

STEWARDS REPORT

Albury Racing Club
ALBURY RACECOURSE
Thursday 4 January 2018

Weather: Fine

Track: Good (4) upgraded to a Good (3) at 11.30am prior to race 1

Rail: +5m 1200m -400m. +1m remainder

STEWARDS: T.J.Davidson (Chairman), J.A.Shultz & D.J.Bucknell

(8u3b)

RACE 1: Maiden Plate 1600m:

All Power- Raced keenly in the early and middle stages.

Event- A post-race veterinary examination revealed the mare to have bled from both nostrils during the event for the first occasion. Trainer Mr C Heywood was advised of the provisions of AR53A.

Saraden- Late withdrawal at 9.50am acting on veterinary advice after trainer M Stein reported the mare had swelling in a hind leg. Mr Stein was advised he must furnish a veterinary clearance prior to racing again.

Star Slice- Raced keenly in the early and middle stages.

RACE 2: Maiden Handicap 1175m:

Fat Impacta – Slow to begin and crowded shortly after. Momentarily held up rounding the turn into the home straight.

Exotic Diva- Raced wide throughout.

Apailana- Due to the lack of senior rider's, permission was granted for rider B Sweeney to ride the filly 1/2kg overweight. B Sweeney was fined \$300 under AR120(b). Slow to begin. Approaching the 300m had to steady and be taken inwards to avoid the heels of *Mississippi Sting (B McDougall)* which shifted out. Apprentice McDougall was reprimanded under AR137(a) for careless riding.

Serious Charge- When questioned rider M Cahill explained the filly travelled only fairly throughout and changed strides on several occasions. He added when placed under pressure in the straight his mount failed to respond and in his opinion, may have felt today's firm track. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

Wave Goodbye- Co Trainer Mr P Jones was fined \$50 under LR35(2) for the late declaration of apprentice C Frater-Hill as the rider of the filly. Got its head up while racing very keenly in the early and middle stages.

Original Prankster- Rider R Bensley was reprimanded under AR137A(5)(a)(ii) for using the whip on eight (8) occasions prior to the 100m.

RACE 3: Class 2 Handicap 1175m:

Lord Laurie- Bumped heavily near the 400m.

Wee Jess- Raced keenly in the early and middle stages.

Mrs Arbuckle- Late withdrawal at 8.33am after trainer Mr C Heywood reported the mare was displaying signs of colic. Mr Heywood was advised he must furnish a veterinary clearance prior to racing again.

Tiggy Two- Approaching the 600m mis-strode and became unbalanced.

Any Glory- Slow into stride.

Brother Adam- Bumped heavily near the 400m.

RACE 4: Benchmark 57 Handicap 1175m:

Aunty Elsie- Steadied and lost ground near the 1000m when awkwardly placed on the heels of *Our Project (J Hughes (a))* which shifted in when not quite clear. Apprentice Hughes was reprimanded for careless riding under AR 137(a). Laid inwards under pressure in the early part of the straight.

Miss Farloo- Apprentice S Metcalfe represented by apprentice mentor B Clark pleaded guilty to a charge under AR137(b) in that she failed to ride her mount out over the final two (2) strides. Apprentice Metcalfe's permit to ride in races was suspended for a period to commence on Friday 5th January 2018 and to expire on Friday 12th January 2018 on which day she may ride. In assessing penalty Stewards considered her excellent record and guilty plea.

Prairie Sun- Crowded near the 1000m. Laid outwards passing the 800m.

Davarick- Crowded near the 1000m.

RACE 5: Class 3 Handicap 1400m:

Carwelkin- Hung out badly in the straight and proved difficult to ride out. Trainer M Thomas was advised the mare must barrier trial to the satisfaction of Stewards prior to racing again.

Lawton Joseph- Slow into stride.

Central Pass- Blundered on jumping. Raced wide throughout. Rider R Bensley explained after blundering on jumping and being wide throughout his mount never really travelled and did not respond to his riding in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

Hoodless- M Heagney replaced B Loy (overweight) as the rider of the gelding. B Loy was subsequently fined the sum of \$400 AR120(b). Withdrawn at 3.57pm by Stewards acting on veterinary advice after the gelding lunged forward and struck its head in the barriers. In all the circumstances trainer N Loy was advised an official warning would be placed against the gelding's barrier manners. In regards to betting Stewards ordered all monies invested on **Hoodless** be refunded and all successful wagers placed with bookmakers prior to 3.57pm be paid less the following deductions in the dollar on the face value of the ticket.

1st *Carwelkin*- 9 cents win and 12cents place

2nd *Aunty Sue*- 15 cents place
3rd *Hargy*- 15 cents place

RACE 6: Benchmark 74 Handicap 1400m:

Cha Cha King- Bumped heavily with *Bondo* near the 300m.

Bondo- Bumped heavily with *Cha Cha King* near the 300m. When questioned M Cahill stated the gelding travelled well on a fast pace and after initially responding, when pressured the gelding weakened over the concluding stages. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

Heysen- Slow to begin. Was inclined to lay inwards in the straight.

Baradine Boy- Steadied near the 900m when *Daisy Doutes* shifted in when not fully clear. Rider A Masters was advised to exercise more care.

RACE 7: Class 1 Handicap 900m:

Squilloso- Began awkwardly and lost ground. Hung out badly rounding the home turn.

Sikum- Raced wide throughout.

Murrawee- Raced wide throughout.

Nat Bon Abbie- A pre-race veterinary examination of the mare, which was resuming from a lengthy spell found it suitable to start. Trainer W Camp was advised an official warning would be placed on the mares record for its pre-race manners after being fractious in the mounting yard.

Stewards noted the following riders exceeded the permissible strikes with the whip prior to the 100m under AR137A(5)(a)(ii)

Race 1	Apprentice N Punch on Mount Kisco	6 strikes
Race 3	Apprentice N Punch on Wee Jess	7 strikes
Race 7	B Sweeney on Maria Elisa	7 strikes

Bearing in mind the totality of whip use, no action was taken.

General: Swab samples were taken from the following runners:

Race 1: She Won't Leave, Pretty Pine, Mount Kisco

Race 2: Casino Star, Apailana

Race 3: Lord Laurie

Race 4: Our Project

Race 5: Carwelkin

Race 6: Heysen

Race 7: Maria Elisa

Barrier Trial: Late Charge

SUMMARY	
Fines:	Race 2: Co-Trainer P Jones (Wave Goodbye) \$50 under LR35(2) - late declaration of rider. Race 2: B Sweeney (Apailana) \$300 under AR120(b) – accept ride when overweight.

	Race 5: B Loy (Hoodless) \$400 under AR120(b) – accept ride when overweight.
Reprimands:	Race 2: R Bensley (Original Prankster) under AR137A(5)(a)(ii) – whip usage Race 2: B. McDougall (Mississippi Sting) under AR137(a)-careless riding. Race 4: Apprentice J Hughes (Our Project) under AR137(a) – careless riding.
Suspensions:	Race 4: Apprentice S Metcalfe (Miss Farloo) under AR137(b) – failed to ride mount out to end of race. Suspended from 5/1/18 to 12/1/18 on which day she may ride.
Warnings:	Race 5: Hoodless (N Loy) – Fractious in the barriers Race 7: Nat Bon Abbie (W Camp) – Pre Race Manners
Bleeders:	Race 1: Event (C Heywood) – Bled both nostrils
Trials:	Race 5: Carwelkin (M Thomas) – Hung out
Certificates:	Race 1: Saraden (M Stein) – Late withdrawal -swelling in hind leg Race 3: Mrs Arbuckle (C Heywood) – Late withdrawal, displaying signs of colic
Falls/Injuries:	Nil
Change of Tactics:	Nil