STEWARDS REPORT

Gulargambone Race Club GULARGAMBONE RACECOURSE

Saturday 14th October 2017

Weather:	Fine.
Track:	Firm (2).
Rail:	True.

STEWARDS: *I.H. Grimes (Chairman) & T.W. Smith.*

Race 1: Maiden Handicap 1100m:

Archway Express – Near the 1000m had to be steadied to avoid the heels of *Sun Burn* (M. Hackett) which shifted in when not sufficiently clear. M. Hackett was advised to exercise more care.

Wilde Irish Dream – Near the 800m was checked and lost ground after being carried out across the heels of *Monteal Joe* who was bumped by *Sagan Star*, which had shifted out abruptly after improving onto the heels of *Archway Express*. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the mare to have a small abrasion to the coronet band on the near hind.

Sagan Star – Slow to Begin. Near the 50m, was steadied to avoid the heels of *Ma Chao* (C. Williams) which shifted out when not sufficiently clear. C. Williams was advised to exercise more care.

Race 2: Maiden Plate1450m:

Ashrawi Gold – Stood flat-footed and missed the start (2L). Over-raced in the early stages.

Mia Zariz – Slow to begin.

Crowned Peggy – Trainer M. Wheeler advised the filly (beaten 17L) would now be retired.

Race 3: Benchmark 45 Handicap 1450m:

Prettylittlefellow – Slow to begin. Raced wide without cover.

Delagos – A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to be displaying a poor post-race recovery.

Magic Archer – Shifted out when placed under pressure in the home straight.

Calibrium – Rider P. Payne was reprimanded under AR137A(5)(a)(i) in that he used his whip on three consecutive occasions prior to the 100m mark. He was further reprimanded under AR137A(4)(b) in that he used his whip in an action that raised his arm above shoulder height.

Cordon Rouge – Bumped on jumping. Hung in passing the 200m.

Whinna Whiskey – Jumped awkwardly. Shifted in when placed under pressure in the home straight.

Race 4: Class 1 Handicap 1200m:

Nino – Bumped on jumping. Shifted out when placed under pressure over the final 100m.

Hurry Up Kelvin – Knuckled on jumping.

Tennessee Pasha – Over-raced in the early stages.

Baroness Snow – Trainer K. Kennedy was advised a warning would be placed on Baroness Snow's record for being uncompetitive (beaten 23L). A post-race veterinary examination revealed the mare to have sustained a very minor cut to the off-hind pastern.

Ultimate Joy – Jumped awkwardly.

Race 5: Gulargambone Cup 1200m:

Miss Mellencamp – A post-race veterinary examination revealed the mare to be sore in front. Trainer R. Robb was advised a veterinary certificate would be required prior to Miss Mellencamp being permitted to race again.

Majaska – Slow to begin. Near the 900m *Reddamour* shifted in abruptly, causing *Basic Strategy* to be steadied and carried inwards, bumping *Majaska*, which in turn contacted the running rail, was checked and lost ground. When questioned regarding his riding of the gelding, App C. Williams stated his instructions were to be in a handy position, however after being slow to begin and failing to muster enough early speed he settled further back in the field. He further stated that after being hampered and contacting the running rail, he felt his mount lost its momentum and was disappointing when failing to run on. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities.

Reddamour – Over-raced in the early stages. Passing the winning post, was steadied to avoid the heels of *Gilded Spirit*.

Gilded Spirit – Hung in when placed under pressure in the home straight.

Race 6: Benchmark 50 Handicap 1800m:

Hungerford Wonder – Near the 1500m, was steadied to avoid the heels of *Blitzabeilter* while over-racing. Near the 300m, was steadied to avoid the heels of *Little Bitty*.

Strike Zone – Slow to begin.

Cuban Lass – Stewards gave permission for App C. Williams to claim 1.5kg of his 2kg claim. App C. Williams was fined the sum of \$200 under LR70.

Black Baksheesh – Rider P. Payne was reprimanded under AR137A(4)(c) in that he continued to use his whip when his mount was out of contention.

The Real McCoy – Over-raced in the early stages. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities.

Butterfly Sky – Raced wide without cover.

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):

Race 1	M. Hackett (Sun Burn)	6 strikes prior to the 100m
Race 2	C. Williams (Oh Oh Sun)	8 strikes prior to the 100m
Race 3	C. Ings (Cordon Rouge)	6 strikes prior to the 100m
	M. Hackett (Whinna Whiskey)	6 strikes prior to the 100m
Race 4	M. Hackett (Tennessee Pasha)	6 strikes prior to the 100m
Race 5	C. Williams (Majaska)	6 strikes prior to the 100m
Race 6	K. Chater (Butterfly Sky)	6 strikes prior to the 100m

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

General:

Samples were obtained from <u>all</u> winners.

SUMMARY	
Fines:	Race 6: App C. Williams \$200 [LR70]
Reprimands:	Race 3: P. Payne (Calibrium) – use of the whip [AR137A(5)(a)(i)]
	Race 3: P. Payne (Calibrium) – use of the whip [AR137A(4)(b)]
	Race 6: P. Payne (Black Baksheesh) – use of the whip [AR137A(4)(c)]
Suspensions:	
Bleeders:	
Certificates:	Race 5: Miss Mellencamp (Trainer R. Robb) – sore in front
Warnings:	Race 4: Baroness Snow (Trainer K. Kennedy) – uncompetitive
Trials:	
Change of tactics:	
Falls/Injuries:	
Gear Changes:	
Follow up:	