enquiry was held following a report from Daniel Tudhope, the rider of SUMMERGHAND (IRE), unplaced, that the left-hand side of the back gate of his stall was open when the race was started. The Stewards reviewed a video recording of the start and heard evidence from the Starters and Tudhope. They noted the Starters' explanation that the left-hand side of the rear gate had popped open after the 'all-clear' had been given and just before the race was started and took no further action.

Following the race, Jim Crowley reported that SERGEANT PEP (IRE), unplaced, reared as the stalls opened and was slowly away as a result, Daniel Tudhope reported that SUMMERGHAND (IRE), unplaced, was slowly away and Amie Waugh reported that BE PROUD (IRE), unplaced, suffered interference leaving the stalls. The Veterinary Officer reported that RHYTHM N HOOVES, unplaced, lost its left-fore shoe.

**Race 4 - 3:00pm.****THE VIRGIN BET EVERY SATURDAY MONEY BACK FIRTH OF CLYDE (CLASS 1) (Group 3)(for the Ayrshire Agricultural Challenge Cup)**

Permission was given for ENGLEMERE (IRE), HANDCUFFED, PERFECT PART (IRE) and SKY MAJESTY (IRE) to wear a red hood to the start.

**Race 5 - 3:35pm.**

**THE VIRGIN BET AYR GOLD CUP HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 2) (Heritage Handicap)**

Permission was given for ORAZIO (IRE), ROOM SERVICE (IRE) and JEHANGEER (IRE) to wear a red hood to the start and KORKER (IRE) to go early to post.

An enquiry was held to consider interference approaching the final furlong when TINTO, unplaced, ridden by Rhys Elliott, interfered with ROHAAN (IRE), unplaced, ridden by Tom Queally. Being a 7lb claiming apprentice, Elliott was offered the opportunity to be accompanied but declined. Elliott was suspended for 2 days for careless riding as he had failed to take sufficient steps to correct his mount from drifting right-handed, causing Queally to take a check for several strides.

An enquiry was held to consider interference inside the final furlong when RAMAZAN (IRE), unplaced, ridden by Oisín McSweeney, interfered with AMERICAN AFFAIR, unplaced, ridden by Paul Mulrennan. McSweeney was suspended for 2 days for careless riding as he had made a misjudgement when manoeuvring left-handed for a run, causing Mulrennan to become short of room and have to take a check.

Following the race, Paul Mulrennan reported that AMERICAN AFFAIR, which started favourite and finished unplaced, ran too freely.

**Race 6 - 4:10pm.**

**THE JORDAN ELECTRICS HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 4) (DIV I)**

Permission was given for TIERNEY (IRE) to wear a red hood to the start and THE CALTONIAN and JUDGMENT CALL to be mounted in the chute.

YAASER (IRE), trained by Jim Goldie, won at Ayr the previous day. Having been examined by the Veterinary Officer, the gelding was deemed fit to race.

Having reviewed the start, the Stewards were satisfied that JUDGMENT CALL had refused to race and was deemed to be a runner.

Following the race, Amie Waugh reported that YAASER (IRE), unplaced, ran flat; Rhys Elliott reported that CHIEFMAN, unplaced, hung right-handed and Callum Shepherd reported that THE CALTONIAN, placed third, hung right-handed under pressure.

**Race 7 - 4:40pm.**

**THE JORDAN ELECTRICS HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 4) (DIV II)**

Permission was given for DESERT FALCON (IRE) to wear a red hood to the start.

**Race 8 - 5:15pm.****THE MILLAR CALLAGHAN 25TH ANNIVERSARY HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 3)**

Nothing to report

**Suspensions**

Person	Race	Horse	Days	Suspended Days
Callum Shepherd	Race - 1:15pm	RED HAT EAGLE (GB)	2	8 Oct 2024 24 Sep 2024
Rhys Elliott	Race - 3:35pm	TINTO (GB)	2	8 Oct 2024 7 Oct 2024
Oisin McSweeney	Race - 3:35pm	RAMAZAN (IRE)	2	8 Oct 2024 7 Oct 2024

**Fines**

Person	Race	Horse	Fine
Jim Goldie	Race 3 - 2:25pm	ABDUCTION (FR)	£140.00