

Portmarnock April 11th Stewards Report

Stewards: P Clarke, J O Sullivan, D. Sheehy, M. Behan, A. Gosson, J Levis

Race 1; 7 runners; No driving changes

Horse No 5. Umbratica broke stride outside limit placed last

Race 2; 5 Runners; No driving changes.

- D Timilin moved across track in the home straight caused no interference with any other driver but was called in for an explanation. He said that his horse had started to show signs of soreness after an incident at home a week back and would not be racing him again until problem was sorted.
- Quill cautioned regarding running of his horse and his driving tactics.
- C Flanagan dangerous driving. Running into the back of Martin Loughran in the back straight could have caused a serious accident. Cautioned.

No other issues reported in this race

Race 3; 6 runners; No driving changes

- F Quill whip misuse fined €100, 2 demerit points and suspended for 1 day under new whip ruling

Race 4; 5 runners all go; No driving changes

No issues reported in this race

Race 5; 7 runners; No driving changes

No 6 Eclair de Roche did not take up his handicap position on gate, he was left behind

Race 6; 4 runners; no driving changes

No 1 Halloway Rd did not come up to handicap position went off in the second line

Qualifying race

Leah McNevin drove in this as an apprentice test drive. In a time of 2.17.3; She did not attempt to keep up with the rest of the field and fell far behind. As this race went in a time of 2.05.3 the stewards felt that this could not count as one of three drives needed before being considered for a license and have recommended, she drives at least three more times in the company of seasoned drivers to gain much needed experience.