

## STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

### Canberra Racing Club Incorporated

#### THOROUGHBRED PARK

Friday 7 August 2020

Weather: Rain

Track: Soft (5), downgraded to Soft (6) at 9:30am, downgraded to Soft (7) at 11:00am, downgraded to Heavy (8) following Race 1 at 12:33pm, downgraded to Heavy (9) following Race 6 at 3:40pm.

Rail: Out 7m

J D Walshe (Chairman), J A Dinopoulos, J Whitney, J Turner (Stewards), D Riches (Starter), P Selmes (Assistant Starter), K Head (Swab), L Milton (Scales), Dr A Willi (Veterinarian).

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#### **RACE 1: Hygain Plate 2000m**

**Hard Expectations** – Was a late scratching on veterinary advice at 11:35am after having sustained a laceration to its near-hind leg during transportation. Trainer Mr D Robinson was told that he would be required to provide a veterinary clearance prior to the gelding being permitted to race again.

**Club Legend** – Slow to begin.

**Duclair** – When questioned regarding the disappointing performance of the gelding, rider J Penza stated that the gelding hung out throughout the race, but most notably from the 600m when it commenced to shift ground and proved somewhat difficult to fully test in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality. Co-trainer Mr Paul Snowden was told that a warning would be recorded against the gelding's racing manners. Mr Snowden stated that in his view the gelding's performance was attributable to it not handling the rain effected going.

Following the running of this race the track was downgraded to a Heavy (8) at 12:33pm to be made retrospective to include this event.

#### **RACE 2: John McGrath Auto Group Handicap 1000m**

**Crucial Witness** – Slow to begin.

**Jesta Diva** – Slow to begin.

**Blue Tone** – Slow to begin.

**Black Duke** – Trainer Mr R Litt was told that a warning would be recorded against the colt which reared as the start was effected and lost ground (3L).

**RACE 3: TAB Long We Play Handicap 1400m**

**Costa Chin Chin** – Rider S Miller was permitted to ride his mount 1kg over under the overweight policy. Began awkwardly.

**Photogenic** - Trainer Mr R Litt was told that a warning would be recorded against the gelding which was difficult to load, was fractious in the barriers and began awkwardly resulting in it losing ground at the start (3L).

**Le May** – Slow to begin.

**Jack The Brumby** – When questioned, rider B Ward stated when racing in the lead, passing the 1200m his mount commenced to hang out badly and also took charge of him when it pulled hard, resulting in his mount opening up a significant break on the field. He added that his mount also continued to hang out for the remainder of the race. Trainer Mr N Olive was told that the gelding would be required to barrier trial to the Steward's satisfaction prior to being permitted to race again. Mr Olive advised that the gelding would be spelled in the interim.

**RACE 4: Searrs Workwear Handicap 1400m**

**Francisco Pizaro** – Was a late scratching at 12:34pm due to the downgrade of the track.

**Bro** – Began awkwardly.

**Oriental Gift** – Stood flat-footed as the start was effected and missed the start (10L) and took no competitive part in the race. Trainer Mr D Kelley was told that the gelding would be required to barrier trial to the Steward's satisfaction prior to being permitted to race again.

**High Advice** – When questioned regarding the disappointing performance of the gelding, rider N Souquet stated that in his view his mount did not handle today's heavy track conditions and furthermore may have resented the kickback. A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality.

**RACE 5: Affinity Constructions Australia Plate 1200m**

**Ricky Bobby** – Was a late scratching at 11:35am due to the downgrade of the track.

**Radiant Cut** – Was a late scratching at 1:53pm due to the downgrade of the track.

**Duke Of Buckingham** – Slow to begin.

**Circus Train** – Slow to begin.

**She Gives A Damn** – Passing the 1100m was crowded by Guiltless which laid in.

**Old Man Emu** – B Spriggs (*Duke Of Buckingham*) pleaded guilty to a charge of careless riding under AR131(a) in that passing the 900m he permitted his mount to shift in when insufficiently clear of Old Man Emu which lost its rightful running and had to be checked. B Spriggs' license to ride in races was suspended for a period to commence on Sunday 16 August 2020 and to expire Wednesday 19 August 2020 on which day he may ride. In assessing penalty consideration was given to B Spriggs' excellent record in respect to breach under the Rule.

**RACE 6: John And Jeanette Coghlan Handicap 1000m**

**Mandalong Nicko** – Checked on jumping between Canyonero and Farthing Wood which was taken out.

**Canyonero** – Trainer Mr R Litt was fined the sum of \$50 under AR106(1) for the presentation of the gelding in the mounting enclosure without its tongue-tie. On jumping was bumped on the hindquarter by Mandalong Nicko which was checked when taken out.

**Mr Aloysius** – After being loaded into the barrier stalls, became restless and broke through the front gates. After being pulled up by its rider, was examined by the Club's veterinary officer and passed fit to start. Trainer Mr N Olive was told that a warning would be recorded against the gelding. When questioned regarding the performance of the gelding which was resuming, rider R Bensley stated that his mount hung out throughout and had returned to the enclosure with its tongue over the bit but also in his view did not handle today's heavy track conditions. A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality. Trainer Mr N Olive agreed that the gelding was not suited by the heavy track conditions, adding that the gelding had also raced in inferior going in the straight in his view as compared to the preferable ground out wider.

**Not So Wild** – Began awkwardly and shifted out.

**Yeppoon** – Began awkwardly and shifted in and had to be steadied to avoid Canyonero which had been taken out. When questioned regarding the gelding's performance, rider app Ms J Presits stated that as a consequence of the incident at the start, her mount which was resuming today, lost ground at the start and was then unable to maintain touch with the field over the 1000m journey despite making some ground late and would now benefit from further ground. A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality.

**Redicon** – Slow to begin. When questioned regarding the gelding's disappointing performance, rider Ms K Nisbet stated that in her view her mount did not travel comfortably on today's heavy track conditions.

**The Inflamer** – After the 800m was eased when crowded by Not So Wild (app Ms A McLucas) which shifted in. App Ms A McLucas was told to exercise more care.

**Tycoon Tily** – Rounding the home turn was contacted by Byblos Boy which shifted out and it consequently became unbalanced.

Following the running of this race the track was downgraded to a Heavy (9) at 3:40pm

**RACE 7: TAB Federal 1600m**

**Garros** – As N Souquet was found to be overweight, Stewards permitted app B Ryan (nil claim) to be substituted as the rider of the gelding. N Souquet was fined the sum of \$200 under AR190(3).

**Wichita Warrior** – Slow to begin.

**Jaytee's The Fox** – Slow to begin.

**Away She Goes** – Passing the 150m was bumped by Casino Time which shifted out.

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**Riot Act** – When questioned regarding the disappointing performance of the gelding, rider B Spriggs explained that in his view his mount did not handle today's heavy track conditions. A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality.

**Charlie Royale** – Was not tested close to the line when racing in restricted room between Fox Beat and Sweet Knuckle.

**Prince Jacko** – A post-race veterinary examination conducted at the request of trainer Mr K Dryden reveal no abnormality.

**RACE 8: Baldock Carpentry And Construction Handicap 1300m**

The start of this race was delayed approximately 5 minutes due to the official veterinarian being required to examine a horse from the previous race that was reported to be unsteady on its feet.

**Bid Of Faith** – Was a late scratching at 2:04pm due to the downgrade of the track.

**Glamour Cat** - Change of tactics: To be ridden more forward; led. When questioned regarding her riding of her mount in the straight, app Ms E Hennessy stated that she was instructed to maintain a line toward the inside in the straight. Trainer Mr J Cleary confirmed the instructions and stated that earlier in Race 6 he had observed that Muzzleburst which was an unfancied

runner, had performed well racing on the inside section of the straight. He said that despite the general pattern of racing being for runners to come down the inside, given the performance of Muzzleburst, he had instructed his rider to follow a similar path in the straight. Mr Cleary advised that the mare would now be retired from racing.

**Flora Bel** – Slipped over whilst parading in the mounting enclosure. After being examined by the Club’s veterinary officer in the mounting enclosure and again upon arrival at the start, was passed fit to start. When questioned regarding the performance of the mare, rider app B Ryan stated that his mount travelled well until being placed under pressure and proved very disappointing in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the mare to be lame in its off-hind leg (grade 1/5). 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.

**Dip Me Lid** – Slow to begin.

**Izzy Looking Good** – Slow to begin. Raced keenly in the early and middle stages.

**Treasure Boss** – Knuckled on jumping and shifted out.

**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.

<b>Race 1</b>	S Pollard ( <b>Zippy Mississippi</b> )	8 strikes prior to the 100m
<b>Race 2</b>	Ms K O’Hara ( <b>Arizona Night</b> )	7 strikes prior to the 100m
<b>Race 4</b>	L Magorrian ( <b>Marsannay</b> )	6 strikes prior to the 100m
<b>Race 4</b>	J Van Overmeire ( <b>Dart Street</b> )	8 strikes prior to the 100m
<b>Race 4</b>	B Spriggs ( <b>Lady Kirkham</b> )	8 strikes prior to the 100m
<b>Race 5</b>	J Ford ( <b>Wilful Soul</b> )	7 strikes prior to the 100m
<b>Race 7</b>	B Loy ( <b>Wichita Warrior</b> )	7 strikes prior to the 100m

**Swabs:**

Swab samples were obtained from all winners:

<b>SUMMARY</b>	
<b>Fines:</b>	<b>Race 6:</b> Trainer Mr R Litt ( <b>Canyonero</b> ) (AR106(1)) – \$50 – Incorrect gear. <b>Race 7:</b> N Souquet ( <b>Garros</b> ) (AR190(3)) – \$200 - Overweight.
<b>Reprimands:</b>	Nil.
<b>Suspensions:</b>	<b>Race 5:</b> B Spriggs ( <b>Duker Of Buckingham</b> ) (AR131(a)) – Careless

	riding. License to ride in races suspended 16/8/20 and to expire on 19/8/20, on which day he may ride.
<b>Bleeders:</b>	Nil.
<b>Warnings:</b>	<p><b>Race 1: Duclair</b> – Hung out.</p> <p><b>Race 2: Black Duke</b> – Reared as start effected.</p> <p><b>Race 2: Photogenic</b> – Difficult to load, fractious in barriers and began awkwardly resulting in it being slow to begin.</p> <p><b>Race 6: Mr Aloysius</b> – Restless and broke through front gates.</p>
<b>Trials:</b>	<p><b>Race 3: Jack The Brumby</b> – Hung out badly and took charge of rider.</p> <p><b>Race 4: Oriental Gift</b> – Stood flat-footed and missed the start (10L).</p>
<b>Vet Certificates:</b>	<p><b>Race 1: Hard Expectations</b> – Laceration to near-hind leg.</p> <p><b>Race 8: Flora Bel</b> – Lamé off-hind leg (grade 1/5).</p>
<b>Falls/Injuries:</b>	Nil.
<b>Change of Colours:</b>	<p><b>Race 2: Crucial Witness</b> – White cap.</p> <p><b>Race 7: Away She Goes</b> – White cap.</p>
<b>Follow up:</b>	Nil.