

STEWARDS' REPORT
Wyong Race Club

WYONG RACECOURSE

Tuesday 24 July 2018

Weather: Fine
Track: Good (4); upgraded to Good (3) at 12.28pm following race 1 to retrospectively include race 1
Rail: True

STEWARDS: J J E Earl (Chairman), T P Moxon, D M Greer and cadets F J Dale
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RACE 1: Brilliant LTG – Prysmian Maiden Platye 1350m

Lutreola – slow to begin and then from its wide barrier was steadied and shifted in behind runners in the early stages.

McGoo – shortly after the start was crowded for room between *Erudition* and *Bobbio*, which shifted out.

Sun And Heir – laid in under pressure in the straight and proved difficult to ride out.

Bobbio – laid under pressure in the straight.

Erudition – a post-race veterinary examination revealed superficial lacerations above the off-hind hock and stifle.

RACE 2: Clipsal By Schneider Benchmark 65 Handicap 1100m

Miss Faith – Stewards considered an application from T Wolfgram, rider of 2nd placegetter *Katgully Red*, that the race to be declared void on the basis of a false start. Stewards also inquired into whether **Miss Faith**, the eventual winner, had gained an unfair advantage at the start of the race. Evidence was taken from Assistant Starter Mr B Rogers, who started this race, and all the relevant parties of *Katgully Red* and **Miss Faith**. After viewing the official patrol films, the Stewards established that **Miss Faith** reared and lunged forward simultaneously as the start was effected, resulting in the front gates of its barrier fully opening prior to the other barriers and the mare beginning in advance of the rest of the field. As Stewards were satisfied that the start of the race had been effected by the starter and not as a result of **Miss Faith** making contact with the front of its barrier and, although **Miss Faith** did gain a margin on the field, when Stewards were satisfied that **Miss Faith** had not gained an unfair advantage, they declined to exercise their powers under AR134B to declare **Miss Faith** a non-runner and, therefore, correct weight was declared. Laid out rounding the home turn. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the presence of blood in both nostrils. As Stewards were satisfied that the presence of blood was due to an external trauma, no further action was taken.

Mr Grumpy – began awkwardly.

Penalty – approaching the 200m bumped with *Art's Got A Gun* after racing in restricted room between that runner and *Mr Grumpy*. Laid in under pressure over the final 150m.

RACE 3: Matchmaster – I.P.D. – Haneco 2YO Colts – Geldings Maiden Plate 1100m

Greenskeeper – slow to begin. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

Time For Charlie – slow to begin, failed to must speed in the early stages despite the efforts of its rider and lost contact with the main body of the field. A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding, which was beaten 30 lengths, did not reveal any abnormalities. Stable representative Mr S Perry was advised the gelding must barrier trial to the satisfaction of the Stewards prior to racing again.

Volt Of Power – from its wide barrier was steadied and shifted in behind runners in the early stages. Passing the 400m was hampered when crowded for room between *Greenskeeper* and *Commander Bell*. Laid in under pressure in the straight and proved difficult to ride out.

Hemsted – from its wide barrier was steadied and shifted in behind runners in the early stages. Laid in over the final 500m and proved difficult to ride out.

Oxford Tycoon – raced keenly in the early and middle stages. Raced wide and without cover throughout the event.

Commander Bell – passing the 400m was hampered when crowded for room between *Volt Of Power* and *Spatula*, which was taken in by *Hemsted*, which laid in despite the efforts of its rider. Laid in under pressure over the final 200m.

RACE 4: Omni – Repelec Class 1 Handicap 1350m

Clifton County – as J Innes Jr was delayed due to transport difficulties, Stewards permitted B Shinn to be substituted as the rider of the gelding. From its wide barrier was steadied and shifted in behind runners in the early stages.

Orokonui – slow to begin. Laid in rounding the home turn.

The Patrician – held up from the 600m and near the 350m had to be steadied to avoid the heels of *Jeff's Folly*, **The Patrician** then shifted to the outside of *Oakfield Missile* and obtained clear running on straightening. Raced keenly in the middle stages.

Oakfield Missile – laid out rounding the home turn. Raced keenly in the middle stages. Raced wide and without cover for the major part of the race.

Our Lady Violet – a post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

RACE 5: L&C/Pak – Omega – Levey Agencies 2YO Fillies Maiden Plate 1100m

Smart Promise – began awkwardly and shortly afterwards shifted out and made heavy contact with *So Very Vein*. **Smart Promise** was then checked when crowded for room between *So Very Vein* and *Schill Rock You*, which shifted out. **Smart Promise** was steadied and shifted in behind runners in the early stages. Raced keenly in the middle stages. Hampered and carried wider rounding the home turn by *Gentle Persuasion*, which was taken

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out by *Efficiently* when that runner hung out. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

So Very Vein – began awkwardly and made contact with the offside partition of its barrier. From its wide barrier was steadied and shifted in behind runners in the early stages.

Efficiently – began awkwardly, shifted in and made contact with *So Very Vein*.

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

Don't Doubt Arthur – raced keenly when being restrained by its rider to obtain cover behind the leader *I'm So Sweet* passing the 800m.

Angiolini – raced wide and without cover throughout the event. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

Spiritual Pursuit – over the concluding stages was unable to be fully tested when awkwardly placed close to the heels of *Don't Doubt Arthur*. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

RACE 6: Cabac – PSA – Gerard LTG Prov & Ctry Maiden Handicap 1200m

Maudy – the gelding was a late withdrawal at 11.37am on veterinary advice.

Mud Wasp – slow to begin. Held up rounding the home turn until shortly after straightening, where the gelding had to be shifted to the outside of *Snatcha* to secure clear running.

Snatcha – slow to begin. Raced keenly in the early and middle stages. Laid in under pressure in the straight.

Mosht Up – from its wide barrier was steadied and shifted in behind runners in the early stages. Held up making the home turn.

Stunned – near the 900m had to be steadied when crowded for room by *Heart Of Class* (A Adkins), which shifted in when not clear. A Adkins was advised to exercise more care. **Stunned** was then shifted to the outside of *Heart Of Class* when racing keenly. Hung out under pressure rounding the home turn. Rider S Lisnyy was reprimanded under AR137A(5)(a)(i) for using the whip on three consecutive strikes prior to the 100m.

Major Stress – raced wide and without cover throughout the event.

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

Heart Of Class – a post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

Poet's Edition – a post-race veterinary examination revealed the mare to be 4/5 lame in the near-foreleg. Stable representative Mr T Higgins was advised a veterinary clearance must be provided prior to the mare racing again.

RACE 7: Legrand Australia Class 2 Handicap 1000m

Happy Mo – began awkwardly.

Mighty Marmalade – began awkwardly and shortly afterwards was hampered by *Big Legged Woman*, which shifted out. Laid in in the straight.

Citizen's Arrest – overraced in the early and middle stages and proved difficult to settle. Approaching the 600m when overracing, had to be steadied to avoid the heels of *Big Legged Woman*.

Missed Out – near the 75m had to be steadied when crowded by *Miss Casier*, which shifted in abruptly despite the efforts of its rider. Over the concluding stages **Missed Out** raced in restricted room to the inside of *Miss Casier* (J Adams), which shifted in marginally. J Adams was advised to exercise more care in similar circumstances.

RACE 8: Electra – Sharkrack Benchmark 67 Handicap 1600m

Flagpoles – slow to begin. Held up approaching and rounding the home turn.

We're Smokin – slow to begin and despite the efforts of its rider in the early stages failed to muster speed and lost contact with the main body of the field.

Spinning Gold – raced keenly in the middle stages.

Shadow Vision - held up rounding the home turn and in the early part of the straight and did not secure clear running until approaching the 100m when shifted to the outside of *Moondancer* to secure clear running.

Muse – held up for clear running from the 400m and had to be shifted to the outside of *Excited Prince* shortly after straightening to improve into clear running. Hung in in the straight and proved difficult to ride out.

Moondancer – when questioned, rider J Collett stated he was instructed to ride the gelding in a forward position. He said, after beginning only fairly and being crowded for room on jumping, he was obliged to ride his mount in the early stages to comply with his instructions. He added, after obtaining a position three wide without cover behind the leaders, he contemplated improving forward to cross both *Jarrett* and *Spinning Gold*, however, as he felt the tempo of the race was genuine, he would have had to have made too much use of his mount to perform this manoeuvre. He said as a result **Moondancer** was obliged to race wide and without cover throughout the event. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

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 6	S Lisnyy (<i>Stunned</i>)	8 strikes prior to the 100m.

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

Race 1: Sun And Heir.

Race 2: Katgully Red.

Race 4: Orokonui, Spring Creek Star (2).

Race 5: Sailing Along.

Race 6: Mosht Up.

Race 8: Moondancer, Excited Prince (2), We're Smokin.

SUMMARY	
Fines:	Race 7: Trainer N Mayfield-Smith (<i>Muse</i>) \$100 – late application for gear change (AR140B).
Reprimands:	Race 6: S Lisnyy (<i>Stunned</i>) – use of the whip (AR137A(5)(a)(i)).
Suspensions:	Nil.
Bleeders:	Nil.
Warnings:	Nil
Trials:	Race 3: <i>Time For Charlie</i> (trainer P Perry) – uncompetitive.
Certificates:	Race 6: <i>Poet's Edition</i> (trainer A Lee) – 4/5 lame near-foreleg.
Fall/Injuries:	Nil.
Tactics Notified:	Race 6: <i>Mosht Up</i> – to be ridden further back; settled last.
Change of Colours:	Nil.
Change of Gear	Nil.
Follow up:	Nil.