

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

Sapphire Coast Turf Club SAPPHIRE COAST RACECOURSE

Friday 9th March, 2018

Weather: Fine
Track: Good (4)
Rail: True

STEWARDS: J D Walshe (Chairman), C G Polglase & J Whitney

RACE 1: Chris Walsh & Shane Davis Electrical Maiden Plate 900m

Tedesco – Remained in the barriers when the start was effected and took no part in the race. Trainer Mr Z Garsztko was told that the gelding would be required to barrier trial to the Steward's satisfaction prior to being permitted to race again.

Mastery – Slow to begin.

Cyclone Maci – Raced wide throughout.

Trumbo – Raced wide throughout.

Empty Buckets – Passing the 500m laid out towards the heels of Trumbo and had to be restrained.

All Bear – Hung in in straightening.

RACE 2: South East Civil And Crane Benchmark 55 Handicap 1000m

Our Rosemaree – Slow to begin.

Case – Began awkwardly. Raced greenly in the straight.

Bay Of Modena – Bumped on jumping. Raced wide throughout. Hung out between the 500m and the home turn.

Suneeze – Raced wide throughout.

Kijitsu – Raced wide throughout.

Quite Magical – Rider app A Kajiya was spoken to regarding allowing his mount to shift unnecessary ground out passing the 300m after establishing running to the outside of Suneze and told that he must initially correct his mount before continuing to ride it along. Laid in over the final 150m.

Torchbearer – Rider app P Scorse was reminded of his obligation to ride his mounts out fully to the end of the race.

The Inflamer – Rider Ms M Kinny was reminded of her obligation to ride his mounts out fully to the end of the race.

RACE 3: H & E Lucas Backhoe Hire & Dax Kelly Builder Class 1 Handicap 1000m

Fire Stoker – Trainer Mr N Olive represented by Ms S McIlrick was fined the sum of \$50 under LR35 for the late declaration of R Bensley as the rider of the gelding. When questioned regarding the disappointing performance of the gelding rider R Bensley stated that whilst his mount was obliged to cover ground during the event, it did not travel at any stage and further, compounded inside the final 200m. A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality. Trainer Mr N Olive will be interviewed in relation to the performance of the gelding.

Zardoro – Slow to begin. After the 600m was steadied when awkwardly positioned between the heels of Little Clanga and Time Of Her Life.

Denman Quality – When questioned, rider A Sweeney stated that his mount began awkwardly resulting in his left foot making contact with the barrier stall gate. He added some 50m after the start he was required to adjust the placement of the iron with his left hand, but that as the speed in the early stages was genuine it had little effect on his ability to ride forward to cross those horses and his mount was obliged to race wide in the early and middle stages outside the leaders.

RACE 4: S L Hodgson Builder Maiden Handicap 1400m

Better Than Elle – Stewards accepted trainer Ms M Ritchie's explanation for the late declaration of M Heagney as the rider of the filly. Refused to be loaded and was a late withdrawal by order of the Stewards at 3:25pm. Stewards ordered that all monies invested on Better Than Elle be refunded in full and further that all successful bets placed with bookmakers prior to 3:25pm be subject to the following deductions in the dollar on the face value of the ticket:

1st: Sonnets: 3c win and 3c place

2nd: Tsunami Alerty: 5c place

3rd: Jacqui Cadente: 5c place

Trainer Ms M Ritchie was told that the filly would be required to barrier trial to the Steward's satisfaction prior to being permitted to race again.

After the field was despatched, the filly which was fractious, broke away from the barrier attendant when its bridle broke and galloped into the 1600m chute where it remained until re-captured.

Speedy Success – Slow to begin. A post race veterinary examination of the gelding which was beaten 16L on debut, did not reveal any abnormality.

Captain Ryder – Slow to begin. Hung in over the final 200m.

Drake The Pirate – After the 1100m and after being crossed by Tsunami Alert, commenced to over-race, got its head up and was checked. After the race whipped around resulting in its rider app P Scorse being harmlessly dislodged.

Street Prince – Held up rounding the home turn and in the early part of the straight.

Havana Party – Raced wide throughout. Passing the 50m was momentarily eased when One More Tipple laid in under pressure.

One More Tipple – Raced wide throughout. Hung out rounding the home turn.

Sub Cool – App A Kajiya was reprimanded under AR137A(4)(c) for using his whip on his mount when it was out of contention.

RACE 5: Plevey & Son Plumbers And Roofing Benchmark 55 Handicap 1400m

Admission – Slow to begin. Raced wide throughout.

Goodlookin'rooster – Slow to begin.

Little Off The Top – Slow to begin and eased soon after to avoid Monterey Magic which shifted in. When questioned regarding the performance of the gelding, rider Ms K Nisbet stated that her mount was obliged to race wide in the early stages and was taken even wider from the 1000m by Queen Elektra which was taken out by Monterey Magic which shifted out from behind the leader Highly Charged. She added however her mount was nevertheless disappointing in that it was a beaten horse soon after straightening. A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality. Trainer Mr J Stewart stated that in his view the gelding required a soft run in transit to run out today's 1400m journey and was disadvantaged by its wide run and its big impost. Mr Stewart undertook to report any condition which may become apparent in the days subsequent.

Star Hero – Laid in in the straight.

Monterey Magic – Laid in in the straight.

RACE 6: Clark Equipment Sales Class 1 & Maiden Plate 1600m

More Than Tears – Stable representative Mr B Facory was told that a warning would be recorded against the mare which proved difficult to load.

Supa Hong Kong – Held up rounding the home turn.

Cafe Terrace – Raced wide throughout.

The Potato Pontiff – Held up rounding the home turn. Rider M Cahill was reminded of his obligation to ride his mount out fully to the end of the race.

Opera Tickets – Held up rounding the home turn and near the 350m was restrained when disappointed for a run between Cafe Terrace and Coolamine which was laying in.

Planet Reine – Passing the 200m was eased when disappointed for a run between Leola which was weakening and The Potato Pontiff.

RACE 7: Diamond Grid Merimbula Cup 1600m

Chatober – Slow to begin.

Uncle Gerry – After the 1300m was eased from the heels of Uno Best (S pollard) which shifted in when not clear. S Pollard was advised to exercise more care. When questioned, rider J Devrimol stated that whilst his mount was obliged to work in the early stages to cross, it was nevertheless under pressure from the 600m and weakened in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality.

Director – When questioned, rider app P Scorse stated that he was instructed to lead. He added however when Uno Best and Uncle Gerry showed intent to lead in the early stages he attempted to obtain cover behind those runners but when Swindlers Miss and Chatober held their positions to his inside he was obliged to race three wide without cover for the duration of the race which contributed to his mount's failure to run on under pressure in the straight. He added however in his view the gelding had not carried its New Zealand form across to Australia in each of its three runs.

Uno Best – When questioned, rider S Pollard stated that in his view the gelding would perform best by leading unchallenged and for this reason, whilst he was aware the early tempo was solid, he ensured that his mount was able to cross Uncle Gerry to assume the lead on its own. S pollard was interviewed regarding his riding close to the line. S Pollard stated that whilst he did not use the whip over the final stride he maintained that he had not stopped urging his mount along with his right arm. Whilst Stewards accepted the evidence of S Pollard, he was nevertheless told to ride his mounts in such a fashion so as to not leave room for query.

RACE 8: McDonalds Merimbula And Bega Class 2 Handicap 1200m

Dangerous Breeding – Change of tactics: To be ridden with cover just behind the speed; settled outside the lead.

Alvin Purple – Slow to begin. Attempted to buck for a short distance in the early stages. Trainer Mr R Worthington was told that a warning would be recorded against the gelding.

Do Dar – Slow to begin.

Catch the Culprit – Stewards accepted the reasons tendered by trainer Mr J Cleary for the late declaration of Ms K Nisbet as the rider of the gelding.

Time In Motion – Began awkwardly. When questioned, rider A Banks stated that his mount felt uncomfortable in its action throughout, was tailed out and well beaten. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the mare to have muscle soreness behind. Trainer Ms J Hoy will be interviewed regarding the performance of the mare and its veterinary finding at which time Stewards will consider what action should be taken against the mare.

Lauriz – Contacted on jumping by That’s the Ticket which shifted out. Passing the 200m was restrained when tightened by Dangerous Breeding (M Heagney) which shifted in under riding after initially being taken in by Classic Conquest which was taken in by Mucker (app A Sweeney) which shifted in under pressure whilst laying in. In the circumstances, M Heagney and app A Sweeney were both told to exercise more care.

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 2	App A Kajiya (Quite Magical)	6 strikes prior to the 100m
Race 2	Ms J Taylor (Obilic)	7 strikes prior to the 100m
Race 4	J Grisedale (Jacqui Cadente)	6 strikes prior to the 100m
Race 4	App A Kajiya (Sub Cool)	8 strikes prior to the 100m

* Swab samples were obtained from all winners:

SUMMARY	
Fines:	Race 3: Trainer Mr N Olive (Fire Stoker) \$50 (LR35) – Late rider.
Reprimands:	Race 4: App A Kajiya (Sub Cool) (AR137A(4)(c)) – Use of whip when out of contention.
Suspensions:	Nil.
Bleeders:	Nil.

Warnings:	Race 6: More than Tears – Difficult to load. Race 8: Alvin Purple – Attempted to buck.
Trials:	Race 1: Tesdesco – Remained in the barriers and took no part in the event. Race 4: Better Than Elle – Refused to load.
Vet Certificates:	Nil.
Falls/Injuries:	Race 4: App P Scorse (Drake The Pirate) Harmlessly dislodged on pulling up.
Change of Colours:	Nil.
Follow up:	Race 8: Time In Motion – Trainer Ms J Hoy to be questioned regarding the performance and action of the mare.