

## STEWARDS REPORT

### Berrigan & District Race Club BERRIGAN RACECOURSE

Saturday 3 November 2018

Weather: Fine  
Track: Good (4) upgraded to a Good (3) at 11.30am prior to Race 1  
Rail: True

STEWARDS: J A Shultz (Chairman) & D R McLean

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#### **RACE 1: MAIDEN PLATE 1100m:**

**Bianbarnie** – Was inclined to lay out rounding the turn near the 800m.

**Thomas James** – Steadied near the 500m. At a subsequent inquiry rider R Beattie pleaded guilty to a charge of careless riding under AR137(a) and the particulars of the charge being that near the 500m he permitted his mount to shift in when insufficiently clear of *Wallach* which in turn was carried in and across the running of **Thomas James** which was steadied and lost the running into which it was entitled. R Beattie's license to ride in races was suspended for a period to commence on Wednesday 7 November 2018 and to expire on Sunday 11 November 2018 on which day he may ride.

**Rowling in Riches** – When questioned regarding the improved performance Trainer C Widdison advised the gelding was suited by the addition of Blinkers.

#### **RACE 2: BENCHMARK 50 HANDICAP 1100m:**

**Green Tea Ice** – Began awkwardly.

**I'm a Prima Donna** – Bumped near the 200m.

**Junior Mac** – Raced wide throughout. Bumped with *I'm a Prima Donna* near the 200m

#### **RACE 3: CLASS TWO HANDICAP 1200m:**

**Ready and Flying** – Slow to begin. Was inclined to lay out when placed under pressure. When questioned regarding the performance rider J Duffy could offer no tangible explanation for the performance. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

#### **RACE 4: BENCHMARK 50 HANDICAP 1400m:**

**Biding Time** – Held up and unable to improve from the 400m until passing the 300m. Disappointed for a run near the 250m and was taken out to continue to improve into clear running.

**Frozen Asset** – Rider B Fliedner was reprimanded under AR137A(5)(a)(i) for using the whip on 3 consecutive strides prior to the 100m.

**Make Me Dough** – Raced keenly in the early and middle stages.

**Autocrat** – Momentarily steadied near the 1300m when *Whiskey Business* (A Masters) shifted in when not fully clear. A Masters was advised to exercise more care.

**RACE 5: BERRIGAN CUP OPEN HANDICAP 1600m:**

**Zarreig** – Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination after becoming fractious in the barriers and was passed suitable to race.

**Annaman** – Rider R Beattie advised the gelding would be better suited stepping up in trip. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

**Hakerak** – Slow to begin.

**Little Red Devil** – When questioned regarding the improved performance Trainer A Dale stated the gelding appreciated today's step up in journey and was suited by recent fitness and the gelding also tends to perform at its best as it gets further into its preparation.

**Silent Dream** – Stewards permitted rider N Souquet to ride the mare 1/2kg over its allotted weight. When questioned regarding the performance rider N Souquet stated in his opinion the mare would be better suited racing in a clockwise direction and may be better with a track with some give in it. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

**RACE 6: MAIDEN PLATE 1600m:**

**Cincity** – Slow to begin.

**Mister Smooth** – Change of tactics: to be ridden further forward; settled handy. Trainer P Williams advised the gelding would now be retired.

**Stella Vitae** – Rider J Andreou was fined \$100 under AR137A(5)(a)(ii) for using the whip on 9 occasions prior to the 100m. Stewards took into account her excellent record in relation to this rule.

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**Summary of whip use:**

Stewards noted the following riders exceeded the permitted strikes of the whip prior to the 100m under AR137A(5)(a)(ii):

Race 2	A Masters on Enconti	6 strikes
Race 3	B Fliedner on Smokey Ora	6 strikes
Race 5	A Masters on Quick Spin	7 strikes
Race 5	N Souquet on Silent Dream	6 strikes
Race 6	A Masters on Cincity	8 strikes

**General:** Swab samples were taken from the following runners:

Race 1: Rowling in Riches, Thomas James

Race 2: Battlescar, I'm a Prima Donna

Race 3: Lizzy's Kid

Race 4: Falcon Rubi

Race 5: Little Red Devil

Race 6: Cheap Choice

**SUMMARY**

<b>Fines:</b>	Race 6: <b>J Andreou</b> (Stella Vitae) \$100 under AR137A(5)(a)(ii) – whip use.
<b>Reprimands:</b>	Race 4: <b>B Fliedner</b> (Frozen Asset) under AR137A(5)(a)(i) – use whip on consecutive strides.
<b>Suspensions:</b>	Race 1: <b>R Beattie</b> (Wallach) careless riding under AR137(a) – license to ride in races 7/11/18 and to expire on 11/7/18 on which day he may ride.
<b>Warnings:</b>	Nil
<b>Bleeders:</b>	Nil
<b>Trials:</b>	Nil
<b>Certificates:</b>	Nil
<b>Falls/Injuries:</b>	Nil