

THE MASONIC HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF NEW SOUTH WALES

HORSES FOR COURSES

A horse has been described as an animal which is dangerous at each end and uncomfortable in the middle, so, I suppose it had to happen.

The fifth race at Randwick on Saturday, 29 May 1999, scheduled to commence at 2.30 pm, was the Illawarra Catholic Club handicap which had been sponsored by the Club.

The race, run over 1600 metres, had two interesting starters.

One was named Masonry ridden by L. Beasley and the other was Freemason ridden by L.V. Cassidy. Both horses were by an American horse named Grand Lodge.

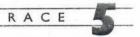
One can only wonder what our friends at the Catholic Club must have thought.

The race details published in the Sydney Morning Herald on Friday, 28 May were:

	ults/Dividends Telephone: 1900 (Two-Year-Oi y: \$37,000; 1st \$25,160 and t	ds. Open. Apprentices	60; 3rd \$2,960; 4th	1,480;	5th \$7	40.
No Form	Horse	Jockey	Trainer Bai	(10)	eight B 58.5	etting 9-4
1-7111	MASONRY tm	L Beasley	J Denham		57.0	- 10.50 M
2- 11	CROWN DUO dmh	B York	Ms G Waterhouse	(1)		9-
3-0711	ENCHANTED SPIDER	K Moses	J Denham	(3)	55.0	705000
4-43x5	FREEMASON	L V Cassidy	J R Hawkes	(5)	54.0	11-
5- 33	STARATHEA	Ms L Olsen	K T Connolly	(4)	54.0	10-
6-5833	INTELLECT h	D R Beasley	J B Cummings	(13)	53.5	14-
7-x742	THORENA h	B Pengelly	G A Rogerson	(9)	52.5	7-
8- x555		B El-Issa	J J Size	(12)	52.5	16-
9- x311	NATIVE ZEPHYR d	(a3) J Bowman	B A Lawson	(11)	52.5	25-
0- 808	CAPTAIN'S HUSSAR h	(a2) L Moloney	W H Holland	(6)	52.0	80-
1- 47	BARRENJOEY LIGHT	(a2) J Lee	F S Cleary	(2)	52.0	50-
2-0008	ZALLI	G Buckley	C E Conners	(8)	52.0	80
3- x667	OTHAPUS h	(a3) Mitch Newman	J D Morish	(7)	52.0	33

hard during the race. At WF on May 12, THORENA was slowly away.





2.30 Illawarra Catholic Club Hcp 1600 METRES

1-MASONRY (10) 58.5

ch g 2y Grand Lodge (US)-Enchi-lada (US) (by Alydar (US)) (J Denham).

WIN: 75% PLACE: 75%.

COLOURS: white, purple star and COLOURS: white, purple star and hooped sleeves.
Prizemoney: \$47,835.
4 starts, 3 wins, 0 2nds, 0 3rds.
Distances won: 1100m (1) 1200m (1) 1250m (1).

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Wet form: Dead: 0; 0 - 0 - 0.

Slow: 4; 3 - 0 - 0.

Heavy: 0; 0 - 0 - 0.

Form this dist' : 0; 0 - 0 - 0.

Form this track : 1; 1 - 0.

Form first-up : 1; 0 - 0 - 0.

WoN Apr 28/99 ¾len 3¾len. C'bury
2Y0 C&G Rst0 1250m 54 (J A Cassidy
3), 10 strs. Lim 52, 1,15,35 (37,04).

Track slow. Macarthur Cove 55 2

Marsown 56 3. Btg 3 6. 8th 800m 6th turn.

turn.

WON May 15/99 1/4len nose.
R/wlok 2YO C&G Hop 1200m 55.5 (G
Eades 1), 9 strs. Lim 52. 1.12.95
(36.70). Track slow. Browarda 54.5 2
Progress 55 3. Big 9-4 9-2 4. 4th turn.

Came with a determined burst to
win strongly last start. Promising
galloper racing well and has to be
included among the main chances.

4-FREEMASON (5) 54

b c 2y Grand Lodge (US)-Sashed (NZ) (by Sir Tristram (IR)) (J R Hawkes).

PLACE: 33%.

COLOURS: cerise.
Prizemoney: \$4840.
3 starts, 0 wins, 0 2nds, 1 3rds.
THIRD Jan 26/99 1¼len 2len.
Rwick 2Y0 Rst0 1200m 55 (L V
Cassidy 2). 12 strs. Lim 52.
1.11.65 (35.75). Track dead. My
Red Star 55 1 Roguish 56.5 2. Btg

- SPELL (15 weeks)

FIFTH May 17/99 3¼len, C'bury 2YO C&G Rst0 1200m 54.5 (R M Quinn 2). 14 strs. Lim 52. 1.12.25 (36.77). Track dead. Chief Little Rock 55.5 1 Royal Performer 54 2 Duvet 55 3. Btg 4 7. 7th turn. Raced like a stayer last start when got back and wide but found the line gamely. Extra distance will suit.

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	4.25		3.05	2.30					
MASTERFUL LAD Freemason Dance Reat	MASTERFUL LAD Vitrinite Sea Jester Tobellino She's Neat Lucy's Way	DANCE BEAT Mutombo Super Dane	SOUTHBEND Galileo Golden Comet	FREEMASON Masonry Our Eeyore	SPEAKERS BUREAU Edward Brae Hula Hoop Bangain Sharp Rouge Top Shot	ENTREVEAUX Barnacles Strike Time	RADICAL LASS Discretion St Pamela Ann	TORNATO LASS Chief Little Rock Bathers	HERALD CRAIG YOUNG
PARTY BELLE Barnacles Sporting	PARTY BELLE Sea Jester She's Neat Allez L'ange Vitrinite Masterful Lad	EMIGRANT Dance Beat Go Errol	KING OF ACAPULCO Tricove Multitude	MASONRY Crown Duo Freemason	SPORTING Speakers Bureau Sharp Rouge Top Shot Bargain Perfect Flight	BARNACLES Entreveaux Daljobo	RADICAL LASS Discretion Tina's Star	PROGRESS Chief Little Rock Guns Ablaze	HERALD BRUCE SESSLE
SEA JESTER Southbend Perfect Flight	SEA JESTER Starwood Party Belle She's Neat Expect A Star Over The Rising	EMIGRANT Cherubian Mutombo	SOUTHBEND Multitude Gallieo	MASONRY Crown Duo Freemason	PERFECT FLIGHT Bargain Top Shot Speakers Bureau All Talent Sporting	ENTREVEAUX Barnacles Triple Storm	TINA'S STAR Discretion Radical Lass	PROGRESS Chief Little Rock Tornato Lass	HERALD ROBERT BEATTIE
PROGRESS Freemason Sue Seca	PARTY BELLE Sea Jester Diabolical She's Neat Starwood Vitrinite	EMIGRANT Go Errol Mutombo	KING OF ACAPULCO Multitude Golden Comet	FREEMASON Masonry Crown Duo	SPEAKERS BUREAU Sporting Hula Hoop All Talent Perfect Flight Bargain	DAIJOBO Barnacles Entreveaux	SUE SECA Discretion Tina's Star	PROGRESS Bathers Tornato Lass	HERALD JOHN SCHELL
KING OF ACAPULCO Masonry Hula Hoop	SHE'S NEAT Party Belle Masterful Lad Sea Jester Vitrinite Stanwood	DANCE BEAT Mansal Bey Emigrant	KING OF ACAPULCO Multitude Golden Comet	MASONRY Enchanted Spider Freemason	HULA HOOP All Talent Sporting Speakers Bureau Bargain Top Shot	GREENHOUSE EXPRES Entreveaux Daijobo	RADICAL LASS Nimble Feet St Pamela Ann	CHIEF LITTLE ROCK Progress Guns Ablaze	HERALD TERRY RAMSAY
	STARWOOD Lucy's Way Over The Rising Sea Jester Nasterful Lad Party Belle	CHERUBIAN Marsking Brave Prince	SOUTHBEND Tricove Future King	CROWN DUO Masonry Thorena	SPEAKERS BUREAU Bargain Top Shot Perfect Flight Sporting Hula Hoop	EXPRESSTRIPLE STORM Barnacles Ice King	DISCRETION St Pamela Ann Nimble Feet	CHIEF LITTLE ROCK Plushenko Progress	TRACKMAN MICK FAGAN
	OVER THE RISING She's Neat Lucy's Way Vitrinite Party Belle Sea Jester	DANCE BEAT Emigrant Mutombo	KING OF ACAPULCO Southbend Tricove	MASONRY Enchanted Spider Starathea	BARGAIN Speakers Bureau Edward Brae All Talent Top Shot Perfect Flight	STRIKE TIME Barnacles Entreveaux	TINA'S STAR Discretion Radical Lass	CHIEF LITTLE ROCK Progress Guns Ablaze	AAP DAVID RICCIO
	Sea Jester Party Belle She's Neat Starwood Masterful Lad Vitrinite	Emigrant Dance Best Cherubian	King Of Acapulco Southbend Multitude	Masonry Freemason Crown Duo	Speakers Bureau Bargain Sporting Hula Hoop Top Shot Perfect Flight	Barnacles Entreveaux Daijobo	Discretion Radical Lass Tina's Star	Chief Little Rock Progress Tornato Lass	MOST FAVOURED
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Just imagine what the boys at the Club must have thought. Not just one Masonic horse but two! In their race!

To make matters worse, both were listed by the tipsters and Masonry started as favourite.

In fact, in the most favoured list, it was tipped that the masonic horses would fill first and second place.

What were the boys at the Club to do?

Maybe the trainers and jockeys were on their side. Maybe, if it was a close run thing, the judge would have resigned from his lodge years ago and married a member of the Club. Maybe.

The boys cheered when Masonry missed the start.

The Masons said 'not again, we've been missing the start for years.'

Never mind, there's always Freemason.

In the event it was the masons who cheered. Good old Masonry, in spite of missing the start, swept by the others to win.

The boys at the Club tore up their tickets but took heart from the fact that Freemason, which had led at the 1200 metre mark could only manage fourth.

The masons, who were certain of the double, tore up their tickets and decided to join the Catholic Club.

The Sun-Herald next morning published the result or the post-mortem depending on your inclination.

RACE 5: ILLAWARRA CATHOLIC CLUB HCP 1600m

FAV: Masonry (5-4) 1s

1. MASONRY: Mr & Mrs G B White & Woodlands Stud Synd's ch g 2y (Grand Lodge (USA) – Enchilada (USA) 58.5 10 (L Beasley) badly away, last early, 12th settling, took off to be 8th approaching turn, sprinted sharply topping rise, darted to the lead passing 200m and came away to score most impressively (5-4 11-8 10-9 11-8 5-4 fav).

2. CROWN DUO: b g 2y (Deputy Governor (USA) – Duet (NZ) 57 1 (B York) 3rd settling to home turn, loomed up on top of rise but soon headed off by Masonry, fought on solidly (5 13-2 5) 1/4len.

3. OUR EEYORE: gr g 2y (Paris House (GB) – Vanilla Ice (NZ) 52.5 12 (R El'Issa) led early, 2nd settling to home turn, battled on (12 16) 1/4len, sh nk.

4. FREEMASON: 54 5 (L Cassidy) 6th settling, 5th home turn, had

no luck (9-2 5 4) 11/4en. 5. ENCHANTED SPIDER: 55 3 (K Moses) led settling to home turn

5. ENCHANTÉD SPIDER: 55 3 (K Moses) led settling to home turn (11-2 10) 2len.
6. Intellect: 53.5 13 (D Beasley) 7th settling to home turn (6 11) 3len.
7. Native Zephyr: 52.5 carr 50 11 (H Bowman) 4th settling to home turn (20 12 14) 33/4en.
8. Thorena: 52.5 9 (B Pengelly) 9th settling, 10th turn (15 25) 6/xlen.
9. Starathea: 54 4 (Leeann Olsen) 11th settling to turn (14 20) 11len.
10. Othapus: 52 carr 49 7 (M Newman) 10th settling, 12th home turn (33 50) 12len.
11. Zalli: 52 8 (G Buckley) 5th early, 6th home turn (40 125) 14len.
12. Captain's Hussar: 52 carr 51 6 (L Moloney) 8th settling to home turn (100 250) 14/xlen.
13. Barrenjoey Light: 52 carr 50 2 (J Lee) last all way (33 100) 21/xlen. All started.

Time: 1m40.51s (first 800m 51.07s, last 600m 36.55s). Off: 2.31. Trainers: Jack Denham, Gai Waterhouse, John Size.



The Sun-Herald commentator wrote:

BRASSEL

The Grand Lodge (USA) duo MASONRY and FREEMASON stamped themselves as easily the best prospects from this race.

Slow into gear, Masonry turned in a mighty performance under 58.5kg but another dawdling affair assisted him greatly. Things may well have been different had they scooted along and really made him cart the big impost.

Approaching the home bend the pace slackened, enabling the favourite to improve with ease - he simply outsprinted them from

FREEMASON was stiff.

Five lengths ahead of the winner at the 1,200m, he dropped to three lengths behind Masonry at the 300m then closed rapidly to be beaten 1.8 panels.

He'll keep. **Clock Speed** Time Aver Distance 1,600m 1m40.51 1m37.48 1st section 800m 51.07 49.20 2nd section 800m 49 44 48 28

RACE 5

MASONRY ducked its head as the gates were released and missed the start. STARATHEA and CAPTAIN'S HUSSAR were slow to begin. On jumping, ENCHANTED SPIDER bumped BARRENJOEY LIGHT, which became unbalanced. Making the first turn STARATHEA was tightened for room by OTHAPUS, which shifted in away from THORENA. Passing the 600m CROWN DUO had to be restrained off the heels of OUR EEYORE. Near the 200m NATIVE ZEPHYR had to switch across the heels of OUR EEYORE (Bobby El'issa), which shifted out under pressure. El'issa was told to make more effort to keep his mounts straight.

The Steward's report didn't even mention Freemason which gave the boys at the Club some slight encouragement.

The writer in the Sunday Telegraph gave the masons a shot in the arm Well, not really but you know what I mean) when he wrote: 'Masonry has a big future!'

The Sun-Herald writer, Craig Young, reporting jockey Lenny Beasley's treble on the day wrote:

Barnacles is unbeaten in three Sydney runs since transferring from the stable's Melbourne operation, when he had run four successive seconds on provincial

Beasley completed his treble aboard the Jack Denham-trained Masonry, who is owned in partnership by Jack and Bob Ingham and Geoff and Beryl White.

The Whites also own Bathers. Masonry just happened to win the Illawarra Catholic Club Hcp.

It was the powerful son of Grand Lodge's fourth-straight victory and he did it the hard way by blowing the start.

Masonry looked to have the job ahead and punters who had taken 5-4 about the favourite feared the

Even Beasley thought he was in

trouble, but the jockey returned a big fan after Masonry won by a comprehensive 11/4 lengths.

"He is pretty good," Beasley said. "He was standing as good as gold, but when the starter pushed the button he turned his head to the left.

"I had to let him work into the race and at the 600m I clicked him up and he just took off."

Beasley feared he had taken off too early, with Masonry sweeping around the field.

What impressed him most was the speed in which Masonry circled his rivals.

"I wasn't expecting him to show that turn of foot," Beasley said. "With 150m to go I thought he was going to stop, but I gave him a couple of backhands and he took off again."

WINNING FORM: Lenny Beasley unsaddles his second winner the John Hawkes-trained Barnacles. Fancy that! Beasley didn't expect a turn of foot. He obviously is unaware that masons know all about turning their feet.

And as for giving Masonry a couple of backhands, well, I ask you.

All he had to do was whisper one of those secret words in the horse's right ear and it would have won stepping off with the left foot.

Never mind, *Freemason* is owned by the 'Chicken Kings', Bob and Jack Ingham who were initiated together on 17 June 1953 in Lodge Clyde Rowe No. 793, United Grand Lodge of New South Wales.

The boys at the Club are waiting on the masons to sponsor a race.

After all, it was Bro. Samuel Clemens, known to the world as Mark Twain, who said:

'It is difference of opinion that makes horse races.'

G.H.C.



Spring agenda . . . Masonry, with Lenny Beasley in the saddle, winning at Randwick last month