

## **KEMPTON PARK STEWARDS' REPORT**

**Saturday 17 March 2018**

Stewards: Alastair Scrimgeour (Chairman), William Westacott, Chris Rutter (Stipendiary), Anthony McGlone (Stipendiary), Sally Lyons (Stewards' Secretary)

Going:

Fixture Note: After Race 1 the going was changed to Soft from Good to Soft, Soft in Places.

### Non-Runners

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
1:30pm	MERE IRONMONGER, trained by Brendan Powell.	Going (changed since declaration)
4:25pm	ROYALE DJANGO (IRE), trained by Tim Vaughan.	Vets Cert (Respiratory Infection)
5:00pm	SEBASTOPOL (IRE), trained by Tom Lacey.	Going (changed since declaration)

### Jockey Changes

Race	Horse	Declared Jockey	Replacement Jockey	Reason
3:15pm	KILCREA VALE (IRE)	Nico de Boinville	Daryl Jacob	de Boinville signed off by RMO
5:00pm	MISTER FISHER (IRE)	Nico de Boinville	Ned Curtis	de Boinville signed off by RMO

### **Race 1 - 1:30pm.**

#### **THE MATCHBOOK BETTING EXCHANGE NOVICES' HURDLE RACE (CLASS 4) (Novices' Championship Hurdle Race Qualifier)**

GRAPEVINE (IRE) wore earplugs.

An enquiry was held into the start of this race to consider why the field were slow to start once the tape had been released. All the riders of Race 1 were interviewed. The riders all explained that they had been instructed to drop-in and get a lead. Their explanations were noted and the riders reminded of their responsibilities to begin the race once the start had been effected.

Following the race Harry Cobden reported that SAO (FR), placed fourth, ran too free.

**Race 2 - 2:05pm.****THE MATCHBOOK VIP STEEPLE CHASE (A NOVICES' LIMITED HANDICAP) (CLASS 3)**

Permission was given for DEAUVILLE DANCER (IRE) to be mounted in the chute.

**Race 3 - 2:40pm.****THE MATCHBOOK RACING IS COMMISSION FREE SILVER PLATE HANDICAP HURDLE RACE (CLASS 2)**

Permission was given for AZZERTI (FR) to be mounted in the chute.

Following the race Harry Fry reported that JUST A STING (IRE), unplaced, was unsuited by the Soft ground on this occasion and would prefer a faster surface.

**Race 4 - 3:15pm.****THE MATCHBOOK SILVER BOWL HANDICAP STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 2)**

Following the race the Veterinary Officer reported that KILCREA VALE (IRE), placed fifth, lost its right fore shoe.

**Race 5 - 3:50pm.****THE BETTER ODDS WITH MATCHBOOK INSIGHTS NOVICES' HURDLE RACE (CLASS 4)**

An enquiry was held into the running and riding of EQUUS AMADEUS (IRE), ridden by Noel Fehily and trained by Tom Lacey which had made the running before being tenderly handled in the home straight, to finish fifth beaten by 18 ¼ lengths. The rider was interviewed and shown recordings of the race. The rider stated that the gelding had been over-racing throughout, tired in the home straight and therefore felt it prudent to hold EQUUS AMADEUS (IRE) together to ensure the gelding got home. His explanation was noted.

**Race 6 - 4:25pm.****THE MATCHBOOK BETTING PODCAST HANDICAP STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 4)**

Following the race Richard Johnson reported that ALLEE BLEUE (IRE), placed sixth, jumped poorly throughout. ALLEE BLEUE (IRE) was routine tested. The Veterinary Officer reported that GORSKY ISLAND, unplaced, had bled from the nose, KINGSTON (GER), placed seventh and INVICTA LAKE (IRE), placed second, had both lost their right hind shoes.

**Race 7 - 5:00pm.****THE COMMISSION FREE RACING AT MATCHBOOK MAIDEN OPEN NATIONAL HUNT FLAT RACE (CLASS 5)**

Following the race Joshua Moore reported that CILAOS GLACE (FR), unplaced, ran too free. James Best reported that GAELIC POET (IRE), unplaced, hung left.

