

STEWARDS REPORT

Bathurst Thoroughbred Racing TYERS PARK RACECOURSE, BATHURST

Tuesday 20th March 2018

Weather: Fine.
Track: Good (4).
Rail: +1.5m 1200m to 350m, where cutaway applies.
Penetrometer: 4.73.

STEWARDS: T.W. Smith (Chairman), S.P. Fitzgerald & I.H. Grimes.

Race 1: Maiden Handicap (Fillies & Mares) 1106m:

Courthouse Roxy – rider R. Brewer stated his mount felt sore in its action in the straight; a post-race veterinary examination revealed the filly to be sore in front and to have lost its off fore plate; Trainer Mr. J. Higgins advised *Courthouse Roxy* would now be spelled.

Sweet Bouquet – raced keenly in the lead in the early and middle stages.

Go Go Gio – stood flat footed and missed the start (4L). Trainer Mr. D. Mirfin was advised a warning would be recorded against *Go Go Gio*; steadied near the 200m when *Trust in Luck* (App. Ms. K. Bell-Pitomac) shifted in when not clear. App. Ms. K. Bell-Pitomac was reprimanded (AR137(a)).

Race 2: Maiden Handicap (Colts, Geldings & Entirees) 1106m:

Luck in Friendship – bumped heavily by *Hez Lethal* on straightening; bumped by *Hez Lethal* near the 100m; laid out and brushed with *Luck in Friendship* near the 50m.

Don't Judge Me – slow to begin; overraced in the early stages.

Prince Zariz – slow to begin.

Narrow Neck Nelson – overraced in the early stages; held up approaching the home turn.

Saibye – slow to begin; overraced in the early stages.

Race 3: Class 2 Plate 1335m:

Bonsley – overraced in the early stages; hung out near the 700m, near the 500m and again rounding the home turn; a post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any significant abnormalities. Trainer Mr. M. Lynch was advised a warning would be recorded against *Bonsley* for hanging out.

Catcha Crown – overraced in the middle stages.

Steam Machine – slow to begin.

Bow River – slow to begin.

Race 4: Benchmark 60 Handicap 1806m:

Kingsbridge – late withdrawal at 7.41am. Trainer Mr. C. Crockett was fined \$100 (LR36).

Zardabba – when questioned, rider G. Ryan stated his mount felt flat throughout its preliminary and during the event. He added today, with the genuine tempo of the

race, his mount was afforded a favourable run throughout however offered little in the way of improvement in the straight; a post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any significant abnormalities.

Dubali – Trainer Mr. C. Crockett was fined \$50 (LR35) for the late declaration of rider App. C. Williams; overraced in the lead throughout the early and middle stages.

Deny – slow to begin; near the 800m, was bumped and unbalanced by *Nightspun*.

Bathurstian – raced wide throughout.

Race 5: Maiden Plate 1406m:

I Arize – held up approaching the home turn and near the 400m, was checked after improving onto the heels of *Nanpop*.

I Love Buddy – a post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any significant abnormalities.

Money Travels – buffeted on jumping between *The Warlord* and *Tumbleweed*.

The Warlord – shifted in near the 100m to continue into clear running.

In Our Sights – attempted to buck in the early stages; raced wide throughout; a post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any significant abnormalities; Trainer Mr. B. Draper was advised *In Our Sights* would be required to barrier trial to the satisfaction of the Stewards prior to racing again.

Winterconi – slow to begin; raced wide throughout.

Race 6: Class 1 Handicap 1106m:

Ikaba – Stewards considered an application from rider C. Reith to have *Ikaba* declared a non-runner on the basis that the gelding was denied a fair start. After viewing the official Stewards patrol footage, it was established that when the start was effected, the right-side barrier gate of the stall occupied by *Ikaba* retracted badly, resulting in *Ikaba* being badly hampered and becoming severely unbalanced. *Ikaba* was consequently declared a non-runner. Stewards subsequently ordered all monies wagered on *Ikaba* be refunded in full and all successful wagers placed with bookmakers prior to the start being effected be subject to the following deductions in the dollar on the face value of the ticket:

First: *Playard* less 28 cents win and 21 cents place;

Second: *Bel's Boy* less 10 cents place; and

Third: *Tribuna* less 38 cents place.

Stewards directed Bathurst Thoroughbred Racing Officials to undertake maintenance on the affected stall, which was done so.

Denmix – slow to begin.

Race 7: Benchmark 62 Handicap 1406m:

Sparsholt – steadied near the 400m when *Counterfire* (J. Penza) shifted out after improving onto the heels of *Kailis Pearl*; J. Penza was advised to exercise more care.

Shadow Flight – near the 1300m, was steadied when *Sparsholt* was taken in by *Staggering* (B. El-Issa) shifted in when not clear. B. El-Issa was reprimanded (AR137(a)).

Social Pirate – began awkwardly; lost off hind plate in running.

George Two – slow to begin.

Mabrouk – steadied near the 1200m, was steadied after improving onto the heels of *Staggering* when overracing; overraced in the early stages; raced wide throughout.

Kailis Pearl – slow to begin; near the 450m, hung out across the heels of *Shadow Flight* and was checked.

General:

Samples were obtained from **all** winners.

SUMMARY	
Fines:	Race 4: Trainer C. Crockett - \$50 LR35 – late rider declaration. Race 4: Trainer C. Crockett - \$100 LR36 – late withdrawal.
Reprimands:	Race 1: App. K. Bell-Pitomac – AR137(a) – careless riding. Race 7: B. El-Issa – AR137(a) – careless riding.
Suspensions:	Nil.
Bleeders:	Nil.
Certificates:	Nil.
Warnings:	Race 1: <i>Go Go Gio</i> (Trainer D. Mirfin) – slow to begin. Race 3: <i>Bonsley</i> (Trainer M. Lynch) – hung out.
Trials:	Race 5: <i>In Our Sights</i> (Trainer B. Draper) – bucked and poor performance.
Change of tactics:	Nil.
Falls/Injuries:	Nil.
Gear Changes:	Nil.
Follow up:	Nil.