

## STEWARDS' REPORT

### Australian Turf Club WARWICK FARM RACECOURSE

Wednesday, 11 April 2018

Weather: Fine  
Track: Good (4); upgraded to a Good (3) at 1.35pm retrospective to include Race 2.  
Rail: +5m 1000m-WP, +3m Remainder  
Penetrometer: 4.79

**STEWARDS:** R W Livingstone (Chairman), P C Dingwall, T J Vassallo, J J E Earl and cadets  
M W Purse, F J Dale and R T Debels.

(alm)

#### Supplementary Reports:

##### **ROSEHILL TRACKWORK: Friday, 23 March 2018**

**Girl Sunday** -- the Stewards today concluded their inquiries into the circumstances surrounding **Girl Sunday** collapsing and dying during trackwork. Evidence today was taken from trainer Mr G Ryan, along with a necropsy report from the University Teaching Hospital at Camden. Dr T Selig, Racing NSW Veterinary Officer also assisted the inquiry. During the adjournment, the veterinary and treatment records were sourced from the stable with no areas of concern found. On the evidence, whilst it could not be conclusively determined, the finding was consistent with exercise associated sudden death. As the Stewards were satisfied that there were no pre-existing conditions that may have caused or contributed to the sudden collapse of **Girl Sunday**. A post mortem sample taken from **Girl Sunday** was found to contain no prohibited substances by the Australian Racing Forensic Laboratory.

##### **GOSFORD: Thursday, 29 March 2018**

##### **RACE 8 – Insurance House Benchmark 69 Handicap 2100m**

**Vaniloquio** -- the Stewards today concluded their inquiries into the circumstances surrounding **Vaniloquio** breaking down badly in its off fore leg and subsequently being euthanised. Evidence today was taken from trainer Mr C Connors, along with a necropsy report from the University Teaching Hospital at Camden. Dr T Selig, Racing NSW Veterinary Officer also assisted the inquiry. During the adjournment, the veterinary and treatment records were sourced from the stable with no areas of concern found. On the evidence, it was established that **Vaniloquio** suffered a severe biarticular comminuted fracture of the cannon bone. On the evidence, as the Stewards were satisfied there were no pre-existing conditions that could have caused or contributed to the catastrophic injuries, the matter was concluded pending the results of the sample taken during the necropsy.

##### **WYONG: Wednesday, 4 April 2018**

##### **RACE 7 – WRC 2018/2019 Sponsor Opportunities Available Class 1 & Maiden Plate 2100m**

**Remembering Sam** – trainer Mr N Mitchell advised that he was satisfied with the post race condition of **Remembering Sam**, however it will be given a three week freshen up prior to its next race start.

##### **RACE 8 – Carlton Draught Class 2 Handicap 1350m**

**Leningrad** -- co-trainer Mr A Bott advised that he was satisfied with the post race condition of **Leningrad** and it is the stable's intention to continue on with its preparation.

##### **HAWKESBURY: Thursday, 5 April 2018**

##### **RACE 8 – Ascend Sales Benchmark 66 Handicap 1100m**

**Ballet Rose** -- co-trainer Mr M Hawkes advised he was satisfied with the post race condition of the filly and it was the stable's intention to continue on with its preparation.

**Cosmic Cameo** – trainer Mr G Portelli advised he was satisfied with the post race condition of the gelding and would continue on with its preparation.

**ROYAL RANDWICK: Saturday, 7 April 2018**

**RACE 7 – Harrolds Australian Derby (Group 1) 2400m**

*Astoria* -- trainer Mr J Cummings advised that *Astoria*, which sustained significant interference in this race, was examined by his veterinarian the following day which cleared the colt of any adverse issues and he advised he was going to continue on with the preparation of *Astoria*.

**KEMBLA GRANGE: Saturday, 7 April 2018**

**RACE 2 – Otford Class 1 Handicap 1400m**

*Casino Angel* -- trainer Mr R Quinton advised that a blood taken from *Casino Angel* subsequent to its run revealed elevated muscle enzyme levels. He added that he will monitor the horse's condition, however it is his intention to continue on with the horse's preparation.

**RACE 8 – Stanwell Tops Benchmark 67 Handicap 2000m**

*Delfuego* -- co-trainer Mr Paul Snowden stated that in his opinion, the primary reason for the disappointing performance of the gelding was that it was ridden too close to the speed and is better ridden in a position midfield or worse. He added that the stable was satisfied with the post race condition of *Delfuego* and it is the intention to continue on with the horse's preparation.

---

**LATE RIDING CHANGES:**

As T Angland was indisposed due to illness, the following rider substitutions were permitted by the Stewards:

<b>Race 1</b>	<b>Purple Sector – G Schofield</b>
<b>Race 7</b>	<b>Typhoon Monaco – J Collett</b>

After riding in Race 2, B Avdulla was examined by the Club's doctor who ruled him unfit to fulfil his remaining engagements. As a result, the following rider substitutions were permitted by the Stewards:

<b>Race 7</b>	<b>Sofin – J Penza</b>
<b>Race 8</b>	<b>Cuban Sizzle – C Brown</b>

B Avdulla was advised he would be required to provide a medical clearance prior to riding.

After riding in Race 5, J Parr was examined by the Club's doctor who ruled him unfit to fulfil his remaining engagements. As a result, the following rider substitutions were permitted by the Stewards:

<b>Race 6</b>	<b>Cockles – B Shinn</b>
<b>Race 7</b>	<b>Wild 'N' Famous - K McEvoy</b>
<b>Race 8</b>	<b>Hussterical – T Clark</b>

---

**RACE 1 – Pride Of Dubai@Coolmore Australia Plate 1200m**

*California Concord* – began awkwardly and made contact with the near side portion of its barrier resulting in B Shinn becoming unbalanced. *California Concord* was then ridden along and after not mustering speed, when it was caught wide, was then restrained to obtain cover. A post race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities.

*Quick Nick* – was buffeted on jumping between *Gem Song* and *Glamour Cruise*. *Quick Nick* raced keenly in the early and middle stages. On straightening, *Quick Nick* was briefly tightened for room by *Altair* (H Bowman) which shifted out to improve when not properly clear. A post race veterinary examination revealed *Quick Nick* to have been galloped on on its off hind cannon.

*Colombina* – from its wide barrier, was shifted in across behind runners shortly after the start. In the middle stages, *Colombina* raced keenly and near the 700m, was steadied away from the heels of *Altair*. *Colombina* was held up for clear running until nearing the 200m.

**Charge** – raced keenly in the early and middle stages. **Charge** laid out in the straight obliging its rider, K McEvoy, to change the whip into the left hand soon after straightening.

**Purple Sector** – raced wide and without cover throughout.

**Altair** – was held up for some distance approaching the home turn.

**Glamour Cruise** – T Clark advised that the filly travelled fairly in the lead, however failed to finish its race off and in his view raced greenly. A post race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities. Co-trainer Mr A Bott advised that **Glamour Cruise** will now be spelled .

#### **RACE 2 – Pluck@Vinery Handicap 1600m**

**Given Time** – began awkwardly, shifted in and made heavy contact with *Semper Fidelis*. **Given Time** laid in rounding the first turn and made contact with the running rail. B Avdulla was at a loss to explain the reason that **Given Time** failed to run on after having a nice trialling position in transit. A post race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities.

**Omineca** – after being only fairly away, was steadied and shifted in behind runners from its wide barrier shortly after the start. **Omineca** laid in in the straight obliging its rider H Bowman to change his whip into the right hand near the 100m.

**Expirevertime** – was fairly away and then was ridden along to hold a prominent position in the early stages. **Expirevertime** after being crossed by *Regal Cannon* near the 1400m, commenced to overrace and was steadied away from the heels of *Regal Cannon* on a number of occasions approaching the first turn.

**Regal Rage** – raced wide and without cover until the 900m. **Regal Rage** was bumped and carried wider when *Omineca* shifted out to improve near the 600m.

#### **RACE 3 – Ribchester New To Darley Handicap 1600m**

**Perpetual Motion** – slow to begin. **Perpetual Motion** raced keenly in the early and middle stages and for some distance approaching the first turn, was awkwardly placed on the heels of *Ardanza* after being crossed.

**Animalia** – began awkwardly and soon after the start, made contact with *Higher Ground*. **Animalia** was then shifted back in across runners to obtain cover. **Animalia** made the crossing at the 1400m awkwardly. **Animalia** was held up rounding the home turn.

**Excelsior** – was shifted in behind runners from its wide barrier shortly after the start. **Excelsior** raced keenly in the early stages. A post race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities.

**Who Is Game** – raced wide and without cover until nearing the 1000m. After being crossed by *Grand Finalist* near the 900m, *Cedarwood* shifted out carrying **Who Is Game** wider.

**Ardanza** – shortly after straightening, was awkwardly placed on the heels of *Who Is Game*. Near the 200m, **Ardanza** was accidentally struck over the nose with the whip of App R Hunt (*Who Is Game*). Over the concluding stages, **Ardanza** raced in restricted room between *Who Is Game* and *San Francisco* and was unable to be fully ridden out.

**Cedarwood** – near the 200m, App C Williams accidentally dropped his whip.

#### **RACE 4 – TAB Handicap 1300m**

Prior to the running of Race 4, stable hand Agathe Deroquefejl was kicked in the race day stalls and required transportation to hospital and as a result of this, the start of this race was substantially delayed and the following time amendments were made:

Race 4 – 3.15pm

Race 5 – 3.45pm  
Race 6 – 4.15pm  
Race 7 – 4.50pm  
Race 8 – 5.20pm

**Destiny's Hero** – was slow to begin and then was hampered after the start by *Lightz*, which itself was slow to begin and hampered when *Royal Advance* began awkwardly and shifted in.

**Sebring Express** – from its wide barrier, was shifted in behind runners shortly after the start.

**Kurnel Jaxon** – from its wide barrier, was shifted in behind runners shortly after the start.

**Up Trumpz** – raced keenly in the early and middle stages. **Up Tumpz** laid in in the straight obliging its rider, H Bowman, to change the whip into the right hand passing the 150m.

**Toga Picta** – when questioned, K McEvoy advised that when the tempo steadied in the middle stages, he allowed the gelding to stride forward, however he commenced to hang out noticeably rounding the home turn and weakened thereafter. A post race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities. Stable representative Mr D Beadman advised that **Toga Picta** would now be assessed on return to the stables and he would inform the Stewards of any subsequent veterinary examinations and the plans for **Toga Picta**. The matter was adjourned following this advice.

**Royal Advance** – a post race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities.

#### **RACE 5 – Bowermans Office Furniture Handicap 1300m**

**Spirit And Fire** – knuckled over at the start. Near the 700m, **Spirit And Fire**, which was racing keenly, was steadied away from the heels of *Bright Future*.

**Kotinos** – was crowded on jumping between *Spirit And Fire* and *Red Henno*, which shifted in. **Kotinos** raced keenly in the early and middle stages and raced wide until the 600m. G Schofield advised that after his moderate getaway, he was unable to take up a prominent position as he would have liked and ultimately raced with cover behind the leader in what was a genuinely run race. He added that in his view, however, **Kotinos** resented racing in behind horses and this was the principal reason why he failed to finish the race off. A post race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities.

**Golden Organic** – from its wide barrier, was shifted in behind runners shortly after the start.

**Red Henno** – raced keenly in the early and middle stages and raced wide and without cover until the 600m. Shortly after straightening, **Red Henno** shifted in abruptly and hampered *Spirit And Fire*.

**Pure Rebel** – laid out in the straight.

**Dortmund** – when questioned regarding the performance of **Dortmund**, J Parr explained that with the tempo strong, he eased in behind runners in the middle stages. He added that, however, **Dortmund** never raced tractably and failed to finish its race off. A post race veterinary examination revealed a laceration to its off hind leg. The post race condition and plans of **Dortmund** will be followed up with the Waterhouse/Bott stable.

**Art Of Excellence** – P Wells advised **Art Of Excellence** travelled strongly outside the leader as is customary, however when asked for an effort soon after straightening, it did not respond and as he felt, bearing in mind the way the horse commenced to weaken, there may have been something amiss with the horse, he eased it down thereafter. A post race veterinary examination revealed **Art Of Excellence** to be slow to recover. Co-trainer Ms A Turner was advised a veterinary clearance would be required prior to the horse barrier trialling to the satisfaction of the Stewards before being permitted to race again.

### **RACE 6 – TAB Rewards Handicap 1100m**

**Bella Vino** – began awkwardly and from its wide barrier, was shifted in behind runners after the start.

**Cockles** – was shifted in behind runners after the start.

**Gadfly** – was shifted in behind runners after the start.

**Mixed Blossom** – made contact on jumping with *Anecdote*.

**Anecdote** – raced wide and without cover throughout.

**Rebel Miss** – was held up for clear running until nearing the 150m. **Rebel Miss** laid in rounding the home turn.

### **RACE 7 – #Theraces Handicap 1400m**

**Philosophy** – began awkwardly. Near the 400m, **Philosophy** shifted out and hampered the weakening *Typhoon Monaco*.

**Sofin** – slow to begin.

**Magical Stance** – slow to begin. Near the 900m, commenced to overrace and was steadied away from the heels of *Wild 'N' Famous*. Raced wide after the 800m.

**Whispered Secret** – after being slow to begin, was steadied and shifted in behind runners.

**Balmain Boy** – was steadied and shifted in behind runners shortly after the start from its wide barrier. Near the 400m, **Balmain Boy** was steadied away from the heels of *Philosophy*.

**Peacock** – raced wide and without cover throughout.

**Wild 'N' Famous** – raced wide and without cover throughout.

**Typhoon Monaco** – knuckled near the 1300m. When commencing to give ground, was steadied near the 400m when crowded for room between *Wild 'N' Famous* and *Philosophy*, which was taken out by *Veladero*, which shifted out to improve. J Collett advised that whilst he was obligated to do some work on his mount in the early stages to obtain a prominent position, he was under pressure from the 700m and failed to run on. A post race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities.

**Peakcock** – near the 1300m knuckled. Raced wide without cover throughout.

**Arancini** – was held up rounding the home turn. App J Innes Jr, rider of **Arancini**, the fifth placegetter, was reminded of his obligations to ride his mounts out fully to the end of the race wherever possible. A post race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities.

**Nat King Cu** – when questioned regarding **Nat King Cu** leading, A Hyeronimus advised that his instructions were with the horse coming back in distance, to have it race prominently and to ensure it begins well. He added that in the early stages when he rode **Nat King Cu** along in accordance with his instructions, he was able to lead without placing undue pressure on his mount. Trainer Mr J Coyle confirmed the instructions were to have the horse ridden prominently, however no specific instruction was given to A Hyeronimus to lead.

### **RACE 8 – Tab.com.au Handicap 1200m**

**Eccellere** – began awkwardly, ran in abruptly and lost ground (2L).

**Conchita** – on jumping, was hampered when *Hussterical* shifted in. **Conchita** was then shifted in behind runners from its wide barrier.

**Alliterate** – when questioned, B Shinn advised he was under no specific instructions. He added, however, that after **Alliterate** began particularly well, he was able to work forward in a moderately run race. B Shinn advised that when the tempo quickened, his mount was left somewhat flat footed, however over the latter stages, finished its race off well.

**Yulong Xingsheng** – when questioned, App J Van Overmeire advised that it was anticipated to take up a midfield position, if possible. He added that **Yulong Xingsheng** had been agitated in the barriers, sat back, began awkwardly and lost ground (2L). He added as a result, the filly settled further back than he had anticipated. He added that rounding the home turn, he commenced to shift wider on the track and was able to trail *Conchita* prior to straightening where he shifted to its outside near the 300m where in his view **Yulong Xingsheng** closed the race off fairly. He added that he applied the whip soon after straightening, however as he was of the view that **Yulong Xingsheng** was not responding, he elected to ride the horse out hands and heels to the end of the race and in his view, closed the race off well when ridden in this manner. A post race veterinary examination revealed **Yulong Xingsheng** to be lame (2/5) in the off foreleg. Trainer Mr K Lees advised a veterinary clearance would be required prior to **Yulong Xingsheng** racing again.

**Cuban Sizzle** – a post race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities.

**GENERAL:** Trainer Mr G Ryan was fined \$200 under LR39(4) for failing to lodge a stable return informing that **Menari** was not in his care at Rosehill.

### Summary of whip use

The Stewards noted the following riders exceeded the permitted strikes of the whip prior to the 100m under AR137A(5)(a)(ii):

<b>Race 2</b>	K McEvoy ( <b>Semper Fidelis</b> )	6 strikes
<b>Race 2</b>	J Innes Jr ( <b>Regal Cannon</b> )	6 strikes
<b>Race 3</b>	App B McDougall ( <b>Ardanza</b> )	2 x 2 consecutive strikes
<b>Race 6</b>	D Panya ( <b>Bella Vino</b> )	7 strikes

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

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

Race 1: Altair, Quick Nick, Colombina, Charge.

Race 2: Savvy Ken, Omineca, Pink Cloud, Expiredtime, Semper Fidelis.

Race 3: Grand Finalist, Who Is Game, Ardanza, Excelsior, Cedarwood.

Race 4: Toga Picta, Kurnel Jaxon, Sausalito, Destiny's Hero, Sebring Express, Up Trumpz.

Race 5: Dortmund, Spirit And Fire, Golden Organic, Kotinos, Bright Future.

Race 6: Anecdote, Marsupial, Rebel Miss, After All That.

Race 7: Wild 'N' Famous, Darci's Affair, Arancini, Whispered Secret, Peacock.

Race 8: Eccellere, Can Dream, Dolly's Due, Zoumagic, Hussterical.

<b>SUMMARY</b>	
<b>Fines:</b>	<b>General:</b> Trainer G Ryan – \$200 – failing to lodge a stable return for <b>Menari</b> [LR39(4)]
<b>Reprimands:</b>	Nil
<b>Suspensions:</b>	Nil
<b>Bleeders:</b>	Nil
<b>Warnings:</b>	Nil
<b>Trials:</b>	<b>Race 5: Art Of Excellence</b> (co-trainer Ms A Turner) – poor performance.
<b>Certificates:</b>	<b>Race 5: Art Of Excellence</b> (co-trainer Ms A Turner) – slow to recover. <b>Race 8: Yulong Xingsheng</b> (trainer K Lees) – lame off fore leg.
<b>Fall/Injuries:</b>	Nil
<b>Change of Tactics:</b>	<b>Race 1: Dream Children</b> to be ridden with cover; settled off the pace.

	<p><b>Race 2: Omineca</b> – option for horse to be ridden quieter from its wide barrier; settled back.</p> <p><b>Race 2: Expiredtime</b> to be ridden more forward; settled on pace.</p> <p><b>Race 3: Cedarwood</b> to be ridden more forward; settled outside the leader near the 900m.</p> <p><b>Race 7: Typhoon Monaco</b> to be ridden more forward; settled off the pace.</p> <p><b>Race 8: Resin</b> to be ridden conservatively; settled off the pace.</p>
<b>Change of Colours:</b>	<b>Race 4: Lightz (A Hyeronimus)</b> – Club colours.
<b>Change of Gear</b>	Nil
<b>Follow up:</b>	<p><b>Race 4: Toga Picta</b> (trainer J Cummings) – poor performance.</p> <p><b>Race 5: Dortmund</b> (Waterhouse/Bott stable) – poor performance.</p>