

## STEWARDS REPORT

### Clarence River Jockey Club GRAFTON RACECOURSE

Tuesday 10 September 2019

Weather: Fine  
Track: Good (3)  
Rail: +3m

**COMMITTEE OF STEWARDS:** M A Holloway (Chairman), J. T. Penfold, R. W. Loughlin & W M Friend.

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### SUPPLEMENTARY STEWARDS REPORTS

#### **Coffs Harbour Racing Club, COFFS HARBOUR RACECOURSE, Thursday 1 August 2019 RACE 6: Dan Baker 1200m**

**Tarbert** – When questioned regarding his riding of the gelding over the final 600m of the event jockey B. Looker stated that he was instructed to obtain running off the rail down the straight as the trainer and owner of the gelding were of the opinion that the racing surface was inferior on the rail. B. Looker added that he agreed with these sentiments. B. Looker stated that after jumping from barrier two his mount was quickly crossed and was obliged to race at the rear of the field on the rail. B. Looker stated that his mount usually works its way into a sprint strongly however passing the 700m it was under pressure to hold its position and he believed it was not appreciating the going on the rail. B. Looker stated he was obliged to remain on the rail, when surrounded by other runners and under pressure, however he was able to shift wider rounding the home turn and track favoured runner *Chalmers* into the straight. B. Looker stated that shortly after straightening *Chalmers* was steadied when tightened for room and he was obliged to ease his mount after improving onto its heels. B. Looker stated at this point, in accordance with his instructions, he elected to shift out wider on the track as opposed to the clear running available to the inside of *Chalmers*. B. Looker stated he was able to place his mount under whip pressure from this point to the 150m. B. Looker added he was unable to test his mount approaching the 100m and over the final 50m when held up on the heels of other runners. Trainer Mr J. Shelton confirmed the instructions given to B. Looker and produced text message correspondence from an owner of the gelding confirming the instructions to come wide on the gelding. Whilst the stewards were critical of the actions of B. Looker in not shifting to the inside of **Chalmers** after improving onto that runner's heels shortly after straightening, to obtain an uninterrupted run to the line, they accepted his riding at this stage of the event was reasonable appreciating the instructions he was given and the manner in which **Tarbert** had raced on the rail throughout the early and middle stages. Further, stewards accepted B. Looker's decision not to improve inside **Chalmers** was an immediate one and the option to improve inside that runner was not available thereafter.

#### **Lismore Turf Club, LISMORE RACECOURSE, Monday 12 August 2019 RACE 6: Benchmark 58 Handicap 1546m:**

Stewards concluded an inquiry into the reason **Coloane** fell and dislodged its rider, J. Grisedale, near the 700m. Evidence was taken from jockeys J. Grisedale, J. Taylor (*Kijito*), J.

Bayliss (*The Real Spiel*) and J. Woodhouse (*Buffalo Girl*). After considering the riders evidence and viewing official video footage stewards established that passing the 800m **Coloane** was travelling strongly on the bridle, being inclined to pull. Approaching the 700m *Buffalo Girl* had commenced to give ground and **Coloane** improved up onto that runner's heels at which time J. Grisedale elected to direct his mount out around the heels of *Buffalo Girl* into restricted racing room outside that runner and inside *The Real Spiel*. **Coloane** raced in restricted room between these runners, making contact with each of them, for a short time before clipping a heel, most likely that of *Buffalo Girl*, falling and dislodging J. Grisedale. Whilst stewards were somewhat critical of J. Grisedale's decision to improve into restricted room outside *Buffalo Girl* after improving onto its heels, they accepted that his mount was travelling strongly at this point and *Buffalo Girl* was racing ungenerously and continuing to give ground making the option of restraining back less plausible for J. Grisedale. The matter was subsequently closed.

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### **RACE 1: Maiden Plate 1710m**

**Ausbred Nacre** – Began awkwardly and bumped another runner shortly after. Carried wider rounding the home turn.

**Beyond Desire** – Bumped shortly after the start.

**Dr Mayhem** – Made an awkward stride near the 1200m and lost ground.

**Monsun Soldier (FR)** – Carried wider rounding the home turn. Inclined to lay in under pressure down the straight.

**Patriot Missile** – Made an awkward stride approaching the 100m, resulting in its rider becoming unbalanced.

**Princess Consort** – Declared a late scratching by order of stewards at 12.55pm after the gelding refused to load in to the barriers. Stewards ordered that all wagers on the gelding be refunded and all successful wagers placed with bookmakers prior to 12.55pm be subject to the following deductions in the dollar on the face value of the ticket, 0 cents the win and 2 cents the place for 1st (*Beyond Desire*), 4 cents the place for 2nd (*Patriot Missile*) and 4 cents the place for 3rd (*Red Intuition (NZ)*). Trainer Mr S. Osland was advised that the mare is required to barrier trial to the satisfaction of stewards prior to its next race start.

**Red Intuition (NZ)** – Slow to begin (2L).

**There's Always One** – Inclined to lay out, under pressure, down the straight.

**Top Mate** – Blundered badly on jumping and lost ground (~3L). Inclined to pull in the middle stages.

**Water Line (NZ)** – Slow to begin.

### **RACE 2: C,G&E Maiden Handicap 1106m**

**Ballybrack** – Unable to improve approaching and rounding the home turn when held up on heels.

**Bel Academy** – Travelled keenly in the early and middle stages. Inclined to lay in down the straight.

**Ceremonial Prince** – Slow to begin. Raced wide, without cover, throughout the early and middle stages.

**Graziano** – As M. McGuren was overweight stewards permitted P. Graham to replace him as the rider of the gelding. The explanation provided by M. McGuren was accepted. A post race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality.

**Kiltaza** – Slow to begin. Overraced in the early and middle stages. Unable to improve approaching and rounding the home turn when held up on heels.

**Kitchener** – Slow to begin.

**Seareseven** – Began awkwardly. Inclined to overrace in the early stages.

### **RACE 3: F&M Maiden Handicap 1106m**

**Cristal Caz** – Began awkwardly. Eased when hampered near the 1000m. Inclined to overace in the early stages.

**Gitche Gumee** – Raced greenly in the early stages. Jockey J. Woodhouse reported that the filly did not want to stretch out in the track conditions. A post race veterinary examination of the filly revealed it to have mild shin soreness in the off fore leg.

**Jackpot Telephone** – Slow to begin. Eased when hampered near the 1000m. Raced wide, without cover, throughout the early and middle stages. Inclined to hang out in the middle stages and rounding the home turn. Approaching the 100m was eased from the heels of *Lonny Lonny* which shifted out under pressure. Jockey M. Paget (*Lonny Lonny*) was asked to exercise more care in similar circumstances.

**Lonny Lonny** – A post race veterinary examination of the mare did not reveal any abnormality.

**Maximalist** – Blundered on jumping and bumped shortly after. Rounding the home turn became held up on heels and was unable to improve until being eased out into clear running shortly after straightening.

**Play School** – Eased when hampered near the 1000m. Raced wide, with cover, throughout the early and middle stages.

**Savanna Jeune** – Near the 500m became held up on heels and was unable to improve until shifting in around heels near the 300m.

**Serlina** – Bumped shortly after the start. Unable to improve approaching the home turn when held up on heels. Momentarily held up on heels passing the 300m. Near the 150m was eased after laying out across the heels of *First Sight* which shifted in.

**Sneaky Gal** – Raced wide, without cover, throughout the early and middle stages.

**Sunday Special** - Near the 500m became held up on heels and was unable to improve until rounding the home turn.

#### **RACE 4: Benchmark 58 Handicap 2220m**

**Anghiari (NZ)** – Near the 1200m was steadied after improving onto heels.

**Catch Me Later** – Slow to begin. Eased after improving onto heels near the 1700m. Jockey Ms C. Frater-Hill was fined \$200 for using her whip on 5 additional occasions to the 5 permitted prior to the 100m (AR132(7)(a)(ii)).

**C'mome Paddyreilly** – Declared a late scratching by order of stewards, acting on veterinary advice, at 2.43pm after the gelding was found to be lame in the off fore leg (2/5). Stewards ordered that all wagers on the gelding be refunded and all successful wagers placed with bookmakers prior to 2.43pm be subject to the following deductions in the dollar on the face value of the ticket, 1 cent the win and 1 cent the place for 1st (*Real Time Warrior*), 1 cent the place for 2nd (*Catch Me Later*) and 3 cents the place for 3rd (*Waiheke Island*). Trainer Mr K. Hickmott was advised that the gelding requires a veterinary clearance prior to its next race start.

**Emshalky** – Bumped on jumping. Near the 1200m was eased after improving onto heels. Unable to improve between the 500m and 400m when held up on heels.

**Missy Musketeer** – Slow to begin. Near the 1200m was steadied and shifted out abruptly after improving onto heels.

**Real Time Warrior** – Raced wide, without cover, throughout the early stages.

**Redraw** – A post race veterinary examination of the gelding revealed it to have cardiac arrhythmia. Trainer Mr P. Cunningham was advised that the gelding is required to barrier trial to the satisfaction of stewards prior to its next race start and before such trial requires a veterinary clearance, including the results of an ECG.

**Two Bills** – Began awkwardly and bumped another runner. Raced wide, without cover, throughout the early and middle stages.

**Winged Poet** – When questioned regarding the performance of the gelding jockey M. McGuren stated that his mount settled in a handy position and travelled comfortably in the early and middle stages. M. McGuren stated his mount was under pressure to hold its position from the 1000m and was very disappointing in its run to the line. M. McGuren stated his mount felt flat and raced like a tired horse. When questioned, trainer Mr J. Jarvis agreed with the sentiments of M. McGuren and advised the gelding had endured a lengthy preparation and would be spelled immediately. A post race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality.

**Wonderful Thing** – Pulled rounding the first turn. Inclined to pull in the middle stages. Approaching the home turn became held up on heels and was unable to improve until passing the 300m.

#### **RACE 5: Class 3 Handicap 1410m**

**Field Helmet** – Slow to begin. Overraced, whilst being restrained in an effort to find cover, rounding the first turn.

**My Song** – Eased after improving onto heels approaching the 800m.

**Net Effect** – Bounded on jumping. Inclined to hang out in the middle stages. Hung out under pressure over the final 200m.

**Syrah** – Slow to begin.

**Tokyo Bullet** – Slow to begin and hampered shortly after.

### **RACE 6: Open Handicap 1610m**

**Art Attack** – Hampered shortly after the start. Carried wide rounding the home turn.

**Light Motion** – Ran wide rounding the home turn.

**Mister Smartee** – Hung out under pressure down the straight and proved difficult to ride with full vigour. Trainer Mr T. Morton reported in the days subsequent that the gelding appeared to have jarred up on the firm track conditions and it would be spelled.

**O'Driscoll (NZ)** – Pulled approaching and rounding the 1200m turn. Near the 50m was steadied from the heels of *Editors* which shifted in. Apprentice Ms E. Atkinson (*Editors*) was reprimanded (AR131(a)).

**Party Host** – Jockey J. Murphy was fined \$400 for using his whip on 6 additional occasions to the 5 permitted prior to the 100m (AR132(7)(a)(ii)).

**Prima Stella** – Pulled in the middle stages.

### **RACE 7: Class 1 Handicap 1206m**

**Charlotte's Girl** – Raced wide, without cover, throughout the early and middle stages.

**First time Lucky** – Raced wide, without cover, throughout the early and middle stages.

**My Belly Button** – Slow to begin.

**Ohchebelcavallo** – Travelled keenly in the early and middle stages. Unable to improve between the 600m and 400m when held up on heels. At the entrance to the straight was eased out around heels to continue to improve.

**Ornate** – Raced very wide, without cover, throughout the early and middle stages.

**Ragnor** – Inclined to overrace approaching and rounding the first turn. When questioned regarding the performance of the gelding jockey J. Bayliss stated his mount did not appreciate the track conditions today refusing to stretch out. J. Bayliss added he did not test his mount over the final 200m when it was a beaten horse. A post race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality.

**Smokin' Suzy** – Slow to begin. A post race veterinary examination of the mare revealed it had bled from both nostrils for the first time. Trainer Mr M. Quinn was advised that the mare will now incur the embargoes listed under AR79(4).

**Spirit of Cherokee** – Inclined to overrace in the middle stages. Unable to improve between the 600m and 400m when held up on heels. A post race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any significant abnormality.

**Tis Toby** – Blundered on jumping.

**Wu Long Shi** – Slow to begin.

### **RACE 8: Benchmark 58 Handicap 1106m**

**Campari Soda** – Eased when tightened between runners shortly after the start. Ran wide rounding the home turn. Laid in under pressure down the straight.

**Col's Tiger** – Blundered badly on jumping resulting in its rider becoming unbalanced.

**Crooked Gent** – Bumped on jumping. Was unable to improve, and was steadied on a number of occasions, when continually disappointed for a run between the entrance to the straight and the 200m.

**Friends of Wren** – Raced wide, without cover, throughout the early stages.

**Henson Park Blubag** – Raced wide, without cover, throughout the early and middle stages. Jockey J. Woodhouse (*Sylvester*) pleaded guilty to a charge of careless riding, under AR131(a), in that shortly after straightening he permitted his mount to shift out a number of horses when insufficiently clear of *Friends of Wren* which was carried wider before being eased out away from his mounts heels onto the running of **Henson Park Blubag** which was steadied and shifted out away from that runners heels. J. Woodhouse's license to ride in races was suspended for a period to commence on Sunday 15 September 2019 and to expire on Friday 20 September 2019, on which day he may ride.

**Ilia** – Slow to begin.

**Ministry of Fear** – Raced wide, without cover, throughout the early and middle stages.

**Piccolo Miss** – Blundered on jumping and tightened between runners shortly after. Inclined to overrace in the early stages.

**Plateau Pearl** – Blundered shortly after the start. Unable to improve rounding the home turn when held up on heels.

**Sylvester** – Bumped on jumping. A post race veterinary examination of the gelding revealed it to have a slow recovery rate and mild respiratory noises.

**Zioptimus** – Slow to begin.

### **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 ( <b>Horse</b> )	Additional Strikes
1	J. Bayliss ( <b>Patriot Missile</b> )	1
2	M. Bennett ( <b>Ceremonial Prince</b> )	2
3	Ms T. Harrison ( <b>Penny Rosa</b> ) J. Bayliss ( <b>Sneaky Gal</b> ) M. Bennett ( <b>Play School</b> )	3 Consecutive 2
4	Ms B. Stower ( <b>Waiheke Island</b> ) Ms T. Harrison ( <b>Emshalky</b> )	1 3
6	J. Bayliss ( <b>Spiral</b> )	2
7	P. Graham ( <b>Tis Toby</b> )	3
8	R. Spokes ( <b>Campari Soda</b> )	Consecutive

Swab samples were taken from all winners, **Monsun Soldier (FR)**, **Ballybrack**, **Jackpot Telephone**, **Winged Poet**, **Emshalky**, **Redraw**, **Catch Me Latar** and **Ministry of Fear**.

<b>SUMMARY</b>	
<b>Fines:</b>	Race 4: Ms C. Frater-Hill - \$200 (AR132(7)(a)(ii)) Race 6: J. Murphy - \$400 (AR132(7)(a)(ii)).
<b>Reprimands:</b>	Race 6: Ms E. Atkinson (AR131(a))
<b>Suspensions:</b>	Race 8: J. Woodhouse 15/9/2019 – 20/9/2019 (AR131(a))
<b>Bleeders:</b>	Race 7: <b>Smokin' Suzy</b> – bled 1 <sup>st</sup> time (AR79(4)).
<b>Warnings:</b>	Nil
<b>Trials:</b>	Race 1: <b>Princess Consort</b> – refused to load Race 4: <b>Redraw</b> – cardiac arrhythmia
<b>Certificates:</b>	Race 4: <b>Redraw</b> – cardiac arrhythmia (ECG required) Race 4: <b>C'mome Paddyreilly</b> – lame off fore (2/5)
<b>Tactics Notified:</b>	Nil
<b>Fall/Injuries:</b>	Nil
<b>Change of Gear</b>	Nil
<b>Follow up:</b>	Nil