

STRATFORD-ON-AVON STEWARDS' REPORT**Tuesday 25 August 2026**

Stewards: Guy Upton (Chief Steward), Heather Kemp (Stewards' Panel Chair), Louise Moore (Steward), Nathan Green (Steward), Annabelle Johnson (Assistant Steward), Daniel Andrews (Raceday Assistant).

Going: GOOD TO FIRM

Withdrawals

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
7:45pm	COMPANY CHARGE, trained by Nigel & Willy Twiston-Davies.	Vet advice (Withdrawn on veterinary advice at 7.41pm)

Race 1 - 5:10pm .**THE CELEBRATE NATIONAL RACEHORSE WEEK 2026 MARES' MAIDEN HURDLE RACE (CLASS 4) (GBB RACE)**

The performance of DIAMOND GRACE (FR), which started favourite and finished fifth of eight runners, beaten 30 lengths, was considered. It was noted that the representative of Jonjo & A.J. O'Neill could offer no explanation for the mare's performance. The Veterinary Officer examined DIAMOND GRACE (FR) post-race and had nothing to report.

Following the race, the representative of Dr Richard Newland reported DREAMING OF THE DR, which was pulled up, stopped quickly and made a respiratory noise.

Race 2 - 5:40pm .**THE STRATFORD NOVICES' LIMITED HANDICAP HURDLE RACE (CLASS 5)**

Permission was given for FRENCH DIABLO (FR) to wear a red hood to post.

The apparent improvement in form of the winner, DELGANY SECOND NOW, which had never previously been placed, was considered. Dan Skelton's explanation that the gelding had benefitted from a step up in trip from 2 miles to 2 miles 6 furlongs on this occasion, was noted. DELGANY SECOND NOW was routine tested.

The performance of FRENCH DIABLO (FR), which started favourite and was pulled up, was considered. It was noted that Max Comley could offer no explanation for the gelding's performance on this occasion. The Veterinary Officer examined FRENCH DIABLO (FR) post-race and reported the gelding had lost its right-fore shoe.

Race 3 - 6:15pm .**THE GEORGE & DRAGON HANDICAP STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 4) (GBB RACE)**

Permission was given for SEEYOUINMYDREAMS to wear a red hood to post.

Following the race, Harry Skelton reported that BEORMA (IRE), which was pulled up, made a jumping mistake at the second fence and never travelled thereafter. The Veterinary Officer examined the mare post-race and reported BEORMA (IRE) had bled from the nose.

Race 4 - 6:45pm .

THE ALLSOPPS LOVE STRATFORD HANDICAP HURDLE RACE (CLASS 5)

Nothing to report

Race 5 - 7:15pm .

THE THANK YOU TO OUR HARDWORKING GROUNDSTAFF HANDICAP STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 5)

Following the race, the representative of Nigel & Willy Twiston-Davies reported that BOBBARELLI, which was pulled up, made a respiratory noise.

Race 6 - 7:45pm .

THE HOLLOW BOTTOM NATIONAL HUNT FLAT RACE (CLASS 5) (Category 1 Elimination) (Conditional & Amateur Jockeys) (GBB RACE)

Permission was given for GUERDALE to wear a red hood to post and for GOLIATH POWER (FR) to be led to post early wearing a red hood.

Following the race, Freddie Keighley reported that PEARL COVE (IRE), unplaced, ran too free.