

## STEWARDS REPORT

### Tweed River Jockey Club MURWILLUMBAH RACECOURSE

Tuesday 15 October 2019

Weather: Fine  
Track: Good (3)  
Rail: True

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

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**General:** Trainer Mr W. Sutton was fined \$300 for failing to present his treatment records to stewards during an inspection of his registered stable premises on 5 June 2019 (AR104(6)).

#### **RACE 1: Maiden Plate 1010m:**

**Bravado Miss** – Began awkwardly. Raced in restricted room rounding the first turn. Bumped at the entrance to the straight.

**Emma's Jet** – Slow to begin (2L). Passing the 700m laid out and bumped another runner. Bumped at the entrance to the straight.

**Lady Mantagna** - Carried wide rounding the first turn.

**Shy Boy** – Began awkwardly. Bumped and unbalanced passing the 700m.

**Sinepari** – Hung out rounding the first turn and ran wide on the track. Inclined to overrace and hang out in the middle stages. Trainer Mr S. Lee was advised that a warning would be placed on the colts racing manners. Raced wide, without cover, throughout the early and middle stages. A post race veterinary examination of the colt did not reveal any abnormality.

**Stunt Pilot** – Carried wide rounding the first turn. Raced wide, without cover, throughout the early and middle stages.

**Tennessee Nikka** – As no other claiming apprentice was available to replace him, stewards permitted N. Fazackerley to claim 1.0kg of his 1.5kg allowance. N. Fazackerley was fined \$100 (LR70).

**Timely Bel** – Shifted in under pressure passing the 200m.

**Top Serve (NZ)** – When questioned regarding the performance of the mare jockey W. O’Connell stated that his mount felt reluctant to stretch out in the event and took no competitive part. A post race veterinary examination of the mare, which was beaten 46.86L, did not reveal any abnormality. Mr Petersen was advised that the mare is required to barrier trial to the satisfaction of stewards prior to its next race start. Mr Petersen reported in the days subsequent that the mare had a poor recovery rate on return to his stable and in his opinion may have choked down during the event. Mr Petersen advised that the mare will be retired immediately.

### **RACE 2: Benchmark 66 Handicap 2020m:**

**Hellava Babe** – Slow to begin.

**Humility** – Near the 1400m was steadied after improving onto heels. Pulled from this point to the 1000m.

**Lookin’ At You** - Unable to improve approaching and rounding the home turn when held up on heels.

**Partnership (NZ)** – Slow to begin.

**Reset’s Son** – Hampered rounding the home turn.

**Rocbolt (NZ)** – Pulled in the early stages.

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

### **RACE 3: Maiden Handicap 1530m:**

**Arcalette** – Overraced, and raced greenly, in the early and middle stages. Passing the 500m became held up on heels and was unable to improve until obtaining clear running on straightening. A post race veterinary examination of the mare revealed it to have a small laceration to the near fore fetlock.

**Cane Cutter** – Pulled approaching and rounding the first turn. Steadied after improving onto heels approaching the 1000m. Passing the 500m became held up on heels and was unable to improve until obtaining clear running on straightening. Bumped shortly after straightening. Near the 200m was obliged to shift in around heels to continue to improve.

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

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

**Paddlepop** – Slow to begin (2L). Rounding the first turn was steadied and shifted out after improving onto heels. Raced wide, without cover, from this point before being allowed to stride forward and settle outside the leader near the 800m. Bumped shortly after straightening.

**Takemeoutback** – As J. Hodge failed to arrive on course stewards permitted J. Bayliss to replace him as the rider of the gelding. J. Hodge was fined \$100 (AR127(1)). Approaching the home turn the gelding commenced to lay out resulting in the bit being pulled through its mouth. Hung out down the straight and was not tested, as the rider had little control due to the displacement of the geldings bit. Trainer Mr G. Cornish was advised that a warning would be placed on the geldings racing manners. A post race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality.

**Verdancy** – Pulled in the middle stages.

**Yankee Sang** – Slow to begin.

#### **RACE 4: Class 2 Handicap 1530m:**

**Bill the Conqueror** – Declared a late scratching by order of stewards at 3.40pm after the gelding was loaded in the barriers and bumped the near side gate before breaking through, resulting in its rider M. Cahill being dislodged, and galloping a considerable distance. Stewards ordered that all wagers on the gelding be refunded and all successful wagers placed with bookmakers prior to 3.40pm be subject to the following deductions in the dollar on the face value of the ticket, 16 cents the win and 9 cents the place for 1st (*Natural Force*), 18 cents the place for 2nd (*Daunting Warrior*) and 19 cents the place for 3rd (*Play School*). The off side gate struck M. Cahill above the right eye and right ankle in the incident resulting in bruising to both areas. M. Cahill was assessed by the clubs ambulance officers and cleared fit to fulfil his remaining riding engagements.

**Daunting Warrior** – Unable to improve between the 600m and 500m when held up on heels.

**Fourgrandman** – Pulled in the early stages. Laid out rounding the home turn.

**Lucky Dee** – Pulled in the early and middle stages.

**Natural Force** – Slow to begin. Inclined to lay out rounding the home turn and down the straight.

**Newton (NZ)** – Inclined to overrace approaching and rounding the first turn.

**Play School** – Slow to begin (2L). Unable to improve between the 600m and 500m when held up on heels. Inclined to lay out between the 300m and 100m.

**Rock Pearl (NZ)** – Jockey W. O’Connell (*Newton (NZ)*) pleaded guilty to charge of careless riding, under AR131(a), in that near the 1100m he permitted his mount to shift in when insufficiently clear of **Rock Pearl (NZ)** which was checked. W. O’Connell’s license to ride in races was suspended for a period to commence on Wednesday 16 October 2019 and expire on Tuesday 22 October 2019, on which day he may ride.

**Sultry Testa** – Raced wide, without cover, throughout the early and middle stages.

**Surgical** – Slow to begin. Overraced approaching and rounding the first turn. Overraced in the middle stages.

**Tejaan** – Slow to begin.

**RACE 5: F&M Benchmark 58 Handicap 1100m:**

**Dimonte Girl** – Bumped and unbalanced on jumping.

**Infinite Spirit (NZ)** – Began awkwardly and bumped another runner. Passing the 600m became held up on heels and was unable to improve until the entrance to the straight.

**Invincible Tammy** – Blundered on jumping.

**Mental As Anything** – Slow to begin and hampered shortly after.

**Shinstar** – Laid out approaching and passing the 100m.

**Young Amazon** – Slow to begin. Approaching the 400m became held up on heels and was unable to improve until shortly after straightening. Steadied when awkwardly placed outside heels over the concluding stages.

**RACE 6: C,G&E Benchmark 58 Handicap 1100m:**

**Brad the Lad** – Momentarily held up on heels at the entrance to the straight. Unable to be tested over the concluding stages when held up on heels.

**Lwazi** – Slow to begin.

**Manhattan Gambler** – Blundered on jumping. Bumped on two occasions approaching the 1000m. Hampered shortly after straightening.

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

**My Cousin Steve** – When questioned regarding the disappointing performance of the gelding jockey L. Rolls stated that his mount was obliged to settle midfield after it blundered on jumping and failed to muster early speed. L. Rolls stated that his mount failed to travel strongly throughout the event and in his opinion raced flat. L. Rolls added

that he believes the gelding races best when able to lead and dictate terms. A post race veterinary examination of the gelding revealed it to have mild heat stress.

**Nakani** – As apprentice N. Fazackerly was unable to claim down to his minimum riding weight stewards permitted apprentice Ms O. Pickering to replace him as the rider of the gelding. Slow to begin. Unable to be tested over the final 100m when held up on heels.

**Snip the Mo** – Bumped approaching the 1000m.

**Will's Bid** – Bumped approaching the 1000m. Overraced approaching and rounding the first turn. Continued to overrace in the middle stages.

### **RACE 7: Maiden Plate 1200m:**

**All Style** – Slow to begin. Unable to be tested over the concluding stages when held up on heels.

**Applicant** – Change of tactics, to be ridden further forward, settled handy. Unable to improve approaching and rounding the home turn when held up on heels.

**Brahma Armour (NZ)** – When questioned regarding the disappointing performance of the gelding jockey M. Cahill stated his mount was obliged to race three wide, without cover, throughout the early and middle stages after it was slow to begin and failed to muster early speed. M. Cahill stated his mount was under pressure from the 600m and was very disappointing in its run to the line. M. Cahill added his mounts best form has been on softer track conditions than those today. A post race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality.

**Ceremonial Prince** – Shifted out under pressure approaching the 200m.

**Legato Feeling** – Began awkwardly.

**Mishani Paloma** – Began awkwardly and bumped another runner.

**Private Detective** – Slow to begin and bumped shortly after.

**Tierra De Fuego** – Whilst en route to the barriers Ms L. Cheshire removed her feet from the irons as she was concerned her mount was going to strike the clubs ambulance vehicle. The gelding then took charge and galloped a considerable distance when Ms Cheshire was unable to sufficiently restrain it. Consequently, the gelding was declared a late scratching by order of stewards at 5.25pm. Stewards ordered that all wagers on the gelding be refunded and all successful wagers placed with bookmakers prior to 5.25pm be subject to the following deductions in the dollar on the face value of the ticket, 1 cent the win and 2 cents the place for 1st (*Ceremonial Prince*), 3 cents the place for 2nd (*Applicant*) and 2 cents the place for 3rd (*Kallie*). Ms Cheshire advised she strained her groin in the incident.

**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
2	L. Tilley ( <b>Hellava Babe</b> )	2
7	L. Rolls ( <b>Legato Feeling</b> )	1

Swab samples were taken from all winners, **Jacksprat, William, Lookin' at You, Verdancy, Daunting Warrior, Young Amazon** and **Ceremonial Prince**.

<b>SUMMARY</b>	
<b>Fines:</b>	General: W. Sutton - \$300 (AR104(6)) Race 1: N. Fazackerley - \$100 (LR70) Race 3: J. Hodge - \$100 (AR127(1))
<b>Reprimands:</b>	Nil
<b>Suspensions:</b>	Race 4: W. O'Connell ( <b>Newton (NZ)</b> ) 16/10/2019 – 22/10/2019 (AR131(a))
<b>Bleeders:</b>	Nil
<b>Warnings:</b>	Race 1: <b>Sinepari</b> – hung out Race 3: <b>Takemeoutback</b> – hung out
<b>Trials</b>	Race 1: <b>Top Serve</b> - uncompetitive
<b>Certificates:</b>	Nil
<b>Fall/Injuries:</b>	Race 4: M. Cahill – bruising above right eye & to right ankle Race 7: Ms L. Cheshire – strained groin.
<b>Tactics Notified:</b>	Race 7: <b>Applicant</b> – to be ridden further forward, settled handy
<b>Follow up:</b>	Nil