

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

Canberra Racing Club Incorporated

THOROUGHBRED PARK

Friday 5 October 2018

Weather: Fine
Track: Good (4)
Rail: Out 3m

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

Supplementary Report

Canberra Friday 21 September 2018

Race 4: Dale & Hitchcock Civil Engineering & Landscaping Benchmark 60 Handicap 1400m

Maria Victoria - Stewards today continued their inquiry into the death of Maria Victoria after it broke down near the 1000m and was subsequently euthanised. Further evidence today was taken from stable foreman and part owner of Maria Victoria Mr C Ashby who also provided the stable veterinary and treatment records for the relevant period for Maria Victoria. A necropsy report conducted by Dr A Willi, Canberra Equine Hospital concluded that Maria Victoria, as a consequence of being galloped on near the 1000m, sustained severe lacerations to the superficial digital flexor tendon and the deep digital flexor tendon. As the Stewards were satisfied that there was no pre-existing injury or condition that may have led or contributed to the injury, the inquiry was concluded.

RACE 1: Racing And Sport Benchmark 55 handicap

1200M

Dexluther – After being loaded, became fractious, kicked out and then broke through the front gates dislodging the near-side gate before galloping a distance prior to be re-captured. Stewards ordered the withdrawal of the gelding at 1:10pm. Stewards ordered that all monies invested on *Dexluther* be refunded in full and further that all successful bets placed with bookmakers prior to 1:10pm be subject to the following deductions in the dollar on the face value of the ticket:

1st: Motime: 7c win and 4c place

2nd: Ultraviolet: 10c place

3rd: Mucker: 12c place

At a subsequent inquiry trainer Mr D Robinson was told that *Dexluther* would be required to barrier trial to the Steward's satisfaction prior to being permitted to race again.

Honour The One – Began awkwardly.

RACE 2: Nexis Accountants & Business Advisors Maiden Plate

1400M

Argyllscoot – Change of tactics: To be ridden more forward; settled back.

Missile Attack – Slow to begin. When questioned regarding the performance of the gelding, rider A Hyeronimus stated that at no stage did his mount travel in a comfortable rhythm during the event. He added that his mount then did not respond to his riding in the straight and also hung in over the concluding stages. A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality.

Gold Touch – Slow to begin. Held up until the 250m.

Shen Gui – Near the 1300m, when racing keenly was restrained from the heels of Graceful Gift (S Pollard) which shifted in when not clear. S Pollard was reprimanded (AR137(a)).

Average Out – Raced wide throughout.

Cook Straight – Held up in the early part of the straight. Rider R Freeman-Key was found guilty of a charge under AR137(b) of having failed to ride her mount out over the concluding stages. Ms Freeman-Key's license to ride in races was suspended for a period to commence on Monday 8 October 2018 and to expire on Wednesday 17 October 2018 on which day she may ride. In assessing penalty Stewards gave consideration to the margin of only a head between her mount which was placed third and Shen Gui which placed second and that her inaction had prejudiced her mount's chances of attaining second placing.

Mini Model – Passing the 300m made contact with Medeus due to both runners shifting ground, when Mini Model was attempting to shift out to obtain clear running to the outside of Graceful Gift.

RACE 3: SKY Racing Racecallers Cup Benchmark 65 Handicap

1600M

Upper House – Began awkwardly resulting in its rider becoming unbalanced.

Attainment – Raced wide until passing the 1000m.

Red Heat - Passing the 1300m when racing keenly had to be restrained and shifted out to avoid the heels of Lost Command.

Lost Command – When questioned regarding the performance of the mare, rider N Heywood stated that his mount travelled well in the early stages however passing the 1000m was under pressure and then did not run on under pressure in the straight and was disappointing. A post-race veterinary examination of the mare did not reveal any abnormality. Trainer Mr R Stubbs advised that the mare would now be sent for a spell.

RACE 4: Carbine Club Of Canberra Maiden Handicap

1200M

Youthful Euphoria – Trainer Mr R Cole was fined the sum of \$50 under AR140B for the late removal of the nose roll from the gelding's racing gear. Mr Cole was also advised that a

warning would be recorded against the gelding after it proved difficult to load. Began awkwardly and ran out losing ground.

Illinois Guru – Slow to begin.

Sweet Pierre – Began awkwardly and lost ground. Rider Ms D Panya was spoken to regarding the use of her whip on her mount when it was out of contention.

El Nieto – Raced wide throughout.

Kitty Karine – Raced wide throughout.

Lady Of Kos – Near the 250m became unbalanced after being bumped heavily by Jersey Rose which, when being eased out across the heels of Kitty Karine to obtain clear running clipped the heels of Kitty Karine which was weakening, blundered and shifted out abruptly. Whilst stewards acknowledged that Kitty Karine had weakened in the incident largely contributing to the incident, rider app R Prest was nevertheless spoken to regarding to allowing sufficient room to be shifting out across the heels of runners.

Cortesta – Was hampered over the concluding stages by Jersey Rose which ran out.

High Street – Passing the 50m was momentarily eased from the heels of Palamedes which laid out under pressure. B Ward was advised to exercise more care. Following the incident High Street hung in in the run to the line and proved difficult to fully test.

Murrage – Passing the 20m was momentarily eased from the heels of Palamedes which continued to lay out under pressure.

Palamedes – Held up for clear running between the 400m and the 300m.

RACE 5: Siren Bar & Restaurant Benchmark 55 Handicap 1400M

Away She Goes – Slow to begin.

The Walrus – Bounded on jumping and lost ground.

Bull Bailey – Pulled hard in the early and middle stages.

Gaelic Bolt – Raced wide throughout.

Alba Gu Brath – Near the 1000m after being crossed by Only Leonnie, commenced to over-race and was shifted out to avoid heels. When questioned, rider app B Owen stated that his mount did not stretch out under pressure in the straight and felt uncomfortable in its action. A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality. Trainer Mr N Olive reported that the gelding had working in a pleasing manner with no issues on the Monday morning following the race.

Cherokee Warrior – After entering the mounting enclosure following the race, the gelding was observed to have stepped short and some time later was then observed to be noticeably lame in the tie-up stall area. Upon being examined by the Club's veterinary officer the gelding was found to be lame in its off-foreleg (grade 4/5). Trainer Mr M Smith was advised that he would be required to provide a veterinary clearance prior to the gelding being permitted to race again.

RACE 6: Cleanway Class 1 & Maiden Plate **2000M**

Satirical Knight – Change of tactics: To be ridden more forward; settled handy. When questioned regarding the disappointing performance of the gelding, rider J Penza stated that his mount came off the bridle rounding the home turn and in his view did not run out today's journey. A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality.

Wee Jasper – As M Travers was unavailable due to transport difficulties, Stewards permitted B Ward to be substituted as the rider of the gelding.

Bingi Striker – Bumped on jumping by Wee Jasper which shifted in.

Street Poll – Slow to begin.

Hilltop Hood – A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality.

Pahruli – Over-raced in the early and middle stages. Held up in the early part of the straight.

RACE 7: TAB Federal – Tony Campbell Memorial Cup **1400M**

Who's Knocking – Rider R Bensley was permitted to ride mount 1/2kg overweight after application was made by the rider declaration closing time. Public notifications were made.

Spunlago – Contacted its off hip on the gate post leaving the mounting enclosure but was subsequently examined by the Club's veterinary officer and passed fit to start.

Bid Of Faith – Contacted its off hip on the gate post leaving the mounting enclosure but was subsequently examined by the Club's veterinary officer and passed fit to start. Raced wide in the early stages.

Bank On Henry – Soon after the start was restrained when crowded by American Time which was taken in by Mercurial Lad (C Reith) which after beginning awkwardly then shifted in. C Reith was advised to exercise more care as he was riding his mount forward at the time and should have made effort to correct his mount. Held up rounding the home turn.

Rinviaata – Bumped with Who's Knocking on jumping due to both runners shifting ground. Held up in the early part of the straight.

Emerald Fortune – Rider S Miller was permitted to ride his mount 1/2kg overweight after application was made by the rider declaration closing time. Public notifications were made. Raced wide throughout.

RACE 8: Happy 70th Birthday Brian Beasley Benchmark 60 Handicap 1000M

Reliant – Got its head down as the start was effected and soon after was bumped by Luxurial which shifted out. Hung in in the straight.

Excitable – Slow to begin.

American Salute – When questioned, rider app R Prest explained that passing the 800m her mount commenced to hang out and passing the 700m when racing neat to the inside of Excitable commenced to hang out more significantly despite her efforts to keep it straight and as a consequence lost ground. She added that whilst her mount continued to hang out until rounding the home turn, once it straightened, it raced tractably from that point on. The Stewards were satisfied with the explanation of app R Prest concerning her mount's racing manners which was supported upon review of the Steward's patrol films. Trainer M Smith was told that a warning would be recorded against the gelding's racing manners. Mr Smith advised that he would now experiment with the gelding's approved gear prior to its next start in a race.

Spirit Force – Was obliged to race very wide throughout.

Bon Anna – Raced wide throughout. Passing the 300m was contacted by Airfree which shifted out.

Luxurial – Had difficulty obtaining clear running in the early part of the straight and near the 250m made contact with Reliant which was laying in when attempting to force a run between that runner and Invincible Dream. Near the 200m was severely checked between Reliant which laid in despite the efforts of its rider and Invincible dream which shifted out and away from Dangerous Breeding after being taken out by that runner which also shifted out after being initially taken out by Living Doll (app P Scorse) which laid out slightly. In the incident whilst it was noted that Living Doll had laid out slightly, rider app P Scorse was advised to exercise more care as, whilst he made some effort to correct his mount, he should have stopped riding altogether to correct his mount's shift.

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.

Race 7	C Reith (Mercurial Lad)	6 strikes prior to the 100m
Race 7	R Bensley (Who's Knocking)	6 strikes prior to the 100m

SWAB SAMPLES:

Swab samples were taken from all winners and Ariake Fire (Race 1) and Missile Attack (Race 2).

SUMMARY	
Fines:	Race 4: Trainer Mr R Cole (Youthful Euphoria) \$50 - AR140B – Late gear change.
Reprimands:	Race 2: S Pollard (Graceful Gift) AR137(a) – careless riding.
Suspensions:	Race 2: Ms R Freeman-Key (Cook Straight) AR137(b) – Failed to rider her mount out to the end of the race. License to ride in races suspended for a period to commence 8/10/18 and to expire on 17/10/18 on which day she may ride.
Warnings:	Race 7: American Salute – Hung out.
Bleeders:	Nil.
Trials:	Race 1: Dxluther – Fractious in barriers and broke through.
Vet Certificates:	Race 5: Cherokee Warrior – Lamé off-foreleg (grade 4/5).
Falls/Injuries:	Nil.
Protests:	Nil.
Follow up:	Nil.
Change of Colours:	Race 7: Bank On Henry – Red, yellow diamond and armbands.
Gear Changes:	Nil.
Disqualifications:	Nil.