

**Stewards Report
Muswellbrook Race Club
Skellatar Park RACECOURSE**

Sunday 2nd August 2020

Weather: Fine

Track: Soft (6)

Rail: True

Committee of Stewards: S Cullen, J Marshall & K Blanch (Trainee).

Riding Changes: Nil

Race 1: 3YO Maiden Handicap 1000m

Investor – began awkwardly. Trainer Mr. G Hickman said that he would monitor the gelding's recovery prior to determining any future racing program. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no abnormality.

Spo Dee – raced greenly in the early stages. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no abnormality.

Pleading – slow to begin.

The Last Loban – raced ungenerously in the early and middle stages.

Race 2: Maiden Plate 1750m

Ayliffe – slow to begin. Raced in restricted room at the entrance to the home straight, then had to be shifted out passing the 200m, when racing ungenerously, in an attempt to go forward.

Boat Harbour – over raced during the early and middle stages.

Omaka – hung in when placed under pressure in the home straight.

Thieve – hung in in the early part of the home straight.

Wadi Musa – pulled hard due to the slow tempo during the early stages.
Avalene – missed the start (2L). When questioned G Buckley explained that his mount failed to travel at any stage and was continually unbalanced in the slow track conditions. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no abnormality.

Chloebella Rose – when questioned M Bell explained that his mount failed to handle the slow track conditions and was unresponsive throughout. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no abnormality.

Race 3: Maiden Handicap 1280m

Mr Leicatini – missed the start (2L), then took charge of the rider passing the 1100m, ran wide on the track and was unable to be tested. Trainer Mr. M Boland was advised that prior to racing again Mr Leicatini must perform tractably in an official barrier trial.

Chasing Comets – hung in when placed under pressure in the home straight.

Golden Missile – began awkwardly and raced without cover throughout.

Respectful – raced ungenerously for a short distance passing the 1000m.

Casa De Reign – slow to begin, then crowded shortly after the start.

Swaysir – was bumped heavily at the start.

Race 4: Benchmark 66 Handicap 1000m

Nitride – slow to begin.

Pamplemousse – began awkwardly. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no abnormality. Stable representative Ms. R Dillon said that during recovery the gelding would be examined by the stable veterinarian and undertook to report any subsequent abnormality prior to any decision being made on a future racing program.

Schemer – slow to begin.

Eleazar – had to be steadied passing the 600m to avoid the heels of Pamplemousse (A Morgan), which shifted in when not quite clear. A Morgan was reprimanded AR131a.

Race 5: Benchmark 58 Handicap 1500m

Fiery Zone – began awkwardly, then raced wide without cover throughout. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no abnormality. Trainer Mr. C Crockett said that if the mare recovered satisfactorily, the preparation would be continued. Mr. Crockett was advised that a warning for poor performance would be placed on Fiery Zone's racing record.

Gacela – was bumped and became unbalanced at the start.

Race 6: Open Handicap 1280m

Drachenfels – began awkwardly and was slow away.

Trophies Galore – a post-race veterinary examination revealed no abnormality.

All From Scrap – was inclined to lay in under pressure inside the 200m.

Weather Channel – slow to begin. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no abnormality.

Luga Lad – began awkwardly and was slow away. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no abnormality.

Race 7: Class 1 Handicap 1000m

Toto – cast a hind plate at the barrier and to avoid unreasonable delay was allowed to race bare behind. Began awkwardly with its head up and blundered shortly after the start.

Sylvia's Memory – slow to begin, then was hampered and had to be shifted in passing the 200m.

Tudor Music – slow to begin.

Summary of whip use

Race 1: K Latham - Investor	6 strikes prior to the 100m
G Ryan – Adios Steve	6 strikes prior to the 100m
A Gibbons – Superel	7 strikes prior to the 100m
Race 3: M Bell – Golden Missile	6 strikes prior to the 100m
Race 5: C O'Brien – The Outcast	6 strikes prior to the 100m
L Magorrian – Dynamic Dynasty	6 strikes prior to the 100m
G Buckley – Dashing 'N' Daring	7 strikes prior to the 100m
Race 6: S Lisnyy – Manhattan Mist	7 strikes prior to the 100m
C O'Brien – Nothing Too Hard	6 strikes prior to the 100m
Race 7: R Murray – White Eagle	6 strikes prior to the 100m

Swabs: Swab samples were taken from all winners and the following runners: **Pleading & Thieve**.

SUMMARY

Fines	Nil
Suspensions	Nil
Reprimands	Race 4: A Morgan – AR131a – careless riding
Warnings	Race 5: Fiery Zone – poor performance
Trials	Race 3: Mr Leicatini – raced intractably – hung out
Falls and Injury	Nil
Certificates	Nil
Tactics notified	Nil
Bleeders	Nil
Follow up	Nil