

STEWARDS REPORT

Australian Turf Club WARWICK FARM RACECOURSE

Wednesday 16 September 2020

Weather: Fine
Track: Good (4); upgraded to Good (3) at 1.33pm following Race 1
Rail: +3m entire circuit
Penetrometer: 4.79

COMMITTEE OF STEWARDS: T. J. Vassallo (Chairman), W. R. Birch, C. L. Albrecht T. J. Lee and Cadet B. J. Pearce

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Supplementary Reports:

Hawkesbury 10 September 2020

Race 1 – Pink Finns 10th Anniversary Class 1 Handicap 1600m:

Game Theory – Trainer Mr G. Ryan reported that although he was satisfied with the post-race condition of the gelding, **Game Theory** has now been spelled.

Race 4 – Friday's On The Terrace Fillies and Mares Maiden Plate 1100m:

Invincible Ninja – Trainer Mr M. Newnham reported that he was satisfied with the post-race condition of the mare.

Rosehill Gardens 12 September 2020

Race 2 – TAB highway Class 3 Handicap 1400m:

Yulong Base – Trainer Mr C. Morgan reported that although a subsequent veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities, the gelding has now been spelled.

Race 7 – Iron Jack Theo Marks Stakes (Group 2) 1300m:

Niccanova – Trainer Mr C. Carmody reported that he was satisfied with the post-race condition of the gelding and advised that his intention is to continue with its current preparation.

Race 8 – Schweppes Sheraco Stakes (Group 2) 1200m:

Mizzy – Trainer Mr A. Cummings reported that he was satisfied with the post-race condition of the mare.

Kembla Grange 12 September 2020

Race 1 – Berkeley 4YO and Up Maiden Handicap 1400m:

Oconee – Trainer's representative Mr C. Duckworth reported that the stable was satisfied with the post-race condition of the gelding.

LATE RIDER CHANGES

As App. J. Van Overmeire was indisposed due to illness, Stewards permitted the following rider replacements.

App. Van Overmeire was advised that he will require a medical clearance before being permitted to ride again.

Race 4	App. C. Graham on Fox Beat
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Race 7	App. B. Ryan on Our Fun
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RACE 1: Frosted @ Darley Handicap 1400m:

Jack The Lad – Slow to begin.

Echo Point – Shifted out at the start and made contact with *Caesars Palace*. Rider T. Clark reported that he had to make some use of his mount in the early stages in an endeavour to obtain a position behind the leaders. He added that whilst the colt travelled well throughout the event, after commencing to improve into the race from the 500m his mount came under pressure and failed to respond to his riding in the straight. He added that he recommended to connections that **Echo Point** be gelded. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities. Co-trainer Mr A. Bott advised that as the colt had had only two race starts, it was the stable's intention to give **Echo Point** another start before deciding whether to consider to connections to proceed with gelding.

Caesars Palace – A short distance after the start had to be eased momentarily from the heels of *Much Much Better*, which shifted in. During the middle stages was inclined to race keenly and passing the 1200m was eased when *Echo Point* shifted out slightly to obtain a position one off the running rail. **Caesars Palace** continued to race keenly for the remainder of the event. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

Seleque – Began awkwardly and from a wide barrier then was shifted behind runners in the early stages. Soon after straightening, when endeavouring to improve between *Bella Violet* and *Jack The Lad*, was carried out when *Jack The Lad* was endeavouring to shift out from behind *Much Much Better* to improve. Approaching the 200m **Seleque** then was hampered when placed in restricted room between *Bella Violet* and *Jack The Lad*, which continued to lay out.

Stylebender – After beginning awkwardly, then was shifted behind runners in the early stages from its wide barrier. Raced greenly under pressure in the straight and passing the 200m shifted out abruptly after being struck with the whip and had to be corrected by its rider, K. Latham. **Stylebender** continued to hang out when racing greenly for the remainder of the straight. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities. Trainer Mr B. Hayes was advised that **Stylebender** would be required to barrier trial to the satisfaction of the Stewards prior to its next race start.

Bella Violet – Hung out rounding the home turn. Near the 200m was hampered and taken wider by *Seleque*. Rider R. King reported that she was instructed to obtain a position with cover around mid-field, however, after the filly began well she elected to capitalise on its early positioning, and without unduly pressuring her mount was able to assume a position outside the leader, *Much Much Better*.

So Far Away – Slow to begin. When questioned, rider K. McEvoy stated that whilst he was under no specific instructions as to where to have the filly settle today, it was his view that **So Far Away** has performed well when ridden in a conservative manner. He said that in the early stages he anticipated settling in a mid-field position, however, when *Caesars Palace* maintained its position to his inside, he was obliged to restrain his mount and obtain a position behind that runner rather than remain racing wide and without cover. He said that due to the moderate sectionals set through the early and middle stages, near the 500m his mount came under pressure and for this reason he elected to shift towards the inside of *Caesars Palace* in an endeavour to look for clear running. He said that at that point he did not feel that it would be in his mount's best interests to shift to the outside of *Caesars Palace* due to the manner in which the filly was travelling. He added that passing the 300m he endeavoured to improve into a run between *Echo Point* and *Bella Violet*, however, when *Bella Violet* shifted out, he was obliged to steady his mount and shift back towards the inside of *Seleque* to continue into clear running near the 150m whereby **So Far Away** finished off its race satisfactorily.

RACE 2: Vinery Stallions Plate 1100m:

Dear Sibling – Co-trainers Mr J. and Mr G. Moore were fined \$100 under AR102 for failing to notify that **Dear Sibling** had been gelded. Began only fairly. Raced wide and without cover for the majority of the event.

Fastconi – After beginning awkwardly, shifted in, making contact with *Dear Sibling*.

Media Man – Slow to begin.

Osamu – Despite being restrained in the early stages when the colt was racing keenly, was able to maintain its position racing towards the outside of the leader, *Deniki*. When racing tight with *Deniki* inside the final 50m, approaching the winning post H. Bowman, rider of **Osamu**, dropped his offside rein.

Artic – Began awkwardly and lost ground.

Newsreader – Approaching the 250m after initially being held up commenced to improve towards the outside of *Osamu* to secure clear running and in doing so made contact with *Fastconi* on several occasions, resulting in both runners becoming unbalanced. After securing clear running to the outside of *Osamu* near the 200m **Newsreader** laid out and near the 150m made contact with *Fastconi*.

Thrillology – After beginning awkwardly then was shifted behind runners in the early stages. Passing the 1000m commenced to overrace after being restrained and taken wider. Shortly after straightening commenced to lay in when racing greenly. **Thrillology** then raced greenly for the remainder of the straight.

Winning Business – Approaching the 900m commenced to race keenly and as a result laid out towards the heels of *Fastconi* and was eased. **Winning Business** then continued to race keenly for the remainder of the event.

RACE 3: Iron Jack Handicap 1600m:

Coterie – Rider N. Rawiller dropped his whip near the 75m.

Suave – Rider K. McEvoy advised that he was issued with no specific instructions, however, from the wide barrier and when caught wide and without cover in the early stages he allowed his mount to stride forward and assume a position outside the leader, *Gemmahra* near the 1000m. K. McEvoy further added that rounding the home turn his mount came under pressure and despite endeavouring to obtain his position to the outside of *Gemmahra*, the eventual winner, *Coterie*, was able to manoeuvre his mount wider.

Carluca – Held up rounding the home turn before being able to secure clear running outside of *Coterie* near the 300m. Inside the final 50m **Carluca** was not able to be tested when held up behind *Coterie*.

Impactful – A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

Parry Sound – Began only fairly. Shortly after straightening was shifted back to the inside of *Carluca* after being held up when disappointed for a run between that runner and *Bucharest*. Near the 200m **Parry Sound** then was shifted to the outside of *Carluca* to continue into clear running, however, for some distance between the 100m and the 50m again became held up behind *Suave*. **Parry Sound** then was able to secure clear running inside the final 50m, however, approaching the winning post laid out slightly, resulting in its rider, G. Boss, correcting his mount to prevent further tightening to *Bucharest*, which was racing in restricted room between his mount and *Impactful*.

Bucharest – Stewards permitted J. McDonald to ride the colt a half kilogram over its allotted weight of 54.5kgs. Blundered on jumping and was bumped by *Californiafirebird*, which began awkwardly and shifted out. Rider J. McDonald stated that the colt travelled well throughout the early and middle stages, however, after being shifted to the outside of *Suave* near the 400m to commence improving into the race, his mount came under pressure immediately. He added that whilst on face value the colt's performance was disappointing, he was not dissatisfied with the manner in which **Bucharest** responded to his riding in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities. Stewards will follow up on the post-race condition of **Bucharest** in the days subsequent.

Californiafirebird – When questioned regarding her riding from the 500m and whether there was an opportunity to shift to the outside of the favourite *Bucharest*, to commence improving into the race, App. C. Graham stated that after the 500m she commenced a gradual shift towards the outside of

Bucharest, however, when *Impactful* improved quickly to her outside she endeavoured to contest that position with that runner, but was unable to do so. She added that as a result, when *Bucharest* did not improve into the race as she anticipated, she then became held up behind that runner rounding the home turn and in the early part of the straight. She added that as she was positioned to the inside of *Impactful* she then was obliged to allow that horse to improve before being able to shift **Californiafirebird** to the outside of that runner leaving the 200m whereby her mount finished off its race strongly. App. Graham agreed with Stewards that the better option would have been to position her mount to the outside of *Bucharest* sooner than she attempted to do on this occasion, which would have prevented her mount from becoming held up.

RACE 4: Sky Racing Active Handicap 2200m:

Magic Over The Bay – Slow to begin.

Pressure – Began awkwardly, shifted in and made contact with *Tudor Prince*. Passing the winning post was checked when crowded to the inside of *Prince Of Arragon* (T. Clark), which shifted in and away from *Frenzied*. T. Clark was advised to exercise more care.

Frenzied – Began awkwardly. When questioned as to whether there was an opportunity to shift to the inside of *Pressure* on straightening, rider N. Rawiller stated that rounding the home turn, whilst he had observed a run to the inside of *Pressure*, given the manner in which his mount was travelling and as he anticipated *Pressure* shifting back towards the running rail, he was reluctant to endeavour to place his mount into that run. He added that he, therefore, elected to sift his mount towards the outside of *Prince Of Arragon* to avoid his momentum being disrupted, whereby he was able to secure clear running near the 200m.

Roman Son – After being slow to begin then was shifted behind runners in the early stages from its wide barrier. Inside the final 50m was unable to be tested when placed close to the heels of the weakening *Fox Beat*.

Wild Sheila – After beginning only fairly, then was shifted behind runners in the early stages.

Fox Beat – Began awkwardly. Raced keenly in the early stages. Approaching the 400m, when commencing to weaken, had to be checked from the heels of *Prince Of Arragon*, which had commenced to improve forward of that runner.

Everly Girl – Raced wide and without cover from the 700m.

RACE 5: Hyland Race Colours Handicap 1100m:

Al Mah Haha – When questioned regarding his riding from the 400m and whether there was an opportunity for him to allow the gelding to improve towards the outside of *Fritz's Factor*, K. Jennings stated that initially he was of the view that *Avadane* had not vacated a position one off the running rail and, therefore, he elected to continue to follow *Fritz's Factor*. He added that, after he observed a position then develop between *Fritz's Factor* and *Avadane*, which shifted out approaching the 400m, he did not believe it would be in his mount's best interest to endeavour to improve into that run as he was mindful that *Fritz's Factor* may commence to shift out from behind *Aeecee Vinco*, this may have caused some interference to his mount. He added that for this reason he elected to maintain trailing *Fritz's Factor* until the 350m. He said, however, *Fritz's Factor* then commenced to shift out from behind *Aeecee Vinco* to improve into a run that had developed between that runner and *Miss Fox*. He said that as a consequence he then became held up behind *Miss Fox* on entering the straight and passing the 150m was able to secure a run between *Miss Fox* and *Fritz's Factor* whereby **Al Mah Haha** finished off its race well.

Aeecee Vinco – Began awkwardly, shifted out and made contact with *Kawaikini*.

Plaquette – Declared a late scratching at 3.46pm after being fractious in the barriers and its near-foreleg becoming cast. The Stewards ruled that all moneys invested on **Plaquette** be refunded in full

and that all successful wagers made prior to 3.46pm be subject to the following deductions from the face value of each ticket:

1st *Hulk* 33¢ win, 20¢ place
2nd *Kawaikini* 24¢ place
3rd *name* 23¢ place

Stable representative Mr D. Beadman was advised that a veterinary clearance will be required before **Plaquette** barrier trials satisfactorily again.

Hulk – From the outside barrier was shifted behind runners in the early stages. Approaching the 200m was hampered when endeavouring to obtain clear running between *Roman Wolf* and *Avadane*.

Roman Wolf – Approaching the 200m was hampered and taken wider by *Hulk*.

Kawaikini – After being loaded into the barriers kicked the back gate with its off-hind leg. The mare was removed from the barriers, examined by the Club's Veterinary Officer and deemed suitable to race. After being bumped at the start then was shifted behind runners from its wide barrier. Held up in the early part of the straight and had to be shifted towards the outside of *The Unknown Factor* approaching the 200m to secure clear running.

The Unknown Factor – Raced wide and without cover throughout the event.

Valree – Slow to begin. Raced keenly through the middle stages. Near the 300m, after being corrected to relieve some tightening to *Hulk*, **Valree** then shifted back towards the inside of *Avadane* and a short distance later then had to be checked when crowded between that runner and *Kawaikini* (J. Collett), which shifted out when not clear. J. Collett was reprimanded.

Secretively – Slow to begin and shortly after the start shifted out and bumped *The Unknown Factor* on the hindquarter. Raced keenly through the middle stages. Approaching the 300m was eased when tightened for room between *Roman Wolf* and *Hulk*, which had shifted to the outside of *Valree* to secure a run between that runner and **Secretively**.

RACE 6: Bowermans Commercial Furniture Handicap 1300m:

Let It Pour – Over the concluding stages could not be tested when placed close to the heels of the winner, *Joviality*.

Twice As Special – After being slow to begin then was shifted behind runners in the early stages from its wide barrier.

Snippy Fox – A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

Alison Of Tuffy – After beginning awkwardly was inconvenienced by *Snippy Fox*, which shifted out, and then was shifted behind runners in the early stages.

Joviality – Began awkwardly. Lots its near-fore plate.

Night Witches – After beginning only fairly then was shifted behind runners in the early stages.

Amorita – From a wide barrier was shifted behind runners in the early stages. Hung in under pressure in the straight.

Giovanna Run – When questioned regarding the performance of the filly, rider T. Berry stated that despite the genuine tempo throughout the event the filly travelled well. He added that shortly after straightening the filly came under pressure and inside the final 200m weakened noticeably quickly. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the filly to be slow to recover. Stable representative Mr C. Duckworth was advised that **Giovanna Run** would be required to barrier trial to the satisfaction of the Stewards before being permitted to race again.

Red Hot – Slow to begin.

RACE 7: ANZ Bloodstock News Handicap 1400m:

Reiby's Regent – Raced wide and without cover throughout the event.

Green Mountain – Held up behind *Buzz* rounding the home turn. Rider R. Hutchings was reprimanded under AR132(6)(b) for using the whip in a manner where his arm was raised above shoulder height.

Leaderboard – From a wide barrier was shifted behind runners in the early stages.

Phemonoe – Slow to begin. Over the concluding stages could not be ridden out to the end of the race when placed close to the heels of *Royal Marine*.

Buzz – Raced wide and without cover until the 500m.

Savoury – After being loaded into the barriers, became fractious, was subsequently removed, examined by the Club's Veterinary Officer and deemed suitable to race. Near the 1000m had to be steadied when tightened for room between *Green Mountain* and *Glamour Fox*, which was endeavouring to shift in and obtain a position closer to the running rail. Approaching the 800m was hampered by *Glamour Fox* when endeavouring to contest a one-off position with *Glamour Fox*. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

Our Fun – After beginning awkwardly then was shifted behind runners in the early stages from a wide barrier.

Acrophobic – Stewards permitted J. McDonald to ride the colt a half kilogram over its allotted weight of 54.5kgs.

Jachell Alliance – After being slow to begin then was shifted behind runners in the early stages.

Glamour Fox – Raced keenly in the early stages.

Summary of whip use:

Stewards noted the following riders exceeded the permitted strikes of the whip prior to the 100m under AR132(7)(a)(ii). Bearing in mind the totality of whip use, no action was taken.

Race 4	J. McDonald (Pressure)	8 strikes
	T. Clark (Prince Of Arragon)	6 strikes
Race 7	L. Magorrian (Royal Marine)	7 strikes

Swab samples were taken from all winners and the following runners:

Race 1: Echo Point, Much Much Better, So Far Away

Race 2: Media Man, Osamu, Winning Business

Race 3: Suave, Gemmahra, Bucharest

Race 4: Pressure, Frenzied, Roman Son, Prince Of Arragon (2), Fox Beat, Everly Girl

Race 5: Avadane, Miss Fox, Plaquette, Roman Wolf, Kawaikini

Race 6: Let It Pour, Twice As Special, Snippy Fox, Invinciano, Alison Of Tuffy

Race 7: Buzz, American Whiskey

SUMMARY

Fines:	Race 2: Co-trainers J. & G. Moore (Dear Sibling) fined \$100 – fail to notify gelding of horse (AR102).
Reprimands:	Race 5: J. Collett (Kawaikini) – careless riding shifting out (AR131(a)). Race 7: R. Hutchings (Green Mountain)
Suspensions:	Nil.

Bleeders:	Nil.
Warnings:	Nil.
Trials:	Race 1: Stylebender (trainer B. Hayes) – racing manners. Race 5: Plaquette (trainer J. Cummings) – barrier manners. Race 6: Giovanna Run (trainer C. Waller) – poor performance.
Certificates:	App. J. Van Overmeire – indisposed due to illness. Race 5: Plaquette (trainer J. Cummings) – near-foreleg
Fall/Injuries:	Nil.
Tactics Notified:	Race 5: Hulk – Intention to be ridden mid-field with cover: Settled at rear of field. Race 6: Amorita – To be ridden conservatively from the outside barrier: Settled towards the rear of the field without cover. Race 6: Giovanna Run – To be ridden further forward: with the intention to lead: Led. Race 7: Acrophobic – To be ridden conservatively: Settled off mid-field.
Change of Colours:	Nil.
Change of Gear:	Nil.
Follow up:	Race 1: Echo Point (co-trainers G. Waterhouse & A. Bott) – post-race condition. Race 3: Bucharest (trainer C. Waller) – post-race condition.