

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

Canberra Racing Club Incorporated

THOROUGHBRED PARK

Friday 26 April 2019

Weather: Fine

Track: Soft (5)

Rail: True

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

RIDING CHANGES:

As N. Heywood was indisposed due to aggravating a back injury, Stewards permitted the following riding substitutions:

Race 1:	Never In Doubt (App. B. Owen)
Race 4:	Canberra Tram (App. B. Owen)
Race 6:	Red My Mind (App. B. McDougall)
Race 7:	Show Me The Honey (App. B. McDougall)
Race 8:	Future Time (M. Travers)

RACE 1: XXXX GOLD BENCHMARK 65 HANDICAP

1300M

Emerald Fortune—Began awkwardly.

Never In Doubt—Trainer M. Cattell was fined \$50 for failing to produce the thoroughbred identity card for the gelding (AR65). Shifted out on jumping and made contact with *Quantum Time*, which shifted in.

Palamedes—Laid in under pressure in the straight.

Balonne—Began a little awkwardly and got its head up soon after the start. Raced keenly in the middle stages and near the 1000 metres got its head up when being steadied from the heels of *Quantum Time*. Near the 900 metres was taken wider by *Palamedes*, which commenced to race keenly and shifted out.

Certain Riches—When questioned, App. C. Gravener stated that although the gelding mustered enough speed to lead it never travelled particularly well with her at any stage and never stretched out when asked for an effort in the home straight. A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding revealed no abnormalities. Trainer Ms B. Byrne advised that the gelding would now be spelled.

1st Quantum Time 2nd Balonne 3rd Palamedes 4th Emerald Fortune

RACE 2: TAB.COM.AU BENCHMARK 60 HANDICAP**1600M**

Monte Majura—At the request of rider S. Guymer, the gelding underwent a veterinary examination upon arrival at the barriers. **Monte Majura** was subsequently a late withdrawal on veterinary advice at 1.10 p.m. when it was found to be lame in the near foreleg (2/5). Stewards ordered that all investments on **Monte Majura** be refunded in full and further that all bets with bookmakers placed prior to 1.10 p.m. be subject to the following deductions in the dollar on the face value of the ticket:

1st **Fiscal Policy** 20¢ win, 18¢ place
2nd **Bella Deluxe** 12¢ place
3rd **Biscuit** 26¢ place

Trainer L. Hodgson was advised that a veterinary clearance was required prior to the gelding racing again.

Southern Gamble—Raced keenly in the early stages.

Badge Of Gameness—When questioned, App. B. McDougall stated that whilst his mount travelled satisfactorily in the early and middle stages, it responded only fairly when asked for an effort in the home straight and in his opinion raced flat. A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding revealed no abnormalities. Trainer M. Cattell was at a loss to explain today's performance and undertook to report back to the Stewards on the progress of the gelding in the days subsequent.

Fiscal Policy—Near the 800 metres was steadied off the heels of *Lauriz*. Held up making the home turn.

Burrangong—When questioned concerning his riding of the gelding, App. A. Kajiya stated that in today's event he expected his mount to race towards the rear of the field. He added that in the early stages he attempted to take up a position behind *Bella Deluxe*, however his mount commenced to race keenly and when he was unable to restrain his mount far enough to take up a position behind that runner he was then obliged to race three-wide. He added that his mount then continued to race keenly in the middle stages and whilst it improved quickly to be outside of the leaders at the 800 metres he felt that if he had continued to improve and attempted to cross the leaders *Lauriz* and *Badge Of Gameness* those runners would have increased the tempo and for this reason he elected to keep hold of his mount to allow it an opportunity to finish off its race in the straight. App. A. Kajiya was spoken to concerning allowing his mount to shift out making the home turn which afforded *Fiscal Policy* a clear run to his inside. App. Kajiya was advised that in future he must endeavour to hold his line making the home turn and ride in a more competitive manner.

Lauriz—When questioned concerning the performance of the mare, M. Travers stated that the mare never travelled particularly well at any stage of the event and furthermore was inclined to lay out from the 600 metres whereby it failed to respond to his riding in the home straight. A post-race veterinary examination of the mare revealed no abnormalities.

1st Fiscal Policy 2nd Bella Deluxe 3rd Burrangong 4th Biscuit

RACE 3: NCG SERVICES CLASS 1 HANDICAP (SCALED -0.5KG)**1200M**

Secret Diamond—Passing the 1000 metres was hampered by *Sweet Temptations*, which became awkward on the heels of *Harvest Dream* and shifted out abruptly.

Away She Goes—As the start was effected the mare got its head up, began awkwardly and lost ground (3L). Trainer L. Pepper was advised that a warning would be recorded against the mare's barrier manners.

Hardspot—When questioned, App. B. Owen stated that whilst the mare travelled well in the early stages his mount was under pressure to hold position from as far out as the 600 metres when it compounded in the home straight. A post-race veterinary examination of the mare revealed no abnormalities. Trainer Mr D. Blundell was advised that the mare, which was beaten 27 lengths must barrier trial to the satisfaction of Stewards prior to racing again. Mr Blundell advised that the mare would now be spelled.

Maxbux—Slipped behind on jumping.

1st Wyendra 2nd Metralla 3rd Maxbux 4th Secret Diamond

RACE 4: AUSSIE NIGHT MARKETS MAIDEN HANDICAP**1300M**

Canberra Tram—Trainer N. Osborne was fined \$50 for the late application to add blinkers to the gelding's approved gear (AR206(2)).

Aurora Run—Began awkwardly. When questioned, App. B. McDougall stated that he was instructed to attempt to ride the mare with cover first up today, however when his mount began a little awkwardly and when it became apparent he was unable to obtain cover and he would be caught wide he allowed his mount to stride forward and settle outside the lead near the 1000 metres. He added that his mount then travelled a little keenly in the run and peaked on its run prior to the line and he felt it would derive benefit from today's run. B. McDougall added that in his opinion the mare would be better suited ridden with cover. A post-race veterinary examination of the mare revealed no abnormalities. Trainer K. Dryden concurred with the thoughts of B. McDougall in that the mare had raced too keenly without cover and he would now consider dropping the mare back in trip at its next start where it would have a chance to settle.

Breath Of Wind—Began awkwardly and lost ground.

Arizona Belle—Slow to begin.

Bob's Angel—Had difficulty obtaining completely clear running until near the 200 metres and was then inclined to lay in under pressure thereafter.

Four Beers Please—Making the turn near the 1000 metres the filly got its head up when being steadied to obtain cover behind *Assault'n'bathory*.

Miss Bitola—Change of tactics: to be ridden further back; settled back.

1st Assault'n'bathory 2nd Spanish Rain 3rd Bob's Angel 4th Miss Bitola

RACE 5: SCHWEPPE MAIDEN HANDICAP

1000M

Dirty Littlesecret—The gelding which became fractious in the barrier stalls and lunged forward before sitting down and becoming cast was a late scratching on veterinary advice at 3.08 p.m. **Vol Prive**, which was in the adjoining stall and was contacted on multiple occasions by **Dirty Littlesecret** was also a late withdrawal on veterinary advice at 3.08 p.m. Stewards ordered that all investments on **Dirty Littlesecret** and **Vol Prive** be refunded in full and further that all bets with bookmakers placed prior to 3.08 p.m. be subject to the following deductions in the dollar on the face value of the ticket:

1st 16¢ win, 13¢ place
2nd 14¢ place
3rd 17¢ place

Trainer Mr J. Pride was advised that **Dirty Littlesecret** must barrier trial to the Stewards' satisfaction prior to racing again.

Guiltless—As B. Spriggs was indisposed for personal reasons, Stewards permitted App. B. McDougall to be substituted as the rider of the gelding. Began awkwardly and lost ground.

Bonitas—Laid in under pressure in the straight and close to the line was awkwardly placed close to the heels of *Pisa My Heart*.

Pisa My Heart—Raced greenly under pressure in the straight and was inclined to lay out.

Icevovo—Laid in under pressure in the early part of the straight.

Persepolis—Slow to begin.

Jellambi—Raced wide throughout. Laid in under pressure in the straight.

1st Persepolis 2nd Pisa My Heart 3rd Bonitas 4th Foxy Jan

RACE 6: ELVIN GROUP BENCHMARK 55 HANDICAP

2000M

Red My Mind—Change of tactics: to be ridden behind the speed with cover; settled off pace. Making the home turn the gelding became awkwardly placed close to the heels of *Ten Tigers* and shifted in resulting in the gelding making contact with *Orsippus*.

The Potato Pontiff—Making the home turn became badly held up behind the weakening *Whisky'n'Diamonds* and was awkwardly placed for some distance. Laid in under pressure in the home straight.

Isadora Twinkle—Was held up making the home turn.

Whisky'n'Diamonds—Change of tactics: rider given the option to be more forward from a wide gate; led. When questioned concerning the performance of the gelding, App. B. Owen stated that whilst he had to make some use of the gelding from his wide gate in the early stages his mount raced a little keenly, however settled once he reached the back straight. He added that his mount was under pressure from as far out as the 600 metres and it compounded in the home straight. App. Owen added that in his opinion his mount had raced too keenly and was unable to finish off its race particularly as it was racing over 2000 metres today with the blinkers applied. A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding revealed no abnormalities. Trainer Mr M. Dale stated it would now be his intention to remove the blinkers and drop the gelding back in distance at its next race start. The Stewards ruled that the gelding, which was beaten 23 lengths today, must barrier trial to the satisfaction of Stewards prior to racing again. Trainer M. Dale reported that on return to his stables the gelding was found to have abraded both its hind bumpers.

Orithyia—Raced keenly in the early stages. When questioned concerning the performance of the mare, App. C. Gravener stated that as her mount has a tendency to race keenly in the early stages she immediately took hold of her mount out of the gates, however the mare immediately commenced to pull hard and furthermore was obliged to race wide. When questioned concerning her riding making the first turn and as to why she did not allow her mount to stride forward and cross *Jeddah Aheadah* and *Red My Mind*, which would have afforded her a position closer to the rail, App. Gravener stated she was mindful of her mount's racing manners in that it was inclined to race keenly and was concerned if she had allowed it to stride forward it would have raced more fiercely and for this reason attempted to restrain her mount and hold its position. App. Gravener was advised that in the opinion of Stewards she had erred in not allowing her mount to stride forward making the first turn which would have afforded her a position closer to the rail. A post-race veterinary examination of the mare revealed no abnormalities. Trainer R. Potter advised that the mare would now be freshened up prior to racing again.

Ten Tigers—Began awkwardly. Pulled hard in the early and middle stages. Raced wide.

Eden Vale—Near the 1400 metres was steadied away from the heels of *Jeddah Aheadah*. Held up making the home turn.

Honorary Miss—R. Bensley was permitted to ride the mare half a kilogram over its declared weight in accordance with the overweight policy.

Alla Capella—Slow to begin.

Orsippus—Was obliged to race wide and without cover until the 1100 metres.

1st Eden Vale 2nd Jeddah Aheadah 3rd Red My Mind 4th Isadora Twinkle

RACE 7: TAB FEDERAL – BENCHMARK 70 HANDICAP

1000M

Dolly's Due—Began awkwardly. Was held up and could not obtain completely clear running until approaching the 150 metres.

Koorungal Star—Change of tactics: to be ridden further back; settled back.

Exaggerate—Raced wide without cover throughout.

Critical Touch—Laid in under pressure in the straight. Raced very wide without cover throughout.

Dangerous Breeding—For some distance after the start raced tight between *Nobody's Puppet* and *Critical Touch*, which laid in. For some distance passing the 200 metres raced in restricted room between *Critical Touch* and *Nobody's Puppet*. A short distance after had to be steadied when briefly tightened by *Nobody's Puppet*, which shifted out and away from *Exaggerate*, which shifted out slightly. The gelding was then held up and could not obtain completely clear running until near the 50 metres. Raced wide without cover throughout.

Nobody's Puppet—On jumping was hampered by *Dangerous Breeding*, which shifted in. Near the 50 metres was bumped by *Exaggerate*, which was contacted by *Dolly's Due*, which laid out before being corrected by its rider. Raced wide without cover throughout.

Our Finvarra—Was held up and did not obtain completely clear running until passing the 100 metres.

Zambada—Slow to begin.

1st Show Me The Honey 2nd Our Finvarra 3rd Dolly's Due 4th Star Of The Clan

RACE 8: CAPITAL TROPHIES & SPORTSWEAR CLASS 1 & MAIDEN PLATE 1600M

Denver—The gelding was a late scratching on veterinary advice at 7.53 a.m. when it was found to be lame in front. Trainer N. Osborne was advised that a veterinary clearance is required prior to the gelding racing again.

Ethnicity—Raced keenly in the early stages.

Future Time—Pulled hard throughout the early and middle stages. Laid in under pressure in the straight and near the 50 metres had to be eased after laying in towards the heels of *Ethnicity*.

Stolen Gift—After being slow to begin was steadied when crowded soon after the start between *Patee Cat* and *Future Time*, both of which shifted ground.

Pahruli—Began awkwardly. Had difficulty obtaining completely clear running until near the 200 metres.

Visavis—Change of tactics: to be more forward and attempt to lead; settled worse than mid-field. Began awkwardly, made contact with *Ethnicity* and lost ground. Laid in under pressure in the straight and proved difficult to ride out.

1st Pahruli 2nd Tribbiani 3rd Pinetti 4th Ethnicity

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) or on consecutive occasions under AR137A(5)(a)(i). Bearing in mind the totality of whip use, no action was taken.

Race 3:	B. Murphy (Sweet Temptations)	7 strikes prior to the 100m
Race 6:	S. Guymer (Eden Vale)	6 strikes prior to the 100m
Race 6:	J. Taylor (Jeddah Aheadah)	7 strikes prior to the 100m

SWAB SAMPLES:

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

Race 1: Never in Doubt

SUMMARY	
Warnings:	Race 3: Away She Goes —warning—barrier manners.
Fines:	Race 1: Trainer M. Cattell fined \$50 (AR65). Race 4: Trainer N. Osborne fined \$50 (AR206(2)).
Reprimands:	Nil.
Suspensions:	Nil.
Bleeders:	Nil.
Trials:	Race 3: Hardspot —to barrier trial—poor performance. Race 5: Dirty Littlesecret to barrier trial—barrier manners. Race 6: Whisky’n’Diamonds —to barrier trial—poor performance.
Vet Certificates:	Race 2: Monte Majura —veterinary clearance—lame near foreleg. Race 8: Denver —veterinary clearance—lame in front.
Falls/Injuries:	Nil.
Protests:	Nil.
Follow up:	Nil.
Change of Colours:	Nil.
Gear Changes:	Nil.
Disqualifications:	Nil.