

## STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

### Canberra Racing Club Incorporated

#### THOROUGHBRED PARK

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2023

Weather: Rain

Track: Good (4), downgraded to Soft (6) at 8:45am, downgraded Heavy (8) 10:25am, downgraded Heavy (9) 2:40pm

Rail: True

J D Walshe (Chairman), G E V Hargraves & Cadet X C Dalton (Stewards), D Riches (Starter), P Selmes (Assistant Starter), Ms K Head (Swab), P Toomey (Scales), Dr R Walshe (Veterinarian).

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#### **RACE 1: John McGrath Auto Group MG Phillip Plate 1600m**

**Galaxy Reign** – Was slow to begin. Over-raced in the early stages.

**Cut On A Dime** – Slow to begin. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the colt to be displaying cardiac arrhythmia. Trainer Mr B Heys was told that he would be required to provide a full veterinary clearance including the satisfactory results of an ECG prior to the colt also having to perform satisfactorily in an official barrier trial prior to being permitted to trace again.

**Ellie's Dream** – Over-raced in the early to middle stages and passing the 1300m when awkward on the heels of Offspring was allowed to stride forward to settle outside the leader Mayfair Hotel.

**Mayfair Hotel** – When questioned regarding the tactics, rider app Ms M Bourke said that as she was told that the filly had been tardily away at its only two race starts, she was to urge her mount from the gates to take up a more prominent position. She added however that today her mount began particularly well and surprised and raced further forward than was anticipated when it was able to lead.

#### **RACE 2: Thank You Tim Olive Handicap 1200m**

**In De Sun Iwilcome** – Stewards acceded to an application at 11:15am from trainer Mr K Dryden to withdraw the mare due to the downgrade to the track.

**Loud** – Shifted out at the start and made contact with Zarinya. After the 1000m pulled its way up to the inside of Vancouver Queen and had to be restrained.

**Anchorage** – Rider N Heywood was permitted to ride his mount 1/2kg overweight in accordance with the policy. Shifted in at the start.

**Zarinya** – On jumping was contacted by Loud which shifted out.

**Vennoiserie** – Slow to begin.

**Hermosa Rosa** – Began awkwardly and shifted out.

### **RACE 3: Seears Workwear Handicap 1000m**

**La Mia Via** – En route to the start, became obstinate and near the 800m refused to proceed to the start for a considerable length of time which largely contributed to the race being started seven minutes late and also proved difficult to load. Trainer Mr K Dryden was told that the mare would be required to prove its manners in an official barrier trial prior to being permitted to race again. Mr Dryden advised that consideration would be given by connections to the immediate racing future of the mare. Was crowded on jumping.

**Danish Lane** – As S Guymer was delayed on course due to transport difficulties, Stewards permitted D Beasley to be substituted as the rider of the mare. On jumping had to be restrained when crowded by Tokoyo which shifted in.

**Sunchyme** – Was crowded on jumping by Tilley's Love which shifted out.

**Dubai Oak** – Raced wide throughout. Passing the 300m shifted out and became unbalanced after making contact with Vanourece when it was corrected by its rider.

**Tilley's Love** – Passing the 700m had to be restrained from the heels of Sunchyme (J Innes Jnr) which shifted in when not clear. J Innes was reprimanded (AR131(a)).

**Vanourece** – App Ms C Keatings (*Dubai Oak*), represented by trainer Mr P Jones pleaded guilty to a charge of careless riding under AR131(a) in that passing the 300m she permitted her mount to shift out when insufficiently clear of Vanourece which was hampered when badly crowded between Vanourece and Ambitious Fella. App Ms C Keatings permit to ride in races was suspended for the day of Tuesday 18 April 2023 only taking into account that this was her first suspension under the Rule with other discounts applied under the careless riding template.

### **RACE 4: Get Built Handicap 1400m**

**Galactic Warrior** – Stewards acceded to an application at 10:40am from trainer Mr W Hudd to withdraw the gelding due to the downgrade to the track.

**Manilla Thriller** – Raced keenly in the early and middle stages.

**Warby** – Laid in under pressure passing the 200m. Over the final 100m brushed with Region Time on several occasions due to both runners shifting ground. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to be coughing.

**Region Time** – Passing the 200m, was taken in behind the heels of The Maximator and consequently held up for several strides by Warby which laid in under pressure. Over the final 100m brushed with Warby on several occasions due to both runners shifting ground.

**RACE 5: John McGrath Auto Group Kia Phillip Handicap 1200m**

**Motion Legend** – Rider B Rawiller was permitted to ride his mount 1/2kg overweight in accordance with the policy. Hung out near the 450m.

**Papaver Miner** – Was contacted on jumping by Ogrim which shifted out.

**Ogrim** – Shifted out at the start and made contact with Papaver Miner.

**Russian Assassin** – Stewards acceded to an application at 9:13am from trainer Ms L Parker to withdraw the gelding due to the downgrade to the track.

**Astunner** – Escaped from its handler when being led from the stables to the on-course tie-up stall area and made contact with a horse float. Was a late scratching on veterinary advice at 1:05pm when also identified to have sustained a laceration to the left side of its girth area.

**Hallowed Star** – Was a little slow to begin. Near the 800m when over-racing, had to be checked away from the heels of Beagle.

**Rager** – Near the 450m was hampered by Chesteray which was taken out by Beagle which in turn was taken out by Motion Legend which hung out.

**Chesteray** – When questioned, rider L Magorrian stated that in his view his mount had not handle the heavy track conditions. A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality.

Due to a further downpour during the race, the track was downgraded at 2:40pm to a Heavy (9). On return to scale riders expressed concern regarding a lack of visibility due to the kickback. After completing the formal interview process with riders that rode in the race and when satisfied that conditions were now unsafe because of the lack of visibility, Stewards abandoned the remainder of the program, being races 6 – 9.

**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 5</b>	J Pracey-Holmes ( <b>Hallowed Star</b> )	7 strikes prior to the 100m
<b>Race 5</b>	B Rawiller ( <b>Motion Legend</b> )	7 strikes prior to the 100m

**Swabs:**

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

Race 1: Galaxy Reign, Upstick

Race 2: Loud, Diamond Star

Race 3: Vanourece, Ambitious Fella

<b>SUMMARY</b>	
<b>Fines:</b>	Nil.
<b>Reprimands:</b>	<b>Race 3: J Innes Jnr (Sunchyme) (AR131(a)) – Careless riding.</b>
<b>Suspensions:</b>	<b>Race 3: App Ms C Keatings (Dubai Oak) (AR131(a)) – Careless riding. Permit to ride in races suspended 18/4/23 only.</b>
<b>Bleeders:</b>	Nil.
<b>Warnings:</b>	Nil.
<b>Trials:</b>	<b>Race 1: Cut On A Dime – Cardiac arrhythmia.</b> <b>Race 3: La Mia Via – Was obstinate and proved very difficult to proceed to the barriers and was also difficult to load.</b>
<b>Vet Certificates:</b>	<b>Race 1: Cut On A Dime – Cardiac arrhythmia (incl ECG).</b>
<b>Falls/Injuries:</b>	Nil.
<b>Change of Colours:</b>	<b>Race 5: Ogrim – Black cap.</b>
<b>Follow up:</b>	Nil.