

**STEWARDS REPORT
Narromine Turf Club
NARROMINE RACECOURSE**

Thursday 17th September 2020

Weather: Fine.
Track: Good (4)
Rail: +4m 900-300m; True remainder
Penetrometer: Nil.

COMMITTEE OF STEWARDS: *T.W Smith (chairman), M.W Purse & C.K McIntosh*

Changes to Declared Weight

Stewards permitted the following riders to ride overweight in accordance with the RacingNSW Overweight Policy:

Race 5	Buddabadah- C Lever 0.5kg over 55.5kg.
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Race 1: SKYPARK ESTATE MAIDEN PLATE 1100m:

California Spell- Near 600m the gelding slipped and became badly unbalanced and lost considerable ground. A post race veterinary examination failed to reveal any obvious abnormality.

He's Exciting- Laid in under pressure in the straight. A post race veterinary examination failed to reveal any obvious abnormality.

The Banjo- Had to be checked near the 500m after being bumped outwards by *Lionsteps*, which hung out.

Nicola- Blundered on jumping.

Geesheehan- Near the 600m laid in and made contact with the running rail and became unbalanced.

Lionsteps- Near the 350m was steadied and shifted out after being disappointed for a run between *Geesheehan* and *Modify*, which laid in.

Miss Mayfield- Near the 300m was carried inwards by *Gunnerville* which laid in under pressure. Near the 100m was momentarily steadied and shifted out to avoid the heels of *Dashing Badger*, which laid in.

Following the running of this race a number of jockeys expressed concerns with the footing afforded to their mounts after a number of runners slipping during the race between the 800m and 400m. An inspection was conducted with senior riders and stewards and the decision was made for the meeting to proceed.

Race 2: LESLEY WALSH APPRECIATION MAIDEN HANDICAP 1300m:

Cliffsinger- After shifting out around the heels of *Bart's Bullet* near the 200m commenced to lay in.

Galbalan- Laid out from the 300-200m.

Alison Princess- A post race veterinary examination veterinary examination failed to reveal any obvious abnormality.

Bella Chica- Raced wide and without cover throughout.

It Will Be Done- Overraced in the early stage and near the 1100m had to be checked after laying in onto the heels of *Cliffsinger*. A post race veterinary examination failed to reveal any obvious abnormality.

Mr International- Slow to begin.

Rusty Hawk- Shifted in on jumping and made contact with *Occasional*. Raced wide and without cover until near the 800m. Laid in under pressure over the final 100m.

Proffasee – Near the 800m slipped and became unbalanced.

Following the running of this race riders expressed further concerns with the footing afforded to their mounts between the 800m and 400m, after some of the runners again slipped. After another inspection by senior riders and stewards, remedial work was commenced to try to alleviate the slippery nature of the surface. When this remedial work was deemed unsuccessful the remainder of the meeting was postponed.

General

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 2	G Buckley (Bonita Casa)	6 strikes prior to the 100m.
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SUMMARY	
Fines:	Nil
Reprimands:	Nil
Suspensions:	Nil
Bleeders:	Nil
Certificates:	Nil
Warnings/embargos:	Nil
Trials:	Nil
Change of tactics:	Nil
Falls/Injuries:	Nil
Gear Changes:	Nil
Follow up:	Nil