

Stewards Report
Muswellbrook Race Club
Skellatar Park RACECOURSE
Sunday 10th September, 2017

Weather: Fine

Track: Good (4), upgraded to Good (3) 3:12pm

Stewards: J T Penfold (Chairman), D Carr & R W Livingstone

Race 1: Maiden Handicap 900m

Bon Allen – Declared a late scratching at 11:28am due to the gelding becoming cast on the float.

I Am Special – Commenced to buck shortly after the start and was restrained out of the event. Trainer Mr B Widdup was advised that *I Am Special* is to barrier trial with race day gear to the satisfaction of the Stewards.

Hermosa Reward – Was crowded shortly after the start, struck heels and blundered.

Sheez Fiery – Was crowded shortly after the start. Bled both nostrils, as this was the first bleeding attack, trainer Mrs J Bowen was advised of the provisions of AR53.

Hilfiger – Slow to begin, then was hampered slightly rounding the home turn.

Junction Road – Laid out under pressure in the home straight.

Swamp Monster – Raced greenly in the home straight.

Second Island – Was carried wider rounding the home turn, then bumped with another runner and became unbalanced.

Uncle Sam – Was hampered and carried wider passing the 200m.

Race 2: Maiden Handicap 1280m

Paddy Wack – Declared a late scratching on veterinary advice after the gelding dislodged the rider and galloped a considerable distance en route to the barrier stalls. In regards to the betting, all monies invested on *Paddy Wack* are to be refunded in full, all other bets placed prior to 13:46pm are subject to the following deductions. 1st 1cent in the win, 1cent in the place, 2nd 1cent the place, 3rd 1cent the place.

Atomic Meteor – Overraced in the early and middle stages, then was inclined to lay in under pressure in the home straight, then had to be steadied when

crowded by *Spice Treasure* (A Skerritt) over the concluding stages. A Skerritt was advised to exercise greater care when shifting ground.

I Wear Prada – Slow to begin, then crowded shortly after and raced greenly throughout.

Phantom Baby – Was steadied when crowded by *Takahashi* (R King) approaching the first turn, R King was asked to exercise greater care when shifting ground.

Race 3: Benchmark 60 1750m

The Iron Maiden – Slow to begin.

Iggy the Moocher – Was inclined to lay out under pressure over the concluding stages.

Atlantic Edge – Rider Ms R King was questioned in regards to the performance of the mare, she stated that the mare travelled well up until the 600m and then when the pace quickened she said the mare was disappointing and did not finish its race off. A post-race veterinary examination revealed a poor recovery. Stable representative Mr C Hull advised that *Atlantic Edge* would be spelled.

Race 4: Class 3 Handicap 1450m

Pindara – Was fractious in the barrier stalls and began awkwardly, resulting in the mare being slow away by 3L. A post-race veterinary examination revealed nil abnormalities.

Race 5: Class 1 Handicap 1280m

Thunder Cove – Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination at the request of the jockey and was passed fit to start. Was bumped and taken wider on straightening.

Killy's Culture – Broke through the barrier stalls and was quickly restrained and cleared by the club's veterinary officer to race.

Peso Maker – Declared a late scratching after being fractious and hit his head in the barrier stalls. In regards to betting, all monies invested on *Peso Maker* are to be refunded in full and all other bets placed prior to 3:46pm are subject to the following deductions. 1st 0cent for the win, 1 cent the place, 2nd 0 cent the place, 3rd 1cent the place.

Isadvia – Was bumped at the start.

Il Davide – Overraced in the middle stages.

I Can Hear Music – Slow away then crowded shortly after.

Invincible Bot – Overraced in the middle stages then had to be steadied and got its head up approaching the 400m when racing close to heels.

Race 6: Godolphin Tiara Benchmark 72 1280m

Jar of Hearts – Was bumped on jumping.

Little Shocker – COT: Quieter with cover – settled mid field with cover.

Sammi Jain – Slow to begin 3L.

Vegas Strip – Pulled hard during the middle stages.

Michelle's Gift – Slow to begin 3L.

Race 7: Benchmark 55 1000m

My Maggie – Slow to begin, then crowded shortly after.

Bob's Ticket – Bumped at the start.

Zroya – Shifted out under pressure in the home straight.

General Sepoy – Was taken wider rounding the home turn, then had to shift inwards to continue to go forward passing the 300m.

I've Got It – Was crowded for room passing the 400m.

Dynamite Dan – Slow to begin.

Assergi – Was tightened for room and had to be steadied approaching the 400m.

GENERAL:

Summary of whip use:

Stewards noted the following riders exceeded the permitted strikes of the whip prior to the 100m under AR137A(5)(a)(ii). Bearing in mind the totality of whip use, no action was taken.

Race 1	L Day (Hilfiger)	8 Strikes prior to 100m
Race6	T Wolfgram (Majestic Pedrille)	6 strikes prior to 100m

Race 6	C Ings (Anandale Lass)	8 Strikes prior to 100m.
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Swab Samples were taken from all winners and the following runners:

Hermosa Reward, Takahashi (2).

SUMMARY

Fines:	Nil
Reprimands:	Nil
Suspensions:	Nil
Bleeders:	Race 1: Sheez Fiery (Both nostrils) 1 st time.
Warnings:	Nil
Trials:	Race 1: I Am Special – Bucked
Certificates:	Nil
Falls/Injuries:	Nil