

## HUNTINGDON STEWARDS' REPORT

**Thursday 02 January 2025**

Stewards: Shaun Parker (Chief Steward), Rupert Sweeting (Stewards' Panel Chair), Anthony McGlone (Steward), Simon Kirk (Assistant Steward), Ben Ford (Raceday Assistant), Bridget Chamberlain (Trainee Stewards' Panel Chair)

Going: GOOD TO SOFT

### Non-Runners

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
12:25pm	SHARP DISTINCTION, trained by Amy Murphy.	Self Cert (Coughing)
12:25pm	ANOTHER PEARL, trained by Georgina Nicholls.	Travel (Horsebox puncture)
12:55pm	BROTHER BORIS, trained by Lucy Wadham.	Self Cert (Other) (Ran at Fakenham the previous day)
1:25pm	PEARLY ISLAND, trained by Lucy Wadham.	Self Cert (Other) (Ran at Fakenham the previous day)
1:25pm	ABINGWORTH, trained by Gary & Josh Moore.	Self Cert (Blood Analysis Not Normal)
1:25pm	GLOIRE D'ATHON (FR), trained by Sarah Humphrey.	Self Cert (Bad Scope)
2:00pm	SILVER THORN, trained by Emma Lavelle.	Self Cert (Not Eaten Up)
2:35pm	SWAPPED (FR), trained by Nick Kent.	Self Cert (Not Eaten Up)
3:10pm	DANA'S GEM (IRE), trained by Fergal O'Brien.	Self Cert (Temperature)
3:10pm	MISTING, trained by Neil King.	Self Cert (Other) (Ran at Fakenham the previous day)
3:10pm	NOBODY'S PERFECT (IRE), trained by Billy Aprahamian.	Travel (Horsebox flat tyre)

### Jockey Changes

Race	Horse	Declared Jockey	Replacement Jockey	Reason
1:25pm	SLIEVEGAR (GB)	Toby McCain-Mitchell	Tom Bellamy	(McCain-Mitchell unable to do weight)

### Race 1 - 12:25pm

**THE ADVERTISE YOUR BUSINESS AT HUNTINGDON RACECOURSE MAIDEN HURDLE RACE (CLASS 4) (GBB RACE)**

Following the race, Sean Houlihan reported that BASELINE (FR), placed fourth, ran too free.

**Race 2 - 12:55pm.**

**THE HUNTINGDON RACECOURSE 2025 FIXTURES ON SALE NOW HANDICAP STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 5)**

Permission was given for SHUIL CEOIL (IRE) to wear a red hood to post.

Following the race, James Best reported that FAST DEAL, unplaced, made a bad mistake at the third-last fence.

**Race 3 - 1:25pm.**

**THE VISIT HUNTINGDON RACECOURSE FOR YOUR CONFERENCE HANDICAP STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 4)**

Permission was given for HEARD THAT (IRE) to wear a red hood to post and for KAYCE DUTTON (IRE) to be mounted in the chute and go early to post.

The performance of FIRE DANCER (FR), which started second favourite and finished unplaced, was considered. The representative of Venetia Williams could offer no explanation for the gelding's performance. The Veterinary Officer examined FIRE DANCER (FR) post-race and had nothing to report.

The performance of MANINSANE (IRE), which finished unplaced, was considered. Charlie Longsdon's explanation that the gelding was unsuited by the Good to Soft ground, which in his opinion was riding tacky on this occasion and would prefer a quicker surface, was noted. The Veterinary Officer examined MANINSANE (IRE) post-race and had nothing to report.

**Race 4 - 2:00pm.**

**THE ANNUAL BADGES ON SALE NOW NOVICES' HURDLE RACE (CLASS 4) (GBB RACE)**

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

**Race 5 - 2:35pm.**

**THE JOIN THE 20 CLUB AT HUNTINGDON HANDICAP STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 4)**

An enquiry was held to consider the placings in this race following interference on the run to the line, involving the winner, KING'S THRESHOLD (IRE), ridden by Ben Jones and HYSTERY BERE (FR), placed second, ridden by Jordan Nailor. The Stewards considered that the interference had not improved KING'S THRESHOLD (IRE)'s placing as, having jumped the last upsides HYSTERY BERE (FR), Jones' mount was quicker away from the last and appeared to be travelling better than HYSTERY BERE (FR) and the Stewards couldn't be satisfied that had HYSTERY BERE (FR) had an uninterrupted run to the line it would have finished in front of KING'S THRESHOLD (IRE), with the distance between the runners a length and a quarter at the finish and therefore ordered the placings to remain unaltered. Jones was suspended for 2

days for careless riding as he allowed his mount to hang right-handed without sufficient correction, taking HYSTERY BERE (FR) off its intended line and causing Nailor to switch left-handed to continue his run.

Following the race, Kielan Woods reported that KAITUNA RIVER (IRE), placed fourth, was never travelling.

**Race 6 - 3:10pm.**

**THE SEASON TICKETS ON SALE NOW MARES' HANDICAP HURDLE RACE (CLASS 5)**

Nothing to report

**Race 7 - 3:40pm.**

**THE PURCHASE HOSPITALITY AT HUNTINGDON IN 2025 NATIONAL HUNT FLAT RACE (CLASS 5)  
(CONDITIONAL & AMATEUR JOCKEYS) (GBB RACE)**

MONEY TO BURN (IRE) unseated Caoilin Quinn in the Parade Ring. Having been checked by the Doctor, Quinn was deemed fit to race.

**Suspensions**

Person	Race	Horse	Days	Suspended Days
Ben Jones	Race - 2:35pm	KING'S THRESHOLD (IRE)	2	12 Jan 2025 16 Jan 2025