

STEWARDS REPORT

Murrumbidgee Turf Club WAGGA WAGGA RACECOURSE Monday 24 December 2018

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

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

(8u2b)

RACE 1: Class 3 Handicap 1600m:

Supplying- Raced keenly in the early and middle stages. Held up and unable to improve between the 500m and 300m. Was inclined to lay out when placed under pressure in the straight. When questioned regarding racing back in the field today rider K Nisbet stated she was instructed to settle the gelding where comfortable and while she was of the opinion she would race in a forward position when *Aedesia* shifted in shortly after the start she elected to restrain and take up a trailing position where her mount travelled well throughout.

Aedesia- When questioned regarding the performance rider S Miller advised his mount raced flat and, in his opinion, had come to the end of its preparation. A post- race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities. Trainer M Stein advised Stewards the mare would now be sent for a spell.

RACE 2: Maiden Handicap 1000m:

Leftover Diamond- Slow to begin and hampered shortly after when *Sun Wu* shifted inwards.

Jungle Book- Slow to begin.

The Chaplain- Bumped on jumping.

Prose 'N' Cons- Bumped on jumping.

Fabulous Fran- When questioned regarding the performance rider K Nisbet advised her mount was slightly slow to begin and she had to make some use of her mount to go forward. She added her mount travelled well until straightening, however found little when pressured. She added in her opinion her mount may be better suited ridden with cover. A post- race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities.

Stazzana- Withdrawn by order of Stewards acting on veterinary advice at 1.19pm after it was injured in the tie up stalls. As betting had not commenced no deductions were ordered.

Unplucked- Raced greenly in the straight.

Sun Wu- Raced wide throughout.

Who Told Ya- Raced wide throughout. Hung out rounding the home turn.

American Honor- Was a late withdrawal at 10.10am acting on veterinary advice that the gelding was mildly lame in the off fore leg. Trainer D Wise was advised a veterinary clearance must be submitted prior to the gelding being permitted to race again. Further trainer D Wise was fined \$200 under LR36A for the late withdrawal of the gelding.

RACE 3: Maiden Plate 1400m:

Bianbarnie- Slow to begin.

Iron Stride- When questioned regarding the gelding racing further forward apprentice S Metcalfe explained that her mount raced very keenly in the early and middle stages and with a good barrier draw and step up in distance her mount settled further forward than she had anticipated.

Kubank- Trainer C Heywood was fined \$200 under LR35(2) for the late declaration of R Bensley as the rider of the gelding.

Luga Lad- Proved difficult to settle in the early and middle stages.

Saga- Slow to begin. Severely hampered near the 250m by the riderless *Tribal Myth*.

Tribal Myth- Slow to begin. An inquiry into the reasons rider R Prest(a) was dislodged near the 250m was adjourned to a date to be fixed. Apprentice R Prest was transported to Wagga Base hospital complaining of pain to the right shoulder, arm & rib region.

Tycoon Dreaming- Hampered and carried wider near the 1200m. Severely hampered by the riderless *Tribal Myth* near the 250m.

Diamond Raffles- Proved very difficult to settle in the early and middle stages. A post- race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

Romingal- Change of tactics; To be ridden further forward; settled handy.

RACE 4: Benchmark 66 Handicap 2000m:

Run Hoff Run- Hampered passing the 400m when *Little Red Devil* shifted outwards. J Richards(a) was advised to exercise more care.

Frozen Asset- Slow to begin.

Monsoon Charlie- Slow to begin and showed no early pace.

RACE 5: Benchmark 58 Handicap 1400m:

Reliant- Steadied near the 1000m when *Fox Beat* (B McDougall(a)) shifted in when not quite clear. B McDougall was asked to exercise more care.

Kappy Cino- Raced wide throughout. Hampered and carried wider near the 1000m.

Ocean Hero- When questioned regarding the performance rider T Hope(a) stated her mount travelled well throughout. She added her mount was inclined to hang out and whilst she expressed satisfaction with its performance she added in her opinion the horse may have come

to the end of its preparation. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

Our Cashier- Slow to begin. When questioned rider R Bensley stated his mount commenced to lose ground from the 700m and after passing the 500m as he became concerned with the gelding's action he placed his mount under minimal pressure before easing it down over the concluding stages. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities. Trainer D O'Prey was advised the gelding must barrier trial to the satisfaction of Stewards prior to racing again.

Jounama- Raced keenly in the early and middle stages.

Western Wow- Slow to begin and checked when crowded shortly after.

RACE 6: Open Handicap 1600m:

Bondo- Raced keenly in the early and middle stages.

Zarreig- Slow to begin.

Heysen- Slow to begin.

RACE 7: Class 2 Handicap 1200m:

Cathanda- Had difficulty obtaining completely clear running between the 200m and 100m.

La Dalliance- Bumped on jumping. Raced wide throughout.

Wolfopeterstreet- Bumped heavily near the 300m when *Rock 'n' Roller* shifted out to improve.

Red Medusa- Stood flatfooted and lost ground (3L).

Liberty Boy- Near the 1000m was steadied away from the heels of *Tracey's Daisy* which shifted inwards.

Juju Man- Crowded after the start.

Anacott Steel- Bumped on jumping. Raced wide throughout.

Tracey's Daisy- Attempted to buck for a short distance after the start. Trainer S Thompson was advised a warning would be recorded against the mare.

RACE 8: Benchmark 74 Handicap 1200m:

Heza Thief- Near the 1050m was steadied away from the heels of *Fermanagh Lad (J Richards(a))* which shifted in when not quite clear. Apprentice Richard's was reprimanded for careless riding under AR137(a)

Pittsburgh- Slow to begin

Forever Newyork- Checked when crowded near the 1000m. At a subsequent inquiry Apprentice B Wright represented by Racing NSW apprentice Coach B Clark pleaded guilty to a charge of careless riding under AR137(a) and the particulars of the charge being that near the 1000m she

permitted her mount, *Oh What a Thief*, to shift in when insufficiently clear of *Heza Thief* which in turn was carried in and across the running of *Forever Newyork* which checked. Apprentice Wright's permit to ride in races was suspended for a period to commence on Wednesday 2 January 2019 and to expire on Saturday 5 January 2019, which day she may ride.

Purrpussful- Stewards permitted rider N Souquet to ride the mare 1kg over its declared weight of 55kg. Slow to begin.

Frenze Hall- A post- race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

Stewards noted the following riders exceeded the permissible strikes with the whip prior to the 100m under AR137A(5)(a)(ii)

Race 2	B McDougall(a) on The Chaplain	6 strikes
Race 6	R Bensley on Class Clown	6 strikes
Race 7	R Cuneen on Western Prussia	7 strikes
Race 8	T Hope(a) on Pittsburgh	8 strikes

Bearing in mind the totality of whip use, no action was taken.

General: Swab samples were taken from the following runners:

Race 1: Butter Toast, Bravado Lass

Race 2: Spanish Poet, Acton Shale

Race 3: Bianbarnie

Race 4: Little Red Devil

Race 5: Hurry Up Harry

Race 6: Spunlago

Race 7: Rock 'n' Roller

Race 8: Forever Newyork

SUMMARY	
Fines:	Race 2: D Wise (American Honor) \$200 under LR36A – late withdrawal Race 3: C Heywood (Kubank) \$200 under LR35(2) – late declaration of rider
Reprimands:	Race 8: J Richards(a) (Fermanagh lad) careless riding under AR137(a)
Suspensions:	Race 8: B Wright(a) (<i>Oh What a Thief</i>) careless riding under AR137(a). Permit to ride in races be suspended for a period to commence 3/1/2019 and to expire on 6 /1/2019 on which day she may ride.
Warnings:	Race 7: Tracy's Daisy (S Thompson) – attempted to buck .
Bleeders:	Nil
Trials:	Race 5: Our Cashier (D O'Prey) – Poor performance.
Certificates:	Nil
Falls/Injuries:	Race 3: R Prest (Tribal Myth) – complaining of pain to right arm, shoulder & ribs. Transported to Wagga base hospital
Change of Tactics:	Race 3: Romingal ; to be ridden further forward; settled handy.