

#### RACING AND WAGERING WESTERN AUSTRALIA

## HARNESS RACING

# Stipendiary Stewards Report

Venue: GLOUCESTER PARK Day/Date: Saturday 29 March 2008

Stewards: WE Sullivan, BM Sumner, RD Chappell (Cadet Steward)
Assistants: C Campbell (Starter/Gear), R Payne (Mobile/Brands)

Veterinary Surgeon: Dr TA Rieusset

Weather: Fine Track: Good

## RACE 1: CITY OF PERTH 3YO STAKES (2130 MBL)

THROW THE GLOVE – (Shane Young) checked racing off the back straight on the final occasion.

SPIRITWITHIN – (Ron Young) which led the one wide line over raced during the early and middle stages. Racing off the back straight on the final occasion, commenced to give ground, hung outwards and was checked. Placed on its last chance to race competitively.

KAISERSLAUTERN – (Kevin Keys) hung inwards racing off the back straight on the final occasion. Inconvenienced racing in the front straight to the finish.

DILEMMAS DAUGHTER – (Robert Cassian) checked racing off the back straight on the final occasion.

#### General

Stewards questioned Kevin Keys (KAISERSLAUTERN) and Robert Cassian (DILEMMAS DAUGHTER) with regard to DILEMMAS DAUGHTER being checked racing off the back straight on the final occasion. It was established that as SPIRITWITHIN (Ron Young) commenced to tire back through the field, had shifted up the track slightly and KAISERSLAUTERN which was racing widest on the track hung inwards despite the driver's efforts which resulted in DILEMMAS DAUGHTER being checked. Stewards further questioned Kevin Keys and Robert Cassian in regard to an incident racing in the front straight where Mr Cassian shifted from the inside of KAISERSLAUTERN which resulted in that horse being inconvenienced. Mr Cassian was advised that when shifting ground he should not shift so abruptly.

## RACE 2: GANNONS.COM.AU 3YO STAKES (2130 MBL)

DILINGER DAWN - (Darren Kerr) failed to obtain a clear run to the finish.

EZY FELLA – (Morgan Woodley) which commenced a three wide run during the middle stages was unable to circle the field to lead the one wide line and raced three wide thereafter and gave ground over the final stages.

FLYNN MCCOOL – (Warren Robinson) failed to obtain a clear run to the finish.

#### General

Stewards questioned trainer Kenneth White (EZY FELLA) with regard to the colt's somewhat poor performance. A post race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities and Mr White was also very disappointed with the colt's performance although Dr Rieusset could find no abnormalities Mr White was concerned that there may be something amiss for the horse to perform as poorly as it did tonight. Mr White will monitor the colt during the next few days and if something does surface with the horse he will contact the stewards. Mr White further advised that the horse had been working exceptionally well and showed no signs of discomfort prior to the horse racing.

## RACE 3: EARTH HOUR TROTTERS DISCRETIONARY HANDICAP (2503 SS)

DASH OF LIGHT – (Stephen Reed) began badly and galloped for some distance. Placed on its last chance in the draw. Driver Stephen Reed was also reminded of his obligations once the horse breaks he's to attempt get the horse back into its proper gait as soon as possible.

MCBEAU – (Brian Kersley) began badly and will remain out of the draw in standing start races. Broke racing in the front straight approximately 1600m out and then again broke racing down the back straight on the second last occasion. A warning was issued.

SOME GLORY - (Morgan Woodley) dwelt when the start was effected losing some ground.

TOMMYBROWN - (Karlie Shire) swung sideways when the start was effected. Placed on its last chance to race in standing start races.

DOCTOR BECKER - (Nigel Johns) broke racing down the back straight on the second last occasion. A warning was issued.

#### General

Stewards questioned Kyle Harper (SMOOTH CRIMINAL) in regard to his move from the two wide line to the three wide line racing into the front straight after the completion of one lap which resulted in NACOKEE (Chris Lewis) being obliged into a four wide position briefly. Mr Harper was reminded of his obligations. The 70m barrier was handheld.

#### RACE 4: **EVER BEAUTY STAKES (1730 MBL)**

Nothing to report.

### General

Stewards questioned driver Chris Lewis (CHESTERS CHARGE) with regard to the driving tactics he adopted in the race. After going back at the start and racing at the rear of the field he remained in that position until approximately the 400m where he obtained a trail three wide trailing on the back of AINT NO DREAM (Mark Reed) and then on straightening up was pulled wider on the track and the gelding ran home strongly. Mr Lewis explained that previously he had only driven the horse on one occasion at Pinjarra on 17 March 2008 where the horse was sat and ran home strongly on that occasion. The trainer advised Mr Lewis that he felt the horse only had a 500m sprint and going into the back straight on the final occasion from the 600m when Mr Lewis commenced a forward move three wide Mark Reed (AINT NO DREAM) was forward of him at that point also shifted to the three wide line. Mr Lewis was of the opinion that AINT NO DREAM could not give him a good trail into the race over the final 400m and then had to shift wider on the track from about the apex of the turn for the run to the finish. He also advised Mr Hedley under the circumstances of the way the race was run that he felt that they may change the driving tactics and put the horse into the race earlier and see how the gelding handles the change of the tactics. Stewards noted the explanation.

## ALLTOOLS STAKES (2536 MBL)

CALLING ELVIS - (Joe Balducci) failed to obtain a clear run to the finish.

## THE BUNDABERG RUM STAKES (2536 MBL)

ARAGORN - (Christopher Voak) which led the field during early and middle stages gave ground over the final stages.

LELEPA – (Stephen Reed) began badly. Excluded from the draw in future mobile barrier races.

ART JUNIOR - (Craig Saligari) severely checked racing down the back straight on the final occasion when ARAGORN commenced to give ground quickly.

YOUR SISTERS NEXT – (Chris Lewis) held up for a clear run until approximately the 70m.

## PKF CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS STAKES (1730 MBL)

WILLOWLEAF BOY - (Stephen Reed) racing into the front straight on the final occasion the gelding raced roughly and locked wheels. Pulled up sore. Underwent a veterinary examination and was stood down until such time as a veterinary certificate of soundness is produced.

DILL AND GRACE - (Gary Hall Jnr) racing into the front straight on the final occasion locked wheels with WILLOWLEAF BOY and when the sulkies disengaged the horses off hind leg contacted the sulky wheel of WILLOWLEAF BOY'S sulky and broke. Stewards deemed the occurrence accidental and no further action was taken.

AIKIDO WHITBY - (Giles Inwood) was obliged wider on the track racing in the front straight to receive the

# **CADBURY SCHWEPPES STAKES (1730 MBL)**

ROSTRIEVER RUN – (Ainsley Swankie) began badly. Excluded from the draw in future mobile barrier races.

PARKYS DILEMMA - (Robert Cassian) obliged to race three wide throughout and gave ground over the final stages.

ALLO FELLA - (Morgan Woodley) broke shortly after the start and will continue out of the draw in mobile barrier races.

DIE HAPPY - (Stephen Reed) hung outwards racing out of the front straight on the first occasion and made slight contact with the sulky to his outside with the gelding's hind leg and broke. DIE HAPPY again broke racing into the back straight on the first occasion and again broke racing in the back straight on the final occasion. Stood down for six days and until such time as it completes a satisfactory trial.

COSMIC POWER - (Mark Reed) held up for a clear run until approximately the 100m.

PARK DRIVE - (Christopher Voak) severely checked after the start and was retired from the event with broken gear.

# **SUMMARIES**

## Scratchings

Race No.	Horse	Action	Reason
4	CONDITIONS APPLY	SD-28 Days	L/S injured

# Racing Bars

Race No.	Horse	Action	Reason
6	LELEPA	ODM	Began badly
7	WILLOWLEAF BOY	SD Vets Certificate	Sore
8	DIE HAPPY	SD-6 Days + 1 Trial	Broke gait
8	ROSTRIEVER RUN	ODM	Began badly

## **Stewards Action**

Race No.	Driver/Trainer	Action	Reason
	JARRAD HUMPHRIES	SD pending medical certificate	

- ☐ This may not be the final report for the meeting.
- ☐ Pre race blood samples were taken from a number of runners.
- □ Post race specimens were taken from the winners of races 6 and 7.

**WE Sullivan Chief Provincial Steward**