

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

Canberra Racing Club Incorporated

THOROUGHBRED PARK

(ACTON TRACK)

Friday 28 July 2017

Weather: Fine
Track: Synthetic
Rail: True

J. D. Walshe (Chairman), C. G. Polglase & J. A. Shultz (Stewards), D. Riches (Starter), P. Selmes (Assistant Starter), J. Wright (Swab), L. Milton (Scales) J. Dorrington (Judge) Dr J Mizzi (Veterinarian).

RACE 1: JOCKEY CELEBRATION DAY BENCHMARK 65 HANDICAP 1900M

Chaquinta – Change of tactics: To be ridden more forward; settled handy. When questioned regarding the performance of the mare, rider app Ms C MacFarlane stated that her mount was under significant pressure from the 800m and soon after commenced to lose ground. She added however that under continued riding the mare then ran home well over the final 200m. A post-race veterinary examination of the mare did not reveal any abnormality however it was noted that the mare had shifted its near-hind plate. Trainer Mr J Cleary advised that the mare would now be retired for breeding.

Essence Prevail – Change of tactics: To be ridden more forward: led.

Planet Earth – Pulled hard for some distance approaching the winning post on the first occasion and had to be continually restrained when awkwardly positioned close to the heels of Essence Prevail.

Alfden – When questioned regarding the performance of the gelding, rider S Miller stated that his mount raced flat throughout and proved disappointing. A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality. Stable foreman Mr M Jones advised that the gelding would now be sent for a spell.

Monte Ainslie – When questioned regarding the performance of the gelding rider Ms K Nisbet stated that her mount did not travel at any stage of the event and failed to respond to her riding in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to be lame in its near-fore leg and to be displaying a case of the thumps. Trainer Mr L Hodgson advised that he was contemplating giving the gelding a let up, but was told that in respect of the gelding's lameness, he would be required to furnish a veterinary clearance prior to the gelding being permitted to race again.

RACE 2: MONARO SCREENS BENCHMARK 68 HANDICAP 1206M

Major Sharpe – Was a little slow to begin. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to have suffered a bleeding attack. Trainer Mr J Ible advised that whilst a decision had not been made on the gelding's racing future, in the least, it would be given a lengthy spell. Mr Ible was told that the gelding would incur the mandatory three month ban from racing under the provisions of AR53A(4).

Lord Denman – Held up and unable to obtain clear running until passing the 250m.

Skygge – Began awkwardly and shifted out.

RACE 3: JOHN MCGRATH AUTO GROUP MAIDEN PLATE 1080M

Glistening Light – Trainer Ms G Englebrecht was fined \$50 for the late application of a cross-over noseband (AR140B) to the gear of the filly and \$50 for her failure to provide the Thoroughbred Identity Card for the filly (AR59A). Slow to begin.

Pepita – Slow to begin.

Zarmoon – Slow to begin.

Banja Luka – Trainer Mr M Miladinovic was fined the sum of \$50 under LR35 for the late declaration of app P Scorse as the rider of the gelding.

Snip The Mo – Passing the 900m when racing keenly, had to be restrained from the heels of Banja Luka.

Entry Tickets – When questioned, rider B Spriggs stated that near the 250m his mount laid in toward O' So Hazy and as he thought something may be amiss with the gelding, he did not test it for the remainder of the event. A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality. Trainer Mr D Rolfe advised that the gelding would be retired from racing.

RACE 4: MELBOURNE CUP BOOKINGS CLASS 1 & MAIDEN PLATE 1750M

Secret Mistress – Trainer Mr S Singleton was fined the sum of \$50 under LR35 for the late declaration of app J Van Overmeire as the rider of the filly.

Coral Downs – Slow to begin.

London Time – Crowded on jumping. Raced wide in the middle stages. Rider app Ms C MacFarlane pleaded guilty to a charge under AR137A(5)(a)(ii) for using her whip on nine occasions prior to the 100m, four more than is permitted. Bearing in mind Ms MacFarlane's poor record in relation to breaches under the Rule, her permit to ride in races was suspended for a period to commence on Wednesday 2 August 2017 and to expire on Monday 7 August 2017, on which day she may ride.

Ohiyesa – Bumped on jumping by Her Name Is Rio which shifted in. Pulled hard in the middle stages.

Her Name Is Rio – Passing the 250m had to be shifted out to continue into clear running.

Shamelessly – Following the race trainer Mr J Cleary advised that the mare would be retired to stud.

Let It Roll – When questioned, rider R Bensley stated that passing the 800m when following Arrows Destiny, whilst he was aware that Ohiesya was improving to his outside, he was reluctant to shift out to improve at this stage given that it was too far from home bearing in mind that his mount which was up in distance was still a two year old and that he had concerns with it running out the journey. He added that whilst he was initially shuffled back when runners commenced to make their runs soon after, after being briefly held up approaching the home turn, his mount was then one paced in the straight despite making ground late. R Bensley's explanation was noted.

RACE 5: SINGAPORE AIRLINES MAIDEN HANDICAP**1280M**

Star For Effort – When it was detected upon arrival at the start that there was an issue with the positioning of the gelding's tongue-control bit in its mouth, an adjustment to the bridle was made which delayed the start. At a subsequent inquiry, on the evidence, it was found that it was probable that the tongue-control had rotated in the gelding's mouth after leaving the mounting enclosure and therefore no action was taken against a party regarding the bridling of Star For Effort. Raced three wide throughout. When questioned, rider G Castillo stated that as the mare had weakened late when beaten into second placing last start at Acton on 23 June 2017, today he had been instructed not to place his mount under full pressure if possible until the final 200m in the hope of it finding the winning post more strongly. He added that today after riding to instructions his mount had found the line well.

Metro Missile – Slow to begin.

See The Sun – Slow to begin and crowded soon after by Fun Tickets which shifted in.

Money Crazy – Bumped on jumping by Quincy which shifted in and as a consequence was taken in onto the heels of Invincible Dream and had to be steadied.

Quiano Queen – A post-race veterinary examination of the mare did not reveal any abnormality.

RACE 6: CAPITAL CROWN LEASING BENCHMARK 55 HANDICAP**1080M**

Our Finvarra – Began awkwardly and lost some ground.

Tapavino – Held up rounding the home turn.

Tides Of Fortune – Laid in making the first turn.

Anything You Touch – Approaching the 600m was hampered and taken wider by Our Finvarra (M Cahill) which shifted out to improve. M Cahill was advised to exercise more care.

Critical Touch – Raced wide throughout.

RACE 7: BENMAX BENCHMARK 55 HANDICAP**1280M**

Sizzling Gaze – A post-race veterinary examination of the mare did not reveal any abnormality.

Magic Scene – App N Heywood pleaded guilty to a charge of charge of careless riding under AR137(a) in that near the 200m he permitted his mount to shift to the outside of Sizzling Gaze where there was insufficient room to do so contributing to Magic Scene being crowded, having to be restrained, and losing its rightful running. App N Heywood's permit to ride in races was suspended for a period to commence after the expiration of a careless riding suspension incurred at Royal Randwick on 22 July 2017 and therefore to commence on Thursday 10 August 2017 and to expire on Sunday 20 August 2017, on which day he may ride.

Revenue – Held up for clear running until passing the 200m.

Red Hot Tango – Trainer Ms K Welch was told that a warning would be recorded against the gelding which was slow to begin (4L).

Spare Ticket – Trainer Mr T Smart reported following the race that the gelding had returned with its tongue over the bit.

RACE 8: HEFFERNAN LENDING SOLUTIONS CLASS 1 HANDICAP

1206M

Treasure Boss - Slow to begin.

Stromlo – Over-raced with its head up in the middle stages.

Stezzl – Held up from near the 100m and until passing the 50m.

Summary of whip use

Stewards noted the following rider exceeded the permitted strikes of the whip prior to the 100m under AR137A(5)(a)(ii):

Race 8	App Ms N Burrells (Matt Maneuver)	8 strikes prior to the 100m.
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Bearing in mind the totality of whip use, no action was taken

SWAB SAMPLES:

Swab samples were taken from all winners:

SUMMARY	
Fines:	<p>Race 3: Trainer Ms G Englebrecht (Glistening Light) (AR140B(2)) - \$50 – Late gear change.</p> <p>Race 3: Trainer Ms G Englebrecht (Glistening Light) (AR59A) - \$50 – No TIC.</p> <p>Race 3: Trainer Mr M Miladinovic (Banja Luka) (LR35) - \$50 – Late rider.</p> <p>Race 4: Trainer Mr S Singleton (Secret Mistress) (LR35) - \$50 – Late rider.</p>
Reprimands:	Nil.
Suspensions:	<p>Race 4: App Ms C MacFarlane (London Time) – AR137A(5)(a)(ii) – Excessive whip use. Permit to ride in races was suspended for a period to commence on 2/8/17 and to expire on 27/8/17 on which day she may ride.</p> <p>Race 7: App N Heywood (Revenue) – AR137(a) – Careless riding. Permit to ride in races suspended for a period to commence on 10/8/17 and to expire on 20/8/17 on which day he may ride.</p>
Warnings:	Race 7: Red Hot Tango – Slow to begin (4L).
Bleeders:	Race 2: Major Sharpe – 1 st occasion (3 month ban from racing).
Trials:	Nil.
Certificates:	Race 1: Monte Ainslie – Lamé near-foreleg.
Falls/Injuries:	Nil.
Protests:	Nil.
Follow up:	Nil.
Change of Colours:	<p>Race 3: Banja Luka – White cap.</p> <p>Race 4: Let It Roll – Red cap.</p> <p>Race 5: Star For Effort – Yellow cap.</p> <p>Race 8: Treasure Boss – Red cap.</p>

