

YARMOUTH STEWARDS' REPORT

Wednesday 10 July 2024

Stewards: Anthony McGlone (Chief Steward), Sarah Ellison (Stewards' Panel Chair), Tomas O'Brien (Steward), Chris Hill (Assistant Steward), Ben Ford (Raceday Assistant), Bridget Chamberlain (Trainee Stewards' Panel Chair)

Going: SOFT, GOOD TO SOFT (IN PLACES)

Rail: Parade ring bend moved in by 2m

Stalls: Straight - centre , 1m2f - inside

Fixture Note: Prior to Race 1, the Going was changed to Soft, Good to Soft in places (from Soft).
After Race 1, the Going was changed to Good to Soft (from Soft, Good to Soft in places).

An enquiry was held following a report from the Starter that EVA'S EYES, trained by Darryll Holland, had been cantered back to the stables despite instructions having been given to walk the filly back after EVA'S EYES had failed a stalls test prior to the first race. The trainer; the rider; the Starter and the Veterinary Surgeon were interviewed. Having heard the evidence, the Stewards noted their explanation that this was due to a misunderstanding in the instructions received by the rider and trainer to walk the filly back.

Non-Runners

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
2:40pm	PREMIERSHIP, trained by Michael Wigham.	Self Cert (Not Eaten Up)
2:40pm	BEDFORD HOUSE, trained by Tony Carroll.	Self Cert (Coughing)
2:40pm	SPANISH MANE (IRE), trained by Julia Feilden.	Self Cert (Going)
3:10pm	FACOULTY (IRE), trained by Kevin Philippart de Foy.	Going (changed since declaration)
4:10pm	BLUEBELLS BOY, trained by Darryll Holland.	Going (changed since declaration)
5:10pm	ZAMAN DAAR (IRE), trained by Ismail Mohammed.	Going (changed since declaration)

Withdrawals

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
2:40pm	UNITED FORCE (IRE), trained by Clare Hobson.	Withdrawn by Stewards (Withdrawn by the Stewards at 2.37pm having unseated its rider in the Parade Ring)

Race 1 - 2:40pm.**THE QUINNBET HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 6)**

TOP BUTTON (IRE), trained by Stuart Williams, finished fifth at Brighton the previous day. Having been examined by the Veterinary Officer, the gelding was deemed fit to race.

Permission was given for TOP BUTTON (IRE) to go early to post.

BABY LIONHEART unseated its rider in the Parade Ring and got loose for a short time. Having been examined by the doctor and Veterinary Surgeon, both the rider and gelding were deemed fit to race.

Race 2 - 3:10pm.**THE BRITISH STALLION STUDS EBF FILLIES' RESTRICTED NOVICE STAKES (CLASS 5) (for horses in Bands B, C and D) (EBF Restricted Race Qualifier) (GBB RACE)**

Permission was given for BLUE ZODIAC (IRE), FLY LIBERTY FLY, HETTIE JACK and MOOSTAR to wear a red hood to the start.

Inside the final furlong, the winner, BLUE ZODIAC (IRE), lugged left-handed despite its rider's best efforts to correct the filly, carrying HETTIE JACK, placed second, off its intended line, 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 BLUE ZODIAC (IRE).

Race 3 - 3:40pm.**THE RON AND ESTHER LEAHY MEMORIAL HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 6)**

Permission was given for BEACH POINT (IRE) and NAMRUD (USA) to wear a red hood to the start and MEET ME IN MERAKI to go early to post.

Approximately 1 furlong after the start, as the field were edging left-handed towards the rail the rider of a free-running NAMRUD (USA), unplaced, had to take a check off heels when becoming short of room, 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 any runner.

Following the race, Marco Ghiani reported that SUMMER GALE (IRE), unplaced, was slowly away and slowly into stride.

Race 4 - 4:10pm.**THE QUINNBET ACCA BONUS HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 5)**

The winner, LEVEL UP (IRE), appeared to show improved form compared with its previous run at Haydock Park on 4 July 2024 where the gelding finished fifth of eight, beaten by 5½ lengths. It was noted that the representative of David Evans could offer no explanation for LEVEL UP (IRE)'s improved form; the gelding

was routine tested.

Following the race, Marco Ghiani reported that his saddle slipped on AGOSTINO, placed fifth, inside the final furlong and he subsequently eased in his riding; the Veterinary Officer examined the gelding post-race and had nothing to report.

Race 5 - 4:40pm.

THE QUINNBET DAILY FREE BET MAIDEN FILLIES' STAKES (CLASS 5) (GBB RACE)

Permission was given for CLIMATE ACTION, EPHYRA, IMITATE and TIANITA to wear a red hood to the start.

Race 6 - 5:10pm.

THE QUINNBET BEST ODDS GUARANTEED HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 6)

Permission was given for GLAM SQUAD (IRE) and RESPECTABLE JACK to wear a red hood to the start.

The apparent improvement in form of the winner, GLAM SQUAD (IRE), which had never previously been placed, was considered. The representative of Charlie Fellowes' explanation that the gelding had benefitted from being ridden with more restraint on this occasion, having taken the lead 4 furlongs out on its previous run at Haydock Park, was noted.