

STEWARDS REPORT

Canberra Racing Club Incorporated
THOROUGHBRED PARK
Friday 29 November 2019

Weather: Fine
Track: Good (4)
Rail: True
Penetrometer: 3.6

OFFICIALS: T J Vassallo (Chairman), J A Dinopoulos, J L Turner, J A Whitney (Stewards), P Selmes (Starter), M Donoghue (Assistant Starter), K Head (Swab), L Milton (Scales) J Heut (Judge) and Dr A Willi (Veterinarian)

RACE 1: John McGrath Real Estate 2yo Maiden Handicap 1000m

Endorse – M Bell said that although he was able to cross and lead the event without having to make too much use of the colt, he was disappointed in the manner in which **Endorse** failed to respond to his riding when placed under pressure shortly after straightening. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities. Co-trainer Peter Snowden advised that the colt would now leave his stable.

Brash Sammy – Passing the 600m laid in and made contact with *Sole Heir*. Rounding the home turn became awkwardly placed close on the heels of *Ablest Ascend*, which when under pressure, shifted out slightly, resulting in **Brash Sammy** having to be steadied and shifted out to avoid its heels.

Distinctive Glory – Began awkwardly and lost ground.

Last Quest – Slow to begin. Passing the 400m was eased when *Distinctive Glory*, which was racing greenly, shifted out slightly. **Last Quest** was then shifted back to the inside of *Distinctive Glory* near the 300m to continue into clear running where the colt finished its race off fairly.

Sole Heir – Passing the 250m, **Sole Heir**, which was inclined to lay in when being shifted out from behind *Endorse*, had to be steadied and shifted out when disappointed for a run between *Brash Sammy* and *Endorse*, which shifted out slightly. W Costin stated that whilst it was her intention to lead, she was unable to do so when the colt failed to muster the sufficient speed despite riding it along vigorously in the early stages.

RACE 2: TIMG Benchmark 60 Handicap 1600m

Waiheke – Bumped on jumping by *Maibeasy*, which shifted in.

Upper House – Slow to begin.

Appetizing – Over the concluding stages raced tight between *Duchess Of Windsor* and *Upper House*, which shifted out slightly.

Canford Calling – Passing the 1400m was eased to avoid the heels of *Tag And Release* (M Cahill), which shifted in when not clear. M Cahill was advised to exercise more care in similar circumstances. App. E Hennessy stated that after being crossed by *Tag And Release* passing the 1400m, her mount commenced to race fiercely and despite her efforts in restraining the gelding to have it settle, **Canford Calling** continued to race keenly whereby it pulled its way to settle outside *Duchess Of Windsor* near the 1000m, albeit, wide and without cover.

Duchess Of Windsor – Over the final 50m raced tight when placed in restricted room between *Appetizing* and *Waiheke*.

RACE 3: Hellenic Club Class 1 & Maiden Plate 2000m

Instruments – A post-race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities.

Zarafah – From the outside barrier was shifted behind runners in the early stages.

Little Arnie – Crowded on jumping between *Street Cred* and *Zarafah*, which shifted in. **Little Arnie** was then shifted behind runners in the early stages from its wide barrier. Near the 200m was hampered by *Colonnade*, which shifted out.

Street Cred – Trainer Mr. M Smith advised Stewards that rider S Guymer will be instructed not to use the whip on the gelding as it resents it. Public announcements were made to this effect. Approaching the winning post on the first occasion was eased from the heels of *Will You Think*, which when being eased to obtain a position with cover behind *Lots Of Dosh*, shifted in slightly.

Colonnade – Shortly after the start was eased when crowded between *Instruments* and *Will You Think*, which shifted out despite the efforts of its rider. Raced keenly during the middle stages.

Baba Ganouj – Passing the 900m had to be steadied when racing keenly at the heels of *Lots Of Dosh*.

Will You Think – Laid out passing the winning post on the first occasion.

RACE 4: Ignite Benchmark 65 Handicap 1000m

After all runners were loaded into the barriers, *Heavenly Thunder* became fractious and reared. *Ladie's Gem*, which was in the adjoining stall, also became fractious, resulting in its rider L Magorrian being dislodged to the side. A short time later, when both runners continued to be fractious, the gates on the barriers opened however the

Starter was able to activate a false start. All riders attempted to restrain their mounts however the riderless *Ladie's Gem* galloped a significant distance before being recaptured. *Heavenly Thunder* also galloped a considerable distance when it proved difficult to be restrained when its rider App. P Scorse lost the use of his nearside stirrup iron. As such, both *Ladie's Gem* and *Heavenly Thunder*, which also had blood present in its mouth, were late scratching's at 2:43pm. Stewards directed that all bets on *Ladie's Gem* and *Heavenly Thunder* be refunded and all bets placed with bookmakers prior to 2:43pm be subject to the following deductions:

1st) *Gold Touch* – 25 cents win, 23 cent place

2nd) *Ballista* – 21 cents place

3rd) *Charlie Chap* – 27 cents place

After all runners were restrained, all trainers were provided the opportunity to have their respective runners scratched. When all trainers were satisfied for their horses to compete in the race, all runners, namely *Charlie Chap*, *Our Finvarra*, *Gold Touch*, *Ballista*, *Onsettling Down* and *Café Terrace* were examined by the Club's veterinarian upon return to the barriers and deemed suitable to race. Due to the significant delay, the running of this race was then amended to commence at 2:55pm. At a subsequent inquiry, Stewards were unable to establish how the gates prematurely released when the Starter had not effected the start. The matter was brought to the attention of the Club, who have undertaken to conduct further testing of the barriers. Trainers J Sargent (*Ladie's Gem*) and Ms N Jarvis (*Heavenly Thunder*) were advised that warnings would be placed on their respective barrier manners.

Charlie Chap – Began only fairly. Had difficulty obtaining clear running in the early part of the straight.

Gold Touch – Raced wide and without cover throughout the event.

Onsettling Down – Slow to begin.

Café Terrace – Stewards permitted M Travers to ride the gelding half a kilogram over its allotted weight of 54kg. Began awkwardly.

RACE 5: MCM Projects Benchmark 60 Handicap 1300m

The running of this race was amended to commence at 3:18pm.

Brigid Of Kildare – Began only fairly. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities.

Tobermory – Raced wide and without cover from the 800m.

The Senator – Slow to begin. When the tempo slackened near the 900m, commenced to race keenly and near the 800m was steadied from the heels of *Tobermory*.

Romeo Vella – Bumped on jumping by *Shoulder Charge*, which shifted in slightly.

Supreme Lad – Raced wide and without cover throughout the event. Hung in when placed under pressure in the straight, proving difficult for App. P Scorse to ride the gelding out in his usual manner.

Shoulder Charge – Trainer Mr. C Pearson was fined \$50 under LR35(2) for failing to declare B Ward as the rider of the gelding by the prescribed time. Raced wide and without cover after the 800m.

RACE 6: Metro Electrical & Security Maiden Handicap 1400m

Jungle Rush – Rounding the home turn shifted out and made contact with *Petaluma* on several occasions.

Litchfield – Change of Tactics: To be ridden with cover; led.

Petaluma – From a wide barrier was shifted behind runners in the early stages.

Lady Kirkham – Jumped awkwardly.

Amber's Joy – A post-race veterinary examination of the filly, which raced wide and without cover, revealed no abnormalities.

Hard Expectations – Had difficulty obtaining clear running from the 400m until near the 200m.

The Boomerang – Trainer Mr. C Pearson was fined \$50 under LR35(2) for failing to declare B Ward as the rider of the gelding by the prescribed time. Began only fairly. Raced wide and without cover throughout the event. Laid in under pressure in the straight.

Glamourush – Crowded on jumping between *Amber's Joy* and *Jungle Rush*, which was hampered and taken in by *Giocoso*.

I Love Luka – Raced keenly throughout the early and middle stages.

RACE 7: Supaglass Maiden Handicap 1200m

Tezoff – Crowded on jumping between *Remember Me* and *Timasti*, which began awkwardly and shifted in despite the efforts of its rider.

If You Think So – B Ward replaced Ms D Panya (transport difficulties) as the rider of the filly. B Ward said that after his mount slipped behind on jumping and consequently lost ground, he then endeavoured to ride his mount along in the early however near the 800m, when he became concerned with the colt's action behind, he then elected to desist from riding **If You Think So** before easing the colt down prior to straightening. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities. Trainer Mr. G Portelli was advised that **If You Think So** will be required to compete satisfactorily in an official barrier trial before being permitted to race again.

Remember Me – Hampered on jumping by *Tezoff*, which was taken in by *Timasti*. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities.

Manila Thriller – Slow to begin. Raced wide and without cover throughout the event. Laid in under pressure in the straight, resulting in its rider having to change the whip over to his right hand near the 200m.

RACE 8: TAB Federal Open Handicap 1300m

Man Of Peace – C Lever said that whilst he did not have to make too much use of his mount in the early stages to obtain a position outside the leader *Irish Lucy*, the gelding then travelled well throughout the early and middle stages. He added that when placed under pressure on straightening, **Man Of Peace** failed to respond to his riding and was disappointing in the manner in which it weakened over the final 100m. He said that in his view, **Man Of Peace** may not have appreciate today's track surface coupled with its impost of 61kg. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities. Stewards will follow up on the post-race condition of **Man Of Peace** in the days subsequent.

Demonstrate – Raced keenly at the heels of *Our Revenue* during the middle stages. Experienced difficulty obtaining clear running in the straight and passing the 100m, when finishing its race off fairly, became briefly held up on the heels of *Our Revenue*.

Levee Bank – Shortly after the start was bumped heavily by *Up Trumpz*, which taken out by *Man Of Peace*, which in turn, began awkwardly and shifted out.

Up Trumpz – Raced wide and without cover throughout.

Irish Lucy – Stewards permitted M Travers to ride the mare half a kilogram over its allotted weight of 54kg. Began awkwardly. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities.

Dark Confidant – Held for some distance between the 350m until passing the 300m.

Equal Balance – Stewards permitted M Bell to ride the gelding 1kg over its allotted weight of 54kg. Began awkwardly. From the 400m until passing the 200m was held up and unable to improve.

High Dude – Near the 650m was eased when awkwardly placed on the heels of *Up Trumpz*, which shifted in slightly.

Gunga Din – After being slow to begin then was shifted behind runners in the early stages from the outside barrier.

RACE 9: Form 1 Class 1 Handicap 1400m

Counterfeited – Hampered on jumping by *Kittie Karine*, which shifted out. Counterfeited then was shifted behind runners in the early stages from its wide barrier.

The Dream Giver – Trainer Mr. M Dale was fined \$200 under LR35(2) for failing to declare M Bell as the rider of the gelding by the prescribed time. Passing the 500m was severely checked to avoid the heels of *Inceptive* and lost significant ground. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities.

First Lady – From its wide barrier was shifted behind runners in the early stages. D Panya said that her mount, which was resuming from a spell, became detached from

the main body of the field in the early and middle stages despite her urgings however approaching the home turn commenced to respond to her riding and whilst she was satisfied with the manner in which the mare finished it race off, she said it would be better suited over a longer distance. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities.

Inceptive – Began only fairly. Passing the 500m was eased out of the event and took no further part in the race. A post-race veterinary examination revealed **Inceptive** to have bled from both nostrils for the first time. Trainer Mr. M Dale was advised of the provisions of AR79(4). Stewards will follow up on the post-race condition and future race plans of **Inceptive** in the days subsequent.

Milamoo – Began only fairly.

Dolphin Watch – Passing the 500m was hampered and shifted out to avoid the heels of *Inceptive*.

Kitty Karine – Raced wide and without cover throughout the event.

Typhoon Max – Raced wide and without cover throughout the event.

Barrier Trials

The following trainers were each fined \$50 under LR47B(1)(a) for failing to declare riders for their respective runners by the prescribed time:

K Dryden – **Heat 1 – Side Cut**

Co-trainers R Weston & J Nisbet – **Heat 2 – Haradaspring**

M Sparrow – **Heat 2 – Fly Like An Eagle**

Summary of whip use:

Stewards noted the following riders exceeded the permitted strikes of the whip prior to the 100m under AR132(7)(a)(ii). Bearing in mind the totality of whip use, no action was taken.

Race 2	App. D Budler (Waiheke)	6 strikes prior to the 100m.
Race 2	M Bell (Duchess Of Windsor)	2 consecutive strikes.
Race 3	M Travers (Colonnade)	6 strikes prior to the 100m.
Race 3	M Bell (Little Arnie)	6 strikes prior to the 100m.
Race 3	C Lever (Zarafah)	6 strikes prior to the 100m.
Race 6	S Guymer (Lady Kirkham)	6 strikes prior to the 100m.
Race 7	B Lerena (Stoked)	6 strikes prior to the 100m.
Race 8	App. D Budler (Levee Bank)	6 strikes prior to the 100m.
Race 9	J Penza (Ready's Girl)	6 strikes prior to the 100m.

SWAB SAMPLES:

Swab samples were taken from all winners:

SUMMARY

Fines:	Races 5 & 6: Trainer Mr. C Pearson (Shoulder Charge & Boomerang) - \$100 – Late rider declaration (LR35(2)). Race 9: Trainer Mr. M Dale (The Dream Giver) - \$200 – Late rider declaration (LR35(2)). Barrier Trials: Heat 1: Trainer K Dryden (Side Cut) - \$50 – Late rider (LR47B(1)(a)). Heat 2: Co-trainers R Weston & J Nisbet (Haradaspring) – \$50 – Late rider (LR47B(1)(a)). Heat 2: Trainer M Sparrow (Fly Like An Eagle) - \$50 – Late rider (LR47B(1)(a)).
Reprimands:	Nil.
Suspensions:	Nil.
Warnings:	Race 4: Ladie's Gem (trainer J Sargent) – barrier manners. Race 4: Heavenly Thunder (trainer Ms N Jarvis) – barrier manners.
Bleeders:	Race 9: Inceptive (trainer M Dale) – both nostrils first time (AR79(4)).
Trials:	Race 7: If You Think So (trainer G Portelli) – poor performance.
Vet Certificates:	Nil.
Falls/Injuries:	Nil.
Follow up:	Race 8: Man Of Peace (trainer M Dale) – poor performance. Race 9: Inceptive (trainer M Dale) – post-race condition & future race plans.