

STEWARDS REPORT

Murrumbidgee Turf Club WAGGA WAGGA RACECOURSE Monday 9 July 2018

Weather: Fine
Track: Heavy (8) upgraded to a Soft (7) at 12.40 made retrospective to race 1
Rail: +7m from 1400m to Winning post. +4m remainder

STEWARDS: T.J. Davidson (Chairman), J.A. Shultz & D.R.McLean

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Supplementary Report:
Corowa Tuesday 3 July 2018
Race 6 Benchmark 55 Handicap 1300m

Trainer M Beer reported that on return to his stable **Broadstone** had returned sore across the back for which it had been treated. He further reported the gelding had received treatment to both stifles and knees and was recovering well and it was his intention to monitor the horses condition and continue with its current preparation. Mr Beer was advised a full veterinary clearance must be submitted before the gelding would be permitted to race again.

Late riding changes:

As P Scorse(a) was injured and S Miller was overweight, Stewards permitted the following rider changes:

Race 4	A Sweeney(a) on Monsoon Charlie
Race 4	M Heagney on Tip Jar
Race 8	A Kajiya(a) on Cash Crisis

At a subsequent inquiry S Miller was fined \$100 under AR120(b)

General:

Following an unannounced inspection at the Albury Track on Friday July 6, 2018, Trainer N Loy was fined \$400 under AR178F(5) for failing to keep up to date treatment records for horses under his care.

RACE 1: Maiden Handicap 1400m:

Sydney's Man- Raced keenly in the early and middle stages. When questioned regarding the disappointing performance rider N Heywood explained that his mount was obliged to race wide throughout and travelled only fairly. He added when the pace quickened near the 500m the gelding was immediately off the bit and failed to respond in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities. Rider N Heywood was warned regarding the use of the whip when out of contention.

Sunset Bend- When questioned regarding the disappointing performance rider B McDougall explained that his mount began well and travelled well throughout, however when placed under pressure in the straight the gelding responded only fairly and in his opinion, may be better suited over a longer distance.

Beat the Charge- Slow to begin. Had difficulty obtaining completely clear running between the 200m and 100m.

Dottledo- Shifted out under pressure in the straight and near the 250m shifted out abruptly and hampered *Turf Diva*.

Extra Cool- Bumped heavily near the 300m.

Kiwicod- Bumped heavily near the 300m.

Only You- From a wide barrier was steadied and shifted in behind runners to obtain cover.

Turf Diva- Hampered near the 250m.

RACE 2: 3yo Maiden Plate 1200m:

Quiet Lucky- Shifted out under pressure in the straight. Rider B Sweeney pleaded guilty to a charge under AR137A(5)(a)(ii) in that she used her whip on 10 occasions prior to the 100m, five more than permitted under the rule. B Sweeney's license to ride in races was suspended for a period to commence on Wednesday July 18, 2018 and to expire on Wednesday 25 July 2018 on which day she may ride.

The Raven- Got its head up whilst racing keenly in the early stages.

Constitutional- Shifted out under pressure in the straight.

Indian Silk- From a wide barrier was steadied and shifted in behind runners to obtain cover. Laid inwards under pressure in the straight.

Revitup Rednut- From a wide barrier was steadied and shifted in behind runners to obtain cover. Clipped heels and blundered badly near the 200m. At a subsequent inquiry Stewards found that approaching the 200m **Revitup Rednut** was taken out abruptly to attempt to improve into a run between *Delta Rose* and *Constitutional* which rolled out slightly resulting in the run closing before **Revitup Rednut** could improve into it. As Stewards felt no rider was careless to the required degree no action was taken.

Marpenny- Raced wide without cover throughout.

landra- Began awkwardly and lost ground. Steadied approaching the 700m when racing in restricted room to the inside of *Shikahova*.

RACE 3: Maiden Plate 1000m:

Rock 'n' Roller- Slow to begin. Bumped passing the 400m.

Enjoy the Stars- Raced wide without cover throughout.

Lingy- Crowded near the 500m when *Powerscourt* was carried in slightly by *I Am Wildwood* (A Masters) which shifted in when not clear. A Masters was reprimanded under AR137(a) for careless riding. Bumped passing the 400m.

Two Wrongs Don't- Slow to begin.

RACE 4: Benchmark 65 Handicap 2500m:

Thunder Road- Began awkwardly. When questioned regarding the performance rider R Dolan(a) explained that his mount travelled fairly in a rearward position and when the tempo increased his mount was unable to sprint under the big weight. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

City of Kirkwall- Shifted out under pressure in the straight and near the 150m hampered *Monsoon Charlie* and carried that gelding wider.

Tip Jar- Change of tactics: to be ridden further forward; Led early stages and then settled handy.

Monsoon Charlie- Raced wide without cover from the 1400m. Hampered and carried wider near the 150m.

King of Sting- Rider accidentally dropped her whip near the 400m. When questioned regarding the tactics adopted in the event rider R Prest(a) stated she was instructed to go forward and if possible lead at a steady tempo. In the middle stages when awkwardly placed on the heels of *It Could Be You* she elected to let her mount roll forward into the lead. She further stated her mount travelled comfortably throughout and fought on well over the concluding stages. Trainer T. Sutherland confirmed the instructions issued adding the gelding had been ridden outside the lead at its most recent start and with the step up in distance he had informed the rider not to hold the gelding up at any stage. Mr Sutherland further stated in regard to the stablemate, Sir Ottavio, that the horse settled slightly further back than he had anticipated but added he would look to have both horses ridden similarly in future. The explanations were noted.

RACE 5: Benchmark 58 Handicap 1000m:

Sintara- Was inclined to lay in badly when placed under pressure in the straight and proved difficult to ride out.

Yawkey Way- Slow to begin.

Suneeze- When questioned regarding the performance rider B Ward explained that with the fast tempo of the event his mount was under pressure throughout and never travelled well at any stage. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

Green Tea Ice- Trainer Mr G Heddle was fined \$50 under AR140A for presenting the gelding without a crossover noseband, which was part of its approved gear.

Bad Obsession- Shortly after straightening rider S Guymer momentarily lost the use of his whip which he regained shortly after.

Mi Ranger San- Mis-strode shortly after the start.

RACE 6: Benchmark 50 Handicap Division 1 1300m:

Kruanui- Raced wide without cover throughout.

Benno's Boy- Rider B Fliedner was reprimanded under AR137(b) for failing to ride his mount right out to the finishing line. In assessing penalty Stewards were satisfied that B Fliedner's action did not affect placings.

Dictation- Slow to begin.

Airport- When questioned regarding the performance rider B Owen(a) stated he was instructed to go forward and find the rail but when runners to his inside showed speed he was unable to cross and the gelding only travelled fairly throughout and did not respond to his riding in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

Hoffski- Slow to begin. When questioned regarding today's improved performance trainer P Clancy stated the gelding which is a particularly big horse had taken benefit from recent racing and had also appreciated the addition of blinkers.

Why Me Lord- Held up and unable to improve between the 500m and 300m.

Tracey's Daisy- Slow to begin.

RACE 7: Benchmark 50 Handicap Division 2 1300m:

Smart AI- Hampered near the 1000m when *Foxlike* shifted out.

Xin Loi- Change of tactics: to be ridden further forward if circumstances permit; led

Orry Boy- Slow to begin.

Lady Conjurer- Crowded shortly after the start between *Smart AI* and *Tearful Kitty*. Held up for some distance passing the 200m and again after the 100m was unable to improve and went to the line without being fully tested.

Miss Farloo- Was inclined to lay in over the concluding stages resulting in its rider having to stop riding and straighten his mount.

Arellano- Slow to begin. Held up from the 400m and unable to improve until passing the 200m.

Kormaddie- Rider S Guymer was warned regarding the use of the whip in an action that raised his arm above shoulder height.

Tearful Kitty- Held up for a short distance passing the 300m.

Whiskey Business- Raced wide throughout.

RACE 8: Open Handicap 1400m:

Zarlu- From a wide barrier was steadied and shifted in behind runners to obtain cover.

Uncle Tiger- Shifted out abruptly near the 1200m and hampered *Snippet of Gold*.

Le Cavalier- Slow to begin.

Itsa Fait Accompli- Slow to begin.

Nahema- Rider R Prest(a) stated while it was always her intention to lead her mount which was unusually agitated in the barriers began well and after being ridden positively to clear runners to its inside it commenced to race keenly. She added while she was aware of the fast tempo being

set she did try steady the pace but the mare refused to come back under her and weakened over the concluding stages.

Snippet of Gold- Rider J Duffy and Trainer G Colvin were both fined \$50 under AR175(k) for their part in the gelding being negligently presented with the incorrect saddle cloth number. Hampered near the 1200m.

Gentleman Max- Raced wide throughout.

Stewards noted the following riders exceeded the permissible strikes with the whip prior to the 100m under AR137A(5)(a)(ii)

Race 3	B Owen on Enjoy the Stars	6 strikes
Race 3	A Masters on I Am Wildwood	7 strikes
Race 5	S Guymer on Bad Obsession	7 strikes
Race 6	B Fliedner on Benno's Boy	7 strikes
Race 6	N Souquet on Hoffski	8 strikes
Race 7	B Vale on Miss Farloo	6 strikes

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

General: Swab samples were taken from the following runners:

Race 1: Sydney's Man, Sheboygan , Extra Cool

Race 2: American Honor, Real Key

Race 3: Two Wrong's Don't, Rock 'N' Roller

Race 4: Sir Ottavio

Race 5: Flying Cyril

Race 6: Hoffski

Race 7: Tearful Kitty

Race 8: Cash Crisis

SUMMARY	
Fines:	General: N Loy \$400 under AR178F(5) – Failure to keep treatment records. Race 4: S Miller \$100 under AR120(b) – Accept ride when overweight. Race 5: G Heddle \$50 under AR140(A)- Present without incorrect gear. Race 7: J Duffy \$50 under AR175(k) – Send out incorrect saddlecloth. Race 7: G Colvin \$50 under AR175(k) – Present in incorrect saddlecloth.
Reprimands:	Race 3: A Masters (I Am Wildwood) under AR137(a) careless riding Race 6: B Fliedner (Benno's Boy) – under AR137(b) – Failed to ride mount out to finishing line.
Suspensions:	Race 2: B Sweeney (Quiet Lucky) under AR137A(5)(a)(ii) – Whip Use. License to ride in races suspended from 18/7/2018 to 25/7/2018 on which day she may ride.
Warnings:	Nil
Bleeders:	Nil
Trials:	Nil
Certificates:	Supplementary: Broadstone (M Beer)
Falls/Injuries:	Nil
Change of Tactics:	Race 4: Tip Jar - To be ridden further forward. Led early then settled handy. Race 7: Xin Loi - To be ridden further forward. Led.

