

## STEWARDS' REPORT

### Tweed river Jockey Club MURWILLUMBAH RACECOURSE

Tuesday 5 March 2018

Weather: Fine  
Track: Heavy (8), Soft (7) retrospective Race 3  
Rail: True

**STEWARDS:** M. A. Holloway (Chairman), T. D. North & W. M. Friend

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#### SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT

Tweed River Jockey Club, MURWILLUMBAH RACECOURSE, Friday 25 August 2017

#### RACE 4: Class 3 Handicap 1200m:

**Je Suis Prest** - Near the 200m Ms A. Fancourt was dislodged from her mount after her left foot was dislodged from its stirrup for no apparent reason. Ms Fancourt who rode with a "toe in the iron" style at the time of the incident advised she had amended her riding style in an effort to minimise the risk of a repeat occurrence.

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**General:** Apprentice B. Northdurft was fined \$50 for failing to present his apprentice winning rides book to stewards (AR92).

#### RACE 1: Maiden Handicap 1010m:

**Acclaimed First** – Bumped heavily on jumping. Eased from heels shortly after.

**Bill's Folly** – Began awkwardly. Hampered shortly after straightening.

**Deubank** - Bumped and unbalanced on jumping.

**Hollydeen** – Buffeted on jumping.

**Marikina** – A post race veterinary examination of the filly revealed it to be showing symptoms of pneumovagina. Trainer Mr D. Bowen advised that the filly would undergo a caslick procedure prior to its next race start.

**Santa Crusing** – Slow to begin and hampered shortly after. Apprentice M. Shimodaira dropped his whip rounding the home turn.

**Seven Rubies** – Slow to begin.

**RACE 2: Benchmark 50 Handicap 1010m:**

**Cosmos Seven** - Slow to begin. Carried out passing the 200m.

**Dubawi Sniper** – Inclined to lay out down the straight.

**Landsdowne Lass (NZ)** - Slow to begin.

**Myboycellito** – Overraced in the middle stages.

**Our Boy Ben** – Passing the 600m was steadied after improving into insufficient racing room.

**Paroo River** – Rounding the first turn was momentarily eased when tightened for room.

**Storm Anchor** – Slow to begin. Apprentice Ms R. Payne was issued a reprimand for using her whip on a horse out of contention (AR137A(4)(c)).

**RACE 3: Benchmark 55 Handicap 1530m:**

**Dominant Storm** – Declared a late scratching by order of stewards, acting on veterinary advice, at 1.55pm after the gelding slipped over in the tie up stalls and was found to have a number of superficial abrasions.

**Pendigo** – Carried wide rounding the first turn. Raced wide in the early and middle stages.

**Princess Elle** – Inclined to overrace in the early stages. Near the 1200m shifted out abruptly after improving onto heels.

**Relaxed** – When questioned regarding the disappointing performance of the gelding apprentice M. Shimodaira advised that his mount was slow to begin and settled further back than anticipated. M. Shimodaira added his mount failed to travel comfortably on the soft track conditions and did not let down when placed under pressure passing the 600m. A post race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality.

**Taiyoshin** – Inclined to overrace in the middle stages.

**Walk of Shame** – Inclined to overrace in the early stages. Pulled in the middle stages. Lost its near fore plate in running.

**Windmill Follies** – Rounding the first turn was steadied for a number of strides when tightened for room between *Relaxed* and *Princess Elle*. Jockey J. Byrne (*Princess Elle*) was asked to exercise more care in similar circumstances.

#### **RACE 4: Benchmark 55 Handicap 1530m**

**Akage** – Overraced in the early stages. Approaching the 1000m was eased after improving onto heels.

**Lauderdale** – Inclined to lay out down the straight. When questioned regarding the performance of the gelding jockey J. Lloyd stated that his mount was up in distance today with blinkers. J. Lloyd stated that his mount overraced in the early and middle stages, refusing to settle. J. Lloyd added that his mount blundered near the 400m and took some time to regain its stride and momentum. J. Lloyd stated his mount responded fairly to pressure in the straight however was of the opinion its manners in the early and middle stages were to its detriment over the latter stages of the event. When questioned, foreman Mr T. McIntosh stated that the stable would keep the gelding within a similar distance range however will remove the blinkers and ride it quieter in the hope it will settle in the early and middle stages.

**Mr Scary** – Raced wide in the early and middle stages.

**Son of Justice** – When questioned regarding the performance of the gelding jockey Ms S. Bogenhuber stated that her mount settled behind the leader and travelled comfortably. Ms Bogenhuber stated that near the 500m her mount was under pressure to stay with the leader when it sprinted. Ms S. Bogenhuber stated that near the 200m her mount commenced to shorten stride dramatically and she restrained it from the event. A post race veterinary examination of the gelding revealed it to be lame in both fore legs with suspected suspensory ligament and tendon damage. Trainer Mr K. Sempf undertook to provide the results of a full veterinary inspection, including X rays and ultrasound, on the gelding in the coming days. Mr Sempf was advised that the gelding is required to barrier trial to the satisfaction of stewards prior to its next race start and before such trial requires a veterinary clearance.

#### **RACE 5: Maiden Plate 1530m**

**Eyeronic** – Blundered on jumping. Inclined to overrace in the early and middle stages.

**Heart of Toorak** – Slow to begin. Steadied after improving onto heels approaching the 1000m.

**New Deal** – Inclined to overrace approaching and rounding the first turn. Steadied from heels near the 1200m.

**Ruby Red Slippers** – Inclined to lay out in the middle stages. Laid out down the straight, whilst weakening, and was not fully tested. A post race veterinary examination of the filly did not reveal any abnormality.

**Skyreigns** – Laid out under pressure over the final 100m.

**Where's the Ring** – Began awkwardly. Raced greenly in the early stages. Near the 1200m became unbalanced when bumped heavily. Jockey Ms L. Cheshire (*Red Zabella*) pleaded guilty to a charge of careless riding, under AR137(a), in that near the 1200m she made insufficient effort to prevent her mount from shifting in when insufficiently clear of *New Deal* which was steadied to avoid her mount heels, carried in and bumped heavily with *Where's the Ring*. Ms Cheshire's license to ride in races was suspended for a period to commence on Thursday 8 March 2018 and to expire on Friday 16 March 2018, on which day she may ride. When questioned regarding the performance of the mare jockey S. Cormack stated that after his mount received interference near the 1200m it grabbed the bit and overraced throughout the middle stages. S. Cormack added that when he asked his mount to improve from the 500m it failed to respond strongly and was disappointing in its run to the line. S. Cormack stated he believed the manner in which the mare raced in the early and middle stages were to its detriment in the latter stages of the event.

**RACE 6: Benchmark 65 Handicap 1200m:**

**Dream Habit** – As G. Colless failed to arrive on course due to his failure to allow for daylight savings time stewards permitted M. Paget to replace him as the rider of the gelding. G. Colless was fined \$100 (AR85B). Blundered on jumping.

**She Tells Lies** – Near the 150m was steadied when tightened for room by *Stormcraft* which shifted out. Jockey L. Rolls (*Stormcraft*) was issued a reprimand (AR137(a)).

**Stormcraft** – Inclined to overrace in the early stages.

**Viceman** – When questioned regarding the performance of the gelding jockey J. Lloyd stated that from a wide barrier his mount put itself in a forward position with little encouragement. J. Lloyd stated his mount travelled keenly in the middle stages and when asked to sprint on straightening it responded only fairly and was disappointing in its run to the line. J. Lloyd stated that he doubts his mounts ability to run out a 1200m journey and in his opinion it is best suited over a shorter distance where it can settle back and sprint off a genuine tempo. A post race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality.

**RACE 7: Class 2 Handicap 1200m:**

**Happy Room** – Unable to improve approaching and rounding the home turn when held up on heels.

**Moogem** – Slow to begin.

**Otto's Brother** – Began awkwardly.

**Tapa** – Began awkwardly and bumped another runner.

**Young Amazon** – Bumped on jumping.

**RACE 8: Benchmark 55 Handicap 2020m:**

**Cantillate** – Shortly after the start was steadied when buffeted between runners. Raced wide in the middle stages.

**Eliot** – Shortly after the start was steadied when buffeted between runners.

**Empress Zhao (NZ)** – Began awkwardly. Steadied after improving onto heels approaching the 1200m.

**Gypsy Wild** – Made the 1400m crossing awkwardly. Checked after improving into insufficient room approaching the 1200m.

**Montezuma** – Bumped and unbalanced shortly after the start. Hampered near the 200m.

**Shandaara (NZ)** – Laid out rounding the first turn. Eased after improving onto heels approaching the 1200m. Approaching and rounding the home turn was steadied for a number of strides after improving onto heels.

**Street Comic** – Laid out under pressure down the straight. A post race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality.

**Two for the Road** – Bumped and unbalanced shortly after the start.

**Wraith of Odin** – Hampered near the 1900m. Steadied after improving onto heels rounding the home turn.

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

Race	Rider (Horse)	Additional Strikes
2	B. Northdurft ( <b>Our Boy Ben</b> )	1
4	B. Northdurft ( <b>Taiyoshin</b> )	2
	B. Pengelly ( <b>Captain the World</b> )	1
5	S. Cormack ( <b>Where's The Ring</b> )	1 (consecutive)
6	A. Spinks ( <b>Where's The Ring</b> )	1

Swab samples were taken from all winners and the following runners

<b>SUMMARY</b>	
<b>Fines:</b>	General: B. Northdurft - \$50 (AR92) Race 6: G. Colless - \$100 (AR85B)
<b>Reprimands:</b>	Race 2: Ms R. Payne (AR137A(4)(c)) Race 6: L. Rolls (AR137(a))
<b>Suspensions:</b>	Race 5: Ms L. Cheshire 8/3/18 – 16/3/18 (AR137(a))
<b>Bleeders:</b>	Nil
<b>Warnings:</b>	Nil
<b>Trials:</b>	Race 4: <b>Son of Justice</b> – lame both fore legs & retired from event
<b>Certificates:</b>	Race 4: <b>Son of Justice</b> – lame both fore legs (suspected suspensory ligament & tendon damage)
<b>Fall/Injuries:</b>	Nil
<b>Tactics Notified:</b>	Nil
<b>Follow up:</b>	Nil

