

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

Canberra Racing Club Incorporated

THOROUGHBRED PARK

Friday 3 April 2020

Weather: Showers

Track: Heavy (8)

Rail: Out 7m

J D Walshe (Chairman), J A Dinopoulos, J Whitney (Stewards), D Riches (Starter), P Selmes (Assistant Starter), J Turner (Swab), L Milton (Scales) J Dorrington (Judge) Dr C Carling (Veterinarian).

RACE 1: XXXX Gold Plate 1300m

Scarleo – Trainer Mr K Dryden was told that a warning would be recorded against the gelding which proved difficult to load.

Mr Dreamy – Knuckled on jumping.

Inland Retreat – Laid in passing the 150m.

RACE 2: John McGrath Auto Group Handicap 1600m

War Deck – Slow to begin. When questioned regarding the performance of the gelding, rider Ms K Nisbet stated that near the 1200m she rode her mount forward to keep in touch with the leaders and as a consequence until the 800m was trapped three-wide. She added that her mount was nevertheless disappointing and in her view was not comfortable on the heavy track conditions. A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality.

Southern Gamble – Passing the 300m was briefly tightened by Gottaluvtrucks which laid in under pressure before being corrected by its rider.

RACE 3: Canprint Communications Plate 1600m

Rent A Rock – When questioned regarding the performance of the gelding, rider M Cahill stated that whilst his mount was obliged to race three wide throughout it was nevertheless disappointing in that it was under pressure from the 700m and did not respond to his riding at any stage thereafter. A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality.

RACE 4: Seppelt Handicap 1000m**Diamond Affair** – Slow to begin.**Full Of Fire** – Began awkwardly and shifted in.

Ghost Town – When questioned, rider C Lever stated that on jumping away his mount got its head up, ran in and lost ground. He added that in his view his mount may have resented its cross over-noseband, which had to be loosened and re-applied at the barrier to accommodate the re-fitting of its tongue-tie, which it dislodged in the mounting enclosure prior to the race. He added that when his mount continued to lay in in the early stages he could not place his mount under pressure until the 600m however it not respond at any stage thereafter. A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality. Trainer Mr D Williams stated that he typically applied the cross-over noseband loosely to the gelding and he said that when the gelding returned following the race he observed the cross-over noseband had been more tightly applied due to the re-fitting of the tongue-tie to the gelding at the start, which in his view resulted the gelding resenting the cross-over noseband. Mr Williams added that he would now remove the cross-over noseband from the gelding's gear for its next start in a race. Mr Williams was nevertheless told that the gelding would be required to barrier trial to the Steward's satisfaction prior to being permitted to race again.

Gambler's Quest – Raced wide throughout.**RACE 5: Hygain Handicap 1000m****Miss Antares** – Slow to begin.**Acton Shale** – Slow to begin.

Nobody's Puppet – Began awkwardly and soon after was bumped by Powerscourt which shifted out.

Powerscourt – Shifted out on jumping and bumped Nobody's Puppet.**Olifants** – Raced three-wide throughout.**RACE 6: TAB Federal Handicap 1300m**

Flora Bel - Dipped on jumping. When questioned regarding the disappointing performance of the mare, rider B Ward stated that his mount travelled well until passing the 450m and at this point commenced to shorten stride and did not stretch out for the remainder of the race and because of this he formed the view that there may be something amiss with his mount. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the mare to be lame in its near-fore (grade 2/5). Trainer Mr N Gardner was told that he would be required to provide a veterinary clearance prior to the mare being permitted to race again.

Black Wand – Slow to begin.

Terra Reign – Slow to begin and raced three wide throughout.

Bellegano – Raced three wide throughout.

Bart – Began awkwardly and made contact with its near-side gate.

RACE 7: TAB Long We Play Handicap 1300m

Idee – Trainer Mr G Vella was fined the sum of \$50 under AR106 for presenting the gelding in the mounting enclosure without its blinkers. Began awkwardly.

Austreet – M Cahill was fined the sum of \$200 under AR132(7)(a)(i) for using his whip on five consecutive occasions prior to the 100m.

Gossip – Slow to begin (2L).

Propose To Me – Slow to begin (2L). Raced wide throughout. Rider A Sweeney was reminded of his obligations to ride his mounts out fully to the end of the race.

Swabs:

Swab samples were obtained from all winners:

SUMMARY	
Fines:	Race 7: Trainer Mr G Vella (Idee) (AR106) \$50 – Incorrect gear.
Reprimands:	Nil.
Suspensions:	Nil.
Bleeders:	Nil.
Warnings:	Race 1: Scarleo – Proved difficult to load.
Trials:	Race 4: Ghost Town – Intractable early stages and lost ground.
Vet Certificates:	Race 6: Bella Flora – Lamé near-foreleg (grade 2/5).
Falls/Injuries:	Nil.
Change of Colours:	Race 7: Idee – White cap.
Follow up:	Nil.

