

HAYDOCK PARK STEWARDS' REPORT

Saturday 28 September 2024

Stewards: Adrian Sharpe (Chief Steward), Peter Heaton (Stewards' Panel), Greg Pearson (Steward), Tom Evetts (Steward), Lauren Thomson (Assistant Steward), Nathan Green (Raceday Assistant).

Going: **Round Course**
Flat Turf Race: Soft (Heavy in places)
Straight Course
Flat Turf Race: Soft

Rail: All races will be run on the outer course

Stalls: 5f & 6f: Centre. 7f, 1m & 1m 6f: Inside

Non-Runners

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
1:30pm	WHISKEY PETE (IRE), trained by Ralph Beckett.	Travel (Horsebox had a blow out)
1:30pm	RHOSCOLYN, trained by David O'Meara.	Self Cert (Not Eaten Up)
2:40pm	NARIKO (IRE), trained by Hugo Palmer.	Vets Cert (Girth Gall)

Race 1 - 1:30pm.

THE SKY BET FOR THE FANS HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 2)

Permission was given for NAVAGIO (IRE) and DASHING DARCEY to both wear a red hood to the start.

The winner, FLYING FINN (IRE) appeared to show improved form compared with its previous run at Newcastle on 28 June 2024, where the filly finished thirteenth of fourteen runners, beaten 24 lengths. The explanation given by Adrian Keatley that the filly had a proven wet track record and appreciated returning to Soft, Heavy in places going on this occasion was noted. FLYING FINN (IRE) was routine tested.

The performance of SKIPPER, which started favourite and finished seventh of eight runners, beaten 23½ lengths, was considered. The explanation given by the representative of Tom Clover that the gelding was unsuited by the ground which was officially described as Soft, Heavy in places and would prefer less testing conditions, was noted. The Veterinary Officer examined SKIPPER post-race and had nothing to report.

Race 2 - 2:05pm.

THE HAPPY BIRTHDAY MATTHEW PENDLEBURY BRITISH EBF MAIDEN STAKES (CLASS 4)

Permission was given for ONE EYE Jack (IRE) to wear a red hood to the start.

The Veterinary Officer reported that upon inspection DRIFTSPIN (IRE) was grey and not chestnut as published in the racecard.

The performance of CALYXOH (IRE) which finished last of six runners, beaten 7 ½ lengths, was considered. The explanation given by the representative of Jane Chapple-Hyam that the gelding was unsuited by the holding ground conditions, on Going which was officially described as Soft, Heavy in places, was noted.

Race 3 - 2:40pm.

THE SKY BET ACCA FREEZE HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 3)

Permission was given for PARISIAC (IRE) to go early to post. PARISIAC (IRE) wore earplugs which were removed at the start.

Race 4 - 3:15pm.

THE MY PENSION EXPERT HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 2)

Permission was given for WILTSHIRE to wear a red hood to the start.

An enquiry was held to consider interference shortly after leaving the stalls involving JER BATT (IRE), placed fourth, ridden by Paul Mulrennan and ABERAMA GOLD, placed third, ridden by Mark Winn. Winn was cautioned for careless riding as he edged his mount right-handed when not fully clear of JER BATT (IRE), causing Mulrennan to take a slight check.

Mark Winn, the rider of ABERAMA GOLD, placed third, had appeared to stop riding for several strides passing the ½ furlong marker. After being interviewed and shown recordings of the incident, Winn reported that he felt the gelding had momentarily become unbalanced at that stage of the race. In taking no further action, the Stewards were satisfied that ABERAMA GOLD, which was beaten 1½ lengths for second place, had obtained the best possible placing despite not being fully ridden out to the line at all times inside the final furlong. The Veterinary Officer examined ABERAMA GOLD post-race and had nothing to report.

Following the race, Sam Feilden reported that SILKY WILKIE (IRE), unplaced, ran flat. Alex Jary reported that NEVER DARK, unplaced, hung right-handed.

Race 5 - 3:50pm.

THE ADAPT RECRUITMENT EBF FILLIES' NOVICE STAKES (CLASS 4) (GBB RACE)

Permission was given for CONSENT (IRE) and MUSIC PIECE (IRE) to both wear a red hood to the start.

Race 6 - 4:25pm.

THE SKY BET BUILD A BET NURSERY HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 5)



Following the race, Lewis Chalkley reported that BLUEANDTANGERINE, placed fourth, hung left-handed.

Race 7 - 5:00pm.

THE WATCH ON RACING TV HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 4)

The performance of FREE SPEECH (IRE) which started second favourite and finished sixth of seven runners, beaten 14¼ lengths, was considered. The explanation of Ed Dunlop's representative that FREE SPEECH (IRE) had potentially been unsuited by getting too far back on testing ground conditions, where it proved difficult to make ground was noted.