

## **EXETER STEWARDS' REPORT**

**Sunday 13 February 2022**

Stewards: Chris Rutter (Chief Steward), Simon Eliot (Stewards' Panel Chair), Richard Wrestropp (Steward), Michael Eyre (Assistant Steward), Chris Hill (Raceday Assistant/ Social Distancing Officer)

Going: SOFT, HEAVY (IN PLACES)

Rail: Winning line through to Exeter Bend out 10yds. Hurdles remain in central positions. Shared Exeter bend: hurdle out 18yds adding 45yds. Chase loses 14yds. Separate Plymouth home-turn bends: hurdle out 10yds adding 27.5yds. Chase innermost true line. Total yardage amendments: plus 75yds hurdle circuit, minus 14yds chase circuit.

### Non-Runners

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
3:00pm	MORIKO DE VASSY (FR), trained by Tom Symonds.	Going (Changed since declarations)
3:00pm	STAGE STAR (IRE), trained by Paul Nicholls.	Self Cert (Going)
3:30pm	FAIR FRONTIERES (IRE), trained by Kim Bailey.	Self Cert (Not Eaten Up)
5:00pm	ELLOFAGETAWAY (IRE), trained by Noel Williams.	Going (Changed since declarations)
5:00pm	PROPELLED, trained by Nicky Henderson.	Going (Changed since declarations)
5:00pm	NOLLYADOR (FR), trained by Emma Lavelle.	Going (Changed since declarations)
5:00pm	BENVILLE BRIDGE, trained by Fiona Shaw.	Self Cert (Lame)
5:00pm	BELGUARDO (FR), trained by David Pipe.	Self Cert (Bad Scope)
5:00pm	ALTOBELLI (IRE), trained by Harry Fry.	Self Cert (Blood Analysis Not Normal)

### **Race 1 - 2:00pm.**

#### **THE VIRGIN BET NOVICES' STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 3) (GBB RACE)**

Following the race, Chester Williams reported that GLADIATEUR ALLEN (FR), which was pulled up, jumped poorly throughout. Harry Skelton reported that MIDNIGHT RIVER, which was pulled up, stopped quickly; the Veterinary Officer reported that a post-race examination of the gelding failed to reveal any abnormalities.

### **Race 2 - 2:30pm**

**THE VIRGIN BET BRITISH STALLION STUDS EBF 'NATIONAL HUNT' NOVICES' HURDLE RACE (CLASS 4) (Qualifier) (GBB RACE)**

Nothing to report

**Race 3 - 3:00pm.**  
**THE VIRGIN BET NOVICES' HURDLE RACE (CLASS 1) (Listed Race) (GBB RACE)**

Following the race, Sean Houlihan reported that GINGE, which was pulled up, ran too free.

**Race 4 - 3:30pm.**  
**THE PERTEMPS NETWORK HANDICAP HURDLE RACE (CLASS 2) (Pertemps Hurdle Series Qualifier) (GBB RACE)**

Following the race, Robbie Power reported that SILVER SHEEN, placed fifth, hung right-handed throughout. Paddy Brennan reported that ART APPROVAL (FR), placed third, hung right-handed in the home straight. Harry Skelton reported that RIGGS (IRE), which was pulled up, stopped quickly; the Veterinary Officer reported that a post-race examination of the gelding failed to reveal any abnormalities.

**Race 5 - 4:00pm.**  
**THE VIRGIN BET MARES' STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 1) (Listed Race) (GBB RACE)**

Nothing to report

**Race 6 - 4:30pm.**  
**THE VIRGIN BET VETERANS' HANDICAP STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 2) (Qualifier) (Leg 1 of The 2022 Veterans' Chase Series)**

The performance of ELEGANT ESCAPE (IRE) which started favourite and was pulled up, was considered. It was noted that the representative of Colin Tizzard could offer no explanation for ELEGANT ESCAPE (IRE)'s performance.

**Race 7 - 5:00pm.**  
**THE VIRGIN BET OPEN NATIONAL HUNT FLAT RACE (CLASS 5) (Category 2 Elimination) (GBB RACE)**

Permission was given for MR SNOW WAY (IRE) to wear a red hood to the start.