

STEWARDS REPORT

Gundagai-Adelong Racing Club GUNDAGAI RACECOURSE Saturday 17 November 2018

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

STEWARDS: T.J.Davidson (Chairman), J.A.Shultz & D.R.McLean

(6u1b)

General: As B. Sweeney was to be overweight Stewards permitted the following rider replacements. B. Sweeney was fined \$200 under AR120(b).

Race 4	B. Ward on Blinkin Trying
Race 6	J. Duffy on Magic Pegasus
Race 7	J. Duffy on I'm a Prima Donna

RACE 1: Maiden Handicap 1000m:

Nobody's Puppet- Trainer N. Olive was fined \$100 under LR36A for the late (7.43am) withdrawal of the mare.

Fabulous Fran- Blundered badly on jumping and lost ground (2L). Hampered and carried wider near the 200m when *Bear Esteem* shifted out to improve. Rider K. Nisbet explained it was anticipated that the filly would settle in a forward position but after losing ground on jumping she established a position towards the tail of the field. She added she had to make use of the filly to circle the field and as a result her mount, after initially responding, weakened over the concluding stages. A post-race veterinary examination did not detect any abnormalities.

Onaroll- Rider B. Ward stated his mount travelled well outside the eventual winner but when placed under pressure it came off the bridle and raced very greenly. A post-race veterinary examination did not detect any abnormalities.

Bear Esteem- Raced wide throughout.

Fearless Falcon- Bumped on several occasions between the 200m and 100m.

Fox Beat- Raced ungenerously in the middle stages. Bumped on several occasions between the 200m and 100m.

Midnight Jumper- Trainer F. Schneiders was fined \$100 under LR46(b) for failing to have the gelding on course by the prescribed time. Began awkwardly.

RACE 2: Maiden Handicap 1400m:

Spudfest- Permission was given for N. Souquet to ride the gelding ½ kilogram over its declared weight.

Withorn- Co- trainer M. Jones was fined \$200 under LR35(2) for the late declaration of B. Ward as the rider of the gelding.

Dark Alibi- Held up and unable to improve between the 400m and 200m.

Flaming Fox- Slow to begin and then bumped shortly after by *Lolly*. Steadied passing the 200m when *House Party* (M. Travers) shifted out when not clear. M. Travers was reprimanded for careless riding under AR137(a).

Lolly- Bumped shortly after the start.

RACE 3: Class 1 & Maiden Plate 1800m:

Royal Parade- Bumped heavily on several occasions, severely crowded and checked near the 300m. At a subsequent inquiry N. Heywood (*Sepulchre*) pleaded guilty to a charge of careless riding under AR137(a) in that near the 300m he did attempt to force a run between *Sister Hazel* and *Royal Parade*, when there was insufficient room to do so, resulting in **Royal Parade** being severely crowded and checked. N. Heywood's license to ride in races was suspended for a period to commence on Tuesday 27 November 2018 and to expire on Sunday 9 December 2018, on which day he may ride.

Sepulchre- Bumped heavily on several occasions near the 300m.

High Street- Raced very keenly in the early and middle stages. Checked near the 1400m while being restrained off heels. Raced ungenerously for some distance thereafter.

Sister Hazel- Raced wide throughout. Checked near the 1500m. At a subsequent inquiry S. Metcalfe(a) pleaded guilty to a charge of careless riding under AR137(a) in that near the 1500m she did permit *Sarge Brigarde* to shift in when not clear of *Honorary Miss*, which was carried in across the running of **Sister Hazel**, which checked. Apprentice Metcalfe's permit to ride in races was suspended for a period to commence on Sunday 18 November 2018 and to expire on Friday 23 November 2018, on which day she may ride.

RACE 4: Class 1 Handicap 1180m:

Southern Turf- Rider N. Souquet explained that he was obliged to race wide until approaching the 700m and when he obtained cover at that point the gelding dropped the bit and found the line only fairly. A post-race veterinary examination did not detect any abnormalities.

Red Medusa- Slow to begin.

Lady Patrika- Permission was given for S. Miller to ride the mare ½ kilogram over its declared weight.

RACE 5: Class 2 Handicap 1000m:

Flying Frog- Hung in over the concluding stages.

Warragul- Raced keenly in the early and middle stages. Crowded and lost ground near the 750m.

Mr Brown Fox- Slow to begin.

Being Dazzled- Raced keenly in the early and middle stages. Checked near the 750m when *Sweet Temptations* (B. Murphy) laid inwards. *Warragul* which was racing to the inside was crowded and lost ground in this incident. B. Murphy was advised to exercise more care.

Diamonds for Alice- Raced wide throughout. Checked near the 150m when disappointed for a run between *Missed Out* and *Jounama*.

RACE 6: Benchmark 65 Handicap 1800m:

Romance Can Costa- Severely checked near the 300m. Rider A. Kajiya(a) could offer no explanation for today's performance stating that although the mare struck interference near the 300m it had not travelled well at any stage and was off the bit throughout. A post-race veterinary examination did not detect any abnormalities.

Arrows Destiny- Steadied approaching the winning post when *Ardanza* shifted out.

Ardanza- Slow to begin.

Gun Trace- Checked near the 300m when carried inwards by *Chew Toy*, which in turn was carried inwards by *Run Hoff Run* (B. Murphy). *Romance Can Costa* which was racing to the inside and behind of **Gun Trace** was severely checked in consequence. B. Murphy pleaded not guilty to a charge of careless riding under AR137(a) and after taking further submissions Stewards withdrew the charge when they accepted B. Murphy's evidence that *Ardanza* (B. Owen), which was racing forward of these runners and on the rail had shifted out and contributed to the interference.

Tyres Are Crucial- Laid inwards in the straight.

RACE 7: Benchmark 58 Handicap 1180m:

Newtown is Coming- Raced keenly in the early and middle stages and blundered noticeably near the 900m.

Lighthouse- Slow into stride.

Foxlike- Raced keenly in the early and middle stages.

Benno's Boy- Raced wide throughout.

Emerald Ice- Slow to begin.

General: Swab samples were taken from the following runners:

Race 1: Toolbar

Race 2: Spudfest

Race 3: High Street

Race 4: Captain Ryder

Race 5: Mr Brown Fox

Race 6: Tyres Are Crucial

Race 7: Landmine

SUMMARY	
Fines:	General: B. Sweeney- \$200- Accept ride and be overweight. AR120(b). Race 1: N. Olive-\$100- Late withdrawal of Nobody's Puppet . LR36A.

	Race 1: F. Schneiders- \$100- Late on course. Midnight Jumper . LR46(b). Race 2: M. Jones- \$200- Late declaration of rider for Withorn . LR35(2).
Reprimands:	Race 2: M. Travers- Careless riding on House Party . AR137(a).
Suspensions:	Race 3: S. Metcalfe(a)- Suspended 18/11/18- 23/11/18. Careless riding on Sarge Brigarde . AR137(a). Race 3: N. Heywood- Suspended 27/11/18- 9/12/18. Careless riding on Sepulchre . AR137(a).
Warnings:	Nil.
Bleeders:	Nil.
Trials:	Nil.
Certificates:	Nil.
Falls/Injuries:	Nil.
Change of Tactics:	Nil.