STEWARDS REPORT

Racing Orange Club TOWAC PARK RACECOURSE, ORANGE

Monday 16th October 2017

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

STEWARDS: T.W. Smith (Chairman), S.P. Fitzgerald, I.H. Grimes

& C.N. Pringle.

Race 1: Maiden Plate 1000m:

Ephiram – slow to begin; checked near the 500m and again near the 400m when *Catcha Crown* (App. Ms. A. Skerritt) laid in after improving onto the heels of *Red Marauder*, which commenced to weaken and shift in. App. Ms. A Skerritt was advised to exercise more care.

Sass'n'twinkle – slow to begin.

Supreme Gigi – held up approaching the home turn when *Blame It On Paris* laid in.

Red Marauder – when questioned, rider K. Dunbar stated his mount was under constant pressure to hold its handy position in the early and middle stages and in the early part of the straight, he became concerned that his mount had gone amiss and for this reason he did not place his mount any undue pressure; a post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to be lame in the near fore leg. Trainer Mr. P. Theobald it was his intention to spell the gelding and acting on that assurance no action was taken against *Red Marauder*

Cinematography – slow to begin; raced wide throughout.

Race 2: Maiden Handicap 1300m:

Riva Romance – steadied near the 900m when *See For Yourself* was taken in by *Holt Street* (App. Ms. A. Borg); App. Ms. A. Borg was advised to exercise more care; hung out rounding the home turn.

Golden Tresor – slow to begin.

Danish Design – J. Pracey-Holmes, rider of *See For Yourself* pleaded guilty to a charge under AR137(a) in that near the 1000m, he did permit his mount to shift in when insufficiently clear of *Danish Design*, which was checked and lost its rightful running. J. Pracey-Holmes license to ride in races was suspended for a period to commence on Tuesday 24th October 2017 and to expire on Tuesday 31st October 2017, on which day he may ride. In assessing penalty, Stewards took into consideration the degree of carelessness on behalf of J. Pracey-Holmes being of a low degree and contribution from a minor shift from *Holt Street*.

Exquisite Halo – jumped awkwardly.

Race 3: Maiden Handicap 1600m:

Flux Capacitor – overraced in the lead in the early and middle stages; when questioned regarding his riding in the straight, rider M. Cahill stated he was given no specific instruction from Trainer Mr. B. Molloy however in his opinion, having ridden the horse on several times previously, the horse travels well throughout its runs but weakens quickly when placed under heavy pressure in the straight. He added today, bearing in mind he drew barrier number one, he elected to lead the race whereby his

mount travelled well throughout the event and on straightening he then endeavoured to keep the horse travelling on the bit for as long as possible prior to placing it under heavy pressure. He added even when he placed his mount under heavy pressure, it failed to respond to his riding and found little in the way of improvement.

Tickets Up – overraced in the early stages; a post-race veterinary examination revealed *Tickets Up* to have bled from both nostrils for the first time. Trainer Mr. W. Austin was advised of the provisions of AR53A.

Frank'n'bul – A. Cavallo, rider of *Just Schillin'* pleaded guilty to a charge under AR137(a) in that on straightening, he permitted his mount to shift out when not clear of *Frank'n'bul*, which was checked when crowded out onto *Fleur de Force*. A. Cavallo's license to ride in races was suspended for a period to commence on Sunday 22nd October 2017 and expire on Wednesday 25th October 2017, on which day he may ride. In assessing penalty, Stewards took into account A. Cavallo's excellent record in relation to careless riding, in that he hadn't incurred a careless riding suspension in over 940 rides.

Beau Magic – overraced in the early stages; when questioned, rider Ms. R. Murray stated her instructions today were to be outside the leader which were not dissimilar to those issued to her at *Beau Magic's* most recent race start at Dubbo on 29th September 2017. Trainer Mr. P. Nestor will be interviewed regarding the tactics adopted on the mare.

Fleur de Force – hampered near the 250m when *Just Schillin'* laid out and away from *Beau Magic*.

Just Schillin' – change of tactics: to be ridden quieter – settled worse than mid field; held up approaching the home turn.

Race 4: Class 1 & Maiden Plate 2100m:

Crixus – raced wide.

Mount Taishan – on straightening, improved onto the heels of *Olive Beauty* and was checked and shifted out, hampering *Moralto*, *Nightspun* and *Megalopolis*; laid in near the 200m.

Cordon Rouge – late withdrawal at 2.53pm acting on veterinary advice. Trainer Mr. B. Dixon advised *Cordon Rouge* would now be retired to stud.

Mr Mile – raced wide.

Solid Power – crowded on jumping between *Megalopolis* and *More Than Alright*.

Yorkshire Rock – Ms. J. Taylor replaced P. King (ill); near the 400m, improved onto the heels of *Mount Taishan* and was checked, clipped heels and blundered; on the home turn, again improved onto the heels of *Mount Taishan* was steadied and shifted out and hampered *Crixus*.

Ophaeo Rose – when questioned, rider J. Pracey-Holmes stated he was instructed to have his mount settle midfield however he stated his mount began better than he expected and commenced to race keenly in the early stages, he elected to allow his mount to stride forward rather than restrain in the early stages.

Race 5: Class 3 Handicap 1280m:

Ricci Royal – slow to begin.

Wild Cavalier – slow to begin.

Solo Gypsy – raced wide throughout.

Emo Girl – steadied near the 200m when *Thunder Cove* laid in; was then shifted out to continue into clear running.

Race 6: Benchmark 55 Handicap 1400m:

Cappella Magna – a post-race veterinary examination revealed a poor post-race recovery.

Bold Street Cat – bumped with Raised to Duel near the 200m.

Kingtantes – M. Cahill replaced P. King (ill); slow to begin; held up approaching the home turn.

Rising King – slow to begin; near the 400m, improved onto the heels of the weakening *Two 'n' Wellgo*, was severely checked and shifted out, hampering *Raised to Duel* and *Cheeky Bella*; when questioned, rider App. R. Dolan reported his mount lost all momentum on the home turn when sustaining interference and thereafter, his mount changed strides and he did not place it under undue pressure; Trainer Ms. C. Greig advised *Rising King* would now be spelled; a post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any significant abnormalities.

Two 'n' Wellgo – rider Ms. J. Worley stated her mount was galloped on rounding the home turn and weakened quickly thereafter; Trainer Mr S Jones advised that the colt would now be spelled. Mr. Jones was reprimanded AR117(3) relative to his horses being removed offcourse prior to the prescribed time.

Oakwood Lady – raced wide throughout.

Gunbarrel Highway – slow to begin.

Diamond Costa – slow to begin (3L).

Race 7: Benchmark 65 Handicap 1000m:

Viscount Lad – slow to begin.

Race 8: Class 1 Handicap 1000m:

Storm Force – Trainer Ms. K. Gooch was fined \$50 (AR59A) for failing to produce the TIC for *Storm Force*; slow to begin; held up for clear running approaching the home turn and in the early part of the straight.

Dynamite Dan – hampered near the 800m when *Bel Diablo* shifted out.

Pretty Snazzy – a post-race veterinary examination revealed the mare to be in season. Trainer Mr. P. Theobald was advised a warning would be recorded against *Pretty Snazzy* and he would now endeavour to find a race at a non-TAB or picnic venue.

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 4:	K. Nestor	2 consecutive prior to 100m
	K. Nestor	7 times prior to 100m.

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

General:

Licensed stablehand Ms. K. Gallagher was kicked in the raceday tie-up stalls prior to the first race. She sustained an injury to her hip and was treated by the oncourse Ambulance officers.

Samples were obtained from $\underline{\textbf{all}}$ winners.

SUMMARY		
Fines:	Race 8: Ms K Gooch - \$50 AR59A	
Reprimands:	Race 6: S Jones – AR117(3)	
Suspensions:	Race 2: J Pracey-Holmes – (AR137a) – 24/10/17 – 31/10/17	
	Race 3: A Cavallo – (AR137a) – 22/10/17 – 25/10/17	
Bleeders:	Race 3: Tickets Up – Bled 1 st time	
Certificates:		
Warnings:	Race 8: Pretty Snazzy - uncompetitive	
Trials:		
Change of tactics:	Race 3: Just Schillin – to be further back settled mid.	
Falls/Injuries:		
Gear Changes:		
Follow up:	Race 3: P Nestor – Tactics on Beau Magic	