

STEWARDS' REPORT
Newcastle Jockey Club

NEWCASTLE RACECOURSE

Friday 14 September 2018

Weather: Fine
Track: Good (4)
Rail: True

STEWARDS: D L Carr (Chairman), P D Dingwall, D M Greer, S T Matthews and cadet M W
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LATE RIDING CHANGES

As M Walker was stood down by the Club Doctor following race 3, Stewards permitted the following riding substitutions:

Race 4	J Ford on <i>Galway Girl</i>
Race 5	C Reith on <i>Everard</i> .
Race 6	A Gibbons on <i>Red Chandelier</i> .
Race 7	J Penza on <i>Vassal</i> .
Race 8	J Collett on <i>Sambro</i> .

RACE 1: Macka's Sand & Soil Benchmark 64 Handicap 2300m

Chain Of Fools – slow to begin (3L).

All Well – caught wide without cover in the early stages and was allowed to stride forward to assume a position outside the leader near the 1600m. **All Well** then raced keenly in the middle stages.

Ocean Walzer – held up rounding the home turn.

Liffy – near the 300m, when commencing to give ground, was steadied when crowded between *Whangamata*, which laid in away from *Chain Of Fools* and *Ocean Walzer*, which shifted out slightly.

Casiraghi – a post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

RACE 2: Simplot Partners Class 2 Handicap 1600m

Cinderconi – as K Latham was overweight, Stewards permitted T Berry to be substituted as the rider of the mare. K Latham was fined \$200 under AR120(b). Began awkwardly, shifted in and bumped *Girl Tuesday*. Laid in when placed under pressure in the straight.

Our Tax Return – slow to begin.

Western Folk – raced keenly in the early stages and near the 1200m had to be steadied away from the heels of *Chosen Prince*.

Chosen Prince – hung out rounding the home turn. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

So Bizarre – laid out when placed under pressure in the straight.

Girl Tuesday – raced wide and without cover throughout the event.

RACE 3: NBN News CG&E Maiden Plate 1200m

On The Top – slow to begin. When questioned regarding the performance, J Parr stated that his mount travelled comfortably at the rear of the field and he was pleased with the manner in which it improved into the race from the 500m. He said, however, after shifting to the outside of *Petain* on straightening to obtain clear running, his mount was disappointing in its failure to finish its race off. J Parr added that the only excuse he could offer was that his mount was quite stirred up prior to the event, did not concentrate when placed under pressure and would benefit from being gelded. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities. Trainer Mr M Newnham expressed disappointment with the performance and advised that **On The Top** would now be gelded before racing again.

Redazzity – slow to begin.

C'est Davinchi – raced fiercely in the early stages and near the 100m was steadied away from the heels of *Sir Owen*. Then continued to overrace throughout the middle stages. Held up rounding the home turn and did not obtain clear running until near the 250m.

Sir Owen – raced keenly in the early and middle stages. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

Quick Nick – when caught wide and without cover rounding the first turn was allowed to stride forward and assume a position outside the leader near the 800m.

Big Bad Bruce – raced wide and without cover throughout the event.

RACE 4: Advanced Pest Control F&M Maiden Plate 1200m

Miss Einstein – slow to begin.

Oakfield Romance – from its wide barrier was steadied and shifted in behind runners in the early stages.

Galina – from its wide barrier was steadied and shifted in behind runners in the early stages.

Claws Are Out – overraced throughout the early and middle stages.

Collectively – Near the 250m made contact with *Galway Girl* when attempting to improve into a narrow run to the outside of *Claws Are Out*, however, **Collectively** had to be severely checked when disappointed for that run due to *Galway Girl* initially being taken in by *Pretty Song*, which was inclined to lay in, and *Claws Are Out* then shifting out when weakening. When questioned regarding his riding rounding the home turn, K McEvoy stated that, as the leaders *Claws Are Out* and *Amami* had set a fast tempo throughout the event, rounding the home turn he attempted to position himself to the outside of *Claws Are Out*, as he anticipated

the leaders weakening. He said, however, that he was disappointed for this run when *Rose Of Savannah* held its position to the outside of *Claws Are Out* and his mount then became badly held up. K McEvoy added after striking severe interference approaching the 200m, he did not test his mount for the remainder of the event. When questioned as to whether there was an opportunity for him to improve to the inside of *Amami* rounding the home turn when *Amami* was inclined to lay out, K McEvoy stated that he had not observed *Amami* laying out throughout the run and when he had committed to that runner's outside after the 500m it was racing on the rail. He said shortly after committing to its outside *Amami* shifted out away from the fence, however, by this time he was unable to direct his mount back to the inside of *Amami* to obtain clear running. K McEvoy agreed with Stewards that, with the benefit of hindsight, the better option would have been to remain racing on the rail rounding the home turn, particularly given *Amami's* inclination to hang out, which would have afforded his mount clear running on straightening.

Pretty Song – rounding the home turn became awkwardly positioned close to the heels of *Rose Of Savannah*, shifted out abruptly and made contact with *Heaven Help Me*. Laid in when placed under pressure in the straight and near the 250m became unbalanced when bumped on the hindquarter by *Galway Girl*.

Heaven Help Me – raced wide and without cover throughout the event.

Amami – rider B Avdulla reported that his mount hung out throughout the event and as a consequence proved difficult to ride out in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

RACE 5: Hungerford Hill Wines NJC 3YO Spring Stakes (Group 3) 1600m

Aramayo – the colt, which became fractious in the tie-up stalls and momentarily got its off-foreleg over the divider, was examined by the Club's Veterinary Officer in the tie-up stalls and again on arrival at the barriers and was deemed suitable to race. From its wide barrier was steadied and shifted in behind runners in the early stages.

Mizzy – began awkwardly.

Home Win – slow to begin.

Perfect Pitch – knuckled shortly after the start.

Aliferous – from its wide barrier was steadied and shifted in behind runners in the early stages. Approaching the 1000m was checked away from the heels of *Grand Bouquet*, which itself was steadied away from the heels of *Mizzy*, which was being restrained by its rider in an attempt to find cover. Held up rounding the home turn and did not obtain clear running until near the 300m where it was shifted to the outside of *Aramayo*. **Aliferous** then hung in in the run to the finish and proved difficult to ride out..

Everard – from its wide barrier was steadied and shifted in behind runners in the early stages.

Greysful Glamour – approaching the 1000m was steadied to avoid the heels of *Come Along* (J Penza), which shifted in when not quite clear. J Penza was told to ensure he is two lengths clear when shifting ground.

Come Along – held up rounding the home turn. Over the final strides was unable to be tested when hampered by *Outrageous*, which shifted in.

Aristocratic Miss – slow to begin. Near the 300m was eased when disappointed for a run between *Perfect Pitch* and *Outrageous*, which shifted in. **Aristocratic Miss** was then directed to the outside of *Outrageous* to obtain clear running. Near the 50m was directed to the outside of *Mizzy* to continue into clear running.

Outrageous – held up rounding the home turn and in the early part of the straight.

Mizzy – raced wide and without cover throughout the event.

Morpheus – when questioned regarding the performance, rider H Bowman stated that his mount travelled comfortably throughout the event, although was caught wide and without cover and when placed under pressure it did initially respond to his riding before weakening over the final 200m. He added that in all the circumstances, particularly as his mount was racing second up today over 1600m and was obliged to cover excessive ground, he was not disappointed with the performance. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

Sunreel – rider A Gibbons reported that his mount travelled comfortably throughout the event, however when placed under pressure rounding the home turn failed to quicken and in his opinion raced flat. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

RACE 6: Yarraman Park Tibbie Stakes (Group 3) 1400m

Miss Que – a veterinary examination of the mare, which was fractious in the barriers and momentarily got its off-hind leg up on the running board, deemed it suitable to race. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

La Chica Bella – knuckled on jumping, resulting in rider R King becoming unbalanced.

Marabel – from its wide barrier was steadied and shifted in behind runners in the early stages.

The Pinnacle – near the 500m was steadied when crowded between *Miss Que* and *Princess Posh*, which shifted out to improve.

Irithea – laid out under pressure in the straight.

Insensata – rider J Collett momentarily dropped his offside rein near the 150m. Approaching the 100m became awkwardly positioned close to the heels of *Tarabai* (T Berry) and shifted out abruptly despite the efforts of its rider, resulting in *La Chica Bella* having to be checked when crowded between **Insensata** and *Miss Que*. In all the circumstances T Berry was told he should have stopped riding and straightened his mount sooner than he did on this occasion.

Savatiano – raced wide and without cover throughout the event.

RACE 7: Sharp Electronics Group Newcastle Gold Cup (Group 3) 2300m

Just Shine – slow to begin. Held up for some distance approaching the home turn and rounding the home turn had to be checked away from the heels of the weakening *Dark Eyes*. **Just Shine** was then shifted to the inside of *Dark Eyes* to obtain clear running, however, for a

short distance near the 300m was unable to be tested when racing in restricted room between *Dark Eyes* and *Segenhoe*.

Destiny's Kiss – slow to begin. Rounding the home turn had to be steadied away from the heels of the weakening *Cismontane*.

Grand Dreamer – slow to begin.

Carzoff – held up rounding the home turn and approaching the 200m, when attempting a narrow run between *Goathland* and *First Crush*, made contact with the hindquarter of *Goathland* when *First Crush* shifted in, resulting in *Goathland* becoming unbalanced and being turned outwards. *Goathland* (T Berry) then continued to shift out, resulting in **Carzoff** being crowded. In all the circumstances T Berry was told that he should have stopped riding and straightened his mount sooner than he did.

Dark Eyes – a post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

RACE 8: Australian Bloodstock Cameron Handicap (Group 3) 1500m

Plein Ciel – when questioned regarding the performance, B Avdulla stated he was instructed to settle in a midfield position, however, after being slow to begin, he was obliged to settle towards the rear. He said his mount never travelled comfortably at any stage of the event and he could offer no explanation for its failure to respond to his riding when placed under pressure rounding the home turn. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

Best Of Days – slow to begin. Held up for clear running in the early part of the straight and for a short distance approaching the 100m was unable to be tested when racing in restricted room between *Arbeitsam* and *Red Excitement*, which shifted in.

Kaonic – slow to begin.

Allergic – slow to begin.

Got Unders – approaching the 200m was carried in slightly by *Best Of Days*, which improved into a narrow run between *Red Excitement* and **Got Unders**. Then approaching the 150m had to be checked away from the heels of *Arbeitsam*, which shifted out abruptly before being corrected by its rider.

Red Excitement – raced wide and without cover throughout the event.

Prized Icon – when questioned regarding his riding out of the horse, T Berry stated that his mount was inclined to lay out rounding the home turn and in the straight and proved difficult to fully test. He added that approaching the winning post his mount shifted ground outwards and, as he was aware that *Arbeitsam* was positioned back to his outside and *Best Of Days*, which was racing to the outside of that runner, was shifting in, he was obliged to stop riding and straighten his mount to avoid causing interference to *Arbeitsam*.

GENERAL:

Summary of whip use:

Stewards noted the following riders exceeded the permitted 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	R Hutchings (<i>Chain Of Fools</i>) G Buckley (<i>Villarrica</i>)	7 strikes prior to the 100m. 6 strikes prior to the 100m.
Race 3	J Penza (<i>Neruda</i>) B Avdulla (<i>Petain</i>)	6 strikes prior to the 100m. 2 consecutive strikes prior to the 100m.
Race 6	G Schofield (<i>Princess Posh</i>)	7 strikes prior to the 100m.
Race 7	T Berry (<i>Goathland</i>)	6 strikes prior to the 100m.
Race 8	J Parr (<i>Red Excitement</i>) T Clark (<i>New Tipperary</i>)	7 strikes prior to the 100m. 6 strikes prior to the 100m.

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

Race 1: Ocean Walzer (2), Chain Of Fools, Le Sacre Blur, Villarrica.

Race 2: So Bizarre.

Race 3: Petain, Quick Nick, Sir Owen.

Race 4: Heaven Help Me, Oakfield Romance, Miss Einstein (2).

Race 5: Cloak (2), Come Along, Perfect Pitch, Mizzy, Sunreel.

Race 6: The Pinnacle, Princess Posh (2), Miss Que, Deer Mountain, Savatiano.

Race 7: Auvray, Carzoff (2), First Crush, Harper's Choice, Cismontane, Vassal, Grand Dreamer, Mongolian Wolf, Segenhoe, Just Shine.

Race 8: Arbeitsam, Prized Icon, New Tipperary (2), Kaonic.

SUMMARY	
Fines:	Race 2: K Latham (<i>Cinderconi</i>) \$200 – overweight (AR120(b)).
Reprimands:	Nil.
Suspensions:	Nil.
Bleeders:	Nil.
Warnings:	Nil.
Trials:	Nil.
Certificates:	Nil.
Fall/Injuries:	Nil.
Tactics Notified:	Race 1: <i>Red Dubawi</i> – to be ridden conservatively from wide barrier; settled back. Race 3: <i>Big Bad Bruce</i> – to be ridden quieter with cover; settled midfield without cover. <i>Quick Nick</i> – to be ridden with cover behind leaders; settled outside lead.
Change of Colours:	Race 5: <i>Cloak</i> – white cap. <i>Greysful Glamour</i> – red cap. <i>Sunreel</i> – white cap. Race 6: <i>Deer Mountain</i> – yellow, red armbands and cap. Race 7: <i>Segenhoe</i> – Racing NSW colours. Race 8: <i>Best Of Days</i> – white cap.
Change of Gear	Nil.
Follow up:	Nil.