

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

Lismore Turf Club LISMORE RACECOURSE

Saturday 22 July 2017

Weather: Fine

Track: Soft (6), Soft (5) retrospective Race 4, 300m – w/post, Good (4) remainder

Rail: True

STEWARDS: M. A. Holloway (Chairman), F. C. Worrall & W. M. Friend

RACE 1: Class 1 & Maiden Plate 2100m

Big Bad John – Raced wide in the early and middle stages.

Ekspress King (NZ) – Inclined to overrace approaching the winning post on the first occasion. Ran wide rounding the first turn. Near the 1000m was checked after improving onto heels. When questioned regarding the performance of the gelding jockey Ms C. Schmidt stated that her mount settled in a handy position as expected and travelled comfortably in the early and middle stages. Ms Schmidt stated she eased out into clear running approaching the home turn to give her mount time to work into a sprint under the 60kg impost however it responded only fairly to pressure down the straight and was disappointing in its run to the line. A post race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality. Trainer Mr M. Dunn advised the gelding would be retired from his stable.

Hessian – Bumped on jumping. Eased when bumped and unbalanced near the 2000m. Jockey Ms T. Chambers will be interviewed regarding her whip use prior to the 100m at a date to be fixed.

Jeewan – Steadied when buffeted between runners near the 2000m.

King Amadeus – Overraced near the 1600m.

Pink Chaperone – Hampered on jumping. Between the 300m and 200m was obliged to ease out around a number of heels to obtain clear running.

Swinging – Bumped on the hindquarter and unbalanced near the 2000m. Inclined to pull in the early stages. Raced wide in the middle stages.

Weavered – Eased when tightened for room by *We're All Ears* rounding the first turn. Apprentice Ms M. Nakao (*We're All Ears*) was asked to exercise more care in similar circumstances. Hampered approaching the 200m.

We're All Ears – Began awkwardly and bumped another runner. Inclined to hang out rounding the turn near the 1200m.

RACE 2: Maiden Plate 1100m:

A Littlebittamagic – Passing the 100m became unbalanced after being bumped by *Yankee Roller* which was eased when carried inwards by *Indelicacy* which shifted in under pressure. Apprentice Ms M. Nakao (*Indelicacy*) was issued a severe reprimand (AR137(a)) and advised she must correct her mounts earlier in similar circumstances.

Denlago – Approaching the home turn became held up on heels and was unable to improve until shifting out into clear running shortly after straightening.

Indelicacy – Began awkwardly. Raced very wide in the early and middle stages.

Justflickinit – Inclined to overrace in the early and middle stages. Checked after improving onto heels approaching the 500m. Eased after improving onto heels approaching the 400m. Approaching the home turn became held up on heels and was unable to improve until obtaining clear running approaching the 300m. Eased when buffeted between runners near the 50m.

Lonnie's Pride – Raced wide in the early and middle stages. Unbalanced when bumped heavily on the hindquarter near the 50m.

Marsco – Raced greenly shortly after the start. Pulled approaching the first turn and was steadied after hanging out across heels rounding the first turn. Inclined to hang out in the middle stages.

Mr Gracemere – Overraced in the middle stages. Eased from heels rounding the home turn. Unable to be tested over the final 100m when held up on heels.

Road Lesstravelled – Began awkwardly. Eased when momentarily tightened for room approaching the first turn. Raced very wide in the early and middle stages.

Saga Del Mar – Began awkwardly. Eased after improving onto heels passing the 500m.

Sleeping Seattle – Slow to begin.

Wicked Wiki – Bumped on jumping. Inclined to overrace in the middle stages. Near the 500m was steadied when awkwardly placed on heels.

RACE 3: Benchmark 54 Handicap 1400m:

Ahmah Star – Hampered on jumping. Inclined to overrace approaching and rounding the first turn.

Bingo Bobby – Overraced in the early stages. Raced wide in the early and middle stages.

Chateauroux – Raced very wide in the early and middle stages. A post race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality.

Hope Island – Approaching the 300m was eased out when awkwardly placed on heels.

Luna Tune – Near the 150m was obliged to shift out around heels to continue to improve.

RACE 4: Maiden Handicap 1300m:

Agnes Island – Tightened for room and bumped another runner approaching the 1200m.

Bon Leanga – Slow to begin. Hampered near the 1200m. Inclined to lay out rounding the first turn.

Brown Lines – Jockey Ms A. Badger was fined \$200 for making a celebratory gesture prior to her mount passing the winning post (AR137(c)).

Conquering Kate – Bumped approaching the 1200m. When questioned regarding the performance of the mare jockey Ms C. Schmidt stated that after beginning awkwardly her mount settled in a midfield position and was inclined to overrace in the early and middle stages. Ms Schmidt stated that she was unable to improve into the event between the 600m and entrance to the straight when held up on the heels of a weakening runner. Ms Schmidt stated that upon obtaining clear running at the entrance to the straight her mount responded only fairly to pressure and passing the 200m was very reluctant to improve into restricted running. Ms Schmidt stated that upon obtaining clear running shortly after her mount failed to sprint strongly to the line and was disappointing. When questioned, trainer Mr M. Dunn stated that the mare would be given another start for the stable before its racing future is reassessed. A post race veterinary examination of the mare did not reveal any abnormality.

Cool Intentions – Began awkwardly.

Dewey Blues – When questioned regarding the tactics adopted between the 1000m and 400m, in particular his persistence in remaining directly to the outside of the leader *One Piece* resulting in both runners working against each other and a quick tempo being set, jockey R. Agnew stated that his mount has poor form to date and he was advised by its trainer that it has not been trying in its races. R. Agnew stated that his mount travelled strongly outside *One Piece* and, whilst a genuine tempo was being set, he felt it was in his mount interests to remain racing in that position as in his opinion it was being competitive and Lismore is typically a leader bias track. Stewards advised R. Agnew it should have been apparent to him that it was very unlikely the gelding would have been able to sustain a finishing effort after racing in the manner it did throughout the middle stages and it is likely his mount would have been better served taking a sit and enjoying moderate sectionals in the middle stages to provide it with an opportunity to finish off the race.

Kawana Kylie – Slow to begin.

More Than Edgy – Raced greenly approaching and passing the 1200m. Raced wide in the early and middle stages.

One Piece – When questioned regarding the performance of the mare apprentice Ms C. Graham stated from an inside barrier her mount was able to establish the

lead. Ms Graham stated that her mount travelled keenly throughout the middle stages, and travelled quicker than she would have liked, due to another runner racing directly to its outside. Ms Graham stated that her mount failed to sprint in the straight and was disappointing in its run to the line. Ms Graham stated her mount was up in distance today and the manner it was obliged to race in the middle stages was to its detriment over the latter stages of the event. Ms Graham added she believes the mare would appreciate a drop back in distance and settling with cover to provide it with an opportunity to finish off the race. A post race veterinary examination of the mare did not reveal any abnormality.

Real Lucky – Slow to begin.

Run Jack Run – Began awkwardly.

Trusted Magic – Raced wide in the early and middle stages.

Unomore – Hampered rounding the home turn.

RACE 5: Class 1 Handicap 1516m:

Democrat Queen - Slow to begin.

Hell of a Time – Slow to begin. Eased after improving onto heels rounding the home turn. A post race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality.

Just Imagine – Raced wide in the early and middle stages. Relinquished position when racing in restricted room passing the 500m.

Lady Enid – Inclined to overrace in the early stages.

Latino Lover – Began awkwardly.

Mister Burgess – Slow to begin. Unable to improve approaching the home turn when held up on heels.

Pat's Destiny – Steadied after improving onto heels rounding the first turn. Eased after improving onto heels approaching the 500m.

Wensley Road – Raced wide in the early and middle stages. Eased after laying in onto heels at the entrance to the straight.

Zamirhe – When questioned regarding leading the event, jockey Ms C. Dougherty stated that her mount had blinkers added to its gear today and from the wide barrier she hoped to settle in a handy position. Ms Dougherty stated that in the early stages it became apparent her mount was going to be caught wide and she elected to allow it to stride forward and lead the event.

RACE 6: Benchmark 50 Handicap 1200m:

All Our Wives – Momentarily eased from heels passing the 100m.

Ask Me to Dance – Inclined to overrace in the middle stages and approaching the 600m was steadied after improving onto heels.

Barney Rubble – Pulled rounding the first turn.

Before You Think – Began awkwardly.

Bierbower – Began very awkwardly and lost ground (~2L). Continually threw its head approaching and rounding the first turn. Unable to improve rounding the home turn when held up on heels. Unable to be tested over the final 50m when held up on heels.

Hidden Rock – Overraced rounding the first turn.

My Boy Louie – Jockey P. Graham (*Spartan Warrior*) pleaded guilty to a charge of careless riding, under AR137(a), in that over the final 50m he permitted his mount to shift out under pressure when insufficiently clear of **My Boy Louie** which was tightened for room before being steadied and losing the running to which it was entitled. P. Graham's license to ride in races was suspended for a period to commence on Friday 28 July 2017 and to expire on Wednesday 2 August 2017, on which day he may ride.

No Qualm – Raced very wide in the early and middle stages. Overraced rounding the first turn.

Raucous – Overraced and was steadied after improving onto heels rounding the home turn.

That Schmidt Girl – Pulled approaching and rounding the first turn. Unable to improve approaching and rounding the home turn when held up on heels.

That's Despicable – Slow to begin.

Water Boy (NZ) - Raced wide in the early and middle stages. Laid in over the final 150m and proved difficult to ride with full vigour.

WHIP OFFENCES: Stewards noted the following riders exceeded the permitted strikes of the whip prior to the 100m under AR137A(5)(a)(ii)).

Race	Rider (Horse)
1	Ms C. Schmidt (Ekspress King (NZ)) – 1 additional
3	S. Bayliss (Red Bohemia) – 2 additional

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

SWABS: Swab samples were taken from all winners, **Mr Gracemere**, **Justflickinit** and **Trusted Magic**.

SUMMARY	
Fines:	Race 4: Ms A. Badger - \$200 (AR137(c))
Reprimands:	Race 2: M. Nakao (AR137(a))

Suspensions:	Race 7: P. Graham 28/7/2017 – 2/8/2017 (AR137(a))
Bleeders:	Nil
Certificates:	Nil
Warnings:	Nil
Trials:	Nil
Change of Tactics:	Race 6: Bierbower – to be ridden further forward, began awkwardly and settled worse than midfield.
Falls/Injuries:	Nil
Follow-up:	Race 1: T. Chambers – whip use