NEWBURY STEWARDS' REPORT
Friday 27 November 2026

Stewards: Steve Drowne (Chief Steward), Charlie Corbett (Stewards' Panel Chair), Fergus Sweeney (Steward), Joseph Chan (Steward), Chris Hill (Assistant Steward), Margaret Groves (Raceday Assistant)

Going: **Chase Course**
Chase Race: Good (Good to Soft in places) (GSt 5.0)
Hurdle Course
Hurdle Race: Good to Soft (Good in places) (GSt 4.8)

Rail: HURDLE: middle CHASE: full width (last 2 fences dolled off 6ft from inside). Split bends in places.

Non-Runners

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
11:40am	OATSOEASY (IRE), trained by Ben Pauling.	Going (changed since declaration)
12:10pm	DEAD CERT (FR), trained by W. P. Mullins.	Self Cert (Bad Scope)
12:40pm	HARDLY SURPRISING (IRE), trained by Harry Fry.	Going (changed since declaration)
2:25pm	BLUEY (IRE), trained by Emma Lavelle.	Self Cert (Not Eaten Up)
2:25pm	KAP OUEST (FR), trained by Harry Fry.	Going (changed since declaration)
3:00pm	CALDWELL POTTER (FR), trained by Paul Nicholls.	Going (changed since declaration)
3:00pm	LUD'OR (FR), trained by Tom Symonds.	Going (changed since declaration)
3:35pm	INOUI MACHIN (FR), trained by Neil Mulholland.	Going (changed since declaration)

Withdrawals

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
3:35pm	WONDERFUL EAGLE (GER), trained by Philip Hobbs & Johnson White.	Going (Withdrawn by the Trainer at 3:01pm due to Going - changed since declaration)
12:10pm	OCTO GANE (FR), trained by Ben Pauling.	Going (Withdrawn by the Trainer at 11:55am due to Going - changed since declaration)
3:00pm	THOMAS MOR (IRE), trained by Philip Hobbs & Johnson White.	Going (Withdrawn by the Trainer at 2:21pm due to Going - changed since declaration)

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
2:25pm	GEMIRANDE (FR), trained by Venetia Williams.	Going (Withdrawn by the Trainer at 2:03pm due to Going - changed since declaration)

Race 1 - 11:40am .

THE CORAL "BLACK FRIDAY PRICE BOOSTS" 'NATIONAL HUNT' MAIDEN HURDLE RACE (CLASS 3) (DIV I) (GBB RACE)

An enquiry was held into the running and riding of ISLAND GETAWAY (IRE), ridden by Caoilin Quinn and trained by Warren Greatrex, which the rider had attempted to settle at the rear of the field and despite racing awkwardly appeared to be tenderly handled in the home straight to finish eleventh of 12 runners, beaten by 58¾ lengths. The rider was interviewed and shown recordings of the race; the Handicapper offered observations and the Veterinary Officer examined the gelding post-race and had nothing to report. The rider stated his instructions had been to switch ISLAND GETAWAY (IRE) off as the gelding had raced keenly and hung badly right-handed when positioned towards the middle of the field on its first run over hurdles at Cheltenham on 15 November 2026. He added that despite being ridden more patiently on this occasion he had found it difficult to keep ISLAND GETAWAY (IRE) on the course in the early stages as the gelding had again hung badly right-handed, a fact he reported at Scales, and felt he was unable to ride effectively due to how awkwardly his mount was racing. He further added that ISLAND GETAWAY (IRE) does not hang at home and had suggested to the Trainer that the gelding run at a right-handed track next time. His explanation was noted.

Race 2 - 12:10pm .

THE PLAY CORAL "RACING-SUPER-SERIES" FOR FREE 'NATIONAL HUNT' MAIDEN HURDLE RACE (CLASS 3) (DIV II) (GBB RACE)

Permission was given for TALLY HO BACK to wear a hood in the Parade Ring only.

Race 3 - 12:40pm .

THE CORAL RACING CLUB NOVICES' LIMITED HANDICAP STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 3) (For the Fulke Walwyn Trophy) (GBB RACE)

Permission was given for HARDLY SURPRISING (IRE) to wear a red hood to the start.

Following the race, the Veterinary Officer reported that MASKED MAN (FR), placed third, had bled from the nose.

Race 4 - 1:15pm .

THE CORAL "DAILY REWARDS SHAKER" FILLIES' JUVENILE HURDLE RACE (CLASS 1) (Listed Race) (GBB RACE)

Permission was given for RED MOON (FR) to wear a red hood to the start.

Race 5 - 1:50pm .
THE CORAL JOHN FRANCOME NOVICES' STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 1)(Grade 2) (GBB RACE)

Nothing to report

Race 6 - 2:25pm .
THE CORAL "BET£10 GET£50 SIGN UP OFFER" HANDICAP STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 2) (GBB RACE)

Permission was given for TEDDY BLUE (GER) and KAP OUEST (FR) to be mounted in the chute.

Race 7 - 3:00pm .
THE CORAL LONG DISTANCE HURDLE RACE (CLASS 1) (Grade 2) (GBB RACE)

Permission was given for LAVIDA ADIVA (IRE) to wear a red hood to the start.

The performance of LE FRIMEUR (FR), which started favourite and finished fifth, beaten by 23½ lengths was considered. The representative of Harry Derham could offer no explanation for the gelding's performance other than LE FRIMEUR (FR) hung badly left-handed.

Race 8 - 3:35pm .
THE CORAL "PIPPED-AT-THE-POST" AND WIN HANDICAP HURDLE RACE (CLASS 3)

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