

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

Canberra Racing Club Incorporated

THOROUGHBRED PARK

(ACTON TRACK)

Friday 4 July 2025

Weather: Overcast

Track: Synthetic

Rail: True

J D Walshe (Chairman), G E V Hargraves, J Turner, (Stewards), D Riches (Starter), P Selmes (Assistant Starter), K Tanner (Swab), C Louittit and M Vilo (Scales), Dr J Saltet (Veterinarian).

General:

Co-trainer Mr P Jones was fined the sum of \$300 under AR104(1) in that when visited by RNSW Stewards on Thursday 3 July 2025, the stable was found to have incomplete treatment records during the month of June 2025.

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Temper The Storm – An inquiry was today conducted into the reasons why the gelding was euthanised on 22 May 2025. Evidence was taken from trainer Mr L Pepper. The evidence revealed that after being placed on a walker at Thoroughbred Park on the afternoon of 22 May 2025, the gelding got its off foreleg caught in the front partition of its bay and sustained a catastrophic injury to that leg and had to be subsequently humanely euthanised. In the circumstances and based on the evidence, the matter was concluded.

Riding Changes:

As B Loy was unavailable, Stewards permitted the following riding changes:

Race 1	Your Magic – N Heywood
Race 5	Fine Vintage – N Heywood
Race 6	Mctominay – N Heywood
Race 7	Rippana – N Heywood

RACE 1: Thoroughbred Park Events Centre Plate 1080m

Racy Time – Slow to begin.

Invincible Tycoon – Began awkwardly and was buffeted soon after by Brutal Belle which shifted in.

Brutal Belle – Shifted in at the start and made contact with Invincible Tycoon.

RACE 2: Hops & Hooves Festival Saturday 27 September Handicap 1080m

Jacob Joe – Slow to begin. Raced wide throughout.

Champagne In Lace – Raced three-wide throughout.

Anthracia – Was crowded on jumping by I Iz Brilliant which was taken out and had to be restrained from the heels of Champagne In Lace.

I Iz Brilliant – Was crowded on jumping by Zambezi River which was crowded and taken out by Guerrera.

Zambezi River – Was crowded on jumping by Guerrera which was taken out.

RACE 3: Terracon Legal Plate 1900m

Remadosi – Slow to begin.

Jump In Line – Slow to begin.

Prized Alwyns – Raced three-wide in the early and middle stages until passing the 900m when it improved forward to assume the lead.

Lucky Star – App R Bradley (*Prized Alwyns*), represented by rider B Ryan pleaded guilty to a charge of careless riding under AR131(a) in that passing the 900m he permitted his mount to shift in when insufficiently clear of Lucky Star which had to be checked. App R Bradley's permit to ride in races was suspended for a period to commence on Sunday 13 July 2025 and to expire on Tuesday 22 July 2025, on which day he may ride.

Darken – Over-raced in the early and middle stages and after the 800m had to be checked from the heels of Due Calzini.

Due Calzini – Was held up for clear running between the 300m and the 200m.

RACE 4: Terracon Wills & A-Stakes Handicap 1750m

Taumata - Rider N Heywood was permitted to ride his mount 1/2kg overweight in accordance with the policy. Rider N Heywood was fined the sum of \$300 under AR185 for changing his boots, as observed by Stewards, after originally weighing out with an alternative pair. N Heywood was subsequently made to ride in the boots that he had originally weighed out in.

Philadelphia Storm – Slow to begin. Hung out rounding the home turn.

Straight Fire – Began awkwardly. Was held up on straightening and until passing the 200m.

Ferrari Man – Began awkwardly and shifted out.

Goodnight Barlow – Was inconvenienced on jumping by Ferrari Man which shifted out.

Region Time – After the winning post on the first occasion was momentarily crowded by Final Comment (app Ms C Sinclair) which shifted in. App Ms C Sinclair was advised to exercise more care.

Final Comment – Near the 1000m was taken three-wide by Desert Voice which shifted out to improve to the outside of the leader Ferrari Man.

Goodnight Barlow – Following the race and at the request of the stable, the gelding was examined by the Club's veterinary officer and found to be lame in its near-foreleg (grade 3/5). Rider Q Krogh was subsequently interviewed but advised that whilst his mount was marginally tightened by Ferrari Man passing the 200m and made contact with the running rail after the winning post following the race, he did not notice any issues with its soundness during the race, nor on return to scale. Trainer Mr R Potter undertook to provide the results of a diagnostic examination to be completed by his table veterinarian, however was told that in the least, he would be required to provide a veterinary clearance before the gelding would be permitted to race again.

RACE 5: TAB Federal 1080m

Never Fails - Rider P Boudvillain was permitted to ride his mount 1kg overweight in accordance with the policy.

Vella Magic – Trainer Mr W Hudd was fined the sum of \$100 under AR106 for presenting the mare to race without its tongue-tie.

Chop The Ice – Proved to be stubborn and very reluctant to leave the mounting enclosure en route to the start and was subsequently a late scratching at 3:05pm by order of the Stewards after refusing to be loaded. Stewards ordered that all monies invested on Chop The Ice be refunded in full and further that all successful bets placed with bookmakers prior to 3:05pm be subject to the following deductions in the dollar on the face value of the ticket:

1st: Fine Vintage: 25c win and 18c place

2nd: Cyclone Rupert: 21c place

3rd: Never Fails: 27c place

At a subsequent inquiry trainer Mr G Vella was told that the gelding would be required to prove its manners in an official barrier trial prior to being permitted to race again.

Craving Magic – When questioned, rider J Van Overmeire advised that his mount knuckled on jumping and from that point did not travel comfortably at any stage and furthermore hung in during the race. He added as he felt something may be amiss with his mount he did not test it from the 250m. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to have a poor recovery rate. Trainer Mr R Potter reported the following day that the gelding was found to have a virus and would be spelled. Mr Potter was told that he would be required to provide a veterinary clearance prior to the gelding also having to barrier trial to the Steward's satisfaction before it would be permitted to race again.

RACE 6: TAB Same Race Multi Handicap 1280m

Bosco – When questioned regarding the tactics adopted, rider J Van Overmeire advised that he was instructed to obtain cover in accordance with the change of tactics notified last start at Bathurst on 19 June 2025 however his mount began well today and to avoid being trapped wide, settled further forward than planned.

Wire To Wire – Raced three-wide throughout.

Tendi – Raced four-wide throughout.

Unreal Expectation – Was bumped soon after the start by Miss Firestar which shifted out.

Miss Firestar – Shifted out at the start and bumped Unreal Expectation.

Cold Mist – Slow to begin. On return to scale, rider Q Krogh advised that in his view his mount, which was beaten 3L, had raced like a tired horse.

Vancouver Mines – Slow to begin and checked soon after to avoid Macinaw Reach which was taken out. Rider app Ms T Martin advised that her mount raced disinterestedly throughout and when well out of contention, she did not test the mare in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination of the mare did not reveal any abnormality. Trainer Ms J Ceely was told that the mare which was beaten 43L would be required to barrier trial to the Steward's satisfaction prior to being permitted to race again.

Mackinaw Peach – Near the 1200m was crowded between Pancake Pete and Cold Mist which shifted out.

Wish You Were Here – Passing the 200m laid in and contacted Bosco and then laid in inside the final 200m. Trainer Mr M Kelley was told that the filly which suffered a bleeding attack during the event, would incur the mandatory three-month ban from racing under the provisions of AR79(4).

Mctominay – Rider N Heywood was reminded of his obligation to ride his mount's out fully to the end of the race.

RACE 7: Willinga Park Vet Hospital Handicap 1280m

Danish Hussar – Was contacted on jumping by Christmas Star which shifted out.

Christmas Star – Shifted out at the start and bumped Danish Hussar.

Jazz All Knight – Raced three-wide throughout.

Liquor Talk – Raced four-wide throughout.

Angel In The Wind – When questioned regarding the performance of the mare, rider Q Krogh advised that after winning last start at Acton on 20 June 2025, the mare had been stepped up

in distance for today which was thought would benefit the mare. He added however that his mount never travelled comfortably given today's genuine speed and despite pleasing in its work in the lead up to today's race, had performed disappointingly. A post-race veterinary examination of the mare did not reveal any abnormality.

Swabs:

Swab samples were obtained from all winners:

SUMMARY	
Fines:	General: Co-trainer Mr P Jones (AR104(1)) - \$300 – Incomplete stable treatment records. Race 4: N Heywood (Taumata) – (AR185) - \$300 – Changed boots. Race 5: Trainer Mr G Vella (Vella Magic) – (AR106) - \$100 – Incorrect gear.
Reprimands:	Nil.
Suspensions:	Race 3: App R Bradley (Prized Alwyns) - AR131(a) – Careless riding. Permit to ride in races suspended 13/7/25 until 22/7/25 on which day he may ride.
Bleeders:	Race 6: Wish You Were Here – Suffered a bleeding attack on the first occasion and incurs mandatory three-month ban from racing under AR79(4).
Warnings:	Nil.
Trials:	Race 5: Chop The Ice – Proved very reluctant to leave mounting enclosure and then refused to be loaded. Race 5: Craving Magic – Not tested from 250m due to rider's concerns with mount. Race 5: Vancouver Mines – Uncompetitive (beaten 43L).
Vet Certificates:	Race 4: Goodnight Barlow – Lamé near-foreleg (grade 3/5). Race 5: Craving Magic – Poor recover (Virus).
Falls/Injuries:	Nil.
Change of Colours:	Race 1: Speed Of Thought – White cap. Race 2: Guerrera – Orange, dark blue stars. Race 5: Cyclone Rupert – White cap.
Follow up:	Nil.