

## STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

### Canberra Racing Club Incorporated

#### THOROUGHBRED PARK

Friday 9th April 2024

Weather: Fine  
Track: Soft (6)  
Rail: True

J D Walshe (Chairman), G E V Hargraves, 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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#### **General**

**Imalovaboy** – Stewards today inquired into the reasons why the gelding was euthanised on 17 April 2024. Evidence was taken from Mr G Vella, trainer of the gelding, and a report was also provided by veterinarian Dr M Wright, Bungendore Veterinary Surgery. On the evidence it was established that Imalovaboy won at Sapphire Coast on 5 April 2024 and appeared to initially come through that race without any soundness issues. However, the following day the gelding was observed to be lame and following veterinary examination the gelding was confirmed to be lame (grade 4/5) in its left forelimb with subsequent radiographs revealing a distal radiocarpal fracture. After surgical opinion was sought, given the poor prognosis for recovery and on welfare grounds the gelding was subsequently euthanised. As there was no evidence of a pre-existing injury or condition, the inquiry was subsequently concluded.

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#### **General**

App Ms H Durnan was reprimanded under AR143(12) for failing to produce her winning rides book.

#### **RACE 1: Affinity Electrical Technologies Plate 2000m**

**Ruff** – Rider N Heywood was permitted to ride his mount 1/2kg overweight in accordance with the policy. Change of tactics: To be ridden more forward just behind the speed. On return to scale rider N Heywood stated that after beginning well and when there was no early speed, his mount was left in the lead.

**Taytay Bay** – Was slow to begin and crowded soon after by Lumiere which shifted in.

**Lumiere** – After passing the winning post on the first occasion, was eased from the heels of Presley (Ms A Collett) which shifted in when not clear. Ms A Collett was advised to exercise more care.

**Goofinator** – Began awkwardly. Was unable to be tested close to the line when in restricted room between the heels of Ruff and Presley which shifted in slightly.

**Buff Mobile** – Rider P Boudvillain dropped his whip passing the 150m.

### **RACE 2: Iron Jack Handicap 1200m**

**Aerobatic Warrior** – On jumping bumped with Kitty Karine.

**Kitty Karine** – Began awkwardly and shifted out and bumped with Aerobatic Warrior.

**Kaphands** – Was crowded on jumping by Diamonds Galore which shifted out. When questioned regarding the performance of the mare, rider Ms A Collett stated that her mount never raced on the bridle and after the 600m changed legs on several occasions and did not respond to her riding in the straight and was disappointing. A post-race veterinary examination of the mare did not reveal any abnormality.

**Greaves** – When questioned regarding the performance of the gelding, rider B Owen advised that his mount was under pressure from the 500m and proved disappointing in its failure to respond to his riding in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality.

**Super Riff** – When questioned regarding her riding in the early part of the straight, rider Ms K Nisbet advised that after being held up rounding the home turn, soon after straightening when positioned to the inside of Aerobatic Warrior, she anticipated improving to the inside of that runner but was momentarily awkwardly placed when that runner shifted in slightly before being able to place her mount under more concerted pressure.

**Diamonds Galore** – Began awkwardly and shifted out.

### **RACE 3: Thoroughbred Park Function Centre 1400m**

Stewards opened an inquiry into an alleged error in the Judge's placings in this race. Subsequent to the declaration of correct weight for this race and sometime after, information had been brought to the attention of Canberra Racing Club Officials concerning the potential issue with the placings.

Evidence was taken from representatives for the connections of Disrupt, which was placed fifth, and Bo Bo Beware, which was placed fourth. Evidence was also obtained from Official Judge Mr S Shroff, assistance Judge Mr J Dorrington and Trainee Judge Mr A Aherne-Williams. On the

evidence it was established that when assessing the placings in the race, the Judge's panel agreed that Disrupt had finished fourth and Bo Bo Beware had finished fifth, however when the Judge's placings were being keyed into the computer an entry error occurred resulting in Bo Bo Beware being incorrectly semaphored as finishing fourth instead of fifth and Disrupt fifth place instead of fourth.

After viewing the Judges official photo finish image and with there being no contest from any of the parties, Stewards were satisfied that the Judge had made a mistake in placing Bo Bo Beware fourth and Disrupt fifth. Accordingly, under the provisions of AR214(4)(b), the placings were altered to read:

1<sup>st</sup>: Clubman  
2<sup>nd</sup>: My Shalom  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Final Crack  
4<sup>th</sup>: Disrupt  
5<sup>th</sup>: Bo Bo Beware

Under the provisions of AR214(6) the alteration to the Judge's placings, which occurred after correct weight, will have no effect on the previous orders given by Stewards as to betting on the race. A report will be provided to the Chief Executive of the Canberra Racing Club for his consideration and necessary action.

**Final Crack** – On return to scale, rider N Heywood stated that his mount began particularly well and from his wide draw he allowed his mount to stride to the lead and consequently the gelding settled further forward than anticipated.

**My Shalom** – Over-raced in the middle stages and got its head up when being restrained by its rider. Rider D Shankar was spoken to regarding his whip arm being raised above shoulder height in the straight.

#### **RACE 4: John McGrath Auto Group Handicap 1200m**

**Bedouin Bear** – Began awkwardly. Over-raced in the middle stages and was obliged to race three-wide throughout.

**Oh What A Knight** – Was taken in at the start by Downtown's Abbey which shifted in. Hung out in the straight.

**Tabei** – Was slow to begin and soon after was crowded by Oh What A Knight which was taken in. When questioned regarding the performance of the filly, whilst rider Ms L Day said that her mount was disadvantaged at the start by being slowly away, she said that the filly had raced flat today and may have come to the end of its preparation. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the filly to be lame in its near-hind leg (grade 2/5). Trainer Mrs N Jarvis was advised a

veterinary clearance would be required prior to Tabei being permitted to race again. Mrs Jarvis advised that the filly would now be sent for a spell.

**Volare** – Was held up rounding the home turn.

**Bounty By Knight** – Laid out passing the 1050m and had to be straightened by its rider. Passing the 200m was taken in briefly by Messaggero which laid in.

**Volare** – Passing the 1050m was taken out by Bounty By Knight which laid out. Over-raced in the middle stages.

**Isagura** – Passing the 1050m was taken out by Volare which was taken out, but over-reacted when racing greenly and ran out abruptly.

**Messaggero** – Laid in passing the 200m and had to be corrected.

#### **RACE 5: Seears Workwear Handicap 1300m**

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

**Capital Venture** – Began awkwardly and soon after the start got its head up and shifted out over-reacting to a minor outward shift of Worx.

**Worx** – Slipped behind on jumping and scrambled resulting in its rider being unbalanced, shifting out and losing ground.

**Imasuperstar** – Raced keenly in the early and middle stages. Laid in in the straight.

**Oneforian** – Shifted in at the start and bumped King Lane.

**King Lane** – Bumped on jumping by Oneforian which shifted in.

#### **RACE 6: TAB We're On Handicap 1600m**

**Rangatira** – Rider P Boudvellain was permitted to ride his mount 1/2kg overweight in accordance with the policy. Was held up rounding the home turn.

**Merisi** – Trainer Mr M Dale was fined the sum of \$100 under AR106 for presenting the mare to race without its tongue-tie. When questioned regarding the disappointing performance of the gelding, app Ms H Williams advised that whilst her mount was disadvantaged by its big weight, it was nevertheless under pressure from the 600m and proved disappointing in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to be lame in its near-foreleg (grade 2/5). Trainer Mr M Dale was told that he would be required to provide a veterinary clearance prior to the gelding being permitted to race again.

### **RACE 7: TAB Federal 1400m**

**Champions League** – Raced keenly in the middle stages.

**Own Them** – Was badly crowded on jumping between Invertational and Invincible Dash which shifted in.

**Invertational** – On jumping had to be restrained when crowded between Own Them and Ready To Humble which shifted out.

**Ready To Humble** – Raced keenly in the middle stages. Passing the 1000m was crowded for some distance by From The Bush (app A Villers). App A Villiers was reprimanded and told that he should have relieved the pressure to his fellow rider when that crowding had persisted for too long.

**Napoleon Solo** – Raced wide throughout.

**Bon Frankie** – Had difficulty obtaining clear running for some distance passing the 250m.

### **RACE 8: A Plus Plumbing Handicap 1200m**

**Lyrical Beauty** – Trainer Mr M Dale was fined the sum of \$100 under LR35 for the late declaration of app A Villers as the rider of the filly.

**Call Me Artie** – Raced three-wide throughout.

**Wilkshire** – Began very awkwardly and soon after was crowded by Santorini Sun which shifted out. When questioned regarding the performance of the gelding, rider app Ms J Del Frari stated that after her mount's difficulties at the start, she rode her mount forward to take up a more prominent position in accordance with her instructions however her mount did not travel on the bridle from the middle stages and did not respond to her riding in the straight and was disappointing. A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormality. Trainer Mr B Smith advised that the gelding would now be transferred from his stable.

**Maresca** – Over-raced in the early and middle stages.

**Starliv** – Began awkwardly.

### **Barrier Trial:**

Trainer Mr T Smart was fined the sum of \$50 under AR65 for failing to produce the Thoroughbred Identity Card for *Vainstream* which was engaged in Heat 2.

**Swabs:**

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

**Race 1:** Buff Mobile, Goofinator, Presley (2)

**Race 2:** Chipstar, Aerobatic Warrior

**Race 3:** Takeover Artist

<b>SUMMARY</b>	
<b>Fines:</b>	<b>Race 6:</b> Trainer Mr M Dale ( <b>Merisi</b> ) \$100 (AR106) – Incorrect gear. <b>Race 8:</b> Trainer Mr M Dale ( <b>Lyrical Beauty</b> ) \$100 (LR35) – Late rider. <b>Barrier Trial:</b> Trainer Mr T Smart ( <b>Vainstream</b> ) \$50 (AR65) – No TIC.
<b>Reprimands:</b>	<b>General:</b> App Ms H Durnan (AR143(12)) - Fail produce winning rides book. <b>Race 7:</b> App A Villers ( <b>From The Bush</b> ) (AR131(a)) – Careless riding.
<b>Suspensions:</b>	Nil.
<b>Bleeders:</b>	Nil.
<b>Warnings:</b>	Nil.
<b>Trials:</b>	Nil.
<b>Vet Certificates:</b>	<b>Race 4:</b> Tabei – Lamé hind-leg (grade 2/5). <b>Race 6:</b> Merisi – Lamé near fore-leg (grade 2/5).
<b>Falls/Injuries:</b>	Nil.
<b>Change of Colours:</b>	<b>Race 5:</b> Imasuperstar – Green, gold CRC logo. <b>Race 7:</b> Invincible Dash – White cap.
<b>Follow up:</b>	Nil.