

STEWARDS REPORT

Clarence River Jockey Club GRAFTON RACECOURSE

Tuesday 30 October 2018

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

STEWARDS: M. A. Holloway (Chairman), N. M. Daniels & J. T. Penfold

General: Trainer Mr A. Parramore was fined \$300 for failing to immediately lodge a stable return detailing the location of horses that have left or joined his stable (LR39(5)).

RACE 1: Benchmark 66 Handicap 2350m

Bromach (NZ) – Overraced approaching and rounding the first turn. Inclined to overrace in the early and middle stages. Steadied after improving onto heels approaching the 1200m and approaching the 600m.

Leprechaun Lad – Began awkwardly. Inclined to pull in the early stages.

His Kyllachy (IRE) – Inclined to pull in the middle stages.

Prince Coureuse – Slow to begin (3L).

Slaughter Bay – When questioned regarding the disappointing performance of the gelding jockey B. Looker stated that his mount settled in a handy position and travelled well in the early and middle stages. B. Looker stated that when the leaders commenced to improve from the 700m his mount was under pressure to keep with them and failed to sprint strongly down the straight. B. Looker stated that his mount raced like a tired horse. When questioned, trainer Mr B. Dais advised that consideration would be given to spelling the gelding in the coming days. A post race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality outside a small laceration to the off hind fetlock.

Tough One – Threw its head shortly after the start.

RACE 2: Class 1 & Maiden Plate 1700m

Arrogant Boy – Slow to begin. Made the 1400m crossing awkwardly. Unable to improve approaching the home turn when held up on heels.

Bring Euro – Began awkwardly and hampered shortly after.

I Am Perfect – Inclined to overrace between the 1400m and 1000m. Inclined to lay in under pressure down the straight and proved difficult to ride with full vigour.

King of Monaco – Raced wide in the early stages. Near the 1000m was steadied after improving onto heels. Unable to improve between the 600m and 500m when held up on heels.

Mary's Girl – Inclined to overrace in the early stages. Eased over the concluding stages when tightened for room. When questioned regarding the disappointing performance of the mare jockey M. Palmer stated that his mount settled behind the leaders throughout the early and middle stages and travelled well. M. Palmer stated that when asked to improve passing the 600m his mount failed to respond strongly and was disappointing in its run to the line. Trainer Mrs J. Pratten advised that she is of the opinion the mare has reached the end of its preparation and it would be spelled immediately. A post race veterinary examination of the mare did not reveal any abnormality.

Queachy (GB) – Blundered at the crossing at the 1400m. Inclined to pull in the middle stages.

Smokin' Miss – Blundered rounding the home turn. Eased over the concluding stages when tightened for room.

Spirit of Edyn – Slow to begin. Between the 1200m and 1000m was steadied on a number of occasions after pulling its way up onto heels.

RACE 3: Maiden Handicap 1200m

Deubank – Unable to improve rounding the home turn and entrance to the straight when held up on heels.

Gypsy Ball – Eased after improving onto heels passing the 700m.

Mon Cheri – Slow to begin.

Moringa's Hiemie – Began awkwardly. Pulled rounding the first turn. Raced wide in the early and middle stages. Laid in down the straight. Jockey S. Traacey dropped his near side rein passing the 200m and was unable to test his mount whilst he regathered it.

Paper Kites – Began awkwardly. Inclined to overrace in the early stages. Blundered rounding the home turn. Approaching the 300m was obliged to ease out around heels to continue to improve.

Reine De La Nuit – Slow to begin and hampered shortly after.

Rockaway Beach – Began awkwardly. Overraced between the 1100m and 800m. Approaching the 700m was checked after hanging out across heels. Continued to

overrace in the middle stages. Unable to improve rounding the home turn when held up on heels.

Stolen Paradise – Slow to begin and tightened between runners shortly after. Laid out rounding the home turn.

Tejaan – Rounding the home turn became held up on heels and was unable to be fully tested until approaching the 200m.

We Concur – Began awkwardly. Laid out rounding the home turn.

RACE 4: Class 2 Handicap 1100m

Caribou – Slow to begin.

Crooked Gent – Hampered shortly after the start. Rounding the home turn became held up on heels and was unable to be fully tested until shifting out into clear running passing the 200m.

Fair Dinkum – Bumped on jumping. Unable to improve approaching the home turn when held up on heels. Laid out under pressure between the 300m and 200m.

Hastag Hero – Raced wide in the early stages.

Jahez – Eased from heels at the entrance to the straight. Passing the 300m was obliged to ease in around heels to continue to improve. Held up on heels approaching and passing the 200m.

Manning Treasure – Hampered near the 200m.

Red Raffle – Overraced rounding the first turn.

Rioli (NZ) – Laid out at the entrance to the straight.

Rispetta – Slow to begin. Overraced in the early stages. Raced wide in the early and middle stages.

Single Image – Bumped on jumping.

Steppin' Out – Overraced in the early and middle stages.

Vivid Image – Raced wide in the early and middle stages.

RACE 5: Class 1 Handicap 1400m

Dress Sense – Unbalanced when bumped heavily shortly after the start. Overraced rounding the first turn. Approaching the 1000m was steadied after improving onto heels.

I'm Rosie – Eased when tightened for room approaching the first turn.

Just Sizzling – Blundered on jumping and bumped shortly after. Passing the 1100m was steadied after pulling its way up onto heels.

Ornate – Blundered on jumping. Overraced in the early and middle stages.

Red All Day – Rounding the home turn became held up on heels and was unable to be tested until shifting out around heels near the 200m.

Sckam (NZ) – Passing the 1000m was steadied after improving onto heels.

Tipsy Choice - Raced wide in the early and middle stages.

RACE 6: Benchmark 66 Handicap 1400m

Anne Bonny – Bumped on jumping. Steadied when tightened for room passing the 1100m.

Call the Captain – Bumped on jumping and near the 200m.

Caro Cavallo – Steadied after improving onto heels passing the 800m. Approaching the 150m was steadied after being bumped across heels whilst racing in restricted room.

Cool Prince – Raced wide in the early and middle stages.

Curley Mac – Rounding the home turn became held up on heels and was unable to be tested until passing the 100m.

Nothingfortheprress – Overraced fiercely between the 1200m and 800m. Steadied after improving onto heels near the 500m. Approaching the home turn became held up on heels and was unable to be tested until near the 300m. Shifted in and bumped another runner near the 200m. Over the concluding stages was steadied from the heels of *Cool Prince* which was carried in by *The Equalizer* which shifted in under pressure. Jockey R. Plumb (*The Equalizer*) was reprimanded (AR137(a)).

P'artie Town – Declared a late scratching by order of stewards, acting on veterinary advice, at 2.52pm after the gelding sustained an injury to its near hind heel en route to the racecourse.

Rothford – Raced wide in the early stages. Steadied when buffeted between runners approaching the 1000m.

The Equalizer – Eased when tightened for room shortly after the start.

Tycoon Rossa – Steadied after improving on to heels passing the 900m.

RACE 7: Benchmark 58 Handicap 1200m

Chloride – Passing the 1000m was steadied when tightened for room by *Princess Elle* which shifted in. Jockey M. McGuren (*Princess Elle*) was reprimanded (AR137(a)). Passing the 500m became held up on heels and was unable to improve until shortly after straightening.

Piccolo Miss – Raced wide in the early and middle stages.

Princess Elle – A post race veterinary examination of the mare revealed it had bled from both nostrils for the first time. Trainer Mr J. Reilly was advised that the mare will incur the embargoes listed under AR53A.

Red Calvary – Passing the 100m was obliged to ease out around heels to continue to improve.

Text Me – Raced wide in the early and middle stages.

Toast - Began awkwardly. Unable to improve when held up on heels at the entrance to the straight. Jockey P. Graham reported that his mount raced flat and in his opinion did not appreciate the quick back up today.

Will's Bid – Overraced in the early and middle stages. Shifted in under pressure down the straight.

RACE 8: Open Handicap 1100m

Clang's Victory - Unable to improve approaching and rounding the home turn when held up on heels.

Hide the Moon - Bumped approaching the 1000m

Mystic Moon – Bumped approaching the 1000m. When questioned regarding the performance of the mare jockey Ms T. Harrison stated that she was instructed to lead the event however her mount was unable to muster enough speed to do so and was obliged to settle behind the leaders. Ms Harrison stated that when her mount was crossed it dropped the bit and she was required to encourage it along to hold its position. Ms Harrison stated her mount weakened in its run to the line. Ms Harrison stated that her mounts best runs have been when it has been able to lead, uncontested, and dictate terms. A post race veterinary examination of the mare did not reveal any abnormality.

Power Receiver – As A. Spinks was injured stewards permitted J. Taylor to replace him as the rider of the gelding. Began awkwardly.

Round Mountain Gal – When questioned regarding his riding of the gelding throughout the event, in particular why he failed to place his mount under any pressure and effectively took no competitive part in the event, jockey J. Oliver stated that he has never ridden the mare before and en route to the barriers he noticed it had an unusual action. J. Oliver stated he did not request the raceday veterinarian inspect the mare as he was not satisfied its action was due to soreness. J. Oliver stated that he was instructed to allow the mare settle where it was comfortable so he did not place it under pressure in the early stages. J. Oliver added that his mares action during this time deteriorated to that pre race and he commenced to restrain the mare for fear something was amiss. J. Oliver stated that passing the 800m he rode his mount along for a number of strides and when its action failed to improve he restrained it for the remainder of the event. A post race veterinary examination of the mare revealed it to be lame in the near fore leg (1/5) and to have an unusual gait behind. Trainer Mr P. Kimmett was advised that the mare is required to barrier trial to the satisfaction of stewards and before such trial requires a veterinary certificate of fitness. J. Oliver was advised that in similar circumstances he is to request the raceday veterinary inspect his mount for any signs of lameness.

She's Choosie – When questioned regarding the performance of the filly apprentice Ms L. Kilner stated that from a wide barrier she was obliged to ride her mount along with vigour in the early stages to establish a position outside the leader passing the 800m. Ms Kilner added that her mount was inclined to overrace when asked to settle in the middle stages. Ms Kilner stated her mount sprinted fairly on straightening however peaked on its run at the 100m and weakened to the line after working hard in the early stages. Trainer Mr G. Kilner advised that the filly had reached the end of its preparation and would be spelled. A post race veterinary examination of the filly did not reveal any abnormality.

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	Rider (Horse)	Additional Strikes
1	J. Oliver (Tough One)	1
2	Ms T. Harrison (Indian Rocks)	1
	C. Whiteley (I Am Perfect)	1
	M. McGuren (Bring Euro)	1
	Ms B. Ainsworth (Spirit of Edyn)	1
6	S. Doyle (Cool Prince)	2
	C. Whiteley (Tycoon Rossa)	2
7	C. Whiteley (Uncanny Effort)	2
	K. Matheson (Text Me)	1

Swab samples were taken from all winners, **Prince Coureuse, Monsun Soldier, Red All Day, NothingforthePress, Ilia, Wudang Blade, She's Choosie.**

SUMMARY	
Fines:	General: A. Parramore - \$300 (LR39(5))
Reprimands:	Race 6: R. Plumb (AR137(a)) Race 7: M. McGuren (AR137(a))
Suspensions:	Nil
Bleeders:	Race 7: Princess Elle – bled first time (AR53A)
Warnings:	Nil
Trials:	Race 8: Round Mountain Gal - uncompetitive
Certificates:	Race 8: Round Mountain Gal – lame n/f (1/5) & unusual gait behind
Fall/Injuries:	Nil
Change of Gear	Nil
Follow up:	Nil