

STEWARDS REPORT

Cowra Jockey Club COWRA RACECOURSE

Sunday 8th January 2017

Weather: Fine.
Track: Good (4).
Rail: True.
Penetrometer: Nil.

STEWARDS: *T.W. Smith (Chairman), S.P. Fitzgerald, N.M. Daniels & C. Pringle*

Race 1: 3YO Country Plate 1100m:

Atum – hung out rounding the home turn and in the straight laid out, taking *Solo Gypsy* wider near the 150m and again near the 100m.

Solo Gypsy – began awkwardly and shifted out, losing ground.

Turcotte – dipped near the 1000m and became unbalanced; raced very greenly throughout.

Budawang – slow to begin; overraced in the early stages; hung out near the 600m and again near the 400m; rider B. Clark accidentally dropped his whip near the 200m.

Kiawanda – overraced in the early stages.

Udaras – overraced in the early stages. Trainer Mr K Dryden was advised that a warning would be recorded against the manners of the filly which was difficult to load and delayed the start.

Race 2: Maiden Handicap 1200m:

Azcannyaz – held up rounding the home turn when racing tight to the inside of *Annie Time* (S. Miller) which was laying in; S. Miller was advised to exercise more care.

The Renovation Man – slow to begin; raced wide throughout; a post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any significant abnormalities.

Astronomy – Trainer Mr. A. Clarke was advised a warning would be recorded against *Astronomy*, which proved difficult to load; a post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any significant abnormalities.

Miss Breffni – Trainer Mr S Singleton was fined \$50 AR59A for failing to have the TIC present for the filly.

Dripping Carats – crowded on jumping between *Astronomy* and *Tippiteau*.

We'll Take Cash – raced very greenly in the straight and near the 150m, ran out abruptly resulting in *Dripping Carats* being checked when disappointed for a run between *We'll Take Cash* and *The Renovation Man*; *Dripping Carats* then shifted out, hampering *Bel Rosso*; a post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any significant abnormalities.

Kooroora Miss – raced wide throughout.

Sonic Syd – slow to begin.

Enduring – raced keenly in the lead in the early and middle stages.

Race 3: Maiden Plate 1375m:

Dhamba – raced wide throughout after being taken wider by *Pikelets*; hampered near the 100m by *Zardabba*, which shifted out.

Wacky Doo – slow to begin.

Zardabba – ran out abruptly near the 100m and proved difficult to ride over the final stages; lost near hind plate in running after being galloped on that leg.

Petulance – slow to begin.

Pikelets – near the 1200m, commenced to overrace and shifted out abruptly, bumping heavily with *Dhamba* and taking that runner wider on the track. Then continued to hang out for the remainder of the event and was untested by its rider; Trainer Mr. P. Jones was advised *Pikelets* would be required to barrier trial to the satisfaction of the Stewards prior to the mare racing again.

Ponselle – overraced in the early stages.

Shadow Wings – overraced in the early stages when being restrained.

Sabucedo – rider A. Banks reported his mount, which was first up over 1375m, made an abnormal respiratory noise and weakened in the straight; a post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any significant abnormalities. Trainer Mr T Fahey was advised to report on the condition of the gelding in the days subsequent to the meeting.

Race 4: Class 2 Handicap 1375m:

Eagles Dare – change of tactics: to be ridden further forward; settled handy and overraced and ultimately led; Trainer Mr. M. Jones viewed the official judges photo finish image to confirm the margin between *Eagles Dare* and the second placegetter *Under the Eaves*.

Under the Eaves – raced wide in the middle stages.

No Concerns – steadied on straightening when racing tight to the inside of *Dungannon*; a post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any significant abnormalities.

Whispadah – steadied near the 100m after laying in across the heels of *Dungannon*.

Emerald Ice – bumped on jumping with *Eagles Dare*; steadied near the 500m after improving onto the heels of *Mucker*; laid in under pressure in the straight and proved difficult to ride.

Gaze On Gold – slow to begin.

Yeeha – slow to begin.

Race 5: Class 1 Handicap 950m:

Bonnie's Marley – overraced in the early stages.

Richo – slow to begin.

London Cab – slow to begin; M. Hackett pleaded guilty to a charge under AR137(a) in that near the 800m, he permitted his mount to shift in when insufficiently clear of *London Cab*, which was checked. M. Hackett's licensed to ride in races was suspended for a period to commence on Monday 9th January 2017 and to expire on Sunday 15th January 2017, on which day he may ride; App. C. Gallagher (*London Cab*) was advised to exercise greater care when endeavouring to improve into narrow runs; steadied near the 600m when *Richo* ran in and away from *All Written*, which improved onto the heels of *Bonnie's Marley* (App. H. Grace) and was checked and shifted in. App. H. Grace was advised to exercise more care.

French Halo – raced wide throughout; overraced in the early stages; hung out rounding the home turn; laid out under pressure over the final 100m.

Gillie Mooch – steadied shortly after the start when *French Halo* (G. Castillo) shifted in when not clear. G. Castillo was reprimanded (AR137(a)).

Sword – raced wide throughout.

Race 6: Japan Cowra Cup 1200m:

Slate on Edge – slow to begin; overraced in the middle stages; near the 1000m, was steadied when *Lucky Striker* was taken in slightly by *Friendsinlowplaces*, which hung in despite the efforts of its rider; a post-veterinary examination revealed a poor post-race recovery.

Supa Vision – change of tactics: to be ridden further forward; caught wide and ultimately settled worse than midfield.

Friendsinlowplaces – a post-veterinary examination did not reveal any significant abnormalities.

Hair of the Dog – hampered near the 1000m when *Slate on Edge* shifted in when overracing.

Race 7: Cowra Cup 1700m:

Something Borrowed – began awkwardly and crowded *Fox Solid* out onto *Uncle Sugar*; hung out rounding the home turn after being taken wider.

Uncle Sugar – overraced in the early stages.

Yes Zariz – raced wide throughout; rider M. Travers reported his mount hung throughout and in his opinion it may have been sore; a post-veterinary examination did not reveal any significant abnormalities. Trainer Mr. B. Parker undertook to report on the condition of *Yes Zariz* in the days subsequent to the event.

Fox Solid – overraced in the middle stages; shifted out on the home turn and took *Go Get 'em*, *Yes Zariz* and *Something Borrowed* wider.

Go Get 'em – began very awkwardly; bumped with *Something Borrowed* near the 50m; a post-veterinary examination did not reveal any significant abnormalities.

Race 8: Benchmark 55 Handicap 1200m:

Cheeky – when questioned, rider D. Pitomac stated he was not given any specific instruction today from his wide barrier. He added today his mount began well but failed to muster sufficient early speed and settled further back than he had intended. He added his mount relaxed well in behind runners and found the line well. He added connections may now look at stepping *Cheeky* up to 1400m and he was of the opinion it would perform best when ridden with cover.

Missy Rhythmos – a post-veterinary examination revealed a laceration to its near side stifle.

Spur with Ease – began awkwardly, shifted in and crowded *Missy Rhythmos* in onto Sequoia Sunrise.

Savannah Girl – ran out abruptly near the 150m.

The Last Sommet – underwent a pre-race veterinary examination after becoming fractious in the barriers and was passed fit to start; raced wide throughout.

Oakwood Lady – hampered near 150m when *Snippets Anchor* hung out.

Bold Horatio – crowded on jumping between *The Last Sommet* and *Snippets Anchor*; Trainer Mr B Wenning was advised that a warning for a poor performance would be recorded against the manners of the gelding.

GENERAL:

Swab samples were obtained from **all** winners and the following runners:

Race 7: *Overdane, Something Borrowed, Our Sarastro, Uncle Sugar, Yes Zariz, Sand Dune, Fox Solid, Imminent, Go Get 'em, Royal Abbey.*

SUMMARY	
Fines:	Race 2: S Singleton - \$50 – AR59A
Suspensions:	Race 5: M Hackett – AR137a – 9/1/17 – 15/1/17
Reprimands:	Race 5: G Castillo – AR137a
Bleeders:	Nil
Certificates:	Nil
Trials:	Race 3: Pikelets – hung out
Warnings:	Race 1: Udaras – difficult to load Race 2: Astronomy – difficult to load Race 8: Bold Horatio – poor performance
TIC Not Present:	Race 2: Miss Breffni (S Singleton)
Change of Tactics:	Nil
Gear Changes:	Nil
Falls/Injuries:	Nil
Follow Up:	Nil