#### STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

# **Canberra Racing Club Incorporated**

#### THOROUGHBRED PARK

# Wednesday 29 December 2021

Weather: Fine

Track: Good (4), upgraded to Good (3) at 1:55pm following Race 1.

Rail: True

J D Walshe (Chairman), K E Blanch & C G Polglase (Stewards), M Donoghue (Starter), R Charnock (Assistant Starter), J Turner (Swab), Ms L Milton (Scales), Dr R Walshe (Veterinarian).

<u>General</u> – Rider app Ms M Waters was reprimanded under LR68 for failing to produce a letter of authority.

#### RACE 1: Onecall Form & Steel Handicap 1200m

**Everyone** – Began awkwardly.

**Fattore Stella** – Began awkwardly and lost ground (2L). Passing the 250m was eased when tightened by Romeo Vella and Jac The Great both of which shifted slight ground.

Jac the Great — Laid in over the concluding stages. When questioned regarding his riding rounding the home turn, app D Budler explained that he had been instructed not to expose his mount until straightening. He added that whilst leading up to the 500m he had cover on the back of Everyone, after the 500m that runner shifted wider to improve and he lost the back of that runner. He added after rounding the home turn, on straightening he was taken out by Fattore Stella and became awkwardly position just inside the heels of Everyone and was held up in the early part of the straight until passing the 300m when he was able to ease his mount out across the heels of Everyone to obtain clear running. Trainer Mr M Dale confirmed the instructions because in his view, when the track was firm as it was today, horses find it difficult to sustain a prolonged run around the field and for this reason he also instructed his rider not to get too far back in the field.

**Blazing Beau** – Raced ungenerously in the early stages. Over the concluding stages was eased to avoid the heels of Jac The Great (app D Budler) which shifted in under riding when not quite clear. App D Buder was advised to exercise more care.

**Romeo Vella** – Near the 250m was held up on the heels of Shipway and had to be shifted to the inside of the heels of that runner to obtain clear running.

**Evanora** – Was held up until passing the 250m.

Following the running of this race the track was upgraded to a Good (4) at 1:55pm.

# RACE 2: Bega Cup 2 Day Carnival 29 – 30 Jan@Sapphirecoast Handicap Handicap 1200m Aldasha – Slow to begin.

**Time For Peace** — Slow to begin. Near the 900m had to be checked from the heels of Outta Reach which over-reacted and shifted out after being brushed by Extravagent Lad which shifted out slightly.

Outta Reach - Began awkwardly.

**Moon Dancer** — When questioned regarding the performance of the mare which was disappointing, rider A Layt advised that his mount made respiratory noises throughout and did not respond to his riding in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the mare to be mildly coughing. Trainer Mr K Goldman advised that the mare had made respiratory noises in its work in the past however an endoscopic examination previously completed had revealed no issues. Mr Goldman however advised that he would now have a Dynamic endoscopic examination completed on the mare and he would report the results of that test, at which time the Stewards would determine whether any further action is required.

#### **RACE 3: Capital Racing Stables Handicap 2000m**

Clem Fandango — Rider N Heywood was permitted to ride his mount 1kg overweight in accordance with the policy. When questioned regarding the performance of the gelding, rider N Heywood stated that his mount was under pressure well prior to the home turn and passing the 400m made heavy breathing sounds comparable to a horse that had completed its race with significant exertion. He added that as his mount continued to weaken soon after straightening, he desisted from riding his mount in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality. Trainer Mr M Dale had no explanation for today's performance and was told that the gelding, which was beaten 46.5L would be required to barrier trial to the Stewards satisfaction prior to being permitted to race again.

**Would Be King** – On return to scale, rider J Penza stated that when challenged in the lead by Confident Lad, his mount pulled very hard and as a consequence travelled faster than was ideal which resulted in the gelding weakening in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality.

**Confident Lad** – When questioned, rider B Loy stated that he was instructed to ride his mount in a forward position. He added that when Would Be King sat outside his mount during the middle stages his mount raced keenly despite his efforts to restrain it and set a faster speed than was ideal which resulted in the gelding weakening in the straight. Trainer Mr J Coyle

confirmed the instructions but expressed disappointment in that he felt that the rider should have made greater effort to restrain the gelding and slow the speed and said that in his view this was the reason the gelding weakened in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding, which was beaten 24L did not reveal any abnormality. Stewards accepted that by completely sitting up at the 200m, B Loy had exaggerated the gelding's beaten margin and because of this and the other circumstances relating to the gelding's performance they elected not to take any action against the gelding.

### **RACE 4: Longpark Meat Co Handicap 1000m**

**Pure Harmony** – Trainer Mr J Ible was fined the sum of \$100 under LR36A for failing to scratch the mare by the prescribed time. The mare was officially scratched by Stewards at 8:05am.

**November Rhythm** — Trainer Mr T Croft was fined the sum of \$100 under AR206(2) for presenting the gelding, which was on debut, in gear for which no lodgement had been made, namely a cross-over noseband and a butterfly bit. When Stewards confirmed that the gelding had trialled in that gear, they permitted it to race with that gear and made public notifications to that effect. Knuckled on jumping. Raced three-wide throughout. Laid in after the 200m.

**Mixed Up Factor** – After being loaded into its barrier stall, the mare made contact with the front gates which popped open leading to the mare, which was not mounted at the time, galloping the circuit before being re-captured. The mare was subsequently scratched by order of the Stewards at 3:31pm. Stewards subsequently ordered that all monies invested on Mixed Up Factor be refunded in full and further that all successful bets placed with bookmakers prior to 3:31pm be subject to the following deductions in the dollar on the face value of the ticket:

1<sup>st</sup>: Yesterday's Gone: 3c win and 3c place

2<sup>nd</sup>: Hollow Dollar: 3c place 3<sup>rd</sup>: Lockup The Kittens: 4c place

**Shez Rising** – Crowded on jumping between Midnight Mover and Hollow Dollar.

**Hollow Dollar** – Shifted in at the start and made contact with Shez Rising.

**Midnight Mover** – Made contact with its near-side gate on jumping away.

**Lockup The Kittens** – Bounded on jumping.

**Unfazed** – Began awkwardly.

**Iridium** – Contacted its off-side gate on jumping away.

**Breakaway Week** – Hung out in the middle stages.

# RACE 5: Nick olive Racing Plate 1300m

**Orton Park** — Rider N Heywood was permitted to ride his mount 1/2kg overweight in accordance with the policy. Shifted out at the start and made contact with Beograd Boy.

**Santorini Sun** – Co-trainer Mr C Maher represented by Mr J Bruce was fined the sum of \$100 under LR35 for the late declaration of B Loy as the rider of the mare. Rider B Loy was permitted to ride his mount 1/2kg overweight in accordance with the policy. Crowded on jumping by Oahu Gaze which shifted in.

**Third Eye** – Checked on jumping when crowded by Dime which shifted out.

**Beograd Boy** – Began awkwardly and was then contacted by Orton Boy which shifted out. Approaching the 1200m had to be checked between Orton Park and Selvam, which had initially laid in and taken some running of Beograd Boy prior to Selvam Park then being taken in by Santorini Sun (B Loy) which had initially shifted in relatively acutely and which very soon after was carried in a little further by Oahau Gaze (J Martin) which shifted in when not quite clear. In all circumstances B Loy was reprimanded (AR131(a)) and J Martin was advised to exercise more care.

**Orton Park** – Got its head up and raced ungenerously for some distance passing the 1100m.

**Black Banjo** – Raced three-wide throughout.

#### RACE 6: TAB Federal 1400m

**Onethetake** – As S Miller was unavailable, Stewards permitted J Mallyon to be substituted as the rider of the mare. Slow to begin.

**Balonne** – Slow to begin.

Major Time – App Ms A McLucas (Meg), represented by her co-master Ms L Longmire pleaded guilty to a charge of careless riding under AR131(a) in that passing the 150m she permitted her mount to shift in when insufficiently clear of Major Time which lost its rightful running and had to be checked. App Ms A McLucas's permit to ride in races was suspended for a period to commence on Friday 7 January 2022 and to expire on Wednesday 12 January 2022 on which day she may ride.

#### RACE 7: Cleanaway Handicap 1000m

**Calascent** – Dislodged its off-fore plate behind the start necessitating in it being re-plated which delayed the start of the race. Several runners which had been loaded were removed from the barrier stalls during the re-shoeing of Calascent. Calascent was subsequently examined by Club's veterinary officer and passed fit to start. Raced four-wide throughout.

**Cattledog Cod** – Slow to begin.

**Rafha's Choice** – Over-raced in the middle stages and was obliged to race three-wide throughout.

**Look Only** – Was held up for some distance after the 300m. Was not tested close to the line when awkwardly positioned close to the heels of Calascent (app Ms A McLucas) which shifted in when not quite clear. App Ms A McLucas was advised that she must straighten her mounts in similar circumstances.

#### RACE 8: Eco-Road Hero Dust/Blokr Handicap 1300m

**Newtown Braveheart** – Rider N Heywood was permitted to ride his mount 1kg overweight in accordance with the policy.

**Speedzone** – Kicked out in its tie-up stall and sustained a laceration along the length of its near-hind cannon which required veterinary attention. The entire was scratched at 3:07pm and trainer Mr T Croft was told that he would be required to provide a veterinary clearance prior to the entire being permitted to race again.

**Budderoo Blitz** – Slow to begin.

**Red Opera** – Contacted on jumping by Dubai Centre which was taken out.

**Dubai Centre** – Was contacted on jumping by Kitty Karine which shifted out. Raced three-wide throughout.

Kitty Karine – Began awkwardly and shifted out and made contact with Dubai Centre.

# RACE 9: Capital EA Plate 1600m

**King Of Spades** – Change of tactics: To be ridden with cover just behind the speed; settled in that position.

Miss Horsbro – Trainer Mr R Potter was fined the sum of \$100 under LR35 for the late declaration of Ms K Nisbet as the rider of the mare.

**Super View** – Raced three-wide throughout.

**Lovin' Feelin'** – Slow to begin.

**Colonist** – Over-raced in the middle stages.

Fleetwood Maca – Was held up until near the 300m.

# **General**

An inquiry was conducted into a complaint made by foreperson Mr M Kelley against app D Budler concerning his conduct when he rode a three-year old gelding during trackwork at Thoroughbred Park on the morning of 23 December 2021. Evidence was taken from Mr M Kelley, app D Budler and his master Mr R Potter, Trackwork Supervisor Mr R Fordham and stablehand rider Miss R Warden. On the evidence the allegation made by Mr Kelley was not substantiated and based on the accepted available evidence, app D Budler's conduct in the circumstances, was deemed not unreasonable.

# 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 1	App D Budler (Diamond Class)	6 strikes prior to the 100m
Race 2	J Mallyon (Call Me Artie)	7 strikes prior to the 100m
Race 6	J Mallyon (Aye Darby)	7 strikes prior to the 100m
Race 7	Ms W Costin (Outta Reach)	6 strikes prior to the 100m

# **Swabs:**

Swab samples were obtained from all winners except Race 8 when Divine Future proved extremely dangerous to sample when it was fractious.

SUMMARY		
Fines:	Race 4: Trainer Mr T Croft (November Rhythm) (AR206(2)) \$100 -	
	No gear lodgement prior to prescribed time.	
	Race 4: Trainer Mr J Ible (Pure Harmony) (LR36A) \$100 – Fail	
	scratch by prescribed time.	
	Race 5: Co-trainer Mr C Maher (Santorini Sun) (LR35) \$100 – Late	
	rider.	
	Race 9: Trainer Mr R Potter (Miss Horsbro) (LR35) \$100 – Late rider.	
Reprimands:	General: App Ms M Waters (LR68) – No letter of authority.	
	Race 5: B Loy (Santorini Sun) (AR131(a)) – Careless riding.	
Suspensions:	Race 6: App Ms A McLucas (Meg) (AR131(a)) – Careless riding.	
	Permit to ride in races suspended 7/1/22 to expire on 12/1/22 on	
	which day she may ride.	
Bleeders:	Nil.	
Warnings:	Race 1: I Am Mamwaazel – Fractious when rearing behind the	
	start.	
Trials:	Race 3: Clem Fandango – Poor performance (Beaten 46.5L).	
Vet Certificates:	Race 2: Moon Dancer – Respiratory noises during race (Results of	

Dynamic scope to provided).	
Race 8: Speed Zone – Laceration off-hind leg.	
Nil.	
Nil.	
Nil.	