

STEWARDS REPORT

Corowa Race Club
COROWA RACECOURSE
Saturday 10 March 2018

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

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

(11u,1b)

Supplementary Stewards Reports
MURRUMBIDGEE TURF CLUB
Sunday 4 March 2018

Race 7: SDR Country Championships Qualifier 1400m:

Danetrille- Hampered near the 250m when *Delivered* shifted outwards to improve.

Supplying- Checked and taken outwards near the 200m when *Class Clown* shifted in slightly.

Supply Money- Eased near the 150m while racing in restricted room to the inside of *Fermanagh Lad*.

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

Race 7	R. Bensley on Class Clown	8 strikes
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Bearing in mind the totality of whip use, no action was taken.

RACE 1: 2yo Maiden Plate 900m:

Day Drinking- Raced wide without cover throughout.

Dobe Super- Slow to begin. Was inclined to hang out when placed under pressure in the straight. Approaching the 200m shifted out abruptly.

Quicklook- Slow to begin.

RACE 2: Class 2 Handicap 900m:

Moving On Up- Checked and clipped heels shortly after the start when crowded between *Skiffle* and *My Zarmidala*. Held up and unable to improve in the early part of the straight.

Corazon de Oro- Began awkwardly.

Volta Do Mar- Held up near the 200m and was taken outwards to continue to improve. When questioned regarding the performance apprentice C MacFarlane explained her mount was

beaten for speed in the early stages and after being held up near the 200m her mount found the line well. She added in her opinion the gelding may be better suited over a slightly longer journey. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

Skiffle- Bumped heavily near the 850m.

My Zarmidala- Bumped heavily by *Skiffle* near the 850m and became unbalanced.

Tinybella- Slow to begin. Near the 300m was steadied when awkwardly placed on the heels of *My Zarmidala*.

Stormus- Trainer Mr G Strang was fined \$50 under AR140A for presenting the gelding to race without blinkers which were part of its approved gear. Slow to begin.

Junior Mac- Raced wide without cover throughout.

RACE 3: 3yo & Up Maiden Plate 1000m:

Poolside Hamilton- Steadied near the 800m when crowded to the inside of *Smoulder Smudge*.

Rosie's Ready- Began awkwardly and lost ground. Raced keenly in the early and middle stages.

Skiing Girl- Raced wide throughout.

Smoulder Smudge- Began awkwardly. Passing the 800m was steadied when *Skiing Girl* (S Metcalfe (a)) rolled inwards. Apprentice Metcalfe was advised to exercise more care.

Twinhit- Rider R Bensley could offer no tangible explanation for today's performance adding the mare travelled well in an advantageous position but failed to quicken when pressured in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination revealed a slow recovery rate.

Millie Strykes- Slow to begin.

RACE 4: Open Handicap 1000m:

Kabrocco- Restless in the barriers and was slow to begin. When questioned regarding the performance apprentice L King stated that after being slow to begin his mount travelled well throughout and after initially responding when placed under pressure it then lost ground noticeably. Trainer D McCarthy advised the horse had worked well leading into the event and could offer no explanation for today's performance which he described as most disappointing. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to have cardiac arrhythmia. Trainer D McCarthy was advised that he must submit a veterinary certificate including the results of an ECG prior to the gelding barrier trialling to the satisfaction of Stewards before being permitted to race again.

Man of Peace- Slow to begin.

Purrpussful- Apprentice C MacFarlane was fined \$200 under AR137A(5)(a)(ii) for using the whip on 9 occasions prior to 100m.

Wakeel- Apprentice R Prest accidentally dropped her whip near the 300m.

RACE 5: Maiden Handicap 1300m:

Bezazzalled- Slow to begin. When questioned regarding the performance rider N Souquet explained his mount was slightly slow to begin but travelled well until approaching the 600m but raced very one paced from that point. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

Casino Master- Slow to begin. Raced very keenly in the early and middle stages.

King Ceaser- Trainer W Carroll was fined \$50 under AR140B for the late application to remove the blinkers from the gelding.

Bella Fede- Slow to begin. Raced very keenly and proved difficult to settle in the early and middle stages and was then taken outwards near the 900m after becoming awkwardly placed on the heels of *Casino Master* and was obliged to race wide without cover for the remainder of the event.

RACE 6: Benchmark 55 Handicap 1300m:

Ten Goals- Slow to begin.

Blacklisted- Bumped near the 500m. Near the 400m was hampered and lost ground when *Bravado Lass* (B Murphy) shifted out when not quite clear. B Murphy was reprimanded under AR 137(a) for careless riding.

Maco Napret- Slow to begin. When questioned rider S Metcalfe explained she was instructed not to push the gelding out of the gates and to allow it to travel where comfortable. She added after taking up a position at the tail of the field, despite being urged along her mount did not display the necessary pace to keep in contact with the main body of the field. She added she saved ground by staying to the inside in the early part of the straight before shifting out into clear running where the gelding found the line well, and in her opinion, would be suited over a longer journey.

Short- Withdrawn by Stewards at 2.20pm acting on a confirmed telephone call that the float transporting the gelding to the meeting had broken down.

Saint Aquilina- When questioned regarding the improved performance trainer R Purcell stated that the mares first up run at Wagga on 9 February was over an unsuitable distance and at its most recent start he expressed some dissatisfaction with the ride on the mare over the concluding stages where he believed it could have been placed under more significant pressure and therefore finished closer. He added **Saint Aquilina** had worked well leading into the event and had also taken benefit from its most recent runs. His explanations were noted.

Smart AI- Raced keenly in the early and middle stages.

Aunty Elsie- Raced wide throughout.

Emerald Ice- Slow to begin.

Hargy- Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination after it was noted the gelding had abrasions to the near side rump and was found suitable to race. Trainer J Taylor advised the horse had slipped over 10 days prior to the event and had not missed any work in the lead up.

While accepting Mr Taylor's evidence he was told that he must, as soon as practicable, bring anything that may affect the performance of the horse to the attention of the Stewards. Raced wide without cover throughout.

RACE 7: Open Handicap 1600m:

Ultima Chance- When questioned regarding the disappointing performance rider N Heywood stated his mount raced keenly throughout and in his opinion, did not run out the distance of today's event. He also added that he felt his mount may have felt the effects of the firm surface. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

Dyrham Park- Turned its head as the start was affected and lost ground (3L). Trainer Mr D Heywood was advised an official warning would be placed on the gelding's record. Checked passing the 400m when disappointed for a run to the inside of *Gun Trace* which rolled in slightly while weakening. Held up and unable to improve until passing the 300m where it was taken outwards to obtain clear running.

Not Too Sure- Rider R Bensley was granted permission to ride the gelding 1/2kg overweight due to the need to rehydrate.

Gun Trace- Bumped on jumping. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

Reine de Tout- Bumped on jumping.

Nagging- Slow to begin. When questioned regarding today's improved performance trainer M Gee stated at its most recent start at Goulburn on 24 February the mare had difficulty obtaining clear running in the straight and appeared to resent racing amongst horses on that occasion. He added today with a genuine tempo and after being able to get to the outside of runners it had run on as expected. His explanations were noted.

Another Jay Brown- As B Sweeney was overweight Stewards permitted B Vale to be the substitute rider. B Sweeney was fined \$100 under AR120(b).

RACE 8: Class 2 Handicap 1600m:

My Kind- Raced wide without cover throughout.

Flying Fragments- When questioned regarding the performance apprentice J Richards stated his mount travelled throughout but when pressured from the 400m did not respond to his riding. A post-race veterinary examination revealed it to be displaying a slow recovery rate.

Tiggy Two- Raced keenly in the early and middle stages.

Sidonia Miss- Stood flatfooted and missed the start (3L). Shortly after the start attempted to buck. A post-race veterinary examination found the mare to be 2/5 lame in the near fore leg. Trainer C Davis was advised he must submit a veterinary clearance prior to the gelding barrier trialling to the satisfaction of Stewards before being permitted racing again.

Bayfury- Was inclined to lay inwards under pressure in the straight.

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

Race 6	B Sweeney on Aunty Elsie	7 strikes
Race 8	J Richards on Flying Fragments	6 strikes
Race 8	C MacFarlane on Midnight Jumper	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: All About Belle, Dobe Super

Race 2: Corazon De Oro, Mi Ranger San, Junior Mac, Airino

Race 3: Blind Turn

Race 4: He's the Sheriff

Race 5: Brother Adam

Race 6: Saint Aquilina

Race 7: Nagging

Race 8: Carlitos

SUMMARY	
Fines:	Race 2: G Strang (Stormus) \$50 under AR140A – present without winkers Race 4 N Hobson (He's the Sherriff) \$50 under AR140B – failed to obtain approval for gear change. Race 4: C MacFarlane(a) (Purrpussful) \$200 under AR137A(5)(a)(ii) – use whip on 9 occasions Race 4 W Carroll (King Caesar) \$50 under AR140B – late application to remove blinkers. Race 7: B Sweeney (Another Jay Brown) \$100 under AR120(b) – accept ride when found to be overweight.
Reprimands:	Race 6: B Murphy (Bravado Lass) Careless riding under AR137(a)
Suspensions:	Nil
Warnings:	Race 7: Dyrham Park (D Heywood) – Barrier Manners
Bleeders:	Nil
Trials:	Race 4: Kabrocco (D McCarthy) – Cardiac Arrhythmia Race 8: Sidonia Miss (C Davis) – Attempted to buck
Certificates:	Race 4: Kabrocco (D McCarthy) – Vet Cert including results of an ECG. Race 8: Sidonia Miss (C Davis) - 2/5 lame near fore leg
Falls/Injuries:	Nil
Change of Tactics:	Nil