

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

Canberra Racing Club Incorporated

THOROUGHBRED PARK

(Acton)

Wednesday 3 July 2019

Weather: Fine
Track: Synthetic
Rail: True

J D Walshe (Chairman), C G Polglase & T J Vassallo (Stewards), D Riches (Starter), P Selmes (Assistant Starter), K Head (Swab), L Milton (Scales) J Huet (Judge) Dr A Willi (Veterinarian).

As K Latham was indisposed, Stewards permitted the following riding substitutions:

Race 5	Drifter – C Lever
Race 6	Caribbean Kisses – G Buckley

RACE 1: Geocon Class 1 & Maiden Plate **1900M**

Confident Lad – Rider N Heywood was permitted to ride his mount 1/2kg over in accordance with the overweight policy.

Apache Rush – Knuckled on jumping.

Champagne Rush – Pulled hard in the early and middle stages. Passing the 850m was restrained when crowded for room by Chief Of Arlington (app Ms A McLucas) which shifted in momentarily before being corrected. In the incident Champagne Rush was taken in onto Apache Rush which was hampered. App Ms A McLucas was advised to exercise more care. Passing the 750m after initially being taken out by Apache Rush (S Guymer), soon after had to be checked when improving close to the heels of Chief Of Arlington. In all circumstances, S Guymer was advised to exercise more care.

Old Trafford – Pulled hard in the early and middle stages.

Chief Of Arlington – When questioned regarding the tactics adopted, rider app Ms A McLucas stated that in pre-race discussions with the trainer, it was decided that as the gelding has a tendency to pull hard, that she was to attempt to obtain cover behind the leaders to assist in attempting to settle the gelding. She added that passing the winning post on the first occasion, after obtaining cover behind Imanacheeva, when her mount commenced to pull hard and she was awkwardly positioned too close to the heels of that runner, the gelding was shifted out and remained racing three wide for the remainder of the race. In the presence of Mr J Whitney, Training Officer Racing NSW, Ms McLucas was told

that in the middle stages and particularly as the tempo was only moderate, she should have allowed her mount to stride forward to obtain a position closer to the rail, rather than remain racing three wide.

Apache Rush – Hampered by Champagne Rush passing the 850m.

RACE 2: John McGrath Auto Group 2YO Handicap **1206M**

Fever Tree – Rider N Heywood was permitted to ride his mount 1/2kg over in accordance with the overweight policy.

Casino Time – Rider R Bensley was permitted to ride his mount 1/2kg over in accordance with the overweight policy. Slow to begin. When questioned regarding the apparent improved performance of the gelding, trainer Mr G Vella stated that the gelding had been slow to begin and getting too far back in its races. He said today that he had instructed his rider to attempt to have the gelding begin well and importantly to continually niggle his mount throughout, which he did, and despite racing wide, was subsequently advantaged by racing closer.

Heat Is On – Slow to begin. Raced wide throughout.

Tiz War Bro – Bumped on jumping.

Allied Invasion – Bumped on jumping.

Vulpes – Shifted in on jumping and bumped Allied Invasion.

War Ready – Raced wide throughout.

Enraged – Had some difficulty obtaining clear running until passing the 200m. Rider G Buckley reported that after subsequently securing clear running, his mount did not let down and was somewhat disappointing. A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality.

Rocketing To Win – Did not obtain clear running rounding the home turn nor at any time during the straight and consequently went to the line untested.

Fever Tree – Over-raced in the early and middle stages.

RACE 3: Sears Workwear Class 1 Handicap **1280M**

Abraded – Slow to begin. Trainer Mr P Stanley was told that the gelding, which suffered a bleeding attack on the first occasion, would incur the mandatory three month ban from racing under the provisions of AR79(4).

Yesteryear – Bumped on jumping by We Could Be Heroes which shifted out.

Successful Day – Raced three wide throughout.

RACE 4: TAB Benchmark 65 Handicap**1750M**

Tyres Are Crucial - Rider N Heywood was permitted to ride his mount 1/2kg over in accordance with the overweight policy. Began awkwardly.

Cryfowl – Bumped on jumping.

Grasp – Bumped on jumping.

Pinch Passion – Began awkwardly, shifted out and bumped Grasp.

Gold Touch – Over-raced in the early stages.

Bid Of Faith – After the 150m was restrained from the heels of Gold Touch (app T Schiller) which shifted out abruptly. Nevertheless, app T Schiller was advised to exercise more care in that he should have stopped riding his mount and made effort to correct it.

RACE 5: XXXX Gold Maiden Handicap**1080M**

Sofalasogood – As Ms K Adams was indisposed, Stewards permitted M Travers to be substituted as the rider of the mare.

Hasty Minx – Began awkwardly.

Pip's Time - Bumped on jumping by Drifter which shifted out.

Drifter – Shifted out on jumping and bumped Pip's Time. Raced wide throughout.

Capital Rush – Began awkwardly. Over-raced in the early and middle stages.

Chandon Kisses – Dislodged its rider app A Kajiya prior to leaving the mounting enclosure, made contact with a gate post and after being examined by the veterinary officer, was passed fit to start. App A Kajiya took no harm from the incident. Raced wide throughout.

Secret Work – When questioned, rider G Buckley stated that his mount did not respond to his riding and was disappointing in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination of the filly did not reveal any abnormality.

RACE 6: Seppelt Salinger Maiden Handicap**1280M**

Bonitas – Began awkwardly and shifted out.

Florida Girl – Taken out at the start.

Bold Attack – Was crowded on jumping.

Katatonic – Crowded on jumping. Over-raced in the middle stages. Held up until passing the 300m where it was shifted out to obtain clear running.

Bullet Master – Raced wide throughout.

Canberra Tram – Passing the 200m was contacted by Port Of Jeddah which laid out.

RACE 7: Tab Federal – Benchmark 70 Handicap 1280M

Our Finvarra – Was a late withdrawal at 8:07am due to the observation of the gelding having a nasal discharge and to be coughing.

Black Dragon – Rider A Layt reported that his mount made a respiratory noise in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding also revealed it to be making a respiratory noise. Trainer Mr P Facoor was told that he must provide the results of an endoscopic examination of the gelding to Stewards before consideration would be given to the gelding racing again.

RACE 8: Canprint Communications Benchmark 60 Handicap 1080M

Luga Lad – Slow to begin.

Ballista – Slow to begin.

Olifants – Raced wide throughout.

Ticked Off – When questioned regarding the performance of the mare, rider app T Schiller stated that his mount over-raced when obliged to race wide throughout, and as a consequence weakened over the final 200m. A post-race veterinary examination of the mare did not reveal any abnormality.

Ruby Red Heart – Rider M Cahill returned to scale 1/2kg underweight but was deemed to have made weight under the provisions of AR209(2)(a). At a subsequent inquiry, M Cahill was unable to offer any explanation for the discrepancy in his weight. M Cahill was told that he must be vigilant with his weight in future to avoid a repetition.

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). Bearing in mind the totality of whip use, no action was taken.

Race 3	S Guymer (Jellies)	6 strikes prior to the 100m
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SWAB SAMPLES:

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

Race 1: Chief Of Arlington, Opposite

Race 2: Enraged, Tiz War Bro

Race 3: Cosimo, Jellies

SUMMARY	
Fines:	Nil.
Reprimands:	Nil.
Suspensions:	Nil.

Warnings:	Nil.
Bleeders:	Race 3: Abraded – Suffered bleeding attack (1 st occasion and incurs mandatory three month ban from racing).
Trials:	Nil.
Vet Certificates:	Race 7: Black Dragon – Respiratory Noise (Endoscopic examination).
Falls/Injuries:	Nil.
Protests:	Nil.
Follow up:	Nil.
Gear Changes:	Nil.
Disqualifications:	Nil.