

THOROUGHBRED RACING S.A. LIMITED
STIPENDIARY STEWARDS' REPORT

Report on Race Meeting held at Naracoorte Racecourse
by the Naracoorte Racing Club on Sunday, 29 December 2019

Stewards: N. Laskey (Chairman), C. Deakin (MT) & D. Cookson (HT) (Stewards), J. Forster (F) & A. Reed (Deputy Steward), Dr D. Goulding (Veterinary Surgeon).

TRACK: Good 4
Upgraded to a Good 3 at 1.45 pm
Upgraded to a Firm 2 at 3.52 pm

(Track with some give in it)
(Track with good grass coverage and cushion)
(Firm track with reasonable grass coverage)

RAIL: True

WEATHER: Hot

RACE 1: NARACOORTE RACING CLUB LIFE MEMBERS / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE - 1000 metres

REAL ROY (J. Lorensini) - raced wide without cover throughout the event.

CHERRY COLA (D. Tourneur) - underwent a pre-race veterinary examination as the mare had not raced for almost 12 months and passed fit to race.

VON SAGA (T. Bull) - began awkwardly. Raced greenly in the early stages of the event and when doing so, shifted in near the 600 metres and momentarily crowded AUSSIE SOJOURN. Laid in under pressure over the concluding stages.

AUSSIE SOJOURN (P. Gatt) - near the 600 metres was hampered when momentarily crowded by VON SAGA, which rolled inward. Near the 400 metres was eased after becoming awkwardly placed on the heels of CHERRY COLA.

RACE 2: NARACOORTE RECYCLABLES BENCHMARK 56 HANDICAP - 1200 metres

NEVER SHORT (P. Gatt) - began awkwardly. Rider pleaded guilty to a charge under AR132(7)(a)(ii) for using his whip on more than five occasions prior to the 100 metres and was fined \$200.

FREE HAND (S. Price) - raced wide without cover throughout the event. In the vicinity of the 150 metres was bumped by AKERBOY, which had been crowded by LONG VIEW, which shifted out. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

AKERBOY (D. Tourneur) - bumped LONG VIEW on jumping away. In the vicinity of the 150 metres lost ground after becoming unbalanced when crowded between FREE HAND and LONG VIEW, which shifted out and away from NEVER SHORT when that gelding shifted out.

LONG VIEW (S. Fawke) - underwent a pre-race veterinary examination as the gelding had not raced for almost 12 months and passed fit to race. Bumped AKERBOY on jumping away. Near the 150 metres shifted out and away from NEVER SHORT and in doing so crowded AKERBOY, which became unbalanced and made contact with FREE HAND.

RACE 3: HENSCHKE INDUSTRIES BENCHMARK 72 HANDICAP - 1430 metres

RHYTHMATIC (D. Tourneur) - raced keenly in the early stages of the event.

RACE 3: HENSCHKE INDUSTRIES BENCHMARK 72 HANDICAP - 1430 metres (Cont'd)

IMPULSE DIAVOLO (E. Boyd) - laid in under pressure from the 300 metres until the finish.

ATHOS (T. Voorham) - slow to begin.

RACE 4: ENVIRO TEC SE / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE - 1430 metres

EKALNED (S. Logan) - underwent a pre-race veterinary examination as the gelding had not raced for over 12 months and passed fit to race.

THE GREAT MARTINI (L. Halliday) - slow to begin.

GO BEYOND (D. Tourneur) - raced keenly in the early stages of the event. Raced wide in the early and middle stages of the event.

SNAPTOF (P. Gatt) - raced keenly in the early stages of the event. Laid in under pressure over the concluding stages. Rider pleaded guilty to a charge under AR132(7)(a)(ii) for using his whip on more than five occasions prior to the 100 metres and was reprimanded.

RACE 5: MUNRO & GRIGG AUTO REPAIRS BENCHMARK 64 HANDICAP - 2000 metres

JUST ROLLING (C. Puls) - rider explained the gelding never travelled well throughout the event and in her opinion was reluctant to stretch out and may be better suited to racing on track surfaces with more give in the ground. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

DUKE OF CHRISTOPHE (S. Fawke) - Trainer Mr R. Lepley advised Stewards of a change in tactics in that if the circumstances permit, the gelding is to settle in a more forward position than at its previous start. Settled in a forward position.

LOOKING AROUND (NZ) (G. Gatt) - rider explained the gelding travelled fairly in the early and middle stages however, when asked to improve near the 500 metres, failed to respond to his riding and was disappointing over the concluding stages. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

DYADAMO (L. Halliday) - near the 300 metres rider lost the use of her near side stirrup iron, placing the rider at a disadvantage for the remainder of the event. When questioned Apprentice L. Halliday explained that when riding her mount along near the 300 metres her left foot slipped out of the stirrup iron, which she did not regain for the remainder of the race. She assured the Stewards that she would take measures to ensure that this does not occur again in the future.

RACE 6: HANSEN DESIGN & PRINT BENCHMARK 60 HANDICAP - 1000 metres

ATOMIC WIZARD (L. Halliday) - began awkwardly. Proved difficult to settle in the early stages and when doing so near the 900 metres, became awkwardly placed on the heels of DESERT SPIRIT. Raced wide without cover from near the 800 metres. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

BULLET KID (S. Logan) - jumped out awkwardly and made contact with HEAVEN ONLY KNOWS.

HEAVEN ONLY KNOWS (P. Gatt) - contacted on jumping away by BULLET KID. Raced keenly in the early stages of the event and when doing so near the 800 metres, had to be eased off the heels of DESERT SPIRIT, which shifted in.

RACE 6: HANSEN DESIGN & PRINT BENCHMARK 60 HANDICAP - 1000 metres (Cont'd)

DESERT SPIRIT (D. Tourneur) - shifted in near the 800 metres when not sufficiently clear of **HEAVEN ONLY KNOWS**. Rider was reminded of his obligations to be clear of other runners when shifting ground in similar circumstances.

RACE 7: NARACOORTE HOTEL - MOTEL BENCHMARK 56 HANDICAP - 1430 metres

CASCATA ROSSA (L. Halliday) - shortly after the start commenced to hang out severely and continued to do so for some distance thereafter. Rider explained that her mount hung out and proved difficult to ride in the early stages. She added that the gelding then settled better from near the 800 metres however, was reluctant to stretch out despite her efforts and lost ground throughout the middle stage and failed to run on under riding in the straight. Trainer Mr M. O'Leary was advised a warning had been placed on the gelding. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

MISS MOSH (P. Gatt) - near the 1200 metres eased to avoid the heels of **CASCATA ROSSA**, which shifted out.

ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (3):

- Race 2 - NEVER SHORT (winner)
- Race 4 - O'MIZZNA (winner)
- Race 5 - EL DESPERADO (winner)

SUMMARY	
FINES	Race 2 - P. Gatt (NEVER SHORT) - Fined \$200 - AR132(7)(a)(ii)[+3] - Whip offence.
SEVERE REPRIMANDS	Nil
REPRIMANDS	Race 4 - P. Gatt (SNAPTOF) - AR132(7)(a)(ii)[+1] - Whip offence.
SUSPENSIONS	Nil
HORSE ACTIONS	Race 7 - CASCATA ROSSA - Warned - Racing manners.
ADJOURNED INQUIRIES	Nil
MEDICAL CLEARANCE	Nil