

**STEWARDS' REPORT**  
**Moruya Jockey Club**  
**MORUYA RACECOURSE**

**Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2020**

Weather: Fine

Track: Good (4), upgraded to a Good (3) following Race 1 at 1:34pm.

Rail : True

**COMMITTEE OF STEWARDS: J A Dinopoulos (Chairman), J D Walshe, J Whitney**

**RACE 1: Mal Gilham Building and Design Benchmark 66 Handicap 1010m**

**Heavenly Thunder** – Began awkwardly.

**Moore Euros** – Raced wide throughout. Hung out rounding the home turn taking American Genius wider.

**Eltham Palace** – App B Ryan rider of El Magnificence pleaded guilty to a charge of careless riding under AR131(a), in that passing the 700m he permitted his mount to shift in when not clear of Eltham Palace resulting in that runner losing its rightful running and having to be checked. B Ryan's permit to ride in races was suspended for a period to commence on Monday 21 September 2020 and to expire on Tuesday 29 September 2020 on which day he may ride.

Following the running of this event, the track was upgraded to a Good (3) at 1:34pm to be made retrospective to include this race.

**RACE 2: Nicholson's Tyres Maiden Plate 920m**

**Gwyn Arthur** – Slow to begin and was then contacted by Areeba Spirit which shifted in.

**The Tapster** – Commenced to hang out passing the 700m until straightening up after rounding the home turn.

**Meryan** – Whilst positioned in its barrier stall, Meryan became fractious, reared up on several occasions and made contact with the front of the gates. The gelding underwent a veterinary examination and when found to have blood present in the right nostril and abrasions to its off-hind fetlock was declared a late scratching on veterinary advice at 2:06pm. Stewards ordered that all bets on Meryan be refunded in full and further, that all successful bets placed with bookmakers prior to 2:06pm be subject to the following deductions in the dollar on the face value of the ticket:

1st: Noble Soldier: 0c win and 2c place

2nd: Linden: 6c place

3rd: The Tapster: 4c place

At subsequent inquiry trainer Mr S Cummins was advised that a veterinary clearance would be required prior to Meryan having to barrier trial to the satisfaction of the Stewards before racing again.

**Don Lugi** – Several strides after jumping, rider A Layt lost the use of his left iron when it's stirrup leather released from its buckle. Prior to rounding the home turn A Layt kicked his right

foot out of its iron to retain his balance resulting in the gelding taking no further competitive part in the event.

### **RACE 3: Rixon's Buses Class 1 Handicap 1425m**

**Astrobleme** – Slow to begin.

**Boom and Zoom** – When questioned regarding his riding of the gelding in the early stages of the event rider B McDougall stated after beginning neutral but being trapped three wide, he observed a position one out one back just behind Glamour Cruise. He added that whilst he improved forward to obtain that position Scarleo (J Ford) also improved with his mount and took that position and he was forced to race three wide for the remainder of the event.

**Fever Tree** – A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to have superficial wounds to both hind legs. Co-Trainer Mr M Jones reported that the gelding will now be sent for a spell.

**Glamour Cruise** – Passing the 50m, had to be steadied when tightened for room between Fever Tree (Simon Miller) and Boom and Zoom (B McDougall) both of which shifted slight ground and had to shift his mount to the inside of Fever Tree to continue into clear running. Both riders were advised to exercise more care.

**Revellers** – Rounding the home turn and in the early part of the straight was held up until passing the 100m.

**Francisco Pizaro** – When questioned regarding the performance of the gelding rider App J Van Overmeire could offer no real excuse for his mounts disappointing performance. He added his mount travelled well in the run but when asked for a finishing effort his mount failed to respond. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to be displaying cardiac arrhythmia. Trainer Mr J Ible was advised a veterinary clearance including the results of an ECG would be required before Francisco Pizaro would also have to barrier trial to the satisfaction of the Stewards before to racing again.

### **RACE 4: LJ Hooker Moruya Maiden Plate 1200m**

**Duck Gold** - Raced wide throughout.

**Archie's A Star** – Held up rounding the home turn and until passing the 300m where it was shifted to the inside of Foreverede to continue into clearing running.

**Sizzling Rush** – Over raced in the middle stages.

**Wandonna** – Held up rounding the home turn and again for some distance passing the 200m.

**Young Heart** – Passing the 50m shifted out under pressure making contact with Wandonna which was then taken wider and slightly brushed Kowloon Tressure.

**Weegee Lou** – Was examined by club's veterinarian when the mare arrived on course due to a mishap during transport to the racecourse resulting in it sustaining an abrasion over its right eye with associated pain and was deemed unsuitable to race and was declared a late scratching on veterinary advice at 2:29pm.

**Kowloon Treasure** - Stewards considered a protest lodged by Mr L Magorrian, rider of 2<sup>nd</sup> placegetter, Kowloon Tressure, against Young Heart (B McDougall) being declared the winner alleging interference over approximately the final 100m. After considering the evidence the Stewards found that inside the 100m Young Heart (B McDougall) did shift out when racing under pressure making contact with Wandonna, which resulted in that runner being taken wider and slightly brushing Kowloon Tressure. Bearing in mind the minor nature of that interference and importantly the margin of half a length between the respective runners, As stewards could not be satisfied had the interference not occurred, that Kowloon Tressure would have finished ahead of Young Love, the protest was dismissed, and correct weight was declared on the judge's placings:

1<sup>st</sup> Young Love

2<sup>nd</sup> Kowloon Tressure

3<sup>rd</sup> Wandonna.

At a subsequent inquiry Stewards advised B McDougall to exercise more care.

### **RACE 5: DWL Demolition and Excavation Maiden Handicap 1425m**

**Glamourush** – Held up rounding the home turn.

**Sea of Flames** – Trainer Ms B Somers was fined the sum of \$100 under AR206(2) for the late addition of a Cross-over nose band and a tongue-tie to the filly's gear. Began awkwardly shifted out and made contact Glamourush. Rider C Lever reported his mount was inclined to lay out throughout the event.

**Rebel Lady** – Change of Tactics: Intention to lead. Laid out soon after the start and had to be restrained from the heels of Namarari which shifted in slightly as a result settled in a handy position.

**Kentucky Award** – Briefly held up rounding the home turn.

**Think Rush** – When racing keenly in the early stages shifted to the outside of the leader Namarari passing the 1000m.

### **RACE 6: Hippie Sticks Bodalla Benchmark 66 Handicap 1425m**

**Defy** – Held up in the early part of the straight until passing the 100m.

**Balonne** – Trainer Mr K Dryden was fined \$50 under LR35(2) for the late declaration of App B Owen as the rider of the gelding. Slow to begin. Passing the 200m was awkwardly placed on the heels of Chairman's Choice when that runner shifted in slightly.

**Away She Goes** – Raced wide throughout.

**Liveinthefastlane** – Slow to begin.

**Clergyman** – Slow to begin. Raced keenly in the middle stages.

**We're Off** – Rider C Lever reported approaching the 800m that his mount pulled hard and attempted to improve to the inside of Chairman's Choice where there was insufficient room and passing the 800m had to be restrained away from the heels of Chairman's Choice.

### **RACE 7: Greenlands Nursery Benchmark 58 Handicap 1640m**

**Tormund** – After being caught wide in the early stages rider B Ward allowed his mount to stride forward to take up a position in the lead passing the 1000m.

**Shrug** – Raced keenly in the middle stages. Held up rounding the home turn until passing the 100m and passing the 200m when unsuccessful in attempting to force a run between Brash Sammy and St Anton made contact with St Anton for some distance.

**Chicansalade** – Raced wide throughout.

**St Anton** – Inconvenienced for a stride passing the 1000m when Brash Sammy shifted out slight rounding the turn.

\* Swab samples were obtained from all winners and the following runners:

Race 1: More Euros, Black Chilli

Race 2: Don Lugi, Miss Anarchy

Race 3: Francisco Pizaro

Race 5: Glamourush

<b>SUMMARY</b>	
<b>Fines:</b>	Race 5: Trainer Ms B Sommers (Sea of Flames) (AR206(2)) – \$100 – Late gear change. Race 6: Trainer Mr K Dryden (Balonne) – (LR 35) \$50 – Late rider.
<b>Reprimands:</b>	Nil.
<b>Suspensions:</b>	Race 1: App B Ryan (El Magnificence) – careless riding (AR131(a)) – 21.09.2020 to 29.09.2020
<b>Bleeders:</b>	Nil.
<b>Warnings:</b>	Nil.
<b>Trials:</b>	Race 2: Meryan (Trainer S Cummins) – Fractious in barriers. Race 4: Francisco Pizaro (Trainer J Ible) – Cardiac arrythmia.
<b>Vet Certificates:</b>	Race 2: Meryan (Trainer S Cummins) – Fractious in barriers. Race 4: Francisco Pizaro (Trainer J Ible) – Cardiac arrythmia including ECG.
<b>Falls/Injuries:</b>	Nil.
<b>Change of Colours:</b>	Nil.
<b>Follow up:</b>	Nil.