

STEWARDS REPORT

Murrumbidgee Turf Club WAGGA WAGGA RACECOURSE Friday 11 January 2019

Weather: Fine
Track: Good (3)
Rail: +7m 1400m to Winning Post. True remainder

STEWARDS: T.J.Davidson (Chairman), C.G.Polglase & D.J.Bucknell

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Supplementary Stewards Report MURRUMBIDGEE TURF CLUB Monday 24 December 2018

Race 3: Maiden Plate 1400m:

Stewards today (11/1/19) inquired into the reasons Apprentice R. Prest was dislodged from *Tribal Myth* passing the 300m in the above-mentioned event. Evidence was taken from R. Prest(a), represented by Trainer T. Donnelly and N. Souquet (*Bianbarnie*). Apprentice Prest pleaded guilty to a charge of careless riding under AR137(a) in that passing the 300m she did attempt to improve between *Diamond Raffles* and *Bianbarnie* where, in the opinion of the Stewards, there was insufficient room to do so resulting in her mount clipping the heels of *Diamond Raffles*, blundering and dislodging her from the gelding. *Tycoon Dreaming* and *Saga*, which were following were severely hampered in consequence. As Apprentice Prest is currently not permitted to ride due to injury, Stewards acting under the provisions of LR109, elected to defer a decision on penalty until such time as she is cleared to resume riding.

General: Apprentice P. Scorse was fined \$100 under AR92(10) for failing to present his winning rides book to Stewards prior to weighing out.

RACE 1: 2yo Maiden Plate 1000m:

Idle Fancy- Slow to begin.

Washington Towers- Slow to begin.

Assuming- Was very fractious in the mounting yard and was then unable to be ridden to the barriers. The filly was withdrawn by Stewards at 12.55pm. Trainer S. Spackman was advised **Assuming** must barrier trial to the satisfaction of Stewards before racing again. In regard to betting Stewards ordered all monies invested on **Assuming** be refunded and all successful wagers placed with bookmakers prior to 12.55pm be paid less the following deductions in the dollar on the face value of the ticket.

1st: *Washington Towers*- 15 cents win, 30 cents place

2nd: *Redicon*- 5 cents place

3rd: *Singles*- 15 cents place

Singles- Bumped on jumping. C. Parish was fined \$200 under AR137A(5)(a)(ii) for using the whip on nine (9) occasions prior to the 100m.

Terisiare- Bumped on jumping.

RACE 2: Class 3 Handicap 1000m:

Wednesday Warrior- Rider B. McDougall(a) stated he was instructed to sit off the pace and added his mount proved difficult to settle in the early stages. He added when placed under pressure in the straight the gelding disappointed in the manner in which it finished the race off and he felt the horse would be better suited when allowed to stride forward. A post-race veterinary examination did not detect any abnormalities.

Mr Brown Fox- Slow to begin (3L). Rider N. Souquet stated in his opinion the gelding is not suited when ridden from behind and after being slow to begin he was obliged to take up a rearward position. He added his mount travelled only fairly and did not respond to his riding in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination did not detect any abnormalities.

Halliday Road- Steadied near the 600m when awkwardly placed on the heels of *Where's Pippa*.

RACE 3: Open Handicap 1200m:

Grunderzeit- Blundered badly on jumping. Raced keenly in the early and middle stages. Raced tight with *As Bad As Tyson* for some distance passing the 300m.

Fast Cash- Steadied approaching the winning post when *What a Hoot* (N. Souquet) shifted inwards slightly. N. Souquet was advised to exercise more care.

Burrum's Buzz- Crowded shortly after the start when *What a Hoot* was carried inwards by *As Bad As Tyson*, which laid inwards despite the efforts of its rider.

Levee Bank- Slow to begin. Bumped near the 400m.

As Bad As Tyson- Raced tight with *Grunderzeit* for some distance passing the 300m. Rider S. Metcalfe(a) explained her mount laid inwards and proved difficult to settle in the early stages. She added the gelding came off the bit near the 600m and commenced to give ground noticeably from the 250m. A post-race veterinary examination found the gelding to be lame (3/5) in the off fore. Trainer C. Widdison advised the gelding would now be retired. Not with-standing this advice Mr Widdison was told that should plans for the gelding change a full veterinary certificate must be submitted prior to racing again.

What a Hoot- Stewards permitted N. Souquet to ride the gelding 1kg over its declared weight in accordance with RacingNSW's overweight policy.

Superoo- Bumped near the 400m. The near hind bandage on the gelding came loose passing the 300m. An inspection found the bandage had been stitched in accordance with the relevant policy. Trainer G. Colvin was advised to ensure his staff take more care when bandaging horses in the future.

RACE 4: Maiden Plate 1200m Division 1:

Helleborus- A post-race veterinary examination did not detect any abnormalities.

Leftover Diamond- Trainer C. Heywood was fined \$100 under LR35(2) for the late declaration of M. Travers as the rider of the gelding. Raced wide throughout.

Stafford- Checked near the 350m when *Fearless Falcon* (M. Claridge(a)) shifted in abruptly. Apprentice Claridge was reprimanded for careless riding under AR137(a).

Gunnarunmum- Steadied passing the 900m when crowded between *Wild Soul*, which shifted out and away from *The Chaplain* and *Timeless Melody* (A. Sweeney(a)), which shifted in when not clear. In all the circumstances Apprentice Sweeney was reprimanded for careless riding under AR137(a). A post-race veterinary examination found the gelding to be slow to recover.

The Chaplain- Bumped on jumping.

Fearless Falcon- Shifted in abruptly after straightening.

Tiaras Glow- Held up between the 400m and 200m.

Wild Soul- Bumped on jumping. Steadied near the 1000m when awkwardly placed on the heels of *Welletsdoit*.

Peduzzi- Crowded after the start.

RACE 5: Maiden Plate 1200m Division 2:

Psittacine- Slow to begin (2L).

Sun Wu- Bumped heavily and became unbalanced on several occasions near the 400m when *Tredici* (B. Owen(a)) attempted to shift out and improve when there was insufficient room to do so. Apprentice Owen was reprimanded for careless riding under AR137(a).

Zakeriz- Raced wide throughout.

Supalux- Raced wide throughout. B. McDougall(a) was fined \$300 under AR137A(5)(a)(ii) for using the whip on nine (9) occasions prior to the 100m. Apprentice McDougall was further reprimanded under AR137A(5)(a)(i) for using the whip on consecutive strides on two (2) occasions prior to the 100m. Apprentice McDougall was also warned regarding using the whip in a manner which raises his arm above shoulder height.

Absorbing- Fractious in the mounting and lost its off hind plate. Was replated behind the barriers. A pre-race veterinary inspection found the mare suitable to race. Trainer G. Colvin was advised an official warning would be placed on the mare's pre-race behaviour. Slow to begin. A post-race veterinary examination did not detect any abnormalities.

At Large- Held up for a short distance near the 200m.

Tredici- Bumped heavily on several occasions near the 400m. Raced in restricted room approaching the winning post.

RACE 6: Maiden Handicap 1600m:

Saga- Slow to begin. Returned having injured its off fore tendon. Trainer C. Widdison advised the gelding would be retired. Not with-standing this advice Mr Widdison was told that should plans change for the gelding it would be required to barrier trial to the satisfaction of Stewards after firstly submitting a full veterinary clearance.

Starskin- A pre-race veterinary examination of the filly, which briefly got its leg up in the barriers, found it suitable to race. Rider C. Parish stated the filly was very agitated pre-race and after going forward it proved very difficult to settle. He added his mount travelled fairly and after initially responding to his riding in the straight it had weakened over the concluding stages. A post-race veterinary examination did not detect any abnormalities.

Kiwicod- Held up between the 500m and 400m.

Two Wrongs Don't- Rider B. Vale explained he had anticipated settling just behind the leaders with cover but when runners to his inside held their positions he was obliged to race wide. He added in his opinion the gelding was not suited racing right on the speed and may not have handled the quick back up. A post-race veterinary examination did not detect any abnormalities.

Iron Stride- Raced wide throughout. When questioned regarding today's apparent improved performance Trainer G. Dimitropoulos could offer no tangible explanation other than the gelding was improving mentally with every start. He added he removed the blinkers as the gelding had raced keenly at its most recent starts and applied winkers which he stated had contributed to today's performance.

Mickey Jay- Raced keenly in the early and middle stages.

Raintime- Trainer G. Colvin was fined \$200 under LR35(2) for the late declaration of M. Heagney as the rider of the gelding. A pre-race veterinary examination at the request of the rider found the horse suitable to race. Slow to begin. Rider M. Heagney stated his mount never travelled at any stage, raced with its head up throughout and never stretched out. A post-race veterinary examination did not detect any abnormalities. Trainer G. Colvin stated he planned to have a full veterinary examination carried out on the horse and undertook to report any findings to the Stewards.

Midnight Jumper- Raced wide throughout. Laid inwards in the straight.

Dante Pierro- Held up for a short period at the top of the straight.

RACE 7: Class 2 Handicap 1600m:

Kipe- Rider M. Travers stated his mount did not travel well at any stage and did not let down fully on today's firm track. He added as he was concerned with the gelding's action he did not unduly pressure it in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination did not detect any abnormalities.

Cryfowl- Stood flatfooted and lost ground (3L). Trainer S. Spackman was advised an official warning would be placed on the gelding's barrier manners. Slow to muster speed in the early stages. Raced keenly in the middle stages. Rider J. Richards(a) explained his mount lost ground at the start after throwing its head up, travelled keenly in the middle stages but in his opinion had let down reasonably well when pressured in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination found the horse had returned having cast its off fore plate.

Tobermory- Raced wide throughout.

Kapover- Held up between the 400m and 200m.

Admission- Laid outwards throughout. A post-race veterinary examination found the mare to be lame (3/5) in the off fore leg. Trainer A. Curtis advised the mare would be sent for a spell. Mr Curtis was advised a veterinary clearance must be submitted prior to the mare racing again.

Captain Dan- Raced keenly in the early and middle stages.

More Ransom- A pre-race veterinary examination, at the request of the rider, found the gelding suitable to race.

RACE 8: Benchmark 58 Handicap 1800m:

Catch the Culprit- Held up between the 400m and 200m.

Thunder Tub- Raced in restricted room between the 300m and 100m. Rider accidentally dropped his whip near the 200m.

Greyfell- Slow to begin (3L).

Circulate- Laid inwards in the straight and proved very difficult to ride out.

Plucky George- Held up between the 300m and 200m before being taken outwards to continue to improve.

RACE 9: Class 1 Handicap 1300m:

Aroha Diamond- Slow to begin. Hung in abruptly after straightening.

Ruby Red Socks- Slow to begin.

Primadini- Steadied near the 200m when *Ammerland* shifted out.

Bay Lane- Raced wide throughout.

Stewards noted the following riders exceeded the permissible strikes with the whip prior to the 100m under AR137A(5)(a)(ii)

Race 1	A. Layt (Redicon)	7 strikes
Race 6	B. McDougall(a) (Kiwicod)	7 strikes
Race 6	K. Nisbet (Midnight Jumper)	8 strikes
Race 8	M. Cahill (Wolfopeterstreet)	6 strikes
Race 8	B. McDougall(a) (Ruby Red Socks)	6 strikes
Race 8	N. Souquet (The Raven)	6 strikes

Bearing in mind the totality of whip use, no action was taken.

General: Swab samples were taken from the following runners:

Race 1: Washington Towers (2)

Race 2: Moving on Up

Race 3: Levee Bank

Race 4: The Chaplain

Race 5: Sun Wu

Race 6: Iron Stride

Race 7: Kapover

Race 8: Catch the Culprit

Race 9: The Raven

SUMMARY	
Fines:	General: P. Scorse(a)- \$100- Failed to present winning rides book prior to weighing out. AR92(10). Race 1: C. Parish- \$200- Use whip 9 times prior to 100m on Singles . AR137A(5)(a)(ii). Race 4: C. Heywood- \$100- Late declaration of rider for Leftover Diamond . LR35(2). Race 5: B. McDougall(a)- \$300- Use whip 9 times prior to 100m on Supalux . AR137A(5)(a)(ii). Race 6: G. Colvin- \$200- Late declaration of rider for Raintime . LR35(2).
Reprimands:	Race 4: M. Claridge(a)-Careless riding on Fearless Falcon . AR137(a). Race 4: A. Sweeney(a)- Careless riding on Timeless Melody . AR137(a). Race 5: B. Owen(a)- Careless riding on Tredici . AR137(a). Race 5: B. McDougall(a)- Use whip on 2 consecutive occasions prior to 100m on Supalux . AR137A(5)(a)(i).
Suspensions:	Nil.
Warnings:	Race 5: Absorbing - Fractious in mounting yard.
Bleeders:	Nil.
Trials:	Race 1: Assuming - Fractious in mounting yard, Unable to be ridden to barriers. Race 6: Saga - To trial- Off fore tendon injury.
Certificates:	Race 3: As Bad As Tyson - Vet clearance- Lameness (3/5) off fore. Race 6: Saga - Vet clearance- Injured off fore tendon. Race 7: Admission - Vet clearance. Lameness (3/5) off fore.
Falls/Injuries:	Nil.
Change of Tactics:	Nil.