

## STEWARDS REPORT

### Clarence River Jockey Club GRAFTON RACECOURSE

Wednesday 12 July 2017

Weather: Fine  
Track: Good (4) upgraded to a Good (3) at 1.05pm.  
Rail: True.

**STEWARDS:** D. R. Smith (Chairman), M. Holloway, B. Kliese, S. Cullen.

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**RACE 1: Maiden Plate 1000m:**

**Latino Lover-** Blundered on jumping.

**Woodditton-** Shortly after the start was steadied from heels.

**Samantha's Gold-** Passing the 450m was eased when awkwardly placed on heels.

**Essemess-** Raced in restricted room during the middle stages when awkwardly placed on the heels of Dubawi Sniper, which was inclined to hang in.

**Western Alliance-** Post race veterinary examination of the gelding which hung out badly rounding the home turn and when placed under pressure in the straight did not detect any abnormalities. Trainer Mr D. Campbell was advised a warning would be placed on the record of the gelding.

**Hidden Storm-** Raced wide without cover throughout.

**RACE 2: Class 6 Plate 2200m:**

**Kilmarnock-** Hampered on jumping. Post race veterinary examination of the gelding did not detect any abnormalities.

**Prince Albert-** Overraced during the early and middle stages. Passing the 250m was checked to avoid the heels of Avroson, which shifted out when not clear. At a subsequent inquiry, J. Adams (Avroson) pleaded guilty to a charge of careless riding (AR 137(a)) where his license to ride in races was suspended for a period to commence on Thursday 20 July 2017, and to expire on Tuesday 25 July 2017, on which day he may ride.

**Push the Sky Way-** Held up for clear running in the early part of the straight, and passing the 300m was steadied when disappointed for a run, and had to be shifted in to continue into clear running.

Following this event the track was upgraded to a Good (3) to retrospectively include this race.

**RACE 3: Class 2 Handicap 1600m:**

**Friskie One-** Very slow to begin (4L). Trainer Mr N. Osborne was advised a warning would be placed on the record of the mare.

**Cupid's Roze-** Blundered on jumping.

**Great Job-** Overraced throughout the early and middle stages.

**Rainbow Lace-** Post race veterinary examination of the mare which weakened over the final 300m did not detect any abnormalities.

**RACE 4: 3YO Benchmark 70 Handicap 1600m:**

**Constantine-** Knuckled on jumping.

**Mobile-** Passing the 1400m was eased when momentarily crowded.

**RACE 5: Fillies & Mares Benchmark 55 Handicap 1100m:**

**Miss Parkin-** Trainer Mr D. Kelly was fined \$100 for failing to declare T. Harrison as the rider of the filly by the prescribed time (LR 35 (2)). Blundered on jumping. Post race veterinary examination of the filly, revealed it to have swelling to its near foreleg.

**Moringa's Tootsie-** Slow to begin.

**Fraternater-** Slow to begin. Hung out rounding the home turn.

**Don't Play Around-** When questioned regarding the disappointing performance, J. Byrne stated the filly hung out throughout the event proving difficult to ride, and tended to overrace during the early stages. J. Byrne further added in his opinion the filly may have resented the application of the cross over nose band, and further may be better suited by dropping back in distance at its next race start. A post race veterinary examination did not detect any abnormalities. Stable representative Mr B. Gordon agreed with the comments of J. Byrne, and advised stewards it would now be the intention to drop the filly back in distance and attempt to ride more forward at its next race start.

**Race 6: Entires & Geldings Benchmark 55 Handicap 1100m:**

**Me Mongo-** Hampered on jumping.

**Little Cayuse-** Overraced throughout the early and middle stages.

**Text Me-** Hung out rounding the home turn.

**Mr Chow-** Hung out rounding the home turn. N. Keal (a) was fined \$100 for using the whip on the gelding over the final 100 when raising his hand above shoulder height (AR 137A(4)(b)).

**Yours Mine Ours-** Hung out rounding the home turn and in the early part of the straight. Post race veterinary examination of the gelding did not detect any abnormalities.

**Akamin-** Raced wide without cover throughout.

**Aimalac Bobby-** Hung in when placed under pressure over the final 300m.

**RACE 7: Ramornie Handicap Open Handicap 1200m:**

**Three Sheets-** R. Murray replaced T. Harrison (Dually engaged) as the rider of the gelding. T. Harrison was subsequently fined \$400 (AR 175 (k)). Shortly after the start was steadied to avoid heels.

**Evangelist-** Very slow to begin (10L). Trainer Mrs L. Selby was advised prior to racing again the gelding would be required to compete satisfactorily in an official trial.

**Someday-** Slow to begin.

**Londehero-** Shortly after the start was steadied to avoid heels.

**Boss Lane-** Shortly after the start was steadied when crowded. Post race veterinary examination did not detect any abnormalities.

**Monstar-** A post race veterinary examination of the gelding which hung out badly throughout the early and middle stages did not detect any abnormalities. Trainer Mr B. Cavanough was advised prior to racing again the gelding would be required to compete satisfactorily in an official trial.

**Lucky Tom-** Continually hampered and carried wider throughout the middle stages by The Monstar, which was inclined to hang out.

**Steel Zip-** Near the 200m was eased and had to change course after improving onto the heels of Mogador.

**Calanda-** J. Byrne was fined \$400 for using the whip on the gelding on more than five occasions (8) before the 100m (AR 137A(5)(a)(ii)). J. Byrne was further reprimanded (AR 137A(5)(a)(i)) for using the whip in successive strides prior to the 100m.

**RACE 8: Benchmark 65 Handicap 1400m:**

**Schopenhauer-** Slow to begin.

**Kincaple Chief-** Began awkwardly.

**Pradnya-** Knuckled on jumping.

**Power Receiver-** Passing the 1250m was eased to avoid the heels of Glitra.

**Glitra-** Overraced during the middle stages. Passing the 400m was steadied after improving onto the heels of Power Receiver.

**Dustman-** Overraced during the middle stages. Passing the 250m was steadied when crowded for room between Purrvosa, which shifted out slightly, and Kincaple Chief, which shifted in when not clear. At a subsequent inquiry, L. Rolls (Kincaple Chief) was reprimanded (AR 137a) and advised in future to exercise greater care when shifted ground.

**Snappy One-** Approaching the 100m was eased to avoid the heels of Onslow, which was crowded and carried out by Splinter, which shifted out when not clear. At a subsequent inquiry, C. Dougherty (a) was reprimanded (AR 137a) and advised in future to exercise greater care when shifted ground.

Stewards noted the following riders exceeded the permitted strikes of the whip prior to the 100m under AR 137A(5)(a)(ii):

<b>Race 2:</b>	C. Franklin ( <b>Push the Sky Way</b> )	6 strikes
<b>Race 2:</b>	M. McGuren ( <b>St Luke</b> )	6 strikes
<b>Race 4:</b>	J. Lloyd ( <b>Sneaky Glance</b> )	6 strikes
<b>Race 4:</b>	P. Hammersley ( <b>Mobile</b> )	6 strikes

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

**General:**

C. Brown was fined \$200 for being in possession of a mobile phone in the jockey's room (AR 160B (3)). When assessing penalty, stewards were satisfied C. Brown had not used the phone during the course of the meeting.

**Swabs:**

Swab samples were obtained from **all** winners and the following runners- **Smart Devil, Porn Star Pete, Cupid's Roze, Hurricanes, Ready Zaim Fire, Flippant.**

<b>SUMMARY</b>	
<b>Fines:</b>	<b>Race 5-</b> D. Kelly- \$100 LR 35 (2)- Late rider. <b>Race 6-</b> N. Keal (a)- \$100 AR 137A <b>Race 7-</b> T. Harrison- \$400 AR 175 (k)- Negligence. <b>Race 7-</b> J. Byrne- \$400 AR 137A (5) (a) (ii)- Whip usage. <b>General-</b> C. Brown- \$200 AR 160B (3)- In possession of phone.
<b>Reprimands:</b>	<b>Race 8-</b> C. Dougherty- Careless riding (AR 137a) <b>Race 8-</b> L. Rolls- Careless riding (AR 137a).
<b>Suspensions:</b>	<b>Race 2-</b> J. Adams- Careless riding (AR 137a).
<b>Warnings:</b>	<b>Race 1-</b> <b>Western Alliance-</b> Hung out. <b>Race 3-</b> <b>Friskee One-</b> Very slow to begin.
<b>Bleeders:</b>	
<b>Trials:</b>	<b>Race 7-</b> <b>Evangelist-</b> Very slow to begin (10L). <b>Race 7-</b> <b>The Monstar-</b> Hung out badly throughout.
<b>Certificates:</b>	
<b>Falls/Injuries:</b>	
<b>Tactic Changes:</b>	