

STEWARDS REPORT
Kempsey Race Club
KEMPSEY RACECOURSE

Tuesday 9 January 2018

Weather: Fine
Track: Good (4) upgraded to Good (3) prior to Race 1.
Rail: True.

STEWARDS: D. R. Smith (Chairman), M. A. Holloway, W. S. Fanning

Supplementary Report: Taree 4 January 2018-

Stewards noted the following riders exceeded the permitted strikes of the whip prior to the 100m under AR 137A(5)(a)(ii):

Race 1:	C. Ings (a) (Gottogo)	7 strikes
Race 3:	R. Murray (Mr Pretty Boy)	6 strikes
Race 7:	P. Graham (Stan)	6 Strikes

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

RACE 1: Maiden Plate 1000m:

Valdeanie- Slow to begin. Passing the 400m improved onto the heels of Wainbow Lilly, and was steadied.

Aqua Chimera- Hung in when placed under pressure in the straight.

Wainbow Lilly- Hung in when placed under pressure in the straight, and over the final stages was eased when awkwardly placed on the heels of Logsplitter.

RACE 2: Open Handicap 1900m:

Miss Mumazara- Began awkwardly and shifted in bumping heavily with inside runner.

Latitat- Bumped heavily on jumping. Overraced during the middle stages and passing the 900m was checked from the heels of Miss Mumazara.

Synchronicity- Hampered and taken wider passing the 900m. A post race veterinary examination found the gelding had bled from both nostrils. Trainer Ms S. Taylor was advised the gelding would now be barred from racing for three months under the provisions of AR 53A.

Push the Sky Away- Rider dropped his whip passing the 150m.

Jester Dane- Blundered on jumping. Post race veterinary examination of the gelding which weakened badly over the final 500m found it was displaying a slow recovery. Trainer Mr P. Evans advised stewards in his opinion the gelding failed to run out the 1900m of today's event, and it was now the intention to drop the gelding back in distance and place at Sky 2

meetings. Acting on that assurance Mr Evans was advised a warning would be placed on the gelding for being uncompetitive.

RACE 3: Maiden Handicap 1250m:

Dad's Army- Slow to begin. Overraced during the early stages and near the 1000m was eased from heels.

Arloarlo- Overraced during the early stages and passing the 900m was checked from heels.

Kaleb Will Do- Slow to begin. Overraced during the early stages. Passing the 400m improved onto the heels of the weakening Wadahbills, and was checked.

Jay Double You Gee- Post race veterinary examination of the gelding which hung in badly throughout the event found it was displaying mild heat stress. Trainer Mr T. Howlett was advised a warning would be placed on the racing manners of the gelding, and it would require a veterinary clearance before racing again. Mr Howlett undertook to experiment with the gear on the gelding prior to its next race start.

RACE 4: Benchmark 65 Handicap 1450m:

Wongur- Began awkwardly losing ground (2L). Overraced during the early and middle stages. Post race veterinary examination of the gelding which failed to run on in the straight found it was displaying a slow recovery.

Gatto Mondo- Slow to begin.

Two for the Road- Hung out rounding the turn at the 1000m and lost ground.

I Wanna Be a Jeep- When questioned regarding the gelding racing in the lead, B. Looker stated he was under no specific instructions other to ensure the gelding jumped cleanly, as at its most recent start it had been slow to begin and settled back in the field. B. Looker added after beginning well he assumed the lead during the early stages without being pressured, and he was able to maintain a consistent speed throughout the event. Trainer Mrs J. Graham confirmed the instructions issued, and advised stewards it would be the intention in future to continue to have the gelding ridden in a forward position.

RACE 5: Maiden Handicap 1450m:

Dordogne- Slow to begin (2L).

Empire Kate- Passing the 1200m was steadied to avoid the heels of Middlebrook Miss, which shifted in when not quite clear. At a subsequent inquiry L. Kilner (a) (Middlebrook Miss) was advised in future to exercise greater care when shifting ground.

Islamax- Overraced during the middle stages and for some distance approaching the 1000m was steadied from heels.

Steppin' Out- Trainer Mr A. Parramore was advised a warning would be placed on the record of the gelding for being uncompetitive after it weakened badly over the final 500m and was beaten 20 lengths.

Zarsis- When questioned regarding the apparent improved performance of the mare, as compared with its 9th placing in a Maiden Plate 1200m at Coffs Harbour on 29 December 2017, trainer Mr M. Schmetzer stated on that day the mare suffered interference during the event, and its performance to be beaten 4.7 lengths had some merit. Mr Schmetzer added today the mare was suited by stepping up in distance, and being able to find the lead around the tight turning circuit which in his opinion suits on pace runners. Mr Schmetzer was

advised now the mare had established form it would be expected to race consistently. A post race veterinary examination of the mare found it was suffering mild heat stress. Mr Schmetzer undertook to provide a veterinary clearance for the mare prior to racing again.

RACE 6: Class 2 Handicap 1450m:

Shake Her Bon Bon- Rider S. Lisnyy was fined \$200 for failing to obey a direction from the starter Mr R. Porter during the loading process of the event (AR 127). Held up for clear running rounding the home turn and in the early part of the straight.

Komachi Force- Slow to begin and failed to muster speed during the early stages despite vigorous attempts by its rider.

Starlight Sun- Shortly after the start blundered and became unbalanced.

Riva Encore- Began awkwardly. Raced wide without cover throughout.

Speed With Ease- For some distance approaching and passing the 150m was held up for clear running when awkwardly placed on the heels of the weakening Starlight Sun.

Mousseux- Unable to obtain fully clear running in the straight until passing the 150m.

RACE 7: Class 1 Handicap 1000m:

D'last Za- Permission was granted for the gelding to race without its tongue tie after it proved fractious and its trainer and barrier attendants were unable to properly secure it.

Big Reg- Fractious in the parade and proved difficult to ride to the barriers. Became fractious after being loaded, and on jumping through its head up abruptly resulting in rider M. Weir (a) becoming badly unbalanced, and the gelding losing significant ground (8L). Trainer Mr T. Howlett was advised prior to racing again the gelding would be required to compete satisfactorily in an official trial. On straightening was eased when awkwardly placed on the heels of the weakening French Charm, and had to be shifted out abruptly to continue into clear running.

Gold Skye- Slightly slow to begin and shortly after was checked losing ground (3L).

Our Instinct- Began awkwardly and shifted out abruptly.

Jameslea World- Shifted out abruptly on jumping. Hung out during the early stages and passing the 850m struck the heels of Chief Moondance and blundered, losing ground.

Odds and Evens- Overraced during the early and middle stages. Hampered and carried wider rounding the home turn.

Gohardonhula- Hung out rounding the home turn.

Falsified- Hampered and carried wider rounding the home turn.

General:

Swab samples were obtained from **all** winners and the following runners- **Valdeanie, Loud Enough, Wongur, Latitat** and **Push the Sky Away**. Licensed trainer Mr R. Stitt pleaded guilty to a charge of improper conduct (AR 175 (q)), in that during track work on 19 December 2017 at the Taree racecourse he did conduct himself improperly when he verbally abused licensed stable hand Ms M. Travis. Mr Stitt was subsequently fined \$500. Under the powers of AR 196(4) stewards ordered that \$250 of the penalty be stayed for a period of twelve months under the provision R. Stitt does not reoffend under this rule. Licensed stable

hand Ms M. Travis pleaded guilty to a charge of improper conduct (AR 175 (q)), in that during track work on 19 December 2017 at the Taree racecourse she did conduct herself improperly when she directed inappropriate language towards licensed trainer Mr R. Stitt. Ms Travis was subsequently fined \$200. Under the powers of AR 196(4) stewards ordered that \$100 of the penalty be stayed for a period of twelve months under the provision Ms. Travers does not reoffend under this rule.

SUMMARY	
Fines:	General- R. Stitt- \$500 (\$250 suspended) AR 175 (q)- Improper conduct. General- M. Travis- \$200 (\$100 suspended) AR 175 (q)- Improper conduct. Race 6- S. Lisnyy- \$200 AR 127- Fail to obey direction from starter.
Reprimands:	
Suspensions:	
Warnings:	Race 2- Jester Dane- Uncompetitive. Race 3- Jay Double You Gee- Hung in. Race 5- Steppin' Out- Uncompetitive.
Bleeders:	Race 2- Synchronicity- Bled both nostrils.
Trials:	Race 7- Big Reg- Pre-race manners & began awkwardly.
Certificates:	Race 3- Jay Double You Gee- Mild heat stress. Race 5- Zarsis- Mild heat stress.
Falls/Injuries:	
Tactic Changes:	Race 4- Forever Alone- To be ridden more forward- Settled off pace.