

CHANNEL ISLANDS RACING AND HUNT CLUB

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JERSEY – FRIDAY 23 JUNE 2017

GOING: FIRM

Senior Steward: Mr S. Vivian

Stewards: Mr C. Bennett, Mrs. S. Scrimgeour and Mr C. Edwards

Stewards Secretary: Mr M. Shenkin

Non-Runners:

None

Prior to racing: No requests were made prior to racing.

Race 1 – 6.30pm. THE UBS HNDICAP HURDLE

Mr M. Batchelor, the jockey of **BEYOND MEASURE**, placed second, reported that the horse made a respiratory noise in running.

Race 2 – 7.05pm. THE GREEN VALLEY HANDICAP

No Stewards Enquiry

Race 3 – 7.40pm. THE QUILTER CHEVIOT HANDICAP

The Stewards interviewed Mr P. Prince, the jockey of **HAWAIIN FREEZE**, for improper riding in respect of the use of his whip arm above shoulder height in breach of Rule 66(ii) and Instruction D of the Rules of Racing.

The Stewards were concerned with three strikes of the whip in the straight, one of which was clearly over shoulder height.

Having reviewed the official video and the head-on replay the Stewards found Mr Prince guilty of improper riding in that he had administered one strike of the whip from above shoulder height and cautioned him as to his future conduct. The Stewards accepted Mr Prince's submission that it was marginal whether his whip arm was over shoulder height in respect of the other two strikes.

The Stewards thanked Mr. Prince for his exemplary conduct before them.

Race 4 – 8.15pm. THE GLORIOUS LES LANDES RACES HANDICAP

The Stewards noted that **TORETTO**, trained by Mrs J. Coomer had become unruly when mounted in the paddock and had been dismounted and led down the chute to the course where it was re-mounted. The Stewards noted that once underway on the course **TORETTO** 's behavior going to post and also at the start was fine.

The Stewards interviewed Mr P. Aspell, the jockey of BROWN VELVET, for improper riding in respect of the use of his whip arm above shoulder height in breach of Rule 66(ii) and Instruction D of the Rules of Racing.

Having reviewed the official video and the head-on replay the Stewards found Mr. Aspell guilty of improper riding in that he had administered two strikes of the whip from above shoulder height.

Mr. Aspell accepted the findings but asked the Stewards to take into account that BROWN VELVET was a small filly which gave greater scope for a jockey to make a mistake with the height of the whip. He also asked the Stewards to take into account that this was his first time before them in the Channel Islands, that he had an impeccable record with the whip in his home jurisdiction and that he accepted that he would have to look at his whip action for the future when riding in Jersey.

The Stewards informed Mr. Aspell that they would normally caution for one misdemeanor and fine where it was multiple. However, in light of Mr. Aspell's submissions and his conduct before them they were willing to be lenient on this occasion and warned him as to his future conduct.

Race 5 – 8.50pm. THE YKTR HANDICAP

The Stewards interviewed Mrs. A. Malzard, the trainer of FLUTTERBEE as to the mare's improved performance. Mrs Malzard explained that it was the first time FLUTTERBEE had run in cheek pieces this season and it appeared to make the difference. The Stewards noted that FLUTTERBEE's two wins in Jersey during 2016 had both been with cheek pieces on.

There being no further enquiries the Stewards were dismissed at 9.10 pm



Senior Steward