

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

Canberra Racing Club Incorporated

THOROUGHBRED PARK

Friday 21 January 2022

Weather: Overcast

Track: Soft (5), upgraded to Good (4) at 11:23am, upgraded to Good (3) following Race 1 at 1:35pm.

Rail: Out 7m

J D Walshe (Chairman), K E Blanch & C G Polglase (Stewards), D Riches (Starter), P Selmes (Assistant Starter), Ms L Milton (Swab), G Hargraves (Scales), Dr R Walshe (Veterinarian).

General

The Brothers War/Blowdakitty 2018 – Stewards today continued their inquiry into the death of the filly after it broke down in its off-foreleg upon being eased down following a 400m jump-out near the 900m mark on the course proper at Thoroughbred Park on the morning of 15 December 2022. Due to the catastrophic injury sustained, the filly was subsequently humanely euthanised. Evidence was taken from co-trainer Mr P Jones who also provided the stable's treatment records. A veterinary report completed by Dr A Willi (Canberra Equine Hospital) and a necropsy report completed by Dr S Raidal (Wagga University) were tendered into evidence. Dr Raidal's report detailed that the filly suffered a compound fracture of its distal right metacarpus. As the Stewards were satisfied that there was no pre-existing injury/condition that may have led or contributed to the filly suffering the injury, the inquiry was concluded.

RACE 1: National Capital Test & Tag Handicap 1000m

Linden – Slow to begin.

Mouse Almighty – Rider app Ms M Bourke was spoken to regarding persevering during the straight for a run to the inside of Byblos Boy where there was insufficient room to improve which resulted in her mount racing far too close to the heels of Byblos Boy and after the 100m having to be steadied from the heels of that runner.

Byblos Boy – Near the 50m was eased out across the heels of Brothers Of Antrim (M Cahill) which shifted in when not quite clear. M Cahill was advised to exercise more care.

Corazon De Oro – A post-race veterinary examination revealed the mare to have swelling over its near-fore tendon. Trainer Mr C Heywood was told that he would be required to provide a veterinary clearance prior to the mare being permitted to race again.

RACE 2: Grapevine Mortgage Handicap 1000m

Due to technical issues this race was started manually.

Add On – Rider R Bensley was permitted to ride his mount 1/2kg overweight in accordance with the policy. Passing the 200m laid in and had to be corrected.

Irish Bride – Slow to begin.

Rubicon River - Pulled hard for some distance passing the 700m.

Ronny Rock Art – Raced three-wide throughout.

Wiltshire – Laid in passing the 300m.

One Pose – Hung out rounding the home turn and in the straight.

RACE 3: Capital EA Handicap 1300m

Hasler – Slow to begin.

The Seeker – Was a little slow to begin. Rounding the home turn shifted out and contacted Charlemagne. When questioned regarding the performance of the gelding, rider B Spriggs stated that in his view his mount had raced disinterestedly and did not respond to his riding in the straight and was disappointing. A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality.

River Sam – Raced three-wide throughout.

Charlemagne – Making the home turn was contacted by The Seeker which shifted out. Rider B Loy reported that his mount was a little slow to begin and thereafter from his wide draw he rode it where it was comfortable and as a consequence it settled further back than was anticipated.

The Watchman – Was held up rounding the home turn.

Starmoss – When questioned regarding the performance of the gelding, rider A Layt stated that his mount did not respond to his riding in the straight after travelling in an advantageous position behind the speed. A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality.

What's My Scene – Rider Ms L Day dropped her whip passing the 250m.

RACE 4: C & C Painting Group Handicap 1600m

Balonne – Slow to begin. Pulled hard in the early and middles stages and raced three-wide throughout.

Call Me Artie – When questioned regarding the performance of the gelding, rider B Owen advised that his mount raced keenly from the 1000m when challenged by Balonne and that was only explanation he could offer for his mount's somewhat disappointing performance. A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality.

RACE 5: Greg Burke Racing Management Plate 1000m

Mrs Gloop – Rider J Martin was permitted to ride his mount 1/2kg overweight in accordance with the policy.

Divine Moment – Slow to begin.

Jukebox Money – Pulled hard in the middle stages.

Stella Siren – Was held up rounding the home turn.

Burgundy Girl – Was contacted on jumping by Mandalong Cash which shifted out.

Breakaway Week – Raced very wide throughout.

Volts – A post-race veterinary examination revealed the filly to have sustained a laceration to its off-hind pastern. Trainer Mr M Smith was told that he would be required to provide a veterinary clearance prior to the filly being permitted to race again.

RACE 6: Onecall Steel & Form Handicap 1000m

Mrs Patmore – Rider B Loy was permitted to ride his mount 1/2kg overweight in accordance with the policy.

Prophet Time – Slow to begin.

Golden Passport – Was a little slow to begin.

Paved With Gold – Slow to begin and attempted to buck for some distance after and lost ground. Trainer Mr E Cummings was told that the filly would be required to barrier trial to the Steward's satisfaction prior to being permitted to race again.

Vaderzan – Was held up rounding the home turn and until passing the 200m.

Opal Ridge – Rounding the home turn laid in behind the heels of Mrs Patmore.

RACE 7: TAB Federal 1200m

Ten Bells – After being loaded into its barrier stall, became fractious and kicked out repeatedly and sustained multiple lacerations to its hind legs. Was subsequently a late scratching on veterinary advice at 5:22pm. Stewards ordered that all monies invested on the mare be refunded in full and further that all successful bets placed with bookmakers prior to 5:22pm be subject to the following deductions in the dollar on the face value of the ticket:

1st: Major Time: 43c win and 27c place

2nd: Rafha's Choice: 22c place

3rd: Mad As Zariz: 29c place

At a subsequent inquiry trainer Mr S Collings was told that he would be required to provide a veterinary clearance prior to the mare having to barrier trial to the Steward's satisfaction prior to being permitted to race again.

Opera Tickets – Trainer Mr D Rolfe was told that a warning would be recorded against the gelding which was slow to begin and raced uncompetitively.

Onsettling Down – Dislodged its off-fore plate passing the 600m.

RACE 8: Women In Racing Plate 1600m

Windabull – Rider R Bensley was permitted to ride his mount 1/2kg overweight in accordance with the policy.

Ribeauville – Dislodged its near-fore plate en route to the start necessitating in the gelding being re-plated behind the start. The gelding was subsequently trotted up by the Club's veterinarian and passed fit to start.

Crime Spree – Stable representative Ms D Reiper was told that a warning would be recorded against the gelding which was slow to begin (3L).

Brennaman – Slow to begin.

Antigonus – Passing the 250m was inconvenienced by Destacado which was taken out by Brennaman.

Mixed Up Grey – On return to scale rider Ms L Day advised that she felt that something was amiss with her mount and for this reason she did not test it in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to have cardiac arrhythmia. Trainer Mr G Vella was told that a veterinary clearance including the results of an ECG would be required prior to the

gelding also having to barrier trial to the Steward's satisfaction before it would be permitted to race again.

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.

Race 4	L Magorrian (Trust the Process)	6 strikes prior to the 100m
Race 6	Ms W Costin (Golden Passport)	6 strikes prior to the 100m
Race 8	J Penza (Crime Spree)	7 strikes prior to the 100m

Swabs:

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

Race 1: Byblos Boy, Corazon De Oro

Race 2: Wilkshire, Add On

Race 4: Balonne, The Grundler

SUMMARY	
Fines:	Nil.
Reprimands:	Nil.
Suspensions:	Nil.
Bleeders:	Nil.
Warnings:	Race 7: Opera Tickets – Slow to begin (3L) and uncompetitive performance. Race 8: Crime Spree – Slow to begin (3L).
Trials:	Race 6: Paved With Gold – Attempted to buck. Race 7: Ten Bells – Fractious barriers and kicked out repeatedly. Race 8: Mixed Up Grey – Cardiac Arrhythmia.
Vet Certificates:	Race 1: Corazon De Oro – Swelling over its near-fore tendon. Race 5: Volts – Laceration to its off-hind pastern. Race 7: Ten Bells – Multiple lacerations to its hind legs. Race 8: Mixed Up Grey – Cardiac Arrhythmia (incl results of ECG).
Falls/Injuries:	Nil.
Change of Colours:	Race 3: What's My Scene – Green, gold CRC logo.
Follow up:	Nil.

