

**Stewards Report
Tamworth Jockey Club
Tamworth Racecourse**

Friday 5th January 2018

Weather: Fine

Track: Good (3)

Rail: 2 Metres (entire)

Stewards: S Cullen (Chairman), J Penfold & S Fitzgerald

Riding Changes:

Nil

Race 1: C, G & E Maiden Plate 1200m

Dylan's Star – pulled hard during the middle stages.

High Ski – was crowded at the start and lost ground.

Herebaneek – had to be steadied and shifted out at the entrance to the home straight.

Iron Duke – hung in when placed under pressure inside the 250m.

Kadarchi – was found to be lame in the near fore leg when inspected by the club's veterinary officer at the start and was withdrawn at 1.52pm. when correct weight was declared it was ordered that all bets made on Kadarchi be refunded in full and with regard to betting with bookmakers, all successful wagers placed prior to 1.52pm be subject to the following deduction on the face value of the betting ticket:

1st Oscar the Grouch - 32 cents Win & 28 cents Place

2nd Dylan's Star - 29 cents Place

3rd Iron Duke – 28 cents Place

Stable representative Mr. J Grills was advised that prior to racing again Kadarchi would be required to undergo a veterinary examination to determine its fitness.

Onelastcrown – began awkwardly and shifted in abruptly.

Revere – raced greenly when placed under pressure in the home straight, then had to be steadied when crowded by Dylan's Star (C Gallagher),

which shifted in when not quite clear near the 100m. C Gallagher was reprimanded (AR137a).

Race 2: F & M Maiden Plate 1200m

Gina Rinehoof – slow to begin, then hung out throughout and disadvantaged its rider. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no abnormality. Trainer Mr. P Englebrecht was advised that a warning for racing intractably would be placed on the filly's racing record.

Into Temptation – weakened noticeably from the 500m. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no abnormality. Stable representative Mr. T Grills said that the filly would be spelled. Regardless, Mr. Grills was advised that a warning for poor performance would be placed on the Into Temptation's racing record.

Queen Isla – slow to begin, had to be checked and shifted out approaching the home turn, then raced greenly under pressure in the home straight.

Race 3: Benchmark 60 Handicap 2100m

No report.

Race 4: Class 2 Handicap 1600m

Beale Street – when questioned in relation to the performance C Ings explained that her mount failed to travel at any stage, would not respond to her urgings from the 800m and was disappointing. She said that in her opinion the use of ear muffs made the gelding unresponsive. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no abnormality. Trainer Mr. G Groth expressed disappointment with the performance. Subsequently (8/1/18) Mr. Groth said that the gelding had recovered well, but said that he would take precautionary blood tests and undertook to provide the results. Further, Mr. Groth said that ear muffs would be removed and he would engage a senior rider for Beale Street in future.

Pomme La Belle – when questioned in relation to his ride in the early stages, L Cumberland said that he elected to go back in the early stages to ensure the filly, which was having its first race at this distance and having not raced since 25/11/18 would be best served for a strong finishing effort. Trainer Ms. M O'Gorman said that whilst she issued instructions to have the filly ridden with cover, she intended to issue more explicit instruction in future, to have Pomme La Belle ridden slightly more forward in the early stages over similar distances.

Race 5: Class 3 Handicap 1400m

Free Ticket – was slow to begin, then had to be steadied approaching the 600m.

Race 6: Benchmark 68 Handicap 1200m

Eye On America – over raced in the early stages.

Bowie's Babe – raced in restricted room inside the 300m, was steadied and shifted out to attempt to go forward passing the 100m and went to the finish without being fully tested.

Race 7: Class 1 Handicap 1000m

Almaheart – was withdrawn at 5.32pm when examined by the club's veterinary officer and found to be lame in the near fore. When correct weight was declared it was ordered that all bets made on Almaheart be refunded in full and with regard to betting with bookmakers, all successful wagers placed prior to 5.32pm, be subject to the following deduction on the face value of the betting ticket:

1st – Ori On Fire – 2 cents Win & 2 cents Place

2nd – Lady Cromac – 3 cents Place

3rd – Dream Charge – 2 cents Place

Trainer Mr. P Cleal was advised that prior to racing again Almaheart must undergo a veterinary examination to determine its fitness.

Fairy Fragments – slow to begin.

Young America – crowded at the start, then became very unbalanced when racing in restricted room passing the 600m.

Almadol – slow to begin.

White Eagle – slow to begin.

Summary of whip use

No noncompliance.

Swabs: Swab samples were taken from all winners & the following runners: **Saint Helana, Blinkin Impressive, Gina Rinehoof & Escapade.**

SUMMARY

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| Fines | Nil |
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| Suspensions | Nil |
| Reprimands | Race 1: C Gallagher – (AR137a) – careless riding |
| Warnings | Race 2: Gina Rinehoof – hung out Into Temptation – poor performance |
| Trials | Nil |
| Cautions | Nil |
| Falls and Injury | Nil |
| Certificates | Race 1: Kadarchi – lame near fore Race 7: Almaheart – lame near fore |
| Follow Up | Nil |
| Bleeders | Nil |