STEWARDS' REPORT

Gosford Race Club GOSFORD RACECOURSE

Thursday 17 August 2017

Weather: Fine Track: Good (4) – at 12.57pm Good (3) Rail: True

STEWARDS: D M Greer (Chairman), R W Livingstone, D L Carr and cadet I H Grimes

Supplementary Report:

NEWCASTLE TRIALS: Wednesday, 16 August 2017

(mkm)

Heat 14: Trainer M Spackman reported that **Avize** had bled from both nostrils for the first time. Mr Spackman was advised that **Avize** will now incur the mandatory three months bar from racing.

RACE 1 – Probus Club Of Breakfast Point Colts, Geldings & Entires Benchmark 64 Hcp 1100m Mac's Reward – began awkwardly.

Thorn In My Side – slow to begin.

Distorted Demand – A post race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

RACE 2 – Forresters Beach Retirement Village Fillies & Mares Benchmark 65 Handicap 1100m Pindara – slow to begin (2L).

Miss Faith – approaching the 100m had to be steadied and taken back to the inside of Saskia Rose which shifted out.

Saskia Rose – laid out under pressure over the final 150 metres.

RACE 3 – Tilligerry RSL Sports Club Class 2 Handicap 1000m

I've Got It - began awkwardly.

Sojournist – held up for a short distance making the home turn.

Never Out – lost its nearside front plate in running.

Summer's Bird – A post race veterinary examination revealed the mare to have bled from both nostrils for the first time. Trainer N Mitchell was advised that **Summer's Bird** will now incur the mandatory three months bar from racing.

Sharpsburg – A post race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

RACE 4 – The Probus Club Of Terrigal 3yo Maiden Handicap 1200m

Rose Of Savannah – to be ridden more forward; settled off pace. Slow to begin.

Torvill – slow to begin.

Maria Victoria – raced wide without cover until approaching the 700m.

Pahruli – near the 1000m was steadied when crowded by *Furlana* (T Angland) which shifted in when not fully clear. T Angland was told to exercise more care.

Stanley Park – rider T Clark reported that his mount hung out throughout the event and proved difficult to ride out in the straight.

RACE 5 – Probus Terrigal Haven Maiden Plate 1100m

Time To Excel – after being loaded was fractious in the barriers getting both front legs cast over the front gate. Acting on veterinary advice **Time To Excel** was late withdrawal at 3.12pm. Stewards subsequently ordered that all monies wagered on **Time To Excel** be refunded in full and with regard to betting with bookmakers all successful wagers made prior to 3.12pm to be subject to the following deductions in the dollar on the face value of the ticket:

1st) Longreach less nil cents win and 4c place

2nd) Our Royal Egyptian less 1c place

3rd) Storm Force less 7c place

Stable representative S Cronin was advised that a veterinary certificate of fitness must be produced and **Time To Excel** must barrier trial prior to racing again.

Storm Force – the gelding, which was in the adjoining stall to *Time To Excel*, was also examined by the club's veterinary officer and passed fit to start.

Ladies' Gem – slow to begin (2L). Near the 500m was briefly tightened for room racing inside racing inside *Excelsior* which shifted in marginally.

College Romance – after beginning awkwardly was steadied and taken back in across runners in the early stages to find cover.

Our Royal Egyptian – laid out when placed under pressure in the straight.

RACE 6 – On Course Tours Prov & Ctry Maiden Handicap 1100m

Beauing – slow to begin.

Accolations - slow to begin. Raced wide without cover from the 600m.

Ottamae – crowded on jumping by *Dropyourbundall* which shifted in. When questioned regarding the performance, J Ford explained that he was instructed to have the filly travel where comfortable and anticipated from barrier 2 to be in a midfield position. He said that after being crowded on jumping he rode his mount along in the early stages, however the filly did not respond and consequently settled well back. He added that near the 500m *Savaneta* and *Beauing* were racing in advance of him and to his outside and when those runners were shifting ground he elected to remain racing on the fence where he was briefly held up before obtaining clear running passing the 400m whereby **Ottamae** then closed its race off well.

RACE 7 – Star 104.5 Live @ The EG Class 1 Handicap 1600m

Concisely – to be ridden more forward; settled outside the leader.

My Burning Heart – began awkwardly and was crowded shortly after the start by *Concisely* which shifted out. Hung out making the first turn. Held up making the home turn.

Follow Through – approaching the 150m was hampered when crowded for room by *Addicticraft* (B Ryan) which shifted in. *Addicticraft* continued to hang in thereafter. Apprentice B Ryan was advised to exercise more care.

Uncle Rodriguez – near the 50m was hampered when crowded by *Addicticraft* which shifted in. Apprentice B Ryan was advised to exercise more care. A post race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

Whiskey Throttle – A post race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

RACE 8 – Club Troppo @ The EG Benchmark 65 Handicap 2100m

Sakhumzi – overraced for some distance approaching the winning post on the first occasion and continued to overrace throughout the middle stages and was steadied off heels on a number of occasions.

Bon Equus – raced keenly in the middle stages.

Bonus Spin – over the concluding stages improved onto the heels of *Crossing Guard* and was unable to be tested.

Macarthur – when questioned regarding the performance, C Reith explained that his mount, which was a beaten horse from the 500m, did not handle the firm track conditions of today's race and failed to stretch out. A post race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities. Trainer S Singleton was advised that a warning would be placed on the horse's record for what the Stewards deemed to be an unsatisfactory performance.

GENERAL: Swab samples were taken from all winners and the following runners:

Race 1: Radiologist

Race 3: Yarrapower

Race 6: Star Bolt

Race 7: Follow Through (2)

Race 8: Bon Equus, Hurricanes, Sakhumzi, Zaveena

SUMMARY	
Fines:	Nil
Reprimands:	Nil
Suspensions:	Nil
Bleeders:	Supplementary Report: <i>Avize</i> – both nostrils (trainer M Spackman) Race 3: <i>Summer's Bird</i> – both nostrils (trainer N Mitchell)
Warnings:	Race 8: Macarthur – poor performance (trainer S Singleton)
Trials:	Race 5: <i>Time To Excel</i> – barrier manners (trainer J Thompson)
Certificates:	Race 5: <i>Time To Excel</i> – cast in barriers (trainer J Thompson)
Fall/Injuries:	Nil
Change of Colours:	Nil
Change of Gear	Nil
Follow up:	Nil