

STEWARDS REPORT

Clarence River Jockey Club GRAFTON RACECOURSE

Tuesday 31 August 2010

Weather: Fine
Track: Good (3)
Rail: 4m 1000m- Winning post.

STEWARDS: D. R. Smith (Chairman), C. N. Pringle, T. S. Saladine

RACE 1: Fillies & Mares Maiden Handicap 1000m:

When stewards were advised B. McGregor was unable to claim down to his riding weight J. Payne (a) was given permission to replace him on **Victory Singa**. B. McGregor was subsequently fined \$100 (LR 70). **Molly Can't Fault** which was late arriving on course due to transport difficulties was examined by the clubs veterinarian and passed fit to start. **Molly Can't Vault** and **Geminy** were slow to begin.

RACE 2: Fillies & Mares Maiden Handicap 1000m:

Korat was slow to begin. Shortly after the start **Spoofs** which was slightly slow to begin was hampered by **Ghost Ryder** which shifted out. **Spoofs** hung-out throughout the middle stages and near the 500m was steadied from the heels of **Chinsky**.

RACE 3: Entires & Geldings Maiden Handicap 1000m:

Yo's Selection was a late scratching at 12.47pm by order of stewards. Subsequently stewards ordered all monies invested on **Yo's Selection** be refunded, and all successful bets with bookmakers made prior to 12.47pm were ordered to be paid less the deductions of 7c in the dollar for the win, and 8c in the dollar for the place on the face value of the ticket. **Higher'n'higher** was slow to begin. **Sonaceequal** over-raced throughout the early stages and near the 850m and again approaching the 700m was steadied from the heels of **Our Flair**. Passing the 150m **Pure Carlsburg** was momentarily eased to avoid the heels of **Our Flair** which shifted out when not quite clear. R. Spokes (**Our Flair**) was advised in the future to exercise greater care when shifting ground. A post race veterinary examination of **Lord Handy Andy** found the gelding had bled from both nostrils. Trainer Mrs J. Lynch was advised **Lord Handy Andy** would now be barred from racing for a period of three months under the provisions of AR 53A.

RACE 4: Maiden Plate 1608m:

The explanation tendered by trainer Mr G. Marshall for the late declaration of M. Bennett as the rider of **Give Me Some** was accepted by stewards. **Mograni** shifted out on jumping and hampered **Newton's Law**. **Shagsine** over-raced throughout the early and middle stages. **Tuscany Lad** hung-out rounding the home turn and near the 400m was bumped by **Mograni** and became unbalanced. Near the 300m **Dancetiger** was steadied when disappointed for a run between **Saint Jugah** and **Maali**, and had to be shifted out abruptly to continue into clear running. In this incident **Maali** became unbalanced for some distance. A post race veterinary

examination of **Shagsine** which weakened in the straight did not detect any abnormalities.

RACE 5: Entires & Geldings Benchmark 50 Handicap 1200m:

Dashaheart began awkwardly losing ground. **Another Dan** raced ungenerously during the early stages and near the 900m was checked from the heels of **Follow Orders**. Near the 800m **Lions Den** was eased when crowded by **Follow Orders** which shifted in when not quite clear. T. Harrison (a) (**Follow Orders**) was advised to exercise greater care in future. For some distance passing the 250m **Lions Den** was held up for clear running when disappointed for a run between **Follow Orders** and **Franc**. T. Bell (a) (**Mountain King**) was fined \$300 under AR 137A (5) (a) (i) for using the whip on three consecutive strides before the 100m in a forehand manner.

RACE 6: Entires & Geldings Benchmark 50 Handicap 1200m:

Trainer Mr. T. Hardy was reprimanded (LR 35 (2)) for failing to declare J. Taylor as the rider of **Awk** by the prescribed time. T. Bell (a) replaced C. Franklin (overweight) as the rider of **Metrossexual**. C. Franklin was subsequently fined \$200 AR 120b. Trainer Mr. D. Bowen was fined \$50 for presenting **Lachlan Valley** to the enclosure with blinkers which is not a part of that geldings approved gear (AR 140A). **Alioop** was a late scratching at 2.41pm acting on veterinary advice after the gelding kicked the back of its barrier stall and sustained a number of abrasions to the near hind leg. Subsequently stewards ordered all monies invested on **Alioop** be refunded, and all successful bets with bookmakers made prior to 2.41pm be paid less the deductions of 10c in the dollar for the win, and 10c in the dollar for the place on the face value of the ticket. **The Cherokee Chief** began awkwardly and shifted in badly crowding **Diamond And Ice** which lost ground (2L). A post race veterinary examination of **Awk** which weakened in the straight found the mare was lame in the off foreleg. Trainer Mr. T. Hardy was advised prior to racing again **Awk** would require a veterinary clearance.

RACE 7: Fillies & Mares Benchmark 50 Handicap 1200m:

Sensational Dream was a late scratching at 11.55am by order of stewards. **Latika** and **Fastway** were slow to begin. **Peep** was held up for clear running in the early part of the straight and near the 200m was checked from the heels of **Allison Jade** and shifted out abruptly hampering **Latika**. When questioned regarding the performance of **Latika**, R. Thompson stated he was under no specific instruction from the stable but expected to race in a handy position. R. Thompson added after being fractious in the barriers **Latika** was slow to begin and raced further back than intended. R. Thompson further added **Latika** travelled satisfactorily during the middle stages but when placed under pressure from the 400m ran home only fairly and in his opinion was not suited by dropping back in distance and having to carrying the big weight of 61 kilograms. R. Thompson further added in his opinion **Latika** may not have appreciated racing inside horses throughout the event.

RACE 8: Benchmark 65 Handicap 2108m:

A veterinary examination of **Cee Jay Clang** which was fractious in the barriers passed the gelding fit to start. **Homenow** hung-in when placed under pressure in the straight. A post race veterinary examination of **Jagoe Road** which weakened in the straight after racing wide throughout did not detect any abnormalities. A post race veterinary examination of **Fire Break** which failed to run on in the straight did not detect any abnormalities.

RACE 9: Benchmark 60 Handicap 1408m:

Trainer Mr. G. Yorke was fined \$50 for failing to declare S. Traacey as the rider of **Pimpala Cobber** by the prescribed time LR 35 (2). **Rosewater** was slow to begin. **Maximiss** over-raced throughout the early and middle stages.

RACE 10: Benchmark 60 Handicap 1000m:

An inquiry into reason **Acquits** was presented to the enclosure without a tongue tie was adjourned until a date to be fixed. Over the final 100m **Acquits** was held up for clear running when awkwardly placed on the heels of the weakening **Lethal Intent**. Passing the 50m **Dubai Jim** was steadied when crowded by **Karinsky** which shifted out when not quite clear. G. Lynch (**Karinsky**) was advised to exercise greater care in future.

General:

Swab samples were taken from **all** winners.

SUMMARY	
Fines:	Race 1- B. McGregor- \$100 LR 70 Fail to claim full allowance. Race 5- T. Bell (a) - \$300 AR 137A (5) (a) (i) - Whip usage. Race 6- D. Bowen- \$50 AR 140A- Incorrect gear. Race 6- C. Franklin- \$200 AR 120b Accept ride when overweight. Race 9- G. Yorke- \$50 LR 35 (2) - Late rider.
Reprimands:	Race 6- T. Hardy- LR 35 (2) - Late rider.
Severe Reprimands:	Nil
Suspensions:	Nil
Bleeders:	Race 3- Lord Handy Andy- Bled both nostrils.
Warnings:	Nil
Trials:	Nil
Certificates:	Race 6- Awk- Lamé off foreleg.
Falls / Injuries:	Nil
Tactic Changes:	Nil