

**CHELTENHAM STEWARDS' REPORT****Thursday 12 March 2020**

Stewards: Shaun Parker (Chief Steward), Peta Evetts (Stewards' Panel Chair), Roger Bellamy (Stewards' Panel Chair), Simon Cowley (Steward), Colin Vickers (Steward), Chris Hill (Assistant Steward), Guy Upton (Raceday Assistant)

Going: **NEW Course**  
Chase Race: Soft (Good to Soft in places)  
Hurdle Race: Soft (Good to Soft in places)  
**OLD Course**

Rail: All chase bends on the round course dolled out 6yds adding 38yds per circuit.

**Non-Runners**

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
4:10pm	CLONDAW CASTLE (IRE), trained by Tom George.	Self Cert (Not Eaten Up)
5:30pm	AMI DESBOIS (FR), trained by Graeme McPherson.	Self Cert (Bruised Foot)

**Race 1 - 1:30pm.****THE MARSH NOVICES' STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 1)(Grade 1) (Registered as THE GOLDEN MILLER)**

TORNADO FLYER (IRE) wore earplugs throughout the race.

Mr P. W. Mullins, the rider of MELON, placed second, was suspended for 2 days, on dates to be notified to him by the Head Office of the British Horseracing Authority, for using his whip above the permitted level from approaching the final fence.

**Race 2 - 2:10pm.****THE PERTEMPS NETWORK FINAL HANDICAP HURDLE RACE (CLASS 1) (Grade 3)**

An enquiry was held to consider interference approaching the final hurdle when Tom Cannon was unseated from DINGO DOLLAR (IRE). Cannon was suspended for 3 days for careless riding as he had failed to take sufficient corrective measures to avoid running into the back of COPPER GONE WEST (IRE), which was in the process of being pulled up by its rider, resulting in Cannon being unseated from the gelding.

In the final few strides before the line, the winner, SIRE DU BERLAIS (FR), drifted slightly right-handed onto THE STORYTELLER (IRE), placed second, 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 SIRE DU BERLAIS (FR).

Following the race, the Veterinary Officer reported that JATILUWIH (FR), placed eighth, lost its right-hind shoe, STONEY MOUNTAIN (IRE), unplaced, lost its left-hind shoe and sustained a cut on its left-hind, DREAM BERRY (FR), unplaced, suffered an overreach to its left-fore and DOUBLY CLEVER (IRE), unplaced, lost its right-fore shoe.

### **Race 3 - 2:50pm.**

#### **THE RYANAIR STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 1) (Registered as The Festival Trophy) (Grade 1)**

RIDERS ON THE STORM (IRE) wore earplugs which were removed at the start and DUC DES GENIEVRES (FR) wore earplugs throughout the race.

Gavin Sheehan, the rider of SAINT CALVADOS (FR), placed second, was suspended for 4 days for using his whip above the permitted level from approaching the final fence.

Shortly before the line, the winner, MIN (FR), drifted marginally right-handed, giving a slight bump to SAINT CALVADOS (FR), placed second, 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 MIN (FR).

### **Race 4 - 3:30pm.**

#### **THE PADDY POWER STAYERS' HURDLE RACE (CLASS 1) (Grade 1)**

EMITOM (IRE) and TOBEFAIR wore earplugs which were removed at the start and PENHILL wore earplugs throughout the race.

The performance of PAISLEY PARK (IRE), which started favourite and finished seventh, beaten by 14½ lengths, was considered. Immediately after the race, the representative of Emma Lavelle could offer no explanation for the gelding's performance other than PAISLEY PARK (IRE) lost its left-fore and right-hind shoes; the Veterinary Officer reported that a post-race examination of PAISLEY PARK (IRE), following routine testing, revealed the gelding to have an irregular heartbeat on his return to the Stables. Lavelle advised that PAISLEY PARK (IRE) would be further assessed by her Veterinary Surgeon on Friday and a follow-up report would be forwarded to the Stewards in due course.

Following the race, the Veterinary Officer reported that PENHILL, which was pulled up, finished lame on its left-hind. The Veterinary Officer further reported that a post-race examination of RONALD PUMP, placed second, during routine testing shortly after the race, revealed the gelding lost its left-hind shoe and was struck into on its left-hind.

### **Race 5 - 4:10pm.**

#### **THE BROWN ADVISORY & MERRIEBELLE STABLE PLATE HANDICAP STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 1) (Grade 3)**

Permission was given for ROBIN DES FORET (IRE) to wear a protective covering on its head, having sustained a minor wound in the racecourse stables; SIMPLY THE BETTS (IRE) wore earplugs which were

removed at the start.

Following the race, the Veterinary Officer reported that DEYRANN DE CARJAC (FR), unplaced, finished lame on its left-fore.

#### **Race 6 - 4:50pm.**

#### **THE DAYLESFORD MARES' NOVICES' HURDLE RACE (CLASS 1)(Grade 2) (Registered as THE DAWN RUN) (NHMOPS Bonus Race)**

Permission was given for LA FELINE (FR) to wear a hood in the Parade Ring only; GETAWAY TOTHEROCK (IRE) and MINELLA MELODY (IRE) wore earplugs which were removed at the start.

Daryl Jacob, the rider of the winner, CONCERTISTA (FR), was suspended for 2 days for using his whip when clearly winning after jumping the final hurdle.

Following the race, Thomas Dowson reported that RAYNA'S WORLD (IRE), placed third, was never travelling in the early stages and Liam Treadwell reported that GETAWAY TOTHEROCK (IRE), unplaced, hung left-handed.

#### **Race 7 - 5:30pm.**

#### **THE FULKE WALWYN KIM MUIR CHALLENGE CUP AMATEUR RIDERS' HANDICAP STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 2)**

Permission was given for DEISE ABA (IRE) to wear a hood in the Parade Ring only.

An enquiry was held to consider two incidents of interference coming down the hill on the first circuit involving LE BREUIL (FR), unplaced, ridden by Mr J. J. Codd, and FLYING ANGEL (IRE), unplaced, ridden by Mr Zac Baker. In the first incident approaching the tenth fence, Mr Codd was suspended for 6 days for improper riding in that he had ridden towards Mr Baker in order to prevent FLYING ANGEL (IRE) from overtaking him on his inside. In the second incident shortly after jumping the tenth fence, Mr Codd was suspended for 2 days for careless riding as he had failed to leave sufficient room for FLYING ANGEL (IRE) on his inside, causing Mr Baker to have to take a check against the rail.

#### **Suspensions**

Person	Race	Horse	Days	Suspended Days
Mr P. W. Mullins	Race - 1:30pm	MELON (GB)	2	26 Mar 2020 27 Mar 2020
Tom Cannon	Race - 2:10pm	DINGO DOLLAR (IRE)	3	28 Mar 2020 27 Mar 2020 26 Mar 2020

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Gavin Sheehan	Race - 2:50pm	SAINT CALVADOS (FR)	4	29 Mar 2020 28 Mar 2020 27 Mar 2020 26 Mar 2020
Daryl Jacob	Race - 4:50pm	CONCERTISTA (FR)	2	30 Mar 2020 29 Mar 2020
Mr J. J. Codd	Race - 5:30pm	LE BREUIL (FR)	6	3 Apr 2020 2 Apr 2020 30 Mar 2020 29 Mar 2020 27 Mar 2020 26 Mar 2020
Mr J. J. Codd	Race - 5:30pm	LE BREUIL (FR)	2	7 Apr 2020 6 Apr 2020