STEWARDS REPORT

Murrumbidgee Turf Club WAGGA WAGGA RACECOURSE

Saturday 21 October 2017

| Weather: | Fine |
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| Track: | Soft (6) |
| Rail: | +6m from 1400m to WP, True remainder |

STEWARDS: T D North (Chairman), T J Vassallo & J L Turner

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LATE RIDING CHANGES: As J Pracey-Holmes was delayed arriving on course due to transport difficulties, Stewards permitted the following rider replacements:

| Race 1. | M Travers on Miss Forbidden. |
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| Race 2. | Ms M Taylor (nil claiming apprentice) on Captain Dan. |
| Race 3. | Ms K Nisbet on Care Factor. |

RACE 1: MAIDEN HANDICAP 1000m:

Diamond Raffles – Slow to begin.

Wyangle - Began awkwardly and shifted out, making contact with Miss Forbidden.

Northern Moonlight – A pre-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to have unilateral mucoid discharge from the right nostril. The gelding was subsequently withdrawn on veterinary advice at 1.34pm. Stable representative Ms D. Mason was advised that a veterinary clearance would be required prior to the gelding being permitted to race.

Lady Conjurer – Near the 600m, when racing greenly, had to be steadied from the heels of *Cutout King.*

Wild Myrtle – A post-race veterinary examination of the mare, which was beaten 20L, revealed no abnormalities. Trainer Ms M Russell was advised that the mare will be required to barrier trial to the satisfaction of the Stewards prior to racing again.

Wolfofpeterstreet – Trainer C. Heywood was fined the sum of \$50 under AR59A for failing to produce the Thoroughbred Identity Card for the mare.

Romingal – Near the 600m was eased after being placed in restricted room between Lady *Conjurer* and *Wyangle*, which, when racing greenly, was taken in slightly by *Takookacod*.

Bonvie Court – Knuckled shortly after the start.

Takookacod – Near the 800m ran out and away from *Bovie Court*, resulting in *Corazon de Oro* being hampered and carried out onto *Miss Forbidden*.

Working Together – After being crossed by *Wolfofpeterstreet* passing the 600m, which commenced to slacken the pace, had to be steadied away from the heels of that runner. *Diamond Raffles*, which was following, had to be steadied as a consequence. Held up on straightening and then taken out to shift to the outside of the heels of *Bonvie Court* to improve into clear running.

RACE 2: MAIDEN PLATE 1300m:

Captain Dan – Raced wide throughout without cover.

Secret Power – Ms C MacFarlane (a) was reminded of her obligations in regard to using the whip on her mount which was out of contention.

Tycoon Dreaming – Raced ungenerously throughout the middle stages.

Bluebirds – Passing the 350m had to shift out in an endeavour to obtain clear running and a short distance later became momentarily held up when attempting to improve between *Tycoon Dreaming* and *Secret Power*, when both running shifted out slightly.

Skilloni – Passing the 200m was hampered after shifting in and away from *Secret Power*, which shifted in under pressure.

Cheers to Flo – Rider M Travers reported on return to scale that his mount was making some abnormal respiratory noises. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities.

RACE 3: MAIDEN HANDICAP 1600m:

Von Mystic – When the gelding was unable to be loaded into the barriers, it was declared a late withdrawal at 3:05pm. In regards to betting Stewards ordered all monies invested on **Von Mystic** be refunded and all successful wagers placed with bookmakers prior to 3:05pm be paid less the following deductions in the dollar on the face value of the ticket.

1st: *Miss Polly Beat*- 6 cents win, 9 cents place

2nd: *Bill's My Boy*- 4 cents place

3rd: Sister Hazel- 9 cents place

Stable representative Ms D. Mason was advised that the gelding would be required to barrier trial to the satisfaction of the Stewards prior to racing again.

Bill's My Boy – Slow to begin.

Care Factor – Bumped on jumping with *Miss Polly Beat*.

Kylara – Shortly after the start, shifted in slightly and clipped the heels of *Sister Hazel* and blundered. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the mare, which was beaten 38L, to suffering cardiac arrhythmia. Trainer P Bloomfield was advised that a veterinary clearance, including the results of an ECG, would be required prior to the mare having to compete satisfactorily in an official barrier trial before being permitted to race again.

Miss Polly Beat – Bumped on jumping with *Care Factor*. Near the 1100m when racing keenly, improved onto the heels of *Queen Elektra* and had to be steadied.

Prisonbreak – Passing the 800m was bumped on the hindquarters and became unbalanced when *Queen Elektra* was endeavouring to shift out from behind *Sister Hazel* to improve.

Rockintheriver – Raced wide throughout without cover.

Sister Hazel – J Richards (a) was reminded of his obligations to ride his mounts out to the end of the race, at least hands and heels, where possible.

Smokin Coni – Slow to begin.

RACE 4: OPEN HANDICAP 1600m:

Marchello – Laid out when placed under pressure in the straight and made contact with *Gentleman Max* on several occasions. Ms C MacFarlane was reprimanded under AR137(b) for failing to ride her mount, which placed 6th, out to the end of the race. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities.

Overdue – A post-race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities.

Gentleman Max – Raced wide throughout without cover until passing the 1000m.

Zarlu – Slow to muster early speed.

Willy White Socks – Raced keenly throughout the early and middle stages. Near the 800m was hampered and carried wider on the track by *Overdue*, which was endeavouring to shift out to improve.

Dyrham Park – Ms K. Nisbet replaced S. Miller (overweight) as the rider of the gelding. S. Miller was fined \$150 under AR120(b).

Black Fusion – Near the 300m was steadied when crowded for room between *Godfrey* and *Dryham Park* (Ms K Nisbet), which after initially being held up, shifted out when not clear. Ms Nisbet was reprimanded for careless riding under AR137(a).

RACE 5: BENCHMARK 55 HANDICAP 1300m:

Zatigeroo – Raced wide throughout without cover. Laid in under pressure in the early part of the straight.

Allez Troienne – Held up on straightening and was unable to establish clear running until near the 300m.

Only in Red – Slow to begin.

RACE 6: BENCHMARK 55 HANDICAP 2000m:

Carlistos – Laid out under pressure in the part of the straight.

Gone Fishing – Slow to begin. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities.

Royal Abbey – Raced wide throughout without cover.

Viva Lavino – When questioned regarding the performance, rider J Grisedale stated that, in his opinion, the mare may not have backed up from its previous start at Moruya on Sunday 15 October, 2017. He added that when the pace slackened approaching the 1000m he was obliged to commence improving into the race and when he placed his mount under pressure on

straightening, it was only one-paced in the run to the line. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities.

Miss Bourbon Bar – Raced wide without cover throughout. **Esempio –** Slow to begin.

Moonsoon Charlie – Raced wide throughout without cover until passing the 1000m.

RACE 7:

Pittsburgh – Overraced throughout the early and middle stages. Near the 500m when commencing to shift out in an endeavour to improve into the race, made contact with *Danetrille*, which was carried wider out on to *Captain Charlie*. Trainer D McCarthy was fined \$100 under AR124 for failing to present the gelding to the enclosure within 15 minutes of the race.

Danetrille – A post-race veterinary examination failed to reveal abnormalities. When questioned regarding the performance, rider B. Murphy stated that his mount that was first up today and the only explanation he could offer was that his mount endured a tough run being three wide no cover throughout. He stated however his mount would derive benefit from today's run.

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 2 | N Souquet on Tycoon Dreaming | 7strikes |
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| Race 4 | B Ward on Zarlu | 7 strikes |
| Race 4 | J Richards (a) on Malleable | 8 strikes |
| Race 4 | Ms C MacFarlane (a) on Marchello | 7 strikes |
| Race 5 | Ms K Nisbet on Mr Hummun Bee | 6 Strikes |
| Race 6 | Ms R Prest (a) on Esempio | 7 Strikes |
| Race 7 | Ms R Prest (a) on Captain Charlie | 7 Strikes |

General: Swab samples were taken from the following runners:

Race 1: Takookacod Race 2: Zarvalante Race 3: Miss Polly Beat Race 4: Zarlu, Willy White Socks Race 5: Allez Troienne Race 6: Esempio Race 7: Pittsburgh

| | SUMMARY |
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| Fines: | Race 1: C. Heywood- \$50- No TIC for Wolfofpeterstreet. AR59A. Race 4: S Miller - \$150 unable to make the weight on Dyrham Park. AR120(b). Race 7: D. McCarthy- \$100- Late presentation of Pittsburgh to mounting yard. |
| | AR124. |
| Reprimands: | Race 4: C. MacFarlane(a)- Failed to ride Marchello right to the line. AR137(b). |
| | Race 4: K. Nisbet- Careless riding on Black Fusion. AR137(a). |

| Suspensions: | Nil. | |
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| Warnings: | Nil. | |
| Bleeders: | Nil. | |
| Trials: | Race 1: Wild Myrtle- Uncompetitive. | |
| | Race 3: Von Mystic- Unable to load. | |
| | Race 3: Kylara- Uncompetitive. | |
| Certificates: | Race 1: Northern Moonlight- Vet clearance- Nasal discharge. | |
| | Race 3: Kylara- Vet clearance including ECG. Cardiac Arrhythmia. | |
| Falls/Injuries: | Nil. | |