

STEWARDS' REPORT

Australian Turf Club WARWICK FARM RACECOURSE

Wednesday, 11 July 2018

Weather: Fine
Track: Good (4)
Rail: +3m
Penetrometer: 4.9

STEWARDS: P C Dingwall (Chairman), T P Moxon, T J Vassallo, T A McDonald and cadets T J Lee and R W Loughlin

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Supplementary Reports:

WYONG: Tuesday, 26 June 2018

RACE 5 – Kernick Law Class 1 Handicap 1600m

Greenspan – trainer Mr J Thompson advised that following the results of a dynamic scope performed on the gelding, it will now undergo a tie back operation before being spelled.

ROSEHILL GARDENS: Saturday, 30 June 2018

RACE 9 – Sydney's West App Handicap 1100m

Tango Rain – trainer Mr G Ryan advised that he was satisfied with the post-race condition of the gelding and added it will be freshened up prior to having its next start.

CANTERBURY PARK: Wednesday, 4 July 2018

RACE 5 – Everest 100 Days To Go Sprint 1100m

Empress Matilda – co-trainer Mr M Hawkes advised that he was satisfied with the post race condition of the filly and endorsed the views of rider B Avdulla that the filly was not suited by the track conditions.

HAWKESBURY: Thursday, 5 July 2018

RACE 5 – Richmond Club Benchmark 69 Handicap 1000m

Tutu – trainer Mr J Thompson advised that the mare had now been retired, however, notwithstanding this advice, he was advised that a veterinary clearance, including the results of an ECG, must be provided prior to **Tutu** barrier trialling to the satisfaction of the Stewards.

ROYAL RANDWICK: Saturday, 7 July 2018

RACE 5 – Winter Racing Handicap 2400m

Nahuel – Racing NSW has received confirmation that trainer Mr R Freedman had issued a text message on the morning of Saturday, 7 July 2018 notifying that **Nahuel** would be ridden conservatively from its wide barrier. This message however was not received by stewards due to a technical error and as the notification has now been verified, the matter is closed.

RACE 1 – TAB Handicap 1600m

Huey – began awkwardly and was bumped by *Task And Purpose*, which shifted out.

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The Golden Hind – was slow to begin and from its wide barrier, was shifted in behind runners. J McDonald (*Estroverto*) was found guilty of a charge of careless riding in that leaving the 1400m, he permitted his mount to shift in when not clear of *Commentator*, which was carried in, resulting in *The Golden Hind* having to be steadied and losing the running to which it was rightfully entitled. J McDonald's licence to ride in races was suspended for a period to commence on Sunday, 15 July 2018 and to expire on Wednesday, 25 July 2018 on which day he may ride again.

Tarka – began awkwardly.

Salsa Man – was held up rounding the home turn. A post race veterinary examination revealed **Salsa Man** to have lost its near fore plate in running and shifted its off fore plate.

Reagan – near the 100m, was steadied when briefly tightened by Huey, which shifted in momentarily.

Commentator – J McDonald (*Estroverto*) was reprimanded for permitting his mount to shift in near the 1300m, when not clear of *Commentator*, which was racing keenly resulting in that horse having to be eased.

RACE 2 – #TheRaces Plate 1200m

Lettre D'Armour – raced wide and without cover throughout.

Ephesian – from its wide barrier, shifted across behind runners shortly after the start.

Carano – from the outside barrier, shifted in behind runners shortly after the start. For a short distance after the 1100m, **Carano** raced keenly and got its head up when being restrained from the heels of *Lettre D'Armour*. A post race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities.

Song And A Prayer – passing the 1100m, **Song And A Prayer**, which was racing keenly, was steadied when placed in restricted room inside of *Safe Landing*, which shifted in when not quite clear. H Bowman was advised to exercise care.

Safe Landing – near the 250m, was shifted to the outside of *Taygeta* when disappointed for a run to the inside of that horse. **Safe Landing** then laid in for some distance thereafter and proved somewhat difficult for H Bowman to ride the gelding in his normal manner and approaching the 100m, he changed the whip over to his right hand.

RACE 3 – TAB Rewards Handicap 1250m

Versetto – was slow to begin and then shortly after the start, was bumped by *Squaw Peak*, which shifted in. **Versetto** laid in away from *Devolving* after the 600m, resulting in *Fame Shines* being briefly crowded. Near the 250m, **Versetto** was shifted to the outside of *Squaw Peak* when disappointed for running to the inside of that filly. When being shifted out, **Versetto** then made contact with *Two 'N' Wellgo*, which became unbalanced.

Squaw Peak – began awkwardly. When questioned, B Avdulla, explained that although his mount was able to obtain a leading position, he was of the opinion that the filly did set a genuine tempo in the early stages. He added that **Squaw Peak** was under pressure early in the straight and failed to run out the distance of today's race whereby it weakened noticeably over the final 100m. A post race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities. The Stewards will follow up with the post race condition of **Squaw Peak** in the days subsequent.

Kissing Game – began only fairly and despite being ridden along vigorously in the early stages, failed to muster speed and ultimately settled at the rear of the field.

Intuition – for some distance approaching and passing the 800m, raced in restricted room to the inside of the *Versetto* (J McDonald), which was shifting in when not clear. After relieving the tightening, *Versetto* then shifted in again near the 600m resulting in **Intuition** having to be eased. J McDonald was advised to exercise more care and to ensure that he provides his fellow riders with due care wherever possible.

Two 'N' Wellgo – a post race veterinary examination of **Two 'N' Wellgo**, which after leading weakened considerably inside the final 500m, revealed the gelding to be slow to recover.

RACE 4 – Australian Turf Club Handicap 1300m

Mollyfied – began awkwardly and then was hampered shortly afterwards by *Sweet Scandal*, which shifted in. Approaching the 1000m, **Mollyfied** commenced to race keenly, got its head up on a number of occasions and proved difficult to settle. Near the 800m, **Mollyfied** was inconvenienced by *Zonk*, which after being taken in by *Royal Fashion*, shifted in away from that runner.

Tycoon Street – after beginning only fairly, from its wide barrier was shifted in behind runners.

Zonk – shortly after the start was bumped by *Tycoon Street*, which shifted in. When questioned, App R Hunt said that as is usual, she had been asked to ride the horse in a prominent position, if possible today. She said, however, that **Zonk** began only fairly and as her relative position to *Sweet Scandal* and *Belle Du Sud* negated her opportunity to cross those runners, she elected in the circumstances to travel to the outside of *Belle Du Sud* when approximately a length behind that runner. She said that leaving the 1000m, she considered shifting to a position behind *Belle Du Sud*, however when *Mollyfied*, which was racing to her inside maintained its position, that option was not available. She said that as a result, **Zonk** was left racing wide and without cover throughout the race.

Royal Fashion – raced wide and without cover throughout.

Alliterate – raced wide and without cover throughout the early stages, and approaching the 700m was eased to obtain a position with cover trailing *Royal Fashion*. A post race veterinary examination revealed **Alliterate** to have shifted its off hind plate.

RACE 5 – Hallowed Crown Standing At Darley Mile 1600m

Carluca – trainer Mr J Austin was fined the sum of \$100 for presenting **Carluca** in the enclosure without blinkers which is part of its approved gear. **Carluca** was slow to begin.

Salesman – slow to begin. After the 1200m, **Salesman** was left racing wide and without cover.

More Moet – slow to begin.

Suitable Winner – after beginning only fairly, was shifted in behind runners shortly after the start.

Mr Haussmann – when questioned regarding the disappointing performance of **Mr Haussmann**, which was backing up from Randwick on Saturday, 7 July 2018, H Bowman stated that although his mount travelled satisfactorily in a midfield position, after the 600m, came under pressure, did not respond and in his opinion raced flat. A post race veterinary examination revealed **Mr Haussmann** to be slow to recover. The Stewards will follow up with the post race condition of **Mr Haussmann** in the days subsequent.

Another Snappy – *McMahon* (J McDonald) shifted in when not clear of **Another Snappy** near the 1000m, which was hampered when racing fiercely. **Charming Lad**, which was following, was checked as a consequence. J McDonald was advised to exercise more care. **Another Snappy** – when question, K Adams explained that she had been asked to ride the gelding in a prominent position with cover if possible. She said that after obtaining a position behind *Carluca* after the 1400m, her mount commenced to race fiercely and when being restrained, got its head up on a number of occasions. She said that **Another Snappy** did not respond to her efforts in having the gelding settle, and as she was concerned that **Another Snappy** would race close to the heels of *Carluca*, she again restrained her mount in an endeavour to provide her with sufficient clearance from the heels of *Carluca*. She said this ultimately resulted in *McMahon* being able to shift into a position in front of her near the 1000m and this resulted in **Another Snappy** having to be steadied. During this time, **Another Snappy** became unbalanced and got its head up and lost additional ground. K Adams further explained that **Another Snappy** continued to prove difficult for her to ride, and to again ensure she had sufficient clearance from the heels of *McMahon*, she continually restrained her mount which ultimately resulted in **Another Snappy** losing its position again when *More Moet* was able to shift out near 900m. As a consequence, **Another Snappy** was then forced wide and without cover for some distance thereafter and travelled at the rear of the field. She said that approaching and rounding the home turn, she

shifted her mount back into a position close to the running rail whereby **Another Snappy** finished the race off well. Trainer Mr J Austin said that had only recently taken the responsibility of training **Another Snappy** and as the horse is somewhat of an unknown commodity, he endorsed the view that **Another Snappy** should be ridden with cover as he had been made aware by K Adams that **Another Snappy** has proven somewhat difficult to ride in its races. Mr Austin advised that it would be his intention, having regard to today's events, to continue to have **Another Snappy** ridden with cover. In all the circumstances, K Adams was advised that notwithstanding the racing manners of **Another Snappy**, she should have endeavoured to consolidate her position throughout the early and middle stages and that her riding during the relevant stages was not to the standard expected of a rider competing in the metropolitan area whereby she continually lost her position throughout the early and middle stages. Mr Austin was advised that having regard to the evidence tendered by K Adams, **Another Snappy** would be required to perform satisfactorily in an official barrier trial before being permitted again. A post race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities.

RACE 6 – ATC Owner Benefits Card Handicap 1400m

Pianissimo – slow to begin.

Magicus – shifted out at the start and made contact with *Impasse*. A post race veterinary examination revealed **Magicus** to have bled from both nostrils for the first time. Co-trainer Mr Paul Snowden was advised that **Magicus** would now incur the mandatory three month ban from racing under AR53A.

He's A Given – from its outside barrier, was shifted in behind runners in the early stages.

Speed And Hero – from its wide barrier, was shifted in behind runners in the early stages.

La Pont – raced wide and without cover approaching the 1000m.

Mad Fox – had difficulty obtaining clear running until approaching the 200m.

Tenorino – which was commencing to close the race off strongly, was severely checked near the 300m when held up on the heels of *Magicus*. **Tenorino** was then shifted out across the heels of *Magicus* and made contact with *Impasse*, during which **Tenorino** was again severely checked when unable to improve between *Magicus* and *Impasse* and bumped that runner. **Tenorino** shifted out, became awkwardly placed on the heels of *Magicus* and again was checked. Consequently at no stage of the straight was **Tenorino** able to contest the race.

RACE 7 – Spring On Sale Sprint 1100m

Music Magic – which was standing awkwardly in the barriers, was slow to begin (3L). In the early part of the straight, **Music Magic** was unable to be tested when racing close to the heels of *All Stand*.

Kenny Success – began awkwardly and shifted out. A post race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities.

All Stand – was crowded on jumping between *Territorial* and *Kenny Success*, which shifted out. Approaching the 600m, **All Stand**, which was racing fiercely, became awkwardly placed on the heels of *Kenny Success*, which shifted out and made heavy contact with *Oriental Runner*, which became unbalanced behind. **All Stand** continued to race fiercely approaching and rounding the home turn. Near the 350m, **All Stand** was again steadied from the heels of *Kenny Success*, which was tiring. **All Stand** had some difficulty obtain clear running in the early part of the straight.

Territorial – was crowded on jumping between *All Stand* and *Oriental Runner*. **Territorial** raced wide and without cover from the 600m.

Oriental Runner – was bumped on the hindquarter on jumping by *Territorial*, which shifted out and as a result, became unbalanced.

Vinnie Power – slow to begin. A post race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities.

Wander – slow to begin. Approaching the 600m, **Wander** made the turn awkwardly, shifted out and crowded *Epic Dan*, which became unbalanced. When questioned B Avdulla explained that approaching and rounding the home turn, *Vinnie Power* was racing directly to his outside and as he was unable to shift that runner out to improve, he elected to follow **All Stand**. He said that on straightening, he maintained his position and an opportunity to improve existed when *Kenny Success*, the leader, shifted out. He said, however, that as he was some lengths off that run, he rode vigorously to improve, however when he became committed to the inside of the heels of *Kenny Success*, that runner then shifted in near the 200m, resulting in him having to be checked when disappointed for running. A post race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities.

Epic Dan – near the 50m, which was racing tight between *All Stand* and *Territorial*, commenced to lay out and passing the 50m, became awkwardly placed on the heels of *Territorial*, which itself shifted in slightly away from *Nick On The Run*. As a result, **Epic Dan** was checked. *Music Magic*, which was following, was steadied as a consequence.

GENERAL:

Summary of whip use

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

Race 5	B Shinn (Fantastic Man)	6 strikes
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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: Salsa Man (2), Commentator, Estroverto, Tarka, The Golden Hind, Huey, Reagan.

Race 2: Safe Landing (2), Taygeta.

Race 3: Intuition, Versetto, Two 'N' Wellgo, Devolving.

Race 4: Royal Fashion, Zonk, She's Magical, Zonk.

Race 5: Salesman, Shock Alert, Fantastic Man, More Moet, Another Snappy, Charming Lad, Subtle Winner, Carluca.

Race 6: Mo The Great, He's A Given, Magicus, Impasse, Pianissimo.

Race 7: Oriental Runner, All Stand, Argent D'Or, Epic Dan, Kenny Success, Territorial, Nick On The Run.

SUMMARY	
Fines:	Race 5: trainer J Austin (Carluca) – \$100 – incorrect gear [AR140A].
Reprimands:	Race 1: J McDonald (Estroverto) – careless riding [137(a)].
Suspensions:	Race 1: J McDonald (Estroverto) – 15.7.18 to 25.7.18 – careless riding [137(a)].
Bleeders:	Race 6: Magicus (Snowden stable) – both nostrils, first time – 3 month ban.
Warnings:	Nil
Trials:	Hawkesbury (5.7.18): Tutu (trainer J Thompson). Race 5: Another Snappy (trainer J Austin) – racing manners.
Certificates:	Hawkesbury (5.7.18): Tutu (trainer J Thompson).
Fall/Injuries:	Nil
Change of Tactics:	Nil
Change of Colours:	Race 5: Subtle Winner – Club colours.
Change of Gear	Nil
Follow up:	Race 3: Squaw Peak (co-trainer M Hawkes) – poor performance. Race 5: Mr Haussmann (trainer C Waller) – poor performance.