

# STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

Canberra Racing Club Incorporated

THOROUGHBRED PARK

Friday 20 October 2017

Weather: Overcast

Track: Soft (6)

Rail: Out 2m

C. G. Polglase (Chairman), T. McDonald, J Turner (Stewards), M. Donoghue (Starter), R Charnock (Assistant Starter), K. Head (Swab), L. Milton (Scales) J. Dorrington (Judge) Dr A. Willi (Veterinarian).

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## **RACE 1: GINNINDERRA ESTATE MAIDEN PLATE 1000M**

**High Citadel** – Began awkwardly. Lay in under pressure in the straight. Bumped near the 100m by Zambada which shifted out when racing greenly.

**Battlescar (NZ)** – Lay out making the home turn then lay in badly under pressure in the home straight.

**Zambada** – Lay out making the home turn. Raced greenly under pressure in the straight and near the 100m shifted out and made contact with High Citadel.

**Usain Brockstar** – Began awkwardly. Near the 900m was steadied off the heels of Zambada (Ms K Nisbet) which shifted in when not quite clear. Ms K Nisbet was advised to exercise more care. When questioned regarding the performance, R Bensley stated although obliged to travel wide, his mount travelled well in the early and middle stages however was disappointing in its failure to respond in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

**Heaven On Earth** – Slow to begin and was bumped shortly after by Iz Aroyal which shifted out. Near the 300m was hampered by Alpine King (App Ms C Frater-Hill) which shifted out. App C Frater-Hill was advised to exercise more care.

**Iz Aroyal** – A post-race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities.

**Reason** – Near the 200m improved onto the heels of Battlescar which was weakening and had to be checked.

**Alpine King** – Held up until approaching the 300m.

**Honour Your Offer** – Near the 300m was eased off the heels of Alpine King.

**Dictation** – When questioned regarding his riding of the mare, M Cahill stated as the mare had not finished off its race when ridden close to the speed last start, he was instructed to ride his mount a little quieter today. He added after being held up making the home turn he followed the eventual winner Zambada into the straight. He added he initially attempted to improve to that runners inside in the early straight however when it was then inclined to shift ground was momentarily held up. He added that when Zambada then improved away from his mount approaching the 200m, Dictation was then inclined to shift ground and responded only fairly thereafter.

**RACE 2: SELICK CONSULTING CLASS 1 & MAIDEN PLATE 2000M**

**Mop The Floor** – Change of tactics: to be ridden further back from the wide barrier – settled back. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities.

**Miss Delago Rose** – Slow to begin and was then crowded shortly after between Dripping Carats which was crowded and taken out by My Friend Albert and Miss Nellie which shifted in.

**Dripping Carats** – Slow to begin and crowded shortly after by My Friend Albert that shifted out. Making the first turn was steadied when tightened for room by Confess And Avoid (S Guymer). S Guymer was advised to exercise more care.

**My Friend Albert** – After commencing to weaken, the gelding was checked near the 500m when crowded for room between Dauphine de France and Hillview Lad which hung out. A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding which was beaten 27L did not reveal any abnormalities. Trainer T Sutherland was advised that the gelding would be required to barrier to the satisfaction of the Stewards prior to racing again.

**Hillview Lad (IRE)** – The gelding which struck an enclosure fence when leaving the mounting yard underwent a veterinary examination and was passed fit to start. Hung out from the 600m.

**Cheung Fun (NZ)** – Near the 200m was brushed by Motime which shifted out.

**Motime** – Pulled hard in the middle stages.

**Confess And Avoid** – Held up making the home turn.

**RACE 3: SKYVIEW WINDOWS BENCHMARK 69 HANDICAP 1400M**

**All Things In Time** – Trainer G Thompson was fined \$50 for the late declaration of S Miller as the rider of the gelding (LR35).

**Hangin' With Willy** – Rider J Pracey-Holmes was reminded of his obligation to ride his mounts out fully to the line.

**Critical Touch** – Raced keenly in the early stages.

**Heysen** – Slow to begin.

**Ribs** – Near the 1200m was hampered when taken wider by Critical Touch which was steadied and shifted to the outside of the heels of Hangin' With Willy (J Pracey-Holmes) which shifted in when not clear. J Pracey-Holmes was advised to exercise more care.

**That's Freedom** – Near the 1200m became awkward on the heels of Ribs and was steadied.

**RACE 4: CARBINE CLUB OF CANBERRA MAIDEN HANDICAP** **1200M**

**Savaneta** – Raced wide throughout. Near the 350m was hampered and taken wider by Chyseing Ivy which was crowded by Laughing or Crying which after being inclined to lay in across the heels of Zapace, then shifted out when taken out by Zapace which shifted out slightly.

**Airport** – Lay out in the home straight and near the 100m was restrained after shifting out and becoming awkwardly placed close to the heels of Kurnel Jaxon.

**Bridges** – After being slow to begin was crowded shortly after between Foroz and Wild Duchess, both of which shifted ground.

**Chyseing Ivy** – Crowded near the 350m by Laughing or Crying which after being inclined to lay in across the heels of Zapace, then shifted out when taken out by Zapace which shifted out slightly.

**Atomic Meteor** – S Guymer reported that his mount raced keenly in the early stages and was disappointing in its failure to respond to riding in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities.

**Pahruli** – Held up making the home turn and in the early part of the straight.

**Happy Chats** - Slow to begin.

**RACE 5: HILL & RUMMERY CLASS 1 HANDICAP** **1200M**

**Dashing Duncan** – Held up making the home turn.

**Liberty Boy** – Slow to begin.

**Dylan's Deeva** – Held up making the home turn.

**Only Choice** – Began awkwardly and lost ground.

**Tag And Release** – Pulled hard in the early and middle stages and passing the 900m was steadied off the heels of Seduction (B Loy) which shifted in when not clear. B Loy was reprimanded (AR137(a)).

**Simply Striking** – An inquiry was opened into Apprentice Ms C Frater-Hill's handling of the gelding leaving the 600m. Ms Frater-Hill was assisted at the inquiry by her Master and Trainer N Osbourne and Industry Training Mentor Mr J Whitney. When questioned Ms Frater-Hill

stated she was instructed to ride the gelding just behind the speed if possible. She added after racing keenly in the early stages once her mount obtained cover it travelled well thereafter. When questioned as to her riding inside the 600m, App Frater-Hill stated that whilst there was an opportunity to shift out and follow Sward at that point, as she was following Tag And Release and felt that was a favoured runner and would give her a good trail into the straight she elected to hold her position. She added that she also felt that Sward which had travelled wide would weaken that would then afford her a run to the outside of Tag And Release shortly after straightening. App Frater-Hill added however that when Tag And Release did not quicken as expected and Sward held its ground, she then became held up. She added that in early straight she was then unable to improve and near the 200m attempted to improve into a narrow run between Sward and Tag And Release however was disappointed for that run and consequently was unable to obtain clear running until approaching the 100m. App Frater-Hill agreed with Stewards in hindsight that she had erred in following Tag And Release making the home turn as an opportunity existed near the 500m to follow Sward which would have afforded her the opportunity to improve to that runners outside on straightening and would have ensured her mount obtained an uninterrupted run to the line.

**RACE 6: OZTAL ARCHITECTS BENCHMARK 69 HANDICAP 1200M**

**Wings** – Held up until near the 200m and leaving the 200m was crowded between Erins Zar and Benno’s Boy which shifted out.

**Supa Vision** – Tightened on jumping between Rhomlo and Atom Eve, both of which shifted ground.

**Erins Zar** – Held up making the home turn and in the early part of the straight.

**RACE 7: CANBERRA CONTRACTORS BENCHMARK 57 HANDICAP 1300M**

**Oh What A Thief** – Raced wide throughout.

**Favourite Uncle** – A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormality.

**Harvest Dream** – Knuckled on jumping. Raced wide throughout.

**Penny Shares** – Held up making the home turn.

**Sweatball** – Held up making the home turn.

**Mr Fox** – Raced keenly in the early stages and near the 1100m was steadied off the heels of Sweatball. Held up making the home turn and in the early straight. Could not be fully tested over final 50m when racing tight to the inside of Favourite Uncle.

**The Walrus** – A Layt (Sweatball) pleaded guilty to a charge of careless riding under AR137(a) in that near the 1100m he permitted his mount to shift in when not clear of The Walrus which lost its rightful running and was checked. A Layt’s license to ride in races was suspended for a period to commence on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2017 and to expire on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2017 on which day he may ride.

**Café Terrace** – As A Banks was indisposed Stewards permitted M Travers to be substituted as the rider of the gelding.

**RACE 8: RIVOLAND TILES BENCHMARK 55 HANDICAP 1000M**

**Fire And Flood** – Trainer F Skerbic was fined \$50 for the late application to add a tongue tie to the gelding's approved gear (AR140B). Got its head up on jumping.

**Tinmine** – Raced wide throughout.

**Varvo** – Raced wide throughout.

**Darbalara** – Raced wide throughout.

**Territorial** – Slow to begin.

**Denman Diva** – Held up making the home turn.

**SWAB SAMPLES:**

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

Race 1: Honour Your Offer

Race 2: Hillview Lad

| <b>SUMMARY</b>            |  |
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| <b>Warnings:</b>          | Nil.   |
| <b>Fines:</b>             | Race 3. Trainer G Thompson \$50 – late declaration of rider (LR35)<br>Race 8. F Skerbic \$50 – late application to add tongue tie (AR140B) |
| <b>Reprimands:</b>        | Race 5. B Loy (Seduction) – careless riding AR137(a)   |
| <b>Suspensions:</b>       | Race 7. A Layt (Sweatball) – careless riding AR137(a) 29/10/17 – 6/11/17   |
| <b>Bleeders:</b>          | Nil.   |
| <b>Trials:</b>            | Race 2. My Friend Albert – Uncompetitive (beaten 27L)  |
| <b>Certificates:</b>      | Nil.   |
| <b>Falls/Injuries:</b>    | Nil.   |
| <b>Protests:</b>          | Nil.   |
| <b>Late withdrawals:</b>  | Nil.   |
| <b>Follow up:</b>         | Nil.   |
| <b>Gear Changes:</b>      | Nil.   |
| <b>Disqualifications:</b> | Nil.   |