



Inner Round Course Track Contingency for QIPCO British Champions Day

The current going is:

Straight Course: **Heavy**

Outer Round Course: **Heavy, waterlogged in places**

Inner Round Course: **Good to Soft, Soft in places**

We have recorded 16mm rain during the past 24 hours to 11am Sunday.

30mm of rain has fallen since Friday.

A total of 40mm rain has fallen during the past 7 days.

The forecast is for an unsettled week with rain forecast on most days.

Chris Stickels, Clerk of the Course at Ascot, said:

“The weather forecast is unsettled all week and connections of prospective runners are reminded of the race conditions, relating to the round course races.”

The Ascot Racecourse Executive in consultation with BCS and the BHA reserves the right to transfer this race to the Inner Flat Course in the event of the Outer Course being un-raceable, or in serious danger of such, on the day before or on the morning of racing.

Stickels added:

“Racing on the outer course on Saturday may yet be possible but we have the option to switch. With waterlogged in today’s going description, if we were racing today, we would be on the inner course.

“In the circumstances, with uncertainty over which round track will be used, the BHA has confirmed that irrespective of the decision, penalties will not be applied to any non-runners withdrawn from round course races due to the ground conditions. We are most grateful to them for the flexibility shown, enabling connections to plan whilst waiting on the track decision.”

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