

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

Canberra Racing Club Incorporated

THOROUGHBRED PARK

(Acton Track)

Friday 18 June 2021

Weather: Overcast

Track: Synthetic

Rail: True

J D Walshe (Chairman), K E Blanch & C G Polglase (Stewards), D Riches (Starter), J Turner (Assistant Starter), K Head (Swab), L Milton (Scales) J Dorrington (Judge) Dr J Saltet (Veterinarian).

RACE 1: John McGrath Auto Group Handicap 1206m

Peregrination – Was a little slow of begin.

RACE 2: Belconnen Magpies Football Club 1080m

Onya Lionel – Trainer Mr G Vella was fined the sum of \$100 under AR206(2) for failing to declare blinkers on the gelding after the gelding had had its only barrier trial in that gear and was required to wear that gear in today's race. Slow to begin. On return to scale rider N Heywood reported that his mount was inclined to hang out when it was obliged to race wide throughout.

Bridled Love – Slow to begin. Passing the 150m hung in behind the heels of Destiny's Republic. Passing the 50m reacted and shifted in when struck by the whip of its rider.

Ella Amelia – Slow to begin. Held up passing the 350m. Over the final 50m raced in restricted room when improving into a narrow run between La Mia Via and Mandalong Superb.

Mandalong Superb – When questioned regarding the filly leading today, rider Ms K Nisbet stated that she was under no specific instructions to lead but was told to make her mount begin well and when trapped wide early she pressed forward to obtain the lead. Trainer Mr D Nickson stated that the instructions were consistent with those issued last start, being to be ridden just of the speed, however if there was no early speed she was given the option to lead.

Maybe Nix – Slow to begin.

Lenny's Lad – Raced three-wide without cover.

RACE 3: TAB Long May We Play Plate 1280m

Flying Grace – Trainer Mr R Litt was fined the sum of \$100 under LR35 for the late declaration of Ms K Nisbet as the rider of the filly. When questioned regarding the performance of the filly, rider Ms K Nisbet stated that her mount did not travel at any stage of the event and was most disappointing. Trainer Mr Litt advised that in his view the filly had not appreciated today's synthetic surface. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the filly to have a slow recovery rate.

Iconically – When questioned, rider J Mallyon stated that when trapped wide in the early to middle stages, he rode forward with a view of crossing Papaver Miner, but when the rider of that runner rode forward to maintain her position, his mount remained racing wide and working hard which resulted in it weakening in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the filly to have a slow recovery rate.

Papaver Miner – Raced wide throughout.

Friday Liberty – Slow to begin.

Oahu Gaze – Ms K Nisbet (*Flying Grace*) pleaded guilty to a charge of careless riding under AR131(a) in that near the 900m she permitted her mount to shift in when insufficiently clear of Oahu Gaze which lost its rightful running and had to be checked. Ms K Nisbet's license to ride in races was suspended for a period to commence on Sunday 27 June 2021 and to expire on Tuesday 6 July 2021 on which day she may ride.

Mickeyrats – Over-raced in the early and middle stages. Leaving the 300m was held up on the heels of Philomena and had to be shifted out.

RACE 4: Queanbeyan Kangaroos Seniors Plate 1900m

Pride Of Kalaru – Began only fairly.

Tan Line – Slow to begin.

London Marathon – Raced wide in the middle stages.

Lady For A Knight – Over-raced in the early to middle stages and passing the 1200m was restrained from the heels of Veloraad.

Epizeel – Rider S Guymer was fined the sum of \$500 under AR132(7)(a)(ii) for using his whip on ten occasions prior to the 100m, five more times than is permitted under the Rule.

Saint Henry – Approaching and passing the 1200m got its head up when over-racing and when it was being restrained from the heels of Lady For A Knight. When questioned, rider B Ward stated that he was instructed to lead. He added that his mount was slow to begin and then slow to muster despite being ridden along early and consequently settled much further back than intended and then over-raced in the early and middle stages.

Following the running of this race, and after several riders expressed issues with worsening visibility due to kickback in the race just run, Stewards formally interviewed all riders that rode in the race. Following those interviews and given the opinions expressed by riders, Stewards were satisfied that conditions were sufficiently safe enough for racing to continue and riders were asked to report back on any further visibility concerns.

RACE 5: Bob O’Sullivan Handicap 1750m

Monkery – Passing the 1600m was eased from the heels of Diamond Class. Trainer Mr D Blundell was advised that a warning would be recorded against the uncompetitive performance of the gelding, which was beaten 31L. A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality.

George Two – Raced wide throughout.

Vallaurus – Slow to begin.

Dance Too Hard – Was held up rounding the home turn.

Mohanna – Held up rounding the home turn and in the early part of the straight. When questioned, rider B Ward stated that despite being aggressively ridden from its inside barrier, Mohanna was unable to show the necessary speed to lead and leaving the home straight was crossed by Lead Choreographer. He added that after being held up, when afforded clear running after the 300m, the gelding did not respond to his riding and was disappointing. He added that in his view the gelding would be aided by a wider draw where it would have the option of pressing forward. A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality.

RACE 6: TAB Federal 1206m

Polyxena – Began awkwardly.

My Blue Jeans – Raced wide throughout.

Zaromatic – Was a little slow to begin. When questioned regarding the performance of the mare which was not tested inside the final 300m, rider S Guymer advised that his mount did not travel at any stage of the event and in his view did not handle today’s rain effected synthetic surface. Trainer Mr G Vella concurred with the views of his rider. A post-race veterinary examination of the mare did not reveal any abnormality. Trainer Mr G Vella was told that the

mare would be required to perform satisfactorily in an official barrier trial prior to being permitted to race again.

Our Finvarra – Slow to begin.

RACE 7: Greg Burke Racing Management Handicap 1080m

Tycoon Tily – Raced wide throughout.

Honeysuckle Choice – Raced wide throughout. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the mare did to have a slow recovery rate. Trainer Mr T Smart was fined the sum of \$100 under AR165(3) for removing the mare from the course within half hour of it having raced.

Sahara Emaar – Raced wide throughout.

River Mac – Slow to begin. Held up rounding the home turn.

Excitable – Held up approaching the 300m.

Sky Mission – App D Budler was fined the sum of \$100 under AR131(c), being his first breach of the Rule, for making a celebratory gesture prior to passing the winning post.

RACE 8: Belwest Foxes Soccer Club Handicap 1280m

Shecago – Began awkwardly.

Verdi – Raced wide throughout.

Khaleej – Began awkwardly. Was held up after the 300m.

Roman Candle – Was a touch slow and then contacted by Judicator which was taken out by Different Time.

Grazie – Rider J Penza explained that his mount pulled hard in the middle stages and as a consequence was left without a finishing effort.

Gaius Julius – Began very awkwardly resulting in its rider B Owen contacting his right knee on the front gate and the gelding losing ground. Following the race B Owen expressed discomfort to his right knee and after being examined by the Club's ambulance officers was stood down from his engagement in the barrier trial.

Arabisc – Passing the 1000m was taken in and eased from the heels of Evanora (Ms K Nisbet) which shifted in when not quite clear. Ms Nisbet was advised to exercise more care.

Barrier Trial

Co-trainer Mr M Jones was fined the sum of \$50 under LR47B(1)(b) for failing to declare J Mallyon as the rider of Manderboss by the prescribed time.

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 1	J Mallyon (Gold Gift)	6 strikes prior to the 100m
Race 2	B McDougall (La Mia Via)	6 strikes prior to the 100m
Race 3	S Guymer (Oahu Gaze)	6 strikes prior to the 100m
Race 4	B McDougall (Brennaman)	7 strikes prior to the 100m
Race 4	App D Budler (Tan Line)	8 strikes prior to the 100m
Race 5	B McDougall (Casino Time)	8 strikes prior to the 100m
Race 5	J Penza (Larmour)	7 strikes prior to the 100m
Race 6	Ms K Nibet (Newtown Is Coming)	6 strikes prior to the 100m
Race 7	B McDougall (Wicked Willy)	8 strikes prior to the 100m
Race 7	Ms K Nibet (Red Kanzi)	6 strikes prior to the 100m

Swabs:

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

Race 1: Peregrination

Race 2: Bridled love

Race 4: Epizeel, Lady For A Knight

Race 6: Dip Me Lid, Kathaire

SUMMARY	
Fines:	<p>Race 2: Trainer Mr G Vella (Onya Lional) (AR206(2)) \$100 – Late gear declaration.</p> <p>Race 3: Trainer Mr R Litt (Flying Grace) (LR35) \$100 – Late rider.</p> <p>Race 4: S Guymer (Epizeel) (AR132(7)(a)(ii)) \$500 – Excessive whip use.</p> <p>Race 6: Trainer Mr T Smart (Honeysuckle Choice) (AR165(3)) \$100 – Horse removed from course before prescribed time.</p> <p>Race 4: S Guymer (Epizeel) (AR132(7)(a)(ii)) \$500 – Excessive whip use.</p> <p>Race 7: App D Budler (Sky Mission) (AR131(c)) \$100 – Celebratory gesture.</p> <p>Barrier Trial: Co-trainer Mr M Jones (Manderboss) (LR47B(1)(b))</p>

	\$50 – Late rider.
Reprimands:	Nil.
Suspensions:	Race 3: Ms K Nisbet (Flying Grace) (AR131(a)) – Careless riding. License to ride in races suspended 27/6/21 until 6/7/21 on which day she may ride.
Bleeders:	Nil.
Warnings:	Race 5: Monkery – Uncompetitive.
Trials:	Race 6: Zaromatic – Uncompetitive.
Vet Certificates:	Nil.
Falls/Injuries:	Race 8: B Owen (Gaius Julius) – Injured right knee.
Change of Colours:	Race 4: Heughan – Purple cap. Race 6: Merc – Red, yellow diamond and armbands.
Follow up:	Nil.