WARWICK STEWARDS' REPORT
Thursday 19 November 2026

Stewards: Tom Evetts (Chief Steward), Heather Kemp (Stewards' Panel Chair), Greg Pearson (Steward), Milly Bersey (Assistant Steward), Margaret Groves (Raceday Assistant)
Going: SOFT, GOOD TO SOFT (IN PLACES)
Rail: We are racing on the INNER Hurdle course

Non-Runners

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
1:02pm	MILLADY, trained by Mel Rowley.	Self Cert (Not Eaten Up)
1:37pm	DOCPICKEDME (IRE), trained by Richard Hobson.	Self Cert (Cast in Box)
3:17pm	MS DARCAYE, trained by Olly Murphy.	Self Cert (Not Eaten Up)
3:17pm	DIAMOND LILY (IRE), trained by Ben Clarke.	Self Cert (Colic)

Race 1 - 11:27am .
THE HAZELTON MOUNTFORD INSURANCE BROKERS EBF FILLIES' JUNIOR 'NATIONAL HUNT' HURDLE RACE (CLASS 4) (GBB RACE)

Permission was given for HERA D'INOR (FR) to wear a red hood to post.

Race 2 - 11:57am .
THE OLLY MURPHY PROUDLY SPONSORED BY BETANO 'NATIONAL HUNT' MAIDEN HURDLE RACE (CLASS 4) (DIV I) (GBB RACE)

ELMSFORD (IRE) unseated Ben Jones at the start. Having been examined by the Veterinary Surgeon and the Doctor, both were deemed fit to race.

An enquiry was held into the running and riding of GOLDEN SANJIDA, ridden by Lewis Stones and trained by Olly Murphy which was held up just worse than mid-division, before Stones began asking for a hands a heels effort after the fifth last hurdle, which the rider continued with to varying degrees for the remainder of the race, finishing 13th of 15 runners, beaten by 42 lengths. The rider and the trainer were interviewed and shown recordings of the race; the Veterinary Officer examined the mare on two occasions post-race and had nothing to report. The rider stated that his instruction was to get GOLDEN SANJIDA to relax as she had raced keenly in the past, wearing a hood on its final start for the previous trainer. Stones added the mare's jumping was generally good, but for the odd untidy jump and that she has her own way of getting from A to B – getting in close to the take-off boards. He continued by stating that he began to ask for an effort after the fifth last hurdle, and that GOLDEN SANJIDA thereafter was only ever keeping on at the same pace. Stones was questioned on his effort levels down the back straight, where whilst there appeared to be movement in the saddle, it was unclear how real and substantial it was. Stones reported that he was pushing his mount along at all times during this section of the race. He was then questioned on his riding in the home-straight where he again appeared to be riding with questionable levels of vigour and positivity. Stones reported that on the approach to the second last hurdle, he felt some slight pressure from his inside and therefore rode cautiously to ensure

his mount did not run out, which would explain why visually he restrained the mare at this stage. The trainer stated that GOLDEN SANJIDA had not shown a huge amount of ability for him thus far, and that his instructions were to get the mare settled, with the aim of ultimately stepping her up in trip, but only once she learns to relax. Murphy added that whilst he was not unhappy with the ride, he could see the viewpoint that perhaps if GOLDEN SANJIDA had been ridden more vigorously, she may have finished closer in terms of her placing and beaten margin. Stones was suspended for 10 days for failing to take all reasonable and permissible measures to ensure his horse was run on its merits, in that he rode GOLDEN SANJIDA without sufficient vigour from after the fifth last hurdle, thereby not ensuring that his horse was given the chance to achieve the best possible outcome.

Following the race, Sam Twiston-Davies reported that ARTABAN (FR), unplaced, hung right-handed and jumped right-handed; Ben Jones reported that ELMSFORD (IRE), unplaced, ran too free; Tom Bellamy reported that FRIENDLY GLANCE, placed second, jumped novicey; Harry Cobden reported that PRINCE VINNY (IRE), placed fifth, ran too free and Lorcan Williams reported that TRIPLE EDGE, unplaced, hung right-handed.

Race 3 - 12:27pm .
THE OLLY MURPHY PROUDLY SPONSORED BY BETANO 'NATIONAL HUNT' MAIDEN HURDLE RACE (CLASS 4) (DIV II) (GBB RACE)

Permission was given for SMILE JOHN BOY (IRE), ROCK ON RONNIE (IRE), CROOKHAVEN and BEBE AND BEAN to wear a red hood to post.

Following the race, the Veterinary Officer reported that BEBE AND BEAN, unplaced, finished lame on its left fore.

Race 4 - 1:02pm .
THE GREAT BRITISH BONUS SUPPORTING BREEDERS' DAY MARES' NOVICES' HURDLE RACE (CLASS 4) (GBB RACE)

Permission was given for EMIKO (IRE) and FARM ASSURED to wear a red hood to post.

Following the race, Tabitha Worsley reported that SAFARI (IRE), unplaced, ran green and Lee Edwards reported that TIERBAY was very reluctant to race before being pulled up before the first hurdle.

Race 5 - 1:37pm .
THE DENIS O'CONNELL MEMORIAL VETERANS' HANDICAP STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 2) (Leg 9 of the Stayers' Veterans' Chase Series)

Following the race, Sean Bowen reported that SURE TOUCH, placed sixth, made several jumping errors.

Race 6 - 2:12pm .
THE OMODA AND JAECOO RACE TO VICTORY MARES' HANDICAP HURDLE RACE (CLASS 3) (Challenger Mares' Hurdle Series Qualifier)

Permission was given for EASY TO FOLLOW (IRE) to wear a red hood to post.

The performance of STRONG RUN which started joint favourite and was pulled up, was considered. Fergal O'Brien could provide no explanation for the performance of the mare, other than on its last run it was badly hampered and unseated and therefore may be lacking in confidence. The Veterinary Surgeon examined STRONG RUN during routine testing and had nothing to report.

Race 7 - 2:47pm .
THE GRUMPY & GRANNY'S GOLDEN GALLOPS MARES' HANDICAP STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 4) (Challenger Mares' Chase Series Qualifier) (GBB RACE)

Permission was given for BROOMFIELD ADERRA (IRE) and ZAHRA DODVILLE (FR) to wear a red hood to post.

Race 8 - 3:17pm .
THE THOROUGHBRED BREEDERS' ASSOCIATION SUPPORTING BREEDERS' DAY MARES' OPEN NATIONAL HUNT FLAT RACE (CLASS 5) (Category 1 Elimination) (GBB RACE)

Permission was given for GALANT JEWEL (IRE), ELODIE BIJOU (FR) and BELLABELINI to wear a red hood to post.

Following the race, Tom Bellamy reported that AGREYMIRACLESEEKER (FR), unplaced, hung left-handed.

Suspensions

Person	Race	Horse	Days	Suspended Days
Lewis Stones	Race - 11:57am	GOLDEN SANJIDA (GB)	10	12 Dec 2026 11 Dec 2026 10 Dec 2026 9 Dec 2026 8 Dec 2026 7 Dec 2026 6 Dec 2026 5 Dec 2026 4 Dec 2026 3 Dec 2026