STEWARDS REPORT

Narrandera Race Club Inc. NARRANDERA RACECOURSE Saturday 19 August 2017

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

STEWARDS: T.J.Davidson (Chairman), J.A.Shultz & D.R.McLean

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RACE 1: 3yo & Up Maiden Plate 1000m:

Divine Stryke- Rider B. Loy could offer no tangible explanation for today's poor performance other than the mare may not have been suited by the fast tempo. He added his mount travelled fairly in the early and middle stages but did not respond to his riding in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination found the mare to be displaying a poor post-race recovery. Trainer L. Pepper stated the mare had pulled up well and in his opinion may not have been suited to the Narrandera track. He added it was the stable's intention to continue with the preparation where they may look to start on the synthetic track at Canberra where the horse had trialled particularly well.

Harry's Call- Raced wide throughout.

Hay Boys- Change of tactics- Rider given option to go forward. Settled mid-field.

Kylara- A pre-race veterinary examination of the mare, which had not raced for twelve months, found it suitable to race.

O'rana Belle- Bumped on jumping.

Redente's Dream- Bumped on jumping.

Inish Free- Checked passing the 200m. At a subsequent inquiry, R. Prest (a), represented by Trainer D. Prest, pleaded guilty to a charge of careless riding under AR137(a) in that passing the 200m she permitted *O'rana Belle* to shift out whilst riding it along causing *Inish Free* to be severely crowded onto *Harry's Call* and checked. Apprentice Prest's permit to ride in races was suspended for a period to commence on Tuesday 29 August 2017 and to expire on Monday 4 September 2017, on which day she may ride.

Little Rio- Slow to begin. Steadied and taken outwards near the 200m when held up behind *Divine Stryke* and *O'rana Belle*.

Typhoon Tiger- Laid inwards in early part of straight. Clipped heels and fell near the 200m. Rider M. Taylor(a) suffered minor soreness to the right ankle in this incident but fulfilled her remaining riding commitments. At a subsequent inquiry, K. Nisbet pleaded guilty to a charge of careless riding under AR137(a) in that near the 200m she did permit *Little Rio* to shift outwards

when insufficiently clear of *Redente's Dream*, which was carried out across the running of **Typhoon Tiger**, which clipped heels and fell. K. Nisbet's license to ride in races was suspended for a period to commence on Wednesday 23 August 2017 and to expire on Monday 11 September 2017, on which day she may ride.

RACE 2: 3yo & Up Maiden Handicap 1400m:

Arellano- Trainer R. Archard, represented by D. Archard was fined \$50 under AR140A for presenting the gelding to the mounting yard without blinkers. Slow to begin. Bumped after the start. Raced wide throughout. Laid inwards under pressure in the straight.

Chivonne- Slow into stride.

Deacon Black- Change of tactics- To be ridden quieter. Settled last. When questioned regarding the performance of the gelding, which settled a long last, rider R. Prest (a) stated she was instructed to settle back in the field, in accordance with the notified change of tactics. She added her mount was unusually agitated behind the barriers and on jumping her mount shifted outwards abruptly and then hung outwards until straightening and for that reason she was unable to place her mount under pressure in an attempt to keep in touch with the main body of the field. She added in her opinion the addition of a cross nose band had contributed to today's performance. Trainer C. Davies agreed with the rider's comments adding he would now look to remove the gear from the gelding. A post-race veterinary examination found the horse to be displaying a poor post-race recovery. Stewards accepted the evidence tendered and advised Mr Davis that **Deacon Black** would be required to barrier trial to the satisfaction of the Stewards before racing again.

Eliza Star- Bumped on jumping.

Eye Was- Raced wide throughout.

Sister Hazel- Bumped on jumping. Steadied near the 250m when *Eliza Star* rolled out. Laid inwards over the concluding stages.

RACE 3: Benchmark 50 Handicap 1200m:

Crisalli- Reared as the start was effected and lost some ground.

Saint Aquilina- Raced keenly in the early stages.

Dream on Stan- Slow to begin.

Hayne Plane- Rider R. Prest (a) reported she struck her right knee on entering the barriers and suffered a minor laceration.

She's Just Rosie- Steadied near the 800m when awkwardly placed on the heels of *Keepcalmandcarryon.*

RACE 4: Benchmark 55 Handicap 1000m:

Reka Outlaw- Eased near the 900m when crowded between *Lemming* and *Auro*, which shifted in slightly.

I Am Dan- Crowded on jumping between *Auro* and *Turbo Bundy*.

Lemming- Carried outwards over the concluding stages. On return to scale B. Loy (**Lemming**) placed third, lodged an objection against *Auro* (J. Richards(a)) being declared the winner alleging interference over the final 50m. The evidence found that over the concluding 25 metres *Auro* shifted out under pressure and carried **Lemming** wider on the track. Taking into consideration the margin (0.7L) and the proximity of the incident to the winning post, Stewards dismissed the objection when they could not be comfortably satisfied that had this interference not occurred **Lemming** would have finished ahead of *Auro*. At a subsequent inquiry Apprentice Richards was reprimanded for careless riding under AR137(a).

Flying Ferret- Crowded near the 50m when racing tight to the inside of Auro.

Turbo Bundy- Rider B. Ward stated he was instructed to go forward but the gelding failed to show the necessary speed to do so. He added his mount travelled fairly in behind the leaders but did not let down in the straight. He added in his opinion the gelding may have come to the end of its preparation. Trainer N. Olive will be questioned regarding the post-race condition and future racing plans for the horse.

Auro- Trainer L. McGill was fined \$50 under AR59A for failing to present the Thoroughbred Identity Card for the mare when requested. Shifted out under pressure over the concluding stages.

RACE 5: Open Handicap 1400m:

Benno's Boy- Laid out under pressure in the straight.

Sharif- Held up for a short distance near the 200m.

RACE 6: Benchmark 50 Handicap 1600m:

Run Hoff Run- A post-race veterinary examination did not detect any abnormalities.

Angelic Lass- When questioned regarding the pace set in the event, rider S. Metcalfe (a), stated she was instructed to go forward if the mare began well in accordance with its established racing pattern. She added after beginning very well she obtained the lead easily and although she was aware of the fast pace being set her mount would not come back underneath her and as a result the mare weakened in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination did not detect any abnormalities.

Hoffski- Slow into stride.

Quatre Belle- Steadied near the 200m when crowded between Real Bonafide (B. Ward) and Another Jay Brown (B. Clark), both of which shifted ground. Both B Ward and B. Clark were advised to exercise more care.

General: Swab samples were taken from the following runners:

Race 1: Kangawallafox, Little Rio, Hay Boys

Race 2: Dignified Lady, See The Sun

Race 3: Saint Agulina

Race 4: Auro

Race 5: Ruary Mac

Race 6: Another Jay Brown

SUMMARY	
Fines:	Race 2: R. Archard- \$50- Present Arellano without blinkers. AR140A.
	Race 4: L. McGill- \$50- No TIC for Auro. AR59A.
Reprimands:	Race 4: J. Richards(a)- Careless riding on Auro. AR137(a).
Suspensions:	Race 1: R. Prest(a)- Suspended 29/8/17-4/9/17. Careless riding on O'rana
	Belle. AR137(a).
	Race 1: K. Nisbet- Suspended 23/8/17-11/9/17. Careless riding on Little Rio.
	AR137(a).
Warnings:	Nil.
Bleeders:	Nil.
Trials:	Race 2: Deacon Black- To trial. Hung out.
Certificates:	Nil.
Falls/Injuries:	Race 1: M. Taylor(a)- Fell near 200m. Suffered minor soreness to right ankle.
	Fulfilled her remaining riding commitments.
	Race 3: R. Prest(a)- Struck right knee entering barriers.
Change of	Race 1: Hay Boys- Rider given option to go forward. Settled mid-field.
Tactics:	Race 2: Deacon Black- To be ridden quieter. Settled last.