

## **Annaghmore 5th August 2023**

### **Race 1 The 4yo Trot**

All 3 ran. No driver changes. No issues.

### **Race 2 The F & E Pace Hcap**

All 8 ran. No driver changes. No issues.

### **Race 3 The D & C Trot Hcap**

All 6 ran. No driver changes.

Dusty Jiel was unplaced following an exceed in his stride allowance.

Driver Adam Corey was interviewed for allowing his charge Extrem Ryld to drift left inside the last 100m. Following the viewing of the recording of the race the stewards cautioned Adam Corey to maintain a straight line and not to allow his charge to in anyway possibly impede another runner.

### **Race 4 The G & G1 Pace Hcap**

All 5 ran. P Kane jnr drove No 2 Confidential in place of W McNevin. No issues.

### **Race 5 The B, A & A1 Trot Hcap**

All 5 ran. No driver changes. No issues.

### **Race 6 The G & G1 Pace Hcap**

All 5 ran. The following were driver changes:-

No 1 Daisy Camden G Murdock replaced D Smith

No 2 Ballycoan Aron P Kane jnr replaced G Murdock

No 5 Sweet Caroline J Cowden replaced P Kane jnr

No issues.

### **Race 7 The E & F Trot Hcap**

All 8 ran. No driver changes.

The stewards held an inquiry into possible interference between the start line and the Bookmakers bend after the gates went back. Drivers J Richardson, A Corey & G Maybin were interviewed and a recording of the incident was watched numerous times in both real time and slow motion. A decision was made on the day to refer the incident to the full panel of stewards for review on the 9th August.

Following a meeting of P Clarke, J O'Sullivan, D Sheehy, M Duggan, C O'Sullivan and J Griffin held via zoom on 9/8/23, the incident referred to above was reviewed and the replay watched by all. The drivers evidence was discussed and it was unanimous that no single driver could be held to account for the incident but that driver J Richardson had caused pressure to A Corey by coming from a 4 Draw to the rail although he was clear and entitled to do so. This pressure had a chain reaction where through a combination of inexperience, the track configuration and draw postitions along with running styles of their horses had led to a bumper car style effect where G Maybin was caused to break. Both drivers J Richardson and A Corey were cautioned to drive with more awareness and be conscious of where they are on the track in relation to those around them.

The stewards held an inquiry in to whether or not the first past the post, Franchan de Roche had possibly breached the rule regarding coming off the track during a race. Driver A Corey was shown the video evidence in slow motion and following a discussion he admitted that the wheel of the cart had raced on the outside of a number of the tracks pegs. The stewards

having considered the footage and heard the evidence reversed the placings so the result now reads:-

First:- Ha Penny Chance

Second:- Franchan de Roche

Third:- Corail de Bellande

Driver A Corey was warned to keep his cart on the inside of the tracks pegs at all times.

**Race 8 The D, C, B & A Pace Hcap**

All 6 ran. No driver changes. No issues.

Stewards on the day:-

P Clarke

J O'Sullivan

J Griffin