

**STEWARDS' REPORT****Australian Turf Club  
ROYAL RANDWICK RACECOURSE****Saturday 30 September 2017**

Weather: Fine  
Track: Good (3)  
Rail: True  
Penetrometer: 4.99

**STEWARDS:** M F Van Gestel (Chairman), P C Dingwall, R W Livingstone, D M Greer, D L Carr and cadets T D North, M W Purse and R T Debels

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**Supplementary Reports:****ROSEHILL GARDENS – Wednesday 27 September 2017****Race 3: #Theraces Handicap 1900m**

**Arigold** – trainer Mr J Coyle advised the gelding would now be spelled.

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**RACE 1: Arrowfield Breeders' Plate (Listed) 1000m**

**Santos** – co-trainer Mr A Bott reported to Stewards that on the afternoon of Friday, 29 September 2017 the colt had overreached and sustained a minor laceration to its near-fore heel. **Santos** was examined by the Club's Veterinary Officer after arriving on course and passed fit to start. Began awkwardly. Raced wide without cover for the majority of the event. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the colt aggravated a pre-existing injury to its near-fore heel.

**Performer** – slow to begin (2L). Leaving the 600m was restrained from the heels of *Bondi*.

**Outrageous** – slow to begin and then was hampered when *Osorno* shifted out. Leaving the 600m was steadied from the heels of **Spin** and as a consequence shifted out and then raced wide making the home turn.

**Royal Captain** – slow to begin. Hung out making the home turn and then in the straight was inclined to race greenly when placed under pressure.

**Hiemal** – inclined to overrace in the middle stages, shifted in away from *Invincible Lad* near the 600m and became unbalanced when placed closed to the running rail. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

**Spin** – near the 600m improved into a narrow run to the inside of *Osorno*. A short distance later **Spin** had to be steadied when crowded between *Osorno*, which was inclined to race greenly when being restrained from the heels of *Performer*.

**Quackerjack** – approaching the 500m was steadied away from the heels of *Performer*.

**Osorno** – hung out making the home turn.

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

**RACE 2: Keeneland Gimcrack Stakes (Listed) 1000m**

**Cortesta** – began awkwardly, shifted out and made contact with the hindquarter of *Dawn Moon*.

**Bold Arial** – began awkwardly and then was hampered when *Now Or Never* shifted out. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the filly to have a minor amount of blood present in both nostrils. After viewing the Stewards' patrol films, which established that on jumping the head of **Bold Arial** had made contact with the barriers as the start was effected and having regard to the evidence of the official veterinarian, Stewards were satisfied the blood present in the both nostrils was due to external trauma and not EIPH. Stewards advised co-trainer Mr A Bott **Bold Arial** would be required to trial to their satisfaction before its next race start. Mr Bott indicated that the filly would now be spelled.

**Satin Slipper** – slow to begin and then raced in restricted room shortly after the start between *Meryl* and *Zerchois*. Near the 800m was contacted heavily on the hindquarter by *Fiesta* and became unbalanced.

**Galina** – slow to begin. Raced keenly in the middle stages. Held up for clear running until near the 150m and near the 100m was inconvenienced when *Fiesta* shifted out.

**Fiesta** – slow to begin. Near the 800m had to be checked when it improved into a run where there was not sufficient room between *Satin Slipper* and *I Stole Your Love*, which shifted in. J Moreira, rider of **Fiesta**, stated that it was not his intention to improve into this position, but his mount was inclined to race fiercely due to its greenness and pulled its way into the position as *I Stole Your Love* shifted in. Held up for clear running for some distance approaching the 200m when endeavouring to improve into a run between *Now Or Never* and *Satin Slipper* (H Bowman), which had to be steadied when *Satin Slipper* shifted in. H Bowman was advised to exercise more care. **Fiesta** was then obliged to steady and shifted to the outside of *Now Or Never* to obtain clear running.

**Impetuoso** – leaving the 200m, after being held up in the early part of the straight, improved into a narrow run between *Meryl* and *Zerchois* and in doing so shifted out and made contact with *Zerchois*, resulting in both *Zerchois* and **Impetuoso** became unbalanced.

**Knockout Girl** – approaching and rounding the home turn hung out.

**Cap Gris Nez** - raced wide without cover for the majority of the event.

**Setsuna** – raced wide without cover for the majority of the event.

**Witherspoon** when questioned regarding his riding, C Reith stated his instructions were, from his outside barrier, to endeavour to find cover. He said he anticipated *Knockout Girl*, which was drawn directly to his inside, to go forward, as it had shown good speed in its barrier trial. He added after his mount had commenced well, in accordance with his instructions, he endeavoured to take a position behind *Knockout Girl*, however when that runner did not go forward as he had anticipated, he was obliged to race extremely wide without cover. C Reith further stated that near the 700m he elected to go forward of *Knockout Girl*, but his mount was still obliged to race extremely wide. He said making the home turn **Witherspoon** was inclined

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to lay out way from *Cap Gris Nez*, however the wide run that the filly had endured took its toll and consequently it was unable to finish the race off strongly.

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

### **RACE 3: Schweppes Dulcify Quality (Listed) 1600m**

**Dissolution** – slow to begin.

**Pride Of Darci** – made heavy contact at the start with *Seababe*, resulting in both horses becoming unbalanced. C Brown, rider of **Pride Of Darci** became unbalanced in the saddle. Raced keenly in the middle stages. Had difficulty obtaining clear running approaching the 200m.

**Langley** - from its wide barrier steadied and shifted in behind runners shortly after the start.

**All Too Huiying** - from its wide barrier steadied and shifted in behind runners shortly after the start.

**Seababe** – making the home turn was taken wider when *Dissolution* shifted out to improve.

**Tangled** – held up in the straight and proved difficult to shift to the outside of *Ataraxia* near the 200m. **Tangled** then shifted back to the inside of *Ataraxia* to find clear running.

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

**Sambro** – when questioned regarding his riding, J Moreira stated his instructions had been to endeavour to find cover. He said when his mount commenced well he endeavoured to allow runners to his outside to cross, however when no other rider showed intent to do so, he was obliged to race outside the leader *Chosen Assassin*. He added approaching the 600m, when *Chosen Assassin* commenced to give ground, **Sambro** pulled its way to the front and, although he was of the view the colt was making its run too early, he was unable to prevent it from doing so due to its racing manners.

### **RACE 4: Ilve Appliances Hill Stakes (Group 2) 1800m**

**Classic Uniform** - prior to the declaration of weight, the Stewards identified from the inquiry room that rider M Walker had struck his mount on Nine occasions prior to the 100m. When Stewards could not be satisfied that **Classic Uniform** had gained an advantage that resulted in it winning the race, in accordance with AR168(2) they therefore declined to exercise their powers under AR137A(9) and did not proceed with a formal objection. At a subsequent inquiry M Walker pleaded guilty to a charge under AR137A(5)(a)(ii) in that he used the whip on 9 occasions prior to the 100m (4 more than permitted). M Walker was fined \$1,000.

**Havana Cooler** – after being fractious in the barriers was slow to begin.

**Shalmaneser** – slow to begin and from its wide barrier steadied and shifted in behind runners shortly after the start. Soon after straightening was shifted to the outside to find clear running.

**Maurus** – slow to begin and from its wide barrier steadied and shifted in behind runners shortly after the start. Raced keenly in the early stages. Over the final 200m hung in under pressure.

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**Embley** – for some distance near the 600m raced tight to the inside of *Mackintosh* when that runner hung in.

**Mackintosh** – when questioned, rider J Moreira stated his mount travelled well when positioned outside the leader *Classic Uniform*. He said that when the tempo increased approaching the 600m and *Classic Uniform* commenced to improve, his mount commenced to hang in and proved difficult to ride from this point. He added that in the straight **Mackintosh** became progressively worse and on a number of occasions he was obliged to stop riding in order to straighten his mount. J Moreira further stated that, whilst he has ridden **Mackintosh** in the past and it has had a tendency to race in this manner, today the gelding's actions were more severe than previously and as a result he was unable to ride the gelding using his normal vigour. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to be displaying a poor post-race recovery and signs of the thumps. Trainer Mr C Waller agreed that **Mackintosh** has a tendency of being inclined to lay in. He said, having regard to the veterinary report, he was of the opinion the gelding was suffering the effects of a testing run. Mr Waller indicated he would now experiment with a Norton bit and ear muffs on the gelding prior to its next race. He was asked to provide a veterinary clearance prior to **Mackintosh** racing again.

**Sense Of Occasion** – rider C Brown stated the gelding travelled well in the run, but when the tempo increased from the 700m his mount became immediately under pressure and from that point was one-paced to the finish. He could offer no real excuse for the gelding's disappointing performance. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities. Trainer Mr K Lees advised that **Sense Of Occasion** had pleased leading into today's race and undertook to report back on the progress of the gelding subsequent to the race.

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

#### **RACE 5: Flight Stakes (Group 1) 1600m**

**Pandemonium** – slow to begin. Rider J Moreira stated his instructions were to lead, but the filly was fractious in the gates and consequently missed the start. He said he was obliged to then make use of his mount to take up a forward position behind the leaders, whereby **Pandemonium** travelled satisfactorily in the run before weakening in the straight. He added the fact that the filly missed the start and also that it was stirred up prior to the start were both contributing factors in its disappointing performance. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

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

**Alizee** - from its wide barrier steadied and shifted in behind runners shortly after the start.

**College Romance** – shortly after the start made contact with *Legal Girl*. Brushed the running rail near the 800m. Near the 200m when giving ground was inconvenienced and steadied to avoid the heels of *Smooth Landing* (D Lane), which shifted in. D Lane was advised to exercise more care. **Smooth Landing** laid in under pressure in the straight.

**Legal Girl** – shortly after the start made contact with *College Romance*. Raced wide without cover throughout.

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**RACE 6: Santos Coffee Premiere Stakes (Group 2) 1200m**

**The Monstar** – became fractious in the barrier, lunged forward and struck its head. Acting on veterinary advice, the gelding was a late withdrawal at 3.22pm. The Stewards ruled that all monies invested on **The Monstar** be refunded in full and that all successful wagers made prior to 3.22pm be subject to the following deductions in the face value of each ticket:

1<sup>st</sup> *In Her Time* 1 cent win 2 cents place

2<sup>nd</sup> *English* 2 cents place

3<sup>rd</sup> *Clearly Innocent* 2 cents place

**Chautauqua** – slow to begin.

**Clearly Innocent** – slow to begin. Close to the finish was held up on the heels of *In Her Time*.

**In Her Time** – slow to begin.

**English** - from its wide barrier steadied and shifted in behind runners shortly after the start. In the early part of the straight was shifted to the outside of runners to improve into clear running.

**Pumpkin Pie** – for some distance leaving the 700m raced in restricted room between *Kuro*, which shifted out when being steadied from the heels of *Ball Of Muscle*, and *Nieta*, which shifted in slightly.

**Kuro** – on straightening shifted out and was steadied to avoid the heels of *Fell Swoop*.

**Fell Swoop** – raced wide without cover for the majority of the event.

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

**RACE 7: TAB Epsom Handicap (Group 1) 1600m**

**Zanbagh** – Stewards permitted D Lane to ride ½ kilogram overweight. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the mare abraded both hind bumpers.

**Tom Melbourne** – began awkwardly, shifted in and was eased away from the heels of *Comin' Through*. OVERRACED throughout the early and middle stages. Soon after straightening, after being briefly held up, had to be steadied when disappointed for clear running between *Sound Proposition* and *Savile Row*, which continued to hang out. **Tom Melbourne** was then steadied for a number of strides before being able to secure clear running when *Savile Row* shifted in. When questioned regarding his riding making the home turn as to whether there was an opportunity to follow *Happy Clapper*, G Boss stated that making the home turn his mount commenced to travel well and he felt it was a matter of finding room for his mount to be able to finish the race off strongly. He said when he observed prior to straightening a run between *Sound Proposition* and *Savile Row* he elected to take that run rather than risk being held up for clear running.

**Snitzson** – slow to begin and then shortly after was crowded for room between *Happy Clapper* and *McCreery*. OVERRACED throughout the early and middle stages.

**McCreery** – after being slow to begin was crowded shortly after when *Savile Row* shifted in.

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**Savile Row** – when giving ground in the straight shifted in away from *Tom Melbourne* and was steadied away from the heels of *Snitzson* near the 200m. Rider J Ford reported the horse commenced to hang out approaching and rounding the home turn.

**Comin' Through** – when questioned regarding the horse settling further back today, rider J Moreira confirmed his instructions were to take up a forward position. He said his mount commenced only fairly today and as a result, in order to take up a forward position, he would have had to make some use of the horse to do so. He added, given **Comin' Through** is a horse that can have a tendency to race keenly in its races, he elected to come back and endeavour to find a position with cover. J Moreira further stated that when *Tom Melbourne* and *McCreery* held their positions to his inside he was caught three wide, albeit with cover, in the back straight. He said when *Zanbagh* crossed to the one off line leaving the 1000m, **Comin' Through** was obliged to race wide without cover for the remainder of the event.

### **RACE 8: The Metropolitan (Group 1) 2400m**

**My Diamantine** – began awkwardly. **My Diamantine** *Big Duke* raced in restricted room shortly after the start.

**Life Less Ordinary** – slow to begin. From its wide barrier steadied and shifted in behind runners shortly after the start. When questioned regarding the disappointing performance, rider K McEvoy stated his mount was not assisted from its wide draw and having to go back in a moderately run race in the early stages. He said when the tempo increased from the 1000m his mount commenced to travel into the event and, after improving to the outside on straightening, was disappointing in its failure to finish the race off. He added the only excuse he could offer for today's run was that **Life Less Ordinary** and may be better suited on a track with more give in it. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to be mildly lame in the near fore-leg and displaying a poor post-race recovery. Trainer Mr C Waller advised that in his opinion the race was dominated by horses settling on the speed, other than *Big Duke*, which made its run to the inside. He said that **Life Less Ordinary** had pleased the stable and had displayed no issues leading into today's race. Mr Waller was asked to provide a veterinary clearance prior to the gelding racing again and undertook to report back to the Stewards on the condition of **Life Less Ordinary** subsequent to the race.

**Libran** – slow to begin. For some distance in the early part of the straight **Libran**, which was inclined to lay in, was reluctant to proceed into a narrow run between *Antionio Giuseppe* and *Foundry*.

**Destiny's Kiss** – slow to begin. When being steadied from the heels of *Big Duke* near the 2000m, *My Diamantine* got its head up and ran in, resulting in **Destiny's Kiss** having to be checked when crowded for room.

**Antonio Giuseppe** – near the 2200m had to be restrained from the heels of *Who Shot Thebarman* when endeavouring to obtain cover behind that runner.

**Foundry** – leaving the 2000m *Chocante* shifted off to a position outside the leader *Broadside*, resulting in **Foundry** being taken three wide. When **Foundry** then was steadied to obtain cover on the back of *Chocante*, *Antionio Giuseppe*, which was following, was restrained from the heels of that runner, resulting in *Big Duke* and *My Diamantine* also having to be steadied.

**RACE 9: Snitzel Sprint 1200m**

**Echo Effect** – slow to begin. Raced keenly and was restrained away from the heels of *Ziggy Willie* in the early stages.

**Dagny** – knuckled on jumping. Overraced in the early stages.

**Three Sheets** – from its wide barrier steadied and shifted in behind runners shortly after the start.

**Gamblestown** – from its wide barrier steadied and shifted in behind runners shortly after the start.

**Ziggy Willie** - raced keenly in the middle stages.

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

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

**Sprint** – A post-race veterinary examination found the filly to be displaying cardiac arrhythmia. Trainer Mr G Frazer was advised that he would be required to submit a veterinary clearance including the results of an ECG, prior to **Sprint** barrier trialling to the satisfaction of the Stewards.

**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	M Walker ( <i>Ataraxia</i> ) T Berry ( <i>Dissolution</i> )	6 strikes prior to the 100m. 8 strikes prior to the 100m.
Race 4	J Collett ( <i>Embley</i> )	6 strikes prior to the 100m.
Race 5	M Walker ( <i>Cellargirl</i> )	6 strikes prior to the 100m.
Race 6	C Brown ( <i>In Her Time</i> )	6 strikes prior to the 100m.
Race 7	C Parish ( <i>Snitzson</i> )	7 strikes prior to the 100m.
Race 8	M Dee ( <i>Foundry</i> ) B Avdulla ( <i>Big Duke</i> )	8 strikes prior to the 100m. 8 strikes prior to the 100m.
Race 9	App. L Magorrian ( <i>Isorich</i> )	6 strikes prior to the 100m.

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

Race 1: Hiemal, Performer, Invincible Lad, Bondi.

Race 2: Satin Slipper (2), Witherspoon, Galina, Setsuna.

Race 3: Sambro, All Too Huiying, Langley, Chosen Assassin, Spencer, Seababe, Dissolution.

Race 4: Sense Of Occasion, Maurus, Spectroscope, Embley (2), Shalmaneser, Perfect Rhyme.

Race 5: Champagne Cuddles (2), Alizee, Cellargirl (2), Pandemonium, Luvaluva, College Romance.

Race 6: Chautauqua, Clearly Innocent, Fell Swoop, Kuro, Ball Of Muscle, English (2), In Her Time (2), Nieta.

Race 7: Happy Clapper (2), Foxplay, Zanbagh, Tom Melbourne (2), Comin' Through, Saville Row, Snitzson (2).

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Race 8: Libran, Big Duke (2), Antonio Giuseppe, Chocante, Broadside, Life Less Ordinary (2), My Diamantine, Foundry (2).

Race 9: Tango Rain, Spright, Echo Effect, I Thought So (2), Dagny.

SUMMARY	
<b>Fines:</b>	<b>Race 4:</b> M Walker ( <i>Classic Uniform</i> ) \$1,000 – use of the whip AR137A(5)(a)(ii).
<b>Reprimands:</b>	Nil.
<b>Suspensions:</b>	Nil.
<b>Bleeders:</b>	Nil.
<b>Warnings:</b>	Nil
<b>Trials:</b>	<p><b>Race 2:</b> <i>Bold Arial</i> (co-trainer A Bott) – blood in both nostrils due to external trauma.</p> <p><b>Race 9:</b> <i>Spright</i> (trainer G Frazer) – Cardiac arrhythmia</p>
<b>Certificates:</b>	<p><b>Race 4:</b> <i>Mackintosh</i> (trainer C Waller) – poor post-race recovery and signs of the thumps.</p> <p><b>Race 8:</b> <i>Life Less Ordinary</i> (trainer C Waller) – mildly lame near-foreleg and displaying poor post-race recovery.</p> <p><b>Race 9:</b> <i>Spright</i> (trainer G Frazer) – Cardiac arrhythmia including ECG</p>
<b>Fall/Injuries:</b>	Nil.
<b>Tactics Notified:</b>	<p><b>Race 3:</b> <i>All Too Huiying</i> – to be ridden quieter; settled back.</p> <p><b>Race 4:</b> <i>Shalmaneser</i> – to be ridden quieter; settled back.</p> <p><b>Race 7:</b> <i>Foxplay</i> – to be ridden quieter with cover; settled back.</p> <p><b>Race 8:</b> <i>Foundry</i> – to be ridden more forward; settled off pace.</p> <p><i>Life Less Ordinary</i> – to be ridden further back; settled back.</p> <p><i>Big Duke</i> – to be ridden more forward; settled worse than midfield.</p>
<b>Change of Colours:</b>	Nil.
<b>Change of Gear</b>	Nil.
<b>Follow up:</b>	<p><b>Race 4:</b> <i>Sense Of Occasion</i> (trainer K Lees) – poor performance.</p> <p><b>Race 8:</b> <i>Life Less Ordinary</i> (trainer C Waller) – mildly lame near-foreleg and displaying poor post-race recovery.</p>