

# STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

Canberra Racing Club Incorporated

THOROUGHBRED PARK

Friday 3 February 2017

Weather: Fine

Track: Soft (5) Upgraded to a Good (4) at 4.32 p.m.

Rail: Out 9 metres entire circumference

Penetrometer: 4.48

J. D. Walshe (Chairman), B. Gray, T. McDonald (Stewards), D. Riches (Starter) P. Selmes (Assistant Starter), R. Fordham (Betting), K. Head (Swab), L. Milton (Scales), J. Dorrington (Judge), A. Willi (Veterinarian).

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**RACE 1: BLACK OPAL STAKES HOSPITALITY 2YO HANDICAP 1000M**

**Canford Lad**—On jumping ran out away from *Fire Stoker* and lost ground.

**Fire Stoker**—Began awkwardly.

**Sweettalkingwilly**—Was slow to begin.

**The Exchequer**—Trainer Mr J. Pride was fined the sum of \$50 under AR140B for the late addition of blinkers to the colt's approved racing gear.

**1<sup>st</sup> FIRE STOKER 2<sup>nd</sup> MOSSMAN GORGE 3<sup>rd</sup> THE EXCHEQUER 4<sup>th</sup> CANFORD LAD**

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**RACE 2: AFFINITY CONSTRUCTION AUSTRALIA P/L BM 65 HANDICAP 2000M**

**Oh So Unfair**—Slow to begin. When questioned regarding the performance of the gelding, rider B. Loy stated that his mount raced flat throughout and did not respond to his riding in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding revealed no abnormalities.

**Calaway Cruiser**—Blundered near the 30 metres. B. Ward was spoken to regarding subsequently not riding his mount out over the final two strides of the event. When questioned regarding the performance of the mare, rider B. Ward stated that his mount had performed only fairly today but in his view was better suited on tracks with more give in them. A post-race veterinary examination of the mare revealed no abnormalities.

**Rose's Song**—Pulled hard in the early and middle stages of the event.

**1<sup>st</sup> ROSE'S SONG 2<sup>nd</sup> SIBERIAN ROSE 3<sup>rd</sup> CALAWAY CRUIZER 4<sup>th</sup> OH SO UNFAIR**

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**RACE 3: SCHWEPES CLASS 1 HANDICAP (SCALED -0.5KG) 1200M**

**Little Arli**—Began awkwardly and shifted out. Overraced during the middle stages of the event. Was obliged to race three wide without cover throughout. After the 150 metres had to be steadied when disappointed for a run between *Accede*, which shifted out but was then corrected by its rider App. B. Ryan, and *Like A Shot* (M. Cahill), which shifted in under pressure. M. Cahill was advised to exercise more care.

**I've Got This**—Change of tactics: to be ridden quieter; settled back.

**Her Name Is Rio**—Slow to begin and hampered shortly after by *Little Arli*, which shifted out. Approaching the 600 metres was contacted by *Like A Shot* which improved around the heels of *Duvet* and as a consequence was taken wider.

**1<sup>st</sup> LIKE A SHOT 2<sup>nd</sup> LITTLE ARLI 3<sup>rd</sup> I'VE GOT THIS 4<sup>th</sup> ACCEDE**

**RACE 4: JOHN MCGRATH AUTO GROUP MAIDEN PLATE 1000M**

**Star For Effort & Strike The Target**—After being loaded **Star For Effort** became fractious, lunged forward, made contact with the front gate on several occasions and got its offside hind leg caught up on the running board for a significant length of time. Stewards acting on veterinary advice withdrew the gelding at 3.13 p.m. **Strike The Target** was fractious in its barrier, reared up, struck its head and became cast. The gelding, which also had a small amount of blood present in its mouth, was a late withdrawal on veterinary advice at 3.14 p.m. Stewards ordered that all investments on **Star For Effort & Strike The Target** be refunded in full. Further that all successful bets with bookmakers placed prior to 3.13 p.m. be paid less the following deductions in the dollar on the face value of the ticket:

1<sup>st</sup> **Reliant** 0¢ place, 0¢ win  
2<sup>nd</sup> **Elouera** 10¢ place  
3<sup>rd</sup> **Zapace** 24¢ place

Further, that all successful bets placed between 3.13 p.m. and 3.14 p.m. be paid less the following deductions in the dollar:

1<sup>st</sup> **Reliant** 0¢ place, 0¢ win  
2<sup>nd</sup> **Elouera** 4¢ place  
3<sup>rd</sup> **Zapace** 9¢ place

At subsequent inquiries trainers Mr A. McRae and Mr G. Vella were advised that **Star for Effort & Strike The Target**, respectively, would be both required to barrier trial to the Stewards' satisfaction prior to being permitted to race again.

**Reliant**—Began awkwardly, shifted in and made contact with *Hajduk*. Near the 900 metres was eased when tightened for room by *Sir Derek*, which laid in. Raced three wide throughout.

**Elouera**—Was held up in the early part of the straight and for some distance near the 200 metres had difficulty improving into a narrow run between *Sir Derek* and *Duchess Royale*, which shifted in slightly after making contact with *Reliant*.

**1<sup>st</sup> RELIANT 2<sup>nd</sup> ELOUERA 3<sup>rd</sup> ZAPACE 4<sup>th</sup> HAJDUK**

**RACE 5: BECOME A SPONSOR BENCHMARK 55 HANDICAP 1000M**

**Gasogene**—Began awkwardly and lost ground. After the 600 metres, when racing greenly, laid in away from the heels of *Darbalara* and lost ground. Laid in on straightening and had some difficulty being brought to the outside of the heels of *Darbalara* to obtain clear running.

**Darbalara**—Raced wide throughout.

**Ribands**—Raced wide throughout.

**Inch Perfect**—Slow to begin.

**Lightning Alert**—Trainer Mr T. Sutherland was fined the sum of \$50 under AR140B for the late removal of concussion plates (front) from the approved racing gear of the gelding.

**Obilic**—Slow to begin and crowded shortly after by *McLennan* (App. J. Devrimol) which shifted in. App. J. Devrimol was advised to exercise more care.

**1<sup>st</sup> OBILIC 2<sup>nd</sup> BYBLOS BOY 3<sup>rd</sup> GASOGENE 4<sup>th</sup> LIGHTNING ALERT**

**RACE 6: TAB.COM.AU CANBERRA SPRINT 1000M**

**Quietly Brilliant**—Change of tactics: to be ridden quieter; settled outside the leaders. When questioned regarding his riding of the gelding, App. J. Devrimol stated that in accordance with the notified change of tactics he had anticipated taking a position back in the field. He added however that his mount began particularly well and from its wide draw had also raced fresh and as a consequence pulled hard during the middle stages of the event. He added that he was therefore unable to comply with his instructions resulting in his mount racing much further forward than anticipated. Raced wide throughout.

**Zoumagic**—Began awkwardly, shifted out and made contact with *Happy Event*.

**Happy Event**—Pulled hard throughout the early and middle stages and near the 600 metres had to be restrained from the heels of *Quietly Brilliant*, which lost some ground when being steadied by its rider. When questioned regarding the performance of the filly, rider B. El-Issa stated that his mount pulled hard in the early stages of the event, however was under pressure making the home turn and then did not stretch out under his riding in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination of the filly revealed the filly to be lame in its near foreleg. Trainer Mr M. Dale was advised that he would be required to provide a veterinary clearance prior to the filly being permitted to race again.

**Supa Vision**—Trainer Mr R. Potter was fined the sum of \$50 under LR35 for the late declaration of S. Miller as the rider of the gelding.

**Matilda Bird**—En route to the start approximately 100 metres from the barriers the mare knuckled. Rider B. Ward subsequently reported that his mount then felt as if it had gone amiss in its off foreleg and for this reason he was reluctant to ride the mare in the race despite the mare having undergone a veterinary examination with no abnormalities detected. The mare was subsequently withdrawn by order of the Stewards at 4.24 p.m. Stewards ordered that all investments on the mare prior to 4.24 p.m. be refunded in full. Further that all successful bets with bookmakers be paid less the following deductions in the dollar on the face value of the ticket:

- 1<sup>st</sup> **Hermosa Beach** 0¢ place, 4¢ win
- 2<sup>nd</sup> **Miss Liffey** 3¢ place
- 3<sup>rd</sup> **Supa Vision** 5¢ place

At a subsequent inquiry, trainer Mr S. Aldridge was advised that he would be required to provide a veterinary clearance prior to the mare being permitted to race again.

Following the running of this event the track was upgraded to a good (4) at 4.32 p.m.

**1<sup>st</sup> HERMOSA BEACH 2<sup>nd</sup> MISS LIFFEY 3<sup>rd</sup> SUPA VISION 4<sup>th</sup> MIXED BLOSSOM**

**RACE 7: CATBIRD LANE MARQUEES BENCHMARK 60 HANDICAP 1400M**

**Diamond Charlie**—Raced wide throughout.

**Singled Out**—Had difficulty obtaining completely clear running until passing the 200 metres.

**Zuzzudio**—The mare was a late withdrawal at 8.25 a.m. on veterinary advice when found to be lame in its near foreleg.

**Silk Belt**—Slow to begin. When questioned, rider B. Loy explained that rounding the home turn he anticipated following *Torhonour* through and anticipating a run developing between that runner and *Diamond Charlie*. He added that when that runner did not take him into the race he then shifted out and initially obtained a position on the back of *Diamond Charlie* and as there was an insufficient run passing the 300 metres between that runner and *Alba Gu Brath* he was obliged to continue to shift out in search of clear running.

**1<sup>st</sup> ALBA GU BRATH 2<sup>nd</sup> SILK BELT DH 3<sup>rd</sup> TORHONOUR & AXION 5<sup>th</sup> ZARDABBA**

**RACE 8: LION MAIDEN HANDICAP 1300M**

**Noble Command**—Was contacted shortly after the start by *Red Heat*, which shifted in, resulting in its rider becoming unbalanced.

**Admire Gratzi**—Raced wide throughout.

**Balansa**—Raced wide throughout.

**Caisson Platoon**—Trainer Mr M. McInerney was fined the sum of \$50 under AR140B for the late removal of blinkers from the gelding's approved racing gear. Change of tactics: to be ridden more forward; settled off pace. Pulled hard in the middle stages. Passing the 500 metres improved onto the heels of *Pikelets* and had to be checked by its rider. Rider A. G. Robinson was reprimanded under AR137A (5) (a) (ii) for using his whip on seven occasions prior to the 100 metres, two more than is permitted under the rule.

**Confess And Avoid**—Began very awkwardly, shifted out and lost ground.

**Morning Music**—Passing the 1250 metres had to be eased from the heels of *Caisson Platoon*, which laid out.

**Rosover**—Began awkwardly and shifted out.

**1<sup>st</sup> BALANSA 2<sup>nd</sup> RED HEAT 3<sup>rd</sup> EMPYREAN 4<sup>th</sup> ROSOVER**

**SWAB SAMPLES:**

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

**Race 1: Canford Lad, Fire Stoker, Mossman Gorge**

**Race 2: Mr Sommerville, Escarpment, Oh So Unfair**

**Race 3: Duvet, Little Arli**

<b>SUMMARY</b>	
<b>Warnings:</b>	Nil.
<b>Fines:</b>	<b>Race 1:</b> Trainer Mr J. Pride fined \$50 (AR140B). <b>Race 5:</b> Trainer Mr T. Sutherland fined \$50 (AR140B). <b>Race 8:</b> Trainer Mr M. McInerney fined \$50 (AR140B).
<b>Reprimands:</b>	<b>Race 8:</b> Rider A. G. Robinson reprimanded (AR137A (5) (a) (ii)).
<b>Suspensions:</b>	Nil.
<b>Bleeders:</b>	Nil.
<b>Trials:</b>	<b>Race 4: Star For Effort &amp; Strike The Target</b> —to barrier trial—barrier manners.
<b>Certificates:</b>	<b>Race 6: Matilda Bird</b> —veterinary clearance—performance <b>Race 6: Happy Event</b> —veterinary clearance—lame near foreleg.
<b>Falls/Injuries:</b>	Nil.
<b>Protests:</b>	Nil.
<b>Late withdrawals:</b>	<b>Race 7: Zuzzudio</b> —lame near foreleg.
<b>Follow up:</b>	Nil.
<b>Change of Colours:</b>	<b>Race 3: Born To Power</b> —gold, green CRC logo and cap. <b>Race 5: Accede</b> —green, gold CRC logo, red cap.
<b>Gear Changes:</b>	Nil.
<b>Disqualifications:</b>	Nil.