

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

Canberra Racing Club Incorporated

THOROUGHBRED PARK

Sunday 13 December 2020

Weather: Overcast

Track: Good (4), upgraded to a Good (3) at 12:12pm.

Rail: True

J D Walshe (Chairman), J A Dinopoulos & T Williamson (Stewards), D Riches (Starter), M Donoghue (Assistant Starter), J Turner (Swab), L Milton (Scales), Dr J Saltet (Veterinarian).

RACE 1: Women In Racing Bursary Plate 2000m

Laphroaig – Prior to the declaration of correct weight an application was made by the connections of Laphroaig to have the gelding declared a non-runner due to having not been afforded a fair start. Evidence was taken from rider Ms A Collett, stable foreperson Mr B Bloore and barrier attendant Mr J Gibbs. The application was however denied when, on the evidence, it was established that just prior to the start being effected, the gelding became fractious and as a consequence lost considerable ground and subsequently took no competitive part in the race. Mr Bloore was advised that the gelding would be required to barrier trial to the Steward's satisfaction prior to being permitted to race again.

Wondalga – Began awkwardly.

Heydaze – Raced keenly in the early stages. After passing the winning post on the first occasion was tightened by Command King which in turn was crowded by Same Old Scene which was eased when tightened by Hayate (A Sweeney) which shifted in when not clear. A Sweeney was advised to exercise more care.

RACE 2: KCH Plastering Handicap 1000m

Almahero – When being led out from its tie-up stall to be brought to the mounting enclosure prior to the race the gelding was observed to be noticeably lame. The gelding was subsequently a late scratching on veterinary advice at 1:34pm when found to be lame in its near-hind leg (grade 4/5). Stewards ordered that all monies invested on Almahero be refunded in full and further that all successful bets placed with bookmakers prior to 1:34pm be subject to the following deductions in the dollar on the face value of the ticket:

1st: Rocket Tiger: 12c win and 23c place

2nd: Wilsons Prom: 7c place

Trainer Ms D Seib was told that she would be required to provide a veterinary clearance prior to the gelding being permitted to race again.

Rocket Tiger – Passing the 800m was eased from the heels of Wilsons Prom (B Loy) which shifted in when not quite clear. B Loy was advised to exercise more care. Stewards considered a protest lodge by the connections of the gelding, which was placed 2nd, against the winner Wilsons Prom alleging interference over the final 50m. On the evidence it was established that passing the 50m Wilsons Prom shifted out several horses resulting in the colt making heavy contact with Rocket Tiger which was unbalanced. Bearing in mind the momentum of Rocket Tiger prior to the incident, the nature of the interference suffered by Rocket Tiger and the margin of only a ½ head between the respective runners, as Stewards were satisfied that had the interference not occurred, that Rocket Tiger would have finished ahead of Wilsons Prom, they upheld the protest and amended the placing to read: 1st Rocket Tiger, 2nd Wilsons Prom, 3rd Blinding Light and 4th King Gutho. At a subsequent inquiry B Loy (*Wilsons Prom*) pleaded guilty to a charge of careless riding under AR131(a) in that passing the 50m he permitted his mount to shift out under riding resulting in Rocket Tiger being carried out and Wilsons Prom making heavy contact with Rocket Tiger which became unbalanced. B Loy's license to ride in races was suspended for a period to commence on Sunday 20 December 2020 and to expire on Sunday 27 December 2020 on which day he may ride.

Hope In Your Heart – Began awkwardly and shifted out.

RACE 3: Mongarlowe Gourmet Plate 1400m

Mandalorian – Trainer Mr J Coyle was fined the sum of \$100 under LR35 for the late declaration of B Loy as the rider of the gelding.

Fiorzana – The explanation tendered by trainer Mr B Lazzarini for the late declaration of Ms R Freeman-Key as the rider of the mare, was accepted by Stewards.

Too Much Class – The filly which got a hind leg up on the running board in its barrier stall, was examined by the Club's veterinary officer and passed fit to start.

Fly Blue Peter – Slow to begin.

Kung Fu Mushu – Raced keenly in the middle stages. Was held up in the early part of the straight.

RACE 4: Capital Plastering Handicap 1200m

Favourite Things – Rider B Loy was permitted to ride his mount 1/2kg overweight in accordance with the overweight policy. Change of tactics: To be ridden back; settled back. Was held up until passing the 300m.

Strixen – Trainer Mr G Portelli represented by Ms J Connolly was fined the sum of \$100 under LR35 for the late declaration of A Layt as the rider of the gelding.

Just A Pearl – Co-trainer Mr P Jones was fined the sum of \$100 under LR35 for the late declaration of app Ms E Hennessy as the rider of the gelding. Slow to begin.

Galactic Warrior – Over-raced with its head up for some distance passing the 900m.

Party All Night – Trainer Mr N Olive was fined the sum of \$50 under AR65 for failing to produce the Thoroughbred Identity Card for the gelding. Mr Olive was also advised that the gelding would not be permitted to trial or race again unless the card was first produced. Passing the 100m shifted out to obtain a run to the outside of Just A Pearl which simultaneously was shifting out and as a consequence when attempting a narrow run between that horse and Shock Zone, made contact with the hindquarter of Shock Zone.

Hayyu – Over -raced in the early and middle stages when trapped wide.

Evil Toby – A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding which raced greenly for some distance near the 900, hung out in the middle stages and was uncompetitive, being beaten 16L, did not reveal any abnormality. Trainer Mr J Coyle was told that the gelding would be required to barrier trial to the Steward's satisfaction prior to being permitted to race again.

RACE 5: TAB Federal 2000m

No incidents.

RACE 6: Proallied Handicap 1200m

Due to an injured racecourse patron the attention of the Club's ambulance officers and subsequent transfer to hospital, this and the remaining races were re-scheduled as follows: Race 6: 4:30pm, Race 7: 5:00pm and Race 8: 5:30pm. All horses presented in the mounting enclosure for Race 6 were returned to their tie-up stalls during the delay.

Boho Chick – Bounded on jumping.

Little Clanga – Slow to begin.

Feeling Mighty – Raced keenly in the early and middle stages. When questioned concerning his riding after the 600m, rider B Ward stated that as his mount has a tendency to over-race, he was instructed to attempt to obtain cover in the first five. He added that as his mount had raced wide during the event, he said that passing the 500m he rode patiently at this point to conserve his mount's energy and allowed Nuremburg Castle, which was positioned to his inside, to shift out to then trail that runner into the straight before coming to the outside where his mount ran home well.

Rosadiblu – Raced wide throughout.

Rheingau – Raced wide throughout.

Mandalong Nicko – Was held up for some distance passing the 500m.

Earp – Was held up for some distance passing the 200m.

RACE 7: Glen Mia ACT Handicap 1200m

Equal Balance – Trainer Mr K Goldman was fined the sum of \$100 under LR35 for the late declaration of A Layt as the rider of the gelding.

Fusca – Slow to begin.

Acton Shale – Slow to begin. Raced wide throughout.

Equal Balance – Reared in the barriers on two occasions in the barriers, the second occasion being as the start was effected and as a consequence the gelding lost ground (4L). In the incident rider A Layt injured his right foot when it was jammed on the partition. A Layt was subsequently examined by the Club's ambulance officers and due to soreness in that foot, was stood down from his remaining Race 8 riding engagement. At a subsequent inquiry, trainer Mr K Goldman was told that the gelding would be required to prove its barrier manners in an official barrier trial prior to being permitted to race again.

Destiny's Dee Day – Raced very wide throughout.

El Nieto – When questioned regarding the performance of the gelding, rider Ms K Nisbet stated that in her view her mount did not appreciate today's firm surface and felt uncomfortable in its action and for this reason she did not test it over the final 100m. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to be lame (grade 3/5) in its off-foreleg. Trainer Mr L Pepper was told that a veterinary clearance would be required prior to the gelding also being required to barrier trial to the Steward's satisfaction before being permitted to race again.

Hezredhot – When questioned, rider M Cahill stated that he was instructed to have his mount, which was resuming again with trainer Mr G Kirkup, racing with cover. He added however that whilst he was ultimately unable to obtain cover, his mount hung out from the 800m and until straightening and lost ground which had disadvantaged his mount in the straight. He added that in his view the gelding would be better suited leading and by being fitted with a near side bubble cheeker to assist with its tractability. Trainer Mr G Kirkup confirmed the instructions and advised that bearing in mind today's performance, the gelding would be ridden to lead next start and he also confirmed that he would add a near-side bubble cheeker to the gelding's gear. Mr Kirkup was told that a warning would be recorded against the gelding's racing manners today.

RACE 8: Australian Health & Safety Handicap 1400m

Say Goodbye – As A Layt was injured in Race 7, Stewards permitted J Mallyon to be substituted as the rider of the gelding.

Away She Goes – Blundered on jumping.

Mortar Platoon – Began awkwardly.

Dinner Lake – Slow to begin.

Kapaonik – Raced wide throughout.

Successful Day – Raced very keenly in the early and middle stages.

No Collusion – When questioned regarding the performance of the gelding, rider S Guymer stated that in his view his mount did not appreciate today's firm track and because it felt uncomfortable in its action, he did not test it from the 300m and then eased it down inside the final 200m. A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality. Trainer Mr J Austin advised that the gelding would now be sent for a spell. Mr Austin was told that prior to resuming, he would be required to provide a veterinary clearance prior to the gelding also having to barrier trial to the Steward's satisfaction prior to being permitted to race again.

Summary of whip use:

Stewards noted the following riders exceeded the permitted strikes of the whip prior to the 100m under AR132(7)(a)(ii) and consecutive strikes under AR132(7)(a)(i). Bearing in mind the totality of whip use, no action was taken.

Race 1	B McDougall (Command King)	6 strikes prior to the 100m
Race 3	B McDougall (Too Much Class)	1 consecutive strike prior to the 100m
Race 5	J Mallyon (Globalize)	7 strikes prior to the 100m

Swabs:

Swab samples were obtained from all winners and the following runners:

Race 1: Dannevirke Lad, Hayate

Race 3: Fly Blue Peter, Ita

Race 4: Jobkeeper Galactic Warrior

SUMMARY	
Fines:	Race 4: Trainer Mr J Coyle (Mandalorian) (LR35) – \$100 – Late rider. Race 4: Trainer Mr G Portelli (Strixen) (LR35) – \$100 – Late rider. Race 4: Co-trainer Mr P Jones (Just A Pearl) (LR35) – \$100 – Late rider. Race 4: Trainer Mr N Olive (Part All Night) (AR65) – \$50 – No TIC. Race 7: Trainer Mr K Goldman (Equal Balance) (LR35) – \$100 – Late rider.
Reprimands:	Nil.
Suspensions:	Race 2: B Loy (Wilsons Prom) (AR131(a)) – Careless riding. License to ride in races suspended 20/12/20 to expire on 27/12/20 on which day he may ride.
Bleeders:	Nil.
Warnings:	Race 7: Hezredhot – Hung out.
Trials:	Race 1: Laphroaig – Barrier manners. Race 4: Evil Toby – Uncompetitive. Race 7: Equal Balance – Barrier manners. Race 7: El Nieto – Uncomfortable action and not tested final 100m. Lameness off-foreleg (grade 3/5).
Vet Certificates:	Race 2: Almahero – Lameness near-hind leg (grade 4/5). Race 7: El Nieto – Lameness off-foreleg (grade 3/5).
Falls/Injuries:	Race 7: A Layt (Equal Balance) – Soreness in right foot (barrier mishap).
Change of Colours:	Race 4: Favourite Things – Pale blue cap. Race 5: Tribbiani – Yellow cap.
Follow up:	Nil.