

## STIPENDIARY STEWARDS' REPORT

**CLUB:** DEVONPORT RACING CLUB  
**DATE:** MONDAY 2 APRIL 2018  
**STEWARDS:** S QUILL (CHAIRMAN), A CROWTHER, P MAHER, F BATES,  
C BRYDON, J AINSCOW, J SMITH (CLERK OF SCALES)  
**VETERINARY SURGEON:** Dr J MCKENNA  
**TRACK:** SYNTHETIC  
**RAIL:** TRUE  
**WEATHER:** FINE

### **Riding Changes / Jockey Information**

<b>Race</b>	<b>Horse</b>	<b>Rider</b>	<b>Replaced by</b>	<b>Reason</b>
3	Bernarcee		Y Nishitani	Explanation accepted
6	Kryptonian	J Maskiell	H McCarthy	Emergency gained a start
6	Super Leane		R Mangan	Emergency gained a start
6	Western Front		T Voorham	Explanation accepted

### **RACE 1 – GREAT NORTHERN BENCHMARK 70 HANDICAP - 1000 METRES**

**Nielson (C Graham)** – Rider C Graham stated that the gelding travelled well however failed to quicken when placed under pressure from the 300 metres. He further added that he was slightly disappointed with the gelding's performance but felt that it would derive benefit from the run after not racing for 6 months.

### **RACE 2 – SKY RACING CLASS 3 HANDICAP – 1350 METRES**

**Cranbrook (C Newitt)** – Over raced in the early and middle stages.

**Liffeybeau (B McCoull)** – Held up for clear room from the 400 metres and in the home straight was unable to be fully tested to the line. Rider B McCoull stated that near the 300 metres he was unable to obtain a run to the outside of Gemini after being held tight by Cranbrook which resulted in him being unable to obtain clear running to the line.

**Flying Geepee (C Graham)** – Rider C Graham reported that the gelding was inclined to lay in and raced greenly in the home straight.

**Vivre Star (T Voorham)** – Raced three wide without cover throughout.

**Kelly's Diva (S Carr)** – Rider granted permission to ride ½ kg over the allotted weight (54kg). Approaching the 200 metres momentarily restrained off the heels of Liffeybeau, which after being held up brushed with Cranbrook and shifted in.

**Life's Quest (B Muhcu)** – Near the 1200 metres steadied when tightened for room between Kelly's Diva which layed out and Flying Geepee.

### **RACE 3 – BIRDCAGE TAVEREN MAIDEN - 1000 METRES**

**Pincent Van Gogh (C Graham)** – Raced three wide without cover throughout. Layed in in the home straight.

**Miss Eleanor (B McCoull)** – Slow to begin.

**Persian Faith (R Mangan)** – Passing the 600 metres got its head up when racing keenly.

**Prime Beauty (T Voorham)** – Underwent a veterinary examination prior to racing today as it had not raced for over 12 months and was passed fit to take its place in the field. On jumping away restrained when tightened for room between Bernarcee, which shifted out and Charaden. Rider T Voorham was reminded of her obligations when using the whip when out of contention.

#### **RACE 4 – RAY TANNER MEMORIAL BENCHMARK 76 HANDICAP - 1350 METRES**

**Harvey Bay (C Graham)** – Raced keenly in the early and middle stages. Near the 150 metres momentarily held up when racing tightly to the inside of Tambro's Game.

**Amaword (T Baker)** – Raced three wide without cover for the majority of the race.

**Don Reggio (D Ganderton)** – Commenced awkwardly and as a result was slow into stride.

**D'inzeo (C Newitt)** – Rider C Newitt reported the gelding hung in in the home straight.

#### **RACE 5 – TASRACING.COM.AU CLASS 1 HANDICAP - 1350 METRES**

**George's Gambol (H McCarthy)** – Over raced in the middle stages. Layed in in the home straight.

**Geegees Cash Cow (S Carr)** – Slow to begin. Performed below market expectations. Rider S Carr explained that the filly travelled well but failed to respond to her riding when placed under pressure entering the home straight. S Carr further added that the filly was inclined to lay out however was disappointed with the performance. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the filly to have an elevated respiratory rate (poor recovery).

#### **RACE 6 – HARDING HOTMIX EASTER CUP BENCHMARK 58 HANDICAP - 1650 METRES**

**Real Messi (B Muhcu)** – Shortly after jumping restrained when tightened for room between Kryptonian and Vallegrande.

**Col's Hero (B McCoull)** – Passing the 100 metres when weakening momentarily steadied when tightened for room between Aljazmic which shifted out and Super Leane which was carried in slightly by Kryptonian.

**Cranny Flyer (C Graham)** – Over raced in the early and middle stages. Rider C Graham explained that he was disappointed with the gelding's performance but could offer no further explanation other than it did not appreciate the kick back today.

**Dubbo (S Carr)** – Commenced awkwardly and shifted out. In the early part of the home straight became unbalanced when tightened for room between Strathalbyn, which shifted out slightly and Col's Hero. Rider S Carr explained that she was disappointed with the mare's performance however felt that she was not suited to the quicker tempo of today's race. Miss Carr further added that in her opinion the mare may have come to the end of her preparation. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no obvious abnormalities.

**Savrajette (S Barr)** – After being slow away was restrained off the heels of Dubbo, which had shifted out. Over raced in the early and middle stages. Rider S Barr reported that something may have been amiss with the mare's action. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no obvious abnormalities.

**Strathalbyn (C Newitt)** – When questioned in relation to the apparent improved performance, trainer John Blacker explained that he had not been too disappointed with the gelding's previous two runs when only beaten approximately 4 lengths on each occasion. Mr Blacker added that in his opinion the gelding may have been better suited to the drop back in class and stepping back up to 1650 metres.

**Kryptonian (H McCarthy)** – Layed in over the final 100 metres.

**Western Front (T Voorham)** – Momentarily held up near the 100 metres behind the tiring Dubbo.

**Aljazmic (D Ganderton)** – Approaching the 100 metres had difficulty obtaining clear racing room before shifting to the outside of Balestrand.

**Balestrand (J Maskiell)** – Rider J Maskiell reported that the gelding pulled hard in the early and middle stages.

## **RACE 7 – SIMONS DESIGN CENTRE CLASS 1 HANDICAP- 1150 METRES**

**Speedy Illusion (D Ganderton)** – Approaching the 200 metres held up for a short distance.

**Purple Rider (B McCoull)** – Inconvenienced on jumping away by Breathtaking which shifted out.

**Breathtaking (C Newitt)** – Shifted out on jumping. Rider C Newitt explained that the filly travelled well however failed to quicken when placed under pressure in the home straight. He further added that in his opinion the filly may be better suited to grass tracks.

**Mosh Opera (C Graham)** – Inclined to lay out in home straight.

### **SWAB SAMPLES**

#### **Pre-race samples:**

R1 – Duperrey  
R2 – Life's Quest  
R3 – King Of Saigon, Isere  
R4 – D'Inzeo

#### **Pre-race urine samples:**

R6 – Vallegrande, Aljazmic  
R7 – Speedy Illusion  
R7 – Braccenby

#### **Post-race samples:**

R1 – Gee Gees Blondie  
R2 – Flying Geepee  
R4 – Don Reggio  
R6 – Strathalbyn