

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

Canberra Racing Club Incorporated

THOROUGHBRED PARK

Sunday 8 March 2020

Weather: Overcast and late shower during Race 8.

Track: Soft (6)

Rail: + 3m entire

J D Walshe (Chairman), J A Dinopoulos, S Knight, T J Vassallo (Stewards), D Riches (Starter), P Selmes (Assistant Starter), K Head (Swab), L Milton (Scales) J Dorrington (Judge), Dr A Willi , Dr C Garling & Dr R Walshe (Veterinarians).

RACE 1: Seears Workwear Handicap 1200m

Terra Reign – Change of tactics: To be ridden more forward from its wide draw; settled outside the leader Concrete.

Polyxena – Stewards considered an objection lodged by H Bowman rider of the mare which was placed second against Terra Reign which was declared the winner alleging interference from the 300m and until near the 200m. On the evidence it was established that after the 300m Polyxena commenced to improve to the outside of Terra Reign and soon after laid in slightly and was inconvenienced as Terra Reign simultaneously shifted out slightly. Bearing in mind the minor nature of the interference attributable to Terra Reign, the margin of a neck between the runners and the manner in which Polyxena ran to the line, Stewards could not be satisfied that had the interference not occurred that Polyxena would have finished ahead of Terra Reign and therefore the protest was dismissed and correct weight declared on the Judge's placings.

Emerald Fortune – Lunged forward and made contact with the front gates just prior to the start being effected.

Our Volantis – A post-race veterinary examination revealed the mare to have a poor recovery rate. Trainer Mr T Smart was told that a veterinary clearance would be required prior to the mare's next start in a race.

RACE 2: Seppelt Plate Handicap 2000m

Sciconic – Change of tactics: To be ridden more prominently; settled mid-field. Began awkwardly. Near the 1600m after being crossed by Dip Me Lid, got its head up and hung out resulting in Casino Time being taken wider.

Casino Time – Passing the 1600m was taken wider by Sciconic which shifted out. Laid in over the final 100m.

Sacramento – Laid out over the final 50m.

RACE 3: Canprint Communications Handicap 1400m

Fusca – Slow to begin.

Elkano – Was a little slow to begin.

Speed Hero – Trainer Mr J Coyle represented by Ms A Double was fined the sum of \$50 under AR65 for failing to produce the Thoroughbred Identity Card for the gelding.

Upper House – Passing the 1250m was inconvenienced and taken in by Waldo Waldorf (M Cahill) which shifted in when not clear. M Cahill was advised to exercise more care.

Waldo Waldorf – When questioned rider M Cahill stated that he was instructed to ride his mount aggressively as it performs more genuinely ridden in that fashion. He added in the early stages when Echo Lad and Mookareena showed intent to lead, he attempted to restrain however his mount was racing too keenly to come back. He added that near the 1000m he attempted to improve forward with a view to crossing, however when the tempo increased he was unable to do so and remained trapped three wide throughout.

RACE 4: TAB Federal Riharna Thompson Memorial Handicap 1200m

Mark's Kingdom – Slow to begin. Rider T Berry reported that his mount hung in throughout the event. A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality other than it being noted that the gelding lost its off-hind plate.

Boom And Zoom – Slow to begin.

Scarleo – Crowded soon after the start by Mossy Oak which shifted out.

Overfly – A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality. Trainer Mr K Dryden was advised that a warning would be recorded against the gelding which was uncompetitive having been beaten 20L.

Antonio – A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to have lost off-fore plate and to have swelling to its near-fore common extensor tendon and have associated lameness to that leg (grade 3/5). Trainer Mr G Kirkup advised that the gelding would now be spelled following treatment and was told that he would be required to provide a veterinary clearance prior to the gelding also being required to barrier trial prior to its being permitted to race again.

Zelago – Raced wide throughout.

Hygieia – R Bensley was fined the sum of \$200 under AR211(1) for returning to scale 600 grams over the weight it was required to carry.

RACE 5: Affinity Constructions Australia Quality Open Sprint 1000m

Divi – Trainer Mr T Smart was fined the sum of \$100 under LR36 for failing to scratch the mare by the prescribed time when it was withdrawn at 7:34am.

Rare Episode – When questioned, rider C Reith reported that his mount weakened inside the final 200m which he attributed to his mount having six weeks between runs having last raced at Randwick on 25 January 2020. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to be lame in its off-foreleg (grade 1/5). Trainer Mr B Widdup was told that a veterinary clearance would be required prior to the gelding being permitted to race again.

Handle The Truth – Raced wide throughout.

Jungleized – Raced wide throughout.

Mossman Gorge – Held up in the early part of the straight.

Wagner – When questioned regarding the performance of the gelding, rider H Bowman stated that his mount travelled well in the early and middle stages, however when placed under pressure did not respond to his riding and was disappointing in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality.

RACE 6: Geocon National Sprint 1400m

Levee Bank – Slow to begin.

Sausedge – A little slow to begin and contacted soon after by Sir Bacchus which was taken out by Travancore which in turn was taken out by Mercurial Lad which shifted out.

No Escape – Raced three-wide throughout.

Mercurial Lad – Passing the 1250m improved onto the heels of Cuba when travelling very strongly and had to be shifted to the inside of that runner to avoid its heels.

Sir Bacchus – Over-raced in the early and middle stages.

RACE 7: John McGrath Auto Group Black Opal Stakes 1200m

Cellsabeel – Was examined by Racing NSW Chief Veterinarian Dr T Koenig at 7:00am and passed fit to start with synthetic hoof filler applied to the filly's off-fore hoof. Passing the 500m improved onto the heels of Barbaric and had to be restrained. Stewards considered an objection lodged by the connections of the filly which was placed third against Barbaric which

was declared the winner alleging interference passing the 300m. On the evidence it was established that passing the 300m Obligatory which initially laid in, was corrected by its rider M Dee after initially laying in and consequently shifted out slightly resulting in Barbaric, which was commencing to improve to the outside of that runner being taken out and making contact with Cellsabeel which was unbalanced. As the interference suffered by Cellsabeel could not be attributed to Barbaric but rather was caused by Obligatory in the opinion of the Stewards, the protest was dismissed and correct weight was declared on the Judge's placings. At a subsequent inquiry M Dee (Obligatory) was advised to exercise more care.

Return With Honour – Change of tactics: To be ridden off the speed; settled back. Held up rounding the home turn and in the early part of the straight. Was held up for some distance passing the 200m. Held up over the final 50m.

Mr Maharaj – Slow to begin.

Tamerlane – Slow to begin.

RACE 8: PDF Food Services Handicap 1000m

An inquiry will be conducted into a member of the public entering the course proper during the running of Race 8 with the person's details also forwarded onto the Australian Federal Police for their investigation of the incident.

Redicon – As A Layt was unavailable due to personal commitments Stewards permitted R King to be substituted as the rider. Raced wide throughout.

Loco Motion Lass – Ran out at the start. Passing the 150m.

Always Roses – After being loaded, became fractious and was then cast in its barrier stall before being released and was a late scratching on veterinary advice at 5:51pm after also sustaining lacerations to its near foreleg. Stewards ordered that all monies invested on Always Roses be refunded in full and further that all successful bets placed with bookmakers prior to 5:51pm be subject to the following deductions in the dollar on the face value of the ticket:

1st: Shores Of Avalon: 16c win and 17c place

2nd: Eltham Palace: 10c place

3rd: Exotic Deel: 13c place

Trainer Ms C Cunningham was told that the filly would be required to barrier trial prior to being permitted to race again.

Swabs:

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

Race 1: Concrete, Polyxena

Race 2: Dip Me Lid, Casino Time, Sacramento, Our Volantis

Race 3: Fusca, Mookarena

Race 4: Antonio

Race 5: Handle The Truth, Wagner

Race 6: Ken's Dream, Sir Bacchus, Cuba, No Escape, Sausage, Mercurial Lad

Race 7: Return With Honour, Barbaric, Aftermath, Spicy Restaurant, Cellsabeel, Lady Of Luxury

Race 8: Always Roses, Exotic Deel

| SUMMARY | |
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| Fines: | Race 3: Trainer Mr J Coyle (Speed Hero) (AR65) \$50 – No TIC. Race 4: R Bensley (Hygieia) (AR211(1)) \$200 – Return to scale overweight. Race 5: Trainer Mr T Smart (Divi) (LR35) \$100 – Fail scratch prescribed time. |
| Reprimands: | Nil. |
| Suspensions: | Nil. |
| Bleeders: | Nil. |
| Warnings: | Race 4: Overfly – Uncompetitive (beaten 20L). |
| Trials: | Race 4: Antonio – Swelling near-fore tendon and associated lameness (grade 3/5). Race 8: Always Roses – Fractious in barriers and cast (late scr). |
| Vet Certificates: | Race 1: Our Volantis – Poor recovery. Race 4: Antonio – Swelling near-fore tendon and associated lameness (grade 3/5). Race 5: Rare Epsisode – Lameness off-foreleg (grade 1/5). |
| Falls/Injuries: | Nil. |
| Change of Colours: | Race 4: Zelago – Red, yellow diamond and armbands. Race 7: Barbaric – White cap. |
| Follow up: | Nil. |