

STEWARDS' REPORT
Wyong Race Club

WYONG RACECOURSE

Wednesday 19 December 2018

Weather: Overcast
Track: Good (4)
Rail: True

STEWARDS: T P Moxon (Chairman), D M Greer, D L Carr and cadets R W Loughlin and J P
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Supplementary Reports:

KEMBLA GRANGE - Saturday 1 December 2018

Race 5: The April-Maree Maiden Handicap 1400m

Nivelle – When questioned regarding **Nivelle** being ridden conservatively in the above race, trainer Mr James Cummings stated that the manner in which **Nivelle** was to be ridden was largely contingent with how the gelding began, however it was anticipated that if **Nivelle** commenced on terms then they would endeavour to race the gelding prominently. He said that after **Nivelle** was slow to begin from its wide barrier, he was satisfied for the rider to allow his mount to settle back in the field to obtain cover.

LATE RIDING CHANGES:

As A Adkins was indisposed due to illness, Stewards permitted the following riding substitutions:

Race 4	C O'Brien on <i>Son Of Ella</i>
Race 6	A Hyeronimus on <i>Cosmic Reign</i>

RACE 1: Mainstream Taxation & Accountancy 4YO & Up Maiden Handicap 1350m

Apidae – trainer K Lees' stable representative Mr C Swan was fined \$100 under AR140A for presenting the gelding to the mounting yard with the incorrect gear. Bumped on jumping by *Ikara Miss*, which shifted in. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to be 1/5 lame in the off-foreleg. Mr Swan was advised a veterinary clearance would be required prior to **Apidae** racing again.

Euclid – slow to begin (2L). Passing the 100m was hampered and taken wider by *Apidae*, which shifted out under pressure. *Carnegie's Monaco*, which was trailing *Euclid*, had to be steadied off the heels of that runner as a consequence.

Boston Blues – began only fairly.

Carnegie's Monaco – for some distance approaching and passing the 400m raced in restricted room to the inside of *Outward*.

Outward – raced wide and without cover for the major part of the race.

First Reading – a post-race veterinary examination revealed the mare to be slow to recover.

RACE 2: Wyong Equine Clinic Class 2 Handicap - Heat of the Rising Star 1350m

Fuchu – slow to begin and then was crowded between *Titaness* and *Resonare*, which shifted in.

Resonare – began only fairly. On straightening was bumped on two occasions and taken wider by *Cuba* (App. P Scorse) when that runner improved between **Resonare** and *Uber Lux*. App. Scorse was advised to exercise more care when performing similar manoeuvres in the future and to ensure there is sufficient room to improve. Laid in in the home straight.

Red Zephyr – from its wide barrier was shifted behind runners in the early stages. Rounding the home turn was bumped and taken wider by *Titaness* (App. B Ryan) when that runner shifted out to improve. App. Ryan was advised to exercise more care and to ensure there is sufficient room to improve in future. *Fuchu*, which was racing to the outside of **Red Zephyr**, was hampered and taken wider in this incident.

Uber Lux – raced keenly in the middle stages.

Snitzel Day – when questioned regarding the gelding leading today, App. S Weatherley stated that his instructions were to settle with cover behind the leaders. He said, after beginning satisfactorily, when both *Cuba* and *Titaness*, which he expected would race prominently, did not show superior speed in the early stages, as his mount was racing keenly, he allowed **Snitzel Day** to continue to stride forward, whereby he was able to lead without making unnecessary use of his mount to do so.

RACE 3: Wyong Coal Class 1 Handicap 1200m

Osorno – lunged forward after being loaded into the barrier. The gelding was examined by the Club's Veterinary Officer and deemed suitable to race. Shifted out at the start, making contact with *I Stole Your Love* and became unbalanced. Had difficulty obtaining clear running rounding the home turn and in the early part of the straight, before shifting to the inside of *Battle Cry* approaching the 150m to secure clear running. Over the concluding stages was unable to be fully tested when awkwardly placed close to the heels of *Battle Cry* when that runner shifted in marginally under pressure. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

I Stole Your Love – had to be checked on jumping on when crowded between *Lady Of Shalott* and *Osorno*, both of which shifted ground.

Marfaz – from its wide barrier was shifted behind runners in the early stages.

Tartufo Bianco – raced fiercely throughout the early and middle stages and between the 1000m and the 700m was continually restrained from the heels of *Lady Of Shalott*.

Intense Focus – held up rounding the home turn and passing the 200m was steadied when disappointed for a run between *Sugarland Express* and *Battle Cry*.

Allez Rev – held up rounding the home turn and in the early part of the straight.

Sugarland Express – hung out rounding the home turn.

Lady Of Shalott – raced wide and without cover throughout the event.

RACE 4: Turfcare Australia Maiden Plate 1000m

Nicoff Bob – slow to begin (2L).

Unsus – slow to begin.

Son Of Ella – slow to begin. Raced keenly throughout the early and middle stages. K Latham, rider of *Chicadilly*, pleaded guilty to a charge of careless riding under AR137(a) in that passing the 200m he permitted his mount to shift out when insufficiently clear of **Son Of Ella**, resulting in that runner having to be checked and losing the running to which it was rightfully entitled. K Latham's licence to ride in races was suspended for a period to commence on Sunday, 23 December 2018 and to expire on Tuesday, 1 January 2019, on which day he may ride.

Dynasty Di – began awkwardly. Approaching the 150m had to be steadied when crowded between *Princess Siri* and *Party Glow*, which was taken out by *Chicadilly* (K Latham). In issuing a reprimand, Stewards were mindful that, after K Latham applied the whip on *Chicadilly* inside the 200m, his mount shifted out abruptly, however, he was advised that he should have made more of an effort than he did on this occasion to prevent his mount from shifting ground.

Grand Exit – from its wide barrier was shifted behind runners in the early stages.

Décor – from its wide barrier was shifted behind runners in the early stages.

Princess Siri – overraced in the early and middle stages.

Party Glow – raced wide and without cover throughout the event.

Taken Everything – raced greenly when under pressure in the home straight

Chicadilly – rider K Latham reported that his mount was inclined to hang out when under pressure over the final 200m and, in an endeavour to prevent his mount shifting ground, his saddle shifted to the offside. He said that over the concluding stages, when continuing to shift ground under pressure, when *Décor* was positioned to his outside, he was unable to fully ride his mount out to the finish line as he was mindful he may have caused interference to that runner had his mount continued to shift ground. Trainer Ms G Markwell will be interviewed regarding the racing manners of the filly.

Montana Thunder – when questioned, rider C Brown stated that rounding the home turn he was trailing *Looksea*. He said that approaching the home straight, whilst he observed a developing run between *Looksea* and *Taken Everything*, the favourite and eventual winner, as he felt the rider of *Taken Everything* would not shift out further to afford him with a full run to improve, he elected to endeavour to obtain a run to the inside of *Looksea* as that horse had laid out rounding the home turn. He added that, as he elected to shift to the inside of *Looksea*, *Looksea* then shifted in under pressure and as a result passing the 150m **Montana**

Thunder had to be steadied when disappointed for this run. C Brown further stated that **Montana Thunder** was then held up and unable to obtain clear running until inside the 100m.

RACE 5: Guardian Partners Benchmark 64 Handicap 1600m

Nines Enough – slow to begin. Raced keenly throughout the early and middle stages. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

Ladies' Gem – began awkwardly.

Magic Search – after passing the 200m was bumped and taken wider by *Zeppelin* (A Hyeronimus) when that runner shifted out to improve between *Ladies' Gem* and **Magic Search**. A Hyeronimus was advised to exercise more care and to ensure that there is sufficient room when attempting similar manoeuvres.

Yorkshire Rock – held up rounding the home turn, before being shifted to the inside of runners to obtain clear running passing the 200m. Rider S Guymer dropped his whip passing the 100.

Tycoon Mar – When questioned regarding the disappointing performance, rider J Duggan stated that she was instructed to ride the gelding conservatively today, which is consistent with how the gelding has been ridden at its most recent starts and, furthermore, to commence improving into race near the 600m. She said that in the early stages she was able to comply with her instructions and settled at the rear of the field. She added her mount was travelling well throughout the early and middle stages and approaching the 800m she allowed her mount to improve without having to make use of the gelding and was able to obtain a position where she felt her mount was in a winning position. J Duggan further stated that from inside the 600m, when she commenced to place her mount under pressure, **Tycoon Mar** was unable to respond to her riding and approaching the 400m, when under more significant pressure, the gelding did not respond to her riding from this point and was very disappointing in the manner in which it finished the race off. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities. Trainer Mr G Neale advised that the gelding had pleased the stable following its last start at Mudgee on 7 December 2018. Mr Neale added that in his opinion **Tycoon Mar** raced like a horse that had come to the end of its preparation and indicated it would now be his intention to spell the gelding. Mr Neale undertook to report back to the Stewards on the progress of the gelding in the days subsequent.

RACE 6: Floratine @ Turfcare Conditional Benchmark 70 Handicap 1350m

Staraday – bumped on jumping. Raced keenly in the early stages. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the mare to have bled from both nostrils for the first occasion. Trainer Mrs K Waugh was advised that under the provisions of AR53A **Staraday** would now incur the mandatory three month ban from racing and two month ban from exercising or training and, furthermore, the mare will be required to gallop 1000m or barrier trial to the satisfaction of Stewards prior to racing again.

Profiler – began awkwardly. Raced keenly in the middle stages. Hung out making the home turn. Approaching the 100m was shifted to the inside of runners, whereby the gelding obtained clear running passing the 75m.

Bon Equus – began awkwardly and then from its wide barrier was shifted behind runners in the early stages.

Cosmic Reign – raced keenly in the early stages. Passing the 300m was taken out by *Sizzled* (App. S Weatherley) and as a result had to be eased to avoid the heels of *Shantou*. App. Weatherley was advised to exercise more care in similar circumstances.

Shantou – passing the 300m had to be eased when crowded between *Spanish Dream* and *Excelling*, both of which shifted marginal ground. Raced wide and without cover throughout the event.

Spanish Dream – when questioned regarding the mare settling off pace, rider T Berry stated that he was not issued with any instructions, however, anticipated the mare would settle prominently. He said that after beginning well he was reluctant to pressure his mount in the early stages to obtain a forward position, as **Spanish Dream** had been quite strong in its preliminary. He added that when several runners that were drawn to his inside showed superior speed in the early stages and showed intent to race forward, he was able to shift his mount across and obtain a position with cover, albeit further back than he had intended.

RACE 7: Twin Lakes Air & Solar Benchmark 64 Handicap 1000m

Four More Millers – began awkwardly.

Anna's Joy – began awkwardly.

Squared – raced keenly in the middle stages.

Epic Dan – approaching the 400m was bumped on the hindquarter by *Anna's Joy* and became unbalanced.

Laszlo – raced wide and without cover throughout the event.

Crimson Ticket – when questioned, rider A Hyeronimus stated that he was instructed to settle prominently on the mare. He said that after beginning only fairly his mount did not muster speed in the early stages and when immediately crossed by *Anna's Joy* shortly after the start he was unable to improve forward and ultimately raced at the rear of the field. He added that his mount did not travel well throughout the early and middle stages and was reluctant to maintain its position behind *Squared*, which ultimately resulted in *Four More Millers* being able to shift **Crimson Ticket** to the rail passing the 700m. A Hyeronimus further stated that his mount then continued to travel only fairly and bearing this in mind he endeavoured to shift his mount to the outside in an attempt to have it finish the race off strongly. He said that when unable to do so he then shifted **Crimson Ticket** to the inside of *Dual Escape* passing the 200m, whereby once into clear running his mount finished the race of satisfactory. He further added that in his opinion the mare would be better suited by being stepped up in distance and racing on a bigger track, whereby it may benefit by being ridden more prominently.

GENERAL:

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

Race 1: Outward, Boston Blues, First Reading.

Race 2: Fuchu (2), Red Zephyr, Cuba.

Race 3: Sugarland Express, Battle Cry.

Race 5: Ladies' Gem, Magic Search.

Race 6: Shantou.

SUMMARY	
Fines:	Race 1: Trainer K Lees (<i>Apidae</i>) \$100 – present with wrong gear (AR140A).
Reprimands:	Race 4: K Latham (<i>Chicadilly</i>) – careless riding (AR137(a)).
Suspensions:	Race 4: K Latham (<i>Chicadilly</i>) – careless riding (AR137(a)), suspended from 23/12/18 to 01/01/19.
Bleeders:	Race 6: <i>Staraday</i> (trainer K Waugh) – both nostrils, 3 month ban.
Warnings:	Nil
Trials:	Race 6: <i>Staraday</i> (trainer K Waugh) – both nostrils.
Certificates:	Race 1: <i>Apidae</i> (trainer K Lees) – 1/5 lame off-foreleg.
Fall/Injuries:	Nil.
Tactics Notified:	Race 1: <i>Boston Blues</i> – to be ridden further forward; settled midfield. Race 3: <i>Knight Arrow</i> – to be ridden more conservatively; settled worse than midfield. Race 6: <i>Shantou</i> – to be ridden further forward; settled off pace.
Change of Colours:	Nil.
Change of Gear	Nil.
Follow up:	Race 4: <i>Chicadilly</i> (trainer G Markwell) – racing manners. Race 5: <i>Tycoon Mar</i> (trainer G Neale) – poor performance.