

**STEWARDS' REPORT****Australian Turf Club  
ROYAL RANDWICK RACECOURSE****Saturday 21 October 2017**

Weather: Fine  
Track: Heavy (8); upgraded to Soft (7) at 10.44am  
Rail: +9m  
Penetrometer: 6.03

**STEWARDS:** M F Van Gestel (Chairman), P C Dingwall, T J Carlton, T A McDonald, J J E Earl and cadets M W Purse and F J Dale

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**Supplementary Reports:****CANTERBURY PARK – Wednesday 18 October 2017****Race 3 - McGrath Estate Agents Qld Handicap 1550m**

**Princess Posh** - raced wide without cover in the early stages before settling outside the leader near the 800m.

**Zafina** – trainer Mr M Dale reported that in the days subsequent to the disappointing performance the mare was exhibiting signs of muscle soreness. He said that **Zafina** will receive treatment from the chiropractor and the connections will consider the future racing plans for the mare subsequent to the race.

**Race 5: tab.com.au Handicap 1250m**

**Cedarwood** – stable representative Mr L Prior advised that the stable was satisfied with the post-race condition of the gelding and the intention is to continue on with its preparation.

**The Cheetah** – co-trainer Mr M Hawkes advised that the stable was satisfied with the post-race condition of the gelding and the intention is to continue on with its preparation.

**Race 8: McGrath Estate Agents Vic Handicap 1100m**

**Dixie Chick** – trainer Mr D Pfeiffer advised that he was satisfied with the post-race condition of the mare and indicated that the intention is to trial **Dixie Chick**, as was ordered by the Stewards on the day of the race.

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**RACE 1: Daily Press Kirkham Plate 1000m**

**Gorgons** – on jumping was hampered when bumped by *Alshahhad*.

**Gododdin** – slow to begin. For some distance in the middle stages overraced and had to be restrained away from the heels of *Legislation*. When being shifted to the outside of *Alshahhad* to obtain clear running in the early part of the straight was inclined to race greenly, shifted ground and proved difficult to ride.

**Fiesta** – crowded on jumping between *Cyclonite* and *Line Up Girls*, which was bumped by *Tactical Formation*, which began awkwardly and shifted out. Laid out in the straight and near the final 100m shifted out and away from *Legislation*, resulting in rider B Avdulla having to stop riding and straightening his mount.

**Catanzaro** – from its wide barrier steadied and shifted in behind runners shortly after the start. Near the 250m had to be steadied when crowded between *Tactical Formation*, which shifted in abruptly, and *Gododdin* (J Collett), which shifted out. J Collett was reprimanded and advised he must stop riding and straighten his mounts sooner than he did on this occasion when they commence to shift.

**Alshahhad** – overraced in the middle stages. Raced greenly in the straight. Rider J Ford reported his mount travelled strongly in the run, but when asked to improve in the straight he was of the opinion it did not handle today's soft track conditions and that was the principal reason for it not finishing the race off. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

**Cyclonite** – raced wide without cover throughout.

**Legislation** – shifted out under pressure over the concluding stages.

**Line Up Girls** – a post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities, however trainer Mr G Moore was asked to provide a veterinary clearance prior to the colt's next start due to the manner in which it weakened in the straight.

**Tactical Formation** – rider T Angland stated his mount, having its first start today, was inclined to race greenly and in the straight initially laid out. He added the colt may not have been entirely comfortable on today's wet surface. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

#### **RACE 2: 2CH Handicap 1600m**

**Regent** – At the request of rider J Collett, the colt underwent a veterinary examination behind the barrier and was passed fit to start. J Collett reported that he had concerns in respect to the colt's action in front over the latter stages of the race. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the colt to be displaying a poor post-race recovery. Stable representative Mr D Beadman was asked to provide a veterinary clearance prior to **Regent** racing again.

**Kaonic** – slow to begin. From its wide barrier steadied and shifted in behind runners shortly after the start.

**The Mighty Fed** – slow to begin. Soon after the start became unbalanced when bumped by *Kaonic* (G Schofield). G Schofield was reprimanded and advised to exercise more care. Near the 1500m had to be steadied away from the heels of *Regent*. Near the 300m was inconvenienced when crowded between *Regent* and *Sky Boy* when that runner shifted in. Rider App. A Adkins stated that his mount failed to travel at any stage of the event and was disappointing in not responding to his riding in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

**Our Mantra** – bumped on jumping by *Charlie Chap*, which shifted out on jumping. Raced wide without cover throughout. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

**Luvaluva** – bumped on jumping by *Sambro*, which began awkwardly and shifted out. Overraced in the early stages. For some distance in the early part of the straight held up for clear running.

**Thy Kingdom Come** – began awkwardly. Near the 200m was hampered when taken wider by *Luvaluva*, which shifted out to improve. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the colt to be lame behind. Trainer Mr J Thompson was advised a veterinary clearance would be required prior to **Thy Kingdom Come** racing again.

**Sky Boy** – making the first turn, when inclined to overrace, had to be checked from the heels of *Charlie Chap*.

**Sambro** – raced keenly in the middle stages. Laid out in the straight.

**Red Braids** – a post-race veterinary examination, which weakened in the straight, revealed the filly to be displaying a poor post-race recovery. Mr S Perry, representing trainer Mr P Perry, was asked to provide a veterinary clearance prior to filly racing again.

**Charlie Chap** – when questioned, rider A Hyeronimus explained his instructions with the gelding stepping up in distance were to be in a midfield position from its wide barrier if possible. He said in the early stages when the tempo was only moderate and he was unable to secure a midfield position, he elected to allow his mount to improve and ultimately raced outside the leader *Red Braids*. He added, whilst **Charlie Chap** came under pressure early in the straight and then weakened over the final 100m, he considered that this was more reflective of it failing to handle the track conditions rather than racing on the speed.

### **RACE 3: TAB Highway Handicap 1100m**

**Highway Sixtysix** – slow to begin.

**Undaof** – bounded on jumping, got its head up and lost ground (2L). Making the home turn, when inclined to race keenly, had to be checked away from the heels of *Highway Sixtysix*. Over the final 100m laid out under pressure, resulting in rider App. L Magorrian having to ride his mount out hands and heels to the finish.

**Attainment** – on two occasions near the 600m made contact with the running rail and became unbalanced.

**Kashtan** – raced wide without cover throughout.

**Larlabrook** – when questioned, rider App. B McDougall stated with the gelding stepping up in distance to 1100m today, he was asked to ride it just in behind the leaders with cover. He said after obtaining this position, when the tempo increased from the 600m, his mount was immediately under pressure and disappointed in its response in the straight. He added he noted the gelding making an abnormal respiratory noise whilst under pressure. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to be mildly lame in the off-foreleg. Trainer Mr C Lundholm stated that **Larlabrook** had displayed no issue leading into today's run and pulled

up well following its last start win on 16 September 2017. He said the gelding was also found to be mildly lame in the same leg after its win at Dubbo on 19 February 2017 and he would now conduct a thorough veterinary examination of **Larlabrook**, including the taking of X-rays, the results of which he will provide to the Stewards. Mr Lundholm was advised a veterinary clearance would be required prior to **Larlabrook** racing again and he was asked to report back on the future race plans for the gelding.

**Polskie Lady** – rider A Hyeronimus stated his mount travelled comfortably in the lead and, after travelling well into the straight, was disappointing in its failure to finish off over the last 200m, where he was of the opinion that the mare became unbalanced in its action. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

#### **RACE 4: City Tattersalls Club Cup (Listed) 2400m**

**More Than A Holiday** –slow to begin. Near the 1900m became awkward on the heels of *Admiral Jello*. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

**Admiral Jello** – near the 1000m was eased when momentarily placed tight to the inside of *Alward*.

#### **RACE 5: ClubsNSW Handicap 1400m**

**Dagny** – knuckled on jumping and then shortly after was bumped by *King Darci*, which began awkwardly and shifted out.

**Shazee Lee** – slow to begin and hampered shortly after by *Collateral*, which shifted out slightly. When questioned regarding his riding, J Adams stated his instructions were to settle at the rear, as per the mare's usual racing pattern, and then endeavour to make its run towards the middle of the track and preferably secure runs between horses, as **Shazee Lee** appears to race best when able to do so. He said, after following *Collateral* making the home turn, he improved to that runner's outside with a view to taking a run between *Collateral* and *Peacock*. He added when *Collateral*, which appeared to be travelling well at this stage, shifted out near the 300m to improve he was of the view that **Shazee Lee** would not be able to secure clear running and for this reason shifted out in an endeavour to obtain a very narrow run between *Peacock* and *Dagny*. J Adams further stated that when *Dagny* then shifted back in slightly and his mount was also somewhat reluctant to improve, he was obliged to steady his mount when initially disappointed for clear running and in doing so made contact with *Peacock* near the 250m. He said over the final 100m, when able to find clear running, **Shazee Lee** finished the race off fairly. He added that, whilst he acknowledged there may have been an option to improve to the inside of *Collateral* on straightening, given his instructions he elected to improve to that runner's outside. After considering his explanation, Stewards found his actions in the straight were not unreasonable. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the mare had sustained multiple lacerations to the off-foreleg and near-fore pastern.

**Peacock** – rider J Parr stated the gelding travelled comfortably outside the lead, but in the straight, when asked to quicken, did not respond to his riding and weakened. He said that the only excuse he could offer was that **Peacock** when under pressure did not handle the soft track conditions. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities. Stable representative Mr D Beadman advised that the gelding had pleased since its last start 2<sup>nd</sup> at Warwick Farm on 2 October 2017 and could offer no excuse other than what J Parr had indicated to the Stewards that **Peacock** may not have handled the ground despite having some wet track form. Stewards deemed the performance of **Peacock** to be unacceptable and

Mr Beadman was advised the gelding must trial to the satisfaction of the Stewards before its next race start.

**RACE 6: Southern Cross Group Brian Crowley Stakes (Listed) 1200m**

**Mustafa** – slow to begin. Inconvenienced near the 350m when briefly crowded between *Piracy* and *Albumin*, which shifted in. Raced wide without cover throughout.

**Goodfella** – slow to begin. Near the 600m commenced to overrace and had to be checked away from the heels of *Piracy*. Making the home turn was taken wider when *Albumin* shifted out to improve.

**Albumin** – slow to begin. Rider J Parr stated the only explanation he could offer for today's disappointing performance was that the gelding may not have handled today's soft track conditions. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

**Piracy** – knuckled on jumping.

**Malahat** – jumped awkwardly and then shortly after the start was bumped by *Albumin*, resulting in **Malahat** blundering.

**RACE 7: ICD Nivision (Group 3) 1200m**

**Daysee Doom** – made contact with *Diddums* at the start.

**Diddums** – made contact with *Daysee Doom* at the start. Rider App. J Innes Jr could offer no excuse for the disappointing performance other than to say that the mare, which was second up today, did not appear comfortable in the soft track conditions, although it did have previous established form on rain affected going. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the mare to be lame in the off-foreleg. Trainer Mr G Ryan advised **Diddums** had pleased the stable since its first up win on 27 September 2017 and had not displayed any issues. Mr Ryan was advised a veterinary clearance would be required prior to **Diddums** racing again.

**Siren's Fury** – got its head up on jumping. For some distance near the 150m had to be steadied away from the heels of *Samantha* when that runner commenced to give ground. **Siren's Fury** was then shifted to the outside of *Samantha* to obtain clear running at the 75m.

**Samantha** – leaving the 1000m, after shifting in to find cover behind *Kinshachi*, commenced to race keenly and had to be shifted out abruptly when checked to avoid the heels of that runner. **Samantha** continued to race keenly in the middle stages and making the home turn was inclined to lay out.

**Zestful** – raced wide without cover throughout.

**Nancy** – a post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

**RACE 8: Procure Property Services Pty Ltd Handicap 1600m**

**Screamarr** – a pre-race veterinary examination of the gelding, which struck the rail in the enclosure, passed it suitable to start.

**Hogmanay** – slow to begin.

**Great Glen** – slow to begin.

**Impravido** – from a wide barrier was shifted in across behind runners and was unable to obtain cover until after the 800m. Raced wide without cover in the middle stages.

**Gauguin** – laid out throughout the event. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

**Mortar Platoon** – laid out under pressure in the straight.

**Mapmaker** – approaching the 200m was eased when crowded between *Hogmanay* and *Screamer* which, after improving to the outside of *Gauguin*, was taken out by that runner.

**Zenalicious** – when questioned regarding the disappointing performance, rider J Parr stated that the mare settled back as anticipated, but failed to respond to his riding in the straight. He said on pulling up he noted that the mare was making an abnormal respiratory noise. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities. Trainer Mr L Bridge was at a loss to explain the poor performance, although he did have some concerns that **Zenalicious** may not have been overly competitive on the rain affected track despite having performed well on similar surfaces in the past. He added that throughout its career **Zenalicious** has raced with respiratory issues and for this reason races in a tongue tie. He said he believes this condition may have been one of the reasons for the mare's failure today. Stewards deemed the performance of **Zenalicious** to be unacceptable and Mr Bridge was advised the mare must trial to the satisfaction of the Stewards before its next race start.

**Wu Gok** – A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding, which failed to close the race off, revealed it had aggravated lesions on the corners of its mouth.

#### **RACE 9: Jem Computer Systems Handicap 1200m**

**New Universe** – after arriving behind the barriers was required to be resaddled. **New Universe** proved difficult to resaddle when it became fractious. Slow to begin. Overraced in the early stages and refused to settle. Near the 800m was steadied away from the heels of *My Country* when that runner was taken out by *Ziggy Willie*, which itself shifted out when inclined to overrace. Raced wide without cover in the early and middle stages.

**Noble Joey** – slow to begin. Raced keenly in the middle stages. Rounding the home turn was inclined to lay out when racing tight to the inside of *Crafty Cop*. When questioned, rider App. B Ryan stated in his view the gelding is a better horse when being able to control the speed in front and would derive fitness benefit from today's run. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

**Crafty Cop** – slow to begin.

**Petrossian** – began awkwardly and was then bumped by *Ziggy Willie*, which knuckled and shifted in. Raced keenly in the middle stages.

**My Country** – raced wide without cover in the early stages.

**Astara** – raced wide without cover in the early and middle stages and near the 800m was hampered when taken wider by *New Universe*.

**Sweet Serendipity** – App. R King, rider of the 6<sup>th</sup> placegetter, was fined the sum of \$200 under AR137(b) for failing to ride her mount out to the finish of the race.

**Ziggy Willie** – A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

#### 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 3	App. L Magorrian ( <i>Undaof</i> )	7 strikes prior to the 100m.
Race 5	T Angland ( <i>Collateral</i> )	7 strikes prior to the 100m.
Race 6	J Collett ( <i>Goodfella</i> )	6 strikes prior to the 100m.
Race 8	App. L Magorrian ( <i>Mortar Platoon</i> ) App. R King ( <i>Multitude</i> )	7 strikes prior to the 100m. 6 strikes prior to the 100m.
Race 9	J Collett ( <i>New Universe</i> )	6 strikes prior to the 100m.

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

Race 1: Line Up Girls, Cyclonite, Fiesta, Gododdin.

Race 2: Regent, Charlie Chap, Thy Kingdom Come, Sky Boy, Luvaluva.

Race 3: Polskie Lady, Attainment, Kashtan, Highway Sixtysix, I Am Captain.

Race 4: Destiny's Kiss (2), Admiral Jello, Social Element, More Than Aholiday, Alward.

Race 5: Collateral (2), King Darci, Love's A Fantasy.

Race 6: Albumin, Malahat, Mustafa, Piracy.

Race 7: Nancy, Zestful, Maternal, Samantha, Kinshachi.

Race 8: Zenalicious, Mortar Platoon (2), Multitude, Wu Gok, Impravido.

Race 9: Sweet Serendipity, Noble Joey, Unequivocal, Crafty Cop.

<b>SUMMARY</b>	
<b>Fines:</b>	Race 9: App. R King ( <i>Sweet Serendipity</i> ) \$200 fail to ride mount out to finish (AR137(b)).
<b>Reprimands:</b>	Race 1: J Collett ( <i>Gododdin</i> ) – careless riding (AR137(a)). Race 2: G Schofield ( <i>Kaonic</i> ) – careless riding (AR137(a)).
<b>Suspensions:</b>	Nil.
<b>Bleeders:</b>	Nil.
<b>Warnings:</b>	Nil
<b>Trials:</b>	Race 5: <i>Peacock</i> (trainer C Waller) – poor performance. Race 8: <i>Wu Gok</i> (trainer C Waller) – poor performance. <i>Zenalicious</i> (trainer L Bridge) – poor performance.
<b>Certificates:</b>	Race 2: <i>Thy Kingdom Come</i> (trainer J Thompson) – lame behind. <i>Regent</i> (trainer J Cummings) – poor post-race recovery. <i>Red Braids</i> (trainer P Perry) – poor post-race recovery. Race 3: <i>Larlabrook</i> (trainer C Lundholm) – mildly lame off-foreleg. Race 7: <i>Diddums</i> (trainer G Ryan) – lame off-foreleg.
<b>Fall/Injuries:</b>	Nil.
<b>Tactics Notified:</b>	Race 1: <i>Fiesta</i> – to be ridden more forward; settled midfield. Race 2: <i>Our Mantra</i> – to be ridden more forward; settled on pace. Race 6: <i>Andaz</i> – to be ridden quieter; settled back.
<b>Change of Colours:</b>	Nil.

<b>Change of Gear</b>	Nil.
<b>Follow up:</b>	Race 3: <i>Larlabrook</i> (trainer C Lundholm) – mildly lame off-foreleg.