

STEWARDS REPORT

Wellington Race Club WELLINGTON RACECOURSE

Tuesday 11th July 2017

Weather: Fine.
Track: Good (3).
Rail: True.

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

Race 1: Class 3 Handicap 900m:

Nictock – laid out under pressure in the straight.

I'm Imogen – overraced in the early and middle stages; hung out rounding the home turn.

Ace Lightning – overraced in the early stages.

Bergdorf – overraced in the early and middle stages.

Illtextya – crowded on jumping by *Verbal*; near the 200m, was disappointed for a run to the inside of *Ace Lightning* and had to shifted out across the heels of that runner and *Bernie's Desert* to continue into clear running.

Bernie's Desert – overraced in the early stages.

Savannah Girl – change of tactics: to be ridden quieter; settled worse than midfield.

Race 2: Open Handicap 1100m:

Puzzling Wonder – laid out under pressure in the straight; a post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any significant abnormalities.

Umgeni – late withdrawal at 1.38pm when the gelding was found to have extension abrasions to its hamstrings and tail as a result of becoming fractious during transport. Stewards subsequently ordered all monies wagered on *Umgeni* be refunded in full and all successful wagers placed with bookmakers prior to 1.38pm be subject to the following deductions in the dollar on the face value of the ticket:

First: *Somebody* less 6 cents win and 6 cents place;

Second: *Danish Lace* less 10 cents place; and

Third: *Art 'n' Ollie* less 7 cents place.

Trainer Mr. M. Lunn was advised a veterinary certificate of fitness would be required prior to *Umgeni* racing again. Trainer Mr. M. Lunn was fined \$200 (AR140(b)) for failing to notify stewards of a condition that may have affected the performance of *Umgeni*. Trainer Mr. M. Lunn was reprimanded (AR175(q)) for his conduct subsequent to the abovementioned inquiry.

Dunderry – began awkwardly and shifted in shortly after jumping and crowded *Shadow Force* and *Husswick*; rider K. Dunbar reported he thought his mount had bled on straightening as it was not responding to his riding and felt very uncomfortable within itself; a post-race veterinary examination revealed a very poor post-race recovery. Trainer Mr. P. Theobald advised Dunderry would undergo a veterinary examination on returning to the stable and will report to stewards the results in the subsequent days.

Race 3: 3YO Maiden Plate 1100m:

Buddabadah – steadied shortly after the start when tightened by between *Mafia Padrona* and *Barrowland* (J. Pracey-Holmes), which shifted in; J. Pracey-Holmes was advised to exercise greater care; raced ungenerously in the early stages and hung out from the 500m and rounding the home turn.

Barrowland – overraced in the early stages; a post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any significant abnormalities. Trainer Ms. K Kennedy will be interviewed at a later date regarding the immediate racing future of *Barrowland*.

Bridyn May – overraced in the early and middle stages; hampered near the 700m when *Lattimer* was taken out by *Buddabadah*, which improved onto heels when overracing and shifted out; a post-race veterinary examination revealed a laceration to the right hind leg.

Feel the Joy – checked when crowded on jumping between *Barrowland* and *Buddabadah*, which were taken in by *Mafia Padrona* and *Naevia*; a post-race veterinary examination revealed a poor post-race recovery.

Mafia Padrona – steadied near the 500m after improving onto the heels of *Naevia*.

Naevia – when the paced steadied near the 600m, improved onto the heels of *Tennessee Pasha* and was checked severely, clipped heels and blundered.

Race 4: Class 2 Handicap 1100m:

Viscount Lad – raced wide throughout; hung out throughout and rounding the home turn; a post-race veterinary examination revealed a poor post-race recovery. Trainer Ms. A. Grives advised *Viscount Lad* would now be spelled.

Stolen Time – bumped by *Dark Elixir* near the 800m.

Brute – jumped awkwardly.

Slickster – jumped awkwardly.

Sword – raced wide throughout; a post-race veterinary examination revealed a poor post-race recovery.

Venus Amoris – on return to scale, an objection was lodged by Ms. B. Hodder, rider of the third placegetter *Dark Elixir* against *Venus Amoris* (App. Ms. K. Kirkwood) being declared the second placegetter alleging interference near the 800m. After viewing the official patrol footage and taking evidence from all parties concerned, it was established near the 800m, *Venus Amoris* shifted in when not entirely clear of **Dark Elixir**, which was eased slightly *Dark Elixir's* rider then elected to further restrain *Dark Elixir* in an endeavour to obtain cover on the back of *Stolen Time*. Bearing in mind the margin of a long head, the proximity of the interference to the winning post and the minimal nature of the interference attributed to *Venus Amoris*, the objection was dismissed and correct weight was declared. App. Ms. K. Kirkwood was reprimanded (AR137(a)).

Race 5: Maiden Handicap 1400m:

Starlight Treaty – knuckled on jumping; a post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any significant abnormalities.

Mount Taishan – laid in under pressure in the straight.

Snippy Bear – slow to begin.

Beerwillfixit – slow to begin; raced ungenerously throughout; hung out near the 600m and clipped the heels of *Same Here*, which laid in and away from *Nino*; a post-race veterinary examination revealed a poor post-race recovery.

Bel Rosso – jumped awkwardly.

Nino – raced wide throughout; a post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any significant abnormalities.

Red Pegasus – change of tactics: to be ridden further forward; slow to begin and settled midfield; slow to begin; hampered as a result of interference to *Beerwillfixit* near the 600m; tightened near the 200m between *Same Here* and *Plow Man*, both of which shifted ground negligibly under pressure.

Race 6: Benchmark 55 Handicap 1400m:

Bee Double Bee – App. C. Gallagher, rider of Jesse 'n' James pleaded guilty to a charge under AR137(a) in that near the 200m, he did direct his mount to shift out when insufficiently clear of *Bee Double Bee*, which was checked and lost its rightful running. App. C. Gallagher's permit to ride in races was suspended for a period to commence on Tuesday 18th July 2017 and to expire on Tuesday 25th July 2017, on which day he may ride; overraced in the early stages; when questioned, rider G. Ryan stated he was obliged to make use of his mount throughout the early and middle stages to obtain a handy position, where it overraced throughout. He further added *Bee Double Bee*, which has a breathing problem, was quite fresh today and would be better being stepped back in distance; Trainer Mr. C. Lundholm stated that it would be now his intention to drop *Bee Double Bee* back in distance with a view to racing the gelding at Dubbo on the 21st July; a post-race veterinary examination revealed a poor post-race recovery.

Raise a Red – slow to begin.

Secret Pedrille – overraced in the early stages; a post-race veterinary examination revealed a poor post-race recovery.

Sword Fighter – raced wide throughout.

Nightspun – held up approaching the home turn and was checked off the heels of *Bee Double Bee*; near the 200m, was steadied when Secret Pedrille (S. Guymer) shifted in; S. Guymer was reprimanded (AR137(a)).

No Concerns – slow to begin; a post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any significant abnormalities.

Race 7: Class 1 & Maiden Plate 1700m:

Genetics – bumped with *Trajectory* on jumping.

Pedro's Zariz – slow to begin; checked near the 400m, *Good Host* (A. Banks) shifted out and bumped *Sonneteer*, which was then bumped back in by *Trajectory* and in doing so shifted in across the running of *Johnnies Cash*, which had improved to the inside of *Sonneteer*. *Johnnies Cash* then shifted in and crowded *Pedro's Zariz*, which was checked. A. Banks was reprimanded (AR137(a)).

Good Host – checked after hanging out on the first turn.

Lady Guissel – overraced in the early stages.

Mosshappen – steadied on the first turn when *Genetics* (K. Dunbar) shifted in when not clear. K. Dunbar was advised to exercise more care.

Trajectory – raced wide throughout.

Tainos – hampered on the first turn as a consequence of interference to *Mosshappen*.

My Little Soldier – overraced in the early stages; bumped near the 200m by *Tainos*.

Moment to Test – laid out under pressure over the final stages.

Sonneteer – a post-race veterinary examination revealed a poor post-race recovery.

Kalisa's Secret – bumped with *My Little Soldier* on jumping; raced wide throughout.

General:

App. C. Gallagher was fined \$50 (AR92(10)) for failing to produce his apprentice winning rides book.

Trainer Mr. C. Crockett was fined \$50 (LR35(2)) for the late declaration of riders for Nictock and Crim.

Samples were obtained from **all** winners.

SUMMARY	
Fines:	Race 2: M. Lunn - \$200 (AR140(b)) – failure to report injury to stewards General: C. Gallagher - \$50 (AR92(10)) – failure to produce apprentice win book General: C. Crockett - \$50 (LR35(2)) – late declaration of rider
Reprimands:	Race 2: M. Lunn (AR175(q)) – improper conduct Race 4: K. Kirkwood (AR137(a)) – careless riding Race 6: S. Guymer (AR137(a)) – careless riding Race 7: A. Banks (AR137(a)) – careless riding
Suspensions:	Race 6: C. Gallagher :18/07/17 until 25/07/17 (AR137(a)) – careless riding
Bleeders:	
Certificates:	Race 2: Dunderry – poor post recovery
Warnings:	
Trials:	
Change of tactics:	Race 1: Savannah Girl: to be ridden quieter – settled worse than midfield Race 5: Red Pegasus: to be ridden further forward – slow to begin settled midfield
Falls/Injuries:	
Gear Changes:	
Follow up:	Race 3: K Kennedy - Barrowland – immediate racing future