#### STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

# Canberra Racing Club Incorporated

### **Acton Track**

## Thoroughbred Park

Friday 9th August 2024

Weather: Overcast Track: Synthetic

Rail: True

**COMMITTEE OF STEWARDS:** X C Dalton (Chairman), G E V Hargraves & D J Bucknell (Stewards), D Riches (Starter), P Selmes (Assistant Starter), K Head (Swab),

P Toomey (Scales) Dr J Saltet (Veterinarian)

## **RACE 1: CBR Electrical Contractors Plate 1280m:**

**Sir Maurice** – Raced keenly in the early and middle stages. D. Panya pleaded guilty to a charge under AR132(7)(a)(ii) in that she used the whip on seven occasions prior to the 100m. Having regard to the overall totality of whip use by D. Panya in striking her mount on 20 occasions, Stewards issued D. Panya a fine in the sum of \$200.

**Bubble Tea –** On jumping, shifted out and bumped with *Flashy Icon*. Near the 600, attempted to jump a shadow on the course. When questioned, App. J. Stanley stated that his instructions today were to settle his mount where comfortable. He stated that whilst it was not his intention to lead, his mount began well and rolled forward comfortably.

**Flashy Icon –** On jumping shifted in and bumped with *Bubble Tea*.

**Sooby Rose** – On return to scale, Q. Krogh stated that his mount never travelled and that, in his opinion, **Sooby Rose** did not handle today's synthetic racing surface.

**American Kestrel –** Began awkwardly.

**Vella Icon** – Began awkwardly, shifted in and made contact with *Downtown Lights*.

**Downtown Lights –** On jumping was contacted by *Vella Icon* which shifted in.

## RACE 2: North Canberra Bear Bar (Northies) Handicap 1080m:

**Maikrow** – N. Heywood was permitted to ride 0.5kg over the allotted weight of 57.5kg in accordance with the policy. Began awkwardly, shifted in and made contact with *Prairie Legend*.

**Prairie Legend –** On jumping was contacted by *Maikrow* which shifted in. Raced keenly in the early stages.

**Rowdy Shebang** – Passing the 600m had to be shifted out after improving close to the heels of *Champ De Mars*. On return to scale, J. Martin stated that in his opinion, his mount did not appreciate racing in amongst the field today. A post-race veterinary examination of the mare revealed no abnormalities.

**Hold The Gold –** Raced wide and without cover throughout the event.

### RACE 3: R & T Concreting Jockeys Celebration Day Handicap 1080m:

**Don't Thinkaboutit –** Shortly after jumping shifted in and bumped with *Khaleej.* Raced very wide and without cover throughout the event.

**Khaleej –** On jumping was buffeted between *Don't Thinkaboutit* which shifted in, and *Shrimp* which shifted out.

**Shrimp** – Began awkwardly, shifted in and bumped with *Irish Bride* before shifting out and making contact *Khaleej*.

**Irish Bride** – On jumping was contacted by *Shrimp* which shifted in, and *Dollywood* which shifted out. Near the 700m, commenced to race keenly and had to be restrained in an effort to obtain a position with cover.

**Dollywood –** Began awkwardly, shifted out and made contact with *Irish Bride*.

**Champagne In Lace –** Raced three-wide and without cover throughout the event.

**Hermosa Rosa –** When questioned regarding the tactics adopted, J. Penza stated that after beginning well, he noticed other runners made no attempt to cross his mount to obtain the lead, at which point his mount comfortably settled in that position. J. Penza explanation was noted.

## RACE 4: Pacific FM Handicap 1750m:

**Loose Love –** When questioned, B. Owen stated that he was obliged to make some use of his mount in the early stages in an effort to roll forward in accordance with his instructions and with the gelding's racing pattern. He added however that the superior

speed of runners to his inside resulted in his mount having to be placed under increased pressure in an effort to cross in the early stages. He added that after obtaining a prominent position, his mount travelled comfortably throughout the middle stages however he added that when placed under pressure passing the 600m, **Loose Love** was disappointing in the manner in which it closed off its race. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to be slow to recover.

**Cyborg** – Passing the winning post on the first occasion, was momentarily tightened for room by *Burgundy Girl*, which was taken in.

**Burgundy Girl** – Passing the winning post on the first occasion, had to be restrained in and away from the heels of *Departing Bullet* (App. O. Dalton) which shifted in when not clear to do so. In all the circumstances, App. O. Dalton was reprimanded under AR131(a) for careless riding.

**Autunno –** Stood flat-footed, began very awkwardly and missed the start (3L). Trainer Mr R. Litt was subsequently advised that a warning would be recorded against the gelding's record.

**Crystal Waters** – Began awkwardly, shifted in and made contact with *Departing Bullet*.

**Departing Bullet –** On jumping was contacted by *Crystal Waters* which shifted in.

**Shafty** – Began awkwardly.

**Tip Top Timing –** Raced wide and without cover throughout the event.

#### RACE 5: Duncan's Plumbing, Heating & Air Conditioning Handicap 1206m:

**Zazel –** Began awkwardly.

**Chipstar –** Began awkwardly, shifted out and made contact with *Manhattan Baby*.

**Manhattan Baby** – On jumping was contacted by *Chipstar* which shifted out. D. Panya stated that when placed under pressure, her mount failed to respond to her riding and was disappointing in the manner in which it closed off its race. A post-race veterinary examination of the mare revealed no abnormalities.

**Ferrari Girl** – Raced wide and without cover throughout the event. When questioned, App. T. Martin stated that her mount did not show its customary early speed and subsequently was obliged to do more work in the early and middle stages. She added that, in her opinion, **Ferrari Girl** has come to the end of its preparation. At a subsequent inquiry, App. T. Martin was fined the sum of \$500 under AR132(6)(b) for using the whip above shoulder height.

**Controversial Miss –** App. S. McDonough dropped her whip passing the 300m.

**Single Attraction** – Near the 800m, commenced to race keenly and had to restrained after improving close to the heels of *Zippy Zoo*.

**Breaking Ground –** Was held up for clear running for some distance in the early part of the home straight. Approaching the 200m, had to be shifted in to continue into clear running.

### RACE 6: TAB Federal 1280m:

**Tulla Park** – Raced wide and without cover throughout the event. Raced keenly in the middle stages.

**Chop The Ice –** Raced three-wide and without cover throughout the event.

**Prophet's Pride** – On jumping, shifted out and made contact with *Vella Magic* which was taken in.

**Vella Magic –** On jumping was taken in after being contacted by *Prophet's Pride*.

**Ready To Humble –** On jumping shifted out and bumped with *Mayfair Gold*.

**Mayfair Gold** – On jumping shifted in and bumped with *Ready To Humble*. When questioned M. Cahill stated that his mount, which was first up today, will derive a fitness benefit from today however added that, in his opinion, **Mayfair Gold** would be better suited to a step up in distance. He added that the mare raced keenly in amongst the field today and was ultimately disappointing in the manner in which it finished off its race. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities. Trainer Mr T. Donnelly subsequently advised that it is his intention to step the mare up in distance at its next race start.

#### RACE 7: Vamos Property Development & Construction Plate 1750m:

Correct weight was delayed owing to the connections of Blind Date wishing to view the photo finish image after being placed 3<sup>rd</sup> by the judge. Stewards after also viewing the images where satisfied with the judge's placings and correct weight was declared on the numbers semaphored by the judge.

**Skepticism** – Began awkwardly, shifted out and made contact with *Taumata*.

**Taumata –** On jumping was contacted by *Skepticism* which shifted out.

**Madenyo** – Co-trainer Mr P. Jones was advised that a warning would be recorded against the mare's record after it proved reluctant to proceed to the barrier from the mounting enclosure.

**Monomakh –** Raced wide and without cover.

**Superabundant –** When questioned, J. Martin stated that after being trapped wide and without cover, he allowed his mount to stride forward to obtain the lead. He added that when placed under pressure rounding the home turn, his mount failed to respond to his riding.

# **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. J. Stanley (Bubble Tea)	6 strikes prior to the 100m
Race 2	W. Costin (Has He Got It)	6 strikes prior to the 100m
Race 2	S. Guymer (Master Artist)	7 strikes prior to the 100m
Race 4	App. O. Dalton (Departing Bullet)	8 strikes prior to the 100m
Race 5	J. Van Overmeire (Zippy Zoo)	8 strikes prior to the 100m
Race 6	P. Boudvillain (Tulla Park)	6 strikes prior to the 100m
Race 6	App. C Keatings (Prophet's Pride)	6 strikes prior to the 100m
Race 7	D. Panya (Firealarm)	8 strikes prior to the 100m

# Swabs:

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

Race 1: Guetary, Robran, Seven Horse Power

Race 2: Mia's Dream,

Race 4: Thetis

Race 5: Blinkin Nomore,

SUMMARY		
Fines:	Race 1: D. Panya (Sir Maurice) – AR132(7)(a)(ii) – excessive	
	whip use - \$200	
	Race 5: App. T. Martin (Ferrari Girl) – AR132(6)(b) – whip	
	above shoulder height - \$500	
Reprimands:	Race 4: App. O. Dalton (Departing Bullet) – Careless riding	
	AR131(a)	
Suspensions:	Nil.	
Bleeders:	Nil.	
Warnings:	Race 4: Mr R. Litt (Autunno) – stood flat-footed and missed	
	the start (3L)	
	Race 7: Joseph & Jones (Madenyo) – pre race behaviour	
Trials:	Nil	
<b>Vet Certificates:</b>	Nil.	
Falls/Injuries:	Nil.	
Change of	Nil.	
Colours:		
Follow up:	Nil.	