STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT
Canberra Racing Club Incorporated

THOROUGHBRED PARK
Friday 21 September 2018

Weather: Fine
Track: Good (4), upgraded to a Good (3) at 3:18pm following Race 5.
Rail: True

J D Walshe (Chairman), C G Polglase, & J Turner (Stewards), D Riches (Starter), M Donoghue (Assistant Starter), K Head (Swab), L Milton (Scales) J Dorrington (Judge) Dr A Willi (Veterinarian).

General
App R Dolan was reprimanded under AR92(10) for failing to present his winning rides book prior to weighing out. Recognition was given to a blemish free record in regards to breaches under the Rule.

App A Sweeney was fined the sum of $50 under AR92(10) for failing to present his winning rides book prior to weighing out.

RACE 1: Brindabella Stockfeeds / Walsh & Blair Lawyers Class 1 & Maiden Plate 1600M

Master Moving – As app J Richards was indisposed, Stewards permitted app Ms R Prest to be substituted as the rider of the gelding.

Son Of A Fox – Slow to begin.

Reify – Crowded on jumping by Upper House which shifted out. Raced greenly in the straight and laid in.

Mylloveforlara – Began awkwardly. Over-raced in the early stages. Hung in in the straight and proved reluctant to improve into a run between Master Moving and Aurora Run until passing the 100m.

Satirical Knight – Held up in the early part of the straight.

Wee Jasper – Over-raced in the middle stages.

Upper House – Over-raced badly from the 1200m and despite the efforts of its rider to restrain it, improved onto the heels of Master Moving, clipped the heels of that runner and blundered. Trainer Mr N Gardner was advised that a warning would be recorded against the gelding’s racing manners. Mr Gardner advised that he would re-apply ear muffs to the gelding for its next race start.
**Future Time** – Passing the 250m was inconvenienced by Son Of A Fox which laid in. Held up between the 200m and the 100m.

**Aurora Run** – Pulled hard in the early and middle stages.

**Shangani Patrol** – A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding which raced wide throughout, did not reveal any abnormality.

**Lady Mossman** – Rounding the home turn was hampered by Shangani Patrol which was taken out by Upper house (Ms J Taylor) which was directed out when not clear. Ms Taylor was reprimanded (AR137(a)).

**RACE 2: Wilton Logging Co. Maiden Handicap 1400M**

**Gold Touch** – Slow to begin.

**Trust Who** – Slow to begin. Laid out in the straight.

**Moss The Boss** – Hung in in the early part of the straight when it also had difficulty obtaining clear running.

**Gold Touch** – On straightening was checked from the heels of Argyllscoot when disappointed for a run between that runner which was taken out by Miss Bowjangles, and Trust Who. In the incident Trust Who was contacted by by Argyllscoot.

**Graceful Gift** – Raced wide throughout.

**Miss Bowjangles** – Began awkwardly and ran out losing ground (2L).

**RACE 3: PRD Nationwide Bungendore Maiden Handicap 1000M**

**Tunnel Rat** – Made awkward contact with the enclosure gate when being led onto the track en route to the start. Was examined by the club’s veterinary officer upon arrival at the start and was passed fit to start.

**Stars Galawe** – Bumped on jumping with Trapper Tom. Raced wide throughout. Passing the 50m was contacted by Brussels which shifted out.

**Trapper Tom** – Raced wide throughout.

**Kitty Karine** – On jumping was contacted on the hindquarter by Flora Bel which shifted out. Hung out rounding the home turn and raced greenly in the straight.

**Keitaro** – Began very awkwardly, lost ground and was also bumped by Texas Target which shifted out. Rider app R Dolan reported that his mount raced greenly in the straight.

**Texas Target** – Shifted out at the start and bumped Keitaro. Held up briefly on straightening and was shifted out to obtain clear running.
Brussels – Got its head down as the start was effected and lost ground. Held up rounding the home turn and in the early part of the straight. Stewards considered an objection which was lodged by the connections of runner-up Brussels against the winner Rapid Lover alleging interference over the final 100m. On the evidence it was established that passing the 100m Brussels shifted in and soon after was inconvenienced by Rapid Lover which shifted out and was again further inconvenienced passing the 50m when Rapid Lover laid out. However, bearing in mind the minor nature of the interference, the proximity of a portion of the interference to the winning post and the margin of ½ length between the respective runners, as the Stewards could not be satisfied that had the interference not occurred, that Brussels would have finished ahead of Rapid Lover, the objection was dismissed.

Woollahra Lass – Held up for clear running until the 250m.

Flora Bel – Raced greenly in the straight and passing the 200m ran out.

Rapid Lover – Laid out over the final 100m and near the winning post ran out.

**RACE 4: Dale & Hitchcock Civil Engineering & Landscaping Benchmark 60 Handicap 1400M**

Inch Perfect – Slow to begin.

Cop A Nip – Inconvenienced on jumping by Maria Victoria which shifted out. Held up for clear running until the 100m where it then was unable to obtain completely clear running.

Dream Builder – Laid in over the concluding stages where its rider dropped his near reign before regathering it.

Tempers Flare – Raced wide throughout.

Maria Victoria – Near the 1000m Maria Victoria suffered an injury to its off-hind leg and was retired from the race leading to its rider dismounting. Maria Victoria was subsequently humanely euthanised. An arrangement was made for the mare to undergo a necropsy by the Canberra Equine Hospital. The relevant section of track was inspected by Stipendiary Steward Mr C Polglase who reported no areas of concern. After taking evidence from stable foreman Mr C Ashby and rider Ms W Costin, the inquiry was adjourned to a date to be fixed pending the results of the necropsy and for Stewards to obtain veterinary and stable treatment records for Maria Victoria.

Inch Perfect – Near the 1000m had to be checked away from the heels of Maria Victoria and lost ground.

**RACE 5: Earth And Sun Landscaping Benchmark 80 Handicap 1200M**

Mercurial Lad – Raced wide throughout.

Orange Time – A post-race veterinary examination of the mare did not reveal any abnormality.
Following the running of this event the track was upgraded to a Good (3).

**RACE 6: Wardrobe World Maiden Handicap**

**Readabeel** – Slow to begin.

**Secret Copy** – When questioned regarding the performance of the mare, rider N Heywood stated that his mount was stirred up in the barriers prior to the event, did not travel at any stage of the event and disappointed him in its failure to respond to his riding in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination of the mare did not reveal any abnormality.

**RACE 7: TAB Federal Benchmark 65 Handicap**

**Dripping Carats** – Hampered on jumping by Le Sacre Blur which was taken out by Calm And Serene which shifted out.

**Greyfell** – When questioned regarding the performance of the gelding rider S Guymer stated that his mount was slow to begin, settled a little further back than had been intended and whilst it was up in grade it was somewhat disappointing in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality.

**Grasp** – Held up inside the final 100m.

**Stitched Up** – Raced wide until the 1000m.

**RACE 8: Mercedes-Benz Canberra Benchmark 60 Handicap**

**Dangerous Breeding** – Change of tactics; to be ridden with cover; settled behind the leader.

**Vee Eight** – Change of tactics; to be ridden quieter with cover; settled mid-field. Raced in restricted room for some distance passing the 50m due to reliant shifting out.

**Bridyn May** – Laid out over the final 100m.

**Original Prankster** – When questioned regarding the performance of the gelding, rider app Q Yong stated that after bumping on jumping with Tyres Are Crucial he was obliged to make some use of his mount to go forward to take up a share of the lead. He added that his mount travelled keenly in the middle stages but was disappointing in the fashion in which it found the line. A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality.

**Reliant** – Slow to begin.

**Lighthouse** – Slow to begin.

**Summary of whip use:**
Stewards noted the following rider exceeded the permitted strikes of the whip prior to the 100m under AR137A(5)(a)(ii) or on consecutive occasions under AR137A(5)(a)(i). Bearing in mind the totality of whip use, no action was taken.
SWAB SAMPLES:
Swab samples were taken from all winners.

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