

## **CHEPSTOW STEWARDS' REPORT**

**Thursday 23 March 2023**

Stewards: Richard Westropp (Chief Steward), Roger Bellamy (Stewards' Panel Chair), Guy Upton (Steward), Polly Greco (Assistant Steward), Milly Bersey (Raceday Assistant)

Going: **Chase Course**  
(GSt 4.6)  
**Hurdle Course**  
(GSt 4.5)

### Non-Runners

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
1:25pm	CARDS ARE DEALT (IRE), trained by Gary Brown.	Going (Changed since declaration)
2:35pm	LEADING SWOOP (IRE), trained by Robert Walford.	Self Cert (Cast in Box)
2:35pm	THE IMPOSTER (FR), trained by Nigel Hawke.	Self Cert (Not Eaten Up)
2:35pm	STELLAR STREAM (IRE), trained by Kayley Woollacott.	Self Cert (Cast in Box)
3:10pm	BALLYCROSS, trained by D. J. Jeffreys.	Going (Changed since declaration)
3:10pm	DON HERBAGER (FR), trained by Venetia Williams.	Self Cert (Inflammation)
3:45pm	PORTENTOSO (GER), trained by Chris Honour.	Vets Cert (Other) (Cardiac Arrhythmia)
3:45pm	OXYGEN (FR), trained by Venetia Williams.	Self Cert (Going)

### Withdrawals

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
4:55pm	DOLLY DELIGHTFUL, trained by Philip Hobbs & Johnson White.	Going Withdrawn by the Trainer at 16.39. (Changed since declaration)

### Race 1 - 1:25pm.

**THE ACO BLUE ROOF SYSTEM CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS' TRAINING SERIES HANDICAP HURDLE RACE  
(CLASS 5) (Part of the Racing Excellence Initiative)**

The winner, RING THE MOON, appeared to show improved form compared with its previous run at Leicester on 28 December 2022 where the gelding was pulled up. Evan Williams' explanation that RING THE MOON benefitted from a positive ride on the Soft going was noted. RING THE MOON was routine tested.

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

**THE CORE HEREFORD MARES' 'NATIONAL HUNT' NOVICES' HURDLE RACE (CLASS 4) (Novices' Championship Hurdle Series Qualifier) (GBB RACE)**

Following the race, Connor Brace reported that INTERNET BIDDY (IRE), unplaced, jumped poorly and the Veterinary Officer reported that SOMERWAY (IRE), which was pulled up, lost its right fore shoe.

**Race 3 - 2:35pm.**

**THE RECTICEL INSULATION UK NOVICES' HANDICAP HURDLE RACE (CLASS 4) (GBB RACE)**

Following the race, Sean Bowen reported that ROUGE DE L'QUEST (IRE), placed second, hung left-handed.

**Race 4 - 3:10pm.**

**THE ROOFBASE HANDICAP STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 4)**

Following the race, the Veterinary Officer reported that DOCK ROAD (IRE), which unseated its rider, was found to be lame on its right fore.

**Race 5 - 3:45pm.**

**THE ASHCROFT SERVICES HANDICAP HURDLE RACE (CLASS 5)**

Permission was given for CAST'S TASHA (IRE) to wear a red hood to post and to be mounted in the chute.

The performance of KENYAN COWBOY (IRE), trained by Neil King, which was pulled up, was considered in light of this being the sixth consecutive occasion that the gelding had failed to finish a race. The trainer was interviewed during which he reported that this would be KENYAN COWBOY (IRE)'s last run, with his intention to retire the gelding. Having heard the evidence, King's comments were forwarded to the Head Office of the British Horseracing Authority for further consideration.

Following the race, the Veterinary Officer reported that CAST'S TASHA (IRE), unplaced, lost its right fore shoe.

**Race 6 - 4:20pm.**

**THE POLYROOF PRODUCTS HANDICAP STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 5)**

Following the race, Ben Godfrey reported that PATIENT OWNER (IRE), which was pulled up, was never travelling and the Veterinary Officer reported a post-race examination of the gelding failed to reveal any



abnormalities. The Veterinary Officer further reported KINGS KRACKERTARA, placed fourth, lost its right fore shoe and that CELMA DES BOIS (FR), which was pulled up, lost its left fore shoe.

**Race 7 - 4:55pm.**

**THE CENTRAL GROUP MARES' OPEN NATIONAL HUNT FLAT RACE (CLASS 5) (Category 1 Elimination) (DIV I) (GBB RACE)**

Permission was given for CHOSEN HERO (IRE) to wear a red hood to post and for MIGHTY DUCHESS (IRE) to be mounted in the chute.

**Race 8 - 5:25pm.**

**THE CENTRAL GROUP MARES' OPEN NATIONAL HUNT FLAT RACE (CLASS 5) (Category 1 Elimination) (DIV II) (GBB RACE)**

Nothing to report