

## STEWARDS REPORT

### Australian Turf Club ROSEHILL GARDENS RACECOURSE

Saturday 20 July 2013

Weather: Overcast then fine  
Track: Slow (6)  
Rail: +8m  
Penetrometer: 5.47

**STEWARDS:** R P Murrhly (Chairman), G T Rudolph, M F Van Gestel, T P Moxon, R W Livingstone and cadets K J Atherton and J K Adams

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#### Supplementary Report:

##### ROYAL RANDWICK – Wednesday 17 July 2013

**Race 3: Become An ATC Sponsor Handicap 2000m** – Trainer Mr C Waller stated that **Giovanna Bella** had pulled up well and has been spelled.

**Race 4: TAB.COM.AU Handicap 1600m** – Trainer Mr J Pride stated that **Saintly Sun** had pulled up slightly lame and he will report back to the Stewards the results of a further veterinary examination, to be conducted on Monday, 22 July 2013.

**Race 7: Royal Randwick Handicap 1200m** – Trainer Mr C Waller was advised that **Photon Willie**, which ran out abruptly over the concluding stages and was inclined to pull up, would be required to trial to the satisfaction of the Stewards prior to racing again. Trainer Mr M Dale reported that **Astronomer** had pulled up with no apparent abnormalities, however, he will report back to the Stewards the results of a full veterinary check, including a scope.

##### WARWICK FARM – Saturday 13 July 2013

**Race 2: Share Care Directors Sprint 1000m** – Trainer Mr M Smith reported that **Short Shift** had worked well this morning and pleased the stable during the week.

#### LATE RIDING CHANGES

As J Parr was unable to fulfil commitments due to personal reasons, the Stewards permitted the the following replacements:

<b>Race 2</b>	H Bowman on <b>Knoydart</b> .
<b>Race 5</b>	K O'Hara on <b>Flying Empress</b> .

#### RACE 1: Forum Group Sprint 1200m:

On return to scale G Schofield, rider of third placegetter, **Wouldnt It Be Nice**, weighed in more than half a kilogram under his declared weight of 59 kilograms at scale. After taking evidence from G Schofield, trainer's representative Mr S Perry, Clerk of Scales Mr N Cuthbert and his assistant, Ms R Fowler, the Stewards, under the powers of AR143(a), disqualified **Wouldnt It Be Nice** from third placing and amended the finishing order to read:

- 1<sup>st</sup> **Bull Point**  
2<sup>nd</sup> **Mr Entertainer**  
3<sup>rd</sup> **Killcareless**  
4<sup>th</sup> **El Sasso**

G Schofield pleaded guilty to a charge under AR143(b) in that he weighed in more than half a kilogram lighter than his allocated weight of 59 kilograms (handicap weight 58 plus 1 kilogram for safety gear). G Schofield's licence to ride in races was suspended for a period to commence on Wednesday, 24 July 2013 and to expire on Friday, 2 August 2013, on which day he may ride. In addition a fine of \$2000 was issued. The Stewards having considered all the circumstances and all the evidence, were satisfied that an error had been made in respect to the weight G Schofield initially weighed out at. Clerk of Scales Mr N Cuthbert and assistant Ms R Fowler were advised that a report would be made to the ATC. The ATC Chief Executive indicated that they would look to install electronic scales at their two major tracks and would recompense the owners of **Wouldnt It Be Nice** for prize money lost due to the disqualification. **Wouldnt It Be Nice**, which was slow to begin (2L), immediately after the start was awkwardly placed between the heels of **Mr Entertainer**, which shifted in, and **Killcareless**, which was taken out by **Warcruiser**. On jumping **Macdoom** was hampered when crowded by **Bull Point**, which shifted out slightly. Then again, after travelling a short distance, **Macdoom** was badly buffeted between **El Sasso** and **Bull Point**, resulting in those three runners becoming unbalanced. **Macdoom** then raced ungenerously in the early stages. Approaching the 1000m **Macdoom**, which was inclined to overrace, had to be steadied when racing tight between **Wouldnt It Be Nice** and **El Sasso** (B Avdulla), which shifted in. B Avdulla was told to exercise more care. At the 800m **Wouldnt It Be Nice** was briefly tightened when **Killcareless** was taken in by **Bull Point** (N Rawiller). N Rawiller was told to exercise more care. **Wouldnt It Be Nice** was held up for a run until near the 250m. **Wouldnt It Be Nice** and **Erato** were both held up in the early part of the straight. Erato then could not be fully tested over the final 100m when racing tight between **Harry Hotspur** and **Wouldnt It Be Nice**, both of which were inclined to shift their ground. Near the 50m **Macdoom** had to be steadied away from the heels of **Erato**. A post-race veterinary examination of **Erato** did not reveal any abnormalities.

#### **RACE 2: Primo Smallgoods Handicap 1400m:**

Trainer Mr G Ryan was fined \$50 under AR140A for presenting **Laughing** with winkers, which were not part of the filly's approved gear.

#### **RACE 3: Metro Hotels Handicap 1200m:**

**The Gallows** knuckled over on jumping. **Delray Beach** was slow to begin. **Sailor's Farewell** was slow to begin and was hampered shortly after the start when **Mount Nebo** shifted out slightly. App. S Clipperton, rider of **The Gallows**, was reprimanded for permitting his mount to shift in near the 1100m, crowding **Bardiya** in onto **Excellent Point**. For some distance rounding the first turn **Dublette** had to be steadied off the heels of **The Gallows**. **Excellent Point**, which was commencing to improve inside **Dublette**, then was briefly tightened leaving the 800m. B Avdulla, rider of **Mount Nebo**, was reprimanded for permitting his mount to shift in over the final few strides, crowding **Excellent Point** onto the running rail. When questioned concerning the performance of **Bardiya**, G Schofield stated that his mount was forced to cover ground throughout and, as a consequence, did not finish the race off. A post-race veterinary examination of **Bardiya** revealed the gelding to be displaying a poor post-race recovery.

#### **RACE 4: Woolworths Handicap 1500m:**

C Reith, rider of fourth placegetter, **Burbero**, asked to view the Stewards' head-on footage of the straight to ascertain whether he had grounds for objection against third placegetter, **Hendricus**. **Lycra Lass** bounded on jumping away and missed the start slightly. At the 200m **Hendricus** (H Bowman) laid in under pressure and tightened the ground of **Burbero**. Then again over the concluding stages of the race **Burbero** was awkwardly placed on the heels of **Hendricus**, which continued to lay in. H Bowman was told that he must make more effort to keep his mounts straight. A post-race veterinary examination of **Eminent Domain** revealed the gelding to be displaying a poor post-race recovery.

**RACE 5: 2GB Handicap 1350m:**

**Flying Empress** jumped very awkwardly, struck the offside barrier gate, almost dislodging its rider, K O'Hara. **Single Style** jumped in at the start, taking **Caesar's Princess** in onto **Berrimilla**, causing that runner to make contact with **Cradle Me**, which had been slowly away. Making the home turn **Cradle Me** shifted out to improve and, in doing so, made contact with **Berrimilla**. B Avdulla, rider of **Caesar's Princess**, dropped his whip near the 300m. For some distance approaching the 200m **Gliding** was held up when unable to improve behind **General's Sniper**. When questioned concerning the tactics adopted on **Caesar's Princess**, B Avdulla stated that it had been his intention to try and lead and dictate the race. He added that the mare was not the best to begin and when he went forward early he was caught three wide outside **General's Sniper** and **Princess Layla** and it was not until rounding the first turn that he was able to cross **Princess Layla** to be one off the fence. When asked why he continued to press on in an endeavour to cross **General's Sniper**, B Avdulla stated, after crossing **Princess Layla**, he was a length in front of **General's Sniper**, he felt the rider of **General's Sniper** would allow him to cross, but when App. S Lisnyy persisted and did not give away the inside running, B Avdulla said he then took hold and raced to that runner's outside. He added that he was aware that the early pace was particularly fast, however, he was committed early into crossing **Princess Layla**, but by the time he did so he was left out on a limb, leading the one out line, and felt it was in his best interests to try and cross, with a view to getting an easy section. App. S Lisnyy, when questioned, stated his instructions had been to lead and when **Caesar's Princess** attempted to cross his mount approaching the 800m, he felt it was too late in the race to surrender the lead. B Avdulla was told, whilst the Stewards accepted there were some circumstances, nevertheless he made too much use of his mount and he should have steadied it earlier than he did. App. S Lisnyy was also told in the circumstances he had made too much use of his horse and should have taken the option to steady, bearing in mind the fast early sectionals. Mr J Pride, trainer of **Flying Empress**, was spoken to concerning the late notification of a change of tactics for his runner and was advised of the requirement to notify Stewards at least 30 minutes prior to race time.

**RACE 6: Inghams Love'Em Winter Stakes 1400m:**

T Huet, rider of the winner, **Under The Sun**, was fined \$200 under AR137(c) for making a celebratory gesture prior to the winning post. C Reith, rider of second placegetter, **Mic Mac** was questioned concerning the tactic of allowing **Under The Sun** to cross him early. He stated that he was mindful that **Mic Mac** was up in weight today and that when the pace was, in his view, solid early, he was intent on giving **Mic Mac** the easiest run possible and, as a result, he elected not to go with **Under The Sun** when that runner went forward of him. He added that **Under The Sun** did back the pace off but, was of the opinion that **Mic Mac** had every opportunity.

**RACE 7: Hungry Jack's Handicap 2000m:**

Shortly after straightening, as **Charing Cross** commenced to improve into a narrow run between **Iggi Pop** and **O'Reilly's Prize**, **O'Reilly's Prize**, which was commencing to give ground, shifted out slightly, hampering **Charing Cross**, resulting in **Charing Cross** making solid contact with **Iggi Pop**. **Iggi Pop** then rebounded, shifted back in and collided with **Charing Cross**, resulting in both runners becoming badly unbalanced. For some distance passing the 100m **Euryale** was held up on the heels of **Viking Legend**. When questioned concerned the tactics adopted on **Charing Cross** and the performance of that gelding, N Rawiller stated that he had no specific instructions, but bearing in mind, in his view, the gelding had difficulty getting the 2000m, he elected not to make use of **Charing Cross** early, which allowed the eventual winner, **Sacred Flyer**, to cross, whereby **Charing Cross** took up a position one out and three back. When **Charing Cross** travelled reasonably well and, after being involved in an incident on straightening, he was of the view his mount struck itself and then was reluctant to stretch out and failed to finish its race off. He added, in his view, **Charing Cross** did not back up from its win at Warwick Farm last start over 1600m. A post-race veterinary examination of **Charing Cross** did not reveal any abnormalities. Stable

representative Mr M Newnham stated that **Charing Cross** had pleased the stable leading into the race and added that he was of the view that whatever chance the gelding had to finish its race off it lost as a result of interference early in the straight. Mr Newnham undertook to report if there was anything amiss with **Charing Cross** subsequent to the race and indicated that, as **Charing Cross** may not have backed up today, the stable would look to space the gelding's runs.

#### **RACE 8: Alpha Flight Services Handicap 1100m:**

Approaching the first turn **Whitlam** shifted in away from **Master Harry** (App. S Clipperton), resulting in **News Alert** having to be steadied. App. S Clipperton was told ensure he leaves sufficient racing room for runners to his inside. **Whitlam** was inclined to lay in under pressure over the concluding stages. When questioned concerning the performance of **Choice Words**, B Spriggs stated that his mount travelled well early, but at the 500m put in a couple of short strides and, in his opinion, did not stretch out from that point. A post-race veterinary examination of **Choice Words** revealed the mare to be sore in the off foreleg. Trainer Mr D Vandyke was told to produce a veterinary clearance prior to the mare's next race start. When questioned, H Bowman, rider of **Kenny's World**, stated his mount was obliged to cover ground early and he eased it down in the straight, as he was not entirely happy with the gelding's action. A post-race veterinary examination of **Kenny's World** did not reveal any abnormalities. Trainer Mr G Murray advised that he had removed the tongue tie and **Kenny's World** may have choked down, but he was keen to continue with the gelding's preparation. The Stewards told Mr Murray they will monitor the performance of **Kenny's World** at its next race start. **Nicholls Court** returned to scale with blood visible in its nearside nostril. Trainer Mr C Dickson was advised **Nicholls Court** would be barred until it trialled satisfactorily or galloped before the Stewards over 1000m.

#### **GENERAL:**

Stewards and Racecourse Investigators conducted gear checks and searches of the jockeys' room. No breaches of the Rules of Racing were detected.

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

Race 1: Wouldnt It Be Nice, Harry Hotspur, Warcrusher, Erato, Killcareless, Mr Entertainer.

Race 2: Sir Berus, Star Secret, Red Excitement.

Race 3: Falzzon, Segue, Turnley, Sailor's Farewell, The Gallows, Delray Beach, Mount Nebo.

Race 4: Bay Window, Eminent Domain, Lycra Lass, Plutorius, Kim Warrior, Hendricus.

Race 5: Flying Empress, Cradle Me (2), San Zaim, Princess Layla.

Race 6: Bold Glance, Star Of Octagonal, Under The Sun (2), Wazn, Coup Ay Tee.

Race 7: Illo, Euryale, Iggi Pop, Winning Glory.

Race 8: Atomic Force, Choice Words, Hurrara, Nicholls Court, News Alert.

<b>SUMMARY</b>	
<b>Fines:</b>	<p><b>Race 1:</b> G Schofield (<b>Wouldnt It Be Nice</b>) \$2000– weigh in more than half a kilogram under allocated weight (AR143(b)).</p> <p><b>Race 2:</b> Trainer G Ryan (<b>Laughing</b>) \$50 – present with other than approved gear (AR140A).</p> <p><b>Race 6:</b> T Huet (<b>Under The Sun</b>) \$200 – make celebratory gesture prior to winning post (AR137(c)).</p>
<b>Reprimands:</b>	<p><b>Race 3:</b> App. S Clipperton (<b>The Gallows</b>) – careless riding (AR137(a)).</p> <p><b>Race 3:</b> B Avdulla (<b>Mount Nebo</b>) – careless riding (AR137(a)).</p>
<b>Suspensions:</b>	<p><b>Race 1:</b> G Schofield (<b>Wouldnt It Be Nice</b>) – weigh in more than half a kilogram under allocated weight (AR143(b)).</p>

<b>Bleeders:</b>	<b>Race 8: Nicholls Court</b> (trainer C Dickson) -one nostril.
<b>Warnings:</b>	Nil.
<b>Trials:</b>	<b>Randwick 17/7/13: Photon Willie</b> (trainer C Waller) – racing manners. <b>Race 7: Nicholls Court</b> (trainer C Dickson) – bled one nostril.
<b>Certificates:</b>	<b>Race 8: Choice Words</b> (trainer D Vandyke) – sore off foreleg.
<b>Fall/Injuries:</b>	<b>Race 5: K O'Hara (Flying Empress)</b> – right foot.
<b>Change of Tactics:</b>	<b>Race 5: Caesar's Princess</b> – to be ridden more forward; settled outside the leader. <b>Race 5: Princess Layla</b> – to be ridden more forward; settled handy. <b>Race 5: Flying Empress</b> – to be ridden more forward; jumped very awkwardly, settled well back. <b>Race 7: Iggi Pop</b> – to be ridden with cover; settled worse than midfield.
<b>Change of Colours:</b>	Nil.
<b>Change of Gear</b>	Nil.
<b>Follow up:</b>	<b>Randwick 17/7/13:</b> <b>Race 4: Sainly Sun</b> (trainer J Pride). <b>Race 7: Astronomer</b> (trainer M Dale). <b>Rosehill 20/7/13:</b> <b>Race 7: Charing Cross</b> (trainer G Waterhouse).