

STEWARDS' REPORT
Quirindi Jockey Club

QUIRINDI RACECOURSE

Wednesday 26 December 2018

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

STEWARDS: P H Dombkins (Chairman), C McIntosh

RACE 1: White Hart Hotel Murrurundi Cup Benchmark 58 2000m

No incidents.

RACE 2: Bettington Rural and Stone & Co F&M Benchmark 50 Handicap 1450m

Punton Bernardini – slow into stride, over-raced in the middle stages

Blinkin Snazzy – slow into stride

Bring The Joy – slow into stride, 300m shifted in *Lucky Starlet* steadied and shifted out to obtain clear running. M. Squires was reprimanded

Lucky Starlet – near 300m steadied and had to shift to the inside of *Bring The Joy* to obtain clear running

RACE 3: LP Shearing Maiden Plate 1600m

Pitchi Pitchi – at approx. 250m shifted out when hit with the whip. Jockey V. Bolozhinskyi was questioned regarding his ride in the home straight. He explained he was instructed by the gelding's Trainer M Moses not to lead and keep **Pitchi Pitchi** balanced, as well not to use the whip if possible as the gelding was very green at its first start prior to today. Trainer M Moses confirmed the instructions. Stewards took no action other than tell Jockey V Bolozhinskyi that he is to ride all his mounts where ever possible that leaves no room for query

RACE 4: Central Coast Mariners 3YO Maiden Plate 1000m

Cricklewood – approx. 900m shifted in when not clear of *Auric Gold* which had to be checked and lost ground. App. Jockey S. Thatcher in the presence of her master Trainer C Martin pleaded guilty under AR137(a) careless riding, after taking into account her mitigating factors her licence to ride in races was suspended for a period of time to commence on Wednesday 2 January 2019 and to expire on Monday 7 January 2019 on which day she may ride.

Auric Gold – Threw head in early stages, approx. 900m was checked and lost ground, Vet exam no abnormalities

Leica Boot – A post-race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities.

Exotic Fever- Beaten 27Length, Vet exam Lamé Left foreleg, Trainer N Boland was informed due to the gelding's history he will be required to barrier trial the gelding satisfactorily on

two(2) consecutive occasions. Also a Veterinary clearance is required before the gelding Barrier Trials. Trainer Mr Boland informed Stewards that it his intention to retire *Exotic Fever*

RACE 5: Cactus Wilson Class 1 Handicap 1100m

Dominica – Vet Exam no abnormalities

Freedom Fighter – approx. 50m became unbalanced and struck the running rail and lost ground

Chevaria – approx. 50m shifted out abruptly to avoid *Freedom Fighter* which had struck the running rail

GENERAL

Swab samples were taken from all winners:

| SUMMARY | |
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| Fines: | Nil |
| Reprimands: | Race 2: M. Squires AR137(a) careless riding. |
| Suspensions: | Race 4: App. S Thatcher AR137(a) careless riding |
| Bleeders: | Nil. |
| Warnings: | Nil |
| Trials: | Race 4: <i>Exotic Fever</i> (trainer N Boland) – Twice (2) Beaten 27L |
| Certificates: | Race 4: <i>Exotic Fever</i> (trainer N Boland) |
| Fall/Injuries: | Nil. |
| Tactics Notified: | Nil |
| Change of Colours: | Nil. |
| Change of Gear | Nil. |
| Follow up: | Nil. |