

STEWARDS REPORT

Illawarra Turf Club
KEMBLA GRANGE RACECOURSE
Thursday 9 August 2018

Weather: Fine
Track: Good (3)
Rail: True

STEWARDS: T. J. Vassallo (Chairman), T. A. McDonald, T. P. Moxon and Cadet M. W. Purse

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Supplementary Report:

Canterbury – Wednesday 8 August 2018

Race 1: Tab.com.au Handicap 1550m:

Horn – Stable representative Mr J. Bruce advised that **Horn** will now be spelled.

Race 3: TAB Rewards Handicap 1250m:

Couvre Lit – Stable representative Mr D. Beadman advised that the filly was found to have a lateral condylar fracture to the near fore cannon. Mr Beadman advised that **Couvre Lit** had been transported to Randwick Equine Centre for further treatment.

Goulburn – Friday 3 August 2018

Race 2: Sun Solutions Benchmark 68 Handicap 1600m:

Regine – When questioned, Trainer Mr J. O'Shea confirmed the nature of the instructions issued to rider S. Guymer to have the horse ridden positively in an endeavour to settle in about 3rd or 4th position. He added that the instructions issued today were consistent with those issued at its previous start at Gosford on Thursday 19 July 2018, however, when it became apparent that the horse may be caught wide and without cover from its wide draw, **Regine** was restrained to find cover whereby it settled towards the rear of the field, which was further back than intended. He further added that, with the blinkers being reapplied today and what appeared to be slow speed in the race, he thought the horse may settle a little closer, however, he did not believe it would lead as it did.

RIDING CHANGES:

As App. R. Hunt was indisposed, Stewards permitted the following rider replacements:

Race 3	App. R. Prest on Jolie Colleen
Race 7	App. R. Prest on Roy John

RACE 1: Illawarra Turf Club 4 or More Maiden Handicap 1000m:

Ephesian – A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding, which raced wide and without cover throughout, did not reveal any abnormalities.

The Mont – approaching the 200m, when endeavouring to shift out from behind *Line Up Girls*, made contact with *Tears He Cried*.

Line Up Girls – bumped on jumping by *Tears He Cried*, which shifted out. When questioned, rider T. Clark stated that he had to make some use of his mount in the early stages to be able to obtain a position in the lead. He added that his mount travelled well thereafter, however, was disappointing in the manner in which it finished its race off. He further stated that, in his opinion, **Line Up Girls** did not appreciate the quick back-up from its previous start at Hawkesbury on 2 August 2018. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

All The Wine – raced wide and without cover throughout. Hung out rounding the home turn. Laid out when placed under pressure in the straight obliging its rider to pull his whip through to his left hand passing the 150m.

Colonel Penaga – after being slow to begin, was steadied and shifted in behind runners. Near the 300m had to be shifted out slightly away from the heels of *Sweetest Eyes*, which was inclined to lay out.

RACE 2: Duck Creek Dash Class 1 Handicap 1000m:

Bisque – laid out under pressure over the final 200 metres.

Invincible Lad – began very awkwardly, shifted out and made contact with the hindquarters of *Zardoro*, which became unbalanced. Passing the 600m, after being crossed by *Behrooz*, shifted to the outside of that runner's heels and made contact with *Bounding Badger*.

All Ours – raced wide and without cover throughout.

Monte Ditto – began awkwardly.

Grand Theft Auto – shortly after the start was crowded between *All Ours* and *Bisque*, which was bumped and carried inwards by *Behrooz*. Near the 200m became held up when disappointed for a run between *Bounding Badger* and *Behrooz*, which shifted out slightly. **Grand Theft Auto** was then unable to secure clear running until passing the 100m.

Zardoro – laid out under pressure over the final 100 metres.

RACE 3: Illawarra Diggers 3 or Less Starts Maiden Handicap 1000m:

Roseirro – shortly after the start was steadied and shifted in behind runners from its wide barrier.

Broken Arrows – after being loaded into the barriers, became fractious and reared, striking its head and placing its near foreleg over the front gates. The colt was removed from the barriers, examined by the Club's veterinary officer and ruled unfit to start. Stewards directed that **Broken Arrows** be withdrawn at 1.48 p.m. acting on veterinary advice. Stewards subsequently ordered that all moneys placed on **Broken Arrows** be refunded in full and, with regard to betting with bookmakers, all successful wagers

made prior to 1.48 p.m. be subject to the following deductions in the dollar on the face value of the ticket:

1st **Omar** less 7 cents win, 4 cents place;

2nd **Oyster Bay** less 7 cents place;

3rd **Spiritual Pursuit** less 12 cents place.

Trainer Mr D. Pfeiffer was advised that a warning will be recorded against the colt's barrier manners and further that a veterinary clearance would be required prior to **Broken Arrows** racing again.

Omar – became fractious after being loaded into the barriers, was removed and examined by the Club's veterinary officer, and was deemed suitable to race. Began awkwardly.

Jolie Colleen – stood flatfooted as the start was effected and lost ground (3L).

Spiritual Pursuit – raced fiercely in the early and middle stages. When questioned, rider Ms K. O'Hara stated that she had been instructed to ride the filly with cover, similar to how she was asked to ride **Spiritual Pursuit** at its most recent start at Wyong on 24 July 2018. She added that on that occasion, from its inside draw and after beginning well, she was able to establish a forward position without having to unduly pressure her mount. She stated that today, after beginning well, she elected to restrain her mount in an attempt to find cover, however, the filly commenced to race fiercely. She added that, despite her mount continuing to race fiercely, she was able to obtain a position with cover behind *Oyster Bay* near the 700m.

RACE 4: Kurranulla Probus Benchmark 64 Handicap 1200m:

Katgully Red – approaching the 800m commenced to race keenly after being crossed by *Libertine Miss*.

Midnight Ride – slow to begin.

Kelvinside – shortly after the start was steadied and shifted in behind runners from its wide barrier.

Marrock – near the 800m, when the pace commenced to slacken, had to be shifted out and away from the heels of *Suo Jure*, and was obliged to race wide and without cover from this point.

Suo Jure – near the 800m, after being crossed by *World Force*, commenced to race keenly and had to be steadied to avoid the heels of that runner. Near the 50m had to be steadied to avoid the heels of *Libertine Miss*, which was taken out by *Katgully Red* (T. Wolfgram), which shifted out when not clear. T. Wolfgram was reprimanded.

World Force – began awkwardly, shifted in and bumped *Skyray*. When questioned, rider T. Clark stated that his mount travelled well after obtaining a position outside the leader *Libertine Miss* passing the 1000m. He added that the gelding responded well when placed under pressure upon straightening, however, in his opinion, did not run out today's 1200m journey and consequently weakened over the final 100 metres. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

RACE 5: The Probus Club of Grandviews Conditional Benchmark 75 Handicap 1400m:

Spencer – A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

Chilli Beauty – stood flatfooted as the start was effected and lost significant ground (15L). Trainer Ms G. Markwell was advised that **Chilli Beauty** will be required to barrier trial to the satisfaction of Stewards prior to racing again.

Burden Of Proof – had difficulty obtaining completely clear running in the early part of the straight and near the 250m was disappointed for a run between *So Spirited* and *Legistation*, which shifted out under pressure. Passing the 200m **Burden Of Proof** had to shift to the outside of *So Spirited* to secure clear running.

Laszlo – slow to begin. Raced keenly in the early and middle stages.

RACE 6: Dolans Bay Probus Club 3YO Maiden Plate 1400m:

Chicansalade – hung out in the early part of the straight.

Intense Focus – hung out when placed under pressure from the 300m and proved difficult to ride out.

Kara's Hope – change of tactics – to be ridden further back: settled back. Began awkwardly. Hung in under pressure passing the 200m.

Loveseat – When questioned, rider G. Schofield stated that his mount travelled fairly behind the eventual winner *Intense Focus* throughout the early and middle stages, however, rounding the home turn his mount commenced to give ground and as a consequence he became somewhat concerned by the manner in which the filly failed to respond to his riding from this point. G. Schofield was reminded of his obligation to ride his mounts out fully to the winning post. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

Peace Of Mind – raced wide and without cover throughout.

RACE 7: Mullet Creek Mile 4YO and Up Maiden Handicap 1600m:

My King's Counsel – shortly after the start was steadied and shifted in behind runners from its wide barrier. Approaching the winning post, when finishing its race off strongly, was briefly inconvenienced by *Kooza*, which shifted out under pressure. As a result, **My King's Counsel** was taken out and made contact with *High Potential*, which was steadied.

Chocolatier – laid out under pressure over the final 100 metres.

Kooza – made the home turn awkwardly.

Highjacker – hung in when placed under pressure in the early part of the straight.

RACE 8: Kembla Grange Benchmark 70 Handicap 1600m:

Decroux – A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

Excited Prince – slow to begin.

Marabel – When questioned, rider N. Barzalona stated that when caught wide and without cover in the early stages he allowed his mount to stride forward whereby he was able to obtain a position outside the leader *Decroux* near the 1100m. He said that his mount raced keenly thereafter, was under pressure as far out as the 600m and weakened over the final 200 metres. He added that **Marabel** is better suited when able to race with cover. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

Zabeel's Choice – passing the 400m, when endeavouring to improve between *Marabel* and *Decroux* (T. Berry), had to be steadied when crowded by *Decroux*, which shifted out when not clear. T. Berry was reprimanded. In issuing a reprimand, Stewards were satisfied that **Zabeel's Choice** had not fully established running to the outside of *Decroux* prior to that runner shifting ground. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

Caribbean Gold – after being slow to begin was crowded between *Louis' Choice* and *Red Dubawi*, which shifted out. When questioned, L. Magorrian stated that he had been instructed to ride the gelding in a forward position. He said that his mount was slowly away and was crowded shortly after, which resulted in him being positioned at the rear of the field. He further stated that he then elected to trail *Marabel* in an endeavour to obtain cover, albeit in a three-wide position, and was able to achieve this in the early stages. L. Magorrian added that when *Marabel* improved forward and obtained a position outside the leader *Decroux* near the 1100m, **Caribbean Gold** was left racing wide and without cover for the remainder of the race.

GENERAL:

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

Race 1: Colonel Penaga

Race 2: Zardoro

Race 3: Spiritual Pursuit

Race 4: Marrock

Race 7: My King's Counsel, Chocolatier, Highjacker

Race 8: Captain Manering, Zabeel's Choice, Caribbean Gold

Summary of whip use:

Stewards noted the following riders exceeded the permitted number of 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 1	M. Bell on Colonel Penaga	6 strikes
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Race 2	J. Morris on Behrooz	6 strikes
Race 4	J. Morris on Kelvinside	8 strikes
Race 5	J. Penza on Laszlo	6 strikes
Race 5	W. Costin on Dashley Dubh	6 strikes
Race 7	T. Clark on Chocolatier	7 strikes
Race 8	App. B. Ryan on Captain Manering	6 strikes

SUMMARY	
Fines:	Nil.
Reprimands:	Race 4: T. Wolfgram (Katgully Red) – shifting out when not clear (AR137(a)). Race 8: T. Berry (Zabeel's Choice) – shifting out when not clear (AR137(a)).
Suspensions:	Nil.
Bleeders:	Nil.
Warnings:	Race 3: Broken Arrows (Trainer Mr D. Pfeiffer) – barrier manners.
Trials:	Race 5: Chilli Beauty (Trainer Ms G. Markwell) – stood flatfooted at the start (15L).
Certificates:	Race 3: Broken Arrows (Trainer Mr D. Pfeiffer) – fractious in the barriers.
Falls/Injuries:	Nil.
Follow-up:	Nil.
Change of Colours:	Race 4: Bite The Media – club colours.