

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

Clarence River Jockey Club GRAFTON RACECOURSE

Thursday 13 July 2017

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

STEWARDS: M. A. Holloway (Chairman), D. R. Smith, B. J. Kliese, S. A. Cullen & W. M. Friend

RACE 1: Mothers Gift 1400m:

Assurity – Slow to begin.

Explosive One – Steadied when hampered passing the 1000m. Bumped and momentarily hampered at the entrance to the straight.

First Rain – A post race veterinary examination of the mare revealed it had bled from both nostrils for the first time. Trainer Mr S. Lee was advised that the mare will now incur the embargoes listed under AR53A.

Hula Girl – Slow to begin. Eased after improving onto heels passing the 600m.

Lolly Shoppe – Began awkwardly. Steadied when racing in restricted room near the 900m. Inclined to overrace in the middle stages. Bumped at the entrance to the straight. A post race veterinary examination of the mare revealed it to be showing symptoms of having jarred up during the event.

Pomme Petite – Began awkwardly. Approaching the first turn was checked when bumped out onto the heels of *Shoreline*, which shifted in at that point, by *Safety Peg*. Jockey M. Paget (*Shoreline*) was issued a reprimand (AR137(a)). Raced wide in the middle stages.

Prada Miss – Hampered shortly after the start. Passing the the 1000m was checked severely for a number of strides after improving onto heels.

Safety Peg – Ran out shortly after the start. Overraced in the early and middle stages.

RACE 2: Class 1 Handicap 1400m:

All About Charlie – A post race veterinary examination of the filly revealed it to be sore over the hindquarters.

Anzio – Blundered behind on jumping. Raced wide in the early and middle stages.

Carrs Creek Kid – Near the 800m and 600m was steadied after improving onto heels. Rounding the home turn became held up on heels and was unable to be fully tested until passing the 300m. Eased after improving onto heels approaching the 100m. A post race veterinary examination of the gelding revealed it had bled from both nostrils for the first time. Trainer Mr E. Ensby was advised that the gelding will now incur the embargoes listed under AR53A.

Clever Blaze – Approaching the 900m improved onto heels, shifted out and bumped heavily with another runner.

Devlann – Began awkwardly. Overraced in the early stages.

El Teniente – Commence to overrace rounding the first turn and approaching the 1000m was steadied after improving onto heels. Bumped heavily approaching the 900m. Unable to improve rounding the home turn when held up on heels.

Meadow – Blundered behind on jumping. Overraced in the early stages. Inclined to lay in down the straight. A post race veterinary examination of the filly did not reveal any abnormality.

Miss Tristy – A post race veterinary examination of the mare revealed it to have a laceration to the near fore fetlock.

Pat's Destiny – Rounding the home turn became held up on heels and was unable to be fully tested until shifting out around heels approaching the 200m.

Zamirhe – Hung out approaching the home turn.

RACE 3: Benchmark 65 Handicap 1000m:

Art's Got a Gun – Bumped on jumping. Raced wide in the early and middle stages.

Busting Through – Began awkwardly and steadied when tightened between runners shortly after.

Charlee Bear – Raced wide in the early and middle stages. Eased when tightened for room over the concluding stages.

Chilli Zaim – Unable to improve rounding the home turn when held up on heels. When questioned regarding the apparent improved performance of the gelding trainer Ms J. Hardy stated that the geldings form last preparation was sound and it had been competitive in similar races to that today. Ms Hardy stated that the gelding was second up today on a good racing surface after racing wide on a heavy track first up. Ms Hardy added the geldings has to date performed best around this racing circuit. Ms Hardy added the gelding has performed best when down in the weights and derived benefit from the 3kg allowance of its rider today.

Clang's Victory – Carried inwards between the 300m and 100m. Approaching the 100m was checked when tightened for room by *Elite Dubleo* which was inclined to lay in at that point. Apprentice Ms C. Graham (*Elite Dubleo*) was

reprimanded and advised she must make a greater effort to prevent her mounts from shifting ground (AR137(a)).

Dubai Sights – Eased when tightened between runners shortly after the start. Inclined to overrace in the middle stages. Passing the 500m was steadied after improving onto heels. Unable to improve rounding the home turn when held up on heels. Passing the 300m became held up on heels and was unable to be fully tested until the concluding stages. Hampered passing the 50m.

Elite Dubleo – Laid in between the 300m and 100m.

King Red – Inclined to overrace in the early stages. Raced wide in the early and middle stages.

Knight Templar – Began awkwardly. Inclined to overrace in the early and middle stages.

Racecraft – Raced wide in the early and middle stages.

Sorority Sister – Began awkwardly. Inclined to pull in the early stages. Near the 500m was steadied after improving onto heels.

Supreme Girl – Overraced in the early stages.

Under the Thumb - Bumped on jumping.

RACE 4: Big Maiden Handicap 1200m:

Metallic Moon – Inclined to overrace in the middle stages. Raced wide in the middle stages.

Queen Cora – Trainer Mr S. Lee was fined \$100 for failing to declare J. Lloyd as the rider of the filly by the prescribed time (LR35).

Ritchford – Raced wide in the early stages.

Shark Creek – Overraced and hung out in the middle stages. Inclined to lay out between the entrance to the straight and 200m. Approaching and passing the 100m was steadied for a number of strides after laying out onto heels of *Warface* which was inclined to lay in at that point.

Snooze Ya Lose – Unable to improve rounding the home turn when held up on heels. Eased when tightened for room approaching the 50m.

The Brown Duke – At the entrance to the straight became held up on heels and was unable to be tested until shifting in around heels near the 200m. When questioned regarding her riding over the final 40m apprentice Ms O. Pickering stated that near the 40m she heard a call to her inside suggesting they were being tightened for room and she desisted from riding her mount along for fear of she was causing interference and attempted to direct it outwards. Whilst stewards accepted Ms Pickering's evidence they advised her, her mount was

maintaining a straight line at this stage of the event and she is expected to continue riding it out to the line in similar circumstances.

Warface – Inclined to lay in passing the 100m.

Yeah the Boys – Eased after improving onto heels rounding the home turn.

RACE 5: 2YO Plate 1200m:

Absolutlypositivly – When questioned regarding his riding throughout the early stages, in particular his reluctance to lead on the fence but rather travel one off the fence and in turn provide a run for *Imperial Eagle*, jockey J. Byrne stated that he wanted to travel with cover throughout the event however his mount pulled its way into a forward position. J. Byrne stated that in the early stages he elected to remain one off the fence in the hope that *Runaway*, which was travelling three wide to his outside, would stride forward to lead and provide his mount with cover. J. Bryne stated when this did not eventuate, his primary concern throughout the middle stages was holding his mount together, which was continuing to pull.

Denver – Steadied when awkwardly placed on heels passing the 1100m. Inclined to lay out in the middle stages.

Imperial Eagle – Slow to begin.

Mary Read – Eased when bumped heavily approaching the 1000m.

Pricing Power – Near the 700m was eased after improving onto heels. A post race veterinary examination of the filly revealed it had bled from both nostrils for the first time. Trainer Mr T. Edmonds was advised that the mare will now incur the embargoes listed under AR53A.

Purple Cup – Began very awkwardly resulting in its rider becoming unbalanced. Approaching the 1000m was eased when buffeted between runners. Raced wide in the early and middle stages.

Runaway – Raced wide in the early stages. Inclined to overrace in the middle stages.

That's Madness – Passing the 800m commenced to overrace and was steadied after laying out on to heels. Approaching the home turn became held up on heels and was unable to be tested until near the 300m.

Victorem – Bumped approaching the 1000m. Raced wide in the early and middle stages. Jockey B. Looker was fined \$300 for making a celebratory gesture prior to the winning post (AR137(c)).

RACE 6: Class 6 Plate 1200m:

All But Gone – Slow to begin. Approaching the 100m was obliged to ease out around heels to continue to improve.

Bells of War – Eased after improving onto heels near the 600m.

Epic Dan – Bumped on jumping. Overraced rounding the first turn.

Havasay – Slow to begin and steadied when tightened between runners shortly after.

Jonny Ge – Ran out abruptly on jumping. Eased after improving onto heels near the 600m. Rounding the home turn became held up on heels and was unable to be fully tested until shifting out into clear running near the 300m.

Maybegrey – Raced wide in the early and middle stages.

Nardoo – Inclined to overrace in the middle stages.

Ocean Grand – Near the 700m was checked after improving onto heels.

Portatorio – Commenced to pull passing the 800m and approaching the 700m was checked for a number of strides after improving onto heels.

Termele – Began awkwardly and bumped another runner. When questioned regarding the performance of the mare jockey M. Hellyer stated that his mount led the event and was inclined to travel keenly in the early and middle stages with another runner directly to its outside. M. Hellyer stated that when he asked his mount to sprint on straightening it found very little and was disappointing in its run to the line. M. Hellyer added that his mount raced flat and in his opinion did not back up after its last start win. When questioned, trainer Mr P. Murray agreed with the sentiments of M. Hellyer and advised he would freshen the mare up prior to its next race start. A post race veterinary examination of the mare revealed it to have a poor recovery rate.

RACE 7: Grafton Cup 2350m:

Benzini – Began awkwardly and bumped another runner. Raced wide in the middle stages.

Danjeu (IRE) – Bumped on jumping.

Feltre – Bumped shortly after the start. Steadied when awkwardly placed on heels passing the 2200m. Inclined to overrace between the 1700m and 1400m. Near the 1200m was steadied after improving onto heels. Jockey M. Hellyer pleaded guilty to a charge under AR137A(5)(a)(ii) in that he did strike his mount with the whip on 13 occasions prior to the 100m, 8 more than permitted under the rule. M. Hellyer's license to ride in races was suspended for a period to commence on Sunday 16 July 2017 and to expire on Friday 28 July 2017, on which day he may ride.

First Crush – Raced wide in the early stages.

Get On The Grange – Near the 1000m was steadied after improving into insufficient racing room. Unable to improve approaching the home turn when held up on heels. Near the 150m was obliged to shift in around heels to continue to

improve. Jockey J. Adams was fined \$100 for using his whip in an action above shoulder height (AR137A(4)(b)). J. Adams was issued a reprimand for using his whip on 6 occasions prior the 100m, one more than permitted (AR137A(5)(a)(ii)).

Meteorologist – Blundered on jumping.

Montauk – Inclined to overrace in the early stages. Jockey C. Brown was issued a reprimand for using his whip on consecutive strides prior to the 100m (AR137A(5)(a)(i)).

More Energy – Began awkwardly. Inclined to pull in the early stages. Raced wide from the 1000m.

Morendi – Bumped shortly after the start. Pulled approaching and rounding the first turn. Inclined to pull from this point throughout the middle stages.

War Baby – Overraced approaching the first turn.

RACE 8: Sir James Kirby 1000m:

Cannizzaro – Blundered on jumping. Approaching the 400m was checked after hanging out across heels.

Crooked Blaze – Jockey J. Adams will be interviewed regarding his whip use prior to the 100m at a date to be fixed.

For Me Dad – Steadied when tightened for room shortly after the start. Hung out in the middle stages and raced wide. Trainer Mr N. Osborne was advised that a warning would be placed on the mares racing manners.

I Am Gypsy – Overraced in the early stages. Steadied from heels approaching the 800m. Raced wide in the early and middle stages.

Ice Bucket – Steadied when awkwardly placed on heels rounding the home turn. Approaching the home turn became held up on heels and was unable to be fully tested until obtaining clear running near the 200m. Eased when tightened for room approaching the 100m.

Lucky Meteor – Slow to begin. Inclined to overrace in the early stages.

Plateau Gold – Jockey S. Traacey (**Plateau Gold**) pleaded guilty to a charge of careless riding, under AR137(a), in that shortly after the start he permitted his mount to shift in when insufficiently clear of *For Me Dad* which was tightened for room, steadied and lost its rightful running before again shifting in approaching the 800m when insufficiently clear of *I Am Gypsy* which was steadied from his mount heels. S. Traacey's license to ride in races was suspended for a period to commence on Monday 17 July 2017 and to expire on Monday 24 July 2017, on which day he may ride.

SWABS: Swab samples were taken from all winners, **Lolly Shoppe, Pomme Petite, All About Charlie, Follow Through, King Red, Benzini, Montauk, War Baby, Danjeu (IRE), More Energy, Get On the Grange and First Crush.**

WHIP OFFENCES: Stewards noted the following riders exceeded the permitted strikes of the whip prior to the 100m under AR137A(5)(a)(ii).

Race	Rider (Horse)
1	S. Lisnyy (Pomme Petite) – 1 additional
2	M. Cahill (Anzio) – 1 additional M. Paget (Love Battles) -
6	J. Adams (Epic Dan) – 3 additional M. Bennett (Fashion Model) – 2 additional
7	C. Brown (Montauk) – 3 additional

Bearing in mind the totality of whip use, no action was taken.

SUMMARY	
Fines:	Race 4: S. Lee - \$100 (LR35) Race 5: B. Looker - \$300 (AR137(c)) Race 7: J. Adams - \$100 (AR137A(4)(b))
Reprimands:	Race 1: M. Paget (AR137(a)) Race 3: Ms C. Graham (AR137(a)) Race 7: C. Brown (AR137A(5)(a)(i)) Race 7: J. Adams (AR137A(5)(a)(ii))
Suspensions:	Race 7: M. Hellyer 16/7/2017 – 28/7/2017 (AR137A(5)(a)(ii)) Race 8: S. Traacey 17/7/2017 – 24/7/2017 (AR137(a))
Bleeders:	Race 1: First Rain – bled first time (AR53A) Race 2: Carrs Creek Kid – bled first time (AR53A) Race 5: Pricing Power – bled first time (AR53A)
Certificates:	Nil
Warnings:	Race 8: For Me Dad – hung out
Trials:	Nil
Change of Tactics:	Nil
Falls/Injuries:	Nil
Follow-up:	Race 8: J. Adams – whip use