

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

Shoalhaven City Turf Club NOWRA RACECOURSE

Sunday, 29th August, 2010

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

STEWARDS: C P Yeo (Chairman), J D Walshe & G E V Hargraves

RACE 1: Bomaderry Bowling Club 3YO Maiden Handicap 1400m

Healing Power overraced in the early stages. The saddle on **Healing Power** shifted back near the 200m placing its rider at some disadvantage. Nearing the 300m **La Capone** shifted out and made contact with **Healing Power** which became unbalanced. A post-race veterinary examination of **Global Express** revealed no apparent abnormalities.

RACE 2: Nowra Mazda Benchmark 55 Handicap 2200m

Brigante required minor farrier attention after arriving behind the barriers. **Phantom Agent** hung in under pressure in the straight. Correct weight was delayed to enable connections of **Brigante** (R Freeman) to view a replay of the start. It was established that **Brigante**, which had been fractious in the gates, reared as the start was effected, and struck its head losing some ground. Stewards were satisfied **Brigante** had been afforded every opportunity to obtain a fair start and correct weight was declared. Trainer Mr C Karakatsanis was advised that a warning would be recorded regarding the barrier manners of **Brigante**. R Freeman explained that after **Brigante** made contact with the barriers she initially had concerns for the welfare of the gelding and for this reason did not pressure her mount after leaving the barriers. R Freeman added that after allowing **Brigante** to balance up, the gelding felt normal in its action, and after conceding the rest of the field a considerable advantage she allowed **Brigante** to stride forward and settle in a rearward position. These explanations were accepted. A post-race veterinary examination of **Brigante** revealed a minor abrasion to its head.

RACE 3: Kennedy's Tours E&G Maiden Plate 1200m

Canada Gent underwent a veterinary examination prior to the start at the request of its rider and was passed fit to race. **Bokarina** shifted in on jumping resulting in **Lethimwin** and **Tamohara** being hampered. **Hub Reduction** shifted in abruptly on jumping resulting in **So Free** being hampered. **Our Yendor**, which was slow to begin was also hampered in this incident. **So Free** raced keenly and refused to settle in the early stages. **Al Muhanad** had some difficulty obtaining clear running in the early part of the straight. A post-race veterinary examination of **Universal Rock** revealed the gelding had sustained a laceration to its near hind fetlock.

RACE 4: Prime TV Kevin Robinson Memorial Cup Benchmark 60 Handicap 1100m

Can Opener shifted out on jumping and made contact with **Youthful image**. **Girls Go Racing** was slow to begin and shortly after the start was hampered when **Blow'emover** shifted out. Near the 700m **Conciliatory**, which was overracing, ran in abruptly and lost ground.

RACE 5: Nowra City Motors Benchmark 50 Handicap 1200m

Power Suit was slow to begin and shortly after the start was checked between **Jolec** and **Gaelic Cloud** which bumped shortly after the start. **Old Highway** and **El Devo** were slow to begin. **El Devo** was momentarily held up for clear running near the 150m. J Penza (**Onherelles**) explained his mount went forward as anticipated however was under pressure before the home turn and was disappointing, adding the mare was up in the weights, however could offer no other explanations for the performance. A post-race veterinary examination of **Onherelles** revealed no apparent abnormalities. Trainer Mr R Price undertook to report back to the stewards regarding the progress of **Onherelles** in the days subsequent to the meeting. K O'Hara (**Patriot Lad**) was reprimanded for her use of the whip on 6 occasions in a forehand manner prior to the 100m (AR 137A(5)(a)(ii)) including 2 consecutive strides (AR 137A(5)(a)(i)).

RACE 6: Beds R Us – Living Décor Class 2 Handicap 1400m

Saintly Light was a late withdrawal on veterinary advice at 9.47am. **From Corkto Calais** shifted in on jumping resulting in **Royal Talent** being taken in, resulting in **Chief's Trophy** being crowded onto the hindquarter of **Bulimba** which became unbalanced. **Rambo Raider** was slow to begin, pulled hard in the early stages and near the 1200m was severely checked away from the heels of **Chiasma**. K O'Hara (**Call Collect**) explained her mount was very disappointing in its failure to respond to her riding near the home turn and could offer no excuses for the performance. A post-race veterinary examination of **Call Collect** revealed no abnormalities. Trainer Mr R Price indicated the mare might now be retired to stud.

RACE 7: Bridgestone Tyres F&M Maiden Plate 1200m

Organic Grey and **Passing By** were slow to begin. **Thorny Belle** and **Reeline** bumped on jumping. **Belnova** began awkwardly. **Ultimate Challenge** shifted out on jumping and made contact with Delta Storm. **Kittens Got Claws** overraced in the early stages and near the 800m shifted out and made contact with **Passing By**. Near the 300m **Wings Of Prey** was hampered and restrained away from the heels of **Miss Ogilvie** (P W Murphy) which shifted out under pressure. P W Murphy was reprimanded (AR 137(a)). Nearing the 250m **Belnova** shifted out resulting in **Reeline** and **Dawn Patrol** being carried wider.

General:

Swab samples were taken from all winners and the following runners. Race 1: La Capone. Race 2: Phantom Agent, Intent, Brigante, November Dreaming. Race 3: Al Muhanad, Fulmination, Tamohara. Race 4: Jolly Joker, Sherwoods Choice, Youthful Image, Can Opener. Race 5: Our Zen Astaire, Lord Zebedee, Old Highway, Power Suit. Race 6: Royal Talent, Another Clang, Ayjay Diva, Rambo Raider. Race 7: Dawn Patrol, Organic Grey, Thorny Belle, Wings Of Prey.

SUMMARY	
Fines:	Nil
Reprimands:	Race 5 – K O’Hara (whip use) AR 137A(5)(a) (i) & (ii) Race 7 – P W Murphy (careless riding) AR 137(a)
Suspensions:	Nil
Bleeders:	Nil
Warnings:	Race 2 – Brigante (barrier manners)
Trials:	Nil
Certificates:	Nil
Falls/Injuries:	Nil
Change Of Tactics:	Nil