

STEWARDS' REPORT**Tweed River Jockey Club
MURWILLUMBAH RACECOURSE****Friday 24 June 2018**

Weather: Fine / Showers
Track: Firm (2), Good (3) retrospective Race 8
Rail: True

STEWARDS: M. A. Holloway (Chairman), N. M. Daniels & W. M. Friend

SUPPLEMENTARY STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT**Clarence River Jockey Club, GRAFTON RACECOURSE, Thursday 12 July 2018****RACE 3: Mother's Gift 1400m**

Contralto – Jockey J. Byrne was issued a reprimand for using his whip on 2 additional occasions to the 5 permitted prior to the 100m (AR137A(5)(a)(ii))

RACE 5: Big Maiden Handicap 1200m

Usurp – Jockey J. Byrne was issued a reprimand for using his whip on 1 additional occasion to the 5 permitted prior to the 100m (AR137A(5)(a)(ii))

RACE 7: Grafton Cup 2350m (Listed)

Miss Dubois – Jockey J. Byrne was fined \$500 for using his whip on 5 additional occasions to the 5 permitted prior to the 100m (AR137A(5)(a)(ii)).

RACE 1: Class 2 Handicap 1530m:

Airlie Man – Overraced approaching and rounding the first turn. Near the 1100m was steadied after improving onto heels. Inclined to overrace in the middle stages. Passing the 500m became held up on heels and was unable to improve until the entrance to the straight. Blundered passing the 400m.

Falsified – Bumped shortly after the start. Inclined to overrace in the middle stages.

Prince Morpheus – Slow to begin (2L).

Ruler's Pride – Slow to begin. When questioned regarding the performance of the horse jockey M. Hellyer stated that his mount settled in a position worse than midfield and travelled fairly. M. Hellyer stated that when he asked his mount to improve passing the 600m it failed to respond strongly and was disappointing in its run to the line. M. Hellyer stated that his mount raced like a tired horse. A post race veterinary examination of the horse did not reveal any abnormality.

Vivid Pink – When questioned regarding the tactics adopted today, in particular racing forward, apprentice C. Gallagher stated that he rode his mount along in the early stages in an effort to obtain a position midfield with cover. C. Gallagher added approaching the 1200m his mount was caught wide without cover and as the pace of the event was only moderate he elected to work forward into a position outside the leader rather than overly restrain his mount in an effort to obtain cover.

Wainui Gold (NZ) – Bumped shortly after the start. Inclined to pull in the middle stages.

RACE 2: Maiden Handicap 1200m:

Del Vega – Overraced whilst being restrained to obtain cover in the early stages. When questioned regarding the tactics adopted, in particular not leading the event, apprentice J. Guthmann-Chester stated that his mount led at its first attempt over the 1200m journey at its previous start and weakened over the concluding stages. J. Guthmann-Chester stated that today he was instructed to obtain cover behind the leaders in an effort to assist the filly run out the 1200m journey. J. Guthmann-Chester stated his mount was caught wide in the early stages and he was obliged to ease further back into a handy position, to obtain cover. J. Guthmann-Chester stated his mount failed to sprint strongly when placed under pressure passing the 600m and felt reluctant to stretch out on the firm track conditions. Trainer Mr B. Hill confirmed the instructions and advised he is of the opinion the filly race like a tired horse and it would be spelled. Mr Hill was reminded of his responsibility to advise stewards of any perceived change in tactics. A post race veterinary examination of the filly did not reveal any abnormality.

Epiffany – Slow to begin. Overraced in the early stages. Laid out rounding the home turn.

Rock'n'roll Music – Laid in rounding the first turn. Laid in approaching the home turn. Hung in down the straight and was unable to be ridden out with a satisfactory level of vigour. Trainer Mr M. Dunn was advised that the mare, which was beaten 0.05L, is required to barrier trial to the satisfaction of stewards prior to its next race start. A post race veterinary examination of the mare did not reveal any abnormality.

Sheer Matrix – Attempted to buck shortly after the start. Trainer Mr B. Robinson was advised that a warning would be placed on the mare.

Taabinga – Overraced fiercely in the early stages. Inclined to overrace in the middle stages.

Trestrail – Pulled between the 800m and 600m.

RACE 3: Class 1 Handicap 1200m:

Bullseye – Near the 150m was obliged to steady and shift out abruptly after improving onto heels.

Crooked Gent – Blundered on jumping.

Duke of Frederick – Momentarily held up on heels rounding the home turn. A post race veterinary examination of the gelding revealed it had bled for the first time. Trainer Ms C. Halliday was advised that the gelding will now incur the embargoes detailed under AR53A.

Lucky Champion – Inclined to overrace in the early and middle stages.

Mosserati – Made an awkward stride rounding the home turn.

Portuguese Tart – Laid out rounding the first turn. When questioned regarding the performance of the mare jockey S. Galloway stated that his mount settled in a midfield position and travelled fairly. S. Galloway added that his mount did not respond strongly when placed under pressure approaching the home turn and only went to the line fairly. S. Galloway stated that his mount raced like a tired horse. Trainer Mr W. Sutton agreed with the opinion of S. Galloway and advised the mare would be spelled immediately. A post race veterinary examination of the mare did not reveal any abnormality.

Pundit – Laid out rounding the home turn and entrance to the straight. When questioned regarding the performance of the gelding jockey M. Hellyer stated that his mount led the event and travelled keenly. M. Hellyer stated his mount failed to respond strongly when asked to improve approaching the home turn and weakened noticeably over the final 200m. M. Hellyer stated his mounts best form is over a shorter journey and in his opinion it can not run out the 1200m distance. A post race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality.

RACE 4: Maiden Plate 1530m

Aureola – Raced wide in the early and middle stages. A post race veterinary examination of the mare revealed it had bled for the first time. Trainer Mr E. Ensby was advised that the gelding will now incur the embargoes detailed under AR53A.

Evening – Overraced approaching and rounding the first turn. Overraced fiercely in the middle stages. Carried wide rounding the home turn.

House Arrest – COT – to be ridden further forward, settled midfield. Overraced approaching and rounding the first turn. Near the 1100m was checked after improving

onto heels. Near the 900m was steadied after improving onto heels. Raced wide from the 600m. A post race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality.

Hugs 'n' Kisses – Raced wide in the early and middle stages.

In Seattle – Rounding the first turn was checked and shifted out abruptly after striking the running rail whilst racing in restricted room. Raced wide in the middle stages. Hung out approaching and rounding the home turn. Trainer Mr G. Hardy was advised that a warning would be placed on the racing manners of the gelding. Not tested down the straight when a beaten horse. A post race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality.

Mary Read – Approaching the 100m was obliged to ease out around heels to continue to improve.

Monsun Soldier (FR) – Bumped shortly after the start.

Solitary Rose – Eased when tightened for room shortly after the start. Steadied after improving onto heels passing the 1200m. Unable to improve approaching and rounding the home turn when held up on heels.

Twilight Flyer – Raced wide in the early and middle stages.

RACE 5: Benchmark 58 Handicap 1100m

Archie Luxury – Slow to begin. Eased away from heels near the 600m.

As a Hawk – Slow to begin. Inclined to pull in the early and middle stages. Unable to be fully tested between the 500m and entrance to the straight when held up on heels.

Ecker Road – Inclined to pull in the early and middle stages.

Paroo River – Raced wide in the early and middle stages. Ran wide rounding the home turn. A post race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality.

RACE 6: Murwillumbah Newmarket 1200m:

Charlie Cat – Approaching the 100m was obliged to ease in around heels to continue to improve.

Gunnaza – Eased after improving onto the heels of a weakening runner approaching the home turn.

Hydrazine – Lost off fore plate in running.

Lucky Tom – Steadied out away from heels near the 700m. Raced wide from this point for the remainder of the event. Inclined to lay in down the straight.

More Patasi – Hung out rounding the first turn and was checked from heels. Trainer Ms J. Hodder was advised that a warning would be placed on the geldings racing manners. Overraced fiercely in the middle stages.

Powerful Saga – Raced wide in the early and middle stages.

Sunset Hills – Slow to begin. Inclined to overrace in the early stages.

Taillevent – Steadied when awkwardly placed inside heels approaching the 500m. Obligated to ease out around heels at the entrance to the straight to continue to improve.

RACE 7: Murwillumbah Cup 1530m:

Bel Burgess – Declared a late scratching by order of stewards at 3.50pm after the gelding failed to arrive on course by the prescribed time due to transport difficulties. Stewards ordered that all wagers on the gelding be refunded and that all successful wagers placed with bookmakers prior to 3.50pm be subject to the following deductions in the dollar on the face value of the ticket, 8 cents the win and 10 cents the place for *Liberty Island* (dead heated 1st), 8 cents the win and 7 cents the place for *Zamex* (dead heated 1st) and 11 cents the place for *Liberty Island* (3rd).

Bodega Negra – Inclined to pull in the middle stages.

Hotel Coste – Blundered on jumping and threw its head shortly after. Inclined to overrace rounding the first turn.

Liberty Island – Inclined to overrace in the early stages.

Mystical Renegade – Inclined to pull in the early stages.

Red Letter Day – Raced wide from the 700m.

Yaba Dabl Doya – Inclined to overrace in the early and middle stages.

Zamex – Pulled between the 1100m and 600m. Approaching the 900m was checked after pulling its way up onto heels. Passing the 200m was obliged to shift out around heels to continue to improve.

RACE 8: Benchmark 66 Handicap 2020m:

Glycine Max – Raced wide in the early stages.

Infinite Reign (NZ) – Inclined to overrace in the middle stages. Rounding the home turn was obliged to ease and shift out around heels to continue to improve. Passing the 100m was obliged to ease out around heels to continue to improve.

Pegapus – Overraced in the early stages.

Phrases – COT – to be ridden further forward, settled off pace.

Tempa Mental – Steadied after improving onto heels near the 700m. Rounding the home turn became held up on heels and was unable to improve until shifting in around heels at the entrance to the straight.

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 (Horse)	Additional Strikes
1	M. McGuren (Wainui Gold (NZ))	1

Swab samples were taken from all winners, **Sheer Matrix, Red Letter Day, Rallier** and **Leprechaun Lad**.

SUMMARY	
Fines:	Supplementary: J. Byrne - \$500 (AR137A(5)(a)(ii))
Reprimands:	Supplementary: J. Byrne (AR137A(5)(a)(ii)) Supplementary: J. Byrne (AR137A(5)(a)(ii))
Suspensions:	
Bleeders:	Race 3: Duke of Frederick – bled 1 st time (AR53A) Race 4: Aureola - bled 1 st time (AR53A)
Warnings:	Race 2: Sheer Matrix – attempted to buck Race 4: In Seattle – hung out Race 6: More Patasi – hung out
Trials:	Race 2: Rock'n'roll Music – hung in
Certificates:	
Fall/Injuries:	
Tactics Notified:	Race 4: House Arrest – to settle forward, settled midfield Race 8: Phrases – to settle forward, settled off pace
Follow up:	