THOROUGHBRED RACING S.A. LIMITED
STIPENDIARY STEWARDS’ REPORT
Report on Race Meeting held at Murray Bridge Racecourse
by the Murray Bridge Racing Club on Wednesday, 24 June 2020

Stewards: S. Callanan (A/Chairman), M. Santoro (MT) & N. Laskey (HT) (Stewards), J. Ho (F)
(Cadet Steward), A. Bittner, K. Rayson & L. Martin (Deputy Stewards), Dr P. Horridge
(Veterinary Surgeon)

TRACK: Soft 7 (Rain affected track that will chop out)
RAIL: Out 7 metres from 1800 metres to 1000 metres, 8 metres remainder
WEATHER: Cloudy

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RACE 1: TAB / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE - 1000 Metres

HI SMOKEY (J. Potter) - hung out under pressure in the straight and approaching the finish shifted out onto DRY VALLEY, which was obliged to be steadied as VALLEY OF DARKNESS, which was racing greenly and shifted in. Rider was severely reprimanded under AR131(a) and advised in future to take greater care and straighten his mounts sooner. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

DRY VALLEY (A. Jordsjo) - approaching the finish was obliged to be steadied as HI SMOKEY, which was hanging out, shifted out and VALLEY OF DARKNESS, which was racing greenly and shifted in.

VALLEY OF DARKNESS (R. Hurdle) - slow into stride. Held up for clear running from the 600 metres until approaching the 300 metres when racing between HI SMOKEY and DRY VALLEY, was obliged to shift out and in doing so inconvenienced DITZY DANIELLA, which was taken wider. Raced greenly under pressure in the straight and approaching the finish shifted in onto DRY VALLEY, which was obliged to be steadied as HI SMOKEY, which was hanging out, shifted out. Rider was reprimanded under AR131(a) and advised to take greater care in future.

DITZY DANIELLA (S. Logan) - in the vicinity of the 300 metres was inconvenienced when taken wider by VALLEY OF DARKNESS, which shifted out.

LA RAPIDE (J. Toeroek) - rider explained in relation to the filly’s poor performance that she never travelled during the event and was disappointing. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.
RACE 2: WELCOME BACK TO THE RACES / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE - 1800 Metres

CANIMAN (D. Caboche) - raced wide without cover throughout the event. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

DR CHOCCY (S. Cahill) - weakened from in the vicinity of the 500 metres. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

BAD HABITS (D. Tourneur) - jumped away awkwardly. In the vicinity of the 100 metres rolled in onto NGAIRE, which was inconvenienced and obliged to shift out. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to be lame in the off foreleg. Trainer Mr J. Hyam was advised a Veterinary Certificate of Fitness would be required prior to presenting the horse for a future trial or race.

SHOTS (T. Pannell) - on jumping away contacted SISTER DEE, which shifted out. In the vicinity of the 1600 metres was hampered as SISTER DEE shifted out abruptly when being restrained and was taken out onto EAST CAPE. In the vicinity of the 300 metres became awkward on the heels of KATE’S VALLEY and was obliged to shift out to obtain clear running.

KATE’S VALLEY (R. Hurdle) - hung in under pressure in the straight.

NGAIRE (J. Potter) - in the vicinity of the 100 metres was inconvenienced as BAD HABITS rolled in and was obliged to shift out.

SISTER DEE (E. Finnegan) - jumped away awkwardly, shifted out and contacted SHOTS. In the vicinity of the 1600 metres, when being restrained got its head up, shifted out abruptly and hampered SHOTS, which was taken out onto EAST CAPE, which was inconvenienced when taken wider.

EAST CAPE (J. Holder) - in the vicinity of the 1600 metres was inconvenienced and taken wider as SHOTS was taken out. Hung in throughout the event. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the filly to be lame in the near foreleg. Trainer Mr D. Magro was advised a Veterinary Certificate of Fitness would be required prior to presenting the horse for a future trial or race.

RACE 3: CARLTON DRAUGHT / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE - 1200 Metres

GANGSTER RAP (J. Maund) - in the vicinity of the 300 metres bumped with THE BRUMBY.

MAGUS MAN (S. Logan) - held up for a short distance at the entrance to the straight.

STYLE GURU (NZ) (J. Opperman) - laid in under pressure in the straight. In the vicinity of the 50 metres became awkward on the heels of REAL REASON for a number of strides.

TEXAS JACK (NZ) (P. Gatt) - jumped away awkwardly. Lost its near fore plate during the event.

ARMAMENT (A. Jordsjo) - on jumping away dipped. Rider pleaded guilty to a charge under AR132(7)(a)(ii) for using her whip on more than five occasions prior to the 100 metres and was fined $100.

BLACK CHEVAL (S. Fawke) - jumped away awkwardly. Laid in under pressure in the straight.

MR ROURKE (E. Boyd) - proved difficult to load. Fractious in its barrier stall after being loaded. Trainer Mr M. Hickmott was advised a warning had been placed on the gelding in relation to its barrier manners.

RASHYATHERE (J Holder) - hung in severely under pressure in the straight and proved difficult for the rider to ride out in his normal manner. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities. Trainer Mr B. Lear was advised a warning had been placed on the gelding in relation to its racing manners and if the Stewards were to see similar behaviour from the gelding in future stronger action may be taken.
RACE 3: CARLTON DRAUGHT / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE - 1200 Metres (Cont'd)

JACJAC JACQUI (K. Bishop) - acting on confirmed advice from Trainer Mr G. Lesnikowski that the mare had injured itself when being loaded onto the float and would be unfit to race. Stewards declared JACJAC JACQUI a late scratching at 11.40 am.

BOLT BY (T. Voorham) - slow to begin.

REAL REASON (K. Crowther) - jumped away awkwardly, shifted in and bumped THE BRUMBY. In the vicinity of the 300 metres bumped with THE BRUMBY.

THE BRUMBY (B. Vorster) - jumped away awkwardly, shifted out and bumped REAL REASON. Raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event. In the vicinity of the 300 metres when improving into a tight run between GANGSTER RAP and REAL REASON and bumped with both runners on a number of occasions for a short distance.

RACE 4: BRIDGES EVENT CENTRE BM 58 HANDICAP - 2000 Metres

The start of this event was delayed approximately one minute.

DISCO REBEL (J. Opperman) - shortly after the start bumped with SCARFACE CURIO, was taken in and became awkward on the heels of SANIMA STAR. Had difficulty obtaining clear ground from the entrance to the straight until inside the 400 metres.

SET TO CRUISE (R. Hurdle) - raced wide without cover throughout the event. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

SPIEGEL GROVE (T. Pannell) - jumped away awkwardly.

SCARFACE CURIO (S. Fawke) - on jumping away lost its position when tightened between BARSHONTI and DISCO REBEL, which both shifted ground and shortly after bumped with DISCO REBEL. Approaching the 600 metres was awkward between the heels of FORAOISE and DOWN THE LANE for a short distance. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding was exhibiting signs of the thumps. First aid administered.

DOUBLE POCKETS (K. Crowther) - over-raced throughout the event. Raced wide without cover from in the vicinity of the 1200 metres.

BARSHONTI (E. Finnegan) - shortly after the start shifted in onto SCARFACE CURIO. Lost its near hind plate during the event.

RACE 5: IRONGATE CLASS 2 HANDICAP - 1600 Metres

MR STYLISH (J. Holder) - held up for clear running rounding the home turn until in the vicinity of the 300 metres. Rider explained in relation to the gelding's disappointing performance that after he obtained clear ground in the vicinity of the 300 metres, MR STYLISH failed to respond to his riding as he had anticipated and was disappointed with its efforts to the finish. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

BLOW TORCH (B. Vorster) - jumped away awkwardly. On jumping away bumped with HIGHLY SKILLED, which shifted out.

CUPID'S BOW (NZ) (T. Pannell) – Jumped away awkwardly and from its wide barrier shifted in to obtain cover. Shortly after the finish was hampered and tightened onto KALAMON as JUST ROLLING, which laid in shifted in.

BLACK SYRAH (D. Tourneur) - from its wide barrier shifted in to obtain cover. Laid in under pressure in the straight.
RACE 5: IRONGATE CLASS 2 HANDICAP - 1600 Metres (Cont’d)

JUST ROLLING (K. Crowther) - from its wide barrier shifted in to obtain cover. Laid in under pressure in the straight and shortly after the finish shifted in onto CUPID’S BOW, which was hampered and taken in onto KALAMON, which was obliged to be steadied when tightened onto BLOW TORCH. Rider was severely reprimanded under AR131(a) and advised to take greater care in future.

HIGHLY SKILLED (A. Jordsjo) - jumped away awkwardly, shifted out and bumped BLOW TORCH.

KALAMON (J. Maund) - shortly after the finish was obliged to be steadied when tightened onto BLOW TORCH by CUPID’S BOW, which was hampered and taken in by JUST ROLLING, which was laying in and shifted in.

MULGA LIL (NZ) (J. Opperman) - laid out rounding the home turn.

AMERICAN XPRESSX (D. Caboche) - raced wide without cover throughout the event.

CRY OUT LOUD (C. Lions) - raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event.

RACE 6: WEDDINGS AT BRIDGES EVENT CENTRE BENCHMARK 54 HANDICAP - 900 Metres

LIKE A HEARTBEAT (J. Opperman) - on jumping away lost its position when tightened between BLUE GRANITE, which shifted out and DEVONTE, which shifted in.

WONAEMIRRI (S. Fawke) - hung in severely under pressure in the straight and proved difficult for its rider to ride out in his normal manner. Trainer Mr S. Irlam was advised that as this was the gelding’s second time hanging in severely during a race, WONAEAMIRRI is required to complete an official barrier trial or approval to race jump out prior to accepting for a future race. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

OUTPOST (S. Logan) - from its wide barrier was restrained in an attempt to gain cover.

HATEECH (J. Toeroek) - approaching the 100 metres was obliged to be steadied when taken out slightly by BAHEERA onto PICAYUNE, which was taken in by WONAEAMIRRI, which was hanging in.

DEVONTE (A. Jordsjo) - jumped away awkwardly and shifted in.

BLUE GRANITE (K. Crowther) - jumped away awkwardly and shifted out. Inside the 100 metres was momentarily inconvenienced and obliged to shift out as BAHEERA, which was shifting about, rolled in. Lost its off hind plate during the event.

KEPTA (D. Tootell) - Trainer Mr D Tootell was reprimanded under AR65 for failing to produce the Thoroughbred Identification Card. The horse was permitted to start as it was able to be identified from records held by Stewards. From its wide barrier shifted in to obtain cover.

PICAYUNE (K. Zechner) - approaching the 100 metres was inconvenienced and taken in as WONAEAMIRRI, which was hanging in severely shifted in.

BAHEERA (B. Vorster) - shifted about under pressure in the straight and approaching the 100 metres rolled out onto HATEECH. Inside the 100 metres rolled in onto BLUE GRANITE.

KIROSHIMA (D. Caboche) - inclined to lay out under pressure in the straight.
RACE 6: WEDDINGS AT BRIDGES EVENT CENTRE BENCHMARK 54 HANDICAP - 900 Metres (Cont’d)

TURF TAPPER – the gelding was presented in the mounting yard with work plates. Acting on this advice and under AR107(2) the Steward declared TURF TAPPER a late scratching at 3.01 pm. At a subsequent inquiry Trainer Mr S. Cahill pleaded guilty to a charge under AR107(1) in that he failed to present the gelding in the correct plates and was fined $200. In assessing penalty Stewards took into account the horse was scratched from today’s event and it was his first offence under the rule.

RACE 7: GOLD CUP FRIDAY 16 OCTOBER BENCHMARK 58 HANDICAP - 1200 Metres

ROHLON DRUNK (J. Opperman) - jumped away awkwardly. Raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event. 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.

GETOUTTHEWAY (C. Jones) – Raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event.

CORONEL (T. Pannell) - laid out under pressure in the straight.

RANGER CEE JAY (S. Logan) - hung out under pressure in the straight.

HEROES QUEST (K. Zechner) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed an abrasion over the near fore sesamoid. First aid administered.

FABULOUS FLIPPER (M. Collett) - jumped away awkwardly. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

VILANELLE (K. Bishop) - jumped away awkwardly.

WOULDA THOUGHT SO (E. Finnegan) - slow to begin.

PONTYPAUL (D. Tootell) - jumped away awkwardly. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

RACE 8: FIBRETRACK BENCHMARK 58 HANDICAP - 1400 Metres

PUTTING ON AIRS (J. Opperman) - approaching the 200 metres rolled out onto MY MOTHER SAYS, which was obliged to be eased when tightened onto NEAR MAGIC. Rider was reminded of his obligations under AR131(a) and advised in similar circumstances to straighten his mounts sooner.

BROADWAY AND FIRST (M. Collett) - laid out under pressure in the straight.

MY MOTHER SAYS (E. Boyd) - approaching the 200 metres was obliged to be eased when tightened onto NEAR MAGIC as PUTTING ON AIRS rolled out.

AURMAN ZOU (A. Jordsjo) - over-raced in the early and middle stages of the event.

VIVALDI’S QUEST - acting on confirmed advice from Trainer Mr M. Seyers that the gelding was lame in the off foreleg and would be unfit to race. Stewards declared VIVALDI’S QUEST a late scratching at 2.49 pm.

L’AMARYBELLE (J. Toeroek) – race wide without cover in the early stages of the event. Rider reported the mare did not feel comfortable in its action during the event. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

SADENTE (T. Pannell) - jumped away awkwardly, shifted out contacting NEAR MAGIC. Held up for clear running rounding the home turn until inside the 300 metres.
RACE 8: FIBRETRACK BENCHMARK 58 HANDICAP - 1400 Metres (Cont’d)

THE ANT’S PANTS (J. Holder) – raced wide without cover in the early stages of the event. Hung in under pressure in the straight.

LADY DRAKE (NZ) (P. Gatt) – Stewards permitted P. Gatt to ride the filly 0.5 kg over its declared weight of 54.5 kg. Over-raced in the early and middle stages of the event.

GO FOR IT (D. Tootell) – raced wide without cover throughout the event.

NEAR MAGIC (S. Fawke) – on jumping away contacted with SADENTE, which shifted out.

PREDICTS (D. Caboche) - over-raced in the early and middle stages of the event.

ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (8):
Race 1 - VALLEY OF DARKNESS (winner)
Race 2 - SHOTS (winner)
Race 3 - THE BRUMBY (winner)
Race 4 - SANIMA STAR (winner)
Race 5 - JUST ROLLING (winner)
Race 6 - CRIMSON TYCOON (winner)
Race 7 - ALSVIOR (winner)
Race 8 - NEAR MAGIC (winner)

SUMMARY

FINES
Race 6 - Mr S. Cahill (TURF TAPPER) - Fined $200 - AR107(1) - Present the gelding with work plates.

SEVERE REPRIMANDS
Race 1 - J. Potter (HI SMOKEY) - AR131(a) - Careless Riding.

REPRIMANDS
Race 1 - R. Hurdle (VALLEY OF DARKNESS) - AR131(a) Careless Riding.
Race 5 - K. Crowther (JUST ROLLING) - AR131(a) Careless Riding.
Race 6 - Mr D. Tootell - AR65 - Failed to produce TIC for KEPTA.

SUSPENSIONS
Nil

HORSE ACTIONS
Race 2 - BAD HABITS - Not to race – Vet Cert of Fitness required prior to future trial or race - Lame off foreleg.
Race 2 - EAST CAPE - Not to race – Vet Cert of Fitness required prior to future trial or race - Lame near foreleg.
Race 3 - MR ROURKE - Warned - Fractious barrier.
Race 3 - RASHY THERE - Warned - Hung in severely.
Race 6 - WONAEMIRRI - Suspended - Required to complete an official barrier trial or approval to race jump out prior to accepting for a future race - Hung in severely.

ADJOURNED INQUIRIES
Nil

MEDICAL CLEARANCE
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