

STEWARDS REPORT

Port Macquarie Race Club PORT MACQUARIE RACECOURSE

Saturday 7 January 2017

Weather: O' Cast
Track: Soft (5)
Rail: True.

STEWARDS: D. R. Smith (Chairman), B. Kliese, W. S. Fanning.

RACE 1: Maiden Plate 1800m:

Ride to Redemption- Bumped on the hindquarters on jumping.

Yabulu Lad- Began awkwardly and shifted out. Shortly after the start was steadied from heels.

Super Bonus- Overraced during the early and middle stages.

The Free World- Overraced during the early and middle stages and near the 1400m was checked from the heels of Parnossos. Passing the 300m was steadied to avoid the heels of Affiliated, which shifted out slightly when not clear. At a subsequent inquiry M. Weir (a) (Affiliated) was reprimanded (AR 137a) and advised in future to exercise greater care when shifting ground.

Onemoremelody- Passing the 1350m was hampered and carried out.

Affiliated- Post race veterinary examination of the gelding which weakened after racing wide throughout did not detect any abnormalities.

Meet Harry- Post race veterinary examination found the gelding was suffering mild heat stress.

RACE 2: Benchmark 55 Handicap 1500m:

Far Out- Late scratching at 8.30am by order of stewards.

Ibelieveinmiracles- Overraced during the middle stages.

RACE 3: Benchmark 70 Handicap 1500m:

Star of Legs- A veterinary examination of the gelding which placed its leg up on the side barrier petition passed it fit to start.

Zombie Queen- Slow to begin (2L). Post race veterinary examination of the mare which failed to run on in the straight did not detect any abnormalities. Trainer Mr D. Want advised stewards the mare would now be spelled.

High Dreamer- Hung in when placed under pressure in the straight proving difficult to ride out. Post race veterinary examination found the gelding was mildly lame in the near foreleg. Stable representative Mr S. Perry was advised prior to racing again the gelding would require a veterinary clearance.

Clunes Rocket- Post race veterinary examination of the gelding which weakened in the straight did not detect any abnormalities.

RACE 4: Maiden Handicap 1200m:

Jaded Dreams- Late scratching at 3.18pm acting on veterinary advice after the filly was fractious in the barriers and became cast. Subsequently stewards ordered all monies invested on the filly be refunded, and the following deductions on the face value of the ticket for all bets placed prior to 3.18pm-

1st) **Eat the Rich-** 31c win and 27c place.

2nd) **Noble Ethics-** 17c place.

3rd) **Le Chiffre-** 38c place.

Trainer Mrs J. Graham was advised prior to racing again the filly would be required to compete satisfactorily in an official trial.

Stylish Charlene- Slow to begin. Hung out during the middle stages and near the 650m was steadied from heels.

Le Chiffre- Slow to begin. Hung in when placed under pressure in the straight proving difficult to ride out.

House of Tudor- Began awkwardly and shifted out bumping Heroine.

Heroine- Slightly slow to begin and shortly after was hampered.

Trickme- On jumping was bumped and taken out. Overraced during the early and middle stages. Passing the 300m was bumped heavily and became unbalanced.

RACE 5: Benchmark 55 Handicap 2000m:

Dubai Dusk- C. Dwyer was fined \$200 for striking the gelding in the vicinity of the head with his right hand after it was fractious in the barriers (AR 175(q)). Began awkwardly.

Towkash- Began awkwardly.

Labrooke- When questioned regarding the performance, A. Bullock stated the gelding travelled well during the early and middle stages, but when placed under pressure from the 600m did not respond under the 62.5kg weight, and ran to the line in a disappointing manner. A post race veterinary examination found the gelding was displaying a poor recovery. Trainer Mr K. Lees reported the gelding would now be spelled.

RACE 6: Class 2 Handicap 1000m:

The explanation tendered by trainer Mr C. Prosser for the late declaration of riders for Gone Romin and Manning Treasure was accepted by stewards.

Manning Treasure- Slow to begin and shortly after was hampered.

Dunrunin- Bumped on jumping.

Bid Bloopa- Hampered on jumping.

Gone Romin- Hung in during the middle stages and near the 700m was steadied from the heels of Bid Bloopa.

Magic Arli- When questioned regarding the performance, R. Murray stated she was issued no specific instructions other than to have the filly, which was coming back in distance travel

where comfortable. R. Murray said she anticipated settling back in the field in accordance with Magic Arli's established racing pattern. R. Murray added after beginning well both Brobak and Jemily improved to her inside quickly, therefore she elected to ease the filly in an attempt to find cover, and as a result settled in a midfield position. R. Murray explained near the 700m she was obliged to steady Magic Arli, when Gone Romin which she was following lost ground quickly. R. Murray further added on straightening she was able to obtain clear running where the filly ran to the line well, albeit in her opinion, held by the placegetters over the final 100m. Trainer Mr B. Milligan confirmed the instructions issued, and stated it was now the intention to step the filly up in distance at its next race start.

RACE 7: Class 1 Handicap 1200m:

Prada Miss- Fractious in the barriers and on jumping through its head down resulting in rider B. Looker becoming unbalanced in the saddle, and being dislodged. Trainer Mr S. Osland was advised prior to racing again the filly would be required to compete satisfactorily in an official trial.

Calm Under Fire- Shortly after the start was steadied when crowded.

Stoddart- Shortly after the start was hampered and carried out.

Swift Reply- Shortly after the start was bumped and carried out.

Our Girl Charlie- When questioned regarding the disappointing performance, P. Graham stated the filly failed to travel at any stage of the event, and in his opinion did not feel fully comfortable with its action in front. A post race veterinary examination found the filly was mildly lame in front. Trainer Mr K. Lees was advised prior to racing again the filly would require a veterinary clearance.

General:

Swab samples were taken from **all** winners and **Swift Reply**.

| SUMMARY | |
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| Fines: | Race 5- C. Dwyer- \$200 AR 175 (q) - Improper action. |
| Reprimands: | Race 1- M. Weir- Careless riding (AR 137a). |
| Suspensions: | |
| Warnings: | |
| Bleeders: | |
| Trials: | Race 4- Jaded Dreams- Fractious in barriers. Race 7- Prada Miss- Fractious in barriers. |
| Certificates: | Race 3- High Dreamer- Mildly lame near foreleg. Race 7- Our Girl Charlie- Mildly lame in front. |
| Falls/Injuries: | |
| Tactic Changes: | |