



RWWA STEWARDS' SUMMARY REPORT

MEETING HELD AT BELMONT PARK ON SATURDAY, 22 AUGUST 2026

**Weather: Showers Track: Good (4), Reclassified to Soft (5) at 11:20am
Rail: Out 1 Metre**

Stewards: BW Lewis, RJ Mance, (MT), W Wishart (Betting Analyst/SRS),
Cadet M Scott (SR), D Metzke (Gear/FL)
Veterinary Surgeons: Drs M Wildie, M McGregor
Medical Officer: Dr M McGregor
Starters: G Van De Molen, T Ward
Clerk of Scales: I Albuino

Stewards yesterday inspected a number of trainers' stables with runners engaged in today's meeting as a part of RWWA Compliance Assurance Activities.

Race 3. PADDY WARD - 2026 WA RACING HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE HANDICAP (2200m)

Apprentice H Nottle (SWEET SURRENDER), accompanied by a senior rider, was interviewed in regard to her riding tactics through the early and middle stages, specifically as to whether there was an opportunity to allow her mount to stride forward to prevent her being caught in a three wide position throughout. Apprentice Nottle advised that her mount was travelling comfortably and she was of the opinion that had she urged the mare forward it may not have had the required pace to assume a position closer to the rail, taking into consideration that ADMIRE (J Whiting) was racing keenly through this stage of the race. Taking all factors into consideration, Stewards accepted Apprentice Nottle's explanation and took the matter no further.

Race 4. ROBERT HOLMES A COURT – 2026 WA RACING HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE HANDICAP (1600m)

Due to OUR MATE ARCHIE (C Cooper) taking charge of its rider in the mounting yard and undergoing subsequent veterinary examinations, the start of this race was delayed by approximately three minutes.

SUMMARY	
Change of Tactics Advised and Disseminated:	Race 4. SUPIDO EXPRESS to lead if possible.
Fines:	Race 4. Trainer J Easthope \$50 AR227(a) – use of the Club's colours on VEXATIOUS ROSE
Whip Rule Breaches – Warnings, Fines and Reprimands:	Race 7. Jockey H Watson (MAN CRUSH): \$300 – AR132(7)(a)(ii) and AR132(7)(a)(i) for using her whip on four additional occasions than permitted prior to the 100m and on two consecutive occasions. When considering penalty, Stewards took into consideration Jockey Watson's good record in relation to this rule and that she had breached both sections of the rule.

BELMONT : 22.08.2026

GENERAL

Routine specimens were taken from all winners and:

Race 7. **SNOWDOME**

The following horses were selected for pre-race blood samples:

Race 3. **CHOLLIMA, ROMMEO, SISU SPIRIT**

Race 4. **CINQUE STELLE, HEAVEN SPECIFIED**

Race 7. **SNOWDOME, WITHOUT REG, BOOTS LIKE BRUCE, KING OF LIGHT**

WITHDRAWALS AFTER FINAL ACCEPTANCES

Race 5. **SPINARELLA – Near-hind hoof soreness**

Race 5. **MARCOS – Veterinary advice**

Race 6. **GIRLS DAY OUT – Future engagement**

BW LEWIS

RWWA Chief Steward – Thoroughbreds & Harness

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