

STEWARDS REPORT

Berrigan & District Race Club BERRIGAN RACECOURSE

Saturday 25 August 2018

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

STEWARDS: J A Shultz(Chairman) & T J Davidson

(6u,2b)

RACE 1: MAIDEN PLATE 950m:

Durango Kid – Was inclined to lay out when placed under pressure in the straight.

Man of Hope – Slow to begin. Bumped near the 250m.

Tis Possible – Bumped on jumping. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

RACE 2: MAIDEN HANDICAP 1400m:

Bramlago – Rider J Baldock pleaded guilty to a charge under AR145 for returning to scale in excess of 1kg over his mounts allotted weight. J Baldock was fined \$300.

Bella Shadow – Knuckled badly on jumping resulting in its rider B Wright(a) being dislodged. B Wright(a) suffered no apparent injuries and fulfilled her remaining engagements.

Punchie – Slow to begin.

Track Boss – Raced keenly in the early and middle stages.

RACE 3: BENCHMARK 50 HANDICAP 1400m:

Asquillion – Checked when disappointed for a run near the 400m when *Ask Me to Dance* shifted in slightly. In the incident *Welsh Poet* which was to the inside of Asquillion was steadied.

Lots of Dots – Due to a misunderstanding Stewards permitted R Beattie to be the substitute rider when S Metcalfe(a) was dually engaged.

Saarlay – Was a late withdrawal at 1.48pm by Stewards acting on veterinary advice when the mare was sustained a laceration to the flank region when being transported to the course.

A Good Knight – Was held up from the 300m to the 150m and was taken in to improve.

Blinkin Trying – A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

Welsh Poet – Raced keenly in the early and middle stages. Steadied near the 400m.

RACE 4: BENCHMARK 51 HANDICAP 950m:

Hurricane Jack – Was inclined to lay in when placed under pressure.

Warners Landing – Began awkwardly and lost ground (3L).

Hussed – Rider B Sweeney pleaded guilty to a charge under AR137A(5)(a)(ii) in that she used the whip on 9 occasions prior to the 100m. B Sweeney's license to ride in race was suspended for a period to commence on Saturday 1 September 2018 and to expire on Saturday 8 September 2018 on which day she may ride. In assessing penalty Stewards considered B Sweeney's poor record.

Rustic Pearl – Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination and was passed suitable to race.

Call Me Anything – As B Vale was duplicated, Stewards permitted M Taylor to be the substitute rider. Stood flatfooted and missed the start (5L). Trainer Mr J Marzol was advised the gelding must barrier trial to the satisfaction of Stewards prior to racing again.

RACE 5: BENCHMARK 50 HANDICAP 1800m:

Saracentinal – Momentarily held up near the 200m.

My Knight – Began awkwardly.

Shadow Omen – Trainer A Fitzgerald represented by J Fitzgerald was fined \$50 under AR59A for failing to produce the thoroughbred identity card when requested. Raced keenly in the early and middle stages.

Elefante – Crowded on jumping. Rider reported the gelding was making respiratory noises throughout the event. Trainer M Jones was advised the gelding must barrier trial to the satisfaction of Stewards prior to racing again.

Jaws of Life – Trainer F Conlan was fined \$50 under AR59A for failing to produce the thoroughbred identity card when requested.

Daybreaker – Trainer M Sell was fined \$50 under AR140A for presenting the gelding to the mounting enclosure without blinkers which were part of it approved gear. Bumped on jumping.

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 further action was taken.

Race 1	B Sweeney on Sarsaparilla	7 strikes
Race 2	A Bryan on October Omen	6 strikes
Race 3	J Baldock on Holy Host	8 strikes
Race 5	B Sweeney on Mr Resetti	8 strikes
Race 5	A Masters on Arellano	8 strikes

General: Swab samples were taken from the following runners:

Race 1: Aceti Lady, Thomas James, Man of Hope

Race 2: Quick Spin, Bella Shadow

Race 3: Holy Host

Race 4: Hussed

Race 5: Mr Resetti

SUMMARY

Fines:	Race 2: J Baldock (Bramlago) \$300 under AR145 – return to scale overweight Race 5: A Fitzgerald (Shadow Omen) \$50 under AR59A – No TIC Race 5: F Conlan (Jaws of Life) \$50 under AR59A – No TIC Race 5: M Sell (Daybreaker) \$50 under AR140A – Present in incorrect gear.
Reprimands:	Nil
Suspensions:	Race 4: B Sweeney (Hussed) under AR137A(5)(a)(ii) Whip use suspended from 1/9/18 to 8/9/18 on which day she may ride.
Warnings:	Nil
Bleeders:	Nil
Trials:	Race 4: Call Me Anything (J Marzol) – Stood Flatfooted and missed the start. Race 5: Elefante (M Jones) – Uncompetitive beaten 50L
Certificates:	Nil
Falls/Injuries:	Race 2: B Wright (Bella Shadow) – no apparent injuries.