

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

Canberra Racing Club Incorporated

THOROUGHBRED PARK

(ACTON TRACK)

Friday 11 August 2017

Weather: Fine
Track: Synthetic
Rail: True

J. D. Walshe (Chairman), T. J Davidson & J. A. Shultz (Stewards), D. Riches (Starter), P. Selmes (Assistant Starter), J. Wright (Swab), L. Milton (Scales) J. Dorrington (Judge) Dr A Willi (Veterinarian).

RACE 1: HAPPY 50TH ANDY COLQUHOUN BENCHMARK 67 HANDICAP 1206M

Crusader General – Slow to begin.

Swindlers Miss – M A Cahill (Anything You Touch) pleaded guilty to a charge of charge of careless riding under AR137(a) in that near the 400m he directed his mount out when not clear of Swindlers Miss which was taken out and crowded out onto Crusader General, resulting in Swindlers Miss clipping the heels of Anything You Touch and blundering. M A Cahill's license to ride in races was suspended for a period to commence on Monday 14 August 2017 and to expire on Sunday 27 August 2017, on which day he may ride.

The Nickster – Rider N Souquet pleaded guilty to a charge of charge under AR137(b) in that he did fail to ride the mare out over the final three strides of the event. N Souquet's license to ride in races was suspended for a period to commence on Tuesday 15 August 2017 and to expire on Tuesday 22 August 2017, on which day he may ride. In assessing penalty consideration was given to N Souquet's excellent record in relation to breaches under the Rule, but also that his inaction had prejudiced his mount's chances of finishing third. Following the event trainer Mr J Cleary advised that the mare would now be retired to stud duties.

RACE 2: COOPERS 2017 VINTAGE ALE BENCHMARK 68 HANDICAP 1750M

Force Of Magic – Slow to begin.

Standout – Raced wide throughout.

Southern Gamble – Raced keenly early.

Almost Court – App P Scorse was reprimanded under AR144 for shaking hands with connections following the race but prior to weighing in.

RACE 3: ALM ON PREMISE CLASS 1 & MAIDEN PLATE 1750M

The Big Bomber – Co-trainer Mr K Dryden was fined the sum of \$100 under LR36A for the late withdrawal of the gelding at 9:05am.

Edge Of Madness – Slow to begin. Got its head up leaving the straight on the first occasion and made the turn awkwardly.

Her Name Is Rio – Near the 600m clipped the heels of Unzoffable which shifted out marginally whilst laying out and blundered. When questioned regarding the performance of the mare, rider app R Hunt stated that her mount raced flat throughout. Trainer Mr N Olive advised that the mare would now be sent for a spell. A post-race veterinary examination of the mare did not reveal any abnormality.

RACE 4: IGA LIQUOR MAIDEN HANDICAP

1080M

Star Sign – Crowded on jumping by Banja Luka, which shifted in.

Quiano Queen – Bounded on jumping. Raced wide throughout.

Honour The One – Blundered soon after the start.

Eve's Miss – Raced wide in the middle stages.

Metralla – Held up rounding the home turn.

Banja Luka – Raced very wide throughout.

Nicc's Poet – When questioned regarding her riding of the gelding during the event, rider Ms K Nisbet stated that as the gelding had not been finishing off its races when racing on the speed, today she had been instructed to ride the gelding quietly in the hope of it finding the line. She added that after obtaining a position back in the field in accordance with her instructions, passing the 500m she elected not to make a run to the extreme outside as she did not want to be shunted wide rounding the home turn and further because the runner forward and to the outside of her, Banja Luka, had been trapped very wide throughout and was likely to weaken. She added that after the 450m when positioned on the back of Metralla and following that runner into the race, when that horse became held up and was eased, she became awkwardly positioned on the heels of that runner and had to shift in to avoid clipping its heels. She further added that the gelding was then held up when to the inside of Metralla's heels until passing the 300m where she was first able to shift out to obtain clear running from which point her mount then found the line strongly. Trainer Mr P Facory confirmed the instructions and expressed satisfaction with the ride and particularly given that the gelding had finished its race off, unlike its previous start. Stewards accepted rider K Nisbet's explanation concerning her ride. Trainer Mr P Facory pleaded guilty to a charge under AR135A of having failed to notify Stewards of today's change of tactics, namely that the gelding would be ridden more quietly. Mr Facory was fined the sum of \$200.

RACE 5: AUSTRALIAN LIQUOR MARKETERS MAIDEN PLATE

1280M

Liquid Dinna – Severely crowded on jumping between Tiffoni and Star For Effort which was taken out by Admire Gratzl.

Mendoza – Slow to begin.

All Good – Raced keenly early.

Star For Effort – A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding which raced wide throughout did not reveal any abnormality.

Tiffoni – When questioned regarding the performance of the mare, rider Ms K Nisbet stated that whilst her mount had difficulty obtaining clear running in the early part of the straight and again near the 200m, thereafter it did not run on and was disappointing. A post-race veterinary examination of the mare did not reveal any abnormality.

Mister Snitzel – Raced keenly in the early stages.

RACE 6: CELLARBRATIONS BENCHMARK 59 HANDICAP

1280M

Black Fusion – Slow to begin. Raced wide throughout.

You're Kidding Me – Bumped with Goodlookin'rooster on jumping and was tightened shortly after by Under The Eaves which shifted in. Over the final 50m was tightened and carried in by Liabilityadjuster (app Ms C Frater-Hill). App C Frater-Hill was advised to exercise more care. Correct weight was momentarily delayed at the request of You're Kidding Me's rider R Bensley to enable him to view a replay of the race to ascertain whether there were grounds to lodge an objection concerning the incident over the final 50m. After viewing the replay and when satisfied that there were insufficient grounds, correct weight was declared on the Judges placings.

Goodlookin'rooster – Passing the 300m was briefly held up and had to be shifted in to continue into clear running.

Celtic Diamond – When questioned regarding the performance of the mare, rider Ms J Taylor stated that in her view, her mount which had commenced to weaken rounding the home turn did not appreciate being briefly crowded at that point by Gentle Annie which had shifted out, and whilst disappointing today, in her opinion performs best when able to dictate terms. A post-race veterinary examination of the mare did not reveal any abnormality.

RACE 7: THIRSTY CAMEL CLASS 2 HANDICAP

1280M

Loyal Toast – Slow to begin.

Quite Magical – Slow to begin.

Fun Tickets – Raced wide throughout.

RACE 8: BOTTLO BENCHMARK 55 HANDICAP

1080M

Turbo Bundy – Change of tactics: To be ridden quieter. When questioned, rider S Miller stated that his mount pulled too hard today and when he was unable to comply with his instructions to ride his mount quieter it was badly disadvantaged by being obliged to race very wide outside the lead.

Motime – Slow to begin.

Tinmine – Reared on jumping and lost ground.

Tapavino – Got its head down as the start was effected and was slow to begin. Over-raced in the middle stages. Held up and unable to obtain clear running until passing the 250m.

Manatasee – Raced wide throughout.

Kapaonik – Raced wide throughout. Laid in in the straight.

Mr Fox – Near the 500m pulled its way up inside Tinmine where there was insufficient room and had to be checked.

Summary of whip use

Stewards noted the following riders exceeded the permitted strikes of the whip prior to the 100m under AR137A(5)(a)(ii):

Race 3	App Ms C Frater-Hill (Super Savvy)	6 strikes prior to the 100m.
Race 6	J Penza (Gentle Annie)	7 strikes prior to the 100m.
Race 6	R Bensley (You're Kidding Me)	7 strikes prior to the 100m.

Bearing in mind the totality of whip use, no action was taken

SWAB SAMPLES:

Swab samples were taken from all winners:

SUMMARY	
Fines:	Race 2: Co-trainer Mr K Dryden (The Big Bomber) (LR36A) - \$100 – Late withdrawal. Race 4: Trainer Mr P Facory (Nicc's Poet) (AR135A) - \$200 – Failed to notify change of tactics.
Reprimands:	Race 2: App P Score (Almost Court) (AR144) – Shaking hands with connections prior to weighing in.
Suspensions:	Race 1: M A Cahill (Anything You Touch) – AR137(a) – Careless riding. License to ride in races suspended for a period to commence on 14/8/17 and to expire on 27/8/17 on which day he may ride. Race 1: N Souquet (The Nickster) – AR137(b) – Failed to ride mount out to end of race. License to ride in races suspended for a period to commence on 15/8/17 and to expire on 22/8/17 on which day he may ride.
Warnings:	Nil.
Bleeders:	Nil.
Trials:	Nil.
Certificates:	Nil.
Falls/Injuries:	Nil.
Protests:	Nil.
Follow up:	Nil.
Change of Colours:	Race 6: Singled Out – Red, yellow diamond and armbands. Race 7: Ariake Fire – Blue cap.