

**STEWARDS' REPORT
Hawkesbury Race Club**

CLARENDON RACECOURSE

Thursday 8 November 2018

Weather: Fine
Track: Soft (6) – upgraded to a Soft (5) at 12:43pm following the running of race 1.
Rail: True
Penetrometer 5.18

STEWARDS: T P Moxon (Chairman), D M Greer, T J Vassallo, S T Matthews and cadet J P Dunn.
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Supplementary Reports:

Hawkesbury Trackwork Monday 10 September 2018

Reiby Rampart – Stewards today continued their inquiries into the death of **Reiby Rampart** after it broke down whilst completing track work on the morning of Monday 10 September 2018 and was subsequently euthanised. Evidence today was taken from trainer Mr J Attard who provided veterinary and treatment records for the relevant period for **Reiby Rampart** and Racing NSW Veterinarian Dr James Mizzi. A necropsy report conducted by the University Veterinary Teaching Hospital Camden concluded that **Reiby Rampart** suffered simple mid-body fractures of both the proximal sesamoid bones of the left forelimb and severe tearing of the suspensory ligament. As the Stewards were satisfied that there was no pre-existing injury or condition that may have led or contributed to **Reiby Rampart** suffering a catastrophic injury to the near foreleg, the inquiry was concluded.

Kembla Grange Tuesday 6 November 2018:

Race 1: Genesis Shellharbour Benchmark 64 Handicap 1400m

D'Oro Rain – Trainer Mr B Baker advised that the filly would now be spelled. Mr Baker was advised that **D'Oro Rain** must trial to the satisfaction of the Stewards prior to the filly's next preparation.

Race 8: Melbourne Cup Day Class 2 Handicap 1300m:

So Magic – Approaching the 800m when racing keenly had to be steadied away from the heels of High Tranquillity (L Magorrian) which shifted out when not clear. L Magorrian was reprimanded.

RACE 1: Sambell Concrete Maiden Plate 1100m

Aramist – Began awkwardly, shifted out abruptly and lost ground. As a result, App S Weatherley became unbalanced. **Aramist** was then shifted in behind runners from the outside barrier. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to be 1/5 lame in the near hindleg. Trainer Mr J Thompson was advised that a veterinary clearance would be required prior to **Aramist** racing again.

Bully Rock – Slow to begin.

Pauper – Slow to begin. Raced keenly in the middle stages

Valiant – Raced keenly throughout the early and middle stages.

Belle Of Clonmel – Raced keenly in the middle stages. After passing the 600m had to be steadied to avoid the heels of **Pauper**. Was then held up rounding the home turn until shifting to the outside of **Valiant** approaching the 350m to obtain clear running.

Gimme Shelter – A post-race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities.

Trawalla – Slow to begin.

RACE 2: All State Shopfitting PROV & CTRY Maiden Handicap 1100m

Polhampton – Held up rounding the home turn and in the early part of the straight before obtaining clear running to the outside of *Montana Thunder* near the 350m. Laid in under pressure in the early part of the straight and passing the 200m was inconvenienced when *Montana Thunder* shifted out under pressure. J Collett (*Montana Thunder*) pleaded guilty to a charge of careless riding under AR137(a) in that passing the 50m he permitted his mount to shift out when insufficiently clear of **Polhampton** resulting in that runner having to be checked and lose the running to which it was rightfully entitled. J Collett's license to ride in races was suspended for a period to commence on Sunday 18 November 2018 and to expire on Saturday 1 December 2018 on which day he may ride.

Celosia – Change of tactics – to be ridden further back; settled back.

Lu's In Charge – Hampered on jumping by *Nicciose* which shifted out.

Paris Lights – Change of tactics – to be ridden further back; settled mid-field. Slow to begin and was then steadied when crowded shortly afterwards between *Prototype* and *Polhampton* which was taken in by *Celosia*. **Paris Lights** raced keenly in the early and middle stages and passing the 800m was steadied from the heels of *Lu's In Charge*. After the 600m when continuing to overrace had to be steadied when crowded between *Lu's In Charge* and *Polhampton* which was taken in by *Danzibar Dancer* (App J Duggan). J Duggan was reprimanded. When questioned regarding the disappointing performance App Q Yong stated that after suffering interference at the start his mount settled towards the rear of the field in the early stages. He added that **Paris Lights** which was having its second race today raced keenly throughout the event and he attributed this to the filly failing to finish it is race off. A post-race veterinary examination revealed **Paris Lights** to be slow to recover. Trainer Mr B Widdup stated that in his opinion the filly resented racing amongst runners today. He added that **Paris Lights** would benefit with a senior rider as the filly can race keenly in its races. Mr Widdup undertook to report back on the filly in the days subsequent.

Another Shadow – Was hampered when taken wider rounding the home turn by *McCormack* which shifted out

RACE 3: Easy Lane Maiden Plate 1500m

Dashing Special – Slow to begin. Raced wide and without cover throughout. Raced keenly for some distance passing the 800m.

Happy Hustler – Slow to begin. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities.

Hiero – Passing the 250m was eased when crowded by *Knight's Helmet* (S Guymer) which shifted in when not clear. S Guymer was advised to exercise more care.

Bernson – From the outside barrier was shifted in behind runners in the early stages. Raced keenly in the middle stages.

Knight's Helmet – Change of tactics – to be ridden more forward; settled off-pace. Was held up rounding the home turn and in the early part of the straight. Approaching the 350m was eased when disappointed for a run between *Proven Class* and *Nivelle* which shifted out. **Knight's Helmet** was then held up for a short distance afterwards before shifting to the inside of *Nivelle* whereby the gelding obtained clear running after passing the 300m.

Nivelle – When caught wide in the early stages was allowed to stride forward and race outside the leader *Lady Of Kos* near the 1100m.

The Promise – Began awkwardly. Approaching the 1300m got its head up when being restrained in an endeavour to obtain cover.

Lady Of Kos – A post-race veterinary examination revealed a laceration to the off-hind hock.

RACE 4: T & L Fowler Concreting Class 1 Handicap 1600m

Nautibernie – When questioned regarding the mare racing forward today rider, J Ford stated that his instructions were to be prominent however to obtain cover. He said that after beginning only fairly he rode his mount along in the early stages and when *Hostwin Epanoui* was the only runner that improved forward, **Nautibernie**, as a result, settled on-pace.

Hostwin Epanoui – Began only fairly.

Tokyo King – Passing the 150m when laying in was hampered by *Elkano* when that runner shifted out under pressure. When questioned regarding the gelding racing prominently today rider R King stated that the instructions issued were similar to those issued to her last start at Hawkesbury 25 October 2018 to have the horse settled prominently with cover. She said however on that occasion from the outside barrier she was obliged to settle further back in an endeavour to obtain cover. She added today from a more favourable barrier after beginning well **Tokyo King** was able to hold a more prominent position.

The Wild Wild West – Raced keenly in the early and middle stages. When questioned regarding the mare racing further back today App S Vella stated that she was instructed to ride the horse conservatively today. She added that **The Wild Wild West** which was stepping up in distance today began well, but bearing in mind her instructions she took hold of her mount in the early stages in an endeavour to have the horse ridden conservatively. She added that from a wide barrier she shifted **The Wild Wild West** in behind runners in the early stages however when *Britannicus* maintained its position to her inside she was unable to obtain a position with cover and ultimately raced three-wide without cover. Trainer Mr P Green confirmed the instructions issued to App S Vella and was reminded of his obligation to notify the Stewards of any changes in riding tactics.

Golden Creek – When questioned regarding **Golden Creek** settling towards the rear of the field rider G Buckley stated that his instructions were to ride the horse conservatively. He said that after beginning satisfactorily bearing in mind his instructions he shifted **Golden Creek** in behind runners in the early stages. Trainer Mr T Wong confirmed the instructions to G Buckley and was reminded of his obligation to notify Stewards of any changes in riding tactics.

Elkano - Briefly inconvenienced on the heels of *Hostwin Epanoui* approaching the 300m when endeavouring to shift to the outside of that runner

RACE 5: Ted McCabe Sky Racing Spring Prov Series Heat 3 – Class 5 Plate 1500m

Hurricane Harbour – After beginning well from the outside barrier was allowed to stride forward and lead on the rail.

Red Henno – Dislodged App M Weir in the mounting yard and became briefly unbalanced behind. Was examined by the clubs official veterinarian upon arrival at the barriers and deemed suitable to race.

Buddy's Ode – Was a late withdrawal at 2.30pm acting on veterinary advice after the gelding sustained lacerations above both eyes whilst being transported to the course. Trainer Mr K Lantry was advised that a veterinary clearance would be required prior to **Buddy's Ode** being permitted to race again.

Bobbing – Began awkwardly and was then crowded between *Curata Princess* and *Red Henno* which shifted out.

Curata Princess – Approaching the 800m *Miss Redoble* commenced to race keenly, shifted out and as result **Curata Princess** clipped the heels of that runner and blundered. In this incident App R Dolan became unbalanced. R Dolan reported his mount did not feel comfortable in its action for the remainder of the event. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities. Co Trainer Mr R Price was advised a veterinary clearance would be required prior to **Curata Princess** racing again.

Miss Redoble – Change of tactics; to be ridden further forward; settle mid-field. Near the 800m when racing keenly shifted to the outside of *Mo the Great*. **Miss Redoble** then raced wide and without cover from this point.

RACE 6: Blake's Marine Benchmark 64 Handicap 1100m

Playard – On straightening had to be steadied when crowded by *All Too Free* which was taken out by *Northern Lights* (J Innes Jnr). J Innes was advised to exercise more care.

French Blue – App Q Yong was cautioned against the practice of using his whip when his mounts are out of contention. When questioned regarding the disappointing performance App Q Yong stated that he was able to obtain a position outside the leader *Beware* without having to make significant use of his mount. He added that approaching the home turn **French Blue** became under pressure and weakened in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to be slow to recover. Trainer Mr G Neale could offer no explanation for the disappointing performance other than to advise the horse was having its second start back from a tie back

procedure and this may have been the reason for its performance. Stewards deemed the performance to be unacceptable and Trainer Mr G Neale was advised that **French Blue** would be permitted to barrier trial to the satisfaction of the Stewards prior to racing again. Trainer Mr G Neale was reminded of his obligations under AR140(a) to notify Stewards of any surgery including tie back procedures by nomination time.

Beware – When questioned regarding the disappointing performance rider G Schofield stated that the gelding raced keenly throughout the event and was disadvantaged by being pressured by *French Blue* for some distance throughout the middle stages. He added that shortly after straightening believed **Beware** became awkward in its action, did not stretch out and was disappointing in the manner in which it finished the race off. A post-race veterinary examination revealed a speedy cut to the off hind hock. Stable representative Mr D Beadman attributed the racing manners of the gelding to its disappointing performance today. Mr Beadman undertook to report back on the progress of **Beware** in the days subsequent.

Don't Doubt Her – Crowded on jumping between *French Blue* and *Beware* which shifted out.

Anne's Gift – Near the 1000m shifted in and bumped *French Blue* and became unbalanced.

RACE 7: Lander Toyota Ladies Day Cup 1400m (Listed)

New Tipperary – Rider G Schofield (*New Universe*) was found guilty of a charge of careless riding under AR137(a) in that passing the 400m he permitted his mount to shift out when insufficiently clear of **New Tipperary** which had to be checked and as result lost the running to which it was rightfully entitled. G Schofield's license to ride in races was suspended for a period to commence on Sunday 18 November 2018 and to expire on Saturday 1 December 2018 on which day he may ride. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities.

Pecans – Near the 200m when laying in was hampered and taken wider by *Burning Passion* (J Parr) which shifted out. J Parr was advised to exercise more care.

Interlocuter – Slow to begin and from a wide barrier shifted in behind runners in the early stages. Raced keenly in the middle stages.

New Universe – Began only fairly. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to be slow to recover.

Legistation – Began awkwardly, shifted out and made contact with *Pecans* and became unbalanced.

RACE 8: Richmond Club Stayers Class 4 Handicap 2100m

Godunov – Made the crossing at the 1600m awkwardly. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities.

Keep Up – Laid in under pressure in the straight.

Tinker Dan – Raced keenly in the early and middle stages. When questioned regarding her riding from the 700m and the reason *Albert Of Monaco* was able to improve to her outside resulting in her mount being held up after the 600m App R Hunt in the presence of industry training mentor Mr R Quinn stated that she was instructed to ride the horse in midfield position and not to pressure her mount as the gelding has a tendency to overrace. She added that after obtaining an off-pace position her mount did race keenly throughout the early and middle stages and as such she did not want to expose **Tinker Dan** early in the race. She added that although she was aware *Albert Of Monaco* was improving to her outside as her horse was overracing she was reluctant to shift out at this point and maintain her position behind *Villarrica*. She further added that as a result **Tinker Dan** became held up until entering the home straight where she then endeavoured to improve into a narrow run between *Godunov* and *Knight Star*. She added when improving into this run **Tinker Dan** made contact with the hindquarters of *Knight Star* and became unbalanced and was then further crowded approaching the 200m when *Godunov* shifted in. She added that once in clear running passing the 200m although inclined to lay in **Tinker Dan** finished its race off well. App Hunt agreed with Stewards that she should have shifted to a three-wide position to the outside of *Villarrica* approaching the 600m which would have afforded **Tinker Dan** clear and uninterrupted running in the straight.

Go Benny – Slow to begin. Shortly after was crowded by *Keep Up* which shifted in. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to be displaying cardiac arrhythmia. As this was the third occasion **Go Benny** has displayed cardiac arrhythmia this preparation the matter was adjourned to a date to fixed. In the interim **Go Benny** will not be permitted to race until this matter is resolved.

Knight Star – Near the 350m was bumped on the hindquarters by *Tinker Dan*. Approaching the 200m had to be steadied when crowded between *Devil's Lair* which had previously shifted out marginally and *Tinker Dan* which after intentionally being taken in by *Godunov* (J Innes Jnr) shifted in and away from that runner. J Innes was advised to exercise more care in similar circumstances.

GENERAL:

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 3	A Adkins (The Promise)	6 strikes prior to the 100m.
Race 4	G Schofield (Hostwin Epanoui)	6 strikes prior to the 100m
Race 5	A Adkins (Cuban Royale)	8 strikes prior to the 100m
Race 8	J Adams (Athena's Voice)	7 strikes prior to the 100m

Swab samples were taken from all winners and the following runners:

Race 1: Aramsit, Bully Rock, Pauper, Valiant, Trawalla, Lagarde.

Race 2: Montana Thunder(2), McCormack, Niccirose, Polhampton, Celosia.

Race 3: Happy Hustler, Hiero, Nivelles, Lady Of Kos.

Race 4: Britannicus, Magic Name, Elkano(2).

Race 5: Red Henno, Buddy's Ode, Bobbing, Cuban Royale.

Race 6: Beware, Northern Lights

Race 7: Burning Passion(2), Tougherthantherest, New Universe, Legislation.

Race 8: Devil's Lair, Albert Of Monaco, Knight Star, Villarrica, Athena's Voice.

SUMMARY	
Fines:	Nil.
Reprimands:	General: L Magorrian (High Tranquillity) – careless riding AR137(a) Race 2: App J Duggan (Danzibar Dancer) – careless riding (AR137(a))
Suspensions:	Race 2: J Collett (Montana Thunder) – careless riding (AR137(a)) - 18.11.18 to 1.12.2018; which day he may ride. Race 7: G Schofield (New Universe) – careless riding (AR137(a)) – 18.11.18 to 1.12.2018; which day he may ride.
Bleeders:	Nil.
Warnings:	Nil.
Trials:	General: D'Oro Rain (Trainer B Baker) – poor performance. Race 6: French Blue (Trainer G Neale) – poor performance.
Certificates:	Race 1: Aramist (Trainer J Thompson) – 1/5 lame near hindleg. Race 5: Buddy's Ode (Trainer K Lantry) – lacerations above both eyes. Race 5: Curata Princess (Trainer R & L Price) – poor performance.
Fall/Injuries:	Nil.
Change of Colours:	Nil.
Change of Gear	Nil.
Follow up:	Race 2: Paris Lights (Trainer B Widdup) – poor performance. Race 6: Beware (Trainer J Cummings) – poor performance. Race 8: Go Benny (Trainer K Lees) – cardiac arrhythmia.