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JERSEY – Sunday 30th May 2011 GOING: GOOD; GOOD TO FIRM IN PLACES

Non Runners SUPERDUPER – Awaiting Vets Certificate

Following the running of the first race the Stewards called before them Mr. E. Stack, Mr. A. Procter & Mr. M. Batchelor riders of **BOLIN FERGUS**, **NATIONAL MONUMENT & AZARIA** to explain why they had a practice jump over the last hurdle. The jockeys explained that they were conscious of the fact it was a novice hurdle and as they approached the hurdle to show it to the horses, their various charges had seemed very nervous and they therefore felt a practice jump was in the best interest for the horses to settle them, as well as from a safety factor for the jockey should the horse later refuse. The Stewards deliberated for quite some time as to whether to issue a fine or not, as there was a clear breach of rules. On this occasion taking into account all factors the Stewards gave them a stern warning with a reminder that should they appear before them again on a breach of this rule they would be likely to face a significant financial penalty.

During the period between the first and second race a fog bank rolled in reducing visibility to about 1 furlong. This weather anomaly dissipated before the running of the 3rd Race, however the second race was run in limited visibility.

Prior to the running of the second race Mrs. A. Malzard requested that **UNIFORM RUBY** be allowed to be led in, the Stewards granted this request and reminded the trainer that any horses being led in should be in the second row.

Following the running of the 3rd Race the Stewards interviewed Mr. E. Stack as to the performance of **VAMOS**. The jockey reported that it was the horse first time over that trip, it also appeared flat as they came into the final section of the race, with no spark and felt 'legless' he therefore eased the horse home. His explanation was noted.

Before the running of the fourth race the Stewards received a number of requests from trainers, all of which were granted. Mrs. A. Malzard requested that **RIVER DU NORD** was led in; Mr. J. Mercier trainer of **CRONKYVODDY** requested that his horse be led in and Joan Le Brocq requested that **FINE THE WORLD** have someone with it at the start. Whilst in the parade ring **MAJOR MAXIMUS** was getting a little excited and Mr. Cuthbert requested that it be allowed to go to post early as well as be mounted in the chute, this was granted.

After the running of the race the Stewards interviewed Mrs. A. Malzard as to the running of **RIVER DU NORD** and as to whether she was satisfied with the ride given by the jockey.

Mrs. Malzard stated that the horse was young and weak, with this being its first run. She had not had the opportunity yet to quiz the jockey as to the ride. The Stewards requested that she do so and report back after the running of the last race.

The Senior Steward stepped down for the final race and his place was taken by Mr. Michel.

A Stewards Enquiry was called after the running of the fifth race to review the finish. Upon reviewing the tape of the finish they found no reason not to let the result stand. The Stewards also interviewed the Starter as there appeared to be some confusion as to where the start was. Mr. Germaine explained that he had arrived at the correct starting point but was then given advice that the start was further round the course, which proved erroneous. The Stewards advised him to confirm solely with the Clerk of the Course the start points.

The Senior Steward resumed his duties and continued the interview with Mrs. A. Malzard who had now had a chance to speak to the jockey of RIVER DU NORD. The jockey Kylie Manser, reported that the horse had ran green, giving away lengths at the start and then seemed unbalanced around the corners, she then made every effort to bring the horse home without unduly punishing it. The Stewards noted this explanation.

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